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A Boston man lost his leg from the bite of an insect two years before. To avert such calamities from stings and bites of insects use Bucklen's Arnica Salve promptly to kill the poison and prevent inflammation, swelling and pain. Heals burns, boils, ulcers, piles, eczema, cuts, bruises. Only 25c at J. A. Heymans.

## A Plea For Our Town

### A Clean Town Promotes Health, Civic Beauty And Good Morals

### Feb 5th Suggested as "Clean-Up Day"

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We heartily endorse the following article by Rev. B. W. N. Simms, and earnestly urge every citizen of this place to give careful consideration, and adopt the course herein suggested:

"I have been in Junction two months. I am not a citizen of Kimble county. We like Junction. Naturally it is a beautiful location. But we see some things that need to be done—things we can do; should do; must do if we have any laudible desire to build up the town by inviting the public to come and see us and help us to enjoy its blessings. Some citizens or business men, or both, have done a noble work in grading and graveling some our sidewalks and streets. Others have cleaned up their premises, sidewalks, gullies and alleys. We bespeak the hearty co-operation of every man, woman, schoolboy and girl, in now going ahead and cleaning up the entire town. It needs to be, sadly, unmistakably and at once. No stranger will care to cast his lot and life with a people who have not selfrespect and selfinterest enough to keep their premises decent, respectable and healthful, as far as cleanliness is essential thereto. No argument should be needed to induce respectable people to keep their premises clean. Self-respect will force them to do so. We shall be judged by the decency with which we keep the town. The way to do this is for each family and property owner to clean up about, around and throughout his own dwelling place, whether it is owned by them or rented.

"I suggest that we all do this now; and I suggest Monday, February 5th, as "Clean Up Day." Let there be a universal move upon us all on or before this day, or the next fair day thereafter. Let us all have a pride to do this and in doing this; and let us do it without fail and do it thoroughly. Three or four things ought to inspire us: First, the health of our town and the comfort of our dwelling places will be greatly promoted by so doing. Diseases which are prevalent now throughout some places, will not find any harborings about our little city if this is done. But there is another reason: Did you ever think about it, that one's religion and moral life is greatly promoted or degraded by one's surroundings? Carelessness about one's home as to order and cleanliness, will soon tell upon one's character. What is true of the home life, the home, the yard, the garden and the streets about the premises is also true of one's person. Carelessness in dress, cleanliness of body, indecency of appearance will deteriorate one's moral life. This is true beyond a doubt. It is said that "cleanliness is next to Godliness." If this be true (and we believe it) some of us are far from God. "He is not in all of our thoughts." But another reason just as good as the above. Strangers who come into Junction will judge of the character of its inhabitants by the decency with which they keep their premises. They will be coming in to see us soon. Some are already here. Do let us all rise up and clean up all of this town, and let's do it on or before or at once after February the fifth, the first Monday in February."


# DON'T FORGET

that I carry a nice line of suits, pants, a fine line of Gent's Furnishings. Just received an excellent line of Men's Low Quarter Shoes for Spring, Star Brand, $4.00, $3,75, $3.50, $3.00, $2.75 and $2.50. Come in and see them before they are picked over.

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I am going to close out my Ladies' Coats and Suits AT COST and BELOW COST. Call and see for yourself.

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All Kinds of Groceries

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"The Cash Bargain House"


## Statement from Dr. Steiner

### State Health Officer Dr. Steiner Empasizes Absurdity of Quarantine Against Merchandise. Regards General Quarantine Unnecessary.

Dallas, Texas, Jan 24, 1912

Mayor W. M. Holland has just received a telegram from Dr. Ralph Steiner, State Health Officer, in which he calls to especial attention the absurdity of the refusal of merchandise shipped from affected points. His wire reads as follows:

"W. M. Holland, Mayor,
Dallas, Texas.

The State Board of Health while advising quarantine of individual cases menegitis, regards general quarantine unnecessary. Quarantine against merchandise is absolutely absurd. Have repeatedly expressed these views to the press.

(Signed)

Dr. Ralph Steiner."

Dr. Steiner returned to Austin Monday night, after having gone over the situation in Dallas very thoroughly, and expressed himself as being much pleased with the improving conditions of the State generally, and Dallas especially. While in Dallas Monday Dr. Steiner issued the following statement:

"I wish to urge upon city and county officers all over Texas to enforce strictly the regulations against spitting in public places. Where cuspidors are located, they should be partly filled with antiseptic solution of kill germs. When persons are found to have come in contact with the disease other doctors should advise the authorities and give special instructions to patients and their families.

In a few days the State Board of Health will issue a special circular to physicians and health officers and all of them will be urged, when cases of contact are found, to submit slides of the secretion to the State Bacteriologist at Austin for examination. Quarantines by small towns are ineffective and injurious and are to be discouraged.

"I am pleased with the situation in general and there is considerable improvement in Dallas. I look for early cessation of the disease."

## GENERAL DIRECTORY

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### COUNTY OFFICERS

Judge ..... W. A. Spencer
Clerk ..... A. G. Lawler
Sheriff and Tax Collector ..... I. O. Weldon
Treasurer ..... J. A. Browning
Assessor ..... O. C. Reid
Surveyor ..... R. M. Stevenson
County Attorney ..... J. F. Reid

COMMISSIONERS

Precinct No. 1 ..... Y. P. Oliver
Precinct No. 2 ..... John A. Cowsert
Precinct No. 3 ..... Will Miller
Precinct No. 4 ..... G. W. Hodges

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Precinct No. 1 ..... T. J. Meredith
Precinct No. 2 ..... J. B. Reese

### MAIL ROUTES

KERRVILLE

Leaves Junction daily at 5 a. m. Arrives in Kerrville same day at 6 p. m. Leaves Kerrville daily at 8:00 p. m. Arrives in Junction next day at 6 a. m. Bundy & Pethmeyer, Contractors.

MASON

Leaves Junction daily except Sunday, arrives in Junction daily except Sunday at 5 p. m. J. L. Bruce contractor

TELEGRAPH

Leaves Junction Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 7 a. m. Arrives in Junction Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 5 p. m. Jeff Meredith, contractor.

### CHURCHES

METHODIST—

First Sunday, Gentry. Second and Fourth Junction, Third, Copperas. Sunday school 9:45. Prayer meeting Thursday night.

BAPTIST—Sunday School 9:30 a. m.

Services First Second and Third Sundays in each month, morning and evening. Midweek services each Wednesday night. B. Y. P. U. usual time. Rev. B. W. N. Simms, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL—Services Third Sunday in each month, 11 a. m. Other services by appointment. Rev. Richard Shearer, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN.—Services Fourth Sunday in each month, morning and night.

PRESBYTERIAN—Services every Fourth Saturday night and every Fourth Sunday, 11 a. m. and afternoon at 2:30

### SECRET ORDERS

A. F. & A. M.

Junction City Lodge No. 548, meet Second Saturday in each month. W. A. Quisenberry W. M., W. P. Riley, Sec

W. O. W.

Mountain Camp No. 434. Meets First Saturday. J. N. Hodges, C. C. W. P. Riley, Clerk.

W. C.

Woodmen Circle meets second and fourth Wednesday afternoons in each month. Mrs. Beatrice Wright, Guardian. Mrs. Lilla Chenault, Clerk

M. O. P.

Meets Saturday night before the 4th Sunday in each month. U. R. Stevenson S. A.

K. OF P.

Junction Lodge No. 283, meets 2nd Wednesday and 4th Saturday in each month. W. R. McKee, C. C.

I. O. O. F.

Meets every Friday night. N. A. Fowle N. G; Hilry Henderson, Secretary

O. E. S.

Junction City Chapter No. 497 meets 2d Saturday afternoon and 4th Thursday evening of each month.

Mrs. Ethel Atchison, W. M.
Mrs. Minnie Riley, Sec'y.

### SOCIETIES

J. B. Robertson Chapter U. D. C meets 1st and 3d Wednesdays in each month. Mrs. Dona Boone, President. Miss Minnie Stephens, Treasurer.

Woman's Home Mission Society meets Friday before second Sunday in each month. Mrs. J. T. Bissett, Pres. Mrs. J. M. Hodges, Treas. Miss Bula Hodges, Sec. Mrs. F. M. Evans, Asst. Sec.

Baptist Ladies Aid Society meets Tuesdays after every First and Third Sundays in each month. Mrs. Ella Wilcox, Pres. Mrs. W. A. Quisenberry, Sec


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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1912


Citizen want ads bring results

The prospector loveth a clean town

If you didn't qualify as a voter this year, whose fault is it?

The stork brought a Miss Caldwell to Junction Tuesday; she is stopping with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Caldwell who are visiting with the young lady's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Pickens.

J. W. Ragland places his name before the people this week as candidate for Tax Assessor of Kimble county. Mr Ragland is well and favorably known in the county and merely asks fair consideration at the hands of the voters. He was a candidate for this office in the last election and made a good race He believes himself thoroughly capable of discharging the duties of the office in a manner creditable to the people of the county as well as himself. He solicits the support and good will of every voter.

A. O. Lawler, County and District Clerk Kimble county is in the race for Representative of this district. He has served in public office in this county for a number of years, has held his present position for 5 years, and his record has ever been an enviable one. There are few men in this section who will be found as well posted on general public affairs. He is a man of sterling character and careful but outspoken opinion, and has won the confidence and esteem of all. He is thoroughly capable of the duties of the office which he seeks and, with the present outlook, we do not believe the district could do better than to select Mr Lawler for Representative.

## Are Ever at War

There are two things everlastingly at war, joy and piles. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve will banish piles in any form. It soon subdues the itching, irritation, inflammation or swelling. It gives comfort, gives comfort. invites joy. Greatest healer of burns, boils, ulcers, cuts, bruises eczema, scalds, pimples, skin eruptions. Only 25c at J. A. Heyman's.

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Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

## Trespass Notice

Notice is hereby given that all hunting or trespassing on any and all lands owned or controlled by me, is strictly forbidden; any violation will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

W. R. McKee


Dr. P. H. Rogers,

DENTIST

Permanent

Office over Hankins' Drug Store. See him about your teeth.


## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fees payable in advance always. Please do not ask for credit in this matter.

For County Judge:
J. B. RANDOLPH
JOHN S. DURST

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
G. R. IVY
I. O. WELDON

For District and County Clerk
ROY SKAGGS
W. P. RILEY

For County Assessor:
OREN C. REID
J. W. RAGLAND

BARLEY STRAW 18c PER BALE DELIVERED; 15c on the place. Some good hay in it and a little grain. Makes first-class roughness." Phone
R. S. Price

## Dinner

The Methodist ladies will serve a dinner in Junction, Tuesday of District Court week Be sure to see them on that day if you want to enjoy a good meal.

WANTED—200 nannie goats on share for two years; have good fence to hold them in. Address
F. H. Dunk,
Junction, Texas

## $25 Reward

Lost, Friday, December 29, a black dog; white spot on back of head, white face; had collar on with "O. D. Nance, Junction, Texas," on it. $25 reward for the return of dog to
O. D. Nance,
Junction, Texas

## $ Saved on Wood $

when you buy from O. R. Wallace. Seasoned wood of all kinds and all lengths. Where you get your moneys worth in wood. Let me bring you a trial load. Prompt delivery at any time. Phone 48 O. R. Wallace

## Gun Lost

Single-barrel shot-gun, no musket order; had been an old musket. Lost about 22 or 23 of January. Disappeared at Alex J. Hamer Co.'s yard. Reward of $1 for its return to Hamer store. W. B. Waggner
Roosevelt, Texas.

The ladies wish to return sincere thanks to their friends who so willingly gave their names for The Quilt;" also to the firms for their friendly interest. They especially appreciate the help the "Traveling Men" have given. The Drummers' Square will net them nearly ten dollars. One and all we thank you.

## Goats For Sale

100 fine nannies for sale or trade for good shearing muttons These nannies were bred to the registered billies.

JAMES PRENTICE,
Bois D'arc Ranch
P. O., Junction. North Llano

## Revival Meeting Postponed

On account of the Meningitis epidemic now on in various parts of the state it has been decided to postpone the revival meeting which was to have been held next month at the Methodist Church here by Rev. M. L. Allen. The date now set for the meeting to begin is sometime in March. Exact date announced later.

## This Is No Joke

Notice is hereby given that after January 15, the Junction market will do no more credit business. Please do not ask for it. We are forced to reduce our business to a strictly cash basis. We appreciate your business, and thank you for your patronage, but we must in future do all business strictly for cash. This is no joke, and it means you. In selling for cash we are enabled to sell at cheaper prices; 10c and 12 1-2c will be prices in future.

Jeter & Highsmith, Props.

## Poll Taxes Paid

Exceeds Those of Last Year

At 12 o'clock January 31, Sheriff and Tax Collector I. O. Weldon arose from his chair where he had been busy filling out receipts, yawned, closed the books and declared the voting strength of Kimble determined for another twelve months. It is an increase of 60 over that of last year, the number for the county last year being 552. The number of voters at each box in the county for the coming year is as follows:

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| Box No. 1, Junction | 201 |
| " " 2, South Llano | 25 |
| " " 3 North Llano | 82 |
| " " 4 Bear Creek | 47 |
| " " 5 Gentry | 36 |
| " " 6 London | 97 |
| " " 7 Noxville | 55 |
| " " 8 Segovia | 49 |
| Total | 592 |

## Indian Killed on Track

Near Rochelle, Ill., an Indian went to sleep on a railroad track and was killed by the fast express. He paid for his carelessness with his life. Often it's that way when people neglect coughs and colds. Don't risk your life when prompt use of Dr. King's New Discovery will cure them and so prevent a dangerous throat or lung trouble. "It completely cured me in a short time, of a terrible cough that followed a severe attack of Grip," writes J. R. Watts, Floydada, Texas, "and I regained 15 pounds in weight that I had lost." Quick safe, reliable, and guaranteed. 50c and $1.00 Trial bottle free at J. A. Heyman's.

## HOME MISSIONARY NEWS

Our Methodist ladies are beginning the New Year with renewed zeal and are encouraged as more of our sisters are interested and are taking hold of the work in a way which will *bring things to pass.* The Advertising Quilt is finished, and a jolly crowd met at Mrs. Weldon's last Friday, when "Aunt Dinah" had her "Quilting Party" all over again. This time we met for work, not play. At noon a tempting dinner was set before us; our appreciation of which proved without doubt that "Sister Peabody certainly knows how to cook." Before the sun had set the quilt was finished, and we expect to offer it for sale at the dinner which we are to serve during District Court. Believing that "The Lord helps those who help themselves," we are resolved to "Work without ceasing and in everything give thanks," until our debt is paid.

Mrs. J. N. Hodges,
Press Superintendent

## Important Church Notice

On Sunday next January 28th I expect to be at London, and on Saturday before On Sunday, February 4th, I ask all members of the church to attend, if possible, three very important meetings; at 11 a. m. I am to preach on orphanages, and take our annual collection for the B. O. Home which has already been too long delayed. At 3 p. m we will have our annual roll call and Covenant Reading, when the Church Roll must be gone over and the minutes of previous meetings read and acepted; at 7:30 p. m. I am to preach, by request, a sermon to the women of the church, before the Ladies' Aid Society, when every mother and sister of the church will be present. We hope I beg that these three very important meetings be upon the minds and hearts of all the congregation, and that a full attendance be present.

B. W. N. Simms,
Pastor Baptist Church.

## The Trials of a Traveler

"I am a traveling salesman," writes E. E. Youngs, E. Berkshire, Vt., "and was often troubled with constipation and indigestion till I began to use Dr. King's New Life Pills, which I have found an excellent remedy. For all stomach, liver or kidney troubles they are unequaled. Only 25c at J. A. Heyman's.

Clean up that back yard.

## LONDON NEWS

Miss Cora Reese of Sonora is visiting Miss Bessie Chandler.

Miss Mary Fritz returned Saturday from a few days visit to the J. L. Jones ranch.

Drummer T. W. Bell is stopping in London this week.

Miss Keron Bell returned Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Amberson from the Bell ranch, near Meyer, where she has been teaching as governess.

Prof. S. D. Coplin, principal of the Streeter school, was in London Sunday.

Matt Burt is home on a visit to his parents Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Burt.

Henry Jarvis, the Woodman Clerk, was in town Wednesday making out his report.

Albert Bowers died at the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs. J. T. Bowers, two miles north of London Wednesday night at 12 o'clock. Albert was a moral young man and liked by all who knew him.

The Masonic Lodge and Dr. M Burt have purchased a lot in South London and J. S. Goodman is laying the foundation for a two story building the lower story to be used for a drug store and the upper story for Masonic Lodge.

G. W. Hodges was in town Thursday.

Miss Florence Sheppard entertained a few couples at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. May Saturday evening, with Progressive Forty-two. Refreshments of cocoa and cake were served. Those to attend were: Misses Bessie Robinson, Cres Skelton, Belle McCollum, Cora Reese, Ethel Amberson, Florence Sheppard; Messrs. French Cummins, Odas Spoonts, C. D. Hensley, Orlan Stewart, Will Amon, Dr. and Misses Fussell, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Burt.

ELEANOR

## South Llano Items

Mrs. T. C. Taylor gave a party last Friday night. A large crowd was there; all report a fine time.

Cold weather here, but no rain.

Sam Guthrie, from the Divide, returned home from Junction Monday.

Miss Virgie Browning, of Junction, is visiting the Coldemans this week.

A musical entertainment was given at the home of Mrs. Doc Patton Saturday night. The Mc Williams Band made the music.

Ben Corder, of Rocksprings, returned home Monday from a trip to Junction.

Sam Brewer was ill Monday, and did not teach school

The South Llano schools are progressing nicely

We think the wedding bells will soon be ringing.

Col. A. M. Terry and family left Tuesday for Harper where they will make their future home. We are sorry to lose them from our midst.

Isaac Thetfort returned home from Kerrville Wednesday.

Lillie Bells

## Flying Men Fall

victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles just like other people, with like results in loss of appetite, backache, nervousness, headache, and tired listless rundown feeling. But there's no need to feel like that as T. D. Peebles, Henry, Tenn. proved. "Six bottles of Electric Bitters," he writes, "did more to give me new strength and good appetite than all other stomach remedies I used." So they help everybody. It's folly to suffer when this great remedy will help you from the first dose. Try it. Only 50c at J. A. Heyman's.

Clean out those back lots.


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## A. N. Moursund is Named Successor To Justice Cobbs

Martin Declines Office

Anton N. Moursund, of Mason, Mason county, was appointed Tuesday by Governor Colquitt associate justice of the Fourth Court of Civil Appeals in San Antonio, to succeed Thomas D. Cobbs whose resignation became effective February 1. Justice Moursund at once qualified in Austin and will go to San Antonio as soon as his affairs in Mason can be arranged.

This appointment followed a letter from District Judge Clarence Martin, of Fredericksburg, which reads as follows:

"I have had under advisement the acceptance of the appointment of associate justice of the Court of Civil Appeals at San Antonio ever since you so kindly tendered to me this position.

"I have given it my most careful and mature deliberation, for the reason that many friends, from the district and other portions of the State have urged me to accept and have pledged me their aid and support. My association with the present members of the court, I have been assured, would have been most cordial and pleasant and it would have been a pleasure to me to have formed such an association.

"I would have been pleased to have accepted the position in order to express my gratitude to you and thereby show my appreciation of your kindness and of the confidence you have so generously reposed in me by offering to me, unsolicited on my part, this responsible and honorable position.

"My situation at present forbids me to do so without making a sacrifice of business interests that I can ill afford to do, for the future welfare of myself and family, and the sacrifice would be so great viewed from my standpoint, that I well know neither yourself nor my friends would have me to make it were you familiar with my present surroundings.

I have been making an earnest effort to arrange my business interests so that I would be enabled to accept the appointment, but in doing so I am only more thoroughly convinced that it would be almost ruinous to my business affairs to accept the appointment at the present time.

"I realize that to decline this position will be a disappointment to many of my closest and most loyal friends throughout the district and other portions of the State, and my earnest desire to accede to their request and further merit their favor and confidence led me favorably to entertain the matter, but caused me to hesitate and delay in giving my final decision up to this time.

"My surroundings being such that that I cannot accept the position for the reason stated, it is with deep regret that I am compelled to decline the appointment tendered me."

To the Governor both Judge Martin and Dayton Moses, of Burnet, District Attorney of the judge's district, spoke in highest terms of Justice Moursund's ability and character. Mr. Moses has been offered the district judgeship in the event Judge Martin accepted the San Antonio office, but has quoted as saying that he would not have accepted had Judge Martin gone to the Appellate Court.

Justice Moursund is 40 years old, a native of Blanco County, and lived in Gillespie county, removing to Mason eight years ago. He is one of the youngest appellate justices in the State. He is a graduate of the State University law school and was a member of the lower branch of the Twenty-seventh Legislature representing Gillespie, Blanco, Hays and Comal counties. His father, A. W. Moursund, Judge Martin's predecessor on the Thirty-third District bench, Fredericksburg, appointed by Governor John Ireland and re-elected many times. Justice Moursund is one of the best lawyers in Southwest Texas.

## Royally Entertained

At the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Andrews in East Junction, on Saturday evening, January 27, 1912, a crowd of jovial hearted young people gathered to enjoy one of the most delightful pleasure feasts of the season. There were games for those who played games, and dancing for the dancers. First-class music for the dancing was furnished by Mr. Andrews. All report a dandy time, and vote Mr. and Mrs. Andrews most charming host and hostess. The writer may have failed to get all the names, but the following were among those present: Misses Jesse Crisp, Mittie Smith, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. J. McDonough, and Mrs. M. A. Davis and others. Messrs. Hayden Lawler, Johnny Crisp, James Van Eman, Frank Smith, Robert Ellison, Ancil Baldwin, Howard Ragsdale, Irvin Jarvis, Dick Hodges, George Braley, Frank Bissett, Weaver Baker, Rance Pettitt jr., David Cowsert, Edwin Joy Carrol Collier, Otto Baker (from Sonora) M. A. Davis, Hez Denman, Richard Pettitt, Ernest Wilson, Chandler, Jack and Fred Jobes, Roy Smith, Joe Fryer, Kera Richardson, Eugene Haggard, Acquilar Evans, Otie Wright Rat Jay Cooper, John Kuntz, Earl Glass, Lorence Cooper and Claude Hearn and Govenah Stone, Jared Wright, Gilford Evans, and others.

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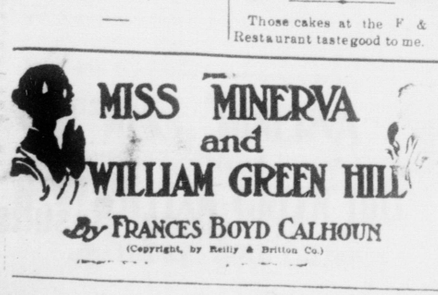
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## MISS MINERVA and WILLIAM GREEN HILL

By FRANCES BOYD CALHOUN

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Listen to me and try to speak more correctly."

"Don't! don't!" she screamed as he helped himself to the meat and gravy, leaving a little brown river on her fresh white tablecloth. "Wait until I ask a blessing; then I will help you to what you want."

Billy enjoyed his breakfast very much. "These muffins sho' is—" he began; catching his aunt's eye he corrected himself: "These muffins am very good."

"These muffins are very good," said Miss Minerva patiently.

"Did you ever eat any bobbycued rabbit?" he asked. "Me an' Wilkes Booth Lincoln been eatin' chit'lins, an' sweet 'taters, an' 'possum, an' squirrel, an' hoe-cake, an' Brunswick stew ever sence we's born," was his proud announcement.

"Use your napkin," commanded she, "and don't fill your mouth so full."

The little boy flooded his plate with syrup.

"These-here 'lasses sho' is—" he began, but instantly remembering that he must be more particular in his speech, he stammered out:

"These-here sho' is—am—are a nice messer'lasses. I ain't never eat sech a good balt. They sho' is—I aimed to say—these 'lasses sho' are a bird; they's 'nother sight tastier'n sorghum, an' Aunt Cindy 'lows that sorghum is the very penurity of a nigger."

She did not again correct him.

"I must be very patient," she thought, "and go very slowly. I must not expect too much of him at first."

After breakfast Miss Minerva, who would not keep a servant, preferring to do her own work, tied a big cook-apron around the little boy's neck, and told him to churn while she washed the dishes. This arrangement did not suit Billy.

"Boys don't churn," he said sullenly; "me an' Wilkes Booth Lincoln don' never have to churn sence we's born; 'omans has to churn an' I ain't a-going to. Major Minerva—he ain't never churn," he began belligerently, but his relative turned an uncompromising and rather perturbed back upon him. Realizing that he was beaten, he submitted to his fate, clutched the dasher angrily, and began his weary work.

He was glad his little black friend did not witness his disgrace.

As he thought of Wilkes Booth Lincoln the big tears came into his eyes and rolled down his cheeks; he leaned way over the churn and the great glistening tears splashed right into the hole made for the dasher, and rolled into the milk.

Billy grew interested at once and laughed aloud; he puckered up his face and tried to weep again, for he wanted more tears to fall into the churn; but the tears refused to come and he couldn't squeeze another one out of his eyes.

"Aunt Minerva," he said mischievously, "I done ruint yo' buttermilk."

"What have you done?" she inquired.

"It's done ruint," he replied, "you'll hafter th'ow it away; 'tain't fitten fer sothin.' I done cried 'bout a bucketful in it."

"Why did you cry?" asked Miss Minerva calmly. "Don't you like to work?"

"Yes'm, I jes' loves to work; I wish I had time to work all the time. But it makes my belly ache to churn—I get a awful pain right now."

"Churn on!" she commanded unsympathetically.

He grabbed the dasher and churned rigorously for one minute.

"I reckon the butter's done come," he announced, resting from his labors.

"It hasn't begun to come yet," replied the exasperated woman. "Don't waste so much time, William."

The child churned in silence for the space of two minutes, and suggested: "It's time to put hot water in it; Aunt Cindy always puts hot water in it. Lemme git some fer you."

"I never put hot water in my milk," said she, "it makes the butter puffy. Work more and talk less, William."

Again there was a brief silence, broken only by the sound of the dasher thumping against the bottom of the churn, and the rattle of the dishes.

"I sho' is tired," he presently remarked, heaving a deep sigh. "My arms is 'bout give out. Aunt Minerva, Ole Aunt Blue-Gum Tempy's Peruny Pearline see a man churn with his toes; lemme git a chair an' see if I can't churn with my toes."

"Indeed you shall not," responded his annoyed relative positively.

"Sanctified Sophy knowed a colored 'oman what had a little dog went roun' an' roun' an' churn fer her," remarked Billy after a short pause. "If you had a billy boat or a little nanny I could hitch him to the churn fer you ev'ry day."

"William," commanded his aunt, "don't say another word until you have finished your work."

"Can I sing?" he asked.

She nodded permission as she went through the open door into the dining-room.

Returning a few minutes later she found him sitting astride the churn, using the dasher so vigorously that buttermilk was splashing in every direction, and singing in a clear, sweet voice:

"He'll feed you when you's naked,
The orphan's tear he'll dry.
He'll clothe you when you's hongry
An' take you when you die."

Miss Minerva jerked him off with no gentle hand.

"What I done now?" asked the boy innocently. "'Tain't no harm as I can see jes' to straddle a churn."

"Go out in the front yard," commanded his aunt, "and sit in the swing till I call you. I'll finish the work without your assistance. And, William," she called after him, "there is a very bad little boy who lives next door; I want you to have as little to do with him as possible."

## CHAPTER IV.

### Sweetheart and Partner.

Billy was sitting quietly in the big lawn-swing when his aunt, dressed for the street, finally came through the front door.

"I am going uptown, William," she said. "I want to buy you some things that you may go with me to church Sunday. Have you ever been to Sunday school?"

"Naw'm; but I been to pertracted meetin'," came the ready response. "I see Sanctified Sophy shout till she tore ev'y rag offer'her back 'ceptin' a shimmy. She's one 'oman who sho' is got 'ligion; she ain't never backslid 'tall, an' she ain't never fell from grace but one time—"

"Stay right in the yard till I come back. Sit in the swing and don't go outside the front yard. I shan't be gone long," said Miss Minerva.

His aunt had hardly left the gate before Billy caught sight of a round, fat little face peering at him through the palings which separated Miss Minerva's yard from that of her next-door neighbor.

"Hello!" shouted Billy. "Is you the bad little boy what can't play with me?"

"What you doing in Miss Minerva's yard?" came the answering interrogation across the fence.

"I's come to live with her," replied Billy. "My mamma an' papa is dead. What's yo' name?"

"I'm Jimmy Garner. How old are you? I'm most six, I am."

"Shucks, I's already six, a-going on seven. Come on, le's swing."

"Can't," said the new acquaintance. "I've runned off once today, and got licked for it."

"I ain't never got no whippin' sence me an' Wilkes Booth Lincoln's born," bonsted Billy.

"Ain't you?" asked Jimmy. "I 'spec' I been whipped more'n a million times, my mamma is so pertic'lar with me. She's 'bout the pertic-larest woman ever was; she don't 'low me to leave the yard 'thout I get a whipping. I believe I will come over to see you 'bout half a minute."

Suiting the action to the word Jimmy climbed the fence, and the two little boys were soon comfortably settled facing each other in the big lawn-swing.

"Who lives over there?" asked Billy, pointing to the house across the street.

"That's Miss Cecilia's house. That's her coming out of the front gate now."

The young lady smiled and waved her hand at them.

"Ain't she a peach?" asked Jimmy. "She's my sweetheart and she is 'bout the swellest sweetheart they is."

"She's mine, too," promptly replied Billy, who had fallen in love at first sight. "I's a-goin' to have her fer my sweetheart, too."

"Naw, she ain't yours, neither; she's mine," angrily declared the other little boy, kicking his rival's legs. "You all time talking 'bout you going to have Miss Cecilia for your sweetheart. She's done already promised me."

"I'll tell you what," proposed Billy, "lemme have her an' you can have Aunt Minerva."

"I wouldn't have Miss Minerva to save your life," replied Jimmy disrespectfully, "her nake ain't no bigger'n that," making a circle of his thumb and forefinger. "Miss Cecilia, Miss Cecilia," he shrieked tantalizingly, "is my sweetheart."

"I betcher I have her fer a sweetheart soon as ever I see her," said Billy.

"What's your name?" asked Jimmy presently.

"Aunt Minerva says it's William Green Hill, but 'tain't, it's jest plain Billy," responded the little boy.

"Ain't God a nice, good old man," remarked Billy, after they had swung in silence for a while, with an evident desire to make talk.

"That he is," replied Jimmy, enthusiastically. "He's 'bout the forgivingest person ever was. I just couldn't get 'long at all 'thout him. It don't make no differ'nce what you do or how many times you run off, all you got to do is just ask God to forgive you and tell him you're sorry and ain't going to do so no more, that night when you say your prayers, and it's all right with God. S'posing he was one of these wants-his-own-way kind o' mans, he could make hi'self the troublesomest person ever was, and little boys couldn't do nothing a tall. I sure think a heap of God. He ain't never give me the worst of it yet."

"I wonder what he looks like," mused Billy.

"I s'pec' he just looks like the three-headed giant in 'Jack the Giant Killer,'" explained Jimmy, "'cause he's got three heads and one body. His heads are name' Papa, Son and Holy Ghost, and his body is just name' plain God. Miss Cecilia 'splained it all to me and she is 'bout the splendidest 'splainer they is. She's my Sunday school teacher."

"She's goin' to be my Sunday school teacher, too," said Billy, serenely.

"Yours nothing; you all time want my Sunday school teacher."

"Jimmee!" called a voice from the interior of the house in the next yard.

"Somebody's a-callin' you," said Billy.

"That ain't nobody but mamma," explained Jimmy composedly.

"Jimmee-ee!" called the voice.

"Don't make no noise," warned that little boy; "maybe she'll give up toreckly."

"You Jimmee!" his mother called again.

Jimmy made no move to leave the swing.

"I don't never have to go 'less she says 'James Lafayette Garner,' then I got to hustle," he remarked.

"Jimmy Garner!"

"She's mighty near got me," he said softly; "but maybe she'll get tired and won't call no more. She ain't plumb mad yet."

"James Garner!"

"It's coming now," said Jimmy dolefully.

The two little boys sat very still and quiet.

"James Lafayette Garner!"

The younger child sprang to his feet.

"I got to get a move on now," he said; "when she calls like that she means business. I betcher she's got a switch and a hair brush and a slipper in her hand right this minute. I'll be back toreckly," he promised.

He was as good as his word, and in a very short time he was sitting again facing Billy in the swing.

"She just wanted to know where her embroid'ry scissors was," he explained. "It don't matter whit's lost in that house, I'm always the one that's got to be 'sponsible and all time got to go look for it."

"Did you find 'em?" asked Billy.

"Yep; I went right straight where I left 'em yeste'day. I had 'em trying to cut a piece of wire. I stole off and went down to Sam Lamb's house this morning and tooken breakfast with him and his old woman, Sukey," he boasted.

"I knows Sam Lamb," said Billy. "I rode up on the bus with him."

"He's my partner," remarked Jimmy.

"He's mine, too," said Billy, quickly.

"No, he ain't neither; you all time talking 'bout you going to have Sam Lamb for a partner. You want everything I got. You want Miss Cecilia and you want Sam Lamb. Well, you just ain't a-going to have 'em. You got to get somebody else for your partner and sweetheart."

"Weil, you jest wait an' see," said Billy. "I got Major Minerva."

"Shucks, they ain't no major name' that away," said Jimmy changed the subject. "Sam Lamb's sow's got seven little pigs. He let me see 'em suck," said Sam Lamb's partner proudly. "He's got a cow, too; she's got the worrisimest horns ever was. I believe she's a steer anyway."

"Shucks," said the country boy, contemptuously. "You do' know a steer when you see one; you can't milk no steer."

## CHAPTER V.

### Turning on the Hose.

"Look! Ain't that a snake?" shrieked Billy, pointing to what looked to him like a big snake coiled in the yard.

"Snake, nothing!" sneered his companion, "that's a hose. You ain't never got to call a hose a snake. Come on, let's sprinkle," and Jimmy sprang out of the swing, jerked up the hose and dragged it to the hydrant. "My mamma don't never 'low me to sprinkle with her hose, but Miss Minerva she's so good I don' reckon she'll care," he cried mendaciously.

Billy followed, watched his companion screw the hose to the faucet and turn the water on. There was a hissing, gurgling sound and a stream of water shot out, much to the rapture of the astonished Billy.

"Won't Aunt Minerva care?" he asked, anxiously. "Is she a real 'ligious 'oman?"

"She is the Christianest woman they is," announced the other child. "Come on, we'll sprinkle the street—and I don't want nobody to get in our way neither."

"I wish Wilkes Booth Lincoln could see us," said Miss Minerva's nephew.

A big, fat negress, with a bundle of clothes tied in a red table cloth on her head, came waddling down the sidewalk.

Billy looked at Jimmy and giggled; Jimmy looked at Billy and giggled; then, the latter took careful aim and



a stream of water hit the old woman squarely in the face.

"Who dat? What's yo' doin'?" she yelled, as she backed off. "I's a-gwine to tell yo' pappy, Jimmy Garner," as she recognized one of the culprits. "Dint dat air hose 'way f'om me, 'fo' I make yo' ma spank yuh slabsided. I got to git home an' wash. Drap it, I tell yuh!"

Two little girls rolling their dolls buggies in which reposed two enormous rag-babies were seen approaching.

"That's Lina Hamilton and Frances Black," said Jimmy, "they're my chums."

Billy took a good look at them. "They's goin' to be my chums, too," he said, calmly.

"Your chums, nothing!" angrily cried Jimmy, swelling pompously. "You all time trying to claim my chums. I can't have nothing a-tall 'thout you got to stick your mouth in. You 'bout the selfishest boy they is. You want everything I got, all time."

The little girls were now quite near, and Jimmy hailed them gleefully, forgetful of his anger:

"Come on, Lina, you and Frances," he shrieked, "and we'uns have the mostest fun. Billy here's done come to live with Miss Minerva and she's done gone uptown and don't care if we sprinkle, 'cause she's got so much 'ligion."

"But you know none of us are allowed to use a hose," objected Lina.

"But it's so much fun," said Jimmy, "and Miss Minerva she's so Christian she ain't going to raise much of a rough house, and if she do we can run when we see her coming."

"I can't run," said Billy; "I ain't got nowhere to run to an'—"

"If that ain't just like you, Billy," interrupted Jimmy, "all time talking