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A. J. Long to Horace Hale, 160 acres at \$10 per acre.

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At Baird the anti-prohibitionists have made a strong fight to break the local option law, but without success, the courts having declared the election binding in every way.

Henry Hollar, who purchased the Prince place, has moved in and is now a citizen of Gail.

W. H. Berry and family, late of Oklahoma, have moved to the tract of land purchased last Summer from John DeShazo.

Capt. J. B. Martin, of Dallas, was here this week talking insurance to our people.

John Howe has purchased an interest in the Gail restaurant, and the firm is now Cotton & Howe. These are two of the worthiest young men of Borden county, and they deserve the most liberal patronage of our people.

The twenty section pasture of A. J. Long, situated near Gail on the north-east, is now on the market in small tracts. This is a fine body of land and its settlement will greatly increase the trade of Gail. This is probably the beginning of a movement which will result in the settlement of all the large pastures in Borden county.

Mr. Page has rented the Lyon place in Gail and will move his family here for the benefit of our school.

Mrs. J. M. Christopher and Miss Lillie Kennedy were pleasant callers at the Citizen office last Thursday.

Messrs. L. D. Sowell and J. M. Kincaid came back from Big Springs yesterday.

FOR SALE OR TRADE.

A good, heavy Spaulding Buggy to sell or trade for a lighter buggy.

Cleburne Stevens,
Tredway, Texas.

H. C. Kennedy dropped in to see us last Friday.

Henry Johnston came in from the Plains yesterday, and informs us that the ground is drying off fast and farm work will begin again in a few days.

The patrons of the Gail school are to be congratulated upon the general condition of affairs this year. The teachers are bending all their energies to the work, and its efficiency is attested by the close interest and rapid progress of the pupils. The parents also seem to feel a stronger disposition than usual to co-operate in the work and a stronger local pride is developing. People are moving in from the country for school and other things taking place which are very encouraging.

L. D. Sowell is preparing to build a nice residence on his little ranch in Garza county, and passed through town yesterday with his second load of lumber.

Mr. Suggs set out a number of shade trees in the court house yard yesterday.

A general rush of work, the publication of the County Clerk's report and other things have cut down our reading matter somewhat this week. We regret the shortage, but could not possibly avoid it.

R. A. Hester went to the railroad yesterday with a load of cotton.

Joe Morse, the principal and only farmer of Yoakum county to speak of, brought his cotton crop down for market Thursday, which consisted of a bale weighing 371 pounds and we are told that he speculated a little on the way down and bought 400 pounds of seed cotton to make out a good bale. Yoakum will soon need a gin.—Stanton Reporter.

J. P. Coates was here yesterday.

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dith's half veiled sarcasm. Durnovo had only been allowed to come down to the coast under a promise, gracefully veiled, but distinct enough, that he should only remain twenty hours in Loango.

Jocelyn avoided seeing him again. Four days later she was riding through the native town of Loango, accompanied by a lady friend, when she met Victor Durnovo. The sight of him gave her a distinct shock. She knew that he had left Loango three days before with all his men. There was no doubt about that. Moreover, his air was distinctly furtive—almost scared. It was evident that the chance meeting was as undesired by him as it was surprising to her.

"I thought you had left," she said shortly, pulling up her horse with undeniable decision.

"Yes, but I have come back for—more men."

She knew he was lying, and he felt that she knew.

"Indeed!" she said. "You are not a good starter."

She turned her horse's head, nodded to her friend, bowed coldly to Durnovo and trotted toward home. In the forest she applied the spur, and beneath the whispering trees, over the silent sand, the girl galloped home as fast as her horse could lay legs to ground.

CHAPTER XV.

ON nearing the bungalow Jocelyn turned aside into the forest where a little colony of huts nestled in a hollow of the sand dunes.

"Nala," she cried, "the paddlemaker. Ask him to come to me."

In a few moments a man emerged from a shed of banana leaves. He was a scraggy man, very lightly clad, and a violent squint handicapped him seriously in the matter of first impressions.

"I came to you," said Jocelyn, "because I know that you are an intelligent man and a great traveler."

"Where do you wish me to go?"

"To Msala, on the Ogowe river. When can you leave?"

"Now."

"You can hire a dhow," she said, "and on the river you may have as many rowers as you like. You must go very quickly to Msala. There you must ask about the Englishman's expedition. Some of the men are at Msala now. They were going up country to join the other Englishmen far away—near the mountains. They have stopped at Msala. Find out why they have not gone on, and come back very quickly to tell me."

She gave him money and rode on home. Before she reached the bungalow the paddlemaker passed her at a trot, going toward the sea.

She waited for three days, and then Victor Durnovo came again. Maurice was still away. There was an awful sense of impending danger in the very air, in the loneliness of her position. Yet she was not afraid of Durnovo. She had left that fear behind. She went to the drawing room to see him full of resolution.

"I could not go away," he said after relinquishing her hand, "without coming to see you."

Jocelyn said nothing. The scared look which she had last seen in his face was no longer there, but the eyes were full of lies.

"Jocelyn," the man went on, "I suppose you know that I love you. Will you marry me?" he asked.

"No?"

"Why?"

"Because I not only do not care for you, but I despise and distrust you."

"Then," he said, "I will be candid with you. I intend you to marry me. I have intended it for a long time. I am not going down on my knees to ask you to do it. That is not my way. But if you drive me to it I will make your brother Maurice go down on his knees and beg you to marry me."

"I don't think that you will do that," answered the girl steadily. "Whatever your power over Maurice may be, it is not strong enough for that. You overrate it."

"Suppose," he said in a low, hissing voice, "that I possess knowledge that I have only to mention to one or two people to make this place too hot for Maurice Gordon. If he escaped the fury of the natives it would be difficult to know where he could go. England would be too hot for him. They wouldn't have him there. I could see to that. He would be a ruined man, an outcast, execrated by all the civilized world."

"What is your knowledge?" asked Jocelyn in a coldly measured voice.

"If you will have it, your brother Maurice Gordon, is a slave trader."

She drew back as she might have done from some unclean animal. She knew that he was not telling the truth. There might be extenuating circumstances. The real truth might have quite a different sound, spoken in different words, but there was enough of the truth in it as Victor Durnovo placed it before her to condemn Maurice before the world.

"Now will you marry me?" he sneered.

"Supposing," said Jocelyn, "for one moment that there was a grain of truth in your fabrication, who would believe you? Who on this coast would take your word against the word of an English gentleman? Even if the whole story were true, which it is not, could you prove it? You are a liar as well as a coward and traitor! Do you think that the very servants in the stable would believe you? Do you think that the incident of the smallpox at Msala is forgotten? Do you think that all Loango, even to the boatmen on the beach, ignores the fact that you are here in Loango now because you are afraid to go through a savage country to the simlacine plateau, as you are pledged to do? You were afraid of the smallpox once. There is something else that you are afraid of now. I do not know what it is, but I will find out. Coward! Go! Leave the house at once, before I call in the stable boys to turn you out, and never dare to speak to me again!"

He heard her close the window after him as he walked away beneath the trees.

Jocelyn went out by the open window, and presently Nala came grinning toward her. He was evidently very much pleased with himself—held himself erect and squinted more violently than usual.

"I have been to Msala," he said, with considerable dignity of manner.

Nala squatted on the chunam floor and proceeded to unfold a leaf. The operation took some time. Within the outer covering there was a second envelope of paper, likewise secured by a string. Finally the man produced a small note, which showed signs of having been read more than once. This he handed to Jocelyn with an

absured air of importance.

She opened the paper and read:

To Marie, at Msala—Send at once to Mr. Durnovo, informing him that the tribes have risen and are rapidly surrounding the plateau. He must return here at once with as large an armed force as he can raise, but the most important consideration is time. He must not wait for men from elsewhere, but must pick up as many as he can in Loango and on the way up to Msala. I reckon that we can hold out for three months without outside assistance, but after that period we shall be forced to surrender or try to cut our way through without the simlacine. With a larger force we could beat back the tribes and establish our hold on the plateau by force of arms. This must be forwarded to Mr. Durnovo at once, wherever he is. The letter is in duplicate, sent by two good messengers, who go by different routes.

JOHN MEREDITH.

When Jocelyn looked up, dry lipped, breathless, Nala was standing before her, beaming with self importance.

"Who gave you this?"

"Marie, at Msala."

"Who is she?"

"Oh, Mr. Durnovo's woman at Msala. She keeps his house."

"But this letter is for Mr. Durnovo!" cried Jocelyn, whose fear made her unreasonably angry. "Why has he not had it?"

Nala came nearer, with upraised forefinger and explanatory palm.

"Marie tell me," he said, "that Mr. Meredith sent two letters. Marie give Mr. Durnovo one. This—other letter."

Jocelyn Gordon rose to the occasion. "Can you go," she said after a moment's thought, "to St. Paul de Loanda for me, at once—now?"

"Oh, yes," with a sigh.

Already Jocelyn was writing something on a sheet of paper.

"Take this," she said, "to the telegraph office at St. Paul de Loanda and send it off at once. Here is money. You understand? I will pay you when you bring back the receipt. If you have been very quick I will pay you well."

That same evening a second messenger started northward after Maurice Gordon with a letter telling him to come back at once to Loango.

Guy Osgard was dining alone in Russell square when a telegram was handed to him. He opened it and read:

Meredith surrounded and in danger. Durnovo false. Come at once.

JOCELYN GORDON.

In due time Guy Osgard landed on the beach at Loanda. He had the telegram still in his pocket, and he went, not to Maurice Gordon's office, but to the bungalow.

Jocelyn greeted him with a little inarticulate cry of joy.

"I did not think that you could possibly be here so soon," she said.

"What news have you?" he asked, without pausing to explain. He was one of those men who are silenced by an unlimited capacity for prompt action.

"That," she replied, handing him the note written by Jack Meredith to Marie at Msala.

Guy Osgard read it carefully.

"Dated seven weeks last Monday; nearly two months ago," he muttered half to himself.

"But you will go?" she said, and something in her voice startled him.

"Of course I will go," he replied. He looked down into her face with a vague question in his quiet eyes, and who knows what he saw there? Perhaps she was off her guard. Perhaps she read this man aright and did not care.

With a certain slow hesitation he laid his hand on her arm. There was something almost paternal in his manner which was in keeping with his stature.

"Moreover," he went on, "I will get there in time. I have an immense respect for Meredith. If he said that he could hold out for four months I should say that he could hold out for six. There is no one like Meredith once he makes up his mind to take things seriously."

It was not very well done, and she probably knew that he was as anxious as she was herself. But his very presence was full of comfort. It somehow

brought a change to the moral atmosphere.

"Where is Durnovo?" Osgard asked suddenly.

"I believe he is in Loango. It is not likely," she went on, "that he will come here. I—I rather lost my temper with him and said things which I imagine hurt his feelings."

"I'm rather afraid of doing that myself," he said; "only it will not be his feelings."

"I do not think," she replied, "that it would be at all expedient to say or do anything at present. He must go with you to the plateau. Afterward—perhaps."

Osgard laughed quietly.

"Ah," he said, "that sounds like one of Meredith's propositions. But he does not mean it any more than you do."

"I do mean it," replied Jocelyn quietly. There is no hatred so complete, so merciless, as the hatred of a woman for one who has wronged the man she loves. At such times women do not pause to give fair play. They make no allowance."

Guy Osgard smiled.

"I think I will go and look for him," he said.

At dusk that same evening there was a singular incident in the barroom of the only hotel in Loango.

Victor Durnovo was there, surrounded by a few friends of antecedents and blood similar to his own. They were having a convivial time of it, and the consumption of whisky was greater than might be deemed discreet in such a climate as that of Loango.

Durnovo was in the act of raising his glass to his lips when the open doorway was darkened and Guy Osgard stood before him. The half breed's jaw dropped; the glass was set down again rather unsteadily on the zinc covered counter.

"I want you," said Osgard.

There was a little pause, an ominous silence, and Victor Durnovo slowly followed Osgard out of the room, leaving that ominous silence behind.

"I love for Msala tonight," said Osgard as they were outside, "and you are coming with me."

"I'll see you cursed first!" replied Durnovo, with a courage born of Irish whisky.



"Le' go!" he gasped.

Guy Osgard said nothing, but he stretched out his right hand suddenly. His fingers closed in the collar of Victor Durnovo's coat, and that particular scion of two races found himself feebly trotting the one street of Loango.

"Le' go!" he gasped.

But the hand at his neck neither relinquished nor contracted. When they reached the beach the embarkation of the little army was going forward under Maurice Gordon's super-

To be Continued.

HORSE'S HEART BREAKS.

Former Charger of Gen. Boulanger Dies in Most Tragical Manner.

A column of troops marched past the Alsace column in the Place de la Concorde, Paris, the other day with drums beating and fifes playing, says a recent Paris report.

A broken-down old black horse drawing a cart heaped up with vegetables, heard the music and saw the soldiers.

In the seat of the cart, half asleep in the blazing sun, was Mme. Lecocq, who had been to Paris market to buy supplies for her grocery store.

At the sound of the drums and the sight of the red-legged soldiers in the Place de la Concorde the old horse came to life. He pranced and trotted at the head of the marching column, nearly shaking Mme. Lecocq off the seat.

Half way across the square the horse stopped. His knees gave way, and he fell dead with his heart broken. Mme. Lecocq was thrown to the ground. The soldiers marched around the wreck and laughed.

In front of the Alsace column, just 17 years ago, almost to a day, this same black horse nearly upset the government of France. On that day he pranced through the Place de la Concorde carrying on his back Gen. Boulanger, then the idol of the masses, who came with in an ace of being another Napoleon. They called Boulanger "the man on horseback."

The man died an exiled suicide in Brussels. The horse lived on in humble oblivion until it died on the scene of its great triumph.

Benefits from Volcanic Eruptions.

It appears that the volcanic eruptions which devastated Guatemala last year were really blessings in disguise. The coffee fincas, or plantations, suffered severely, and so gloomy was the outlook that many planters abandoned their ash-covered acres and considered themselves ruined. As it happened, the eruptions were followed by heavy and long-continued rains, which washed away a large proportion of the ashes and incorporated the rest of them with the soil. In the result the mixture proved of great benefit to the coffee trees and the new crop is said to be as large again as last year's.

Joe Wicker, of the Durham community, is preparing to put one hundred acres of land into cultivation during the next year, and will test thoroughly the value of our soil for farming exclusively.

Mr. Hite, from the northern part of the county, was here this week on business.

N. T. Green, from the eastern section of the county, came in yesterday and paid us a visit. He reports everything flourishing in his community.

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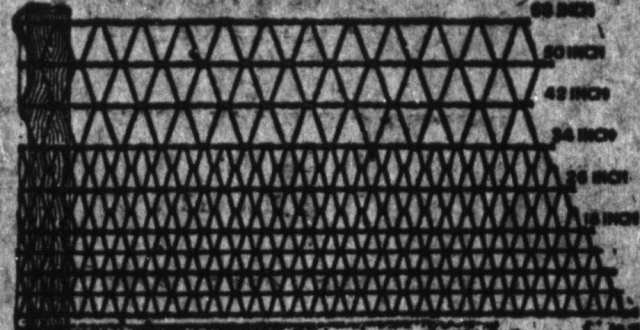
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Wm. McKenzie, recently of Colorado, passed through Gail this week on his way to Tahoka, where he will open a blacksmith shop.

J. I. Willborn and J. N. Ivy, of Garza county, spent several days in Gail recently.

Tom Benton was doing business in town last week.

Don't forget W. L. Self when you want creasing ridge mold for your new houses also guttering and flues. Big Springs, Texas.

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M. M. McMillan, of Stonewall county, was in Gail last week. He is visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. D. Oliver, who lives in the north-western part of the county.

CHRISTMAS TREE.

Next Monday night there will be a Christmas Tree at Gail, and everybody is invited. Let all come and make this the happiest holiday season in the history of Gail.

We had about two inches of snow last Friday, but it nearly all melted off the next day. That night, however, another snow came up and continued until about ten o'clock Sunday. This has melted off, but the weather is still threatening.

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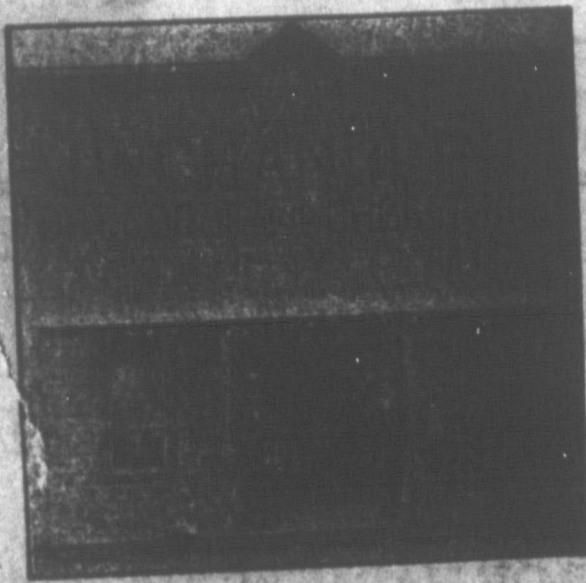
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W. H. Willis, engineer at the gin, went down to Durham last unday.

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QUARTERLY REPORT

Of the Commissioners' Court of Borden county, Texas, of the Assets, Receipts and disbursements of the different county funds of Borden county, Texas, for the quarter beginning August 1, 1906 and ending October 31, inclusive.

JURY FUND 1st Class		
To balance on hand from last quarter	386.39	
To amount received	10.15	
By amount paid out		16.65
" " to balance		379.89
Balance	396.54	396.54
To balance on hand at close of quarter		
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND No 1		
To balance on hand from last quarter	1482.23	
To amount received	1.60	
By am't paid out		.04
By am't to balance		1483.79
Balance	1483.83	1483.83
To balance on hand at close of quarter		
GENERAL FUND 3rd CLASS		
To balance on hand from last quarter	1397.35	
To am't received	.08	
By am't paid out		764.60
By amount to balance		632.83
Balance	1397.43	1397.43
To balance on hand at close of quarter		
COURT HOUSE FUND 4th CLASS		
To balance on hand from last quarter	2834.40	
To amount received	1.12	
By amount paid out		.03
" " to balance		2835.49
Balance	2335.52	2835.52
To balance on hand at close of quarter		
JAIL FUND, 5th CLASS		
To balance on hand at close of last quarter	1187.09	
" am't received		.65
By amount paid out		
By amount to balance		1187.74
Balance	1187.74	
T balance on hand		
ROAD and BRIDGE FUND No 2, 7th CLASS		
To balance on hand from last quarter	197.42	
" amount received		.66
By amount paid out		223.29
" amount to balance		223.95
Balance	223.95	223.95
To balance on hand at close of quarter		
SCHOOL FUND 7th CLASS		
To balance on hand last quarter	434.95	
To amount received	1005.03	
By amount paid out		253.46
By amount to balance		1186.52
Balance	1439.98	1439.98
To balance on hand at close of quarter		

The State of Texas. }
 County of Borden. }

I, J. D. Brown, County Clerk, of Borden county, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the Assets, Receipts, and Disbursements of Borden county, Texas for the quarter beginning August 1, 1906, and ending Oct 31, 1906.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 10th day of December, 1906.

J. D. Brown, County Clerk,
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BORDEN COUNTY.

Borden county is located partly below and partly above the "cap rock." The altitude below the cap rock is about 2800 feet. Soil fertile, climate pleasant. About 25 per cent of the land to some extent is rough and better adapted to stock raising than to farming. Timber for fuel is plentiful, below the foot of the plains, mesquite being the most abundant. This country is well set in good grass, the principal grasses being the needle and mesquite.

The rainfall here is sufficient for abundant and successful farming. The products of the farm are cotton, corn, maize, cane Kaffir, wheat and oats. Wheat and oats have not been grown extensively in this county, but some parts are specially adapted to the raising of small grain. We find the gardens bedecked with beans, peas, turnips, onions radishes, beets, potatoes, peanuts and watermelons. The orchards furnish peaches, pears, apples, grapes, plums and apricots. The wild fruits are grapes, plums and mulberries. At present orchards are comparatively few, but bear good and abundant fruit. Agriculture is fast becoming the leading industry. The lands which only a few years since were trodden under the foot of the buffalo and mustang pony, and the howl of the lobo, and the yelp of the coyote were the only signs of life now are under fence and the soil beneath the plow. At present the whistle of the farm boy, the songs of the milk maid, the bark of the neighbor's dog, the rattling of wagons, and the hum of gins are some of the indications of life and civilization.

Stock raising is still a leading factor in the progress of our county. Borden county takes pride in raising some of the best horses, cattle and hogs. Poultry does extremely well in this locality.

The development of this county has been quite rapid the last six months. During that time there has been a nice little town built up. The Methodists have erected a handsome church building at Durham in the South-Eastern part of this county.

Gail, the county seat, is a small town but is building fast. There are four new business houses and a new gin, all of which have recently been erected. Borden county is almost sure to average one-half bale per acre to all lands planted in cotton. I have lived in Borden county for eight years and have never witnessed a complete failure in crops. The lands about Gail have not heretofore been for sale, hence the slow development. At the present some of the pastures are for sale in small tracts.

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