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### Gov. Gibbs' Austin Speech.

During the state convention, pending the report of the platform committee, Barnett Gibbs was brought to the stand amid an immense ovation and made the following speech: Gentlemen of the convention: I am not in condition to make a lengthy speech or do much campaigning; my interest in the populist party of Texas is in its platform of principles. I want no honors at its hands and would not be able to do justice to them if received, as I have neither time, health nor money sufficient in case of nomination or election. What I said is at least from a disinterested standpoint.

I voted the democratic ticket for twenty-four years and quit it when I found it was not a people's party and had no definite ideas of government, state or national. I intend to continue to vote with the populist party as long as I believe it is a party, seeking the social, political and material betterment of the masses, by fair and practical methods. I am willing to serve as a private in the ranks. If it is true to itself ultimate success is certain when the industrial classes take a sober second thought.

From all appearances the democratic party has served its day and lost its vigor. You can't save a ham that is spoiled next to the bone. A dog that gets so old that he don't know the scent of a rabbit from the scent of a fox and that trails three miles behind the rest of the pack is no longer fit for hunting. He is apt to see game behind every bush and catch nothing except shadows.

I am not going to talk much about war. It has been a good summer's diversion and has given our army and navy a chance to show that they are made of the same old stuff and know what improved guns are for. It has repeated our notice to the world that we are by might as well as by right the boss of this continent; if we let it go at this, it is work well done. We can't insist on the Monroe doctrine as a matter of international equity if we seek territory on the continent of Europe, Asia and Africa. You set a hen on too many eggs and she will spoil the hatching. The eagle is a big, proud bird but ought not to be forced to have a nest that covers more than one continent.

The stars and stripes ought not to be allowed to wave over any people that don't understand what it is emblematic of. Pearls before swine are contrary to scripture. This emblem of political and religious freedom ought not to be made common and the people who take refuge under it should not be taxed to death for officialism or imperialism. It is a good thing for a people who have educated, refined tastes, but has choked to death every aboriginal that has tried to digest it.

I believe in the Nicaragua canal and the Pan-American railroad as commercial and military necessities, and in Porto Rico and Hawaii as necessary adjuncts. Brazil alone is as large as the United States, with Alaska and the other territories left out. It is more fertile than all Asia. The farmer often loses his whole crop by trying to cultivate too much. You remember the fable of the dog that lost in crossing the stream, his sure enough good meat, by grabbing at the shadow meat in the other dog's mouth. The other dog was not as happy, or as well fixed as he looked, he was a painted dog with painted meat that would not fry gray.

People sometimes get choked to death on sweet-looking morsels. Every chip has a bug under it, unless you let in some sunshine. Nothing is always what it seems, not even a woman which is the best thing the Lord ever created, with or without the calico dress.

I don't want to take up your time with national or foreign affairs.

Texas has troubles of her own, and serious ones. She has imperialism to spare. Her county commissioners, legislators and aldermen can bond and mortgage the mudsiller's home without his vote when he and the old woman can't mortgage it for meat and bread. This ought to satisfy even a Russian imperialist. Then the great state of Texas, larger than England with 500 miles of sea coast, is in the hands of imperial politicians and transportation managers that boycott free ships and destroy the value of the proceeds of industry.

If the plain people have not dominion over their own coast, what in the devil do you want with more ocean? You have not got a Texas college to learn one of your boys how to sail across Galveston bay. Texas is big enough to occupy the time of any statesman except a rainbow chaser. Its watermelons and pumpkins are in proportion to its soil, but its statesmen are not because they claim not to be of the earth earthy.

If the populist party will make a fight along definite, practical lines, it will deserve success, and if it don't get pie, it will enjoy a good conscience. God's people in the beginning were the vine and fig tree people, not the money changers or the Caesars, and it will be so in the end. Every schoolhouse in Texas is an absolute failure that can't develop one man or woman with intelligence and courage enough to comprehend and discuss economic principles on their merits. The teacher or preacher that can't or won't do it ought to be cut off from his rations. I don't say they ought to be a populist or any other kind of a partisan, but to vote as they think.

We had better look after the peace and comfort of our 90,000,000 of people and to do this is the job of a full grown statesman. The rainbow-chasing democrats, after a backing and filling on the Cuban question, now want to go even further than McKinley and spread their clipped wings over Malay and worshippers of wooden gods. They are not fit to be fed on American millionaires or rest under the stars and stripes, or eat up the tax money of our vine-and-fig-tree people.

Jim Hogg confesses that times are so hard even in grand old Texas that the girls will have to wear calico. In our new imperial possessions, the girls are not that extravagant, and still nobody there except officials are prosperous. Gov. Sayers' model Chinamen are so miserable that they are willing to be divided up among any imperial bunco steers who will tax the vine-and-fig-tree people at home to feed them.

In some states we have had to adopt new constitutions to unmake a lot of American citizens who were better than Malays or South Sea Islanders. We have had to slaughter Hungarian and Italian American citizens before they learned our language, or caught on to their new duties. When we killed those Italians in New Orleans, we diplomatically justified ourselves by claiming that they were American citizens of the third class, manufactured by them 2 days before election.

An old mudsiller mother will tell you that good soap can't be made in five minutes, neither can a full-grown capable American citizen be made by waving a flag over his carcass, unless it is a dead carcass. Some of our spread-eagle-imperialistic politicians, who don't see any need for reform at home, but only way-over-yonder, remind me of the boy at school that would always run away from the hard problem to the easy ones.

I believe that the chances for the populist platform in Texas are better than ever, and while it is a hard job to get people out of a rut, education, if persisted in, will do it. The democratic leaders are about out of

schemes when they try to trail on behind the republicans.

Some populists are mad when the democrats steal one of their planks, but I am not. I would rather see them sincere in their professions, but next to a sure-enough Christian is the fellow that is scared enough of the devil to pretend to be a Christian, or claim that he wants to be one.

I have lived in Texas since I was 21 years of age and expect to die here, and I feel more interested in the people I live amongst than in the people 8000 miles away. I was never baptised, but was sprinkled by the Methodists on the Yazoo, where water was easy, and believe in the Bible as a rule of political as well as moral conduct. Whenever we covet too much we will pay for it in sack-cloth and ashes, no matter how easy it was to get.

Rome waved her flag over every piece of land she could hear of, so did Napoleon. How much did either wind up with? I go more on the quality of American citizenship than I do on the quantity. These imperialists point to the union jack as an example. For every naked African it has waved over, it has made some Englishman sweat blood, and its race is not run.

If the populists of Texas will force the fight in the schoolhouse for good government in Texas, they will do God's work. Make a fight on your daddy, if he wants to eat the bread of the people and still fight against their interests. The official class under any flag, are for any policy that means more offices and bigger appropriations. In China they tell the people that they are pushed on by the joss in this country, it is all in the name of our Lord. It is the same old bunco game.

If you mean that voting the populist ticket means a greater and a more prosperous Texas, then vote it; if you don't then let it alone. If you are not able to get any farther than your own schoolhouse, make a fight there. In the end truth will prevail. It took a fight to establish good government, it will take a still harder one to maintain it.

### Questions They Won't Answer.

Dr. C. F. Taylor, editor of the Philadelphia Medical World sent out in May the following communication to every U. S. senator and representative:

Dear Sir:—Every issue of The Medical World reaches over twenty-five thousand physicians in all parts of the country. For the reason that physicians lose much because of the inability of their patrons to pay, our readers have become deeply interested in those public questions that have a bearing on the prosperity of the masses of the people. Among the questions that our readers have become interested in are: Postal Savings Banks, Government Telegraph, and Government ownership of the postal cars. You are doubtless familiar with the facts and arguments bearing on these questions.

Nearly all the progressive nations have postal or government savings banks, furnished convenient and secure depositories for the savings of the poor, with a reasonable interest. A bank account makes a man a better citizen; and if the Government is his banker, he becomes a more patriotic citizen.

The rapid transmission of intelligence is an important public function, which should not be owned nor controlled by private individuals. All the civilized countries of the world conduct the telegraph as a part of the postal system except Bolivia, Honduras, Cyprus, Cuba, Hawaii and the United States.

As is seen by the reports of Post Master General Vilas, Wanamaker and others, we pay an annual rental for the postal cars equal to the value of the cars. As the average life of a car is twenty years, why should we pay for them twenty times, and then not own them? Besides the rental we pay an extortionate rate (8c. per pound) for an average haul of 448 miles) for the hauling of mail matter in the cars.

For the information of our readers, please answer the following questions:

1. Do you favor Postal Savings Banks, and will you vote for them in Congress if opportunity presents? If not, why not?  
2. Do you favor Government ownership and operation of the Telegraph as a part of the Postal System, and will you vote for the same in Congress if opportunity presents? If not, why not?  
3. Do you favor Government ownership of the postal cars, and a requirement that the railroads haul them for the Government at as low a rate as they grant to other parties for a similar service, and will you vote for the same in Congress if opportunity presents? If not, why not?

A stamped and addressed envelope is enclosed for reply. Definite "yes" or "no" replies are desired to the three questions. The doctors of the country want to know how you stand on these questions. If you wish to add any remarks, they will be published if not too long, particularly if they are on the negative side. I think I can safely say that the members of the medical profession of this country are generally in favor of these questions, but they are not only willing, but eager, to consider arguments on the negative side, if there are any. Very respectfully,

C. F. TAYLOR.

Two weeks later, I followed with the following postal card:

My Dear Sir:—On May 13th I sent you a letter inquiring your position on Postal Savings Banks, Government Telegraph, and Government ownership of the Postal Cars. I requested "yes" or "no" replies and enclosed an addressed and stamped envelope for reply. Not having heard from you, I beg to again ask your attention to these questions. I know that you are a very busy man, and I dislike to ask for even a moment of your time; but it will take you only a moment to answer either "yes" or "no" to the three questions. The doctors would like to know how you stand on them. Very sincerely,

C. F. TAYLOR.

When the replies began to slacken, I sent the following postal card:

Dear Sir:—On May 13th I sent to every United States Senator and member of the House of Representatives a letter asking the position of each on Postal Savings Banks, Government Telegraph and Government Ownership of the Postal Cars. I received a great many replies immediately. On May 26th, I sent a postal card to the delinquents. This brought many more replies, but still there are many delinquents. I do not ask because of idle curiosity, but on behalf of over 25,000 physicians in all parts of the country. I hope that you will send a reply immediately, so that we can publish same.

We will have to construe failure to reply as unfavorable to these measures, and publish a list of delinquents in our next issue. Do you wish to be announced to the country as opposed to these measures?

THE MEDICAL WORLD,  
per C. F. Taylor.

Replies have been published, and a few replies received too late for July World will appear. A few have objected to the last paragraph of my communication of June 16.

Below is a list of those who have failed to state their position upon these questions. Our readers can construe this failure in any way they wish. I think that if a man favors a certain measure, he will not neglect a good opportunity to let the fact be known. Hence I am inclined to regard failure to reply to the above questions as indicating that those who failed to reply are not in favor of these measures. Any who are not opposed to them can yet easily say so. Remember that we are ready to publish any arguments that those in the following list wish to give against these measures. Also our columns are still open for any late comers to declare themselves in favor of the measures mentioned above. We have taken every pains to be perfectly fair to all. Below is a list of those who have failed to reply, though written to three times, and hence are presumably opposed to Postal Savings Banks, Government Telegraph and Government ownership of postal cars. At any rate, they

are not in favor of these measures, for if they were, they would take this opportunity to push the cause along. What a pity Postal Savings Banks were not established instead of issuing bonds. Postal Savings Banks would bring to the Government perhaps enough money to conduct the war with Spain, and it will be a proud day for us when we can prosecute a war without issuing bonds. Why don't our law makers see this? Why don't the people make them see it?

[Dr. Taylor then gives a list of senators and congressmen who failed to answer any of his inquiries, and not a member of either house from Texas as did so. Dr. Taylor adds:]

I sent a proof of the above list to every man mentioned in it, together with my comments concerning it. I have given them four separate opportunities to express themselves on these questions. Now I will turn them over to my readers. The Medical World reaches the district of every man mentioned above. You should now determine to bring these men to the light on these questions. Write to them. Tell them that you will vote against them this fall if they do not take a proper stand on these questions. When they speak in your section this fall, ask them to say something from the platform on these questions. You have the power to stir these questions all over the country if you will only do it. Why not be heard in the interest of yourselves and of the people? Senator Shoup, of Idaho, writes: "I have not expressed my views on these questions, and shall consult my own wishes as to when and where I shall do so." What do you think of this? We think we have a representative government, and that our officers are servants of the people and the people's interests. How different the facts are!

In reply to a letter written him by a gentleman living in Connecticut about these questions, Senator Platt, of Conn., replied: "I do not care to give for publication my views on public topics." The election of a man like that to public office is like a "grab in the dark." Senator Hawley, of Conn., sent a still more surprising letter to one of his constituents. He said that I did not offer him any compensation! The constituent (Dr. N. L. Drake, of Lebanon, Conn.) justly comments as follows: "Well, it does seem as though even a Senator might be willing to express an opinion, when courteously asked, without compensation, a stamped and addressed envelope being inclosed by the petitioner." This question naturally arises: What are our representatives for? What are they paid for? Do your part in bringing the above-mentioned delinquents out on the favorable side of these questions, or aid in their defeat.

### Men to Lead.

Let me repeat that compromisers, traders and neutral men never correct abuses, never found or save free institutions, and never fight for human rights. They always become instruments for the enemy. Wherever they are in control the party is unworthy of the respect of mankind. Only men of conviction and courage can save this land. Only the men who stand erect ever get recognition from the great Speaker who presides over the deliberation of the universe. —John P. Altgeld.

Direct legislation is no longer merely desirable; it has become essential to the safety, if not the continued existence, of the republic. A few years ago the representative system was in decay—now it is dead and stinketh.—New York Journal.

Our system of government was by its framers deemed an experiment, and they therefore consistently provided a mode of remedying its defects.—Andrew Jackson.

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CATTLE are fat, crops fine and grumblers scarce. The Panhandle is a great country.

Politics are getting pretty warm in the lower part of the state and the democratic stump speakers are thrown entirely on the defensive. The pop will have a heavy increase when the ballots are counted out. Their ticket is an able one and the platform all an honest man could ask for. Official rings should be broken up this year.

We are in receipt of a neat little three-column quarto entitled Texas Prison Bulletin made X. Of course we will exchange, and we hope to be of some benefit to the boys, for we are in favor of all-round reform, not political reform only; yet our political ills are responsible in a large measure for our jails and penitentiaries being as full as they are. The Bulletin says, "The war has had one unexpected result. We used to receive quite a large number of papers and magazines from kind-hearted people, who now send them to the soldier boys. No doubt, they need them worse than we do, and beyond question they are more deserving, so we won't kick, but only hope that the war will soon come to an end." So we judge they are not getting more reading matter than they want.

### Spain Accepts Peace Terms.

Spain has accepted the peace terms of the United States and M. Cambon so notified President McKinney and Secretary Day last Tuesday evening. The acceptance was not then formally made and will not be announced until the ambassador has had an opportunity to further consult the Spanish government. No statement will be made by the president yet, but it is probable that soon after Spain has been informed of what took place at the conference the president will be prepared to announce to the world that peace is assured. Although no statement is made, there is reason to believe that at a conference Tuesday night the terms of the protocol to be signed by both governments were discussed and a determination with regard to them was communicated to M. Cambon. The outline of the protocol was drawn up and it is not unlikely that by this time M. Cambon has received consent from Madrid enabling him to consent to the terms outlined.

### One Ship Load Gone.

The Alicante arrived at Santiago Tuesday and took on 1000 Spanish soldiers. The dispatch says it was a most pitiful sight. They were brought from the hospitals on stretchers, in wagons and upon the backs of their comrades, often scarcely stronger than the sick men they bore. The doctors were lined with officers and soldiers, who supported or carried their wives and daughters.

The Americans' wagons and ambulances brought carloads of miserable, colorless skeletons. It was a heart rendering spectacle.

The steam lighters Bessie and Laura were literally covered with the stretchers and litters and the sick and the dying presented a ghastly scene.

The embarkation was partly effected in the midst of a drenching rain, but absolute order was maintained under dignified soldierly silence. No murmurs or complaints were heard, although the tale of suffering was told in the pale, wan faces of the soldiers.

### The Army as a Retortatory.

It has been said that most troops and prisoners are soldiers wanting opportunity or spoiled in the making. The truth of the observation is remarkably shown by the fact reported by sheriffs and marshals that crime in the populous districts has decreased to a startling extent since the war began. We will add that we have plenty of raw material in here that might be worked up into soldiers.—Prison Bulletin.

### B. S. Ellis Shot By Lee Bivins.

Wednesday night Lee Bivins and Skid Ellis, who recently killed Dick Bivins, were both passengers on the northbound passenger train, Ellis being in the smoker and Bivins in the car next to it. As the train entered Claude Ellis entered the car in which Bivins was when the latter opened fire at once, shooting five times. Ellis was struck three times. One shot entered the left breast and came out at the shoulder blade, one broke his left wrist and one grazed the top of his head. He was removed from the train and his wounds were dressed. He was still alive at five o'clock this morning, but not expected to live. We are informed he was unarmed. Bivins claims he made a motion as if to draw a pistol. An examining trial is going on today.

Mrs. Hesperian Gazette leaves today for Plainview to await the opening of the Re-union, and, perhaps if necessary, to rush things up. She'd like to boss the Re-union, as she cannot the Hesperian Gazette.—Gazette.

His side of the case, stated at long range.

Hor. R. T. Miller left this week to look after his fences in the race for Commissioner of the General Land Office, and will attend the State Democratic convention which convenes at Galveston on the 2nd ult. Mr. Miller has many friends in Floyd county who are solicitous of his welfare.—Floydada Gazette.

Yes, but he was not known in the convention. It was a man whose friends live in the thickly settled district they wanted. They cared nothing for how little he might know of the Texas public land. We don't suppose Geo. Finger was ever west of Henrietta and his knowledge of the needs of this country would hardly make a small primer. If the people want a man that thoroughly understands the needs of West Texas, its development and the welfare of its people, let them vote for H. L. Bentley, who has spent years in the west and made it a study.

### Spain's Terms.

A dispatch from Madrid says, "The Spanish government is willing that Spain should accept the responsibility for the Cuban debt contracted since April 21, the date of the rupture with the United States.

"Spain considers that Cuba should take over the debt incurred before that date, but it is feared that President McKinley will refuse to negotiate a referendum. The negotiation will take place in Paris. There will be five commissioners on each side."

### Watson To Go to Manila.

It has been pretty definitely settled that several big ships will go to Manila to reinforce Admiral Dewey and allow the withdrawal of some of his vessels which need dry docking. The understanding in naval circles is that some ships will go to the Philippines, no matter what may be the outcome of the peace situation, but a large naval force will proceed to Spain if the Spanish answer necessitates a severance of the present dealings with the Madrid ministry through Cambon. It is intended to send Commodore Watson's squadron as now composed, to join Admiral Dewey if the peace commissioners are named. The arrival of the Monterey at Manila on August 4 has already given Admiral Dewey a formidable force.

### Gone To The Wall.

An exchange says, "Those who remember the floods of campaign wit sent over the country by Judge during the stirring times of '96, its numerous cartoons in which the believer in silver and greenbacks was made to figure as a more or less insane crank, will be surprised to learn that that paper has recently assigned, liabilities one million. And this under its much-vaunted McKinley prosperity."

### Struck Their Tatent.

It is reported that the captured Spanish gunners have been put to work shelling peas.—Tex. Prison Bulletin.

We publish both state platforms this week that the people may make their own comparison.

### Condemned Murderer Escapes.

Tom Shaw, who was to hang today escaped from the Cliburne jail Tuesday night.

Shaw was convicted of the murder of Tom Crane, in February last, in a row about Crane's wife. He was condemned to be hanged and last Friday was the day for the execution. But in order to investigate some alleged new evidence, the governor respited him for a week, but on yesterday telegraphed the sheriff of Johnson county to let the law take its course. The death watch was accordingly again placed on Shaw, who occupied a cell over the office of the jail. In the night the guard went to sleep, and by means of a piece of wire, Shaw reached through the bars of his cage and pulled to him the guard's coat, which hung on a peg, and from the pocket of the coat he took the key to his cell, and, opening the door, walked out. Some time later, the guard woke up and discovering that the cage was empty, gave the alarm.

### All Who Enlisted Under 3rd Call to Disband.

The mustering out of all the soldiers under the third call will begin within the next thirty days. Seventy thousand men will be sent to their homes. The practice adopted for the civil war will be followed. The soldiers will be sent to the places where they enlisted and from there be given transportation to their homes. All the definite arrangements for this reduction will be completed within the next week unless the close of the war should be further postponed.

An army of 100,000 in addition to the regular army, however, is to be maintained for an unlimited period after peace has been declared. At the war department Tuesday it was stated that this number of volunteers will be kept in service. The volunteers will be needed for service in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines. The greater part of the number, it is thought, will be needed for service in Cuba. The administration is not yet assured of the attitude of the insurgents after an agreement for peace has been reached.

A small force is regarded as amply sufficient for Porto Rico. No more troops are to go there. The war department reached this conclusion after receiving a message from Gen. Miles this week that he was master of the Porto Rican situation and is able to hold the island without any further force. His dispatch shows that the outposts of the Spaniards are retreating without any resistance.

The Democrats are running around saying that Barney Gibbs and the Populists are already as good as defeated. If so, they will go down fighting for a good platform. When Joe Sayers fought Governor Roberts all over Texas on his pay-as-you-go vine-and-fig-tree policy, Gibbs took the stump in North Texas and saved the old man from Joe and his crowd. In or out of Congress, Joe Sayers was never a mud-sill democrat.—Mercury.

### Cavalry Coming Home.

All troops of cavalry with Shafter's army, and the eight companies of Roosevelt's Rough Riders have been ordered to proceed to Montauk Point, L. I., for encampment. Shafter has been directed to use all transport facilities he can command and to send troops north as rapidly as possible. The regular cavalry with Gen. Shafter comprises eight companies each, First, Third, Sixth, Ninth and Tenth cavalry, all dismounted, and four mounted troops of the Second cavalry.

### No Others Make Money Without Advertising.

We have some men here who made money and didn't advertise. They did very coarse jobs of counterfeiting.—Prison Bulletin.

Solid trainloads of new wheat going to Galveston and New Orleans mean cash for the Panhandle. They are going through almost every day now.—Ex.

When Corvera was captured he supposed himself a prisoner of war; he has since learned that he is Uncle Sam's honored and lionized guest.—Ft. Worth Register.

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—CLARENDON, TEXAS.—

### Republican Convention Next Week.

One of the republican committees is reported by the Ft. Worth Register as saying in reference to the coming state convention:

"Indications now point to a very large but very harmonious convention as there seems to be no longer any doubt that Chairman E. H. R. Green will be re-elected with but little opposition.

"It is reasonably certain that Mr. C. C. Drake and Dr. Davis (colored) will oppose the election of Chairman Green, and it is equally certain that County Chairman Springer, John L. Ward, John B. Hawley, L. M. Barkley, W. D. Lane, Judge N. B. Moore, J. I. Carter and others will see that the big chairman's interests are taken care of. There is very little talk yet among the Fort Worth delegates as to the temporary officers of the convention. Whoever Chairman Green wants, or the state committee recommends, are apt to have plan sailing. Probably McDonald of Kaufman, better known as 'Goose-neck,' or King of Dallas, will be temporary chairman, and, perhaps, Easton of San Antonio may be temporary secretary. For permanent chairman several names are being talked of, including those of Judge Noonan, Congressman Hawley, Dr. Pope and Judge Makemson.

"The sessions of the convention will be held in the city hall auditorium, which will be appropriately decorated with bunting, the national colors and pictures of prominent men of the party, both national and state.

"If no hitch occurs Chairman Green will rap the convention to order at noon August 16.

"It is said that National Chairman Grant will not be present, being absent in California, and will not be able to get here in time.

"Bill McDonald has a good sized bee buzzing in his hair. Bill wants to represent Texas republicans as national committeeman. It is said he will ask the coming convention to endorse him for the position, but it is probable no endorsement will be made, from the fact that the state convention will have nothing to do with national issues, being an off year. Two years hence the state convention will consider national matter. Then it will be that an endorsement of McDonald by the state republican convention will avail something.

We don't know how much the Waco Times-Herald knows of their intentions, but it says:

"E. H. R. Green, state chairman of the republican party, and also chairman of the state executive committee, is here today disposing of minor details preliminary to his taking up headquarters at Fort Worth for the state republican convention, which opens on August 16. Mr. Green stated today that he is very favorably disposed to the idea of the convention endorsing Barney Gibbs, the populist nominee for governor, who he regards as a more independent candidate than anything else, as he has been practically before the people in that attitude for more than a year. He is enthusiastic for a free ballot and the development of

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Does the democratic press hold the democratic officials responsible for the increased freight rates, increased taxation, increased number of officials and increased general depravity exhibited by increased official domination of the party? Or do they try to hide all of it by throwing dust in the people's eyes in the shape of abusing and misrepresenting populists and the principles they advocate?—Mercury.

Rufus Jaimason, who was hurt in Collinsworth county last week by a horse falling on him, died of his injuries at Mansfield, Tex., Tuesday.

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# STATE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

The Democratic convention to nominate candidates for state offices was held at Galveston August 3 to 5.

After the usual preliminary work of organization, appointment of committees, etc., the following platform was adopted:

Resolved, by the Democrats of Texas in convention assembled, that we endorse in every particular the platform adopted by the national Democratic convention at Chicago in 1896, but we especially commend and approve the declarations in favor of an income tax; against the power of banks to issue money; for a tariff for revenue that will operate without discrimination against classes or sections, and for the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, with full legal tender qualities and without reference to the action of other governments.

2. We denounce the Republican party for the passage of the Dingley bill, which places the burden of tariff taxation upon those least able to bear it, and which has resulted in a great deficit of revenue.

3. We declare that the present war excitement can not and shall not obscure the money question, upon which the fight in 1900 will be chiefly made, and the interest now being taken in the 2,000,000 people of Cuba and Porto Rico must not detract from the vital interests of 75,000,000 of our own people.

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11. That we reaffirm our faith in the Monroe doctrine, and oppose the annexation or continued retention of the Philippine islands or any territory on the eastern hemisphere.

12. We approve the action of the Democrats in congress in engrafting

upon the bill providing for the present army, that the increase thereof must be mustered out at the end of this war, and we declare against any increase in the standing army of the United States.

13. That we indorse the action of the Chicago convention in the nomination of Wm. J. Bryan for president, and approve the campaign he made and pledge him our support for renomination in 1900.

14. We indorse and commend the administration of Gov. Culberson and his associates as being economical, wise and patriotic.

15. That whereas, the Democratic party can justly claim that from its organization it has been a staunch and consistent friend of the working classes, therefore we declare it to be a correct principle that all public work (including the public printing) should be done within the confines of the state, other things being equal, whenever possible.

16. We indorse the fee bill and text book bill passed by the last legislature.

17. We indorse the railroad commission law and the administration thereof, and in this connection we demand that the legislature make all needful appropriations to enable the commission to employ such experts as the commission may deem necessary to enable it to examine into the traffic affairs of railroad companies in this state, and we further favor the enact-

ment of a law making it the duty of the commission to keep such experts continuously employed in this work to the end that discriminations by railroad companies against persons and places be entirely prevented.

18. We indorse the able, honest and economical method in which Attorney General Crane has managed the business of his high office.

19. We favor the appointment by the twenty-sixth legislature of a committee to consist of the governor, comptroller and state revenue agent, whose duty it shall be to diligently inquire into our state's financial system, including the method of levying and collecting taxes and the system of accounting of the government officials, said committee to formulate such measures of reform looking to a fair and equitable distribution of burdens of government and to a more economical and expeditious collection of the taxes and at the same time provide all proper and necessary safeguards for checking the receiving and disbursing officers charged with the duty of handling state funds, the same committee to report to the legislature, making such recommendations as may be deemed wise and practicable.

20. We recognize the necessity of developing our educational system. We therefore declare that all legislative assistance necessary will be given to bring the system to the highest possible degree of efficiency consistent with our financial conditions and in order to accomplish this purpose we demand that the law allowing the appropriation of any part of the permanent school fund to be transferred to the available school fund shall be repealed.

21. Feeling a just pride in the in-

creasing usefulness of the university of Texas, the agricultural and mechanical college and other educational institutions we favor such appropriations by the legislature as may promote their efficiency and advancement.

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23. We favor the enactment of a statute prohibiting all railway companies from giving free passes or free transportation to any one not in the employ of same.

Swayne of Tarrant offered a resolution in lieu of the one he had offered just before adjournment Wednesday night, as follows:

"We favor the holding of primaries for state officers, whether by convention or primary election, on one and the same day."

The resolution was adopted. The following resolution was announced by J. M. Richards of Parker:

"We denounce mobocracy and white-captivity, and we demand that all persons of whatever race, creed or condition shall be equally protected by our laws in the enjoyment of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

It was adopted. The regular order of business was called for. Nominations for governor were declared to be in order, and Chairman Blake recognized Mr. Cecil Smith of Grayson county, who nominated the Hon. Joseph D. Sayers for governor of the state of Texas.

Maj. Sayers was nominated by a rising vote, amid great enthusiasm. Hon. Howard Temple of Navarro county and W. P. Finlay of Bexar also seconded Sayers' nomination.

Ex-Gov. Lubbock, A. W. McIver and John W. Wortham were appointed to escort Gov. Sayers to the platform.

Major Sayers was introduced by the venerable ex-Gov. Lubbock, who said he had never had a greater pleasure in his life. The major was received with a great ovation, the delegates rising in their seats, yelling and cheering.

Maj. Sayers addressed the convention for some time. He promised that if elected he would be controlled only by his official oath and the platform of his party; also by the pledges he had made and a just sense of public duty. The major stated he stood squarely on the Chicago platform of 1896.

Hon. J. N. Browning, nominee for lieutenant governor, was called for. He made a short talk, in which he said he appreciated fully the honor conferred upon him. He said he stood unequivocally upon the Chicago platform and the state platform, and reiterated his allegiance to Wm. J. Bryan.

James N. Browning for lieutenant governor, Thomas S. Smith for attorney general, R. W. Finley for comptroller, J. S. Kendall for superintendent of public instruction, Thomas J. Brown for judge of the supreme court, and Allison Mayfield for railroad commissioner were nominated by acclamation.

Seth Mills, T. S. Garrison and J. W. Finger, M. B. Gross, F. T. Roche and G. W. Smith were placed in nomination for land commissioner. After a ballot all withdrew except Finger, who was unanimously nominated. Robbins were named for treasurer. The latter was nominated.

Rice, Bliss, Caven and Brooks were presented for judge of the court of criminal appeals. Brooks was nominated.

Hon. L. L. Foster was introduced and presented the following resolution:

Whereas, the Democratic party in Texas was recently confronted with grave difficulties and dangers, arising from the combinations and schemes of its enemies, which demanded the highest ability, courage and fidelity to meet and overcome; and

Whereas, after a bitter conflict, a united Democracy places to-day before the people of Texas its grand platform of principles and its roll of standard-bearers, in full confidence of their approval and acceptance; it is but common justice and a matter of duty to return the hearty thanks of the Democracy of Texas to the Hon. J. W. Blake, who, as the executive officer of the party, led our lines to victory, and by his personal sacrifices, his unflinching courage and devotion to principle and his honorable discharge to every duty, deserves the commendation and approval of every Democrat of Texas.

A delegate tried to make a point of order, but Frank Andrews, acting chairman, declared it not well taken. Mr. Andrews called for a rising vote, and declared the resolution was unanimously carried.

There were protests from a dozen places, and there were cheers long and loud for Blake.

Judge Bell of Tarrant was elected chairman of the state executive committee.

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Cotton picking is in full blast in Nueces county.

Beef is said to be scarce on the Pacific coast.

Longview received its first 1898 cotton bale on the 4th.

Farmers around Granbury are holding wheat for better prices.

Many farmers are actively at work picking cotton around Karnes.

W. Anson of Coleman bought of B. C. Rhome of Rhome, Tex., ten head of high-bred Herefords.

The wheat average of Knox county was about eight bushels to the acre and the grain poor in quantity.

Cattle dealers say that it reads like an item from a paper printed in 1892 to see quoted a sale of grass fed steers at \$55 and \$60 a head in the great beef markets.

The Kemp pasture of 6000 acres in Matagorda county is being cut up to be sold in small parcels to farmers. A town site of 160 acres will be laid off on the land.

The Southwestern Texas Beekeepers' association is to meet at Floresville, Texas, August 17 and 18. There will be a large attendance and visitors are expected from other states.

Holland, Bell county, received its first bale of cotton on the 3d. It was taken there by Virge Willis, was sold at 65-8 cents per pound, and a premium of \$20 added by the merchants of that town.

B. C. Rhome, the well known Hereford breeder of Fort Worth, recently sold five registered Hereford heifer calves to Charles A. Payne of San Angelo, where he has other registered Hereford cattle.

Farmers around Massey and Abbott in Hill county complain that the boll worms are doing considerable damage to the cotton and they are fearful that the damage will be so great as to seriously curtail the production.

Mr. E. Dudley took to Gonzales a tobacco stalk about three and one-half feet tall that was a handsome specimen of the weed. Mr. Dudley says he has about 100 plants like it and that his patch is as fine tobacco as can be grown any place. He is raising it for his own use, and has been doing so for years. He says there is no doubt but that tobacco can be profitably grown in Texas. The sample shown bears him out in the assertion.

Some young corn stalks just beginning to tassle eighteen feet high and two and one-half inches thick at the fourth joint from the root have been sent from Navarro county to the Omaha exposition. They were raised near Rice on the farm of W. D. Haynie. Under favorable conditions it is thought that the field will produce 80 to 90 bushels to the acre.

In west Texas there has been some prejudice against the planting of rape seed, as it has been thought this crop has a deleterious effect on the soil. The following from the "American Sheep Breeder" would appear to place this question at rest. "Rape does not exhaust land, but on the contrary enriches it as few other fertilizing crops can. Sow it in oats or wheat stubble and the result will be plenty of fall feed and a decided assistance to impoverished soil."

The crusade against unsound meat still continues in England, and some of the punishments imposed for selling it have been of the most severe character both in the shape of fines and imprisonments. One family in Birmingham was poisoned by the use of tainted beef recently, one of the number dying. The butcher selling the meat was arrested, his shop closed and matters looked very bad for him, as he will be charged on a criminal charge.

Fritz Arnold, who for the past quarter of a century has been one of the leading grain and flour importers of Germany, states that the feeding of the cattle of Germany will require 150,000,000 bushels of foreign corn, most of which, he believes, Germany must look to America for.

Heavy showers fell during last week adjacent to Abilene. This will be the greatest benefit to the cotton crop in that section, as the fleecy staple had been suffering for several days from be dry, hot winds.

The first western range grass fed cattle of the season were marketed in Chicago on the 1st. There were about 1500 head in the shipment and their condition approached closely to that of fed stock and was better than the first shipment of last year.

Stockmen all through Texas are watching reports of the corn crop, for they understand that on its magnitude largely depends the demand for cattle for the fed lots the coming season. The larger the crops the cheaper corn and the better for cattlemen.

Dr. Victor A. Norgarrd, the government expert, who has been conducting the cattle dipping at Fort Worth, has gone to Rockford, Ill., to observe the condition of the cattle recently dipped here and shipped to that point. He will probably be gone two weeks.

## BEAUTIFUL HOMES.

The Tendency of the Age is Toward Mural Decorations.

Probably at no time in the world's history has so much attention been paid to the interior decoration of homes as at present. No home, no matter how humble, is without its handiwork that helps to beautify the apartments and make the surroundings more cheerful. The taste of the American people has kept pace with the age and almost every day brings forth something new in the way of a picture, a drapery, a piece of furniture or other form of mural decoration. One of the latest of these has been given to the world by the celebrated artist, Muville, in a series of four handsome porcelain game plaques. Not for years has anything as handsome in this line been seen. The subjects represented by these plaques are American Wild Ducks, American Pheasant, American Quail and English Snipe. They are handsome paintings and are especially designed for hanging on dining-room walls, though their richness and beauty entitles them to a place in the parlor of any home. These original plaques have been purchased at a cost of \$50,000 by J. C. Hubinger Bros. Co., manufacturers of the celebrated Elastic Starch, and in order to enable their numerous customers to become possessors of these handsome works of art they have had them reproduced by a special process in all the rich colors and beauty of the original. They are finished on heavy cardboard, pressed and embossed in the shape of a plaque and trimmed with a heavy band of gold. They measure forty inches in circumference and contain no reading matter or advertisement whatever.

Until September 1st Messrs. J. C. Hubinger Bros. Co. propose to distribute these plaques free to their customers. Every purchaser of three ten-cent packages of Elastic Starch, flat-iron brand, manufactured by J. C. Hubinger Bros. Co., is entitled to receive one of these handsome plaques free from their grocer. Old and new customers alike are entitled to the benefits of this offer. These plaques will not be sent through the mail, the only way to obtain them being from your grocer. Every grocery store in the country has Elastic Starch for sale. It is the oldest and best laundry starch on the market, and is the most perfect cold process starch ever invented. It is the only starch made by men who thoroughly understand the laundry business, and is the only starch that will not injure the finest fabric. It has been the standard for a quarter of a century, and as an evidence of how good it is twenty-two million packages were sold last year. Ask your dealer to show you the plaques and tell you about Elastic Starch. Accept no substitute. Bear in mind that this offer holds good a short time only, and should be taken advantage of without delay.

Women may be well versed in grammar, but not many of them can define matrimony.

Beauty is Blood Deep. Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascares, Candy Cathartic cleans your blood and keeps it clean, by wiring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascares.—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed. 10c, 25c, 50c.

The renewal of a broken friendship is a pure joy.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascares Candy Cathartic, 10c or 25c. If C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

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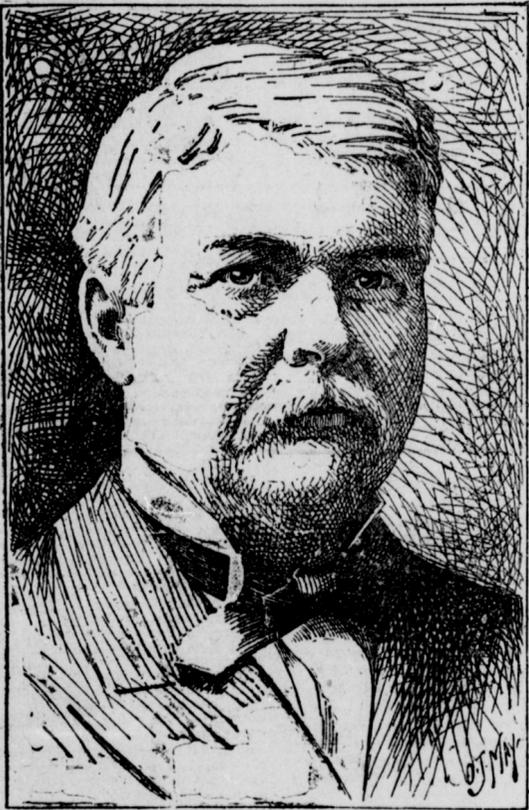
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## Popular Delusions.

It is generally believed in the North that the climate of our lower Southern States, those bordering upon the Gulf of Mexico, is very unhealthy; but many facts could be adduced to show that this is one of the popular delusions so difficult to account for. Perhaps this idea is due to the prevalence of yellow fever throughout that section many years ago, and to the frightful mortality during these epidemics. But during the last twenty years yellow fever has been a less frequent visitor in the South than that more fatal malarial-diphtheria—in the North. And the so-called yellow fever epidemic of last year caused little or no damage from disease, although it wrought much suffering from fright and quarantine.

To show how erroneous is this delusion, in one instance at least, it is stated on good authority that there was not a single case of serious illness during the past session among the students of the Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge, although many of them came from climates very different from that of Baton Rouge. For example, there were four students from California, Pennsylvania, Mexico and Cuba, no one of whom missed a single lecture or recitation on account of sickness; and none of them had ever been in Louisiana before.

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10. We favor the acquisition of Porto Rico and all other Spanish possessions in the western hemisphere.

11. That we reaffirm our faith in the Monroe doctrine, and oppose the annexation or continued retention of the Philippine islands or any territory on the eastern hemisphere.

12. We approve the action of the Democrats in congress in engrafting

ment of a law making it the duty of the commission to keep such experts continuously employed in this work to the end that discriminations by railroad companies against persons and places be entirely prevented.

18. We indorse the able, honest and economical method in which Attorney General Crane has managed the business of his high office.

19. We favor the appointment by the twenty-sixth legislature of a committee to consist of the governor, comptroller and state revenue agent, whose duty it shall be to diligently inquire into our state's financial system, including the method of levying and collecting taxes and the system of accounting of the government officials, said committee to formulate such measures of reform looking to a fair and equitable distribution of burdens of government and to a more economical and expeditious collection of the taxes and at the same time provide all proper and necessary safeguards for checking the receiving and disbursing officers charged with the duty of handling state funds, the same committee to report to the legislature, making such recommendations as may be deemed wise and practicable.

20. We recognize the necessity of developing our educational system. We therefore declare that all legislative assistance necessary will be given to bring the system to the highest possible degree of efficiency consistent with our financial conditions and in order to accomplish this purpose we demand that the law allowing the appropriation of any part of the permanent school fund to be transferred to the available school fund shall be repealed.

21. Feeling a just pride in the in-

creasing usefulness of the university of Texas, the agricultural and mechanical college and other educational institutions we favor such appropriations by the legislature as may promote their efficiency and advancement.

22. We favor the greatest possible assistance to the eleemosynary institutions of the state consistent with its financial condition and especially favor the state care for all its insane, idiots and epileptics.

23. We favor the enactment of a statute prohibiting all railway companies from giving free passes or free transportation to any one not in the employ of same.

Swayne of Tarrant offered a resolution in lieu of the one he had offered just before adjournment Wednesday night, as follows:

"We favor the holding of primaries for state officers, whether by convention or primary election, on one and the same day."

A holiness meeting is in progress at Greenville.

Judge John C. Easton, a Texas pioneer, died at Paris.

The Holiness meetings at Scottsville attracted many people.

Mayor Paddock of Fort Worth has sailed from New York for Liverpool.

F. Feister, a farmer living near Shriner, suicided by shooting herself.

The state comptroller holds that franchises are subject to taxation.

The state comptroller has received the tax rolls of Potter county.

Mrs. Florence Good was thrown out of a buggy during a runaway at Farmers' Branch, Dallas county, and seriously injured.

John Daugherty, who recently died at Texarkana, left a portion of \$50,000. His wife's demise occurred twenty-four hours after his.

A boy has sued two men at Fort Worth for \$900 damages, alleged to have been sustained by the bite of a wolf, the property of defendants.

Another bold robbery was committed in Texarkana, the victim being L. T. Edwards. His house was entered while the occupants were away and \$50 was taken.

Uncle Joe Pearson, who was born April 20, 1798, residing two miles from Temple, recently rode into that city horseback. Imperfect eyesight, he claims, is his only infirmity.

Miss Lettie Poe of Borders Chapel neighborhood, in Taylor county, and E. J. Miller of Clyde, Tex., have been appointed to scholarships in the Sam Houston normal by Senator H. A. Tillet after a competitive examination.

Plans and estimates are being submitted for McKinney's new waterworks. The council will not close a contract until the money is received from the recent sale of bonds. It is said that the council will demand that contractors use home labor in construction.

Mrs. George Holt, wife of a prominent farmer living near Rockwall, suicided by drowning herself in a well on the place of Rev. Mr. Brown, 150 yards away. Mrs. Holt had been in the Terrell insane asylum, and was thought to have recovered her reason. She crawled on her hands and knees to the well.

The residence of the Misses De Capree at Dallas was entered during the absence of the two ladies in Minnesota, and over \$1000 worth of household goods and other articles taken. The thieves did their nefarious work in daylight, as a young man rooming there missed the articles in the afternoon. Several trips were made.

Prof. Lewis M. Haupt, one of the most prominent marine engineers in the world and a member of the board appointed by the United States government to inspect Nicaragua, arrived here from Philadelphia. He will be joined by Major H. C. Ripley, the well-known engineer of Galveston, R. P. Clark of the firm of Charles Clark & Co., marine contractors, and Brewster Cameron, who will assist him.

Machinery is being moved to the hills west of the Bosque, beyond Waco, for the purpose of drilling wells, the parties engaged in the enterprise being so much impressed with the prospect of striking petroleum in paying quantities that they are putting considerable money into the explorations they are making. Experts are there from Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia, and they all agree that the prospect is very encouraging.

Burglars effected an entrance into the residence of a Mr. Blythe at Fort Worth, killed Mrs. Blythe and badly injured the husband. Two hundred dollars were in the house, but only \$50 taken.

Jack O'Keefe, telegraph operator for the Galveston, Houston and Henderson road at Dickinson, and a brother of Michael O'Keefe of Galveston, while at Virginia Point, sent a 41-caliber bullet crashing through his brain, killing him instantly.

Judge E. Bryant of the United States circuit court has appointed Mr. E. T. Dorough as referee for the Galveston district under the bankrupt law. The district includes Galveston, Harris, Montgomery, Walker, Grimes, Colorado, Austin, Matagorda, Brazoria, Jackson, Wharton and Fort Bend counties. Under the law Mr. Dorough will have charge of bankrupt estates till the first meeting of the creditors, when they will have a right to select him or any other suitable person as trustee.

The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Dallas County Pioneers' association was held last week at Lancaster. Hon. John H. Cochran, ex-speaker of the Texas house of representatives, and a resident of Texas 49 1/2 years delivered the address.

AMERICANS DEFEAT SPANIARDS AT MALATE.

Brief Account Received of an Engagement Near Manila in Which the United States Soldiers Kept Up Their Reputation.

Battle at Malate. Hong Kong, Aug. 9.—A heavy engagement is said to have taken place between the Americans and Spaniards at Malate, near Manila. The Spanish made an attack, attempting to turn the Americans' right wing, but were driven back after three hours' hard fighting. The troops engaged were the tenth Pennsylvania, first battalion; first California battalion, third artillery regulars, and battery A, Utah. The Spanish loss was upwards of 200 killed and 300 wounded. The American loss was nine killed and forty-four wounded. The battle occurred on the night of July 31, the report says.

French Embassy Receives Reply. Washington, Aug. 9.—Late yesterday afternoon the president received an indirect intimation that the Spanish reply had come to the French embassy. A cabinet officer who was with him at this time said on leaving: "The information that has come from Madrid about action of the Spanish cabinet indicates the Spanish have accepted our terms in a general way, but leaves several questions open that we did not include in the terms submitted. The communication offering those terms was explicit, specifically stating such points as would be left open to further negotiations. We will stand on these terms." The administration has not yet given serious consideration to the personnel of the peace commission, but it can be stated that no one not in accord with the president's present views as to the disposition of the Philippines will be accepted, and Mr. McKinley favors keeping at least Manila harbor and bay and sufficient territory around it for its support and protection, if not the whole Luzon island.

As to members of the cabinet as members of the commission there are precedents for their appointment, notably the treaty of Ghent. Sigbee to Command the Texas. Washington, Aug. 9.—Two important changes in the command of vessels of the navy were announced yesterday afternoon by Secretary Long. Capt. Sigbee, who commanded the battleship Maine when she went into the harbor of Havana and who has been in command of the auxiliary cruiser St. Paul since the war began, has been ordered to relieve Capt. John W. Philip of the command of the battleship Texas. It is understood that Capt. Philip will be assigned to shore duty, probably the command of the Mare Island navy yard at San Francisco.

Secretary Long announces also that Capt. C. F. Goodrich of the auxiliary cruiser St. Louis, has been ordered to the command of the Newark, Commodore Watson's flagship, to succeed Capt. Albert S. Barker, who has been transferred to the battleship Oregon on account of the illness of Capt. Clark.

Typhoid Fever Conditions. Washington, Aug. 9.—The epidemic of typhoid fever which prevails in so many of the army camps is giving the war department a great deal of concern and steps are being taken to check the fever and prevent further spread of the disease. Surgeon General Sternberg yesterday issued a circular calling attention to a former circular issued by the medical department April 25. The former circular was devoted to recommendations for the health of the troops and minutely pointed out what to avoid and how camps should be conducted from a sanitary point of view, and there was suggestions as to food and clothing of the soldiers. It is the opinion of the surgeon general that these conditions have not been carried out.

Terrific Heat. New York, Aug. 9.—There is terrific heat here. There were five deaths yesterday, the anniversary of the great wave of 1896, which killed hundreds. J. M. Bryan, ex-territorial delegate to congress, died at Choteau, I. T.

Go in October. Tampa, Fla., Aug. 9.—Dr. Mendez Capote, vice president of the Cuban republic, and Gen. Emilio Nunez are here en route home. The fifth cavalry were ordered to move to a permanent camp ground yesterday, and these told that they would be required to remain there until October, when they would go to Porto Rico. The reports sent out about sickness in this regiment are not borne out by the facts. The regiment is generally in good spirits.

Constructing Defenses. New York, Aug. 9.—A cable dispatch from San Juan says: The troops are busily engaged in constructing defenses, although the local papers largely publish rumors of peace. The greater part of the population of the city has left for the country, fearing bombardment.

Red Cross Work. New York, Aug. 9.—A dozen ambulances from the Red Cross society have arrived at Montauk Point and Col. Forward is going on with his brigade to provide for the care of the sick soldiers who are to arrive from Santiago. There may be trouble in obtaining an ample supply of water. The work of driving wells is progressing slowly. At present it looks as if the waterworks will be the main drawback to the camp. When the works are completed, however, it is generally expected that there will be a supply of water for 20,000 troops.

Shafter's Telegrams. Washington, Aug. 9.—Gen. Shafter has telegraphed the president regarding the publication of the "round robin," signed by the general officers of his command, as follows: I can very readily see what intense excitement the publication must have occasioned, a great deal more than the situation warranted. The situation is greatly aggravated by the fact that before any of the men were taken ill they were thoroughly exhausted. At least 75 per cent of the command had been down with malarial fever, from which they recover very slowly, and are in no condition to stand an attack of yellow fever or dysentery. Placed here now in the condition in which they were when they came here, I do not believe them to be in any particular danger. The regiment of immunes that recently arrived is not suffering at all, and I do not believe they will. They can keep out of the sun, are well clothed and well fed. What put my command in its present condition was the twenty days of the campaign when they had nothing but meat, bread and coffee, without change of clothing, without any shelter whatever and during the period twice as stormy as it has been since the surrender. Gen. Shafter supplemented his first dispatch with a second on the same subject, as follows: Santiago, Aug. 8.—Major General of the Army, Washington: In connection with my telegram of Aug. 3 and the letter of the general officers to me of the same date, I have the honor to say that since that I have talked with the division commanders, and they join me in saying that the first report was made so strong because of the weakened and exhausted condition of the command, more than 75 per cent of which have been ill with a very weakening malarial fever, lasting from four to six days, and which leaves every man too much broken down to be of any service, and in no condition to withstand an epidemic of yellow fever. For strong and healthy regiments coming here now and a little later, with plenty of tenting to cover them and plenty of nourishing food, the danger, in my opinion, and in that of the division commanders, would be reduced to a minimum. SHAFTER, Major General.

Lieutenant Landed. Tampa, Fla., Aug. 9.—After an exciting trip to the coast of Cuba the Wanderer has returned here to get into trouble. She came in yesterday morning and a large number of Cubans landed before she settled her anchor. It was found then that she did not have a clean bill of health from the quarantine station and no one else was allowed to land by the collector of customs.

An exciting exchange of telegrams followed between the treasurer and the war department. The Wanderer was refused permission to land, but Secretary Alger wired Lieut. Heard of the third cavalry, who was in command, to come to Fort Tampa at once, and this he did, claiming a right to land under orders.

Visiting Troops. Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 9.—Gov. Shaw of Iowa, accompanied by Mrs. Shaw, together with Adj. Gen. Meyers and Col. E. G. Pratt of the governor's staff, have arrived on a visit to the forty-ninth and fifteenth Iowa regiments, in camp here. The paymasters have finished paying off the thirteen original regiments here, and expect to finish the others by the end of the week. There will be thirty-two regiments in all, and it will require about \$600,000. From here the paymasters will go to Ferdinand.

Yale Battery to Go. Washington, Aug. 9.—The war department has issued orders for Yale battery to proceed to Porto Rico. The battery is now at Niantic, Conn. It is recruited largely from Yale students. It will go with Gen. Wade's troops to Porto Rico.

Took a Fishing Sloop. Key West, Fla., Aug. 8.—The Hudson captured a fishing sloop. She chased two Spanish gunboats. The Onida was fired on by Spaniards, returned the fire and chased her assailants. New earthworks were discovered, believed to be of a dummy character. When peace is declared the army will be reduced. One hundred and fifty thousand will be mustered out, leaving the army 125,000.

Ordered Released. Washington, Aug. 8.—The government has ordered the release of the steamer Mahondia of the Compagnie Generale Trans-Atlantique line of France, captured by the American warships in West Indian waters and brought to Charleston, S. C. A decision has not yet been reached as to the Rodriguez, another French steamer captured under similar conditions and held at Charleston.

Guayama Captured. Washington, Aug. 8.—The first news dispatch came to the war department from Gen. Miles, as follows: Ponce, Aug. 6.—Gen. Brooke, reports Hain's brigade, fourth Ohio and third Illinois, captured Guayama yesterday, slight skirmish with the enemy in and about town; enemy's strength estimated at about 500; not ascertained if any of them regulars; resistance not strong. Private John O. Corder wounded below the knee, C. W. Riffee, both legs below thigh, T. W. Wolcott, right foot; none seriously, all fourth Ohio. One Spaniard killed, two wounded so far as known. MILES.

Philippine Commission. Washington, Aug. 8.—It is learned on excellent authority that the president proposes to appoint a board of inquiry, and will have for its purpose the learning of everything concerning the Philippines from the social, fiscal and political standpoints. This body is to be entirely distinct from the peace commission. It will, as a matter of fact, be more important than the peace commission. The latter will be directed in its negotiations by the president, while the president's attitude will be largely influenced by the reports he may receive from the Philippine commission. In a word, this commission is to report to the president as to whether or not the United States wants all the Philippine islands for a colony.

American Guns for Turkey. Constantinople, Aug. 8.—The porte has replied to the American demand for compensation for losses sustained by American subjects during the Armenian massacres. The reply is the same as that given to other powers, repudiating all responsibility for the losses. In the course of the farewell audience of Dr. James B. Angell, the retiring American minister to Turkey, the sultan referred to the war between the United States and Spain. He said he was much impressed with the naval operations and the terrible execution of American guns and had ordered the purchase of similar guns for Turkey.

Garcia Departed. New York, Aug. 8.—A special from Santiago says Gen. Calixto Garcia and his 1200 insurgents have stopped drawing rations and Garcia has left the province in high dudgeon because the United States authorities refused to permit him to take up the reins of government in the province. The last heard of him he was west of Holguin, proceeding toward Nuevitas in the province of Puerto Principe. His purpose is probably to form a junction with Gen. Gomez, who is supposed to be in Santa Clara province.

William on Bismarck. Berlin, Aug. 8.—Emperor William, replying to the message of condolence from the Hamburg senate upon the death of Bismarck, telegraphed as follows: "This expression of your sympathy upon the occasion of the death of the great chancellor fills my afflicted heart with peculiar thankfulness. At the head of the German mission, I realized with especial keenness the significance of the passing of our great national hero. "May the powerful emotion which his death has caused among all Germans throughout the world testify to the firm determination of the German people to preserve and honor in gratitude the memory of that immortal statesman by an utter devotion to the nation, to the emperor and the empire."

Sick From Santiago. Fort Monroe, Va., Aug. 8.—One hundred and seven sick and wounded soldiers who have arrived here from Santiago on the transport Lampasas, were taken to the post hospital. It is understood but few of the men are in a serious condition. There were no suspicious fever cases aboard. About 125 men who have been in the hospital here left last night on the Washington steamer for Washington barracks. These men are convalescent.

Probably Sunk. St. Johns, N. F., Aug. 8.—Capt. Major of the mail steamer Virginia Lake, from Labrador, which arrived here, expresses the belief that one ship certainly has been sunk in the Straits of Belle Isle. Reports to that effect, he says, are current along the whole northern coast of the island, besides which a quantity of deals, cheese boxes and other wreckage have drifted ashore at Flowers cove, near the scene of the reported disaster.

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Will Go Forward. Washington, Aug. 8.—Gen. Wade's reinforcements for Gen. Miles are going forward regardless of the progress of peace negotiations. This agreement to negotiate a treaty of peace does not necessarily carry with it a cessation of hostilities. In the case of the Mexican war it was a month after the peace negotiations began before hostilities were declared to be closed, and if it is desirable these reinforcements may be intercepted and returned to the United States after they sail. The present plans of Secretary Alger contemplate that they shall leave the United States, especially as it is felt that with the practical field experience they will acquire in Porto Rico under favorable climate conditions they will make good material to use both there in Cuba in carrying out the government's reconstruction policies.

The following telegram was received from Brig. Gen. Duffield, who has returned to the United States from Santiago, where he was stricken with yellow fever. The officers named in the dispatch have been furloughed by the war department and ordered to their homes: Port Tampa, Fla., Aug. 6.—Gen. H. C. Corbin, adjutant general, Washington: Thank you very much for your dispatch. Dr. Geddings, in charge of quarantine, will favor our president in every way in his power. Time of quarantine up yesterday afternoon. Please express to the secretary my appreciation of his remembrance. The names of the officers affected by your telegram are: Brig. Gen. Henry Wessels, third United States cavalry; Capt. Chas. A. Worden, seventh United States infantry; Capt. C. De W. Wilson, assistant adjutant general; First Lieut. H. E. Wilkins, second United States infantry; First Lieut. S. E. Smiley, fifteenth United States infantry; First Lieut. James H. Reeves, sixth United States cavalry; First Lieut. J. W. Barker, third United States infantry; Acting Assistant Surgeon Frank Donaldson. HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Brigadier General Volunteers.

Cannot Visit Hobson's Home. Mobile, Ala., Aug. 8.—In response to an invitation extended in the name of the people of Greensboro, Ala., to visit Lieut. Hobson's home, Admiral Cervera writes, saying: "I thank you very much and also the citizens of Greensboro for the kind expression contained in your letter and you will allow me to say that it is I who should render thanks (which I do with the greatest pleasure) for the kind and generous treatment which I am receiving at the hands of the American people. "It would be gratifying to me to accept your invitation to visit Greensboro, where was born the brave Lieut. Richmond Pierson Hobson, but it will be impossible for me to do so, for as soon as the war is ended it will be obligatory upon me to return immediately to Spain to account for my conduct, which must be judged as provided for by the law. Nevertheless I shall not fail to carry through all my life the remembrance of such brave officers as Lieut. Hobson and also the flattering invitation tendered me by the city of his birth. "I subscribe myself, etc. "PASQUALE CERVERA."

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Mr. Edward Wornack, Ledbetter, Tex., writes: "Pe-ru-na for bowel troubles is unequalled by anything in my experience. I owe my life to Pe-ru-na, and shall always recommend it to those suffering as I was."

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 A Mary's Academy at Notre Dame, Ind., ranks first among the educational institutions for girls. Young women from all parts of America and Europe are found in its classes. The faculty have just issued a catalog that contains much valuable data. Parents desirous of sending their daughters to the best institution should send for this catalog before deciding on sending them elsewhere. It is under the supervision of the Sisters of the Holy Cross and is located at Notre Dame, far from the excitement of even village life, and right among the beautiful scenes of the Creator's handiwork.

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 From Mrs. Walter E. Budd, of Pat-  
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**The Twins in the Turret. AN IDYL OF THE CHASE.**  
 (From the Sun.)

First rifle—  
 Can you see her, oh, my brother?  
 Can you sight her through the rack?  
 Is that streak across the smother  
 Coal smoke trailing from a stack?  
 Do you hear how louder, clearer  
 Sounds the throbbing of our screws?  
 When we come a little nearer,  
 Which of us shall hail her? Choose.

Second rifle—  
 Let me send a brief opinion  
 Of the murders on the Mate;  
 Of the eagle's new dominion,  
 When we've closed accounts with Spain—  
 There, they've passed the word to crowd her,  
 Here's your squad too on the run.  
 Glad we've got this smokeless powder.  
 Now, look out—you'll see the fun.

First rifle—  
 Are you ready, brother, ready  
 With your thunderbolt of steel?  
 Have they got your bearings steady?  
 Gods, you made the whole world reel!  
 Now it's my turn; what, you hit her  
 In her vitals? Oh, what bliss;  
 There is naught in life as bitter  
 For a rifle as a miss.

Second rifle—  
 All hell's loose; there's no use talking,  
 That's the time you ripped her wide!  
 Look, there's Davy Jones a-walking,  
 Picking Spaniards from the tide.  
 Hi! but it's a howling racket,  
 For a great, long silent gun!  
 Easy, now, don't burst your jacket!  
 Our death-dealing work is done.

**A Neat Superfuge.**  
 "George," she said the moment he entered the house, "did you stop in the milliner's and get a refusal of that hat?"

"I went in the milliner's," said George.

"And you are sure you know the hat I mean—at the right of the showcase, with the white plumes and the \$32 bird on it?"

"Yes, I made no mistake," said George.

"And she'll put it aside for me?"

"No," said George.

"No! Why not?"

"Because I wouldn't have you wear that hat for \$1,000."

"George Swanscott, what do you mean?"

"Don't you know? Can't you guess?"

"No, no! For mercy's sake, what is it?"

The tall young husband shuddered.

"That hat," he impressively said, "is called the Donna Maria, and it is Spanish! To think of my wife, of the wife of a loyal American citizen, wearing a Spanish hat! It is too much."

He didn't explain that the \$32 was too much. He merely walked away with a hollow groan.

**A Bargain.**  
 Scene—Bargain counter in Sixth avenue store. China tea pots for sale; all of the same design. Sign prominently displayed "10 cents each."

(Approach middle-aged woman, looking intently at sign.) "How much are these?"

"Ten cents."

"My! Ain't they cheap? Are they damaged?"

"No, madam."  
 (Woman takes up one teapot after another and examines each critically.)  
 "Are they all alike?"  
 "Yes, madam."  
 "Ain't you got one with blue flowers?"  
 "No, madam."  
 "This one's cracked."  
 (Shop girl selects another.) "Here's a perfect one."  
 "I don't like that handle."  
 "They're all the same."  
 (Woman pokes around among the articles for a moment in silence.)  
 "Will they stand the heat?"  
 "Yes'm."  
 "Not crack?"

**English Humor.**  
 Minister's Wife—Tommy Crowther, you haven't washed your face to-day.  
 Tommy Crowther—Tain't Sunday.

**After the Quarrel.**  
 Mr. Plimley—"Ah, yes, every day I am reminded of the fact that a man's dog is his most steadfast friend and admirer after all."  
 Miss Sharpson—"Well, you know, dogs have no sense of the ridiculous."

**Theory Anaxias.**  
 "That is an impossible story."  
 "There are no impossible stories; some one always believes them."

**Improving His Opportunity.**  
 "What is a flowery speech?"  
 "One in which the speaker throws bouquets at himself."

**Buying Drinks with Nails.**

There is endless number of tricks resorted to by the man with the fearful and everlasting thirst to get a drink after his financial means have become exhausted. A new one comes to the front and a south side saloonkeeper was the victim. During the early morning the German proprietor of the place seated himself at one end of the bar and read his morning paper while waiting for trade. A glass worker who was known to the proprietor rushed into the place on his way to work, and threw something on the bar. It rolled off into the rinse tank back of the bar.

"I threw a dime over there S—," he said, "but I guess you can find it."

"Oh, that all right, Jack. What will you have?"

"Give me a 'jigger,'" the man replied.

The glass of cheap whisky known by that name was served, and the man hurried to work.

The same thing occurred twice again during the week, and on Saturday the tank was cleaned out.

"You will find three dimes in that tank," said the proprietor to the woman who was doing the cleaning; but when the bottom of the tank was reached a half dozen tenpenny nails were found. The man had been working the night bartender in the same fashion.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

**Disturbing Wisdom.**  
 Where ignorance is bliss 'tis surely folly to be wise;

'Tis not from founts of wisdom that men's greatest pleasures spring;  
 The fool who thinks he is the greatest man beneath the skies  
 Is happier than he who knows he isn't the whole thing.

**Plenty of Time.**

"How often do the trains run here?"

"And do they go on schedule time?"

The station master scratched his back.

"Dey go," said he, "upon der track, Der mostly of der time."

"You've plenty time to get a beer, Get married, or go gunning. Der trains, mine frendt, dot come unt go.

On dis here line vas so blamed slow You couldn't call it running."

**Beauty's Signal of Distress.**  
 An extremely pretty girl rode to the capitol in an electric car the other day. She was tailor made and trim as a cruiser, and tucked in the front of her jacket was a silk flag about the size of a handkerchief. Something about the flag appeared to distress an elderly man who sat opposite her. He fidgeted about and then frowned. At last, when she left the car, he approached her and spoke:

"Pardon me," said he, "but won't you please change that flag? You're wearing it upside down, and that is a signal of distress."—Washington Post.

**Another Hero.**  
 Mr. Hambus—"Did you see my son's picture in the papers this morning?"

Mr. Gobang—"No, I haven't had a chance to look at the papers today. I didn't know that you son had gone to war. What has he done—cut a cable or sunk a collier or—"

Mr. Hambus—"No, he hasn't gone to war, but in the big college base ball game yesterday he lined out two three-baggers and a home run."

**Inevitable.**  
 If all we love would love us,  
 And let us know they did,  
 Do you think the skies above us  
 By clouds would ne'er be hid?

Ah, no! We still should worry,  
 The clouds would still be there,  
 For then, of course, we'd hurry  
 To fall in love elsewhere.

**He Is Still Figuring On It.**  
 He—"Yes, I really feel as if I ought to do something for my country."  
 She—"Oh, well, I think you have done something for it."  
 He—"I don't know when or how."  
 She—"Why, you were away in Europe all last summer, weren't you?"

**He Knew.**  
 Military Instructor—"Now, can you tell me what a soldier's duties are when he is not fighting?"

Recruit—"Studying the manual of arms and having his picture taken."  
 Instructor—"Good. You ought to be made a corporal at once."

**Safe Right at Home.**  
 "I thought you expected to go away this summer for your health?"

"I had planned to do so, but our family physician had gone to California, so it won't be necessary."

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The Populists (and some assistant Democrats) met in Sacramento, California a few days ago, and nominated a Democrat for governor, whereon there was a division of the sheep and the goats, and the genuine Populists put up a straight ticket. As usual the office-seekers and their henchmen, many of whom were holding office by virtue of Democratic votes, or appointment under municipal Democratic administrations, controlled the convention. The result is there are two tickets in the field as there was in Oregon, and it will likely end in the same way.

There seems to be no way to pull a professional office-seeker from the public trough, except to knock him in the head at the polls, and that is just what ought to be done. That is just what will likely be done in California. Every fusion pie eater ought to be sent to his political grave. It would seem that the lesson taught by Oregon would be enough to warn any reasonable set of men against trying a like experiment, but you can't beat reason into the head of a man when he is crazy for office, so the People's party in California will have to go through the experience that characterized the campaign in Oregon, and bury the fusionists in their little graves before they can be shaken off.

Defeat does not hurt a true Populist but it everlastingly paralyzed a fusionist. The true Populist holds principle above all and regards the office as a secondary matter, but with a fusionist office is the whole thing. Of course there are exceptions to this rule. There are good Populists who have been nominated on fusion tickets who were defeated, and as their experience saw the mistake of fusion, are now as much opposed to it as any one. But the ranting office-seeker, the man who is always wanting an opportunity to eat at the public crib, will do anything, sacrifice principle and party, that he may advance his own interests. It is this class of men that should be defeated every time they succeed in manipulating a convention for their own advancement.

I do not regard a convention as sacred as some people do. It is composed of delegates who are the agents of the people, and who are supposed to carry out the will of the people. By every principle of law and justice they have no right to do a thing they are not delegated to do, or they go beyond their authority. People's party delegates are supposed to nominate People's party men on a People's party platform, unless they are otherwise expressly instructed. If they fail to do this, if they nominate a Democrat or a Republican they have acted beyond their authority, they have done something which in itself is evident that it is not within the scope of authority delegated to them, and is therefore not binding on their principal, the people, for whom they are supposed to be acting as agents.

I notice a number of good honest "roaders" write and speak with a spirit of great disappointment, and not a little bitterness, because others do not join with them in favoring the nominating convention called at Cincinnati, for the 5th of September. I regret this very much and see no reason for it. It is only an honest difference of opinion. Neither is it any evidence that the "roaders" who do not think it best to have a nominating convention this year have curled up on the floor in submission to Butler and his gang of political pirates. On the other hand they simply ignore him. I think I represent the sentiment of my state when I say that we do not regard Butler as having any authority over us, whatever. We would resent his dictation or suggestions as an insult. We simply regard him as a sort of dummy who would get rid of if we could, but the peculiar circumstances are such that we must bide our time, and we don't propose to sink a good ship because he happens to be aboard of it.

I don't believe for a moment that Butler considers himself bound by the resolutions passed at Omaha. I believe that if he had the opportunity and the power he would sell and deliver us to the Bryan Democracy for a measly mess of political pottage. But the strength and spirit which the true Populists exhibited at Omaha leads me to believe that he can never do any such thing, and he will commit enough errors yet between now and 1900 to further weaken him. The People's party will live, and it will live whether it nominates this year or not. It has too much vitality to be wrecked on the matter of such small moment. In Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Alabama, Missouri, Oregon and California it has cleared itself of the political debris that has been weighing it down. It has a million men in its ranks that will never submit to Butler and Butlerism. A million men that consider him as a festering sore which will slough off in time. The elections this year will prove to every honest Populist that Butlerism is a mistake, and then his influence will amount to nothing.

I have fought Butler as hard as any man, but to continue that fight now, that the campaigns are on in most of the states, except where fusion has succeeded, I think unwise. It only clothes him with a dignity to which he is not entitled. In my opinion it is the thing he wants us to do. His own paper is evidence of that. He is continuing the fight on the middle-of-the-road with more vigor, and I might add, with less discretion, than ever before. But it will avail him nothing. Each state will look after its own affairs. When the time comes for another national nominating convention we will have one. When that time comes we will be a unit. And we will not be dictated to by the Eastern States, a dozen of which do not poll as many votes as a single Southern State. If our friends in the East and Northwest persist in 1900 in forcing a policy on us that is ruinous, we will simply part company.

The matter of representation is the

most vital point in the make-up of the next national convention. The true Populists will demand that this be upon the actual Populist vote, a real Populist representation. If this is not granted they will not go into a convention packed against them in the interest of Bryan, or any other kind of Democracy. They will settle this matter right if they have to go to themselves to do so. We should not cross the bridge until we get to it, but we should be ready to cross it when we reach it. We will go on with the work of education and organization. We will not falter nor skulk in our tents. We will prove the charge that we are disorganizers to be false. We will prove that it is the other crowd that are the disorganizers. We will so conduct ourselves as to command the respect of the disgusted voters in the other old parties, and welcome them to our ranks with open arms.

I notice my friend Barker, of The American, seems to feel hurt because I said "I am inclined to think that the demand for a nominating convention grew mostly out of the efforts to boom Wharton Barker for president." I don't see why he should feel hurt at this expression. He seems to think I am charging him with boomerism. I never thought of such a thing. I cannot now think that any man could be influenced to seek a Populist nomination more than two years ahead of the time of election simply to advance his own interests. I had reference to the letters which Prof. L. C. Bateman has been writing urging Barker's nomination. I never heard of any demand for a nominating convention until after the writing of these letters. Bateman's letters were an undisguised effort to bring Mr. Barker prominently before the people as a candidate for president. Mr. Bateman made no secret of his intention, but openly and persistently advocated his nomination for that position. There were many who wanted a national convention for the purpose of reorganizing and defining our party policy, yet they were opposed to a nominating convention.

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**Has an 1804 Dollar.**  
Christopher P. Gallagher, a Bangor grocer, recently discovered in his collection of old coins what appears to be an American silver dollar of the coinage of 1804, said to be worth about \$1,100. Where or when he got it Mr. Gallagher does not know, but he is glad to have the old dollar, and is now negotiating for its sale to a New York collector.

**Some Big Houses.**  
The Sultan of Turkey has just built at Mecca the biggest house in the world. It is intended for the accommodation of pilgrims, and is capable of sheltering 6,000 persons. The next biggest house in the world is in a suburb of Vienna. It accommodates 2,112 tenants. Next come the 3 Rowton Houses in London with 800, 677 and 500 tenants respectively.

**A Theory.**  
"Mike," said Plodding Pete, "how is it that some of dese people kin work day after day an' never seem to feel it?" "Well," replied Meandering Mike, reflectively, "I s'pose dey is started in young an' gets to be immune."—Washington Star.

ONE OF THE THREE.

Dollie knocked at my door. Dollie is my niece and my goddaughter, and it is always a pleasure to me to see her, but when she wakes me up at 3 o'clock in the morning to give me that pleasure I cannot say that it is wholly an unmixed one. "Auntie, may I come in?" "You are in," I answered tartly, for she had opened the door. Evidently she considered this an invitation, for she closed the door behind her, put the candle down on the table, and sat down at the foot of my bed. "Auntie," she said penitently. "I wouldn't disturb you unless it was for something really important. But I can't sleep." "What has been taking place?" I asked. "It isn't what has taken place, but what will take place. Auntie I must marry me." "Extremely sudden. I see no immediate necessity." "It will sound crude. I am in love with three men." "Not bad for your years. Do you propose to marry all three?" "No—but I propose to marry one of them. The question is which." "And where does my part come in?" "You must decide for me," pleadingly. "Bless me, you are to marry them—him I mean—the one—I said confusedly, "not me, therefore surely you ought to be the one to choose." "How can I be both judge and counsel? And I want to plead the cause of all three." "Plead away, then," I was getting curious now. "First, there is Mr. Acton." "A clever barrister, from all accounts. What do you find to love in him?" "He is so clever, so ambitious, so strong, and keen, and cold. Auntie brain is a grand thing. And it is so delicious to lose all one's own small identity and individuality in such a large one—to merge one's paltry ambitions in another's great one. Think of the pleasure of assisting his work, of standing between him and the everyday disturbing annoyance of life, above all, the pleasure of having him to look up to and admire. Admiration for a man is a luxury so rarely possible to women nowadays. And I admire everything about him, from his clear cut features and keen eyes to his enormous brain and wonderful eloquence."

"I was so much astonished at Dollie's own unthoughtful eloquence that I could only blink stupidly for a minute or two. Then I said, "Does he want to marry you?" "They all want to marry me"—tragically. "You have pleaded one cause so well that I fail to see where the other two can have any advantage. Who are they?" "Well, there is Claude Brown."

"Then explain the quality of the essence poured forth for him." "He makes me feel like a saint. He

"No. After all, I think Jack might be struck off first," she said, meditatively. "Only he says, 'Doll, old girl, and pushes my bicycle up all the hills.' "Marry Mr. Acton," I suggested. "Yes, perhaps I will," said Dollie slowly. "But I cannot help thinking it is a pity to be a pillow all one's life, knowing that one could have reigned a sainted queen."



"I HAVE BROUGHT HOME JACK," believes I am the most perfect woman living. When he sits and talks to me I am a throne queen and he an humble worshiper. I am a single, tall, white lily in a field of grass. I am a white-robed nun, a spotless, pure white maiden. I feel as if my hands held the charity and the kindness and the peace of the world, and no villainess could live near me. I am something set apart. I sit in a charmed circle with his love and reverence making a white wall between me and the small sins and temptations of the world. I am raised above the commonplace. Storms can rage all round me and not touch me. The world struggles and fights while I sit on a white throne holding its ideals and high hopes pure and undefiled."

Dollie's candle and my night light shone on the pink ball dress and made her jewels sparkle. But the jewels were nowhere compared to her glistening eyes. I had forgotten now that I ever had a down pillow and a hot water bottle.

Twenty-year-old Dollie had reached the two extremes of woman's bliss—oh, wasteful fates—while some women never have either. But where in the name of the holy St. Valentine was she going to get in a third? "And Claude Brown also wishes to marry you?" "They all want to marry me," she repeated, more tragically still. "And I am judge," I ejaculated, looking at the rosebud face and sweet perturbed blue eyes. "Well, I should be sorry to have the responsibility of giving the casting vote now, and I have another cause to listen to. Who is the third?" "The third is Jack." "Ah, then, what has Jack to offer besides a fair income and his handsome face? A luxury of admiration? Or a white throne? Or something original on his own account?"

"So it is," I responded cheerfully. "Marry Claude Brown." "Well, I may," said Dollie, without enthusiasm. "But isn't a sainted queen a lonely person?" "A very lonely person," I decided. "Marry Jack."

"That," answered Dollie promptly, "would be reverting to the commonplace."

"Dollie," I said, "go to sleep and dream. And marry the one you dream of."

Fortunately Dollie was pleased to see the wisdom of this remark. "Well," she answered. "That is a good idea. For it does away with the responsibility. Good night, auntie."

"Good night, Dollie," I replied, falling back on my pillow gratefully. The next morning Dollie popped her head in at my door when I was dressing and said in a voice that carried the despair of nations in its tones:

"Auntie, I dreamt of all three. I went to church to be married, and there they all were—frock coats with white buttonholes and all."

Dollie was out skating all day. I hate cold, so I spent the afternoon by the library fire reading, and was deeply engrossed when Dollie woke me—I mean disturbed me—again.

There was a clash of skates in the hall and the sound of a girl's rippling laugh and a man's deep voice. Then Dollie came into the library. Her eyes sparkled and danced—her cheeks were faintly rose-tinted—her wide hat brim sheltered a different face from the one that had despaired by the light of a night light.

"Auntie," she said, "I have brought home Jack."

"Ah," I remarked, "then you have reverted to the commonplace after all." Dollie didn't even mind.

"Yes," she said happily.—West End Review.

TRAVELING BY RAIL IN PERU.

**Crew Is Never in a Hurry and Time Cuts No Figure.**

From the New York Sun: The railroads in Peru are unlike anything of the kind elsewhere in the world. We Americans, especially we Californians, hear a good deal about Henry Meiggs' wonderful railroad up the Andes. No doubt it is a great piece of engineering, but it seems to me that the most wonderful art of the railroad is the fact that the Peruvians ever let anyone outside of their country make a fortune or achieve any result in Peru. The management of the Andean railroad is unique. There are no time-cards that we could ever discover. We were simply told that the train would go north or south in the morning or afternoon of a certain day, and we had to wait for it. The natives stretched themselves out on the railroad station platform and slept until the little train came in, with a locomotive twenty years behind the times and cars that we used to see in the United States along in war times. There is always all the deliberation in the world about starting the train from the station. No one cares for time among Peruvian railroad men. The engineer jokes with the loafers about the station and deliberately oils and looks over the locomotive. Stops of twenty minutes at ordinary stations are common. Nearly all so-called accommodation trains are run three times a week. The trains rattle along at twelve miles an hour and will stop for the night at a station. Then the next morning the engineer will stoke up his locomotive and the train will joggle along again, stopping for rest when night comes on. I don't believe there is a train run in the night on Henry Meiggs' railroad in Peru. A man at Lima told me that a few weeks ago a locomotive ran off the track and rolled down a thirty-foot embankment, and that it was ten days before the locomotive was put on the track. The workmen worked leisurely in the daytime and quit at each nightfall. Meanwhile traffic on that branch of the road was suspended.

**Trying the Wrong Map.**

An unusual verdict was rendered by the jury in a case tried in a California town twenty-five years ago. The question was as to the ownership of several head of cattle, which the defendant was accused of having stolen from the plaintiff. As the case proceeded and different witnesses gave their evidence, it became apparent to all listeners that the defendant was an innocent man. When it came time for the jury to retire to consider their verdict, they did so, but returned to the court-room in a few moments. The foreman looked the judge straight in the eye, and said with a drawl and twang which betrayed his New England origin: "Judge, we find the plaintiff guilty." "The court is not trying the plaintiff, but the defendant," said his honor, hastily; and the matter being explained, the foreman was at length induced to express the jury's opinion that the defendant was "Not guilty." "Howsoever," added the foreman, solemnly, "pears to me we're considering the wrong man, your honor!"

**She Had Not.**

"Have you been married previously?" asked the license clerk. "Naw," said the young and blushing candidate, "but paw, he says he thinks I am getting married too previously now."—Indianapolis Journal.

**The 1898 Rules.**

"It is the war that has knocked baseball out." "You mean it is the lack of war."—Tribune Journal.

**Elected Officers.**  
Galveston, Tex., Aug. 8.—At the last day's session at the United Confederate Veterans of Texas the pending amendment to the state constitution relative to Confederate soldiers and widows was indorsed.

April 26 was selected as Decoration day for the entire state. The second Friday of next May and the Saturday following were selected as the dates for next year's meeting and Austin the place.

A committee was appointed to draft a suitable burial ritual. The following officers were elected: J. B. Polley, a survivor of Hood's brigade, major general; brigadier generals, northwest division, Major K. M. Van Zandt; central division, W. H. Richardson; southeast division, C. C. Bevins; northeast division, E. G. Bower, and southwest division, Sam Maverick.

Miss Winifred Adamson, a beautiful young English woman, suicided at Fort Worth, Tex.

Mortar Battery For Galveston.

Galveston, Tex., Aug. 8.—Maj. Quinn, in charge of the government work at this port, was asked about the mortar battery which is to be built on the island, in the vicinity of the fort at Denver resurvey. The major replied that \$250,000 had been appropriated for the battery, and that work would begin at once. When asked what "at once" means, he said just as soon as contracts could be left and the material placed on the ground. Plans and specifications have already been agreed upon, and all that remains is for deals to be closed with contractors. The location agreed upon is on the beach a short distance west of the fort being constructed in the Denver resurvey. Actual work on the battery will begin within ten days, and the major intimated it would be completed in three or four months.

Rangers' July Record.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 8.—The following is a summary of the work done by the Texas rangers, as reported to the adjutant general's department by the different company captains for the month of July:

Arrests—For murder, 1; swindling, 1; assault to murder, 4; attempting to hold up a train, 2; theft of horses, 5; theft of cattle, 3; burglary, 3; theft, 3; theft of wagon, team, tent and pistol, 3; for minor offenses, 17; attempts to arrest where they failed to find the fugitives, 10.

The rangers assisted the sheriffs of different counties in enforcing the law several times during the month. They made during the month eighty-one scouts. They recovered a wagon, tent and pistol and returned them to the owner. They also recovered fifty-one head of stolen cattle and returned them over to their owners. They traveled 4473 miles during the month.

Dr. Swearingen Dead.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 8.—Dr. R. M. Swearingen, state health officer, died at his home here yesterday afternoon after a lingering illness. He had been a sufferer from Bright's disease for several months and the disease took an acute form a few days ago. He lost consciousness Saturday and gradually sank until death came.

Dr. Swearingen was almost 60 years of age. He leaves a widow and a married daughter. He had served twelve years as state health officer.

Cow Caused It.

Caldwell, Tex., Aug. 8.—Saturday morning Mr. Jos. Stahlmach was trying to take a piece of rope from around the hind leg of a kicking cow. He took a piece of pole about ten feet long and was trying to push the rope off and the cow kicked, hitting one end of the pole and the other end struck Mr. Stahlmach in the stomach, from the effect of which he died yesterday morning. He was about 55 years old and an excellent citizen.

Going to Omaha.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 8.—A party of Texans will be present at the Omaha exposition on Texas day, the 18th instant. The governor and his staff, Congressman Sayers, ex-Gov. R. B. Hubbard, who will deliver the principal address on Texas day, and some prominent citizens from over the state, will leave here on the 15th in a special train for their exclusive use. Lieut. Gov. Jester will preside during the governor's absence from the state.

Labor day is to be celebrated on a large scale at Dallas, Tex.

J. W. Franks was killed in a difficulty at Ladonia, Tex.

An Old Man's Plight.

Cookville, Tex., Aug. 8.—News has just reached this place of a sad sight. J. M. Tigert and R. A. White were hunting in White Sulphur bottom Friday and came in sight of a man crawling on hands and knees. On going to and talking with him they found it to be one old Jim Williams, 68 years old and blind, who had been wandering alone since Sunday week past without a morsel of food of any kind for twalva days and nights.

**TIME TABLE.**  
Fort Worth & Denver City Railway.

**NORTH BOUND.**  
No. 2 Mail and Express—  
Arrives 9:45 p. m. Leaves 9:55 p. m.  
Local, No. 14, daily except Sunday—  
Arrives 10:20 a. m. Leaves 3:43 a. m.

**SOUTH BOUND.**  
No. 1 Mail and Express—  
Arrives 6:30 a. m. Leaves 6:45 a. m.  
Local, No. 13, daily except Sunday—  
Arrives 3:30 p. m. Leaves 7:35 p. m.

**RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.**  
Baptist, 2d, 3d and 4th Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—Rev. L. Tomme, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night. Sunbeam 4 p. m. every Sunday.  
M. E. South, services every Sunday—Rev. J. M. Sherman, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Junior Epworth League at 3 p. m. Epworth League at 4 p. m. every Sunday.  
M. E. every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—Rev. George Evans, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Junior Epworth League 4 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Epworth League every Monday night.  
Christian, 1st—Elder Ed E. Dubbs, pastor. Society of Christian Endeavor every Friday night. Sunday school 10 a. m.  
St. John the Baptist (Episcopal), Rev. Henry A. Skinner, rector. Services first three Sundays of each month, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Church seats free to all.  
Presbyterian, 3d Sunday—Rev. J. W. Smith, pastor. Sunday school 3 p. m.  
Catholic, 3d—Rev. J. A. Leneit, priest in charge.

**SOCIETIES.**  
I. O. O. F.—Clarendon Lodge No. 381, meets every Thursday evening in their hall over the Bank of Clarendon. Visiting brothers are made welcome. J. C. HARTMAN, C. P.  
W. T. JONES, Sec'y.  
EVENING STAR ENCAMPMENT No. 143 I. O. O. F., meets 1st Tuesday night in each month. G. C. HARTMAN, C. P.  
JOHN SIMS, scribe.  
A. F. & A. M.—Clarendon Lodge No. 700, meets 2nd Saturday night in each month over the Bank of Clarendon. GEO. MORGAN, W. M. A. M. BEVILLE, Sec.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

For Judge 47th Judicial District,  
JOHN W. VEALE.  
H. H. WALLACE.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector  
K. AYCOCK.  
W. H. OLIVER,  
WM. TROUP.

For County and District Clerk,  
C. A. BURTON,  
W. H. COOKE.

For County Treasurer,  
H. D. RAMSEY.

For Tax Assessor,  
G. W. BAKER,  
JAMES ROBERTSON,  
G. W. GRAHAM.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1,  
G. W. WASHINGTON.

For County Commissioner, Precinct 3,  
J. M. SHELTON.

**LOCAL ITEMS.**

Couab Honey at Anderson's.

Mrs. Bob Harvey went to Raton, N. M., last night on a visit.

Miss Bettie Robinson went to Fort Worth last Saturday on a visit.

Mrs. Goodnight has been visiting in Clarendon since Wednesday.

R. L. Collins and wife returned from Wichita Falls Wednesday night.

Judge and Mrs. B. H. White returned from their trip to Omaha last Friday night.

Mrs. Tom Latham, of Quanah, arrived Tuesday night on a visit to Mrs. Robt. Hall.

Mrs. Homer Calvert, who has been visiting her parents here, returned to Wichita Falls Wednesday.

Mr. D. Barnhart and family returned Wednesday morning from Denver and Colorado Springs.

Miss Katie Hooks, who spent two weeks here visiting her brother, returned to her home in Waco Monday.

John Bain of Magdalena, New Mex., arrived here yesterday on his way to visit his brother at Silverton.

Arthur Hunt, from Whitefish, was in yesterday and had a large tumor removed from his breast by Dr. Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Collins returned Wednesday night from Wichita Falls where they have been visiting.

The ladies of the M. E. church, south, gave a supper at the Griffin building last night from which they realized some \$30.

Miss Rubie Bugbee returned from her Wichita Falls visit Wednesday night accompanied by Miss Katie Word and Edith Ellis.

All irregularities of a printshop are charged to the devil, but guilty or not, the Claude locals on our last page are placed under a Clarendon head.

Rev. J. N. Kendall will preach at the M. E. church next Sunday and Sunday night, filling the pulpit in the absence of Rev. Geo. Evans, the pastor.

Charley Caperton, who is mining at Ouray, Col., came in yesterday morning from that place and spent yesterday in town. He leaves today for Collingsworth to visit relatives.

The ladies of the Baptist church will give an ice cream social at the Griffin building Monday night. They will endeavor to make it pleasant for all and the public is invited.

Mrs. J. D. Jefferies, Mrs. L. C. Beverley, Miss Bertha Warner and Minnie Beverley returned home Wednesday from different points in Colorado where they have been for two weeks.

Dan Sibert returned from his trip to Washington City, Shenandoah Valley, Va., and other points north-east, last Friday. He says people there with good homes can live easy, but to a fellow that wants to lay by something for a rainy day the Panhandle is much more desirable.

Mr. B. T. Naylor, T. N. Naylor, also Fred Weidman presented us with some fine melons the past few days. But the largest one to date this year came from W. T. White. It weighed 59 pounds and was excellent in flavor. This, unless some one brings a larger one, entitles Mr. White to the premium of a year's subscription. All the donors will please accept thanks for their favors.

John Sims baby was reported very sick this morning.

Mrs. D. J. Calvery has returned from her visit near Waco.

A child of John T. Smith died last Friday after a brief illness.

The weather has been most pleasant the past week, and the nights delightfully cool.

Prof. Silvey has added a room to his residence and Mr. McLean is adding to his dwelling.

It is reported that Al Holland, sheriff of Carson county, was drunk and done some promiscuous shooting on the train near Claude Tuesday night.

We have had on hand considerable job work this week in the nature of "rush jobs," to which you may at tribute any short comings you discover in the paper.

Judge Joseph Hall, of Amarillo, was a caller at our office this week. He is a candidate for district attorney and has the ability to fill the office with credit.

Scafe Morris, nephew of Dr. Morris, left this morning for his home at Breckinridge, Tex. John Scafe, son of Dr. Morris, also went along to visit his grandmother.

The trustees of the Clarendon College and University Training school are having a pamphlet printed announcing the opening of their school Sep. 5, giving terms, advantages, etc. Dr. J. W. Adkisson, the president has numerous testimonials from all over the country.

The Catholic ladies will give a festival, ice cream and cake, at the Griffin building Aug. 25, the proceeds to be used to furnish their forthcoming school building. Mesdames Kelley, Faker, Cooper, Biser, and Jupe compose the committee.

Judge Walters, of Waxahachie, was here the first of the week to attend court. The Judge is a good lawyer, well informed on public questions and a staunch populist. We have been told he thinks of locating in Clarendon.

Attorney H. B. White must have been almost upset by the noisy crowd at Galveston. He says the democratic majority will be 250,000. Or it may be that since gold standard men have been placed at the head of his ticket he is counting on the entire republican vote too, and then doubled the probable figures.

Buy your croquet sets at Stocking's.

An entire carload of Hamilton Brown shoes just received at MORRIS ROSENFIELDS.

No finer tablets for the money have ever been seen in town than are on display at Dr. Stocking's.

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Try a package of Lice Killer, it will rid your premises of all kinds of insects, fleas, etc. Anderson has it.

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The Morgan Lumber Co. has a lot of nice clean millet seed for sale.

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**Take Notice.**  
Ladies of Clarendon and Donley County:  
On and after Saturday, July 9, our entire stock of Summer Dress Goods, consisting of Lawns, Organzies, Challies and Satteens will be sacrificed at actual cost. Our stock is large and complete, and of latest patterns. Please call and convince yourselves that the above is bona fide.  
Respectfully,  
MORRIS ROSENFIELDS.

Stocking has anything you may call for in the line of Memorandums, Time books and Pocket ledgers.

**District Court.**  
Court convened Monday with a great many people in town from surrounding counties, but most of the important cases were continued to the February term.

The following were continued:  
State vs. D. L. Childress, Donley, perjury.  
State vs. S. H. Vinn, Moore, cattle theft, two cases.

State vs. J. H. Pettiett, Hall, arson.  
State vs. J. A. Reed, Hall, murder.

State vs. Still Bros., Donley, theft.  
The only case tried was that of Geo. Collins for theft of cattle from Armstrong. It consumed several days. The jury rendered a verdict of not guilty yesterday morning.

Court then adjourned to next Tuesday.  
The grandjury, we are informed, has found eight true bills.

Bob Wilson, brakeman on the passenger run between here and Fort Worth, lost a little finger and a portion of his hand at Bellevue Wednesday between the drawheads. He is one of the most courteous and obliging employees on the road and his many friends sympathize with him. He had previously lost a fore finger from the same hand.

Corn knives and Knout cutters at Anderson's.

Jaes Bros. & Brown of Childress county sold their yearlings at \$21 for November delivery. Very few cattle are offered of any kind or at any price just now.

Neat candidate cards, any size, at this office.

Many Childress county stockmen are preparing to vaccinate their young stock for black-leg. One firm vaccinated 150 head recently and others are now treating smaller lots.

Neat candidate's cards, any size, at this office.

For fleas and lice on chickens, dogs, cattle and horses use Pheno-Cholor. It is on sale at Stocking's drug store.

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