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and
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Goods
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BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS

Local News

Ice cream served at the City Bakery.

Meek Wickham, returned home from San Antonio Saturday.

C. S. Kennedy, of Uvalde came up with the Uvalde base ball team Friday.

Will Ryan, of Spofford attended the Masonic Installation Friday night.

Ice cream at the Gem Ice cream Parlor next door to Holme's Drug Store.

H. E. Veltmann spent Sunday in Del Rio with relatives and friends.

Allen Black of Spofford was in Brackett Friday and Saturday to see the ball games between, Uvalde and Brackett.

For galvanized cistern and guttering see, Wm. Haines, of Brackettville Texas.

Ice cold drinks at the City Bakery.

Chas C. Bolten, of Schertz, was greeting friends in Brackett Saturday.

O. F. Seargeant is in Spofford this week assisting Hobbs & Co. taking stock.

Cold Drinks at the Gem Ice cream Parlor next door to Holme's Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clamp of Spofford, was visiting relatives in town this week.

W. W. Young, of Sanderson, was visiting relatives and friends in Brackett this week.

Want to buy Kinney or Maverick Co. land from owner. Write S. E. Clark, Clarksville Texas.

Harry Robinson, of Uvalde, was greeting old time friends in Brackett Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Cox and son Joe, of Spofford were in Brackett Friday to see the base ball game

Confectionery at the city Bakery in the Patrick Building.

Ice cream and soda water at the City Bakery.

George Robertson is in from the ranch, visiting his mother and others.—Del Rio Herald.

Mrs. Annie Pigford and son Lucion, of Pearsall, are visiting Fritz Poehler and family this week.

The Gem Ice Cream Parlor next door to Holme's drug store is now opened for business. All drink are ice cold.

T. B. Jackson and J. G. Blackman, of Edwards County, were in Brackett Monday morning on business.

Miss Mary Veltmann returned Saturday from San Antonio, after a pleasant visit with relatives and friends in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Martin, of the Martin ranch, witnessed the Brackett-Uvalde Base Ball games Friday and Saturday.

Prof. and Mrs. R. E. Thomas of Brackettville arrived Wednesday on a visit to friends. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Halbert.—Sonora News.

Nelse Peterson and family, and Hans Peterson and family, from the Brackett country, came over in a big auto to spend a little time in the best town on the border, and visit Mrs. M. M. Moore.—Del Rio Herald.

A married man was arrested in Ozona last week for the murder of an infant there. The body of the baby was thrown in a tank near the city of Ozona and the surrounding towns were requested to look out for the criminals. James Cornell of the firm of Cornell & Wardlaw was appointed by the County Judge of Crockett county to represent the state of Texas in the prosecution of the case. At the examining trial at Ozona resulted in the accused being refused bail. His attorneys took the case to Judge Timmins on habeas corpus proceedings. If Mr. Cornell believes him guilty and remains in the case the prisoner will know the state has been represented.—Sonora News.

Ice cream and soda water at the City Bakery.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McCormick and daughter Miss Nellie of Spofford were visiting friends in Brackett Friday evening.

O. W. Zuehl and family of Spofford were in Brackett Friday evening the guests of Judge Jos Veltmann and family.

Dr. I. P. Sessions and family and Dave Owens of Spofford were in Brackett Friday night to attend the public installation of the Masonic Lodge.

A new Taft story: When Mr. Taft goes to a ball game he always buys two seats for the accommodation of his avoirdupois ponderosity. One day he arrived at the game late and purchased two tickets. The usher knew the distinguished visitor and taking the two tickets, started up an aisle, stopped with a puzzled expression on his face. "I don't see how I can seat you," he said. "Why," Taft replied, "I have two tickets." "Yes," said the usher, "but they are on opposite sides of the aisles."

Tired of losing annually thousands of animals, the stockmen of Texas have inaugurated a vigorous campaign for the creation of a wild animal bounty law. The work will be carried on through the live stock raisers associations. Notably the cattle, sheep and goat raisers organizations. While the settled parts of the state are no longer seriously troubled with such predatory animals as the panther, wildcat, coyote and wolf, enough of the country is still unsettled to afford them an almost ideal home. Limitation of territory has not effected them very much for the reason that the large quantities of live stock close to their habitat makes their prey more easily procured. A wild animal bounty bill was introduced in the last legislature and passed both houses but afterwards vetoed by Governor Campbell.—Eagle Pass News-Guide San Antonio Express on sale at the News-Mail office.

Ice cream and soda water at the City Bakery.

T. B. Overstreet a pioneer Edwards county sheep and goat raiser was among our callers last week. He stated that he lost no goats because of the freeze last spring, as his range is well protected. He sold his mohair clip this year at 28c per pound.—Texas Stockman & Farmer.

An exchange says there are a great many dollars scattered among our many subscribers—miles and miles apart. Same here. And it would cause us to rejoice and to become exceedingly glad if some of these dollars would only travel in our direction. We need them to pay paper bills and other incidentals. It may be news to some subscribers to learn that it cost very hard cash to run a newspaper.

Christian Church Notice

There will be preaching at the Christian church if there is no providential intervention commencing on the Saturday night before the first Sunday in July and continuing indefinitely. Everybody cordially invited to attend.
W. O. VINCENT,
ARCH COX,
ELDERS.

Nice visiting cards printed at the News-Mail office.

Check Raisers at Work.

The banks in the cities are sending out warnings to similar institutions throughout the rural districts in regard to a band of check raisers who are now operating in Texas. This warning should be of much benefit to merchants who are more apt to be caught than bankers. It pays to investigate before cashing a check. Oftentimes the signature is genuine to a check when the amount is bogus, the original writing having been erased by the use of chemicals and a much larger sum written in the place. The gang are now operating in the Trans-Pecos country and Alpine business men should be on the lookout.—Alpine Avalanche.

Notice to Stockmen.

There is some fresh branded steers branded with U upside down on the left side in the pastures between the head of Mud Creek and the Pinto Mountain belonging to Jim Borroum & Co. in charge of Herbst Bros.

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The Big Onyx Fountain next door to Holmes' Drug Store is now ready for business

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Horrible Thought.
"But why do you think we are in imminent danger of a war with England?"
"Ain't Alfred Austin just as likely as not to write a poem on the occasion of Roosevelt's visit?"
To love and to serve is the motto which every true knight should bear on his shield.—Downs.

THE CIRCULAR STAIRCASE

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ROBERTS
RINEHART
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SYNOPSIS.

Miss Innes, spinster and guardian of Gertrude and Halsey, established summer headquarters at Sunnyside. Amidst numerous difficulties the servants deserted. As Miss Innes locked up for the night, she was startled by a dark figure on the veranda. She passed a terrible night, which was filled with unseemly noises. In the morning Miss Innes found a strange link cuff button in a clothes hamper. Gertrude and Halsey arrived with Jack Bailey. The house was awakened by a revolver shot. A strange man was found shot to death in the hall. It proved to be the body of Arnold Armstrong, whose banker father owned the country house. Miss Innes found Halsey's revolver on the lawn. He and Jack Bailey had disappeared. The link cuff button mysteriously disappeared. Detective Jamieson and the coroner arrived. Gertrude revealed that she was engaged to Jack Bailey, with whom she had talked in the billiard room a few moments before the murder. Jamieson told Miss Innes that she was hiding evidence from him. He imprisoned an intruder in an empty room. The prisoner escaped down a laundry chute. It developed that the intruder was probably a woman. Gertrude was suspected, for the intruder left a print of a bare foot. Gertrude returned home with her right ankle sprained. A negro found the other half of what proved to be Jack Bailey's cuff button.

CHAPTER VIII.—Continued.

"Undoubtedly. Why, what could it be but flight? Miss Innes, let me reconstruct that evening, as I see it. Bailey and Armstrong had quarreled at the club. I learned this to-day. Your nephew brought Bailey over. Prompted by jealous, coming across by Armstrong followed, came across by the path. He entered the billiard room wing—perhaps rapping, and being admitted by your nephew. Just inside he was shot, by some one on the circular staircase. The shot fired, your nephew and Bailey left the house at once, going toward the automobile house. They left by the lower road, which prevented them being heard, and when you and Miss Gertrude got downstairs everything was quiet."

"But—Gertrude's story," I stammered.

"Miss Gertrude only brought forward her explanation the following morning. I do not believe it, Miss Innes. It is the story of a loving and ingenious woman."

"And—this thing to-night?"

"May upset my whole view of the case. We must give the benefit of every doubt after all. We may, for instance, come back to the figure on the wall. It might start with other premises. Or Mr. Innes' explanation may turn us in a new direction. It is possible that he shot Arnold Armstrong as a burglar and then fled, frightened at what he had done. In any case, however, I feel confident that the body was here when he left. Mr. Armstrong left the club ostensibly for a moonlight saunter, about half after eleven o'clock. It was three when the shot was fired."

I leaned back bewildered. It seemed to me that the evening had been full of significant happenings, had I only held the key. Had Gertrude been the fugitive in the clothes chute? Who was the man on the drive near the lodge, and whose gold-mounted dressing-bag had I seen in the lodge sitting room?

It was late when Mr. Jamieson finally got up to go. I went with him to the door, and together we stood looking out over the valley. Below lay the village of Casanova, with its Old World houses, its blossoming trees and its peace. Above on the hill across the valley were the lights of the Greenwood club. It was even possible to see the curving row of parallel lights that marked the carriage road. Rumors that I had heard about the club came back—of drinking, of high play, and once, a year ago, of a suicide under those very lights.

Mr. Jamieson left, taking a short cut to the village, and I still stood there. It must have been after 11, and the monotonous tick of the big clock on the stairs behind me was the only sound. Then I was conscious that some one was running up the drive. In a minute a woman darted into the area of light made by the open door, and caught me by the arm. It was Rosie—Rosie in a state of collapse from terror, and, not the least important, clutching one of my Coal-plate and a silver spoon.

She stood staring into the darkness behind, still holding the plate. I got her into the house and secured the plate; then I stood and looked down at her where she crouched tremblingly against the doorway.

"Well," I asked, "didn't your young man enjoy his meal?"

She couldn't speak. She looked at the spoon she still held—I wasn't so anxious about it; thank Heaven, it wouldn't chip—and then she stared at me.

"I appreciate your desire to have everything nice for him," I went on, "but the next time, you might take the Limoges china. It's more easily duplicated and less expensive."

"I haven't a young man—not here." She had got her breath now, as I had guessed she would. "I—I have been chased by a thief, Miss Innes."

"Did he chase you out of the house and back again?" I asked.

Then Rosie began to cry—not silently, but noisily, hysterically. I stopped her by giving her a good shake.

"What in the world is the matter with you?" I snapped. "Has the day of good common sense gone by? Sit up and tell me the whole thing." Rosie sat up then, and sniffed.

"I was coming up the drive—" she began.

"You must start with when you went down the drive, with my dishes and my silver," I interrupted, but, seeing more signs of hysteria, I gave in. "Very well. You were coming up the drive—"

"I had a basket—of silver and dishes on my arm, and I was carrying the plate, because—because I was afraid I'd break it. Part-way up the road a man stepped out of the bushes, and held his arm like this, spread out, so I couldn't get past. He said—'Not so fast, young lady; I want you to let me see what's in that basket.'"

She got up in her excitement and took hold of my arm.

"It was like this, Miss Innes," she said, "and say you was the man. When he said that, I screamed and ducked under his arm like this. He caught at the basket and I dropped it. I ran as fast as I could, and he came after as far as the trees. Then he stopped. Oh, Miss Innes, it must have been the man that killed that Mr. Armstrong!"

"Don't be foolish," I said. "Whoever killed Mr. Armstrong would put as much space between himself and this house as he could. Go up to bed now; and mind, if I hear of this story being repeated to the other maids, I shall deduct from your wages for every broken dish I find in the drive."

I could fancy Liddy's face when she missed the extra pieces of china—she had opposed Rosie from the start. If Liddy once finds a prophecy fulfilled, especially an unpleasant one, she never allows me to forget it. It seemed to me that it was absurd to leave that china dotted along the road for her to spy the next morning; so with a sudden resolution, I opened the door again and stepped out into the darkness. As the door closed behind me I half regretted my impulse; then I shut my teeth and went on.

I have never been a nervous woman, as I said before. Moreover, a minute or two in the darkness enabled me to see things fairly well. Beulah gave me rather a start by rubbing unexpectedly against my feet; then we two, side by side, went down the drive.

There were no fragments of china, but where the grove began I picked up a silver spoon. So far Rosie's story it were not indiscreet to say the least, this midnight prowling in a neighborhood with such a deservedly bad reputation. Then I saw something gleaming, which proved to be the handle of a cup, and a step or two farther on I found a V-shaped bit of plate. But the most surprising thing of all was to find the basket sitting comfortably beside the road, with the rest of the broken crockery piled neatly within, and a handful of small silver, spoons, forks and the like, on top! I could only stand and stare.

Then Rosie's story was true. But where had Rosie carried her basket? And why had the thief, if he were a thief, picked up the broken china out of the road and left it, with his booty?

It was with my nearest approach to

a nervous collapse that I heard the familiar throbbing of an automobile engine. As it came closer I recognized the outline of the Dragon Fly, and knew that Halsey had come back.

Strange enough it must have seemed to Halsey, too, to come across me in the middle of the night, with the skirt of my gray silk gown over my shoulders to keep off the dew, holding a red and green basket under one arm and a black cat under the other. What with relief and joy, I began to cry, right there, and very nearly wiped my eyes on Beulah in the excitement.

CHAPTER IX.

Just Like a Girl.

"Aunt Ray!" Halsey said from the gloom behind the lamps. "What in the world are you doing here?"

"Taking a walk," I said, trying to be composed. I don't think the answer struck either of us as being ridiculous at the time. "Oh, Halsey, where have you been?"

"Let me take you up to the house." He was in the road, and had Beulah and the basket out of my arms in a moment. I could see the car plainly now, and Warner was at the wheel—Warner in an ulster and a pair of slippers, over heaven knows what. Jack Bailey was not there. I got in, and we went slowly and painfully up to the house.

We did not talk. What we had to say was too important to commence there, and, besides, it took all kinds of coaxing from both men to get the Dragon Fly up the last grade. Only when we had closed the front door and stood facing each other in the hall did Halsey say anything. He slipped his strong young arm around my shoulders and turned me so I faced the light.

"Poor Aunt Ray!" he said gently. And I nearly wept again. "I—I must see Gertrude, too; we will have a three-cornered talk."

And then Gertrude herself came down the stairs. She had not been to bed evidently; she still wore the white negligee she had worn earlier in the evening, and she limped somewhat. During her slow progress down the stairs I had time to notice one thing: Mr. Jamieson had said the woman who escaped from the cellar had worn no shoe on her right foot. Gertrude's right ankle was the one she had sprained!

The meeting between brother and sister was tense, but without tears. Halsey kissed her tenderly, and I noticed a change of strain and anxiety in her eyes.

"Is everything—right?" she asked. "Right as can be," with forced cheerfulness.

I lighted the living room and we went in there. Only a half-hour before I had sat with Mr. Jamieson in that very room, listening while he overtly accused both Gertrude and Halsey of at least a knowledge of the death of Arnold Armstrong. Now Halsey was here to speak for himself: I should learn everything that had puzzled me.

"I saw it in the paper to-night for the first time," he was saying. "It knocked me dumb. When I think of this household of women, and a thing like that occurring!"

Gertrude's face was still set and white. "That isn't all, Halsey," she



said. "You and—Jack left almost at the time it happened. The detective here thinks that you—that we—know something about it."

"The devil he does!" Halsey's eyes were fairly starting from his head. "I beg your pardon, Aunt Ray, but—the fellow's a lunatic."

"Tell me everything, won't you, Halsey?" I begged. "Tell me where you went that night, or rather morning, and why you went as you did. This has been a terrible 48 hours for all of us."

He stood staring at me, and I could see the horror of the situation dawning in his face.

"I can't tell you where I went, Aunt Ray," he said after a moment. "As to why, you will learn that soon enough. But Gertrude knows that Jack and I left the house before this thing—this horrible murder—occurred."

"Mr. Jamieson does not believe," Gertrude said drearily. "Halsey, if the worst comes, if they should arrest you, you must—tell."

"I shall tell nothing," he said with a new sternness in his voice. "Aunt Ray, it was necessary for Jack and me to leave that night. I cannot tell you why—just yet. As to where we went, if I have to depend on that as an alibi, I shall not tell. The whole thing is an absurdity, a trumped-up charge that cannot possibly be serious."

"Has Mr. Bailey gone back to the city," I demanded, "or to the club?"

"Neither," defiantly, "at the present moment I do not know where he is."

"Halsey," I asked gravely, leaning forward, "have you the slightest suspicion who killed Arnold Armstrong? The police think he was admitted from within, and that he was shot down from above, by some one on the circular staircase."

"I know nothing of it," he maintained; but I fancied I caught a sudden glance at Gertrude, a flash of something that died as it came.

As quietly, as calmly as I could, I went over the whole story, from the night Liddy and I had been alone up to the strange experience of Rosie and her pursuer. The basket still stood on the table, a mute witness to this last mysterious occurrence.

"There is something else," I said hesitatingly, at the last. "Halsey, I have never told the police that Gertrude found the tulip bed, a revolver. It— it was yours, Halsey."

For an appreciable moment Halsey stared at me. Then he turned to Gertrude.

"My revolver, Trude!" he exclaimed. "Why, Jack took my revolver with him, didn't he?"

"Oh, for heaven's sake don't say that," I implored. "The detective thinks possibly Jack Bailey came back, and—the thing happened then."

"He didn't come back," Halsey said sternly. "Gertrude, when you brought down a revolver that night for Jack to take with him, what one did you bring? Mine?"

Gertrude was defiant now.

"No. Yours was loaded, and I was afraid of what Jack—might do. I gave him one I have had for a year or two. It was empty."

Halsey threw up both hands despairingly.

"If that isn't like a girl!" he said. "Why didn't you do what I asked you to, Gertrude? You sent Bailey off with an empty gun, and throw mine in a tulip bed, of all places on earth! Mine was a .38 caliber. The inquest will show, of course, that the bullet that killed Armstrong was a .38. Then where shall I be?"

"You forget," I broke in, "that I have the revolver, and that no one knows about it."

But Gertrude had risen angrily.

"I cannot stand it; it is always with me," she cried. "Halsey, I did not throw your revolver into the tulip bed. I—I think—you—did—it—yourself!"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

A Burglar's Text Book.
The police of New York found upon a burglar, arrested by them, a treatise on safe-cracking that is said to be the most remarkable document that has ever fallen into their hands. The contents are so well compiled that the police unhesitatingly declare the author a past grand master in his profession, and, according to Popular Mechanics, are somewhat anxious to find out just how many copies are in circulation throughout the country.

For the most part the manuscript is in the yegg code, a lingo freely used by thieves the country over. It describes the two kinds of safes recognized by the profession, namely, the fireproof and the burglar-proof, asserting, however, that there is no genuine burglar-proof safe, and that kind that are drill-proof are only called so by courtesy. Minute directions for cracking a safe are given, together with diagrams to illustrate the treatment.

Guilt Revealed.
"Johnny, do you smoke cigarettes?" "I d-d-do a l-l-little, sir," stammered Johnny, paling beneath the tan of the baseball field.

The boss fixed him with his eagle eye.

"Then gimme me one," he said. "I left mine on the bureau."

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Strong Plea for the Infants.

Mrs. Julia Ward Howe testified the other day before the Massachusetts legislative committee which is investigating the milk situation. While giving her testimony she refused the chair offered by the committee and remained standing at the head of the witness table. In making her plea for pure milk Mrs. Howe said:

"There are several parties to the milk situation, and I think the principal party is the child in the cradle. There is no substitute for milk in rearing children. It is a matter of life and death and should be taken long to settle. I want that those who produce this important food should have suitable compensation. I stand for justice to all parties and mercy to one, the infant."

Tongue Twister Thimpled.

"Some of these tongue twisters are really very hard to enunciate, for instance: 'The sea ceaseth, and it suffeeth us.'"

"That's eathly thaid," lithpingly thimled Mithth Elithabeth. "You thimply thay it tho: 'The thea theatheth, and it thuffitheth uth!'"—Life.

Fido's Exercise.

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CONGRESS ENDS ITS LABORS

ADJOURNS SINE DIE—THE WHITE SLAVE BILL PASSED.

Taft Signs Waterway Bill, But Criticizes It for Providing Inadequately for So Many Projects.

Washington.—Both houses of congress adjourned Saturday without day. An important message from the president, stating he had signed the rivers and harbors bill but would never again sign a similar one, enlivened the proceedings in the senate. The president said the river and harbor improvements should be made in accordance with approved systems, such as was not followed in the bill, but he signed the bill in order that important improvements would not be delayed.

The Appalachian forest reserve bill the senate agreed to pass over until Feb. 15 next. The senate adopted the Mann "white slave" bill, previously passed by the house, which will prevent shipping of women and girls from one state to another for immoral purposes; receded from its amendment to the sundry civil bill, providing for tests of structural steel, and the conference report on the bill was adopted in both houses.

The house and senate adopted joint resolutions appropriating \$1,000,000 for protection of property along the lower Colorado River.

Both houses agreed to the general deficiency bill; the house agreed to the pensions appropriation bill, passed by the senate, carrying \$156,000,000; adopted the conference report of the campaign publicity bill, providing for publication of campaign funds after elections, and adopted the conference report on the \$20,000,000 issue of certificates of indebtedness to aid in reclamation projects.

In a special message to congress announcing that he had approved the rivers and harbors bill, President Taft, after enumerating the more important provisions, said in comment:

"Indeed, it may be said that a great majority of the projects named in the bill are meritorious, and that money expended in their completion will not be wasted.

"The chief defect in the bill is the large number of projects appropriated for and the uneconomical method of carrying on these projects by the appropriation of sums small in comparison to the amounts required to effect completion.

"The figures convincingly establish the fact that this bill makes inadequate provisions for too many projects. The total of the bill, \$57,000,000, is not unduly large, but the policy of small appropriations, with a great many uncompleted projects, is unwise.

"The projects under way are in urgent need of further appropriation for maintenance and continuance and there is a great and justified pressure for many of the new projects provided for in the bill. It has been made clear to me that the failure of the bill thus late in the session would seriously embarrass the constructing engineers. I do not think, therefore, the defects of the bill, which I have pointed out, will justify the postponement of all this important work. But I do think that in the preparation of the proposed future yearly bills congress should adopt the reforms above suggested and that a failure to do so would justify withholding executive approval, even though a rivers and harbors bill fall."

Iowa Drouth Ended.

Burlington, Iowa.—A drouth of considerable length in Southeastern Iowa was ended Sunday by heavy rains.

\$150,000 in Road Fund.

Houston, Tex.—The commissioners of Fort Bend county the past week contracted for the building of a paved road from the Harris county line, connecting with the Main street road, to the Brazos River bridge at Richmond. It is understood that the Fort Bend county authorities have \$150,000 available with which to construct laterals from the main road, and the outlook for a system of good roads in the neighboring county is said to be excellent.

Large Crop Assured.

Bay City, Tex.—Showers have fallen nearly every day in some part of the county, so that now, with the rise in the Colorado river and crops in all parts of the county watered sufficiently to tide them over until a general rain, the outlook is not so bad. Now one of the largest crops of corn ever raised in Matagorda County will be assured.

Plenty Watermelons.

Yoakum, Tex.—Watermelons are plentiful in Yoakum these days, and as the supply increases there is a corresponding drop in price. Several carloads have been shipped in the last few days to Dallas.

Good Roads Election.

Palacios, Tex.—In the election held Saturday for bonds to the amount of \$100,000 for road purposes, the votes polled from Palacios were 97 for and 22 against.

DANGER SIGNALS.

Sick kidneys give unmistakable signals of distress. Too frequent or scanty urinary passages, backache, headache and dizzy spells tell of disordered kidneys. Neglect of these warnings may prove fatal. Begin using Doan's Kidney Pills. They cure sick kidneys.



Mrs. M. A. Gambelin, Russellville, Ark., says: "I was in such bad shape from kidney disease that I gave up hope of my recovery. I could rest neither night or day, the pains in my back nearly driving me frantic. There were decided dropsical symptoms such as swelling of my feet and ankles and my heart palpitated violently. After doctoring without benefit, I began with Doan's Kidney Pills and when I had used two boxes I was as well as ever."

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GETTING RICH RAPIDLY ENOUGH.



"He doesn't believe in trusts."
 "He doesn't need 'em. He owns a summer resort hotel."

The Crucial Test.

At an adjourned town council meeting in the north, a member casually mentioned that a person could not enjoy or even distinguish between drinks in the dark. A worthy ballie denied this and offered to bet that, blindfolded, he could name any drink given him. The bet being accepted and the ballie blindfolded, the test commenced. The ballie drank everything submitted, smacking his lips and correctly named the drink until the taker was in despair. Then "try him w' water," whispered a councillor, and the hint was taken. Sip—smack—sip—a shake of the head—"I canna just mind the name of this, but I mind o' tastin' it when I was a wee ladie."—London Chronicle.

His Approach Heralded.
 Ribbon around his neck, was chatting democratically with a stray cat, on the back verandah. "I wonder what's the matter with me, Maltese," said the pet cat; "I can't stalk a mouse successfully to save my lives."
 "No wonder," said the stray cat, disdainfully, "if all your neckties are as loud as that you're wearing."

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 After dissolving one or two Allen's Foot-Tabs (Antiseptic tablets for the foot-bath) in the water. It will take out all soreness, smarting and tenderness, remove foot odors and freshen the feet. Allen's Foot-Tabs instantly relieve weariness and sweating or inflamed feet and hot nervousness of the feet at night. Then for comfort throughout the day shake Allen's Foot-Ease the antiseptic powder into your shoes. Sold everywhere. Avoid substitutes. Samples of Allen's Foot-Tabs mailed FREE or our regular size sent by mail for 10c. Address Allen E. Olmsted, LaRoy, N. Y.

Valued Absences.
 "Always speak kindly of the absent," said young Mr. Primly.
 "I would," replied Miss Cayenne, "if I thought it would be an inducement to some tiresome people to remain so."

Not Sisters

Now and again you see two women passing down the street who look like sisters. You are astonished to learn that they are mother and daughter, and you realize that a woman at forty or forty-five ought to be at her finest and fairest. Why isn't it so?
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Conquests.
 "I have been engaged several times," boasted the first summer girl, "to men whose names I did not know."
 "That's nothing," retorted the second summer girl. "I engaged myself last season to a stranger who wiggled his proposal from a passing yacht."

Be patient with everyone, but above all with yourself. I mean, do not be disturbed because of your imperfections, and always rise bravely from a fall.—Francis de Sales.

A Trained Nurse's Experiences with Resinol Ointment.

I applied Resinol to an ulcerated leg of six months' standing. Almost everything had been tried to heal it. Made two applications a day for four weeks and leg was permanently healed.

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Lost Bill Under a Plaster.
 The mystery of the disappearance of a \$50 bill, which has disturbed a Middletown business man and his family for a week, and which caused considerable unpleasantness, has been solved. Suspicion attached to at least two members of the man's household. A week ago he planned a business trip to New York. That evening he laid numerous bank notes on the dresser of his bedroom. A \$50 bill was on top. Next morning he missed it. That night his wife put a porous plaster on his back. This morning he wanted to get it off and called his wife to assist. When she got the plaster off the missing bill was found fast on the inside of the plaster.—Exchange.

Inference.
 Ethel (confidentially)—Do you know, Clara, that I had two offers of marriage last week?

Clara (with enthusiasm)—Oh, I am delighted, dear! Then the report is really true that your uncle left you his money?—Pick-Me-Up.

Gasoline Engines.
 Gasoline engines are only used to a limited extent as yet. They are just coming into use. One dealer estimates about five per cent. replacing windmills. People are very conservative about improvements.

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No one need speak of monotony if only they just look around for another's wants.—Royston.

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How we dislike the dentist who spares no pains.
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We are authorized to announce A. M. Turney of Alpine, Texas, as a candidate for re-election as Representative from the 99th District, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries to be held in July.

For Tax Assessor.

The News-Mail is authorized to announce John H. Stadler as a candidate for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor of Kinney County at the next November election.

For County and District Clerk.

The News-Mail is authorized to announce H. E. Veltmann as a candidate to the office of County and District Clerk of Kinney county at the ensuing November election.

John Dooley authorizes the News-Mail to announce him as a candidate for county and District Clerk at the ensuing November election.

For Sheriff & Tax Collector.

The News-Mail is authorized to announce Tom Perry as a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Kinney County at the next November election.

J. F. Ray authorizes this paper to announce him as a candidate for Sheriff and Tax Collector of Kinney county at the ensuing November election.

For County Treasurer.

The News-Mail is authorized to announce W. F. Holmes as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer of Kinney County at the ensuing November election.

For County Judge.

The News-Mail is Authorized to announce R. E. Cannon as a candidate for the office of county Judge of Kinney county at the ensuing November election.

Joe Veltmann authorizes us to announce him as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Judge of Kinney County at the next November election.

Commissioner Precinct No. 1.

The News-Mail is authorized to announce N. Castro as a candidate for re-election to the office of County commissioner of Precinct No. 1 of Kinney Co at the ensuing November election.

The News-Mail is authorized to announce Will Veltmann as a candidate to the office of County Commissioner of Precinct No. 1 of Kinney County at the ensuing November election.

For Commissioner No. 3.

W. O. Vincent authorizes this paper to announce him as a candidate for county commissioner of Precinct No. 3 at the ensuing November election.

NOTICE.

My pastures formerly known as the Furnish Ranch are posted. There will be no fishing, camping or hunting allowed in any of them, any one found violating this notice will be prosecuted.

A. W. WEST.

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Local News

Ice cold drinks at the City Bakery.

A. L. Cashell, of Live Oak was in town Monday on business.

Confectionery at the city Bakery in the Patrick Building.

Services were held in the Christian Church Sunday night.

R. E. Cannon, of Mud Creek was in town yesterday on business.

Louis Samora, of Nueces was transacting business in town Tuesday.

Paul Edwards, of Edwards County, was in our city on business Wednesday.

Cold Drinks at the Gem Ice cream Parlor next door to Holme's Drug Store.

Quite a number of Brackett young people attended a dance in Spofford Tuesday night.

Clamp & West received about 300 head of steers from Winn & Edwards Wednesday morning.

For galvanized cistern and guttering see, Wm. Haines, of Brackettville Texas.

Mrs. J. C. Yeates and children of San Antonio are visiting relatives in Kinney county this week.

The Young people of the town and country enjoyed a pleasant

Victor P. Giddings after spending several days with his father, Geo. A. Giddings, returned to his home in Beaumont Sunday.

The San Antonio Express on sale every day at the News-Mail office.

Miss Lucy Windus, who has been teaching school near Lajitas, returned home Tuesday afternoon. She was accompanied home by Charlotte Dudley.

T. B. Overstreet, of Edwards county, passed through last week on his return from Kansas City, where he went with some goats, topping the market.—Del Rio Herald.

Fresh fruit at the City Bakery in the Patrick Building.

"What State do we live in?" asked the teacher in the primary geography class. And little Elmer, thinking of his Sunday school catechism, promptly replied: "In a state of sin and misery."—Chicago News.

Sheriff B. D. Lindsey has withdrawn his name from the list of Democratic aspirants and will not permit his name to go before the Democratic primaries. But that does not signify he will not submit his claims for re-election to the electorate at large.—Texas Republic

Ice cream and soda water at the City Bakery.

Church Notice.

There will be services in St. Andrews Episcopal Church Wednesday July 6, 1910 and every second Wednesday thereafter at 8:30 p. m. viz July 20 and August 3.

On the Thursday following each service there will be services in the Post Chapel at 8. 30 p.m. All are invited to attend.

Gained \$226,484.

John H. Stadler, our efficient tax assessor gave us the taxable value of Kinney County for 1909 and 1910 this week.

The total valuation for 1909 was \$4,648,122. The valuation for 1910 is 4,874,606, making an increase of \$226,484.

This speaks well for Kinney County and shows that we are still progressing.

Brackett Takes Two More.

The Uvalde Base Ball Team, called the Champions, came over to Brackett Friday and played two games against the Brackett aggregation Friday and Saturday afternoon. The undefeated team met their defeat in both games, Brackett winning both of them. The Friday's game stood 7 to 4 and Saturday's game 10 to 6.

The battery for Brackett Friday afternoon was Maguire and Stadler, Saturday afternoon Veltmann and Stadler.

Masons Install Officers.

Last Friday night the Masonic Lodge gave a public installation in their hall. The Masons and their families were present.

Past Master O. F. Seargeant acted as installing officer and Past Master Dr. I. P. Sessions of Rockdale Lodge No. 414 acted as Grand Marshall and the following officers were duly installed by them:

Will W. Price, Worshipful Master; Dr. F. J. Gilson, Senior Warden; John F. Dooley, Junior Warden; Secretary, W. D. Dooley; Tyler; O. W. Zuehl Senior Deacon; Otto W. Stadler, Junior Deacon; F. O. Long and A. A. Bitter Stewards.

After the officers were installed nice refreshments consisting of ice cream, sherbert, and cake was served. The evening was pleasantly spent and all present enjoyed the occasion very much.

Flies Cause Many Deaths.

"They have caused thousands of death in Texas and will continue their work of destruction until the public awakens to the fact and inaugurates a warfare that will result in their extermination. This can be accomplished definitely and affectively. It requires only the removal of filth. Flies breed in filth and in filth alone.

"The fly season is here, now. Prompt action at this time may prevent many deaths during the summer and fall and a grave responsibility rests upon all health officers and other citizens. An immediate, thorough cleansing of premises should be effected and further accumulations of filth avoided. Gabbage receptacles should be carefully covered and the contents sprinkled with lime or oil. All doors and windows, especially those of kitchens and dining rooms should be screened.

Food exposed for sale should be screened and ordinances to this effect should be enacted and enforced. Flies should be especially kept away from the sick, and if one is discovered in the sick room it should be killed.

"Either man must exterminate the fly or the fly will kill the man."

Notice to Stockmen.

There is some fresh branded steers branded with U upside down on the left side in the pastures between the head of Mud Creek and the Pinto Mountain belonging to Jim Borroum & Co. in charge of Herbst Bros.

Advertise in the News

WHICH SHALL IT BE?

The glorious anniversary is almost here and what patriotic American does not thrill at the mere mention of its name—"The Fourth of July"? It brings to our mind's eye visions of the flag; of marching soldiers. In fancy we hear the tramp, tramp of many feet; the bugle call; perhaps merry laughter and martial music—for is not the war a thing of the past and independence the crown of victory?

Would that the memory and anticipation of our national holiday might bring joy to every one of us, but did you ever stop to think of the thousands who shudder at its near approach and will find it only a day of mourning? They are the ones whose hearts still yearn for the little Ted, or Jack, or Ruth who went away just a year ago. Return? No, they will not return.

You remember the pride with which Ted's father told you, "Yes, these cannon-crackers will please my little man; he is fond of noise." And you surely haven't forgotten how bravely Jack's mother tried to smother the flames that so cruelly curled around him? Just to think that a tiny match started the blaze!

Ruth? I can hardly bear to tell you. You know that powder burns often cause a poisoning termed tetanus. The victim dies in fearful convulsions. Of course Ruth's brother did not dream of this danger when he allowed her to fire his cap pistol.

Hundreds of parents will tell of just such sad cases as these hoping to warn others before they, too, are brought face to face with the result of their folly.

On the "Fourth of July" last year two hundred and fifteen little lives were sacrificed, and five thousand other children blinded or otherwise maimed—all because of what were thought "harmless" fire works. Harmless indeed!

Let us therefore enlist our efforts to abolish this whole sale "slaughter of the innocents" so we may enjoy ways that will bring pleasure to the children and parents as well and with plenty of noise, too, if that is indispensable.

A picnic is an ideal way, and the nature of the day can be kept in mind by a generous display of red, white, and blue; by the reading of the "Declaration of Independence," and the singing of patriotic songs. Or if you stay at home tell the children stories of Washington, and of the first "Fourth of July" celebration; let them have flags and drums; and if you feel that fire-works are an absolute necessity, let an experienced person give a pretty display at night—but don't, don't put an instrument of terrible death into the hands of an innocent child.

God says, "Thou shalt do no murder"—but how far from murder are we when we stand carelessly by and put forth not one effort to save the coming citizens of America?

Johnson Eats 180 Chickens in Two Weeks.

Jack Johnson's food will figure prominently in his training expenses.

Two weeks ago George Little, his manager, bought 200 choice Plymouth Rocks. That kind cost about \$1. in Frisco. There are 20 of the birds left. A new consignment will be ordered today.

And that isn't all. About the same time that 200 Plymouth Rocks hit camp, 25 dozen squabs were brought in. Not a squab is left. Johnson eats an average of four chickens a day and goodness knows how many squabs. Of course there are a few "othah called gentlemen" in his camp and they have a natural taste which runs in the same direction. Johnson weighs 217 and is considered light.

Notice.

Our pasture known as A-1 pasture is posted and all parties are forbidden to hunt, fish haul wood or other wise trespass on the same; if so they will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

LACEY & TAYLOR.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the ranch known as the Mariposa ranch for the purpose of hunting, fishing or cutting wood will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. All permits previously issued, either verbal or written are hereby revoked.

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Spofford Locals

Eric Goldbeck of Uvalde is the guest of Frederick Zuehl this week.

Dr. P. Sessions is spending the week with friends and relatives in Rockdale.

Miss Tubie Nipper of Uvalde is the guest of Miss Nellie McCormick this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clamp spent Monday with friends and relatives in Brackettville.

Mrs. Lula Anderson is spending the week in Del Rio the guest of Mrs. C. K. McDowell.

Misses Beatrice Turman and Carrie Goldbeck of Uvalde are the guests of the Misses Zuehl this week.

Gus Black returned home from San Antonio Monday where he spent the week with friends and relatives.

E. M. Bell returned from Utica Ohio Monday where he spent several weeks with friends and relatives.

Allen and Tom Black spent several days here this week visiting friends, returning to the Black ranch Tuesday.

Misses Nellie McCormick and Tubie Nipper spent several days on the Black ranch this week, the guest of Miss Mary Black.

Misses Bessie and Gertrude Zuehl, Dick Clark and Misses Jessie and Ray Sessions spent Tuesday afternoon in Brackettville.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Zuehl, Dr. I. P. Sessions and family Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McCormick, Fred Long and

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Willie Ryan attended the Masonic Lodge installation in Brackettville Friday night.

Lee Elledge and Son Roy returned home Monday from Las Cruces, N. M. where they spent the week with relatives.

Mrs. F. O. Long and little daughter Merle returned home from San Antonio Tuesday where they visited friends and relatives.

Misses Jessie and Ray Sessions, Kathleen Zuehl, Carrie Goldbeck and Beatrice Turman spent Monday afternoon in Brackettville.

Misses Bessie Kathleen and Gertrude Zuehl, Carrie Goldbeck, Beatrice Turman, Tubie Nipper, Nellie McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Cox and Son Joe, Mrs. V. L. O'Farrell, Ray and Frederick Zuehl, Eric Goldbeck and Dick Clark attended the ball game played between Uvalde and Brackettville on the Brackettville diamond Friday evening.

Among those that attended the young peoples dance Tuesday night were Mrs. O. F. Seargeant and daughter Blanche, Mrs. Tom Perry, Mrs. O. W. Stadler, Mrs. Bob Ballantine and daughter Roberta, Misses Theresa Nolan, Alice Veltmann, Mattie Perry, Mary Veltmann, Natilie and Clara Veltmann, Sam Fritter, Tilman Hunt, Clyde Veltmann, Albert Seargeant, B. Jones, Alex Wickham, Lewis Kuykendahl and O. F. Seargeant of Brackettville.

Killed A Big Panther.

Clyde Mills, who was in from the country Tuesday and Wednesday reports the killing of a big panther at the Miers ranch last week.

He says that he was about the largest he had ever seen measuring over eight feet and being built for fighting.

They caught him in a big wolf trap, he and George Miers and a Mexican shot him three times before bringing him down.

This panther had been giving trouble in that section preying upon sheep, calves, etc. and the "catch" is considered a good one.—Del Rio Herald.

Trouble Apprehended.

While the matter is kept mighty quiet it is nevertheless a fact that trouble is expected along the river on the Mexico side about this time as a result of the election over there.

The Mexican government has taken every precaution to prevent an outbreak and the United States officials stand ready to see that the neutrality laws are not broken.

Reports have been current for some time that the Mexicans were buying up all the guns and ammunition they could get hold of and hiding the same away.

No doubt the government is thoroughly alert, and the revolutionary spirit can easily be kept in check.—Del Rio Herald.

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Meets a Lion.

Chas. T. May, the tailor, is just back from a fishing trip in Mexico, and he reports having had quite an exciting experience while in quest of the finny tribe along the banks of Los Vacas several miles from where it empties into the Rio Grande.

He was wading up the creek in water about waist deep when he came to a big clump of bushes on an island that divided the water. He started down one way and the water was so deep that he sought a shallower way around the other side. When he passed around he threw his drowigac far out into the rippling stream and began slowly to draw it in. At this instant a huge, hungry looking Mexican lion showed up on the bank twenty feet away. Had he gone around the other side he would have been within a few feet of the beast.

Not having his heavy artillery on the firing line and believing that a raw boned lion was more than a match for him in deep water, Mr. May began a quiet but swift retreat for the opposite bank. He said that it seemed a "devil" of a sight

farther back to the bank than it was when he went in, and that he thought before he reached it the stream had surely widened out some. As fast as his legs could comfortably carry him, he hiked it back to camp without any fish, and we imagine without any fishing paraphernalia.—Del Rio Herald.

One Hundred Years Ago.

Here are a few facts which show how much more life is to-day than in "the good old days" about which we hear:

Not until February 1812 did the people of Kentucky know that Madison was elected president in the previous November.

In 1834 one of the leading railroads of the United States printed on its time table: "The locomotive will leave depot every day at 10 o'clock if the weather is fair."

The first typewriter was received by the public with suspicion. It seemed subversive of existing conditions. A reporter who took one into a court room first proved its real worth.

In England, some centuries ago, if an ordinary workman, without permission, moved from one parish to another in search of work or better wages he was branded with a hot iron.

One hundred years ago the fastest travel in the world was the Great North road. In England, after it had been put into its best condition. There the York mail coach tore along at the rate of ninety miles a day, and many persons confidently predicted divine vengeance on such unseemly haste.

When Benjamin Franklin first thought of starting a newspaper in Philadelphia many of his friends advised against because there was a newspaper published in Boston. Some of them doubted that the country could support two newspapers.—Selected.

JOHN J. FOSTER

Lawyer

Stock Shipment Claims a

Specialty

Del Rio, Texas

Farm and Factory

Texas has 8,794,000 head of cattle, valued at \$130,201,986. It is a remarkable fact that Texas has the best grade of cattle of any state, but for economic reasons fails to realize their value. It is possible that the Texas farmer may not exceed the Illinois farmer in grade of cattle but our ranches show up exceedingly well in the matter of grade of stock.

In Illinois the cattle are worth \$28.08 per head and in Texas \$14.79 per head.



"Comparative Value in Texas and Illinois."

It cost approximately \$5 per head to ship cattle from Texas to the Chicago packing houses and the remainder of the difference in price is accounted for by the fact that Texas cattle are taken off the ranches and pastures and shipped to corn countries where a few bushels of corn are fed to them and \$10 added to their value. If we had enough packing houses in Texas to utilize our supply of live stock and did our own feeding we would add \$15 per head to our cattle, says the Texas Commercial Secretaries' Association.

Packing houses sufficient to meet the present needs of Texas would add \$43,970,000 to the value of our cattle, which is more than the packing houses would cost.



Added Value to Texas Cattle by Texas Packing Houses.

By bringing the packing house to the farm we adjust economic conditions and the increase in value of live stock goes to the producer without increasing the price of meat to the consumer, without increasing the expense of the packer. The farm and the factory go hand in hand and the prosperity of either is dependent upon the other, and no clearer example of this fact could be presented, than that of the packing house and the increase it at once brings to the farmer in the value of his cattle.

Cigars at the city Bakery in the Patrick Building.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

NEWS THAT IS NEWS, WHEN IT IS NEWS, FOR ALL.

DOINGS OF DAY AND WEEK

Happenings the Wide World Over of Important Events Condensed to Good Reading.

WASHINGTON.

In addition to passing a large number of bills on its private calendar and agreeing to numerous conference reports, the senate Friday devoted its entire time to consideration of the establishment of a national reserve in the White Mountains and in the Southern Appalachians. Much of this time was consumed by Senator Burton, who while disclaiming any intention of filibustering, entered upon a wide range of discourse. He indicated that he expected to address the senate several hours longer in opposition to this bill. Among the conference reports agreed to was one covering the differences between the two houses on the bill authorizing the issuance of \$20,000,000 worth of certificates of indebtedness for reclamation projects, and another on the general deficiency appropriation bill.

The senate Friday passed the house bill relieving Thomas Akins, former assistant treasurer of the United States at St. Louis, from the payment of \$61,500 due to the shortage of his second teller, B. P. Dyer, in 1906. The bill was not amended, and now goes to the president.

Senators Bacon, Guggenheim and Crawford were appointed Friday as a committee to represent the senate at the coming ceremonies in celebration of the Mexican centennial.

Senator Gore of Oklahoma disclosed in the senate Friday what he interpreted as an effort to bribe him in connection with legislation affecting a fortune in attorney's fees claimed by J. F. McMurray of Oklahoma for services rendered to the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations in land and townsites cases. The charge created a sensation in the senate, which later extended to the house.

The senate Thursday passed, as it came from the house, the bill to equalize the salaries of the United States marshals and attorneys in Texas on a basis of \$4,000 per year.

President Taft sent the following nominations to the senate Thursday: E. R. Wright of New Mexico, to be associate judge of the Supreme Court of New Mexico. Geo. R. Walker of Oklahoma to be United States attorney of division 3, District of Alaska.

DOMESTIC.

The court of criminal appeals reversed the judgment of the lower court in the case of Sergeant J. D. Manley, appealed from Dallas county, and granted relator Manley bail in the sum of \$7500. Manley is the National Guardsman who is charged with killing Louis Richenstein with a bayonet in an effort to preserve order upon the occasion of President Taft's visit to Dallas in October, 1909.

The wholesale prices for refined oil have been reduced from one and one-half cents to one cent a gallon by the Standard Oil Company, making the prevailing price throughout the country now seven and one-half cents a gallon. The Standard controls more than seventy per cent of the refined output of the country.

Following a serious thunderstorm, in which much damage was done the telephone and telegraph wires, came a veritable cloudburst which filled the principal thoroughfares of Hot Springs with water. Cases from the front of stores, mail boxes and garbage cans were carried along the current which swept forty miles an hour down the streets.

That harbinger of peace and plenty, the first bale of the 1910 cotton crop of Texas, arrived in Houston Wednesday, six days earlier than the initial arrival of 1909. The bale weighed 420 pounds and was consigned to W. D. Cleveland & Sons. It was ginned at Mercedes, and sold at the Cotton Exchange for \$375.

The B. Y. P. U. Encampment at Palacios is now thorough organized, and the splendid program is being executed with clocklike precision. Interest is steadily increasing in the church work, training and teaching exercises, as well as in the daily religious services.

Barney Oldfield in his 200-horsepower Benz again lowered the mile automobile record for a circular track at the Twin City aviation meet at St. Paul, Minn., Thursday. Oldfield drove the mile in 49 2-5 seconds.

Forced to the wall by public sentiment and opposition from every section of the country, Abraham Erlanger, head of the once mighty and dominating theatrical trust, Thursday admitted defeat and declared that he was willing to take off his hat to his conquerors.

The population of the District of Columbia is 331,069, according to the returns of the thirteenth decennial census.

Porter Charlton, an American youth of good family, sought by the police of two continents, was arrested in Hoboken, N. J., shortly before noon Thursday as he stepped from the North German Lloyd steamer Princess Irene. In less than an hour he had confessed without a tremor that in a fit of temper he beat his wife into unconsciousness with a mallet, jammed her body in a trunk and sunk it in the waters of the Italian lake. She was Mary Scott Castle of San Francisco, a woman sixteen years his senior, divorced wife of Neville H. Castle, a San Francisco lawyer.

The democratic party of Ohio goes into the state campaign this fall with Judson Harmon as its candidate for governor and president. The democratic state convention, which completed its labors in Dayton, Ohio, Wednesday endorsed him in the strongest terms for the presidency of the United States after it had renominated him for governor by acclamation.

Mrs. W. P. G. Harding, wife of the president of the First National Bank of Birmingham, Ala., shot and killed herself at her home in Glen Iris Wednesday.

Tuesday morning at Lovelady, Tex., fire destroyed the general store of Leffler & Davis, R. E. McPhall's restaurant, R. H. Atkinson's barber shop, R. T. Atkinson's tailor shop, Dr. G. W. Worthington's office and J. O. Monday & Son's warehouse. Leffler & Davis lost goods and fixtures, \$14,000, insurance \$8,000; Monday & Son lost \$500, no insurance; Dr. Worthington lost \$750, no insurance. The other parties lose \$200 each, no insurance. The house occupied by Leffler & Davis belonged to J. Cochran of Livingston.

Dirt was broken Wednesday on the foundation of Corpus Christi's new high school building, which in the language of the contractor, will be second to none in the state.

The tenth annual convention of the Texas Retail Merchants' Association was called to order in Houston Tuesday with a gratifying attendance by Mr. W. C. Munn, president of the Houston association, and after the invocation by Rev. J. L. Gross and an address of welcome by City Commissioner J. Z. Gaston the convention settled down to business.

Ten deaths and many prostrations were reported as due to the excessive heat in Philadelphia Tuesday. The maximum temperature was 92 degrees.

There were over a hundred registered at the summer schools of the A. and M. College of Texas at College Station the first day. Some of these are attending the summer school for farmers, some the summer normal school for teachers and others are taking the course in the college—that is, those who want to make up deficiencies in their college work and some who want to prepare for entrance next September.

FOREIGN.

Ten officers and soldiers, twenty-one women and eight children was the official count of the dead in Thursday's wreck of a runaway troop train on the Manzanillo branch of the National Railway at Paso Blanco curve in the state of Colima, Mexico.

Baron Yasuya Uchida, the Japanese ambassador to the United States, has been appointed by the emperor as special ambassador of Japan to attend in September the centennial celebration of the republic of Mexico.

An impressive funeral service was held in Calais, France, Wednesday, for the crew of the French submarine Pluviose, who lost their lives when their vessel was sunk by a cross-channel vessel May 6.

Sixteen Jews were expelled Tuesday from Kiev, Russian, twelve from Solomenka and eight from Demieffka.

The three provisional columns under command of General Mena, Carton and Macias have arrived before Acoyapa, near Bluefields. They met with feeble resistance, the scattered Madriz troops fleeing into the interior. The Madriz garrison at Acoyapa numbered about 300 men, while General Mena had 1,500 under his command. It is expected that he will make an attack upon the town immediately.

All the foreign professors in the Imperial university of Pekin, China, numbering ten Europeans, three Americans and four Japanese, have signed a round-robin declaring that they will refuse to continue their courses unless measures are at once taken to remedy the unsanitary conditions of the dormitories and class rooms. This has been sent to the Chinese administration.

Flags are flying and pictures of President Taft are being displayed in Albuquerque, N. M., in honor of the signing of the statehood bill by President Taft.

Twenty-one guns fired at the artillery barracks and the hoisting of the national flag over all public buildings at daybreak Tuesday announced the anniversary of the taking of the City of Mexico by the forces of General Diaz, June 21, 1867.

The casualty list of the collision at Ville Preux, France, Saturday, between the Granville express and a local train standing at a station stands at nineteen dead and thirty injured. The wreckage caught fire after the accident and one of the trains was entirely consumed.

FIREWORKS FOR THE FOURTH



THAT fireworks in general are hardly more than highly differentiated firecrackers might be said with almost literal truthfulness, inasmuch as practically all of the pyrotechnic toys employed for the purposes of celebration on the Fourth of July depend primarily upon the paper tube loaded with combustibles of one sort or another, as the fundamental element, so speak, in their construction.

Even the great "set pieces," which might be called fire pictures, and which are erected upon scaffoldings sometimes as much as a hundred feet in length, depend for their effects wholly upon such paper cylinders, no bigger than good-sized firecrackers, stuck all over the lattice work of the skeleton structure employed by the fire-painter in lieu, as one might say, of canvas.

Something more in detail about these fire pictures will be said later on; but meanwhile it may be as well to speak descriptively of the processes used in the manufacture of the more simple and familiar kinds of fireworks—such, for example, as roman candles, bombs, rockets, pinwheels and the like. All of these, excepting the bombs, are substantially nothing more than cylinders of pasteboard, filled with combustibles and fashioned in different ways.

One of the greatest fireworks factories in the world is located on the outskirts of Brooklyn, but the stranger who passes by it on a trolley car on the way to Coney Island would scarce suspect the character of the outfit, which is scattered over about twenty acres of land in a series of small buildings, some of them being so tiny as to accommodate only a single workman. The object of this arrangement is to minimize the consequences of accidents. If the lone man who occupies any one of the tiny houses should happen to be blown up he alone would suffer.

It naturally happens that the only building of considerable size on the premises is one in which no explosives or other lively combustibles are used. Here, in fact, is where all the paper is stored, tons upon tons of it, for the outer wrappings of the fireworks. Pyrotechnic toys, of course, must be pretty to look at, else they would not sell to advantage and the papers utilized for the purpose are of all colors of the rainbow and a great variety of ornamental patterns. For extra fancy goods more or less gilt and silver paper is employed.

Upstairs in the same building all of the paper cylinders are made, the process adopted being so exceedingly expeditious that one person can turn out as many as 18 gross of them in a day. Of course they are of all lengths and diameters according to kind and size of fireworks for which they are intended and though the rocket cylinders are rolled by machine all of the others are made by hand. With the aid of a long, round stick of metal and a pot of paste the operator converts sheets of brown pasteboard into neat and compact tubes at the rate of three or four a minute.

A dozen work people engaged in this occupation can turn out an immense number of cylinders in a day and in the manner in which they are utilized in the manufacture of different kinds of fireworks will presently be explained. It might be well to say incidentally, however, that in this same department are made the bombshells, which are stamped by a machine out of paper-mache in halves. When they have become dry the halves are joined by strips of thin canvas soaked in paste, each sphere thus produced having a round hole at one end for loading.

Bombs are among the most interesting and beautiful of fireworks and some of them are of great size—as much as five feet in diameter. They are discharged from mortars and, reaching a height of 1,000 feet or more, explode with a great noise, liberating showers of many-colored stars or golden rain, or sometimes parachutes carrying trains of stars. Some are made as small as two inches in diameter—baby ones, suitable for family use.

The method of their construction is always the same and is at once simple and ingenious. The paper-mache shell is filled with "stars"—that is to say, with little pieces of cylindrical paper tubing packed with different chemical compositions. Beneath the shell thus loaded is attached and firmly glued a paper receptacle containing a slow-burning composition similar to gunpowder. Then a fuse is so fixed that being ignited at the instant of the bomb's discharge it will burn just long enough to explode the shell at the moment when the projectile has reached its greatest height in the air. When this happens the paper shell is blown to pieces and the stars, incidentally ignited, are thrown far and wide. Being light, they fall slowly and the effect produced is very beautiful.

Even the stars, you see, are paper cylinders, though only half an inch perhaps in length. But they vary much in size, according to the uses to which they are to be put. A man cuts them by the millions with a small circular saw, taking a handful of paper tubes of small diameter and using the saw to chop them into short pieces of equal length. Then the little sections are filled with chemical mixtures of various kinds, nitrate and chlorate of baryta being used for green, carbonate of strontium for red, oxalate of soda for yellow and (oddly enough) paris green for blue, with various admixtures of chlorate of potash, shellac, etc.

It should have been said that, in order to strengthen the paper-mache shells and so to enable them to scatter their stars more widely when shattered, they are wound with strong grocer's twine, outside of which the final decorative paper cover is put on. There is, however, another and quite new kind of bomb, which is made in the shape of a cylinder. It is so constructed that during its flight through the air it makes a series of "breaks," sometimes as many as ten, throwing out each time a shower of stars. This, as might be imagined, is a very beautiful effect, and is achieved by dividing the containing cylinder into a series of compartments holding stars, each compartment being set off in its turn.

Some of these cylindrical bombs contain parachutes, which are arranged like the parachutes dropped from rockets. Inside of the pasteboard case is a circular piece of tissue paper, around the circumference of which are attached a series of very long strings. To each of these strings are fastened at intervals a number of the little paper stars already described and the arrange-



MAKING PARACHUTES FOR ROCKETS AND BOMBS

ment is such that when the paper disk, which is the parachute, is thrown out of the receptacle it instantly expands and drifts slowly downward, while the ignited stars, dangling along the strings beneath, make an exceedingly pretty display.

The methods adopted in the case of parachute rockets is exactly the same, the parachute and its attachments being packed into the "head" of the rocket. A rocket, of course, consists of two parts, the lower portion being a pasteboard cylinder, made especially thick, containing the explosive that makes the thing go up, while the upper compartment is simply a receptacle to hold stars, parachute, golden rain stuff, or whatever is to be liberated when the projectile has reached its highest point in the air.

What is called a "mine" is a big cylinder of pasteboard, which may be four or five feet high and which is attached to a square wooden base, in order that it may be stood up. Inside of the cylinder is put a propelling charge of the slow explosive and on top of it a paper bag filled with stars. At the top is an ordinary roman candle, which serves as a sort of spout. When the roman candle is lighted it shoots a few fiery balls successively in the customary manner, and then, the explosive inside having been reached, the whole affair explodes, throwing a multitude of stars in all directions.

Comparatively new are the so-called "batteries" of roman candles, which, in proportion to the number of candles going off simultaneously, produce a brilliant display. "Gerbs" are cylinders filled with iron filings, which are thrown out in an incandescent state by the slow-burning explosive. They are intended to be tacked upon a fence or to some such place, at a height of six feet.

It is a fact worth mentioning incidentally that all of the marine night signals, which are carried on every vessel, are made by the fireworks concern. The Brooklyn factory supplied those used on the yachts during the recent race across the Atlantic. They are made on the same principle as "bengola" lights, a familiar pyrotechnic toy, but with a wooden handle. Such a contrivance is a pasteboard tube divided into compartments, usually three in number, containing inflammable compositions of different colors. Occasionally stars are added. Inasmuch as the colors—green, white and red—may be arranged in various ways, one can talk across the sea by the help of these lights on the darkest night.

In the tiny houses already described all the filling of roman candles is done. For this purpose machinery is used and it is always a possibility that a spark might ignite the gunpowder and composition, of which considerable quantities have to be kept immediately at hand. But these explosives and also the stars (which take the form of fiery balls as they are ejected from the candles) are stowed in cubbyholes protected by swinging metal shutters. Each time the lone workman helps himself to stars or powder he is obliged to push aside the shutter, which falls again in place the instant that he has obtained what he wants. The cubbyholes open to the outside by windows, so that if there were an explosion the flame would be thrown outward from the building and not into it.

Thus safeguarded against mischance, the lone workman manipulates a machine by the help of which he loads two dozen roman candles at one time. Into them he puts gunpowder, composition and stars successively, layer after layer, ramming down each portion of the charge after the manner of loading an old-fashioned musket. Where candles that hold ten stars are being made the operation is somewhat complicated and hence the importance of doing as many as possible at once.

Most interesting of all, perhaps, is the making of the fire pictures, the construction of which begins with a latticework put together by a skilled carpenter. It is made as light as possible, and upon it is tacked the rattan which forms the outlines of the picture. Rattan is chosen for the purpose because it is pliable and can be bent into any sort of curves. The carpenter has before him a drawing, made by the artist of the company and executed to a certain scale. It is a simple matter to reproduce the lines of this drawing in rattan, so to speak, on an enlarged scale.

Having thus made the outlines of the picture in rattan upon a background of lattice work, the carpenter drives at short intervals along the rattan a series of little nails. Upon each nail is to be put a small cylinder, a quarter of an inch in diameter and three inches long, loaded with some colored fire composition. When this operation has been completed the artist comes along, and with his pencil marks upon the latticework the different colors, "red," "green," "blue," etc., that are to appear in flame in various parts of the design. In obedience to these indications the loaded cylinders, which may number thousands, are stuck upon the nails subsequently by skilled young women. Finally all of the cylinders are attached together by a "quick match," which is lampwick saturated with a mixture of gunpowder and starch and threaded through a thin paper tube. Thus when fire is set to the fuse it will run in a few seconds all over the lattice work and the fire picture will be presented to view in gorgeous colors.

WOMAN FINDS A WAY.

Two burglars were on their trial and had engaged a smart lawyer for their defense, who, on cross-examining one of the witnesses, said:

"You say that on the night in question the moon was so bright that you could see the burglars in the room. Was your husband awake at the time?"

Witness—I don't know.
"Was his face turned toward you or not?"
The witness answered that she did not know.
"What! You don't know? Now, come, tell me, was his face turned toward you or the wall?"
"I don't know."

"Ah, ha! I thought so" (turning to the jury).
"She could not see. She who identifies the prisoners could not see which way her husband's face was turned. Explain that if you can."

"Well, sir, my husband is so bald that in a dim light I can't tell his face from the back of his head."—Tatler.

THE MISTAKE OF A NIGHT.

He saw her sitting in the dark corner and knew that his chance had come.
Notless he stole up behind her and before she was aware of his presence he had kissed her.
"How dare you?" she shrieked.
"Pardon me," he bluffed, readily, "I thought you were my sister."
She stepped out into the light. "You silly fool!" she giggled. "I am!"
He fainted.—Cleveland Leader.

TEXAS NEWS HAPPENINGS

Reports from Sierra Blanca ranches say that good rains have filled the tanks and there is every prospect of good pasturage.

The scholastic census of Denton County shows a total of 6,118 white children and 460 negroes, exclusive of the independent districts.

Work has begun on the new Third Ward school building in Bowie. It will occupy a position near the old building, and cost \$10,000.

The first cotton bloom of the season was reported by Sam Smith, living one and a half miles west of Maypearl. Farmers are generally up with their work. Crops are very dry.

The contract for the construction of Galveston's new \$750,000 beach hotel has been let and within the next three days the building operations will commence.

The worst cloudburst in many years has caused hundreds of thousands of dollars' damage in Berlin, Germany. Cellars everywhere were flooded and street cars, omnibuses and other traffic stopped.

The official announcement of the executive committee of the coming Galveston Cotton Carnival shows that \$20,000 in cash prizes will be distributed among the successful exhibitors in the various departments.

The tomato market is holding up at 65c per crate in Jacksonville, it being the same price paid for seventy-five cars which sold here Tuesday. About 50 buyers, representing practically all Northern and Eastern markets, are on the ground.

Yegmen entered a general grocery store at Dalhart some time after midnight Sunday and blew open the safe with dynamite. They secured two diamond rings, three gold watches, a large number of checks and silver and bills amounting to \$1,100.

Will E. Watts has offered an acre and a half of land to the Kings Daughters, if the latter organization will accept it for the location of a hospital in Cleburne. A start has been made on raising a hospital fund. It will be passed on officially very soon.

As a result of an audience which Census Supervisor L. E. Bennett of Mission, Texas, and Representative Garner had with President Taft, the State Department has already set in motion the machinery of the Government looking to a treaty with Mexico for the utilization of the waters of the Rio Grand River for irrigating Texas and Mexico lands.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals, in an unanimous decision handed down in New York, vacated the temporary injunctions obtained by the Wright Company, restraining the Herring-Curtiss Company and Louis Paulhan, the French aviator, from using aeroplanes, which the Wright brothers contended were infringements on their patents.

The body of Cynthia Ann Parker, the mother of Chief Quanah Parker, of the Comanches, will be removed from its resting place, near Athens, in Henderson County, Texas, and reinterred at Cache, Okla., the home of Chief Parker, if Congress adopts the item of \$200 in the general deficiency bill which Representative Stephens had put in the measure.

Farmers in Taylor report the first appearance in this section of cotton blooms from early planted cotton. J. R. Hargis, a prosperous farmer of south of Taylor, reports that the cotton of this section planted during the month of March is in finer condition and looks more promising at this time than any he has observed in this section for a dozen years past.

Both San Francisco and New Orleans must raise \$7,500,000 before they can hope to receive the Government indorsement for exhibitions in celebration of the completion of the Panama Canal.

Judging from reports gathered by the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce, the initiated bill proposing to locate the permanent state capital has prevailed by between 30,000 and 40,000 majority, and Oklahoma City as the place appears to have prevailed over Shawnee and Guthrie by about three to one.

The county officials of Ellis, Collin, Limestone and Navarro Counties, together with some 300 others from those counties interested in the good roads movement, held a convention in Waxahachie. The convention was a mile and a half long and consisted of fifty-eight automobiles, bearing their burden of human question marks. Six hours were spent in a Missourian demonstration of what has been accomplished in and about Waxahachie while less than sixty minutes were consumed in speechmaking and eating dinner.

Coleman's new roller mill has started up; daily capacity 200 barrels per day.

An item dated at Bonham says: Crops which up to ten days ago looked extremely promising, are beginning to suffer for rain. Especially is this true of cotton and corn. The oat and wheat crops in some sections have been almost a total failure. While in others the yield is above the average. The hay crop is almost a total failure on account of the dry weather, and many owners of hay meadows will not attempt to cut the crop at all.

Mourning Apparel



THE death of England's king throws nearly all the courts of Europe into mourning and in consequence the subjects of mourning apparel and mourning etiquette are up for consideration more generally than for many years. Customs change slowly, especially those which rule in matters of greatest moment. Rules of etiquette governing in the events of death, marriage, births and social functions of high importance have all been carefully thought out and are the crystallized expressions of consideration for others. They are formulated from the conduct of those whose good taste and keen intuitions put them in position to set examples. Much latitude is allowed individual taste in the matter of mourning apparel. Some people decry any special dress for those in mourning, on the ground that we should not divide our sorrows with others. But the great majority feel that the assumption of mourning attire is imperative as a sign of respect to the dead or to his family as well as an outward token of a sense of loss. To ignore a death seems to cast a slight upon the worth of the departed soul; therefore, an increasing number of persons in the best social circles assume what is called "complimentary mourning." This is either a badge of mourning of some sort, or the wearing of black for a short term. This is a different matter from the mourning apparel assumed by members of a family. Complimentary mourning does not involve the restrictions which that of relatives assumes. Certain fabrics are chosen for those in mourning. These are crape, silk genadine, nuns-veiling, bombazine, net, uncut velvet, crepe-de-chine, mourning silks, felt, voile and other fabrics of a jet black hue and soft luster or dull finish. Crape is recognized as the correct fabric for first mourning everywhere, and is in fact the insignia of mourning. Crape is used as a finish, or decoration, on other fabrics, and sometimes entire garments are made of it. It is a beautiful fabric made of silk and having

diagonal rib or crinkle across the surface. It is made in both dull and silky luster; the dull finish is considered the more elegant. Recently it is much used in dress accessories, such as collars, cuffs and bands, and in stoles and mufflers, for those in deep mourning. Silk genadine is very generally worn in this country for veils, as shown in Fig. 1. It is light in weight, supple and durable. It is used in the open weaves for face veils and is often bordered. For summer, large mesh silk veils, bordered with a fold of crape, are worn, with millinery made of or trimmed with these materials; the crape nearly always appearing in a flat border or fold. English manufacturers have succeeded in waterproofing these fabrics so that rain or moisture does them no harm.

The transition from deep mourning to colors is accomplished gradually. After a certain period of time, more or less long at the discretion of the wearer, the mourning veil is discarded; next crape is eliminated. The attire is next all black, but not necessarily of recognized mourning fabrics. After black, gray, the cold lavenders and white are worn. White may be worn with black accessories for mourning, and is correct, but is more often assumed for what is called "second mourning," that is, in the period of transition from mourning to colors.

There is nothing so dignified and nothing more elegant than a well-chosen mourning costume. In choosing models or patterns for making mourning gowns or hats (or any garment) plain, neat and elegant designs are correct. Nothing "fussy" is admissible. No extremes of the mode are to be considered. For millinery neither very large or very small hats, but those in shapes which are always worn should be selected. Exquisite workmanship must characterize the work of both milliner and dressmaker. Fortunately the regular mourning fabrics, crape, bombazine and nuns-veiling, all are adapted to the sort of work required.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

FOR YOUNG LADY.

This is a very smart frock suitable to be made in cashmere, silk and wool crepon, or any fine woolen.

The corselet bodice and side of skirt are cut in one to below hips;



The front is a panel to foot; the lower part of side and back of skirt is plaited; braiding forms the trimming on skirt and front of bodice, a simple border being worked at edge of the shoulder straps. The under-slip is of piece lace.

Materials required: 6 yards 46 inches wide, 2 yards 18 inches wide for under-slip.

Like a Rose.

The rosette on a plain sailor hat gives all the richness necessary. Folded like a rose into a round shape, a bias piece of Persian silk has been so manipulated that its final effect would suggest both expense and art.

USEFUL FOR THE TRAVELER

Pin Case An Almost Indispensable Requisite When One is on a Journey.

A new form of the well-known pin case for traveling is being shown just now that makes acceptable prizes or a present for European travelers.

The case is formed like a wallet with a flap at the side that buttons over with a patent clasp. This is made of cardboard covered first with cotton batting, then with cretonne, fancy brocades, ribbons or with an embroidered linen case.

Inside there is a single leaf adjusted to back of case like the page of a book. This is covered on both sides with white eiderdown or flannel, which is carried over to line the sides of case as well.

In this lining is stuck on the outer cast safety pins in all sizes and colors. On both sides of the inner page are arranged big headed pins in various sizes and color. These can form fancy borders or a star figure below and a border or other artistic grouping.

These cases may be made in any convenient size; one four by five inches gives plenty of space.

Silk Seams.

The making of a silk blouse is rendered all the more difficult, where the home dressmaker is concerned, by the fact that the seam to lie flat must be ironed, while a hot iron is only too apt to mark the silk indelibly. By far the best course to pursue is that of passing each seam, open or closed, over the upturned edge of a warm iron. With both hands the seam should be pulled taut and slowly passed over the iron, care being taken to avoid touching more than the seam with the point or side and thereby marking the material underneath.

About Veils.

When money is scarce there seems nothing that runs away with one's money so fast as veils. Their life is a very short-lived one and often a misadventure ruins them as soon as bought. Yet we must wear them if we want to look smart, and to buy cheap ones is more than useless, as they never look well from the day they are bought. The truest economy is to buy fine net by the yard, says the Woman's Life. It cuts to better advantage, you get four veils for the price of one, and it is of a far better quality and lasts longer than if you buy veiling pure and simple.

WOMAN SLAYS BURGLAR WITH A ROLLING PIN

KNOCKS HIM OUT OF WINDOW AND HE FALLS FOUR STORIES TO DEATH.

New York.—Finding a burglar in her bedroom at 296 Delancey street, Mrs. Dora Gieteman attacked him. He fled to the kitchen, the woman following. Then he broke for the fire escape, and Mrs. Gieteman grabbed him by the collar. She beat him over the head with a heavy iron cuspidor.

The thief's only thought seemed to be escape. He backed toward a window. Mrs. Gieteman seized a rolling pin and dealt him a sounding blow in the face.

Over a low window sill the man toppled backward, stunned. He fell four stories and was killed.

The man was Louis Gratch, a painter.

Gratch entered the house through



Finds Burglar in Room and Rolling Pins Him Out of a Window.

the basement. Going to the rear yard, he climbed the fire escape and got into the Gieteman parlor. He had to cross a couch on which slept Miss Lena Berkenholtz, a boarder. To reach the bedroom where Gieteman and his wife were asleep, he passed another couch on which lay Miss Berkenholtz's stepbrother, Samuel Stoltzberger.

Gratch was searching Gieteman's trousers when Mrs. Gieteman awoke and screamed. She leaped out of bed and seized the man, and he at once found her a powerful antagonist. Enraged more than frightened, Mrs. Gieteman pursued the burglar into the kitchen. There she seized the cuspidor and began to belabor him over the head and shoulders.

He broke away and made for the fire escape at the window where Miss Berkenholtz had been sleeping. Mrs. Gieteman followed and seized his collar. Miss Berkenholtz and her brother had fled into Gieteman's room and were trying to awaken him.

The burglar grappled with the woman. Stoltzberger handed her the rolling pin and she dealt him several heavy blows. He backed away toward a window at the side of the yard. The rolling pin came down on his jaw. With a scream he plunged headlong out of the window.

The body of the burglar was found in the yard. An ambulance surgeon said his neck was broken.

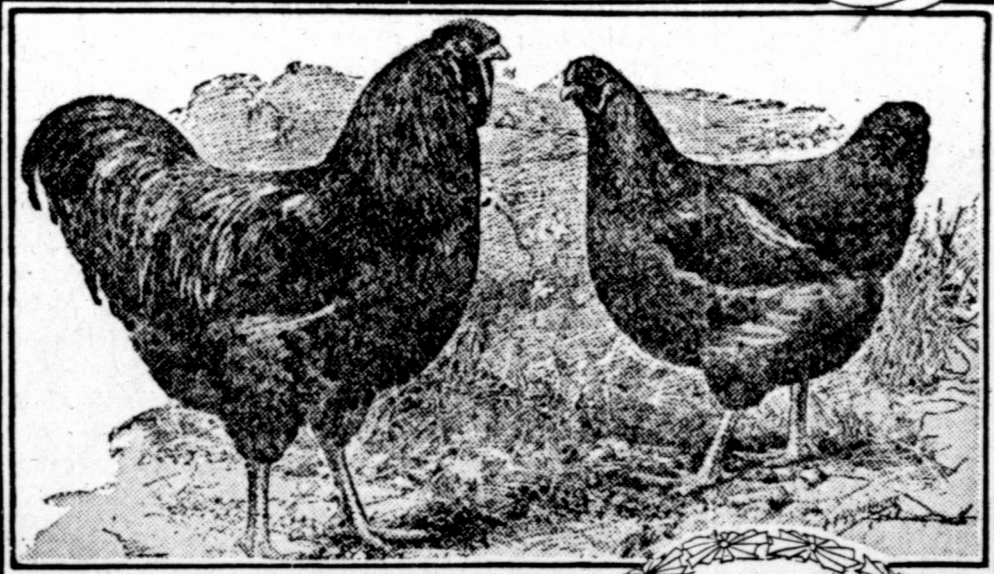
Married Friends.

I am persuaded that friendship is the basis of true marriage—the man and woman must be able to get on together in the serenity of natural comradeship without continuous rasper and jar. They must possess toward each other the plain and elemental qualities of confidence, loyalty and tenderness; they must hold the same views concerning the meaning of life; each must desire nothing so much as the welfare of the other; neither can have aught which is not at the disposal of the other. Love there must be, indeed, but not love alone, for love is of hery essence and often falls to result in happiness either for the lover or the loved. There is, I believe, an Italian proverb, "Love is a dagger in the heart." This could never be said of friendship. The very word itself is a synonym of felicity. Many husbands and wives, not without love, fall of amity and dwell in hell because they are not first of all friends. Friendship is the warp and woof of human oneness; love is the dye and pattern which make the fabric splendid.—Exchange.

Summer Millinery.

Lightness (in weight) is a characteristic of all the summer millinery, however massive an appearance it may present to the eye. The straws are all in large braid effects and the majority are given a dull satin finish. They crumble under the slightest touch, of course, but while they last they are lovely, especially in the delicate violet and prune shades. Everywhere, too, are seen quantities of wheat sheafs dyed in impossible colors, but spraying out effectively in the way in which much of the summer trimming is arranged. It is not uncommon to see a mound of gilded wheat rising ten inches above a hat brim, or extending out sidewise to a relatively enormous distance.—Harp'er's Bazar.

A FLORIDA CHICKEN FARM



PAIR OF RHODE ISLAND REDS

FOR the last four years I have earned my pin money out of chickens. My hens give me a profit of more than five dollars a head. You think that an enormous yield for chickens? So do I, for I had been raising a few chickens ever since I was a small girl; but I have my account book and so I know just what I spend and what I take in.

My chickens are Rhode Island Reds and bred from the best layers. I have found that there is more in the strain than in the breed of chickens. I carried my chickens with me when I went to Florida, so I know all about them for generations.

Years ago I sold all my other breeds, keeping only the Plymouth Rocks and Rhode Island Reds, because I had proved to my satisfaction that these two breeds gave most eggs in the winter when eggs are scarce and fetch the highest prices. I finally discarded the Plymouth Rocks because I found the Rhode Islanders hardier and lighter feeders, or perhaps I should say better foragers.

This characteristic of their being good foragers has had a good deal to do with my large profits in Florida. I never have given my flock meat. They find insects enough for their own meat supply. Since the first season down there I have never given them a bit of meat except the few morsels that are mixed in the table scraps which they have regularly every day.

In Florida I have not raised my own feed but have bought it in small quantities at the regular retail prices. I have been forced to hire all labor done, such as building and repairing the houses, coops and fences. At my home in Massachusetts, being then a comparatively strong woman, I was able to do all such things myself, and yet my chickens never netted me more than \$1.50 a head all the years that I struggled with them.

There in the winter the birds had to be housed and supplied with green and meat food besides their regular rations of grain. In Florida they run in the yards all the year long and get their green food from the small patch of grain which I keep for them at the back of their yard and their own meat by catching insects.

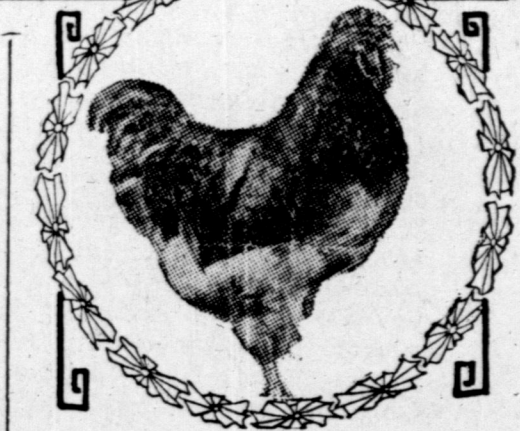
Northern farmers who have come to visit me ask if there is not a difference in the prices which I now receive for my chickens and those I sold while in Massachusetts. I am forced to reply that I formerly received somewhat higher prices than are paid in Florida. Most of my eggs and dressed fowls are bought by the largest hotel and though it is run by a northern manager, he expects and gets southern prices. All that the hotel does not take is readily sold to private families, so I never have the expense of shipping.

I do not think any other breed would do as well as my Rhode Island Reds. I let my hens sit on their own eggs. I have found this best in a small flock. A hen must have some time for rest from laying. I never allow a hen to sit more than once in each year, because it is not necessary where all are equally good mothers and where there is a good demand for fresh eggs.

Before the chickens are a month old the mother invariably has begun to lay again. I have four hens that give me 200 eggs each year. They are mother and three daughters. As the mother is now four years old I am looking forward to the time when her yield of eggs will drop off, but even then I think it will pay me to keep her, not only because of the strain, but also because she is an excellent brooder and mother. The ordinary hen I do not think it pays to keep after it is two ears old.

I have found that in Florida the houses have to be much more carefully attended to than in Massachusetts because of the extreme difficulty in keeping down vermin. My houses are all of wood built for ventilation more than warmth. For the first four feet the boards are put on solid to prevent the deprecations of what the negroes down here call varminits, that is, minks, coons, foxes and stray dogs and cats that may slip through your fence. Above this solid line a space of two inches is allowed between the boards until on a line with the roosts. There again is a solid belt to prevent the chickens from roosting in a draft.

Besides the usual enemies here a chicken raiser has to fight snakes. They slip into the nests and not only swallow the eggs, but often devour young chicks. To fight them a Florida friend told me to get a pig and let her run the run of the yard; but to



make sure she had no Berkshire blood in her veins. It seems that in Florida, if nowhere else, the Berkshire hog has a reputation of eating flesh and being especially fond of young poultry.

I succeeded in getting a pig of no particular breed, and since then have had no trouble with snakes; indeed it is seldom that one is seen in the place. That pig and her succession of families have driven away all that they haven't eaten up. Oh, yes, the snakes fight for their lives, striking the pigs repeatedly, but this doesn't appear to interrupt the feast. They are calmly caught and chewed up. They say the snake diet doesn't injure the quality of the pork or affect the taste in the slightest, but I much prefer to sell my pigs to serving them on my own table.

I feed my poultry only once a day; I mean the grown fowls. The chicks are fed just as I did in Massachusetts. This one meal is given at night and they have all they will eat up. In the fall months when the grass seeds are ripe the fowls eat very lightly. At the beginning of my venture here I did give a morning feed, but I soon found that the chickens preferred to do to the grain patch and the orange grove when they first jumped down from their roosts.

If I were stronger and able to do all the work myself I am sure I could easily make eight dollars a head. I have heard of several instances down here in which such a profit is made regularly and without a great amount of work.

MARY FINNY URMSTON.

RELATED BY OLD SETTLER

Just a Little Happening in Which He and a Big She-Bear Had Parts.

Senator Boles Penrose, at a dinner at the Philadelphia club, said of a movement that he opposed:

"It promises incredible things. In fact, it makes me think of Jack Travers of Pike county. Jack is an old man now. He remembers the time when bears were as plentiful on the barren mountains as rattlers still are. Once, when I was fishing at Porter's lake, I asked him if he had ever had any remarkable adventures with bears.

"Well, no, senator," said the old man, as he filled his pipe with cut plug; "I can't say as I ever had much to do with bears herabouts. Wunst, in my sparkin' days, me and a bear got together—'twasn't nothin' though."

"It all come about over old Sukey, our cow. She had a bad habit of stayin' out late at night. Then I'd have to go to the woods and fetch her home to the milkin'."

"Well, one night when I wanted to go sparkin', Sukey was late agin, and it certainly riz my dander. I started out after her, cussin' a blue streak, and in about an hour I heard her snortin' and puffin' in the thicket."

"I'd missed my gal by that time, and I was riled clear through. I cut a saplin' and went for old Sukey. It was too dark to see, but I knew her snuffle, and I grabbed her by the ear and began to lay on with my stick just about proper."

"The old cow showed fight. She wrestled me around considerable. But I was mad—mad all over—and I half-pushed and half-dragged and half-carried her to the barn, and there I tied her up tight and fast, and I milked her in the dark. Afterward I went to bed."

"I certainly did have to laugh, though, when I come down the next mornin'." Gosh darned if I hadn't fetched home and milked a big she-bear."

Antiquated.

"Man wants but little here below," quoted the poetic person.

"On the contrary," rejoined the practical party, "the classified columns of the modern newspaper prove conclusively that his wants are numerous."

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The Villian Still Pursues it.

Some week ago some lumber dealers met in a Western city and said they regretfully must raise the price of common boards on account of the Payne tariff, says the Guthrie (Okla.) State Capital.

Think of it! They must raise the price from 50 cents to \$1 a thousand on account of the tariff—

When the same law reduced the he tariff on common boards 75 cents a thousand.

And these men meet in convention and attempt to deceive and bunko and hoodwink the people.

It was the same way in reference to hides.

Hides were put on the free list, but all kinds of shoes have gone up on the wholesale market, and not a single reduction is given in "Dun's Review."

Then the woolen dealers got together and said they must raise the price of wool on account of the Payne act no change was made in the wool or woolen schedule, except two minor ones, and both of these were reductions.

These instances sound like the trick that was attempted under the McKinley bill in the same way, and show how men who have pecuniary self-interests at stake are going to attempt to discredit the Payne tariff law for selfish pecuniary gain.—Norwalk (Ohio) Reflector.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the ranch known as the Mariposa ranch for the purpose of hunting, fishing or cutting wood will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. All permits previously issued, either verbal or written are hereby revoked.

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Representative Garner has written a letter to W. H. Jennings of San Antonio, enclosing a lengthy communication from the solicitor of the department of agriculture regarding the importation of cattle from the tick infested portion of Mexico into the United States. The solicitor concludes his communication with this paragraph: "The proposed importation of infested cattle from Mexico into the state of Texas, even though they are intended for immediate slaughter, is contrary to law and of the government's policy, and it is not within the province of the department of agriculture to abrogate the restrictions in regard to the dipping of cattle which are diseased." The solicitor says in his letter to Mr. Garner that ticks in Mexico are not different from those in Texas, as admitted by the cattlemen. To hold otherwise would be to discriminate in favor of foreign importations. Cattle in Mexico which are infested with ticks are therefore to be considered as infested cattle.—Texas Stockman & Farmer.

Notice.

State of Texas
Kinney County:
City of Brackettville,
16th day of June, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received from Contractors, by Jos. Veltmann, County Judge of Kinney County, at his office in Brackettville, Texas, up until noon of the 7 day of July, 1910, to build a fire-proof Court House for said County, according to plans and specifications and proposals prepared by E. L. Thurmon & Co., 340 Commerce St., Dallas, Texas. Bids will not be considered unless they are accompanied by a

certified check or draft in the sum of 5 per cent of the amount of such offer and made payable to Jos. Veltmann. Such check or draft to be subject to forms and conditions described in specifications for said Court House Building, and will be held by the commissioner until 25 per cent of the work contracted for has been completed. The successful bidder will also be required to give bond with some incorporated Surety Company authorized to do business in the State of Texas, and for the amount of the contract.

Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the undersigned, or at the office of the Architect. They can also be obtained and held until two days before the award of the contract, by depositing a certified check for \$50.00 with the architect, which is to guarantee that the Contractor will make an offer and place with the County Court a bonified bid on the building and will return the plans, as before set forth. Check so received will be returned when the conditions are complied with.

The successful contractor will be paid for this work in County script or interest bearing warrants falling due in installments annually until the entire debt is fully paid and as may be provided for by contract. The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

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JOS. VELTMANN,
COUNTY JUDGE.

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