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Clean-up Proclamation.

The State of Texas,
County of Howard,

The City of Big Springs.

I, Geo. D. Lee, mayor of the City of Big Springs, hereby set aside and designate the 9th day of August, A. D. 1909, as "Clean up Day." I respectfully request and urge all citizens to observe that day by cleaning up their premises, by gathering up all trash, cutting weeds and mosquitoes on and around their premises. I also request and urge that kerosene oil be poured on all standing water of every description so as to rid the town of mosquitoes.

If every man, woman and child will lend a hand in this matter and do what they can toward cleaning up our city on that day, the comfort and health of the city will be greatly improved. The expense will be comparatively nothing, and we will all be benefited thereby.

Geo. D. Lee,
Mayor of the City of Big Springs.

L. B. Westerman is spending this week in Corpus Christi on a vacation.

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At the Methodist Church Sunday.

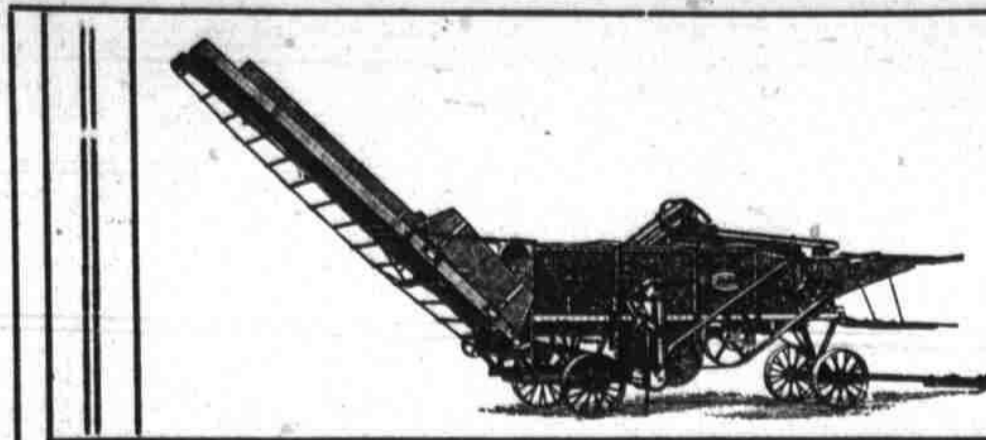
In addition to the sermons by the pastor, four trained voices will render "Jesus Stood on the Shore" at the morning hour, and "Counted In" at the evening service. The public will recall that these are the most popular songs sung as solos by Billy Lewis. Come and hear them rendered as quartets. It will be well done.

The Junior C. E. had their regular monthly Consecration meeting at the Christian church Sunday. Temperance Reading by Gertrude Davis, and a vocal duet by Nina and Jewell Wright were some of the special features of the program. The Juniors will give an ice cream social on the Y. M. C. A. lawn Friday night. Everybody invited.

The Last Call.

According to the decree of the committee who will have in charge the location of the new state normal, which is to be located west of the 98th meridian, sealed bids made by different towns for its location must be filed with the committee before Aug. 9. The committee will meet in Fort Worth on the last mentioned date to hear the applications made by the different towns. After the sealed bid of this town has been sent in it will be too late for anyone to get liberal. This week will close the matter up as far as any effort of this town is concerned. What you do you must do speedily. How much would you give for some one to guarantee the location of that school in Coleman? If a great price were being asked for the location of this school here, what is the very best price you would offer? Ask yourself these questions and act accordingly. If the normal is not located here you will be none the worse off; if it is, you will be much better off. Every body get busy in these last hours and see what you can do. Talk normal and work for the normal, and do not forget to help the committee in every way possible. How much would you give to be assured that this town will get this valuable school? You had better get busy. You are in a degree responsible for the work our town does. Are you doing your part? Grasp the wheel of this move and give it one more turn forward. We say, ahoy mates, the storm is brewing. Our reputation is at stake. Our cargo is endangered. The old ship, Big Springs, must be courageously manned and driven at all hazards to the glorious port of success. Watch well; steer well; take no chances. Give honest toil, for there is no plunder, but a just reward for honest endeavor.

Rev. A. W. Baldrige of California is here and will take charge of the Cumberland Presbyterian church for the present. Services will be held as follows: Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. every Sunday, Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., prayer meeting every Tuesday night. Subject for next Sunday morning will be "Why we are Cumberland Presbyterians." Everybody cordially invited.



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BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

Surveying Crew Progressing Nicely.

The Soash Surveying crew are about as busy people as will be found anywhere these days. They are truly pushing the work and every means possible is being used to facilitate the progress of the line. The crew is out some few miles north of town and at the present rate will have the extension line into Soash in some three weeks.

The hardest part of the line has now been covered and it will only be a few days until they have bid the hills of Big Springs farewell. The line runs directly east of here some two miles, then turns to the north, gradually bending in toward Soash. It has been rather a difficult task to get out of the canyon, but the engineer in charge, Col. Peters has been sufficiently able to meet the difficulty, and his efforts have been crowned with success.

The right-of-way committee has had some difficulty in securing part of the right of way. There has been some who were contentious and don't seem willing to yield to the committee, which seems to us a very absurd idea. The railroad is for the betterment of our people in general, and if it does cut off a piece of your land remember how many individuals will be benefitted. It may look hard to run through that little piece of land of yours, but if it cuts off a small piece the rest will be enhanced in value by being so located. If we had a piece of property on which such was being located, we would be willing to give the right-of-way in order that we might benefit others, for in benefitting humanity you strike the underlying key to a true benefactor.

J. T. Baum and Lise Moss have bought the T. E. Cathey meat market and will give their personal attention to the business.

City Council.

City council met in regular session Tuesday night with all aldermen present.

Motion by J. A. Davis that Mrs. A. J. Eddings be granted 4 feet of ground on lot 12 Block 12; to place sidewalk to grade on third street. Motion carried.

Motion carried that the contract between J. M. Morgan and the city of Big Springs be adopted and the mayor sign same, attested by the secretary.

Motion carried that J. M. Morgan be required to enter into bond of 50 per cent of contract price with sufficient securities.

Motion carried that Mayor appoint committee to call on banks and see if they would furnish lamp to burn all night in post office. S. A. Penix, R. P. Jackson and J. A. Davis were appointed on the committee.

Motion carried that a man be employed to manage the auto fire engine. Referred to Geo.

Tamsitt and L. L. Stephenson who are to make report at next meeting.

Motion carried that Dr. Hall be appointed as health officer to serve in the place of Dr. D. W. McIntyre.

Motion carried that board of equalization be paid the same per diem as last year.

Motion carried that Secretary notify all property owners of frame buildings along main street from the center of fourth to center of T. & P. right-of-way to show cause, if any, at next council meeting in September, why they cannot remove frame structures and construct buildings to conform to the fire ordinance.

Motion carried that Mayor appoint a committee to confer with the commercial club in regard to securing a new depot. Mayor appointed the entire council with S. A. Penix chairman.

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George—There's Miss Peasey. She claims she's never been kissed.
Harry—Why, I've kissed her myself, years ago. She means not since she can remember.

And the Old Man Grinned.
"Duke," said the betress, eagerly, "did you see father?"
"Yes."
"Well?"
"We talked about the weather."
"What? Lose your nerve again? Why don't you brace up and talk like a man?—a subject of a king on whose domain the sun never sets!"
"Can't," moaned the duke. "All the time I was in your father's office he kept grinning at a big painting."
"What painting?"
"The battle of Bunker Hill."

Either Way.
Mr. Wilkins had been sitting quietly on a rail keg, perusing a paper which he had found on the counter. The date of it he had not noticed. Finally he looked up with a puzzled expression.
"What's this wireless telegraph signal, this 'C. O. D.' they're talking about?" he asked.
"I guess it's 'C. O. D.' ain't it?" suggested Holbrook, the grocer. "Any way, it's a signal of distress," he added, moodily.

Sweet Eighteen.
A professor of the class in English history was telling his young men of the impressive age about the Elizabethan era, when suddenly turning to one of the young men who seemed to be in a dream, with a far-away gaze, he said:
"And how old was Elizabeth, Mr. Case?"
"Eighteen last birthday," came the instant reply.

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EVENTS BOILED DOWN

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN HAPPENINGS SERVED UP IN ATTRACTIVE STYLE.

NOTHING GOOD GOT AWAY

Everything Important That Could Be Confined to a Small Space is Here Found.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Unless something happens to provoke heated discussions of a political character, the new tariff bill should be enacted into law and the extraordinary session of Congress adjourned before the end of the week.

A special cable from Hamburg says that President Rafael Reyes of Colombia cabled Bogota Tuesday resigning the Presidency of that Republic.

The world's aeroplane record for two men, as to both time and distance, was broken Tuesday by a flight of one hour and ten minutes, making a distance of fifty miles, by Orville Wright, at Washington.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

William Burge, a detective, was shot and probably fatally injured during a raid on an alleged gambling house in Birmingham last Sunday afternoon.

While bathing with several other boys Sunday, in the St. Mary's River, at Kingsland, Ga., two white boys, Isaac Carlton and Roy Haddock, 15 years old, were drowned.

The unusual spectacle of snow falling in July occurred in Omaha during an electrical storm following an exceptionally hot day. The flakes fell intermittently for nearly ten minutes.

Blistering heat Thursday caused five deaths in Chicago. There were twenty-two serious prostrations reported to the police, but this probably does not represent more than one-third the actual number.

The Philadelphia mint issued Monday the new "Lincoln" pennies which the Treasury Department has caused to be coined and struck off in honor of the 100th anniversary of the late President's birth.

The conference of Young Men's Christian Association in Elberfeld, Germany, Monday, discussed the work among the soldiers and sailors of all nations. Prince Bernadotte of Sweden presided.

Mrs. Johnnie McMurray, of Wilburton, Okla., while crawling under cars with her three small children in the Rock Island yards Friday, was caught underneath the wheels and both legs cut off. She died an hour later.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Lone Star Gas Company of Ft. Worth Monday, it was decided to extend the pipe line to Dallas and the order for thirty miles additional pipe for this purpose has been placed.

Col. Leopold Markbreit, Mayor of Cincinnati, and a distinguished soldier and journalist, died Tuesday after an illness extending over the greater part of the nineteen months he had served that city as its Chief Executive. He will be succeeded in office by Vice Mayor John Galvin.

The United Hatters of North America, who have been on strike for several months, have just received \$5,000 from the Western Federation of Miners, it being the first installment of an assessment of 25c levied by the federation on each of its 40,000 members.

Refugees who have arrived in Lisbon from Barcelona say that the city is in a state of complete anarchy, the population being in open rebellion against the Government. They report that the terrorists are using dynamite bombs freely, causing great destruction of property and loss of life.

The rice crop in many sections of the Texas coast country was badly damaged by the storm of Wednesday of last week. It is said that fields ripe for the harvest on hundreds of acres were laid flat on the ground by the wind, and can not be harvested.

The Cabinet crisis which has been for sometime expected in Cuba, came Thursday when all the Ministers as well as the Presidents Secretary, Senor Castellanos, signed their resignations, which will be officially presented to President Gomez on his arrival Friday from Cayo Cross.

Eleven deaths and scores of prostrations were Friday recorded in Chicago as the result of the unusually hot wave which has scorched and smothered Chicago and the Middle West two days and is now sweeping eastward.

The second annual reunion of Confederate soldiers and Indian fighters will take place at Loraine Aug. 4 and 5. There will be an Indian fight, stage coach robbery, Ben-Hur chariot races, baseball, two days' free barbecue, free water, free wood, free park and camping grounds.

German bankers of Berlin who are participating in the Chinese Railway loan have forwarded advice from Pekin that negotiations for an American proportionate share in the loan are nearly completed on terms agreeable to the Americans.

The congress owners of Texas have just discovered that the hearing of the Railroad Commission to reduce cotton rates set for Aug. 19 in Austin is of vital importance to congress men because it proposes to have the congress interests share the reduction in the cotton rates with the railroads.

As an evidence of increased business the Frisco has added the fourth switch engine to the North Sherman yards.

The legislative committee investigating the penitentiary system at Huntsville, has closed its hearing until late in October.

Monday evening eleven frame residences in Houston, in Hyde Park addition, just outside the city limits, were burned. Property loss is \$44,000.

Edward Reffil, of St. Louis, has, by crossing several varieties of strawberry vines, produced a plant that will grow berries five months in the year.

Reports received from City of Mexico are to the effect that in Sunday's riot at Guadalajara twelve were killed and thirty-five injured.

Two hundred girls employed in a shirt waist factory in New York have gone on a strike because the management posted a notice prohibiting conversation during lunch hour.

Grace Viviano, 5 years old, and Thomas Viviano, 2 1/2 years old, children of wealthy Italian manufacturers were kidnapped Monday in St. Louis and are held for \$25,000 ransom.

President Diaz of Mexico has headed a subscription list for the relief of the women and children of Spain made dependent because of the war in Morocco. His donation was \$1,000.

Five lives were lost and \$90,000 worth of property destroyed in a fire late Saturday caused by the explosion of an acetylene plant being installed by the Kuhle Carbonide Manufacturing Company in St. Paul.

A terrific cloudburst in the Davis Mountains northwest of Alpine flooded several big ranches and caused some stock loss. The ranch house of Clyde Buttrill, a wealthy cattleman, was carried away.

At Port Aviation, France, near Javry, Monday, M. Pellet Guadart, in a Vision biplane, rose to a height of 500 feet, beating the record established by Wilbur Wright and winning the Lazard-Weiller prize.

Grading outfits continue steadily at work preparing Jacksboro streets for the spreading on thereafter of the famous Jacksboro crushed limestone which is so popular with Dallas and other cities for the street work.

James Corruthers, chief engineer of the Leyland-Line steamer Albatross, which reached Galveston Friday from Cartagena, died at sea Thursday of fever. He had been ill thirteen days. The body was buried at sea.

Tommy Adams, inventor of the rogues' gallery, has retired from the police force of New York, poor. He joined the department in 1872, when he was 25 years of age. He is broken in health.

The price of July wheat was advanced 3c per bushel in the New York market Wednesday on a vigorous demand by the traders on the short side of the market. They finally paid \$1.24 per bushel, which equaled the high point of the season.

Nine killed outright and over forty injured, several probably fatally, is the result of a head-on collision of two passenger trains on the Coeur D'Alene and Spokane electric railway near Lac-Cross, two miles west of Coeur D'Alene, Idaho, late Saturday.

The United States hydrographic station at Boston has been advised of a distinct black spot, comet-like in shape, traveling across the surface of the sun, as seen by Capt. J. Jensen, commander of the fruit steamer Admiral Faragut, in port from Jamaica.

Orville Wright, Friday evening, attained the zenith of hard-earned success at Washington. In a ten-mile cross-country flight in the famous aeroplane built by himself and his elder brother, and accompanied by Benjamin Foulois of the signal corps, he not only surpassed the speed requirements of his contract with the United States Government, but accomplished the most difficult and daring flight ever planned for a heavier-than-air flying machine. Incidentally he broke all speed records over a measured course.

Some alarm has been created by the non-arrival of the British Waratah, from Sydney for London. She left Port Natal on July 26 and since then has not been seen by any other vessel. A search has been instituted for her. The Waratah has 1,000 souls aboard.

A plot against the life of the son of Tommy Panilla and Mrs. Clara Pizzani, by Mrs. Panilla, wife of the slain man, in Canton, O., Sunday, after shooting her husband Mrs. Panilla attacked Mrs. Pizzani with a butcher knife. A struggle followed. Mrs. Pizzani being stabbed thirty times.

An automobile tour through the beautiful chateau district of Southern France will be the wedding trip of H. Clay Pierce, multi-millionaire, of New York and St. Louis, and Mrs. Virginia Prichett Burrows, daughter of Major William Russell Prichett of Edgewoodville, Ill. The wedding took place at noon Sunday at St. George's Church, Hanover Square, in London.

The aerial race war is on at St. Louis. Ballooning is now a recognized mode of transportation in St. Louis and race experts issued tariff schedules to take effect at once.

According to reliable information received in Dallas Tuesday, nine surveying crews are now in the field between Brady and San Antonio surveying a route for the Frisco, or its subsidiary line, the Fort Worth and Rio Grande.

As the result of an explosion in the mines at Clermont, France, Monday, twelve miners are dead and several seriously injured.

Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish and Porto Ricans having proved unsatisfactory as plantation laborers, the Planters' association of Honolulu will import Filipinos.

TEXAS MAKES GOOD BONDS VALIDATED

THREE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED RECEIVED A MAJORITY

VOTE LIGHT ALL OVER STATE

Is Particularly So in South Texas, Dallas, Paris and Atlanta to the Front.

Dallas, Aug. 4.—The people of Texas yesterday redeemed the credit of the State validating a large amount of bonds held by the courts to have been issued illegally.

In marked contrast with the result of the election of 1907, when five proposed constitutional amendments went down in a lump, the three amendments submitted to the people of Texas on yesterday were adopted by large majorities, although the vote was universally light.

Returns from 308 towns in the state received last night give the following: For amendment authorizing the formation of county line school districts 17,853, against 4,657.

For amendment to validate bonds of certain independent school districts 18,981, against 4,734.

For amendment permitting towns of 5,000 or more inhabitants to incorporate under special charters (the minimum now being 1,000) 16,574, against 4,457.

The vote was light all over the State except in Atlanta, at which place 500 votes were polled. Dallas led the State, with a total of approximately 2,000, there being a county bond election on also. Paris, without any proportion cast 1,000 votes. The South Texas vote was unusually light. San Antonio, which led in that territory, cast only 981 votes, while Galveston, which has a cotton carnival to distract, cast but 135.

GREAT FIRE IN JAPAN.

Ten Thousand Homeless and Many Killed and Injured.

Osaka, Japan: Confusion still prevails here as a result of Saturday's disastrous fire. Thousands of persons are homeless and hunger is starting many of them in the face.

A system of relief has been organized by the municipal authorities, but is inadequate to supply all needs. Outside cities and towns are generously sending in contributions to be used in alleviating the sufferings of the homeless and destitute.

The number of casualties has not been determined. Hundreds of injured persons are crowding the hospitals.

The latest estimates are 20,000 buildings destroyed, including banks, the stock exchange, the museum, Government edifices and factories. While at present it is impossible to accurately state the losses, they are given roughly at several million yen. It is feared some of the insurance companies will fail as a result of heavy losses they will have to pay.

The conflagration lasted more than twenty-five hours, and today the burned section presents a deplorable sight. The streets of the city are very narrow and the houses were mostly of wood construction.

Want Six-Hour Day.

Denver: The Western Federation of Miners Tuesday concluded its annual convention with the selection of Denver as the next meeting place. Resolutions were adopted instructing the officers and executive board to secure the enactment of a law in all States making six hours a day's work in mines where the temperature is above 50 degrees.

Rain at Three Points.

Dallas: Rain at three Texas points Tuesday was reported by the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company. At Abilene there was a light rain, at Palestine a good rain and at Sherman a light rain.

Clean Up Ten Million.

New Orleans: Ten million dollars is the amount which the leaders of the bull movement in the local cotton market are reported to have cleaned up on the recent rise in the market.

Cloudburst in Tennessee.

Nashville: Nearly every business house and a third of the residences at Rockwood, Tenn., were flooded Tuesday as the result of a cloudburst. The extent of the damage done by the storm can not at this time be estimated.

Denton Tax Valuation.

Denton: The Assessor's estimate of Denton County's tax valuations this year shows approximately \$13,000,000, a small increase of about \$2,000 over last year.

Brewster County Oil Strike.

Audita: Land Commissioner Rollins received notice Tuesday that oil had been struck at a depth of 650 feet in Brewster County, sixty-five miles south of Alpine.

Cotton Declines in New York.

New York: Heavy speculation in the cotton market caused a sharp decline Tuesday and quotations were thirty points below the high point registered upon proclamation of the Government report Monday.

It May Be Your Fate

To have your home burned down tonight. One can never tell what minute such a thing may happen. The question naturally arises, "ARE YOU INSURED?" If not, do you think it would be wise to have no issue a policy at once? It is most decidedly penny wise and pound foolish to be without insurance when the danger of fire is always present, when ruin may come at any time. Call on us at our

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The People That Want Your Business

Local and Personal

W. S. Willis of Lamesa was here Monday.

If you want a lot in the new town of Soash, see Bert Ramsey.

Miss Efrige of Lubbock is here visiting her parents for a few days.

\$1 down and \$1 per week buys a lot in Soash. See Bert Ramsey.

Carbon! carbon! carbon!
Biles & Gentry.

Bert Ramsey will sell you a lot in Soash for \$1 down and \$1 per week.

For a complete line of floor paints, varnishes and stains, see Biles & Gentry.

Buy lots in the new town of Soash. \$1.00 down and \$1.00 per week. See Bert Ramsey.

J. W. Miller, district and county clerk of Gaines county, was here Sunday.

\$1 down and \$1 per week will buy a town lot in Soash. See Bert Ramsey.

Pink Boyd of Abilene was here yesterday on a business mission.

If you want to get a choice lot in the new town of Soash now is the time to buy. See Bert Ramsey.

Doc Boyett, cashier of the bank of Coahoma, was here yesterday.

Mrs. Doc Boyett and children of Coahoma are visiting A. J. Gallimore and family.

Town lots at \$1 down and \$1 per week is the way you can buy them in Soash. See Bert Ramsey.

D. M. Waters returned yesterday from Midland where he has been to see his niece who is quite sick.

\$1 down and \$1 per week is easy payments. Buy a lot in Soash. Bert Ramsey will sell it to you.

Miss Louise Baird is visiting in Santa Anna where she will spend two or three weeks.

If you want to buy lots in the new town of Soash, now is the time to buy. See Bert Ramsey.

Robt. L. Godman of Merkel is here overhauling L. L. Stephenson's gin.

\$1 down and \$1 per week buys a lot in Soash. See Bert Ramsey.

See H. B. Arnold for anything in sheet metal work, will please you if I can. Am no amateur workman.

Dr. Rutherford, the best known veterinary surgeon of Dallas, is in town and will remain several days.

Bert Ramsey will sell you a lot in Soash for \$1 down and \$1 per week.

Jones & McGowen first door south of McCamant Drug Store.

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The seven-months-old child of Less Whitaker and wife of Amarillo died at the home of L. T. Deats Friday.

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What are you doing? Are you doing well, do you want to do better? If so call on or address Dr. W. F. Larimer, Stewart Hotel.

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J. E. Cookrell came to town Monday morning wearing a very broad smile and when asked the reason informed us that a fine girl arrived at his home Sunday night.

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Chas. P. Davis of Fort Worth, traveling representative of the Rock Island Granitoid Company, was in the city a few days this week. The firm has been putting in some work at Midland. Their work in the way of curbs, steps and copings are up to the highest standard. Mr. Davis is here for the purpose of buying the gravel for some work at Midland.

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J. I. McDowell and wife returned from Seattle Monday where they have been for a month or so visiting the exposition. They report a very pleasant trip and speak in the highest terms of the grandeur of the exposition.

Through the kindness of L. S. Shumway of the Big Springs Auto Co., the young ladies who work in the Western Telephone office were given an auto ride Sunday a week ago to Lamesa where they spent the day and all report a most pleasant day.

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THE STORY OF JONATHAN MILLER

AUTHOR'S NOTE.

The material facts in this story of circumstantial evidence are drawn from an actual recorded case, only such change of names and local color being made as to remove them from the classification of legal reports to that of fiction. All the essential points of evidence, however, are retained.



As the members of the Call Skin club dropped into their accustomed places Judge Bennett entered with a stranger of distinguished mien, and dignified bearing. His white hair and thick mutton-chop whiskers betokened the country jurist of long experience whose reverence for the English bench caused him unwittingly to assume the personal appearance of a weaver of the wig and ermine of Blackstonian days. Judge Bennett introduced him as Judge Tanner and assured the club that his guest was primed with many a reminiscence of his long career and would gladly furnish the story of the evening. After the pipes of good fellowship had been burned for a space Judge Tanner arose and began his story of circumstantial evidence.

"I often wonder," he said, "if there is a trial judge of any considerable experience who has not carried some case as a load on his mind and conscience for years after the verdict of the jury is in and the condemned led away to execution. It is a wise provision of the law that makes the jury the judge both of the law and the evidence, and the judge but the medium through which the law reaches the twelve; and I cannot conceive the condition of mind of those early English judges, before whom, when they had arrived at a conviction of guilt, even the jury was powerless. It was from their arbitrary and unreasonable rulings, now happily not held within the power of the judge, that most of our records of miscarried justice have resulted.

"Within my own experience there has come one case which I believe is as strange as any of record and which for years, as I looked back upon it, caused me to doubt the ability of man ever infallibly to pass judgment upon a fellow creature. The parties now are all dead and I tell it for the first time. But to the story.

"In a little city on the circuit in which I have held court for more years than I care to think of there was at one time a hotel kept by a very respectable man named Jonathan Miller. It was the favorite stopping place for commercial travellers and thus the most prominent and best paying hotel in the city.

"One evening a jewelry salesman by the name of Robert Conway arrived at the hotel just before supper. He instructed Miller to send his grip up to his room and remained in the hearing of several at the desk that he did not care to have them left in the general baggage room as he was carrying a far more expensive line of samples than usual. He also asked that the door be carefully looked and the key brought to him.

"Supper over, he fell in with a salesman for a shoe house and one for a clothing firm and they repaired to the bar where they played cards and drank until 11 o'clock, when they all retired. It happened that the hotel was well filled and the clothing man and the shoe man had been forced to take a double room together. This room was directly across the hall from the one occupied by the jewelry salesman.

"About two o'clock in the morning the two roommates were awakened by groans which seemed to come from the room of their companion of the evening across the hall.

"They arose and without stopping to dress hurried out to see what the trouble was. You can imagine their horror to find Conway, the jewelry man, dead, the bed blood-soaked, and standing over him a dark lantern in one hand and a bloody knife in the other, Jonathan Miller, the landlord, who trembled violently and clasped his hands in prayer as they burst into the chamber of death.

"The case seemed black enough against him. There was not a suspicion in the mind of anyone in the city that he could be otherwise than guilty. Yet when taken before a justice for a preliminary hearing he most stoutly maintained his innocence and told a story which had it not been for damning circumstances against him would have been plausible in the extreme.

"He said he had just finished his room after, as was his custom, sitting up until a train due at half past one came in. He had not had time to remove his clothing when he, too, heard groans coming from the neighborhood of Conway's room. Like the two salesmen, he had hurried to investigate, and as a weapon of defense he had taken the knife. He also picked up the dark lantern which he always used in making his last rounds of the hotel and which was still lighted.

"When he reached the jewelry man's door he was surprised to find it standing open. The groans had ceased,



and he entered, and going up to the bed, pushed his light upon the bloody spectacle of the murdered man's body. So great was his horror and surprise that he dropped the knife upon the bloody sheets, and had only just picked it up again when the two traveling men entered.

"His trembling and fear at their arrival he attributed to the natural horror of the situation and the terror of the instant thought that guilt might point to him.

"With such a degree of sincerity was his story told, and so firm was the landlord's bearing before the preliminary court that he attracted many sympathizers who believed his story and looked upon him as the unfortunate victim of a most peculiar combination of circumstances.

"But these circumstances were too patent to be ignored and Miller was bound over to await the action of the grand jury, indicted and in due course of time brought to trial before me.

"In the time intervening between his arrest and his trial the landlord's attitude was a mixture of terror and bravado which did not tend to increase the belief of the general public in his innocence. I myself, although I have always endeavored to enter a trial free from prejudice, had I been a ventriloquist, should have been forced to admit that I had formed an opinion concerning the guilt or innocence of the accused.

"The state naturally rested upon the testimony of the two salesmen who swore to the events of the fatal evening and to entering the room just in time to find the landlord bending over the body. They were both firm in the conclusion that his terror upon seeing them was the terror of discovered guilt. I admit that defendant's counsel should not have allowed this portion of their testimony to go to the jury, but an objection was made to it.

"Also further damaging evidence against him was produced to the effect that he had a short time before become liable through indorsing a note for a large sum of money and that his ownership of the hotel was threatened in case he was not able to raise the amount. This seemed to furnish a powerful motive for the crime. That he had always borne a poor reputation, that his record for honesty was such that he might easily have raised the sum of money he required on a loan, and his own story of going to Conway's room and finding the body were all that the unfortunate landlord had to offer in his own defense.

"There could have been but one conclusion as to what the verdict of the jury would be, although I am sure that I gave them the law without partiality. Miller took his sentence with resignation and when I asked him if he had anything to say, he arose and addressed the court as follows:

"Your honor, it comes to every man once to die. For the sake of my dear wife who stood by me as nobly through this terrible ordeal I should have chosen for myself a different end from that which is to be my lot. I have no fault to find with the view of the jury and this court have taken of their duty, but you are making a terrible mistake. You have convicted an innocent man. I am not guilty of the death of Robert Conway. I had nothing whatever to do with his death. Some day the truth will come out, but I fear it will be long after I have done with this world. I have no more to say but that I am innocent, and this I will declare to the end."

"How many men have said that on the gallows have said the same. I wonder how many men have said it truly. It is true, as Pope says, that hope springs eternal in the human breast, but I often wonder if we do not make a grievous error in not giving greater credence to the dying statement of a condemned man.

"Jonathan Miller paid the penalty of the death of Robert Conway with the same stoical resignation which had marked the end of many a man in the same extremity. With his death the case seemed at an end and it passed from my mind along with many other cases which have arisen in a long and busy career. I probably never again would have recalled it except incidentally had it not been for a strange occurrence.

"I was just retiring for the night one evening about two years after the execution of Miller when I was startled by the sound of a horse clanking madly up my gate. There was a loud rapping on the door and upon opening it the postman cried:

"I never could understand why he didn't see me. When they put it on him I hadn't the nerve to speak up. My God, I've got Miller on my soul, too! There they both stand. Take 'em away, and he went into unintelligible ravings which finally ended in the gasp of death.

"You can imagine my state of mind upon hearing this terrible confession. Was not Miller's death upon my soul as well? Was I not equally culpable for not having a keener insight into character that I might have read his innocence in his steadfast attitude? Many a long night as I walked the floor of my

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Paris, Aug. 2.—The internal situation in Spain now seems to be improved. Barcelona has emerged from her isolation and the threatened general strike at Madrid appears to have been averted, at least temporarily.

The first train out of Catalonia's capital city since the beginning of the tragic events there reached the French frontier last night, bringing censored and plainly incorrect accounts of the insurrection and of the conditions in the outlying parts of Catalonia.

The rest is shrouded in mystery. Several of the smaller cities are reported to be in the hands of the revolutionists and a great many villages have proclaimed the district a republic. Troops are being steadily distributed throughout the rebellious districts, and barring new serious outbreaks the insurrectionists eventually will be forced to capitulate.

London, Aug. 2.—A dispatch received here from Carbone, France, reports that the revolutionists have proclaimed a republic of Barcelona and that the fortress Montjuich is constantly being shelled by the districts occupied by them. Forty revolutionists have been shot without trial.

The difficulty with the Riffs has been absolutely forced on Spain. The proposition was such as no Government could ignore; the situation is such as no self-respecting people could retreat from, for to retreat would involve great material and political loss. The immediate trouble began on July 5.

One that day a party of seven Spanish workmen engaged in repairing a bridge over the Elti-Nansa were attacked by a band of Kabyles. Four of the Spaniards were killed and one was wounded. The Moors seized the bodies of the dead and kindling a large pile of brushwood attempted to burn them. This took place at 3 o'clock in the morning and the news soon reached Malilla. The acting governor, Gen. Real took prompt action. With a column of regular troops he started at once to punish the outrage. His party arrived on the scene in time to rescue the remains of the victims.

Madrid, July 31.—The Government's silence as to the loss of life at Barcelona is still unbroken and no statement is vouchsafed giving an exact and adequate idea of the bloody incidents attending the repression of the revolution. Tonight's summary of the situation shows that the conditions at Barcelona are greatly improved and the belief prevails here that by tomorrow all will be over. No information as to the number of revolutionists court-martialed and sentenced has reached Madrid. Already the work of clearing away the evidences of the revolution at Barcelona has begun.

London, July 31.—The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Barcelona gives a graphic description of affairs up to Wednesday evening. His comments on the extraordinary suddenness of the outbreak of the insurrection which took the public completely by surprise on Monday morning.

By 4 o'clock in the afternoon barricades were being erected and there was firing in every direction. By that time a state of siege had been proclaimed, telegraph lines cut, bridges dynamited, railways stopped and Barcelona isolated. Throughout Tuesday the same scenes continued, but the troops were quite inactive. Everybody asking what the Captain General and the military were doing. Only the police and civil guard were trying to stamp out the insurrection.

City of Mexico, Aug. 1.—A dispatch received from Acapulco at a late hour yesterday states that the earthquake shocks still continue. All buildings which are still standing are untenable, a heavy rain is falling and many

Food, clothing and medicine is urgently needed, but thus far no relief steps have been taken by the Federal Government. It was stated at the War Department that no request for National aid had been received yet. It is feared that relief measures are being held up through red tape. The appeal for Federal aid must first be made to Gov. Dandan Flores of the State of Guerrero, who in turn will transmit the petition to President Diaz. The people of Acapulco have heard that the United States has offered to send food and supplies on a warship and are overjoyed at the prospect.

The tents and temporary structures in which the people are living are pronounced utterly inadequate.

City of Mexico, Aug. 2.—Central Mexico, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from Queretaro on the north to Oaxaca on the south, a district covering more than 1,000 square miles was shaken at an early hour Saturday morning by a series of the severest earthquakes that have been felt in this region during the past quarter of a century.

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SYNOPSIS.

The story opens at Harvard where Col. Rupert Winter, U. S. A., visiting, saw the suicide of young Mercer. He met Cary Mercer, brother of the dead, and three years later, in Chicago, in 1906, Col. Winter overheard Cary Mercer apparently planning to kidnap Archie, the son of a woman's voice—that of Miss Smith. Col. Winter and a detective set out for the empty mansion owned by Arnold, a Harvard graduate. They were met with an explosion within. Mercer appeared. He assured Winter that Archie had returned. The colonel saw a vision of the man who had supposedly haunted the house. It was Miss Janet Smith. Col. Winter to himself admitted that he loved Miss Smith. Mercer told Winter that Archie had overheard plans for a coup and had been kidnaped. One of Mercer's friends on returning the boy to his aunt had been arrested for speeding and when he returned from the police station to his aunt the lad was gone. Mercer confessed he was forcibly detaining Keatcham. Mercer told his life story, relating how Keatcham and his second wife, Tracy, had ruined him, the blow killing his wife. Mercer was holding his prisoner in a room which he could not get control of. The father of his college friend, Edward Tracy, Aunt Rebecca saw Archie in a cab with two men. Then he vanished. She followed in an auto into the Chinese district and by the use of a mysterious Chinese jade ornament she secured a promise from an influential Chinaman that the boy would be returned. Archie returned and told his story. Archie, former secretary to Keatcham, being his second kidnaped. Col. Winter and Tracy Winter believing his actions suspicious and observing blood on his cuffs and trousers, Mrs. Millicent Melville, in letters to her husband, revealed that she allowed information to "leak" to Atkins. Suspicious directed themselves at Atkins in the Keatcham assembly. Unknowingly Mrs. Melville had made herself a tool for Atkins' dark scheme in stocks. The party having removed to the Arnold home, lived in constant fear of bombs and infernal machines from Atkins' gang. Keatcham, contemplating that Winter his life story and its tragedy.

millions of dollars and filling (with most carefully and wisely-planned details) an almost absolute vacuum in the American scheme of education. The dignity and fame of the chairs and fellowships endowed were ample to tempt the best ability of the profession. The reader grew enthusiastic as he read.

"Why, it's immense! And we have always needed it!" he exclaimed.

"There are some letters about it, there"—Keatcham feebly motioned to a number of neatly-opened, neatly-assorted letters on a desk. "The doctor said I might have the letters read to me. Miss Smith got him to. For fear of exciting you, the doctors usually let you worry your head off because you don't know about things. I've got to carry a few things through if it kills me. Don't you see?"

"I see," said the colonel, "you shall."

The next time he saw the financier, although only a few days had elapsed, he was much stronger; he was able to breathe comfortably; he spoke with ease, in his ordinary voice; in fine, he looked his old self again, merely thinner and paler. Hardly was the colonel seated before he said without preface—Keatcham never made approaches to his subject, regarding conversational road-making as waste of brains for a busy man.

"Colonel, Miss Smith hasn't time to be my nurse and secretary both. I won't have one sent from New York; will you help her out?"

The colonel's lips twitched; he was thinking that were Miss Smith working for Atkins, she couldn't have a better chance to make a killing. "But I'll bet my life she isn't," he added; "she may be trying to save his life, but she isn't playing his game!"

He said aloud: "I will, Mr. Keatcham, if you will let me do it as part of the obligation of the situation; and there is no bally rot about compensation."

"Very well," said Keatcham. He did not hesitate; it was (as the colonel had already discovered) the rarest thing in the world for him to hesitate; he thought with astonishing rapidity; and he formulated his answer while his interlocutor talked; before the speech was over the answer was ready. Another trait of his had struck the soldier, namely, the laborious correctness of his speech; it was often formal and old-fashioned; Aunt Rebecca said that he talked like Daniel Webster's speeches; but it had none of the homely and pungent savor one might expect from a man whose boyhood had scrambled through miners' camps into a San Francisco stock office; who had never gone to school in his life by daylight; who had been mine superintendent, small speculator and small director in California until he became a big speculator and big railway controller in New York.

"You might begin on the morning mail," Keatcham continued. "Let me sort them first." He merely glanced at the inscriptions on the envelopes, opening and taking out one which he read rather carelessly, frowning a little before he placed it to one side.

A number of the letters concerned the endowments of the experimental chairs at the universities. Keatcham's attention was not lightened by any ray of pleasure. Once he said: "That fellow has caught my idea," and once: "That's right," but there was no animation in his voice, no interest in his pallid face. Stealing a furtive scrutiny of it, now and then, Rupert Winter was impressed with its mystical likeness to that of Cary Mercer.

There was no physical similarity of color or feature; it was a likeness of the spirit rather than the flesh. The colonel's eyes flashed.

"I have it!" he exclaimed within. "I have it! they are fanatics, both of them; Keatcham's a fanatic of finance and Mercer is a fanatic of another sort; but fanatics they both are, ready to go any length for their principles or their ambitions or their revenge. I'll trouble le mot d'enigme, as Aunt Becky would say—I wonder what she'll say to this sudden psychological spurge of mine."

"The business hour is up"—it was Miss Smith entering with a bowl on a white-covered tray; the sun glistened the lump of ice in the milk and the silver spoon was dazzling against the linen—"your biscuit and milk, Mr. Keatcham. Didn't you have it when you were a boy?"

"I did, Miss Janet"—and Keatcham actually smiled. "I used to think crackers and milk the nicest thing in the world."

"That is because you never tasted corn pone and milk; but you are going to."

"When you make it for me, I'm glad you're such a good cook. It's one of your ways I like. My mother was a very good cook. She could make better dishes out of almost nothing than these mongrel chefs can make with the whole world."

"I reckon she could," said Miss Smith; she was speaking sincerely.

"When my father didn't strike pay dirt, my mother would open her bakery and make pies for the miners; she could make bread with potato



"Miss Smith Opened It! I Could See Her."

had been in their families ever since Adam; and the old people died of broken hearts and the girls went wrong and some of the idiotic quitters killed themselves—it was not the kind of crowd you would want shut up with you in the dark! I was shut up with them. He had some sort of way of switching off the lights from the outside. I never saw a face or heard a voice. I would have to sit there in the dark after he thought I had read enough to occupy my mind. It was unpleasant. Perhaps you suppose that brought me round to his way of thinking."

The colonel meditated. "I'll tell you honestly," he said, after a pause, "I was of that opinion, or something of the kind, until I talked your case over with my aunt—"

"The old dame is not a fool; what did she say?"

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CHAPTER XVI.—Continued.

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"It is against the rules," grumbled the doctor, "but I suppose each patient has to make his own rules." On the same theory he permitted the colonel's visits.

Therefore, with no surprise, Winter received and obeyed the summons. Keatcham greeted him with his usual stiff courtesy.

"The doctor says I can have the papers—will you pick out—the one—day after I was stabbed."

Miss Smith indicated a pile on a little table, placed ready at hand. "I kept them for him," she said.

"Read about the Midland," commanded the faint, indomitable voice.

"Want the election and the newspaper sentiments?" asked the colonel; he gave it all, conscious of the while of Janet Smith's compassionate, perplexed, sorrowful eyes.

"Don't skip!" Keatcham managed to say.

The colonel gave him a keen glance. "Want it straight, without a chaser?" Keatcham closed his eyes and nodded.

The colonel read about the virtually unanimous election of Tracy; the astonishment of the outsiders among the supposed anti-Tracy element; the composed and impenetrable front of the men closest to Keatcham; the reticence and amiability of Tracy himself, in whose men there could be detected no hint either of hostility or of added cordiality toward the men who had been expected to drag his bleeding pride in the dust; finally of the response of the stock-market in a phenomenal rise of Midland.

Keatcham listened with his undependable mask of attention; there was not so much as the flicker of an eyelid or the twitch of a muscle. All he said was: "Now, read if there is anything about the endowment of the new fellowships in some medical school for experimental research."

"Who gives the endowment?"

"Anonymous. In memory of Maria Warner, Keatcham and Helen Bradford Keatcham. First anything?"

"The colonel found a great deal about it. The paper was full of its successful gift amounting to many

yeast or 'salt-emptins'—can you make salt-raisin bread?"

"I can—shall I make you some to-morrow?"

"I'd like it. My mother used to make more money than my father; sometimes when we children were low in clothes and dad owed a bigger lot of money than usual, we had a laundry at our house as well as a bakery. Yet, in spite of all the work, my mother found time to teach all of us; and she knew how to teach, too; for she was principal of a school when my father married her. She was a New Englander; so was he; but they went west. We're forty-niners. I saw the place where our little cloth-and-board shack used to stand. After the big fire, you know. It burned us all up; we had saved a good deal and my mother had a nice bakery. She worked too hard; it killed her. Work and struggle and losing the children."

"They died?" said Miss Janet.

"Diphtheria. They didn't know anything about the disease then. We all had it; and my little sister and both my brothers died; but I'm tough. I lived. My mother fell into what they called a decline. I was making a little money then—I was 16; but I couldn't keep her from working. Perhaps it made no difference; but it did make a difference her not having the—the right kind of food. Nobody knew anything about consumption then. I used to go out in the morning and be afraid I'd find her dead when I got back. One night I did. I stopped abruptly, crimsoning up to his eyes—"I don't know why I'm telling you all this."

"I call that tough"—as the colonel blurted out the words, he was conscious of a sense of repetition. When had he said those very same words before, to whom? Of all people in the world, to Cary Mercer. "Mighty tough," murmured he softly.

"Yes," said Keatcham, "it was." He did not say anything more. Neither did the colonel. Keatcham obediently ate his milk and biscuit; and very shortly the colonel took his leave.

The next morning after an uneventful hour of sorting, reading and answering letters for Miss Smith to copy on the traveling typewriter, Keatcham gave his new secretary a sharp sensation; he ordered in his quiet but peremptory fashion: "Now put that trash away; sit down; tell me all you know of Cary—real name is Cary Mercer, isn't it?"

The colonel said it was; he asked him if he wanted anything.

"Everything. Straight. Without a chaser," snapped Keatcham.

The colonel gave it to him. He began with his own acquaintance; he told about Phil Mercer; he did not stir a detail; neither did he underscore one; Keatcham got the uncolored facts. He heard them impassively, making only one comment: "A great deal of damage would be saved in this world if youngsters could be shut up until they had sense enough not to fool with firearms." When Winter came to Mercer's own exposition of his motives and his design if successful in his raid on the kings of the market, Keatcham grunted; at the end he breathed a noiseless jet of a sigh.

INSTALLMENT 16.

"You don't think Mercer is at all—he tapped the side of the head.

"No more than you are."

"Or you?"

"Oh, well," the colonel jested, "we all have a prejudice in favor of our own sanity. What I meant was that Mercer is a bit of a fanatic; his hard luck has—well, prejudiced him—"

Keatcham's cold, firm lips straightened into his peculiar smile, which was rather of perception than of humor.

One might say of him—Aunt Rebecca Winter did say of him—that he saw the incongruous, which makes up for humor, but he never enjoyed it; possibly it was only another factor in his contempt of mankind.

"Colonel," said Keatcham, "do you think Wall street is a den of thieves?"

"I do," said the colonel promptly.

"I should like to take a machine gun or two and clean you all out."

Keatcham did not smile; he blinked his eyes and nodded. "I presume a good many people share your opinion of us."

"Millions," replied the colonel.

Again Keatcham nodded. "I thought so," said he. "Of course you are all off; Wall street is as necessary to the commonwealth as the pores to your skin; they don't make the poison in the system any more than the pores do; they only let it escape. And I suppose you think that big financiers who control the trusts and the railways and—"

"Ua," the colonel struck in, "well?"

"You think we are thieves and liars and murderers and despots?"

"All of that," said the colonel placidly; "also fools."

"You certainly don't mince your words."

"You don't want me to. What use would my opinion be in a one-hundredth attenuation? You're no homeopath; and whatever else you may be, you're no coward."

"Yet, you think I surrendered to Mercer? You think I did it because I was afraid he would kill me? I suppose he would have killed me if I hadn't, eh?"

"He can speak for himself about that; he seems—well, an earnest sort of man. But I don't think you gave in because you were afraid, if that is what you mean. You are no more afraid than he was! You wanted to live, probably; you had big things on hand. The Midland was only a trump in the game; you could win the odd trick with something else; you let the Midland go."

"Pretty close,"—Keatcham really smiled—"but there is a good deal more of it. I was shut up with the results of my—my work. He did it very cleverly. I had nothing to distract me. There were the big typewritten pages about the foolish people who had lost their money, in some cases really through my course, mostly because they got scared and let go and were wiped out when, if they had had confidence in me and held on, they would be very much better off now. But they didn't, and they were ruined and they starved and took their boys out of college and mortgaged their confounded homes that

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body and help make our town
more healthy and add much to
its looks by cleaning up our
streets and alleys, is our reason
for again bringing this matter
before our citizens.

There is nothing that adds
more to the appearance of a place
than having our streets and alleys
look clean. It is a big ad-
vertiser to any town, besides ad-
ding much to the health of any
place.

This question has been urged
through the columns of this paper
heretofore and will be until a
move is started for cleaner
streets and alleys.

We have no criticism for any
person in particular but this is
intended for all, and we hope
that all will heed the warning.

We may construct railroads,
build fine dwellings and encour-
age every worthy enterprise to
come our way, but unless we
have good clean streets these
will profit us nothing. There is
nothing that adds more to the
appearances of a town than good
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catch the eye of every man
quicker than any other thing.

In the event that we do not se-
cure the normal we should have
this done anyway as it will pay
us well for our efforts in adding
to the beauty and health of our
town.

When we are expecting some
good thing to come our way we
must first lay the foundation
with a nice clean town. Reader,
do you suppose for one minute
the locating committee for the
normal will not notice the condi-
tion of our town in reference to
this one thing. One day work
would accomplish much and
would cause the committee to
stop and take notice of our town
along this line. No one thing
will stand more in the way than
this. All are anxious who love
our town to see everything possi-
ble done to promote our inter-
est. Now is the time for action,
and while we have the opportu-
nity let us accomplish this, one
great thing.

Some will doubtless say it is
the mayor's place to look after
this matter. No doubt but what
we need his assistance, but he is
not able to do all. Let each one
do his part and it will be done
well for in unity there is strength.

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surrounding country have long
felt the need of a qualified eye-
sight specialist to locate perma-
nently in their midst

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ought to carefully investigate the
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ant pen on one of the Missouri
journals. The other day in a
fit of motion he penned the fol-
lowing:

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get too good. There is a piety
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spiritual nakedness. Some of
us get drunk and that's bad;
some of us lie like dogs and
that's worse; some of us peddle
vile talk, that's worse; some love
money better than truth, honor
and goodness and that's worse;
some of us cheat, steal and
dodge our taxes and that's
worse; some of us slur at our
neighbors and that's "worse"
still, though among the elect it is
sometimes considered a virtue.
But the crowning sin of all is a
hard, unloving heart and a soul
without charity for the frailties
of others; which rejoices when
others are crucified and which
attempts to hide its secret joy
with sniffing and pious deprecia-
tion. Men dislike such people
and God despises them. No,
whatever you do, don't get too
good. Heaven is going to be a
big surprise party to most of us.

\$1 down and \$1 a week is easy
payments. Buy a lot in Soash.
Bert Ramsey will sell it to you.

**Eastern Star Grand Deputy
Visits Tahoka.**

Mrs. Flor Penix of Big Springs
visited us the first of the week.
She is Grand Deputy of the O. E.
S. and was here to supervise and
instruct the Bartley chapter at
this place.

Mrs. Penix is a lovely woman
and her association with the Star
here endeared her to all with
whom she came in contact. She
is W. M. of the chapter in Big
Springs and they are justly
proud of her, not only as a bright
woman in her special line of
work, but a very charming one
besides.

She arrived here Monday noon
and remained until Tuesday af-
ternoon, when she left for Lub-
bock to visit the star there. She
will visit a number of chapters
on the North Plains.

The members of the Bartley
Chapter who were among the for-
tunate ones to meet Mrs. Penix
will eagerly look forward to
another visit from her in the fu-
ture.

Mrs. Barclay, also an Eastern
Star member of Big Springs, ac-
companied her. Mrs. Barclay
goes to visit the family of C. W.
Alexander, the phone man of
Lubbock. Mr. Alexander came
after the ladies and took them to
his home Tuesday afternoon.
Mr. Barclay is very fascinating
and will be gladly welcomed
should she ever visit our town
again.—Lynn County News.

If you want to get a choice lot
in the new town of Soash now is
the time to buy. See Bert Ram-
sey.

Why?

do we wish to be your druggist
and sell you the best there is to
be had. There's a reason. Be-
cause we know that with our ex-
perience and knowledge of this
business that we can please you.
It's to your interest therefore to
trade with us, as we absolutely
guarantee the quality and price
to be the very best. If you are
not our customer now, make up
your mind to trade with us.

WARD'S

The price is the thing.

Painting.

I will guarantee all painting
done by me. For particulars see
M. D. McDonald, or address L.
Box 404, Big Springs. 30-32

GARY & BURNS CO.

IT'S NOT GOOD, WE'LL MAKE IT GOOD

IF IT'S NOT GOOD WE'LL MAKE IT GOOD

Do you know that these eight words are your
protection in trading with us. We have lived up
to this policy since we started in business and
find that it has made for us many friends and
customers. We believe you prefer to deal with
a house that will make good any just complaint.
It's human nature. We will be glad to have
you remember us the next time you are in need
of anything in our lines.

GROCERIES DRY GOODS

GRAIN

Your orders will have prompt and careful atten-
tion, and you get first quality goods at reasonable
prices.

Gary & Burns Co.

BIG SPRINGS TEXAS MIDLAND

The Mayor's Proclamation.

The mayor has in another
place in this paper an appeal to
our people to observe the 9th day
of this month as clean-up day.

This move has been encouraged
through the columns of this paper
for some time past, and the day
should be strictly observed by
our citizens. Nothing adds more
to the good appearances of a
town than to have clean streets
and alleys.

J. M. Fryor, who for some
time past has been an employee
of this office, left last Friday
night for El Paso, where he will
be employed as foreman in one of
largest printing plants in west
Texas. Mr. Fryor is a good and
efficient newspaper man, having
founded and published several of
the best papers in the state, and
is one of the best printers the
craft has ever produced. Mrs.
Fryor, after visiting relatives at
Merkel, will join him in his new
home. He has many friends in
this place who will miss him, but
who wish for him much prosper-
ity in his changed location.

**H. E. Berry of the firm of Ber-
ry & Devenport, dry goods, left**

Monday night for the St. Louis
and Chicago markets to buy
their fall and winter stock. He
realizes that to get the newest
and best, an early trip is neces-
sary. Mrs. Berry accompanying
him as far as Sulphur Springs,
where she will visit her mother
and family. Mr. Berry will be
gone about three week, taking
plenty of time to secure the very
latest ideas out of Chicago and
St. Louis markets. They intend
to add a ladies suit department to
their already growing dry goods
trade. Mr. Berry will visit these
great markets for the newest in
tailor made dresses.

Some sneak-thief entered the
home of A. S. Edmonson Mon-
day, while the family were away,
stole \$16.75 in money and some
jewelry. Entrance was effected
by tearing a screen off a back
window.

Town lots at \$1 down and \$1
per week is the way you can buy
them in Soash. See Bert Ram-
sey.

Sox! Sox! Sox!

Here's where we tickle
your feet and keep
them "inside" for six
months, because we
guarantee six pairs of
sox to last that long.
They are only 25c a
pair.

A. P. McDonal & Co.
Gent's Furnishers.

Berry & Deavenport.

Our buyer is now in the St. Louis and Chicago Markets after new goods.

Greatly reduced prices on all our Summer Goods.

Saturday Aug. 7 and Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 9 and 10, will be our Bargain days.

On these Three Days we are going to offer you the greatest bargains you ever heard of.

You cannot spend your time to better advantage than here looking over these bargains.

Once you see them you will buy.

Our line of Oxfords for women and children.

Values from \$1 to \$2.50 now go for 48c. Men's Black and Tan \$4 and \$4.50 Oxfords now go for \$2.49.

Large table of cool Dress Goods in Paris and French Tissue and Batiste, sold up to 25c per yd., now go for, per yd. 10c.

Big table white and colored Lawns, sold up to 15c per yd., now per yd. 5c.

Remember all our Summer Goods go at half price. Remember the dates and come.

Berry & Deavenport.

B. J. CAMPBELL

Has opened a Wood and Coal Yard on the north side of the railroad, he will also handle feed, and will appreciate a portion of the public patronage.

PHONE 463 BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

LAND BARGAIN FOR SALE!

9 sections of land in Howard county, 16 miles from Big Springs, good improvements, plenty of water, about 80 per cent agricultural land, near school house and postoffice. Will sell cheap and take part pay in black land farm. What have you? For particulars call at

THIS OFFICE

Pathfinder Car for the Flag to Flag Race Passes Through Here Sunday.

Carl L. Poole accompanied by Mr. DeLay, mayor of Plainview, and J. H. Foster, secretary of the Plainview commercial club and editor of the Plainview News, passed through here Sunday laying out the proposed route of the flag to flag race which leaves Denver, Colo., Oct. 16, and will arrive here on the 23rd or 24th of October. These gentlemen arrived in the city in three big cars about noon Sunday and stopped for a few hours to repair their cars, leaving at 2:30 for San Angelo. Mr. Poole, who is secretary of the Plains Auto Association, has charge of the line from Trinidad Colo. to Kerrville, Texas, he is using all his ingenuity to map out the best course across the country to be traveled by these cars. He claims to have, up to the time he reached here, found everything favorable for the trip. When questioned as to the roads Mr. Poole said they were in excellent shape, and that if the same conditions exist in October that are now found along the proposed line it will be a very successful expedition.

This line traverses the state from Texline to Eagle Pass, passing through as fine an agricultural belt as there is in the state; making the enterprising towns of Amarillo, Plainview, Lubbock, Big Springs and San Antonio.

This race will be composed of men who stand well in financial circles and it is natural to suppose they will do everything in their power to give this country a good boost. It will be one of the best advertisements that has come our way for some time. Few are able to understand what a good advertisement it will be.

There will be some 40 cars to enter this race, carrying some 150 people, besides newspaper people from Denver and along the proposed line. Every paper is giving it publicity along the route to be traversed and the towns that have been lucky in securing this are looking forward with interest to this event. All towns will give them quite a reception and endeavor to make the tourists feel they are welcome among Texas people.

There should be some plan inaugurated here out of the ordinary to make all feel at home, if possible, more so than any other place along the line. We should institute some kind of a reception for them. It seems to us if we were to find out the date they will be here; have main street cleaned of all buggies and let it be lined with buggies from the depot through the business part, or have a nice number of autos meet the tourists out from town and escort them in. This event will mean much to our town and country, and adequate plans should be inaugurated to make their visit a pleasant one.

REACHING THE SPOT.

It Can Be Done, So Says of Big Springs Citizens Say.

To cure an aching back. The pains of rheumatism. The tired-out feelings.

You must reach the spot—get at the cause.

In most cases 'tis the kidneys.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for the kidneys.

S. P. Daily living in the northern part of Big Springs, says: "It is nearly two years since I first used Doan's Kidney Pills. I was suffering with rheumatism at the time and found that two boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills did me a lot of good. Sometimes in the winter I commenced to have attacks of backache and a constant dull soreness across the kidneys. I at once thought about Doan's Kidney Pills and going to J. L. Ward's drug store purchased a supply. After using one box the misery in my back disappeared and has not returned since I have recommended Doan's Kidney Pills to several of my neighbors and shall continue to do so."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cts. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agent for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

New post cards, magazines and periodicals at Reagan's drug store.

Program of the Fifth Sunday Meeting.

Program of the Fifth Sunday Meeting of the Big Springs Baptist Association to convene with the church at Coahoma on Thursday night before the fifth Sunday in Aug. 1909.

Introductory sermon by Rev. S. C. Shipley Friday, 9 a. m. Devotional exercises by Rev. C. R. Joiner.

9:30 a. m. Exposition of 1 Cor., 8-13, by Rev. G. C. Farris.

10:15 a. m. Necessity of religious literature in the home by Rev. Walter M. Lee, editor of the Western Evangel.

11 a. m. Sermon by Rev. Charlie.

12:00. Dinner.

2 p. m. Devotional exercise by Rev. W. B. Wade.

2:45 p. m. Are the missionaries justified in helping the church to any extent, or should they give their time to the destitute places? Pastor Wells of Stanton.

3:30 p. m. Relationship of church and pastor, by Rev. A. R. Watson.

8:30 p. m. Sermon by Wilson C. Rogers.

Saturday, 9 a. m. Devotional exercises by Rev. J. L. Birdsong.

9:30 a. m. Does Acts, 1-8, mean associational, state, home and foreign missions? Rev. A. L. Maddox.

10:15 a. m. How to interest women in women's work in the smaller churches, by Mrs. S. H. Morrison.

11 a. m. Sermon by Rev. H. P. Wilsford.

12:00. Dinner.

2 p. m. How women can be a successful factor in the church life, by Mrs. Wilson C. Rogers.

2:45 p. m. The Sunday School as an evangelistic force in the church.

3:30 p. m. Board meeting.

Sunday, 9 a. m. Sunday School mass meeting. To be supplied.

10 a. m. Sunday School.

11 a. m. Sermon by Rev. A. L. Maddox.

8:30 a. m. Sermon by Rev. L. D. Hull.

If you want a lot in the new town of Soash see Bert Ramsey.

FORSALE—a small well-paying business. Enquire P. O. box 215.

E. E. Green has resigned as bookkeeper for the West Texas National Bank and has been succeeded by F. S. Morris of Winthrop.

Public land opening will soon take place. For illustrated booklet containing general information about the country, the land laws and many beautiful scenes, for 4c in stamps. Dept. 30, Rock Springs, Wyoming.

Dysentery is a dangerous disease but can be cured. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy has been successfully used in nine epidemics of dysentery. It has never been known to fail. It is equally valuable for children and adults, and when reduced with water and sweetened, it is pleasant to take sold by all druggists.

G. E. prayer meeting at the Christian church Wednesday, Aug. 11, at 8:30 p. m. Everybody invited to come and bring a friend. Subject: "Two Valley's"

Ps. 22:1-8. Devotional, Walter Barrett; leader, Earl Reed. Vocal solo, Miss M. Crawford. "Humbled by God," Ex. 5:15-28, Mrs. Geo. Pope; "The Day's Bread," John 2:8-11, Mrs. W. O. Miller; "Facing the Foe," Jan. 4: 5-10, Mrs. Chas. Jeffries; "Two Valley's," Ps. 22:1-8, Rosa, 8:35-38, Rev. Bledsoe.

Phone 276 or come to 407 Johnson street for pianos, organs, all kinds of musical goods and piano tuning, also Dr. Adam's Quick Relief for rheumatism, neuralgia and many other ills, and the Chain reference Bible, the best now on the market, or see A. J. Adams, special salesman, anywhere you can. 42-3a

Labor Day Celebration.

A mass meeting was held Monday night for the purpose of arranging for a Labor Day Celebration on Sept. 6. The meeting was attended by members of the local labor unions and business men of our town.

It was decided to have a big barbecue and basket picnic, grounds to be selected later. A parade by the different organizations will start the day's program. It is expected the merchants of our town will have several floats in the parade. The different committees were appointed; that on finance being F. Mackintosh, Ed Mey and W. A. Ricker, who will begin the work of collecting funds next Monday.

The committee on transportation will secure cheap railroad rates for that day and will try to get them extended as far east as Fort Worth.

Another open meeting will be held next Thursday to which everyone is cordially invited.

Bert Ramsey will sell you a lot in Soash for \$1 down and \$1 per week.

Elw Read and family have returned from a visit to relatives in Kentucky.

Miss Anna A. Angiestine of San Angelo is here on a month's visit with her mother.

\$1 down and \$1 a week is easy payments. Buy a lot in Soash. Bert Ramsey will sell it to you.

R. L. Perminter, wife and daughter left Wednesday for Corpus Christi where they will spend about two weeks.

Eyes examined free. A. H. Mahon, Oph. D., permanently located. Office over McCamant's drug store.

Dr. W. C. Barnett and J. W. Carpenter left Wednesday morning for Granbury where they were called by the illness of Mr. Carpenters father.

We are prepared to fill your doctor's prescriptions with the choicest drugs.

Biles & Gentry.

C. A. Merrick kindly called around at the office Monday and left us a nice melon which was greatly enjoyed by us working people.

R. K. Manion of Dawson county was here Monday and said a very good rain fell at his place last week and with another good rain or two he will make plenty of feed.

If your liver is sluggish and out of tone, and you feel dull, bilious, constipated, take a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets tonight before retiring and you will feel all right in the morning. Sold by all druggists.

Letter to Burton-Lingo Co.

Big Springs, Texas.

Dear Sir: Clear pine and pine full of knots are two different things; they are both called pine.

Clear pine and paint adulterated with whitening, china clay, ground stone, barytes, bitumens and water, are different things they are both called "paint."

It takes less labor to work clear pine than pine knots and cost less money.

It takes less labor to paint clear pine than half whitening or half china clay or half ground stone or half barytes. These mixtures make more gallons, not more paint. There's no more milk in two quarts of milk and water than in one quart of milk. If you paint two gallons for one you pay double for labor; and labor costs more than paint.

You know how it is with clear lumber and knots. It's the same with all paint and half paint.

Apply it to business. Suppose you save two houses, same size; paint one Devco, the other the other prominent paint in your town.

It takes 10 gallons Devco, \$1.75 a gallon, \$17.50 for paint; \$3 a gallon for labor, \$30 for labor; whole job, \$47.50.

It takes 15 gallons of that other paint, same price \$22.50 for paint; \$3 a gallon for labor, \$45 for labor; whole job \$67.50.

And which wears best, clear pine or pine knots? Devco wears better than that weak paint.

What warrant is there for saying that paint is weak? It takes more gallons.

Yours truly,

F. W. DEVOE & CO

P. S. Biles & Gentry, sell our paint.

Fresh Ramers' Chocolates at Biles & Gentry.

The latest drinks served properly at Reagan's fountain.

D. M. Archmore of Abilene is here on business for a few days.

FIRE INSURANCE. Let me write your policy.

J. C. Baird.

Miss Ruth Daugherty of Abilene is here visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Ira Ford returned Tuesday from a visit to relatives and friends in Kentucky.

For better service, see Jones & McGowan, first door south of McCamant Drug Store.

Just received a large shipment of Hess poultry powder, stock food and insect destroyer at Biles & Gentry.

O. C. Bayes of the Knott community was in town Monday and said a good rain fell at his place last week. The best rain he has had in over eight months.

Mrs. J. E. Moon, niece and nephew, Ruth and Raiford Roberts, left for Mineral Wells Tuesday, where they will visit for a few weeks, from whence Mrs. Moon goes north.

L. L. Limbaugh, who was in charge of the Cornell Lumber yard at this place, has gone to Galveston where he will engage in business. He is succeeded here by S. A. Wiley of Arlington, a very pleasant gentleman who comes to our town well recommended as a business man.

STONE & CARPENTER Dray and Transfer Men

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN WOOD and COAL

AGENTS FOR... The Texas Co.'s Coal Oil

Stove Gasoline and all kinds of Lubricating Oil. Try our Household Coal Oil and our Stove Gasoline, guaranteed to be the best. Ask for our oils and take no other. If your merchant don't handle it, see us. If you want Oil or Gasoline, Wood or Coal, come to see us. If you can't come send for it and you will always be treated fair.

... TWENTY YEARS IN BIG SPRINGS ...

Remember us when you want wood or coal, or hauling of any kind done

Our Reference — ANYBODY