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Ned Lester, or Who is the Gentleman.

(By Evangeline.)

"Bess," said May to her chum as they sat on May's veranda on the day after the picnic, "why is it you refused to go with Ned Lester to the picnic yesterday, and went with Harry Neal? Ned is Harry's equal and is just as handsome and nice in every way as Harry, and I don't think you were exactly fair in your treatment of Ned he was very much cut up over it yesterday, and I am sure I felt sorry for him. Now I don't want to scold you, dear but I can't help thinking you have made a mistake in treating him that way, and am not a little worried as to the cause."

Bess looked at her friend in a surprised and somewhat grieved manner. "Is it possible May," at last she asked, "that you do not

know Ned's weakness for strong drink?, and I would not knowingly go with a young man whom I had reasons to believe indulged in such things? Yes, I know Ned is Harry's equal socially, but he cannot be my friend so long as he is a friend to the bottle," and Bess closed her lips firmly.

"Oh, yes, Bess, I know that Ned occasionally drinks a little too much, but he never shows any impoliteness, never bothers any one when he is drinking too much. He never drinks too much when he is in ladies company. Now, there's Harry, he is not a drinking boy, I agree, but is he free from faults? You know very well Harry's reputation as a flirt, and he has that very, very bad habit of cursing. How many poor girl's hearts has not Harry Neal broken, and he feels no more remorse for it than a cat. Oh you may think you are doing right, but I can't

see it in the light that you do. I think that cursing and flirting are just as much to be scorned as drinking. Mind I am not holding up for strong drinks, but am only asking you which is nearer the gentleman: Ned, who drinks a little to much, but otherwise all right; or Harry, who does not drink, but who curses, and is a confirmed flirt? You know no one can flirt and not tell falsehoods, and besides just think of the headache it causes! Please think over what we've been talking of and let me hear your opinion another day. I know you had never thought of these things before, you only ment to show Ned your dislike for drinking, but there are other things just as bad, that are indulged in by our boy friends, which we should discountenance, and in that way help to reform."

A Painful Accident.

Obe a son of J. H. Creighton was hurt last Thursday evening while returning home in a buggy from the Holiness meeting. One of the buggy straps broke and frightened his ponies, which were young, and they ran away. The buggy tongue striking the ground broke and a number of the splinters were driven in his face. He was brought here Friday morning, and Dr. Hannabass took the splinters out of his face. We hope under the skillful treatment of the doctor, his wounds will not be long in healing.

J. P. Lester and family and Lynch Henderson of Garza county traveling in a wagon passed through Gail yesterday on the way to Brewster County, to visit relatives and see the country.

A TRUE STORY.

(By August Wolf, M, Metropole Spokane, Wash.)

SPOKANE, Wash., July.—After having tramped more than 100 miles, attired in man's garments, arrested at Walla Walla, south of here, and detained in jail two weeks on a technical charge of masquerading, Mrs. George Earl, who was Nora Clay, daughter of a former cattle-grower near Fort Worth, Texas, joined her husband in Spokane today after a separation of six weeks. They eloped three years ago, because the bride's father threatened to place her in a convent. She was then 16 years of age, and had a reputation throughout the panhandle as a "bronco-buster." Mrs. Earl is of medium height, slender and comely, a typical Texan, and speaks with an air of refinement. George Earl has found employment in a local hotel, where Mrs. Joseph A White has given the girl-wife a home. This is her story:

"I was raised on the plains of Texas and started to ride broncos when four years of age. When I was 10, I started busting mustangs and Indian ponies. Papa sold his ranch later and started a Wild West show. I did trick riding and bronco busting. It was easy, as I had roped and branded cattle on the Texas ranges. While with the show I met George and we fell in love. My parents objected to our marrying, because, they said, I was too young. I was 16. Then George and I ran away, because papa threatened to put me in a convent. I was to be taken to Lott, from El Paso on the 6:35 o'clock evening train and George and I left for Waco an hour earlier.

"We went around the country, finally going to Oregon, leaving Pendleton two months ago for Baker City. George failed to get work and started for Walla Walla. I did not hear from him for several days and my funds gave out. Determined to reach him, I decided to don a suit of his clothing and beat my way to Walla Walla. Reaching there I heard he had gone to Spokane and started out to tramp it to this city. When I reached Starbuck I got a report that he was at Walla Walla and turned back.

"I tramped all the way from Starbuck back to Walla Walla on the railroad track, not having a bite to eat, from Sunday morning to Monday night. I was arrested by the constable at Walla Walla, who noticed that I wore women's shoes and suspected that I was masquerading.

"I told the police at Walla

Walla that I was stranded and was determined to reach my husband and realized that the adoption of a disguise was the only means whereby I could carry the scheme through. I was turned over to the Salvation army, where I was treated nicely and received transportation to Spokane, after George had written to me where he was. We expect to stay in Spokane, as we have found good friends who will assist us in making a home."

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Tall and distinguished looking, Ryder would have attracted attention anywhere. Men who have accomplished much in life usually bear plainly upon their persons the indefinable stamp of achievement, whether of good or evil, which renders them conspicuous among their fellows. We turn after a man in the street and ask, Who is he? And nine times out of ten the object of our curiosity is a man who has made his mark—a successful soldier, a famous sailor, a celebrated author, a distinguished lawyer, or even a notorious crook.

There was certainly nothing in John Ryder's outward appearance to justify Lombroso's sensational description of him: "A social and physiological freak, a degenerate and a prodigy of triple nature who, in the pursuit of money, crushes with the insensibility of a steel machine every one who stands in his way." On the contrary, Ryder, outwardly at least, was a prepossessing looking man. His head was well shaped, and he had an intellectual brow, while power was expressed in every gesture of his hands and body. Every inch of him suggested strength and resourcefulness. His face, when in good humor, frequently expanded in a pleasant smile, and he had even been known to laugh boisterously, usually at his own stories, which he rightly considered very droll, and of which he possessed a goodly stock. But in repose his face grew stern and forbidding, and when his prognathous jaw, indicative of will power and bulldog tenacity, snapped to with a click-like sound, those who heard it knew that squalls were coming.

But it was John Ryder's eyes that were regarded as the most reliable barometer of his mental condition. Wonderful eyes they were, strangely eloquent and expressive, and their most singular feature was that they possessed the uncanny power of changing color like a cat's. When their owner was at peace with the world, and had temporarily shaken off the cares of business, his eyes were of the most restful, beautiful blue, like the sky after sunrise on a spring morning, and looking into their serene depths it seemed absurd to think that this man could ever harm a fly. His face, while under the spell of this kindly mood, was so benevolent and gentle, so frank and honest that you felt there was nothing in the world—purse, honor, wife, child—that, if needs be, you would not intrust to his keeping.

When the period of truce was ended, when the plutocrat was once more absorbed in controlling the political as well as the commercial machinery of the nation, then his eyes took on a snakish, greenish hue, and one could plainly read in them the cunning, the avariciousness, the meanness, the insatiable thirst for gain that had made this man the most unscrupulous money getter of his time, but his eyes had still another color, and when this last transformation took place those dependent upon him and even his friends quaked with fear, for they were his eyes of anger. On these dreaded occasions his eyes grew black as darkest night and flashed fire as lightning rends the thundercloud. Almost ungovernable fury was indeed the weakest spot in John Ryder's armor, for in

these moments of appalling wrath he was reckless of what he said or did, friendship, self interest, prudence, all were sacrificed.

Such was the Colossus on whom all eyes were turned as he entered. Instantly the conversation stopped as by magic. The directors nudged each other and whispered. Instinctively Ryder singled out his crony, Senator Roberts, who advanced with effusive gesture.

"Hello, senator!"

"You're punctual, as usual, Mr. Ryder. I never knew you to be late."

Ryder passed on and into the directors' room, followed by Senator Roberts and the other directors, the procession being brought up by the dapper little secretary bearing the minutes.

With a nod here and there Ryder took his place in the chairman's seat and rapped for order. Then at a sign from the chair the dapper little secretary began in a monotonous voice to read the minutes of the previous meeting.

Quickly they were approved, and the chairman proceeded as rapidly as possible with the regular business routine. That disposed of, the meeting was ready for the chief business of the day. Ryder then calmly proceeded to present the facts in the case.

Some years back the road had acquired as an investment some thousands of acres of land located in the outskirts of Auburndale, on the line of their road. The land was bought cheap, and there had been some talk of laying part of it out as a public park. This promise had been made at the time in good faith, but it was no condition of the sale. If afterward, owing to the rise in the value of real estate, the road found it impossible to carry out the original idea, surely they were masters of their own property! The people of Auburndale thought differently and, goaded on by the local newspapers, had begun action in the courts to restrain the road from diverting the land from its alleged original purpose. They had succeeded in getting the injunction, but the road had fought it tooth and nail and finally carried it to the supreme court, where Judge Rossmore after reserving his opinion had finally sustained the injunction and decided against the railroad. That was the situation.

Several directors spoke, the arguments of each one being merely a reiteration of those already heard. Ryder did not listen to what was being said. Why should he? Was he not familiar with every possible phase of the game? Better than these men who merely talked, he was planning how the railroad and all his other interests could get rid of the troublesome Judge Rossmore.

He who controlled legislatures and dictated to supreme court judges had found himself powerless when each turn of the legal machinery had brought him face to face with Judge

Rossmore. Suit after suit had been decided against him and the interests he represented, and each time it was Judge Rossmore who had handed down the decision. So for years these two men had fought a silent but bitter duel in which principle on the one side and attempted corruption on the other were the gage of battle. Judge Rossmore fought with the weapons which his oath and the law directed him to use, Ryder with the only weapons he understood—bribery and trickery. And each time it had been Rossmore who had emerged triumphant. Desires ev-

ery maneuver Ryder's experience could suggest, notwithstanding every card that could be played to undermine his credit and reputation, Judge Rossmore stood higher in the country's confidence than when he was first appointed.

So when Ryder found he could not corrupt this honest judge with gold he decided to destroy him with calumny. No scruples embarrassed Ryder in arriving at this determination. From his point of view he was fully justified. "Business is business. He hurts my interests; therefore I remove him." So he argued, and he considered it no more wrong to wreck the happiness of this honorable man than he would to have shot a burglar in self defense. So having thus tranquillized his conscience he had gone to work in his usually thorough manner, and his success had surpassed the most sanguine expectations.

This is what he had done.

Like many of our public servants whose labors are compensated only in niggardly fashion by an inconsiderate country, Judge Rossmore was a man of but moderate means. His income as justice of the supreme court was \$12,000 a year, but for a man in his position, having a certain appearance to keep up, it little more than kept the wolf from the door. He lived quietly, but comfortably, in New York with his wife and his daughter Shirley, an attractive young woman who had graduated from Vassar and had shown a marked taste for literature. The daughter's education had cost a good deal of money, and this, together with life insurance and other incidentals of keeping house in New York, had about taken all he had. Yet he had managed to save a little, and those years when he could put by a fifth of his salary the judge considered himself lucky. Secretly he was proud of his comparative poverty. At least the world could never ask him "where he got it."

Ryder was well acquainted with Judge Rossmore's private means. The two men had met at a dinner, and, although Ryder had tried to cultivate the acquaintance, he never received much encouragement. Ryder's son Jefferson, too, had met Miss Shirley Rossmore and been much attracted to her, but the father having more ambitious plans for his heir quickly discouraged all attentions in that direction. He himself, however, continued to meet the judge casually, and one evening he contrived to broach the subject of profitable investments. The judge admitted that by careful hoarding and much stinting he had managed to save a few thousand dollars which he was anxious to invest in something good.

Quick as the keen eyed vulture swoops down on its prey the wily financier seized the opportunity thus presented. And he took so much trouble in answering the judge's inexperienced questions and generally made himself so agreeable that the judge found himself regretting that he and Ryder had by force of circumstances been opposed to each other in public life so long. Ryder strongly recommended the purchase of Alaskan Mining stock, a new and booming enterprise which had lately become very active in the market. Ryder said he had reasons to believe that the stock would soon advance, and now there was an opportunity to get it cheap.

A few days after he had made the investment the judge was surprised to receive certificates of stock for double the amount he had paid for. At the same time he received a letter from the secretary of the company explaining that the additional stock was pool stock and not to be marketed at the present time. It was in the nature of a bonus to which he was entitled as one of the early shareholders. The letter was full of verbiage and technical details of which the judge understood nothing, but he thought it very liberal of the company and, putting the stock away in his safe, soon forgot all about it. Had he been a business man he would have scented peril. He would have realized that he had now in his

possession \$50,000 worth of stock for which he had not paid a cent and furthermore had deposited it when a reorganization came.

But the judge was sincerely grateful for Ryder's apparently disinterested advice and wrote two letters to him, one in which he thanked him for the trouble he had taken and another in which he asked him if he was sure the company was financially sound, as the investment he contemplated making represented all his savings. He added in the second letter that he had received stock for double the amount of his investment and that, being a perfect child in business transactions, he had been unable to account for the extra \$50,000 worth until the secretary of the company had written him assuring him that everything was in order. These letters Ryder kept.

From that time on the Alaskan Mining company underwent mysterious changes. New capitalists gained control and the name was altered to the Great Northwestern Mining company. Then it became involved in litigation, and one suit, the outcome of which meant millions to the company, was carried to the supreme court, where Judge Rossmore was sitting. The judge had by this time forgotten all about the company in which he owned

stock. He did not even recall its name. He only knew vaguely that it was a mine and that it was situated in Alaska. Could he dream that the Great Northwestern Mining company and the company to which he had intrusted his few thousands were one and the same? In deciding on the merits of the case presented to him right seemed to him to be plainly with the Northwestern, and he rendered a decision to that effect. It was an important decision, involving a large sum, and for a day or two it was talked about. But as it was the opinion of the most learned and honest judge on the bench no one dreamed of questioning it.

But very soon ugly paragraphs began to appear in the newspapers. One paper asked if it were true that Judge Rossmore owned stock in the Great Northwestern Mining company which had recently benefited so signally by his decision. Interviewed by a reporter, Judge Rossmore indignantly denied being interested in any way in the company. Thereupon the same paper returned to the attack, stating that the judge must surely be mistaken, as the records showed a sale of stock to him at the time the company was known as the Alaskan Mining company. When he read this the judge was overwhelmed. It was true then! They had not slandered him. It was he who had lied, but how innocently—how innocently!

His daughter Shirley, who was his greatest friend and comfort, was then in Europe. She had gone to the continent to rest after working for months on a novel which she had just published. His wife, entirely without experience in business matters and somewhat of an invalid, was helpless to advise him. But to his old and tried friend, ex-Judge Stott, Judge Rossmore explained the facts as they were. Stott shook his head. "It's a conspiracy!" he cried. "And John B. Ryder is behind it." Rossmore refused to believe that any man could so deliberately try to encompass another's destruction, but when more newspaper stories came out he began to realize that Stott was right and that his enemies had indeed dealt him a deadly blow. One newspaper boldly stated that Judge Rossmore was down on the mining company's books for \$50,000 more stock than he had paid for, and it went on to ask if this were payment for the favorable decision just rendered. Rossmore, helpless, childlike as he was in business matters, now fully realized the seriousness of his position. "My God! My God!" he cried as he bowed his head down on his desk. And for a whole day he remained closeted in his library, no one venturing near him.

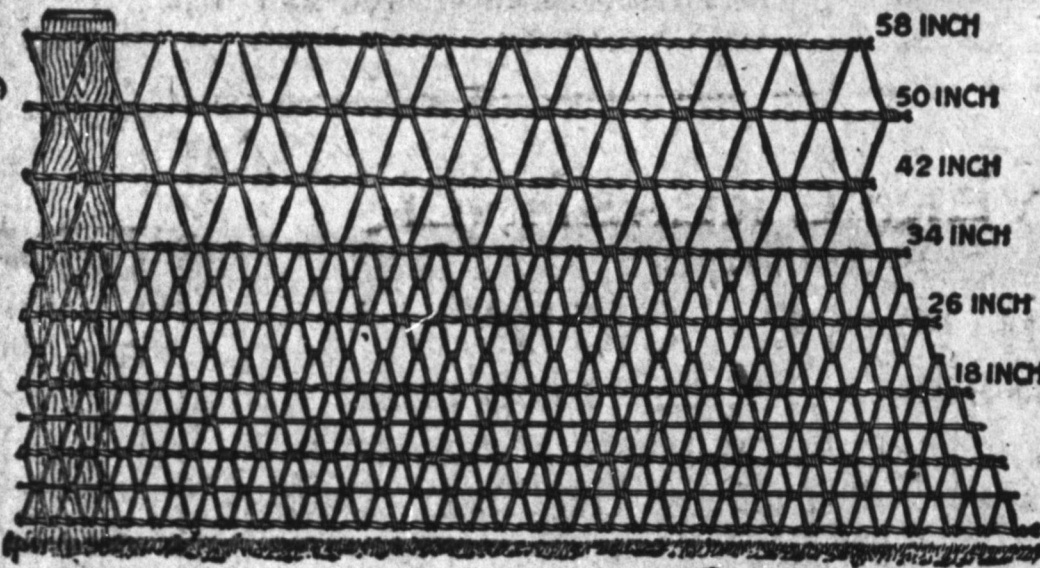
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A New York reader writes to the Houston Post: "In reference to your leading editorial entitled 'A spectacle for Japan,' I would like to relate an incident which ought to dispel some of your skepticism of Japan's designs on us. A few days ago I accidentally made the acquaintance of a Japanese gentleman in a Sixth Avenue elevated train. He spoke English fluently, seemed to be well educated and impressed me as knowing a great deal about naval matters—so much that I now suspect he was a former naval officer. Our conversation turned to the possibility of war between Japan and the United States, and he took no pains to conceal his views or his knowledge. He said he believed war would come in the near future and would be begun by Japan, but only under certain unipue conditions; namely, only if Japan can cripple at least half our navy with a single blow, as she had done at Port Arthur. The Japanese naval staff was greatly disappointed when our government recently ordered home the battleships Ohio, Oregon and Wisconsin from the far east. They had hoped that our fleet there would be augmented by the addition of the five new battleships of the Virginia class and perhaps the two of the Louisiana class, making ten in all, which they believed they could destroy in a single night attack, with about 200 torpedo boats. However, the Japanese naval officers, he said, were somewhat reassured when we replaced the battleships with the four cruisers, Pennsylvania, Colorado, Maryland and West Virginia. He even went so far as to declare that plans are ready for the capture of these cruisers, the destruction of the dry dock Dewey, and the conquest of the Philipines. Further, in Japanese newspapers our admirals Dewey and Evans are likened to Russian officers and incompet. The Russian are styled 'tea admirals,' while Evans and Dewey are called 'cabin admirals,' etc. I leave you to draw your own conclusions."

A Thing of the Past.

One often hears the remark: "I wish I was out of this town." and one feels like saying, "I wish you were," for a man who stands on the street corners chewing and spitting, telling obscene stories or scoring the town, finding fault with his grandmother because she was a woman, claiming that the merchants are a lot of thieves, that the lawyer and newspaper men would skin a man to a finish, and a whole lot more, is a nuisance and an abomination. No one is obliged to live where he is not suited. If things don't suit you move to where they will. A growler and a sorehead in a town is an enterprise killer every time —Hallettsville Herald.

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State Sovereignty.

Under the constitution which was originally adopted by the confederated states of the Union, certain specified rights were delegated to the federal government, by the States of the Union, and all rights not expressly delegated, were reserved to the States. During the period of the Revolutionary war, and until the 29th of May 1790, when the Constitution was adopted by the original 13 States of the Union, the States were held together by a compact, known as the Articles of Confederation. The Constitution was intended to supply the defects of the articles of Confederation, in dealing with the states, as a nation, and to serve as the fundamental basis of the new government, to which all laws should be made to conform. The Constitution was for a long time regarded as a sacred instrument, and the bulwark of republican government; but in recent years we have drifted away from the old landmarks, forgotten the sovereignty of the States, and permitted the federal government to encroach, until State sovereignty is being looked upon as a fallacy, and a delusion. Proclaiming our adherence to the Monroe doctrine, which denies the right hereafter of any other country to forcibly acquire any territory of the American Continent, we have taken forcible possession of the Philippine Islands, and annexed them to our country. This was an advanced step towards centralization, and an alarming menace to State sovereignty. It was indeed an entire surrender of the doctrine, and established the principle that one or more states or territories of the Union, can be absolutely ruled by the federal government. Time and again the big stick has been wielded in the

two houses of Congress, to procure the passage of laws to suit the presidents views, and sometimes in police measures in quelling mobs, in railroad or mining strikes, which the State has the right to regulate, so long as it is not necessary to call on the arm of the federal government.

Recently we have had an act of federal usurpation in the case of the State vs. the Waters—Pearce Oil Company. After the State Court had assumed jurisdiction and the case had been proceeded with to judgment, and a receiver appointed the federal court at Sherman ignored the proceedings of the State court, annulled the receivership, and took the control of the Oil companys property out of the States hands, by appointing a receiver of its own. On the 22 ult a similar proceeding was witnessed at Ashville, N. C., when two railway agents found guilty of the violation of the R. R. rate law, and sentenced to thirty days on the chain gang by the judge of the local court, were discharged by a federal judge who declared the rate law unconstitutional. Thus the federal courts by granting temporary injunctions, may override the state courts, annul their decisions, whenever their interference is invoked. The federal courts have already begun a campaign, subversive of State sovereignty, claiming their authority as higher than that of the state tribunals they are seeking to set aside, and revoke their decisions. Truly State rights should be earnestly contended for, and every legitimate effort made to resist the encroachments of the federal government, or the States will soon become component parts and mere dependencies of a centralized government.

Cotton.

Would you have believed a few years ago that South Carolina would today have more cotton factories than Massachusetts? The wisdom and economy of manufacturing cotton goods nearest where the lint is grown can not be questioned. The south, within the next few years, may reasonably be expected to grow 20,000,000 bales of cotten annually and manufacture the greater portion of it into cotton goods, thus clothing the world, and enjoying a degree of prosperity not even dreamed of. Nature has provided her with practically a monopoly, and as her people become more and more educated she will more generally enjoy those natural advantages until her wealth is beyond estimate.

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The education attainable at this college is sane, safe, practical and useful. It fits the graduate, after four years' course, to enter at once upon the duties and responsibilities of life in whatever calling he may have studied for. Most of the college students that enter this school are from farm homes and if the young man chooses to return to the farm, he begins not as our fathers did with brawn and little experience of their young manhood, but with a scientific knowledge of the chemical constituents of the soil, thorough understanding of soil foods, and how and when to use them.

There are other important and inviting fields open for the young man who educates himself there. He can follow the vocation of engineering, either civil architectural, mining, mechanical or textil engineering and he will be eminently qualified for either. If he has developed a fondness for horticulture he goes forth a finished and highly cultured horticulturist in all particulars. He might prefer to become a working chemist and he will be at home in the laboratory among the flasks, retorts and crucibles. And while his educational training and mental development has been carefully looked after, the welfare of the body has not at all been neglected, for students are encouraged in all reasonable athletics along with military drill, so that he enters upon life work with a sound mind in a sound body.

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COUNT UP THE COST AND SEE WHY

Count up the cost of crops of cotton and see at once that the people of the South deserve to get a good price for the neat white staple. To the land rent of \$2.50 or \$3.00 per acre add the cost of keeping the land fenced, the cost of harness, plows, and all tools used, add all the corn and other feed crops grown on the cotton farm, add the cost of keeping all the hogs kept to feed the family, the flour, canned goods, milk and butter consumed all the year on this cotton farm, the buggy, the wagon, the papers read the postage and stationary—all go on the debt side of cotton. Now can the average cotton grower figure himself rich on cotton even at 10 or 11 cts?

Many people belittle the English and British Government, but you do not find any reports in their commercial papers of sales of futures in their home farm products. The Liverpool Cotton exchange gambles in cotton futures, but that is a foreign product to them. It is only American people who prey upon their own people.

These gentle rains are helpful to crops, grass, black locusts, peach trees, apple trees and all other kind. Its always a good time to put out a tree in that spot you have turned out. Plant them now and let them have a start for fall.

How wonderful the farmers union has grown in the past, a little more than four years! Starting with 10 members, it now numbers more than 1,200,000, that is an increase of 120,000 per cent! These are scary figures but true. That is not all, the Union is increasing at a rate of 6,000 aday or 2,000,000 per annum. It will not be long until they have all of the farmers at this rate.

Every true worker for the great cause of the Farmers Union, speedily hastens the day when we are to have a just and equitable system of marketing in this country. It is coming, and the true workers will be the greatest in the new kingdom which is to be.

Nothing short of the application of the Golden Rule in all human relations will still the tidal wave of corruption, speculation, and gambling. We may attempt to sew multitude of patches on the old vicious system but it will still be the same old moth-eaten rag, and will fall to shreds in the last great struggle of the people to win their freedom—Support the Union.
 ANON.

Local

Get my prices on cattle Dip Paint, Wall paper (Phonographs and records a specialty.)
W. L. Doss.

Colorado, Texas.

R. S. Moore representing the Nash Hardware Co., of Fort Worth Texas, was taking orders in Gail last Saturday and remained over till Monday.

Big Springs Furniture Company guarantee their goods.

Miss Alma Taylor left Friday to spend a month with relatives in Clairmont.

Charlie Howe came in Saturday from Winkler county to visit his brother, John Howe, Prop of the Gail Hotel.

F. W. Park has gone on a visit to relatives in Alabama.

The showers of Sunday night with that of Friday night before will surfeit the crop for a week or more.

Found.

A nice lap robe found between Chandlers store and John Arnett's Owner will call at this office for it.

Jessie Walker who has been visiting his relatives in Brown county returned Friday evening to Gail and is again behind the counter in Dodsons & Sons store. He reports crops in Brown as backward on account of the cold spring but doing well now with a good season.

The following named prospectors passed through Gail Monday evening en route to the Plains: R. L. Hunt and family from Comanche county, Frank Umber-son and W. M. Smith of Young county.

W. K. Clark has our thanks for some fine peaches grown on his lot in Gail. The fruit of this season will convince many, who have heretofore doubted it, that good fruit in abundance may be grown in Borden county.

Jos. Stenger and W. M. Windsor, house, sign and ornamental painters from Plainview, are stopping in Gail.

Obe Creighton who was hurt in a runaway accident last Thursday evening was in Gail yesterday and will soon be well of his injuries.

J. W. Pitts of Colorado, but from Wyoming here, made the entire trip on a horse, arriving last Saturday.

L. L. Jones and family and Oscar Jones, passed through Gail in a wagon early this week, to visit relatives in McCulloch county.

We are sorry to hear that Miss Ethel Morrow has an attack that resembles heart failure. She has been at the Gail Hotel for several days under medical treatment. At times the spells are quite painful, but we hope she will recover soon.

Mr. Burnett and family, J. H. Smoot, Meck Dillahanty, Jesse Smith, Frank Berry and sister and Miss Cora Berry have gone to the Woodman barbecue at Indian Canyon today.

Luther Crutchfield who recently bought the John Arnett land in Terry county come through Gail today moving out to the claim. We lose in him a good citizen, but our loss will be Terrys gain.

J. W. Godwin of near Durham and E. A. Hawkins of Dawson county were in Gail yesterday. Mr. Hawkins was on his way to Big Springs.

Guy Clark had a pair of horses to runaway in Gail Tuesday evening. Guy had driven past the printing office on the way home when a trace become unfastened from the singletree. When he got out to fasten it on, the horses become frightened and ran back and forth on the West side of town. No damage was done except the breaking of a singletree.

E. G. Maxwell of McGregor was among the arrivals in Gail yesterday. He is visiting his uncle M. J. Jones who lives in Durham neighborhood.

Public Festival.

The Womans Home Mission Society will serve ice cream and cake at the court house Saturday before the first Sunday in August beginning at 5 o'clock.

Everybody invited to come. The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the Parsonage.

J. M. Christopher and family left Gail this morning to, visit Young and Jack counties and Mineral, Wells to be absent until about 1st of Sept.

Mrs. Sam Whitaker left on the mail hack this morning on a visit to the East.

T. D. H., S. T., and H. G. Whittaker were here trading at the stores yesterday evening.

J. I. Michael has recently put in a large ice box at his market and from this time on will keep ice to sell in large or small quantities.

Geo. Brazile who is in the employ of T. H. Benton was in Gail yesterday.

Capt. D. W. Godwin is back again from a visit to Fort Worth and is out on his ranch.

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Mrs. Sallie Reader and son, Bose Reader, of Houston passed through Gail Tuesday, on their way to Lubbock to visit Mr. Douglass Pounds, Mrs. Reader's grand son,

Plainview School House.

We had a fine rain last night crops look nice at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy have gone to Motley county to visit friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Jagger are here on a visit.

The Holiness meeting closed Sunday at Tredway.

Mrsrs. Luther McKinney and John chambers are here from Ramsack Ark., on a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Jones have gone to Scurry county on a visit.

Mr. Chas. Weems has gone to Light on a visit.

Mrs. Verner Dulin has gone to Merkel on a visit.

Miss Sallie Beach has returned from Lamesa where she has been attending the Normal.

There is a few cases of fever in this community.

The school at Plainview was Friday, we will miss Prof. Stephenson now, as he will leave.

I. C. U.

W. J. Turner went off this morning to Big Springs.

Postmaster Cathey who has been absent for two weeks visiting his mother in hunt county, is back at his post