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REVOLUTION TALK ALONG THE RIO GRANDE

Soldiers at Del Rio and other Border Towns To Keep Down Threatened Outbreak on September 16.

San Antonio, Tex., Aug. 26.—To prevent any possible revolutionary demonstrations coming from the American side of the Rio Grande the Mexican border is now being patrolled by a detachment of cavalry under Lieut. Wainwright. Officially these men are said to be "making a survey" and "preventing the influx of the Japanese." But the real purpose of the patrol is well known here.

At this time of the year there is always unrest in Mexico, especially along the border. The exiled revolutionists, who are in Texas, always get busy about Independence Day, Sept. 16, and stir the malcontents in Mexico to action.

Often a body of Mexicans are armed on this side, march across to Mexico, raid a small town and then flee back to Texas. The purpose of the cavalry patrol on the border is to prevent this.

Ever since the Arredondo out-

break last year across from Eagle Pass there has been a great deal of unrest in that section and many of the revolutionists now have headquarters in San Antonio, Del Rio and Eagle Pass. The patrol under Lieut. Wainwright is patrolling the border at that point.

The lack of a garrison at Brownsville is said to have resulted in a considerable aggregation of conspirators making that city their headquarter and Federal Secret Service men are said to be watching them carefully, and active co-operation of the Federal departments and the army will no doubt prevent any attempt at trouble making along the border next month on the date usually set by the wild-eyed patriots to start trouble.

A Mexican official in San Antonio said yesterday that it is not improbable some misled revolutionist will try to raise a disturbance Sept. 16. He says, however, that if the attempt is made Mexico is better prepared for them now than at any previous time and will crush them so completely that it will be the last attempt to accost the government.

Speaking of the situation this

gentleman said: "There probably are some leaders among the would-be revolutionists who are making a living off of weak followers by promises of future reward. For instance, each of them has a band of men who believe that the leaders can capture Mexico, and the leaders encourage them in the belief. They collect funds from their followers, telling them that the funds are necessary to carry on the revolution, and that those who contribute will be rewarded by large gifts of land when the present government of Mexico is overthrown. No doubt but if they do, the Mexican government is prepared for them and they will be crushed to earth. Some of the revolutionists got off easy from last year's disturbances but if they rise up this year they will be shown no mercy."

He further said that he believes the United States has investigated and now thoroughly understands the situation. He believes that the United States Government will not allow revolutionists to fight in Mexico and then cross into Texas and escape.

Great is Texas.

The Texas Bankers' Journal gives emphasis to a fact known in a general way, but well worth repeating, to wit: Texas banks have for two years or more been loaning money to St. Louis and other cities.

Ten years ago the western and southern bankers had to go to the eastern bankers for cash to remove crops, paying enormous interest rates. But now its different; the western and southern banks are able to handle the

situation without any great amount of assistance from their eastern correspondents.

The agricultural products of Texas last year reached the comfortable sum of over \$400,000,000, while timber, coal and sundry other products added another hundred million.

Some one will get up in the meeting and say that these facts destroy the argument for free trade. We are compelled to disagree from this conclusion. Our prosperity is despite the heavy taxation. The purchasing power of this money would be greatly augmented were the market of the world accessible to the farming community. As the matter stands, and western republicans are out on this point, the agricultural sections are being robbed for the benefit of special interests, and here is the foundation for the trusts which all political platforms so bitterly assail. But this is digression.

The fact stands out prominently that we are just beginning to realize the wonderful possibilities of this magnificent empire which we call Texas.

Lest We Forget.

A subscriber to this newspaper ordered his name off the list the other day simply because we had sent him a statement of back subscription. He took offense, flew mad and in order to "even up" had the paper stopped after paying up to date. And his reason for such was based on the false belief that we were afraid to extend him further credit; that he didn't need any notice of back accounts, although he was two years in arrears!

What's an editor to do when a subscriber owes back subscription? Must he cancel the indebtedness and say "that's all right Jim. I

shouldn't have asked for it?" Must he go over the list and then, trembling with fear that his delinquents might not relish these so-called "duns," tear them up and resort to prayer? Or should he mark the copy "complimentary" and expect to pay his printers with "comps" on Saturday night?

The irate subscriber thought he was doing the smart thing in ordering the paper cancelled, supposed that he would go into the hands of the receiver the minute his name was dropped, and begin hollerin' for help. In this he was mistaken as he was about our purpose in mailing a statement to him. Chances are he would not think at all out of place for a grocer to notify him of his grocery bill, a blacksmith to send him an itemized account for horse shoeing, or a lawyer to inform him of an attorney's fees past due. But the newspaper man must wait. He can afford to hold off a while—two, three years—until the back subscriber comes in of his own accord and squares up! Meanwhile paper bills, taxes, insurance, office force, new machinery, type and a hundred other fixed charges must be promptly paid. There's no fooling about these

expenses—they must be met and settled in cash.

No statement of account has ever been mailed from this office threatening to publish the names of the delinquents as "dead beats." Neither have we an "honor roll." It's simply a business proposition which every debtor should accept in a business like manner. Now and then some subscriber assumes that his reputation for truth and veracity has been assailed and requests his name marked off, as in the case of the one above mentioned, but the majority take a sensible view of the statement-mailing plan and appreciate our notifying them by paying all arrearages and a year in advance.—Western Spirit.

A Utica, Kansas man who lost a five dollar bill, advertised for it. A stranger who had found one returned it to him. A few days later in looking through his clothes, he found the original bill so he was \$5.00 ahead. He is now a firm believer in advertising.

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BRACKETTVILLE, - TEXAS.

Story that Gambetta and Bismarck had secret interview after Franco-Prussian war not verified.

Butte, Mont., like a graveyard, due to strikes of all classes of laboring men.

Prince Wilhelm of Sweden arrives at Newport, and the series of entertainments in his honor at once begins, the first affair being a dinner by Mr. and Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish at Crossways.

Walter Wellman, writing from Spitzbergen on July 13, tells of the successful fight of the explorer's party to save the big balloon house from destruction by high Arctic winds.

Text of the American proposal for a permanent peace court is completed. Walter Wellman, writing from Spitzbergen on Aug. 3, tells of his plans for feeding the crew of the airship America during its polar flight. Four men are to make the venture, and he has made provision to feed these for a period of 275 days, though the trip may take but a few weeks.

Bomb throwers who demand tribute from the boss gamblers continue their operations in Chicago, damaging a building near John F. O'Malley's saloon on the northside. This is the second explosion near his saloon in a month.

A jilted lover shoots and probably fatally wounds the girl who refused him and then shoots his eye out in an effort at suicide.

St. Louis society wages war on white plague. Seek to stop ravages of deadly disease.

Interstate Commerce Commissioner Prouty of Vermont, addressing the American Bar association, points out fundamental defects in the act to regulate commerce, and would divide its executive and judicial functions.

at The Hague in agreement with Germany and Great Britain.

Wall street is cheered by the report that Secretary Cortelyou will come to the relief of the situation by depositing \$25,000,000 in national depositories.

Wellman ready for journey to pole. Dispatch from Spitzbergen says trial trip was successful.

Colorado & Southern going to Yoakum. Will soon become part of Rock Island system.

Prince Wilhelm of Sweden deserted Newport society function to dance with Swedish girls.

St. Louis becoming a factor in foreign and western trade. Progress in far west opens new field.

Alabama officials abandoned fight to force new state law.

North German Lloyd steamer will fare for first-class eastward passage to \$35; others will meet rate.

Clover leaf system in new deal. Four lines between grain fields and great lakes are allied.

Chicago bankers expect further recession in general business, but do not take such a pessimistic view of the situation as is held in the East.

W. Bryan replies to speech of Secretary Taft and asserts the secretary is a straddler.

Gen. Dowell and party slain by Turks in Persia and women and child slaughtered.

Special meeting of the stockholders of the Frisco called in St. Louis to authorize new bond issue for \$115,000,000.

Annual statistics of the United States railroads show very low rate of interest for the capital invested.

Route of the proposed new line of the Burlington in Missouri will shorten the distance to Kansas City.

French troops at Casa Blanca are impatient for a decisive battle with the Moors, but the government is playing a waiting game.

British parliament will be prorogued next week with few of its important reforms achieved, owing to the attitude of the house of lords, and in the recess the liberals will carry on a campaign for limitation of the seers' power.

Nomination of Secretary of War Taft by republican national convention considered certain.

Walter Gaylord Leland, 19 years old, Chicago boy, fatally shot while on summer outing.

Count Poni de Castellane publicly rebuffed in London hotel by former brother-in-law, George Gould.

Alton road will be immune from rebate prosecutions if it kept its promise in the Standard Oil litigation, according to Attorney General Bonaparte.

Mrs. Annie Beson, president of theosophical society, outlined destiny guiding Russia.

Consensus of French opinion is that troops must stay in Morocco; possibility of conquest discussed.

King Edward's visit to Marienbad aroused much interest.

Steamship captain said Muir glacier had slipped back seven miles.

Briton who was hanged for poisoning victims developed crime as a fine art.

Meeting between king and kaiser earned Edward new right to title of peacemaker.

Money now easier in San Francisco. Confidence in new city officials factor in lessening financial stringency.

Secretary Taft fired opening gun in residential campaign at Columbus.

Vigorously upheld policies of Roosevelt. Campaign issues outlined.

Senator Platt issued statement owing that total year income of United States Express Co. was only 10 per cent.

THE LIONS OF THE LORD

A TALE OF THE OLD WEST
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CHAPTER XXXIII.

A Revelation Concerning the True Order of Marriage.

While matters of theology and consanguinity were being debated in Box canyon, the little bent man down in the first house to the left, in his struggle to free himself, was tightening the meshes of his fate about him. In his hurried mind he had formed one great resolution. He believed that a revelation had come to him. It seemed to press upon him as the culmination of all the days of his distress. He could see now that he had felt it years before, when he first met the wife of Elder Tench, the gaunt, gray woman, tolling along the dusty road; and again when he had found the imbecile boy turning upon his tormentors. A hundred times it had quickened within him. And it had gained in force steadily, until to-day, when it was overwhelming him. Now that his flesh was wasted, it seemed that his spirit could see far.

His great discovery was that the revelation upon celestial marriage given Joseph Smith had been "from beneath"—a trick of Satan to corrupt them. Not only did it flatly contradict earlier revelations, but the very Book of Mormon itself declared again and again that polygamy was wickedness. Joseph had been duped by the powers of darkness, and all Israel had sinned in consequence. Upon the golden plates delivered to him, concerning the divine source of which there could be no doubt, this order of marriage had been repeatedly condemned and forbidden. But as to the revelation which sanctioned it there could be no doubt; for had not Joseph himself once warned them that "some revelations are from God, some from men, and some from the devil." Either the Book of Mormon was not inspired, or the revelation was not from God, since they were fatally in opposition.

It came to him with the effect of a blinding light, yet seemed to endow him with a new vigor, so that he felt strong and eager to be up, to spread his truth abroad. Some remnant of that old fire of inspiration flamed up within him as he lay on the hard bed in his little room, with the summer scents floating in and the out-of-doors sounds—a woman's voice calling a child afar off, the lowing of cattle, the rhythmic whetting of a scythe blade, the echoing stroke of an ax, the mellow fluting of a robin—all coming to him a little muted, as if he were no longer in the world.

He raised upon his elbow, glowing with the flush of old memories when his heart had been perfect with the lord; when he had wrought miracles in the face of the people; when he had besought Heaven fearlessly for signs of its favor; when he had dreamed of being a pillar of fire to his people in their march across the desert, and another Lion of the Lord to fight their just battles. The little bent man of sorrows had again become the lute of the Holy Ghost.

He remembered the day was Saturday, and he began at once to word the phrases in which he would tell his revelation on the morrow. He knew that this must be done tactfully, in spite of its divine source. It would be a momentous thing to the people and to the priesthood. It was conceivable, indeed, that members of the latter might dispute it and argue with him, or even denounce him for a heretic. But only at first; the thing was too simply true to be long questioned. In any event, his duty was plain; with righteousness as the guide of his loins he must go forth on the morrow and magnify his office in the sight of Heaven.

When Prudence came softly in to him, like a cool breath of fragrance from the canyon, he smiled up to her with a fullness of delight she had never seen in his face before.

There was a new light in her own eyes, new decisions presaged, a new desire imperfectly suppressed. He stroked her hand as she sat beside him on the bed, wondering if she had at last learned her own secret. But she became grave and was diverted from her own affairs when she observed him more closely.

"Why, you're sick—you're burning up with fever! You must be covered up at once and have sage tea."

He laughed at her, a free, full laugh, such as she had never heard from him in all the years.

"It's no fever, child. It's new life come to me. I'm strong again. My face burns, but it must be the fire of health. I have a work given to me—God has not wholly put me aside."

"But I believe you are sick. Your hands are so hot, and your eyes look so unnatural. You must let me—"

"Now, now—haven't I learned to tell sickness from the glow of a holy purpose?"

"You're sure you are well?"

"Better than for 15 years."

She let herself be convinced for the moment.

"Then please tell me something. Must a man who comes into our faith,

if he is baptized rightly, also marry more than one wife if he is to be saved? Can't he be sure of his glory with one if he loves her—oh, very, very much?"

He was moved at first to answer her out of the fullness of his heart, telling her of the wonderful new revelation. But there came the impulse to guard it jealously in his own breast a little longer, to glory secretly in it; half-fearful, too, that some virtue would go out of it should he impart it too soon to another.

"Why do you want to know?"

"Ruel Follett would join our church if he didn't have to marry more than one wife. If he loved some one very much, I'm afraid he would find it hard to marry another girl—oh, he simply couldn't—no matter how pretty she was. He never could do it." Here she pulled one of the ribbons from her brood hat. She gave a little exclamation of relief as if she had really meant to detach it.

"Tell him to wait a little."

"That's what I did tell him, but it seems hardly right to let him join believing that is necessary. I think some one ought to find out that one



"I'm Afraid He'd Find It Hard to Marry Another Girl—He Simply Couldn't."

wife is all God wants a man ever to have, and to tell Mr. Follett so very plainly. His mind is really open to truth, and you know he might do something reckless—he shouldn't be made to wait too long."

"Tell him to wait till to-morrow. I shall speak of this in meeting then. It will be all right—all right, dear. Everything will be all right!"

"Only I am sure you are sick, in spite of what you say. I know how to prove it, too—can you eat?"

"I'm too busy thinking of great things to be hungry."

"There—you would be hungry if you were well."

"I can't tell you how well I am, and as for food—our Elder Brother has been feeding me all day with the breath of truth. Such wonderful new things the Lord has shown me!"

"But you must not get up. Lie still and we will nurse you."

He refused the food she brought him, and refused Loren's sage tea. He was not to be cajoled into treating as sickness the first real happiness he had felt for years. He lay still until his little room grew shadowy in the dusk, filled with a great reviving hope that the Lord had raised a new prophet to lead Israel out of bondage.

As the night fell, however, the shadows of the room began to trouble him as of old, and he found himself growing hotter and hotter until he burned and gasped, and the room seemed about to stifle him. He arose from the bed, wondering that his feet should be so heavy and clumsy, and his knees so weak, when he felt otherwise so strong. His head, too, felt large, and there rang in his ears a singing of incessant quick beats. He made his way to the door, where he heard the voices of Prudence and Follett. It was good to feel the cool night air upon his hot face, and he reassured Prudence, who chided him for leaving his bed.

"When you hear me discourse to-morrow you will see how wrong you were about my being sick," he said.

But she saw that he supported himself carefully from the doorway along the wall to the near-by chair, and that he sank into it with every sign of weakness. His eyes, however, were aglow with his secret, and he sat nodding his head over it in a lively way. "Brigham was right," he said, "when he declared that any of us might receive revelations from on high; even the least of us—only we are apt to be deaf to the whispered words until the Lord has scourged us. I have been deaf a long time, but my ears are at last unstopped—who is it coming, dear?"

A tall figure, vague in the dusk, was walking briskly up the path that led in from the road. It proved to be the Wild Ram of the Mountains, freshened by the look of rectitude that the razor gave to his face each Saturday night.

"Evening, Brother Rae—evening, you young folks. Thank you, I will take a chair. You feeling a bit more able than usual, Brother Rae?"

"Much better, Brother Seth. I shall be at the meeting to-morrow."

"Glad to hear it, that's right good—you ain't been out for so long. And we want to have a rousing time, too."

"Only we're afraid he has a fever. Instead of being so well," said Prudence. "He hasn't eaten a thing all day."

"Well, he never did overeat himself, that I know of," said the bishop. "Not eating ain't any sign with him. Now it would be with me. I never believed in fasting the flesh. The Spirit of the Lord ain't ever so close to me as after I've had a good meal of victuals—meat and potatoes and plenty of good soap and a couple of pieces of pie. Then I can unbuckle my vest and jest set and set and hear the promptings of the Lord God of Hosts. I know some men ain't that way, but then's the time when I beautify my inheritance

different matter. Well, I'll have to be getting along now. We're going to put up some of the people at our house, and I've got to fix to bed mother down in the wagon-box again, I reckon. I'll say you'll be with us to-morrow, then, Brother Joel?"

The little bent man's voice had lost much of its life.

"Yes, Brother Seth, if I am able."

"Well, I hope you are." He arose and looked at the sky. "Looks as if we might have some falling weather. They say it's been moistening quite a bit up Cedar way. Well—good night, all!"

When he was gone the matter of his visit was not referred to. With some constraint they talked a little while of other things. But as soon as the two men were alone for the night, Follett turned to him, almost fiercely.

"Say, now, what did that old goat-whiskered loon mean by his hintings about Prudence?"

The little man was troubled.

"Well, the fact is, Brigham has meant to marry her."

"You don't mean you'd have let him? Say, I'd hate to feel sorry for holding off on you like I have!"

"No, no, don't think that of me."

"Well, what were you going to do?"

"I hardly knew."

"You better find out."

"I know it—I did find out, to-day. I know, and it will be all right. Trust me. I lost my faith for a moment just now when I heard Brother Brigham was coming to-morrow; but I see how it is—the Lord has wished to prove me. Now there is all the more reason why I should not flinch. You will see that I shall make it all right to-morrow."

"Well, the time's about up. I've been here over two months now, just because you were so kind of helpless. And one of our wagon-trains will be along here about next Monday. Say, she wouldn't ever have married him, would she?"

"No, she refused at once; she refused to consider it at all."

He was burning again with his fever, and there was something in his eagerness that seemed to overcome Follett's indignation.

"Well, let it go till to-morrow, then. And you try to get some rest now. That's what I'm going to do."

But the little bent man, flushed though he was, felt cold from the night air, and, piling more logs on the fire, he drew his chair close in front of it.

As often as Follett awakened through the night he saw him sitting there, sometimes reading what looked like a little old Bible, sometimes speaking aloud as if seeking to memorize a passage.

The last Follett remembered to have heard was something he seemed to be reading from the little book: "The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters."

He fell asleep again with a feeling of pity for the little man.

CHAPTER XXXIV.

A Procession, a Pursuit and a Capture.

Follett awoke to find himself superfluous. The women were rushing excitedly through their housework in order to be at hand when the procession of Brigham and his suite should march in. Of Joel Rae he caught but a glimpse through the door of his little room, the face flushed that had a long time been sallow and bloodless. When the door had closed he could hear the voice now strong again. He seemed to be, as during the night, rehearsing something he meant to say. And later it was plain that he prayed, though he heard nothing more than the high pleading of the voice.

Follett would not have minded these things, but Prudence was gone, and no one could tell him where. From Christina, of the rock-bound speech, he blasted the items that she was wearing "a dress all new" and "a red-ribboned hat." Loren, too, with all her willingness of speech, knew nothing definite.

"All I know is she fixed herself up like she was going to an evening ball or party. I wish to the lands I'd kep' my complexion the way she does here. And she had on her best lawn that her pa got her in Salt Lake, the one with the little blue figures in it. She does look sweeter than honey on a rag in a store dress, and that Leghorn hat with the red bow, though what she wanted to start so early for I don't know. The procession can't be along yet, but she might have gone down to march with them, or to help decorate the bowery. I know when I was her age I was always a great hand for getting ready long before any one came, when my mother was making a company for me, putting up my waterfall and curling my bean-catchers on a hot pipstem. But, land! I ain't no more time to talk with you."

Down the main road he hesitated. To the right he could see where the green mouth of the canyon invited; but to the left lay the village, where Prudence doubtless was. He would find her and bring her away. For Follett was determined to toe the mark himself now.

In the one street of Amalon there was the usual Sabbath hush; but above this was an air of dignified festivity. The village in its Sunday best homespun, with here and there a suit of store goods, was holding its breath. In the bowery a few workers, under the supervision of Bishop Wright, were adding the last touches of decoration. It was a spot of pleasant green in the dusty square—a roof of spruce boughs, with evergreens and flowers garnishing the posts, and a bank of flowers and fruit back of the speaker's stand.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

JAMIE WASTED NO TIME.

Youthful Philosopher Had Carefully Thought Out Situation.

It was Jamie's bath night. He had several each week and he hated them all. On this particular night, once started, he soaked and splashed in the tub for a full half hour, then his mother haled him forth. He came out of the room in his pajamas with his face all streaked and dirty as it was when he went in.

"Mercy!" cried his mother. "I thought you took a bath."

"So I did!" answered Jamie scornfully. "A bully one!"

"But your face is black!" said his mother.

"Oh!" Jamie smiled understandingly. "My face is all right. I have to wash that in the morning, bath or no bath. You don't s'pose I'm going to waste time bathing my face! I always begin just below my ears and work down on my arms and legs; but I always leave my face and hands—those ends I tend to in the morning!"

PRESCRIPTIONS IN LATIN.

The Public Should Have Them Translated by the Druggists.

What virtue is there in the secrecy with which the doctor hedges about his profession?

"Professional etiquette" occupies a prominent place in the curriculum of every medical school, and when strictly analyzed "professional etiquette" seems to mean "doing what is best for the doctor, individually and collectively."

Among the things that "is best for the doctor" is the writing of his prescriptions in Latin, and thus keeping the public in ignorance not only of what it is taking for its ills, but forcing a call upon the doctor each time a prescription is needed.

In plain and unmistakable English the writing of prescriptions in Latin makes business for the doctors.

Let us say that you have the ague. You had it last year and the year before. Each time you have visited the doctor and he has prescribed for you—in Latin. You have never known what he has given you for the disease, and so each time you are forced to go to him again and give him an opportunity to repeat his prescription—in Latin, and his fee—in dollars.

If you ask the doctor why he uses Latin in writing his prescriptions, why he writes "agua" when he means water, he will give you a technical dissertation on the purity of the Latin language, and the fact that all words are derived from it, etc. It will be a dissertation that you may not be able to answer, but it will hardly convince you.

It would be a good thing for the public to devise a little code of ethics of its own; ethics that will be "a good thing for the public individually and collectively."

Let us apply one of the rules of this code of ethics to you, the individual.

You call in the physician when you have the ague, the grippe, or any of the other ills to which human flesh is heir, and which you may have again some day. The doctor prescribes—in Latin, and you take this, to you, meaningless scribble to the druggist to have it compounded. Right here is where you come in, if you are wise. Say to the druggist that you want a translation of that prescription. It is your privilege to know what you are taking. While the doctor's code of ethics may not recognize this right it is yours just the same.

With the translated prescription in your possession you have two distinct advantages. You know what you are taking, and should you wish to call some other doctor at some time you will be able to tell him what drugs you have been putting into your system, and also if you should have the same disease again you can save yourself a visit to the doctor, and his fee, by taking this translated prescription to the druggist once more and having it refilled.

Not Entire.

The aeronaut, after painfully extricating himself from the wrecked balloon, limped to the nearest farmhouse.

"Madam," he said to the woman who answered his knock, "can you accommodate with a night's lodging a balloonist who has come to grief?"

"I'd be glad to," she hesitated, "but you are an entire stranger to—"

"Not an entire one," he interrupted, with some acerbity. "For I have left my left ear, three teeth, and certain portions of my nose back there with the ruined car."

Great Discovery Announced.

Sir William Crookes, as a result of his own researches and the experiments of Professors Krowalski and Moscekl, of Freiburg university, has discovered a process of extracting nitric acid from the atmosphere. The process is available for commercial, industrial and agricultural purposes, and is expected to revolutionize the nitrate industry and the world's food problem.

"The Carthaginian mercenaries," he said, "encased their prisoners in a cement that, as it hardened, contracted. You can't imagine how uncomfortable this was."

"Oh, yes, I can," she answered. "I once had on a tight bathing suit when it began to shrink."

Would Make Rich Crop.

It is estimated that 21,000,000 acres are available for rice growing in Louisiana and Texas, and the value of such crop would be \$400,000,000. This would make the rice crop fifth in point of value among the cereals of this country.

NEWS OF THE WEEK

THE LATEST EVENTS OF THE WORLD BRIEFLY TOLD.

NORTH, EAST, WEST, SOUTH

Foreign Lands, Throughout the Nation and Particularly From the Great Southwest.

Congressman Bartholdt much pleased with peace conference. Says that in future tribunals will settle national difficulties.

Broker operators may be called out. Fund of \$2,000,000 being raised by strikers.

Gypsy band is driven by Texans across border into Mexico, after men are horsewhipped.

High officials of Standard Oil may not be required to testify in St. Louis hearing to be held in New York.

Frisco stockholders at special meeting called in St. Louis approve issue of new bonds for \$115,000,000 and increase of capital stock from \$100,000,000 to \$200,000,000.

War on the high school fraternities in Chicago will be renewed by Supt. Cooley at the opening of the new session.

John D. Rockefeller witness and mileage fees in United States district court in Chicago are held up.

Speaker Cannon at Alexandria Bay, N. Y., says he has no presidential bee, but would not decline the nomination if it were offered to him. He asserts his first ambition is to help assure republican success through the work of congress.

Federal Judge Pritchard at Asheville, N. C., rules that the state law barring railroad litigants from the United States courts is in violation of the constitution.

American bar association convention at Portland, Me., is stirred by the report of the insurance committee and votes down some radical reforms.

Effort to build a municipal lighting plant in Milwaukee meets another check.

Tourist steamer brings word to Christiania, Norway, that the Wellman-Record-Herald expedition afloat "America" had not started for the north pole on Aug. 23, being delayed by unfavorable winds.

James P. Farrell, Irish member of parliament, is arrested at Longford, Ireland, and with forty others is held on the charge of inciting a riot.

Miss Sallie Ainslie breaks her own record at Midlothian links while defeating Mrs. Alexander in first round of western women's championship, making a 93.

Automobile manufacturers announce intention of retaining list prices on 1908 product, while many cars will be sold at an advanced figure.

Secretary of War Taft opens state campaign in Kentucky and appeals to southern voters to join with the republican party to secure the influence to which they are entitled in the councils of the nation.

Government Attorneys Sims and Wilkerson, back from Washington, refuse to discuss Alton case, but impression is that fight will be dropped.

James Oliver, South Bend manufacturer and philanthropist, is near death from heart disease and old age.

Serious disagreement between H. H. Rogers and William Rockefeller is reported over the question of passing the regular quarterly dividend on Standard Oil as a result of Judge Landis' big fine.

Policeman rescues a boy from chains which had been placed on him by his father and summons the parent.

Mayor Busse will try to have all railroad trains pulled into Chicago by electricity, thus banishing much of the smoke nuisance.

Mrs. Mary Malin is held at La Crosse, Wis., pending an investigation into the death of Carl Schmidt, her blind brother-in-law, who, when alive, prevented his wife from living with Mrs. Malin as a companion.

Bernard Cohen, a merchant, is beaten and robbed of \$800 on a busy New York street.

Mrs. Marshall Field goes to court in Boston, gets the consent of the judge to an immediate trial of her chauffeur for her automobile and pays his fine of \$10.

Boston stock broker and a chauffeur are killed and four other persons are injured near Narragansett Pier, R. I., the automobile in which they are riding overturning and striking a stone wall.

Frost losses in the Canadian northwest stimulate large European purchases of American wheat and promise to curtail export competition with this country. Corn near 60c level, and oats soar into fifties.

Swedish Minister Lagercrantz fears his government will put the brand of royal disapproval on the ostentatious display made by Newport millionaires in receiving Prince Wilhelm.

Secretary of the Interior Garfield returns to Washington from long tour in the far west with much information on many problems.

La Crosse, Wis., is swept by a tornado, which lays a large part of the city in ruins and upsets many pleasure boats on the river.

Mrs. L. Z. Letter decided to enter society in London. Will be Mrs. Palmer's rival in future.

VACATION DAYS ON THE WIRE.



MILL STRIKE IMPENDS.

TEXTILE WORKERS HAVE BEEN ORGANIZING IN TEXAS.

Leaders of Textile Workers Will Make No Expression, But Do Not Deny That It Is Contemplated.

Dallas, Tex.: A general strike in Texas cotton mills may be impending. Very recently the textile workers in these mills have been organized in unions at Sherman, Denison, Waxahatchie and Itasca and a union is to be formed at Bonham this week.

There has been opposition to the formation of unions by the mill owners because of this it is said the strike Tuesday at the Denison mill began, following the discharge of officers of the local union.

About 240 operatives were affected by the Denison strike.

Those textile workers who are in touch with the State situation were reluctant to make an expression with regard to a general strike in Texas mills, but there was no denial that such a move was contemplated.

S. L. Hillhouse of Dallas has been very active recently in unionizing the mill workers.

J. T. Howard, president of the Dallas cotton mill, said that he did not know that a general strike was impending, and he stated further that such a move was, he believed, improbable at this time.

The local strike situation is practically unchanged, as both the mill owners and mill operatives are still holding firm.

Gibson a Model Prisoner.

Cuero, Tex.: Sheriff Farris states that Monk Gibson, under sentence of death, is the best prisoner in the jail as far as behavior is concerned. He gives very little trouble. John Brown, under sentence of death also for criminal assault on one of his own color, is mean and troublesome.

Swung to Live Wire.

Texarkana, Tex.: John Brown, an electrician employed by the Street Railway Company, while at work on top of a car at the barn Friday morning, slipped, and in falling caught hold of a trolley wire. The entire voltage passed through his body, and he was instantly killed. He was 30 years old, and leaves a wife and one child.

All Over by September 15.

Skidmore, I. T.: The two gins here have turned out 855 bales of cotton to date, with a probability of reaching 1,200 for the season, and this will be gathered by September 15. This is against 2,100 last year, with an increase in acreage of 12 per cent.

Since May 30 there has been a rainfall here in showers of only one inch, with more at some points in the county.

Heat and Weevils.

Bastrop, Tex.: Hot weather and boll weevils together are injuring the cotton to a great extent. Cotton is opening prematurely; half grown bolls are opening. The crop in this section will be very short, an average of a bale to six acres.

Situation the Same.

Mexia, Tex.: Just two weeks ago the last commercial message was handled here by the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies, and the condition is the same as it was that evening, "nothing doing."

To Coal the Fleet.

New York: Orders for 36,000 tons of coal to be distributed along the route of the battleship fleet from the Atlantic to the Pacific coasts were reported today to have been given to four New York firms by the United States Government.

Mexia's Good Pecan Year.

Mexia, Tex.: For two years the pecan growers around Mexia have realized very little money out of the pecans they sold, but this season promises to be a harvest for the growers. They all claim a good crop.

MANSFIELD IS DEAD.

IN LAST MOMENTS IN COMATOSE CONDITION.

HE HAD LONG BEEN FAILING.

Was a Creative Genius and in His Time Played Many Parts—Misunderstood.

London, Conn.: Richard Mansfield, the actor, died Friday morning.

Mr. Mansfield's death was directly due to the liver, aggravated by complications. Dr. Allen, his physician, said that he had feared the worst for several days.

During the great actor's last moments he was lying in a comatose condition and did not recognize the loved ones at his bedside. There were present at the time of his death his wife, his brother, Felix Mansfield, his young son Gibbs and the physicians and nurses.

APPALLING LOSS OF LIFE.

Seventy-Eight Men Killed by the Collapse of the Bridge.

Quebec: According to a statement given out by officials of the bridge company, the number of dead as a result of the collapsing of the Quebec bridge is at least 78. They say fourteen bodies have been recovered. The day revealed the fact that the collapse of the bridge was not caused by any failure in the masonry work, as was supposed.

Yellow Fever Spreading.

Washington: A cablegram from Havana to the Marine Hospital Service reports the appearance of yellow fever at Campo, across the bay from Havana. There is one undoubted case and other suspicious cases.

Japan Bought 10,000 Torpedoes.

New York: While the United States has been secretly negotiating with the Whitehead Torpedo Company of England for the purchase of fifty of the newest and most approved English torpedoes, Japan has stepped in and bought 10,000 of the weapons at an expense of \$5,000,000.

A COWARDLY ACT.

Branch Did Not Have on a Coat—Held in \$4,000 Bond.

Nacogdoches, Tex.: The examining trial of Dr. J. J. Lockhart, charged with the murder of Ollie Branch near Appleby last Sunday, took place Wednesday afternoon before Justice F. D. Houston. At the conclusion of the hearing Dr. Lockhart was admitted to bail in the sum of \$4,000.

This killing occurred Sunday morning on the road near Appleby. Branch and his wife and little boy were in a buggy going to visit Branch's mother, when they met Dr. Lockhart. According to the evidence adduced at the trial Lockhart got out of his buggy and came toward Branch, telling him that he was going to kill him. Branch got out of his buggy and went toward Lockhart in the effort to prevent him from shooting him. Lockhart fired twice, the shots taking effect in Branch's left shoulder. He died three hours afterward. It developed that Branch was unarmed and wore no coat at the time the shooting occurred.

It seems that the two had had some words a few days previous with regard to some family trouble.

A Terrific Tornado.

Wheeling, W. Va.: A tornado struck the towns of Woodfield and Newcastle, Ohio, Monday, wrecking a number of buildings and doing other damage. The home of Samuel Bartemus, near Woodfield, was entirely destroyed and a 2-year-old child was killed. The child was torn from the mother's arms and carried nearly a quarter of a mile.

THREE MILLION BALES. FOR TWO-CENT FARE. TEXAS BEING INJURED.

ESTIMATE OF AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER-TO-BE.

WILL BRING AS MUCH MONEY.

A Great Increase in the Acreage Has Been Made—Corn Crop Much Better Than Last Year.

Austin, Tex.: R. T. Milner, who becomes commissioner of agriculture next Monday, returned after a week's absence in East Texas. After talking with a large number of farmers in different counties, he has made a rough estimate of the cotton crop for this year. He believes that former estimates which have been made, that the crop will be 1,000,000 short, is very nearly correct.

While the crop will be short in bales he believes that the crop will be worth as much as it was last year. Last year there were something over 4,000,000 bales, which, with the by-products, brought \$225,000,000. Figuring that the crop will bring 15c, the total value of the crop will be \$225,000,000, the same as last year. Cotton last year brought about 11c.

"One consideration which is not taken into account," said Col. Milner, "is that the increased acreage is not figured. There are no statistics now to show the increase, but there is every indication that there is a large increase in acres of cotton planted. In Williamson county a number of farmers told me the yield would be nearly one-third short, but that the increased number of acres would partly make up for the shortage."

Texas is in as good condition agriculturally this year as it was last year. The cotton crop will not yield as much but the crop is much better than it was last year that it will count for a good deal, he said.

Col. Milner has brought his family here from Henderson, Russett county, and will be ready to take charge of the office of Commissioner of Agriculture next Monday. He will try to make a report of the number of bales of cotton ginned in Texas for the month of September.

STRIKER FINED \$500.

Denounced by His Union for Assaulting Reporter.

Kansas City, Mo.: At the police court here Thursday Leroy Dotson, a striking Western Union operator, was fined \$500, the limit, for assaulting F. G. Gailey, a newspaper reporter, whom he took for a strike breaker. Dotson testified that he knocked Gailey down because the reporter would not say whether or not he was a strike breaker. Acting Judge Young, who passed the sentence, lectured Dotson, telling him he was a disgrace to any union. The local branch of the Telegraphers' Union adopted resolutions denouncing Dotson.

Two Accidents at Alvin.

Alvin, Tex.: Franco Luna, a Mexican working on the Santa Fe, while running on the hand car, fell off, the car running over him and breaking his leg in two places.

Mrs. S. B. Glasscock, an aged lady, lost her foothold in mounting her buggy, fell and broke her arm. She sustained no further injury so far as known.

Mexia, Tex.: T. McKenzie of this city has just sold to F. Wright of Wortham 108 head of cattle at 2 1/2c per pound.

Mexia's Cotton Receipts.

Mexia, Tex.: Up to last night Mexia received 150 bales of cotton, and of this amount eleven bales are unsold.

Temple's Representative.

Temple, Tex.: Temple is being represented at the convention of Texas Commercial Secretaries, in session at Fort Worth, by K. K. Hooper, secretary of the Temple Commercial Club, who will stay throughout the two days' session.

Cuero Cotton Higher.

Cuero, Tex.: Cotton was a little higher Wednesday morning, running to \$4.60 per hundred in the seed. Weather still hot and dry and the weevils very active and voracious.

Burton Starks Accused.

Plantersville, Tex.: The verdict of the court Sunday at the inquest over the bodies of Henry Mike and Soda Alen was "that they came to their death by a gun in the hands of Burton Starks," who is under bond to appear before the next grand jury.

No Trains Because of Wreck.

Laredo, Tex.: Owing to a wreck on the San Luis Potosi division of the Mexican Central road Friday night, all traffic over that road was suspended Saturday.

Charles Pringle Pardoned.

Austin, Tex.: The governor Tuesday pardoned Charles Pringle, a 16-year-old boy was sent to the reformatory from Tom Green county. His sentence was for two years.

Hard Rain at Brenham.

Brenham, Tex.: There was a very hard rain here about noon Friday that was much needed, not only to revive parching vegetation, but to cool the heated atmosphere.

COLQUITT SAYS COMMISSION SHOULD GIVE IT.

RAILROADS CAN STAND IT.

Anti-Pass Law Will Mean a Saving to Them of \$3,000,000, According to His Estimate.

Austin, Tex.: Commissioner Colquitt is in favor of a 2c fare in Texas, and is against waiting for a political campaign and the next or any legislature to give it to the people of Texas. He announced that position at Mesquite last Friday, but the papers failed to give it. He declared that the legislature did wrong in not passing a 2c fare bill, and that the Texas Railroad Commission is doing wrong in not giving a 2c rate to the public. He stated that the people have only the legislature to appeal to beyond the commission, and that the commission should not wait for this appeal, but give it the 2c fare before the next legislature does it, as it surely will, he thinks.

Discussing the matter, Mr. Colquitt said that he had always been for a 2 1/2c fare for adults and 1 1/2c fare for children as being conservative to the railroads and people alike, but that the passage of the anti-pass law would easily enable the railroads to use a rate of 2c per mile for adults and 1c for children. He said that he had always believed that the denial of free transportation would save the railroads \$3,000,000 annually, and that he believed it now more than ever, and that because of that he favors the 2c fare in Texas. It remains to be seen whether the other commissioners will agree with him.

It is recalled that Mr. Colquitt was responsible for the commission directing the railroads to charge 1 1/2c per mile for transportation of children instead of 2c per mile, as they had been doing, and changing the limit of 5 to 10 years to 12, thereby adding two more years for the children to travel at half fare.

Mr. Colquitt is now engaged in making a special study of the passenger earnings and rate situation in Texas, especially in connection with the results under the anti-pass law. Some important developments are in prospect.

HEAD SPLIT WITH AN AX.

Dr. Deshazer Was Killed at Arlington by a Single Blow.

Fort Worth, Tex.: Dr. B. C. W. Deshazer, whose residence was formerly Athens, Tex., Mineral Wells and elsewhere, met sudden death at Arlington, near here, Sunday night, when his head was split open with an ax.

Daniel Herring, a teamster of Arlington, who had arrived there Aug. 7 from Corsicana and purchased a little home in the suburbs, where he resided with his wife and three children, surrendered to the authorities at Dallas Monday morning, and was delivered to Sheriff Wood of this county. Herring says the killing was done in his own defense. After the killing Herring conveyed his wife and children to the home of his wife's father in Dallas county, and then gave himself up. The body of the dead man was found in the Herring home with his skull split open. The blade of the ax had been driven deep into the face of the physician, and had also been struck by a second blow, penetrating his skull near the center of the forehead. Death was instantaneous.

Appointed to Annapolis.

Cuero, Tex.: Herbert Leonhardt of our city has received the appointment to the Annapolis Naval Academy by Congressman Burgess.

Too Swift for the English.

London: English Society criticizes Ambassador Reid for the lavish entertainment at Dorchester House, surpassing royalty in splendor. Friends of the Ambassador hit back saying he is living as he does at home, and it is unjust for the slowgoing English to expect him to follow in their footsteps.

Commercial Interests Suffering.

Laredo, Tex.: The commercial interests of Laredo are suffering from the complete tieup of all messages through the Western Union office at this city.

Falls County Tax Rolls.

Marlin, Tex.: The county tax rolls exhibit results very gratifying as to property valuations in Falls county, the increase over last year being over \$6,000,000. The total value of property is \$16,194,780.

Appleby Shooting Scrape.

Appleby, Tex.: About 9 o'clock Monday O. H. Branch was shot, but is not seriously injured. Dr. J. J. Lockhart has given up to officers. The cause of the trouble is not known.

Victoria, Tex.: Hon. Pat Neff delivered an address on "Fraternalism" on the public square Monday night under the auspices of the Modern Woodmen of America.

Skull Fractured by Donkey's Kick. Millican, Tex.: Byrd, the 4-year-old son of George Grady, was kicked on the head Thursday night by a pet donkey. The little fellow's skull was fractured and his condition is quite serious.

ANTI-PASS LAW PREVENTS COLONIZATION OF STATE.

AGENTS WORKING ELSEWHERE.

They Cannot Afford to Pay Their Own Fare and That of Homeseekers in Search of Land.

Houston, Tex.: W. D. Majors, an immigrant agent from Terre Haute, Ind., was here Monday morning with a party of homeseekers. He says that the immigration business has been greatly injured by the new anti-pass law. If the Wells Fargo ruling of Judge Kittrell does not apply to the immigrant agents who have contracts with the railroads, he is in favor of asking the legislature to amend the law, as Texas is materially injured because of suspension of several hundred agents who are turning their attention to the development of other parts of the country.

"As an illustration," Mr. Maors said, "I have a dozen homeseekers here with me today. Under the old order of things I could take them to a dozen places in Texas, if necessary, and show them different properties in the event the first did not suit. The railroads were glad to furnish passes for this purpose, as they figure that each settler has a cash value to the road of \$15 a year. As it is we are handicapped in showing the country to prospective buyers. We have to pay our own fare as well as theirs and if a sale is not effected it is a dead loss to the land agent."

"Many of the agents have taken up Arizona and New Mexico, where there are large tracts of rich land, and where the railroads afford every assistance to this class of business. Unless there is something done shortly you will hear of every one going to these Western territories within a year or two, and Texas will miss these desirable immigrants that are coming in through the port of Galveston."

"The loss to Texas through this anti-pass law is incalculable. Here are the most desirable homestead lands in the United States. But if a man is unable to advertise them how will they ever be sold?"

"I am strongly in favor of asking congress to amend the interstate pass law, in so far as it affects immigrant agents. This law was got through by the railroads themselves, the New York Central and the Pennsylvania, neither of which did any colonization business."

VERDICT, NOT GUILTY.

Court So Instructed in Ed. McKinney Case.

Liberty, Tex.: Ed McKinney, who has been on trial during Monday and Tuesday, charged with the murder of Bee Pruett, was Wednesday morning found not guilty. The verdict was rendered upon instruction of the court, and the testimony such as to indicate self-defense. It was stated that his life was saved by a metal pencil holder fastened to his shirt and that it stopped the course of a knife, alleged to have been wielded by Pruett.

McKinney was the constable at Liberty. On Oct. 1, 1906, he attempted to arrest Pruett, but instead the man fell, shot to death. It was the contention of the friends of McKinney and witnesses that Pruett resisted, fought the officer with a knife and was slain as he slashed at McKinney.

Little Girl Injured.

Ennis, Tex.: Florence, the 3-year-old daughter of Mr. Sam Mackey of Lone Oak, five miles east of Ennis, was run over by a farm wagon and her left thigh broken.

Gins Busy at Edna.

Edna, Tex.: Cotton is coming in freely. Sixty bales were ginned Saturday. Up to date there have been about 500 bales ginned. The highest price paid Saturday was 13 3/4c. The crop will not be as good as last year.

Explosion at Cedar Falls.

Des Moines, Iowa: An explosion, presumably of gas, Saturday night wrecked the business quarter of Cedar Falls, Iowa, causing a loss of \$100,000. No one is reported dead or severely hurt.

Hallettsville, Tex.: There have been marketed here to date about 1,150 bales of cotton. It is coming in rather slow at present. Much of the cotton, however, is very late. About 55 bales have been stored in the Farmers' Union warehouse.

Gonzales Receipts.

Gonzales, Tex.: Cotton receipts to Thursday are 1,985 bales stored away in the Farmers' Union warehouse, with about forty being added a day. D. E. Dubose shipped a carload of cattle to New Orleans Tuesday.

Kenedy's Biggest Bale.

Kenedy, Tex.: Bob Burns of this place had 2,174 pounds of Rowden cotton ginned here. He got an 818-pound bale and sold it for \$119. This is Kenedy's biggest bale.

Taft in a Wreck.

Kansas City, Mo.: Passenger train No. 102 on the Frisco, carrying Secretary Taft, was wrecked at 5 p. m. near the depot at Hill, Kan. None of the passengers or trainmen were injured.

DIRECTORY.

CONUTY OFFICERS:
 E. A. Jones, - County Judge
 Chas. Kartes, - County and Dist. Clerk
 W. F. Holmes, - County Treasurer
 W. L. Clamp, - County Attorney
 J. H. Stadler, - Tax Assessor
 Tom Perry, - Sheriff and Tax Collector
 Charles F. Hodges, - Surveyor
 N. Castro, Commissioner Prec. No. 1
 Geo. Schwandner, - Com. Prec. No. 2
 R. E. Cannon, - Com. Prec. No. 3
 J. F. McCormick, - Com. Prec. No. 4
 H. Falcott, - J. P. Precinct No. 1

CATHOLIC CHURCH.
 Services first Sunday in each month, Father Whelan officiating; fourth Sunday in every month, Father Ernest officiating. Sunday school at 3 p. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
 Services every Lordsday evening at 7:30. The public is cordially invited to attend.
 Thos. S. Sweeney, Elder.

POST CHAPEL.
 Services every Sunday at 8 p. m. Sunday school at 10:30 a. m. Everybody extended a cordial invitation to attend.
 Chaplain Gavitt.

ST. ANDREWS CHURCH.
 Services 2nd Sunday in each month unless otherwise announced.
 Morning Prayer and Holy Communion at 11 a. m.
 Evening Prayer at 7:30 p. m.
 Rev. R. W. Anderson, Priest-in-charge.

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LOCAL.
 Read the new telephone directory on the last page of this issue.

Sh... Perry was in D...
 Rio... on official business.

Meals served at all hours at Geo. Ray's Restaurant.

R. E. Cannon of Mud Creek was in from the ranch Wednesday.

For Galvanized iron tanks see Wm. Haines, Brackett, Texas.

Miss Cora Windus left Saturday for El Paso where she has a position teaching school.

Quality and cleanliness a Holmes Fountain.

Jim Giddings of Anadarko Okla. is visiting his father Geo. A. Giddings this week.

Short Orders a specialty at Geo. Ray's Restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Remming and children of L.A. are visiting relatives in Brackett this week.

A good jersey bull for sale or exchange. See G. A. Anderson Brackett Texas.

J. F. McCormick and Dr. Byrne of Spofford were Brackett visitors Saturday evening.

Have your picture taken at J. Serdinko Photo Gallery next door to Holmes Drug Store.

Wm. Lausen sold 500 head of goats to J. H. Harwood this week at \$1.50 per head.

Oysters at Geo. Ray's next Sunday.

PARTRICK HOTEL
 American Plan
 Rooms With Private Bath.
 Special Rates by Month
Transient a Specialty
 Telegraph and Cable Lines In Connection
W. R. PARTRICK, Proprietor.

Misses Mattie and Eunice Perry returned Sunday from a visit to relatives in Del Rio.

Go to Geo. Ray's Restaurant if you want a short order put up in first class style.

Jim Winn and family have moved to town and will remain here doing the school months.

Many whiskeys of many kinds but Nance & Fritter keep nothing but the best kind.

Mrs. Kornum of San Antonio is visiting her daughter Mrs. J. H. Stadler.

Geo. Ray will not serve any more regular meals but will serve short orders. Give him a trial.

Miss Martha Petersen returned Saturday from points east where she spent the summer vacation with friends.

All work promptly and neatly done at J. Serdinko Photo Gallery next door to Holmes Drug Store.

Miss Annie Taylor of Temple arrived in Brackett Friday. Miss Taylor will teach in the Brackett public school this year.

Come and have your Photo taken by F. Gleid. All work guaranteed. Hours 1 p. m. to 3 p. m. 5 p. m. to 7 p. m.

Miss Alice Veltmann returned Tuesday from Dallas where she has been spending the summer vacation with relatives.

Geo. Ray is not serving regular meals any longer but will put his entire time to short orders.

Rev. Father Brule of Del Rio was in Brackett Sunday and conducted services at the Catholic church.

If you want to talk over the long distance telephone line call at the pay station at the News-Mail office.

If you have the mangle get a bottle of Saches pure malt whiskey at Nance & Fritter's. It will lull those woes to rest.

Advertise in the News.

AT HOLMES' DRUG STORE
 The Six Onyx Fountain at Holmes' Drug Store is now ready for business.
 All drinks are ice cold or your money back. There's life, snap and sparkle in every glass.
 Our Ice Cream, crushed fruits, Soda Water and Lemonades are guaranteed to comply with the pure food law. Quality and cleanliness is our motto. Everybody served with a clean polished glass.
 Your Patronage is Solicited.
W. F. HOLMES, Proprietor.

Miss Dora Cook returned to her home in Eagle Pass Sunday after an extended visit with relatives and friends in Brackett.

J. Serdinko has opened a Photograph Gallery next door to W. F. Holmes' Drug Store. All work guaranteed. Give him a trial.

Mr. Cox ran up from Spofford Tuesday afternoon for a brief business visit in this city.—Uvalde Press.

Geo. Ray will have in another shipment of oysters Sunday. Get your order in early if you want a dozen.

Miss Sadie Dooley left Wednesday for Batesville where she has accepted a position to teach school.

Photo's all sizes and the latest cards and Photo Folders from 1.50 up at F. Gleid's Studio 2nd house in rear of hospital

Mrs. Jos. DeWitt and children returned to their home in Austin yesterday after an extended visit with relatives in Brackett.

Everything is nicely arranged at J. Serdinko Photograph Gallery. He is well equipped to do all work satisfactory.

Mrs. I. L. Martin returned to her home in Uvalde Sunday after a pleasant visit with her mother Mrs. J. H. Jones.

Andrew Phillips returned Saturday from Del Rio where he has been working during the summer. Andrew will teach the colored school again this year.

If you want your baby's picture in your parlor in the yard at play on postals just drop me a postal. Felix Fleid, Photographer.

W. A. Chapman of Kickapoo was in town for supplies Wednesday. Mr. Chapman reported everything quite dry in his neighborhood but the weather was very good for shearing.

If you are in bed and bothered with your head take a drink of D whiskey and rub a little on your head. So call around and ask Nance what he done to his ball head.

Miss Grace Moss of Llano, a niece of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Slator, will make her home here during the school year and attend the Brackett High School.

Mr. Fred West was in town from his ranch near Cline, last Tuesday transacting business and exchanging greeting with his many friends.—Uvalde Press.

Cut out the new telephone directory on last page and tack it on the wall next to your telephone. This is the list of phones in up-to-date and you will give Central office time and trouble if you cut this directory out and tack it up close to your phone.

Advertise in the News.

W. W. Young more familiarly known as 'fatty' who for several years has been roud house foreman for the G. H. here was on last Friday promoted to R. H. foreman at Algiers La. The family moving on Sunday last.

While Mr. Young has so long resided in our midst he made many friends and while we regret very much to see him leave us, we cannot but congratulate him on his promotion.

While living here Mr. Young was prominent in all public spirited institutions, looking forward to the up building of the country, was school trustee and had often served in other trusted public places.

He and family will be very much missed. However The Trans-Pecos News will be his weekly visitor.—Sanderson News.

Notice to the Public.
 Notice is hereby given that all parties found guilty of throwing trash on any street or alleys in the town of Brackett will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
 N. CASTRO,
 Road Supervisor Prec. No. 1

Hurt in a Runaway.
 Marion McBee had his shoulder knocked out of place as the result of a runaway which occurred last Sunday evening, down on the Rio Grande near the Las Vacas crossing.

The tongue was broken out of the buggy and the team got away staying out overnight.

Dr. Scott attended to the dislocated shoulder for Mr. McBee and he is getting on all right.—Del Rio Herald.

Back From the East.
 Our enterprising townsmen, Mr. James McLymont, returned the first of the week from a six week's trip across the ocean.

He spent about five days in Germany and the balance of the time was on the water, enjoying the pure salt breeze.

Mr. McLymont says that he had a fine time, and his friends are glad to note that he comes back looking hale and hearty.—Del Rio Herald.

Ease Ball.
 Uncle Sam's boys tackled the Eagle Pass ball players for a game of ball last Sunday over on the post grounds, and true to their color they responded. What they did to the soldier boys was all that anyone could desire. It was a nice, clean, well played game and enjoyed by quite a large crowd. The final score was 7 to 3 in favor of the home boys.

The soldiers say they want another game this coming Sunday, and we understand that they have sent after their crack pitcher, and expect that they will try and do a "stunt" or two in the ball playing line.—Eagle Pass Guide.

Ten Happy Years.
 The attainment of ten whole years of brightness and happiness was reached today by Miss Annie Sharp who in fittingly recognition thereof, enjoyed the merriest of birthday parties, not at her home at Brackett, but in Del Rio under the shady trees at Dignowity Grove. Little Annie has often visited Del Rio before and is well acquainted here and it did not take her friends long to get together. Various games furnished much amusement. A spread under the great hackberry trees which was supplied with popcorn, cookies, peanuts, candies and ices was sumptuously enjoyed.—Del Rio Herald.

We see by the San Antonio Express of recent date that E. L. Witt of Montell, has opened negotiations with the business men's club of that city, regarding the locating there of the proposed mohair factory. If this is correct, it indicates that the time is about ripe when something must be done if we wish to secure the location of the enterprise in Uvalde. Of course the preliminary move must be made by the projectors, but we should be in readiness to submit a "fetching" proposition when the opportunity is offered. We want that mill.—Uvalde Press.

Advertise in the News.

NUECES NEWSLETS.
 (Too late for last Issue)
 Verge Miller is busy looking after his cattle.

Dave Rose is still at work on his fence and expects to finish soon.

The barbecue in the Lane pasture was a grand success everybody reports having had a grand time.

John Whistler has completed his new residence, and is now busy sinking a well.

The Tularosa school needs a teacher, only one application has been received to date.

The Kinney County champion heavy weight sprinter will be invited to take part in the proceedings.

It is still very hot and dry out here but stock are fattening. The big gray fly has disappeared and cattle are now going out into the cedars.

The cotton crop is needing rain but is not in bad condition as yet, however, the boll weevil has made his appearance and results are at yet doubtful.

Another grand barbecue and picnic is being talked up to be held at Tularosa in the Yeates pasture. A splendid one-quarter mile track is to be constructed also a driving track one-half mile and the best horses in this and neighboring counties will be invited.

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MUD CREEK NOTES
 Miss Eula Barksdale is visiting friends in Del Rio this week.
 T. B. Overstreet was on the Creek last week on his way to the ranch.
 The flow of water in the Creek is increasing, notwithstanding the dry weather.
 Wm. Lausen has returned home from Chicago where he spent a month sight-seeing. He reports weather cool in the north.
 The pecan crop on Mud Creek is reported to be very heavy. Farmers are busy gathering the nut.

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FROM THE POST.

Captain Murphy was in from Del Rio last week.

Mrs. Larison and daughter-in-law were post visitors this week.

John Stadler was a post visitor last week.

Two of B troop boys were up from Eagle Pass Monday returning Tuesday.

Labor day was observed by suspending all duties except the regular guard duties.

Jim Clamp was a post visitor last Monday in a business capacity.

A light passing shower freshened things up last Sunday evening.

This week has seen the finish of the pecan season so far as the post is concerned.

Sergeant Winklehaus has almost recovered from his sick spell.

The high wind made it impossible for the band to finish their concert Friday night.

Several new men have recently joined the regiment from the sixth cavalry.

The employees of the quarter master department were paid off Saturday.

Captain Craig arrived from Camp Perry Ohio Sunday. Captain Craig has been coach for the Army cavalry team.

The number of prisoners in the post guardhouse has decreased to such an extent that all most all the extra fatigue falls upon the shoulders of the troopers. Morally it speaks well of the garrison.

J. F. NANCE,

Jeweler

and

Watchmaker.

There was a social ball last Monday night at the Post. The crowd was small but a good time is reported.

The statement in a recent number that Thursday and Friday night's concerts would be an hour later is an error.

Quite an interest is being taken in the proposed army bill which is being prepared for the coming session of congress.

Tatoing is quite a fad with the boys. Two or three different parties are in the business and are making quite a stake.

Color Sergeant Cowels left last Thursday week for Fort Leavenworth Kansas in charge of a prisoner.

Quite a number of town people were in the post Wednesday collecting the famous long green.

The paymaster made quite an agreeable surprise by paying the garrison last Wednesday. It is the earliest pay day that we have had in several months.

There is quite a bit of speculation as to just how the order will read concerning the discharge and transfer of short term men.

Sergeant Windosky has been relieved from First Sergeant's duties and has taken up his old duties as troop quarter master sergeant.

Last Monday was one of the hottest days we have experienced in several weeks. The thermometer registering 104 in the shade.

The long expected and talked about order came last Friday night. It means a great deal of work for the different departments as the regiment will sail from Frisco December 5 of this year.

The cool weather was quite favorable for review last Saturday. The staff and Band were maneuvered by the commanding officer while the first and third squadrons were mustered by their respective commanders.

PATRICK'S DRUG STORE.

Fresh Drugs, Chemicals and Patent Medicines.

Complete Stock of Pure Drugs Always on Hand. Toilet and Fancy Articles, Stationery and Cigars...

Troops D and A left yesterday on a twenty one days practice march. It was at first intended for the whole first squadron to participate but troop B being away on duty and troop A just getting over the trip to Leon Springs made it impossible.

Corporal Phil O'Connell of troop K has been appointed Sergeant Major of the third squadron to fill the vacancy made by the discharge of Dallan. O'Connell is one of the best men in the regiment having served in almost all capacities as a soldier and has a fine military record as well as considerable service. This makes the fourth sergeant major in third squadron in three years.

In speaking of the wool situation in southwest Texas a representative of the Stockman and Farmer last week, Capt. Chas. Schreiner, the veteran wool grower and wool commission merchant of Kerrville, said the number of flocks of sheep were increasing in this section of the state, but the increase was among the owners of small bunches. For several years past a good many farmers and stock farmers have bought a few hundred good ewes, and all have reported profitable returns. If the number of sheep in Texas is to be materially increased the increase must come from the farm. The captain says that almost every farmer can keep a few hundred sheep with very little expense, as those who have tried it can testify.—Texas Stockman.

Bull Frog Farms.

Bull frogs sell at a dollar each in Houston at restaurants and hotels. The bull frog industry is fast becoming recognized as a source of great profit. A frog farm at Station or Barstow would make a hustler rich in no time. They are little trouble to herd, except at night when the "skeeters" get thick they go hopping after them and finally hop out of the country. The bull frog thrives on "skeeters" and they have been known to hop for miles pursuing their prey. A small bell around his frogship would make it an easy matter to locate him after a big "hop." Frog farming is not to look on with disfavor and the towns whose locations are favorable to such ought to improve the opportunity and go into culture. It is not meant to knock on such towns, but to point out the natural advantages they have overlooked and the resources undeveloped.—Ector County Democrat.

The J. C. Club.

A club has been organized by the young ladies of the town and will be known as the J. C. Club.

All girls under 15 years of age and not over 18 are invited to join. The club will meet once a week and will meet with Miss Frances Murphy tomorrow night. The following are the officers for the new organization: Frances Murphy, President; Hattie Jones Vice President; Edith Dudley, Secretary and Treasurer.

The following are the reception committee: Theresa Nolan, Mattie Perry and Baulah Bogard.

Cotton Coming Fast.

Something like 150 bales of cotton were in Saturday, price running in the neighborhood of \$4.50 for seed cotton and 13¢ for lint, with some going a little better. The merchants all seemed to have a good trade, some finding difficulty in handling the crowds. This was especially noticeable in the stores of the liberal advertisers, as the people seemed disposed to go more freely where they had been invited to go.—Cuero Star.

A Fine Wolf Dog.

A fine wolf dog, said to have cost \$250, was received at Del Rio this week for J. R. Hamilton & Co., and was taken out to their ranch 25 miles east of here, where he is expected to be of much service in putting wolves out of business.

These four-legged desperadoes cost the stockmen of West Texas thousands of dollars annually, by killing sheep and calves, and many men have been forced to fence against them.

We understand that Hamilton & Co have about 35 miles of wolf proof fence and that they contemplate extending the same kind of fencing around a large portion of their range.

A number of stockmen in the San Angelo Country have also been obliged to do the same.

We believe that Gov Campbell did wrong in turning down the Hudspeth wolf bounty bill. It would have been a blessing to the West.—Del Rio Herald.

A Broken Ankle.

Mr. E. J. Buckingham, one of the popular promoters of the Cross S Ranch, had the misfortune to break one of his ankles last Saturday, while at Ft. Clark enroute to Del Rio on business for the firm. No serious results followed the accident although E. J. has since been compelled to get about on crutches. But this did not prevent his going to San Antonio Sunday and returning early this week with a crowd of prospectors.—Uvalde Press.

Public Schools Opened Tuesday.

The Public School opened Tuesday with a larger attendance than ever before. An extra teacher has been added to the faculty and better work is expected this year. The following teachers have been assigned to their rooms.

Miss Flory Dooley, 1st Primary; Miss Kittie Wickham, 2nd Primary; Miss Mittie Jones 3rd Primary; Miss Annie Taylor, Intermediate; Miss Martha Petersen, Assistant High School; J. E. Wright, High School.

Clamp—Hancock.

Last Sunday morning at 8 o'clock at the residence of W. L. Clamp, Mr. Harry Clamp and Miss Frances Hancock of San Antonio were united in marriage. Judge E. A. Jones officiating.

No one but a few intimate friends and relatives of the contracting parties were present. After the ceremony the wedding breakfast was served at the Terrell House.

In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Clamp left for their ranch on the Nueces where they will make their home.

These are both popular young people and have the best wishes of a host of friends.

Every body has heard that Nance can fix the latest clock. He can also fix the latest music box.

Telephone Notice.

All parties talking over our telephone line from toll lines or business houses are allowed only five minutes. Any time used over five minutes will be charged five cents for each minute.

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Generosity That Was Purely the Result of Accident.

A missionary bishop told this story about F. Marion Crawford, the famous novelist:

"Mr. Crawford went to school," he said, "in Concord, and one day he was taken to call at a Concord clergyman's."

"The clergyman had a missionary box on his drawing room table, and, time hanging heavily on the boy's hands, he amused himself with trying whether a silver dollar—it was all the money he had in the world, and he had converted it into that gigantic coin for safety—would go into the slit in the box's top.

"It was a close fit, but unfortunately it did go, and the coin slipped out of the embryo author's fingers. There was a terrible crash of silver falling among the coppers—and then the boy, as the novelists say, 'knew no more.' "When he came to himself he found the clergyman and his family in raptures over his generosity."

CHILDREN TORTURED.

Girl Had Rurning Sores from Eczema—Boy Tortured by Poison Oak—Both Cured by Cuticura.

"Last year, after having my little girl treated by a very prominent physician for an obstinate case of eczema, I resorted to the Cuticura Remedies, and was so well pleased with the almost instantaneous relief afforded that we discarded the physician's prescription and relied entirely on the Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment, and Cuticura Pills. When we commenced with the Cuticura Remedies her feet and limbs were covered with running sores. In about six weeks we had her completely well, and there has been no recurrence of the trouble.

"In July of this year a little boy in our family—poisoned his hands and arms with poison oak, and in twenty-four hours his hands and arms were a mass of torturing sores. We used only the Cuticura Remedies, and in about three weeks his hands and arms healed up. Mrs. Lizzie Vincent Thomas, Fairmont, Walden's Ridge Tenn., Oct. 13, 1905."

A Knock.

"Jimmy," said the father, "there's a rip in your bathing suit. Go and sew it up."

"But papa," growled the boy, "mother will sew it for me."

"Never mind. I want you to learn to sew yourself. For," said the father, "some day you will get married, and then you won't have any mother—you will only have a wife."

"It Knocks the Itch."

It may not cure all your ills, but it does cure one of the worst. It cures any form of itch ever known—no matter what it is called, where the sensation is "itch," it knocks it. Eczema, Ringworm and all the rest are relieved at once and cured by one box. It's guaranteed, and its name is Hunt's Cure.

Riches Cause Trouble.

Great riches are ever accompanied by great anxieties, and an increase of our possessions is but an inlet to new disquietudes.—Goldsmith.

All men want to be able to work, but all men do not want to work.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

But the blonde lawyer is not always a legal light.

McCANE'S DETECTIVE AGENCY, Houston, Texas, operates the largest force of competent detectives in the South; they render written opinions in cases not handled by them. Reasonable rates.

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EVERYBODY DRAG.
When the smiles of spring appear,
Drag the roads;
When the summer time is here,
Drag the roads;
When the corn is in the ear,
In the winter cold and drear,
Every season in the year,
Drag the roads!

When you've nothing else to do,
Drag the roads;
If but for an hour or two,
Drag the roads.
It will keep them good as new,
With a purpose firm and true,
Fall in line! It's up to you:
Drag the roads!

Would you do the proper thing?
Drag the roads.
Set the system on the wing:
Drag the roads.
Give the drag a lively swing;
Toss the laurel wreath to King!
Hats off! Everybody sing:
Drag the roads!
—M. Albertus Coverdell.

Diversification is always a live topic and is always a live issue.

The time to talk to your backward neighbor about the Union is today.

There is no better way to meet the oppression of the implement combine than to take care of the tools you have.

Every time you put away your tools and wagon out of the weather, you put a nail into the vehicle and implement trust's coffin. Drive 'em in!

The next meeting of your union is the time for you to get busy and start something or ask a question that will start something. Will you do it?

And still the warehouses are going up. Did you sit up and take notice of the 15 cent cotton that is now going on the market?

Tell your neighbor how soon you are going to make a split log drag for your part of the road, and see if you can't get him to make a move in the right direction.

A good subject for discussion at the next meeting of your Union would be, "To what class of animals does the man belong who raises cotton and sells it to buy meat and bread?"

Are you doing anything to get ready for the jolliest meetings of the local this winter you have ever had? You ought to be on the lookout for things that need to be done leading up to the making of the local the "biggest thing in town."

Just because it is hot right now do not conclude that there is nothing to do. The fall garden is a good thing. In many localities, it is true that there are but few things that may be profitably planted in the fall, but those few should be planted.

The local Union is in the hands of you and your neighbor, and it is the whole essence of the organization. It is the spring from which the State and National stream must flow. If the spring is all right, it is easy enough for the stream to be kept clean. How is your neighborhood spring?

Farmers, don't waste any time figuring on what's to become of the non-producing classes who might lose their jobs as a result of your plans of co-operation. That's their look out.—Abilene Farmers Journal.

The Farmers' Union cannot, it will not endorse any man for office. Of course the individual members can and will take an active part in politics. One may be for Jones, another for Brown, but when they come to the Union they will not try to get the Union to endorse either.—Union News.

There is some political fighting to be done, but it is not necessary for the Farmers' Union to join arms with any political school to do the fighting. Let each political party fight its own battles, while we spank those in all parties who fail to do as we think they should.—Georgia Union News.

Get your neighbors together this fall and talk about a consolidation of the neighborhood schools. Make them longer and get better teachers and have them taught in better houses. The way to do this is to have fewer of them. Almost the first step in this direction is to get better houses, and better roads. The prime matter all over this country is better roads, all the time and everywhere.

While the weather is so hot and dry, don't forget the trees that you planted last spring. They will thank you for a good drink, and will repay it a thousand times over.

Don't say mean things about the other organizations, even if they look like they were in opposition to the Union. The Union has no character on the right to organize. Keep attending to your own business and you will not have time to make too much business by getting mixed up with the other fellow's business.

IMMIGRANTS.

The question of immigrants is no little importance to our people and the following figures will give you an idea of the number in the United States each year: Last fiscal year Italy sent us 285,000 immigrants; Russia, 255,000; Hungary, 193,000; Austria, 144,000; Great Britain, 111,000; Germany, 37,000; Greece, 36,000; Japan, 30,000, and Norway, 22,000, and so on from other countries. Yet we hear the cry from almost every newspaper and from every demagogue politician for more immigrants.

We have never yet been able to understand why certain classes are so anxious for more immigrants. Here in Birmingham we have Greeks and Italians who get rich in a few years and take their money back to the old country. The fact is the only immigrants, as a rule, who stay with us are the ones who can't get enough of our money to get away on. The country is filling up too fast already.—Farmers Union Guide.

A man who has been a farmer for over sixty years, and who is a decided success at the business, sums up his experience in these words. "Farm product have a selling value at the place of their making—a value just as they come from the soil. They have also an additional value to the farmer who converts them into a more condensed form, by feeding them to livestock. That is their feeding value. We thus get to the manure value, and it surely is a most important one. To increase the fertility of the soil, is like loaning money at compound interest—it doubles the value every eight or ten years. The farmer who sells losses the feeding and manure values. If he parts with a ton of hay for \$9, say, and could make it pay him \$12 by feeding it to cattle and sheep, he has lost \$3 of the feeding value and \$3 worth of manure. In other words, he has sold his hay for \$6 per ton less than it was worth if used by him." The need of pasture, hay and livestock in good farming are thus seen.—Home and Farm.

Jeff Davis for President.

Adlai E. Stevenson, of Illinois, formerly vice president of the United States, is fond of telling of an odd experience he had shortly after the civil war. At the time David Davis was much talked of as the man to run against Gen. Grant for the presidency. A conference was held in Mr. Stevenson's Bloomington residence, many leading Illinois and other Democrats being present. A good deal was said about the possible candidacy of Mr. Davis, but no one happened to mention his first name. After the conference broke up Mr. Stevenson drew an old farmer friend into a corner and asked his opinion. The farmer was from the extreme southern end of Illinois. He said: "Well, Adlai, you know I've followed your lead in politics for a good while and I'm going to do it now. But, honest, Adlai, don't you think it's a little mite early to nominate Jeff Davis?" —Chicago Chronicle.

A Touch of Nature.

"When I hear a child crying like that," said the sleepless woman as they sat and listened. "I wish I could, too. Hear the sobs, the shrieks. There is probably nothing the matter with her. She has lost her doll or her toe hurts. That's all, but she'll feel a whole lot better when she lets up. If I could scream and cry like that for a while at night when I wake up I believe I could go right back to sleep again."

Now is a good time to look over the place and select the sort of trees you will plant in all the odd corners that you have been losing money on heretofore. The corners cost as much as any part of the farm and when you lose their product you are losing that much of your active investment. You can't afford it. Get busy and plant all the corners full of trees.

How supremely important that the farmer who would hold his cotton off the market to force the price up should be out of debt! No matter whether he puts his cotton in a warehouse or keeps it at home, if he has to get advances on it in order to pay his debts he is in no shape to control the market. He may get money from the bank and worry the buyer for a little while, but the banker will worry him later on. The only show is to make what you live on and live on what you make, as nearly as possible, until you can snap your fingers in the face of the cotton buyer.—Abilene Farmers Journal.

But improved machinery and tools of today will take the place of hired labor, and if well taken care of, is the cheaper in the end. And there is this to say for a machine: If you want to work it after six o'clock there is no kick coming, neither does it run around to dances and drowses through its work next day. The average farm machine is more reliable than the average farm hand, and in a majority of cases it does the work cheaper.—Agricultural Southwest.

The trouble with the farmer all the time is a lack of confidence in other farmers. While he is willing to trust everything to the slick politician. When is the day coming that the man who, for the sake of the leaves and the fishes of political fortune, is not allowed to carry away the people's votes by the ardor of his defense of the old soldier, or some other thing of the past, just then the light will begin to break, and the day of hope will have come to the farmer.

A Base Insinuation.

"I hear the Neweds have had a dreadful quarrel and that the bride is talking of going home to her mother. What's the matter?"

"I believe one evening she got the supper from her cooking school recipes, and when the boys in the neighborhood lost their ball in a hole under the fence, Mr. Newed gave them one of her biscuits to finish the game."

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surface. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price, 75c per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Girls Destined for Harems.

The Circassians, who live in the northwestern part of the Caucasus, and who think it is more honorable to live by plunder than by industry, make it a custom to bring their daughters up to be sold as slaves to the Turks and Persians. Circassian beauties, therefore, shine not in their native land but in the harems of the orient.

For Twenty Years.

Other chill remedies have sprung up, flourished for a brief season, then passed away—even from memory—but for twenty years Cheatham's Chill Tonic has been in the field of action. The reason is simple. It has the merit. It actually cures chills and fever, while the majority of others merely promise to. One bottle guaranteed to cure any one case.

Not "Just as Good"—It's the Best.

One box of Hunt's Cure is unqualifiedly, unqualifiedly, and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of Skin Disease. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of itching known.

Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm and all similar troubles are relieved by one application; cured by one box.

A Theory.

"Why do men swear?" asked one woman. "It's due to the vanity of the sex," answered Miss Cayenne. "They want to be noticed even when they can't think of anything of real importance to say."

Granite as Fertilizer.

The government bureau of Plant Industry finds that ground granite makes excellent fertilizer.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound
has been the standby of American mothers in preparing for childbirth. Note what Mrs. James Chester of 47 W. 35th St., New York says in this letter:—Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—"I wish every expectant mother knew about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. A neighbor who had learned of its great value at this trying period of a woman's life urged me to try it and I did so, and I cannot say enough in regard to the good it did me. I recovered quickly and am in the best of health now."
Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is certainly a successful remedy for the peculiar weaknesses and ailments of women. It has cured almost every form of Female Complaints, Dragging Sensations, Weak Back, Falling and Displacements, Inflammation, Ulcerations and Organic Diseases of Women and is invaluable in preparing for Childbirth and during the Change of Life.
Mrs. Pinkham's Standing Invitation to Women
Women suffering from any form of female weakness are invited to write Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free.

Negro's Valuable Head.
A Kentucky negro earns double wages as a hodcarrier, because he is able to do the work of two men. He carries from 40 to 50 bricks at a time. He places the bricks upon a board which he balances upon his head as he climbs to the tops of high buildings.
Ladies Can Wear Shoes
One size smaller after using Allen's Foot-Ease. A certain cure for swollen, sweating, hot, aching feet. At all Druggists, 25c. Accept no substitute. Trial package FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

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"I wonder why a dog chases his tail?"
"A sense of economy."
"Economy?"
"Yes; can't you see he is trying to make both ends meet?"
FITS, St. Vitus Dance and all Nervous Diseases permanently cured by Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for Free \$2.00 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. R. H. Kline, Ed., 931 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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Positively cured by these Little Pills.
They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER, etc. Purely Vegetable.
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FROM ALL OVER TEXAS

So many cases of harm coming from vicious and rabid dogs have occurred in Waco that an untaged canine has a slim chance in that city.

Felix Cox, a prominent citizen of Mexia, who is a brother of Sheriff E. C. Cox of Hill County, shot himself Tuesday with a .38-caliber revolver and there is no hope for his recovery.

Negroes in Falls County are anxious to get into the cotton fields this fall, realizing that the crop there is short. Usually they are "cheaty" at this season.

Farwell, in the Panhandle, wants a railroad station, and has petitioned the Railroad Commission to order the Rock Island to build it one. It will be set for the September hearing.

The First National Bank of Turnersville has been authorized to begin business with \$25,000 capital stock. A. P. Duncaan is president; J. F. Short, cashier.

Joseph S. Myers has been appointed to the position of State Librarian. He succeeds E. W. Winkler, who has been appointed chief clerk of the Agricultural Department.

J. B. McKnight, one of Palestine's most respected citizens and business men, died Friday morning. He was a Mason, and had been in business there for many years.

There will be a two days' reunion and picnic at Aspermont August 27 and 28. Prominent speakers from different parts of the State will be there.

The Railroad Commission has approved the plans for the new depot to be constructed at Texhoma, Texas, on the Rock Island. This station was ordered constructed at the June hearing.

After hearing the evidence in the inquest over the remains of Thomas Graham, the negro who was shot from ambush Saturday night at Marshall, Squire Perry remanded three persons to the custody of Sheriff Munden.

The cornerstone of the First Baptist Church at McKinney that is to be erected at a cost of \$20,000, was laid under Masonic auspices Thursday. Dr. B. H. Carroll of Waco delivered the oration.

The Railroad Commission has approved a contract between the Trinity and Brazos Valley Railway Company and the Bear Grass Coal Company for the development of some coal and lignite mines in Leon County.

Renewed or rather more rapid work on double-tracking the Texas and Pacific Railroad between Dallas and Fort Worth, is causing much talk of motor cars. The grades are being cut down and cement culverts are taking the place of all wooden bridges across all small outlets.

Sam H. Weaver, who lived about twelve miles of Sulphur Springs, was found dead in his corncob a day or so ago, having died, it is supposed, from heart trouble. Mr. Weaver had lived in Hopkins County for about fifty years.

The body of Evender McIver of Chicago, a wealthy contractor, was found in a stairway leading to a basement in the corner of Twenty-Fifth and State Streets. There were marks of violence on his body, and all his money and valuables were gone.

Clarksville citizens have recently established a plant in the eastern portion of Red River County for the manufacture of wagon bows and shipments are now being made to outside points.

Lack of funds is checking the canal work. Four thousand men have been laid off on the new line of the Panama Railroad, and it is said that the department of municipal engineering has been ordered to lay off one thousand more.

Dr. W. H. Cain Jr., a well known young dentist of Houston, died at Palestine after taking ten grains of strychnine while out driving with a friend. Death followed in a few minutes in his room at the Lindell Hotel.

Rev. Angus Johnson of Ellis County celebrated his ninety-ninth anniversary by preaching at the First Presbyterian Church in McKinney Sunday. In point of service he is perhaps the oldest preacher in the United States, having preached seventy-six years.

The citizens of Nevada, Texas, have raised \$250 for improvements on roads in that vicinity, provided that the county supplement the amount to \$300, which the County Commissioners have agreed to do.

Mrs. C. C. Martin died in Greenville Thursday night. She was eighty-six years old, and had lived there since 1859. Her husband, B. D. Martin, was a member of the constitutional convention and a Colonel in the Confederate Army.

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Bidder met Kidder, and Kidder was just bubbling with good humor.

"What are you feeling so uncommon jolly over?" said Bidder.

"Why, my best girl went and got married yesterday," said Kidder, slapping Bidder on the back.

"Seems to me that's about the last thing for a chap to feel jolly over," said Bidder.

"What!" said Kidder. "It was me she went and got married to!"

And so the cigars were on Bidder.—Browning's Magazine.

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The trust magnate leaped up from the banquet table and made a dive for his 100-mile-an-hour automobile.

"Hold on!" cried the astonished toastmaster. "Won't you wait for us to serve the dessert?"

"No," replied the nervous magnate; "I just saw a suspicious face loom up at the window. The next thing served will be a process."

And telling his chauffeur to put on full speed the wealthy fugitive headed for the next state.

Colleges Undesirable Fire Risks.
Colleges are now regarded as rather undesirable insurance risks, and it is probable that the rate will be generally increased. In 18 years 784 fires have occurred in college buildings, entailing a loss of \$10,500,000 in money and a heavy loss of life. This makes the average money loss over \$13,000.

Not What She Wanted.
Lawyer—Yes, my dear young lady, you have a perfect case. If you wish, I can secure you a divorce without publicity in six months.

Young Lady—But, my dear sir, you don't understand at all. I am an actress.

Habits of Sperm Whale.
The sperm whale can remain below the surface for about 20 minutes at a time. Then it comes to the surface and breathes 50 or 60 times, taking about ten minutes to do so.

Burglar's Pathetic Wall.
A burglar arrested in London the other night remarked regretfully: "I knew the time when I could do 20 houses in two hours. But I am getting old."

Possibly Had to Economize.
At a recent golden wedding in England the aged bridegroom wore the suit in which he had been married.

He alone is poor who wastes his time and neglects his opportunities.

FEET OUT.

She Had Curious Habits.

When a person has to keep the feet out from under cover during the coldest nights in winter because of the heat and prickly sensation, it is time that coffee, which causes the trouble, be left off.

There is no end to the nervous conditions that coffee will produce. It shows in one way in one person and in another way in another. In this case the lady lived in S. Dak. She says:

"I have had to lie awake half the night with my feet and limbs out of the bed on the coldest nights, and felt afraid to sleep for fear of catching cold. I had been troubled for years with twitching and jerking of the lower limbs, and for most of the time I have been unable to go to church or to lectures because of that awful feeling that I must keep on the move."

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Arithmetic. Tommy—Pop, a man's wife is his better half, isn't she? Tommy's Pop—So we are told, my son. "Then if a man marries twice there isn't anything left of him, is there?"

Evil of Tipping System. Although there is a great effort made to keep secret the thefts in hotels and restaurants in New York, it is quite evident they are on a rapid increase. The manager of a large restaurant says the system of having servants depend almost entirely upon patrons for their pay lowers their moral standard and causes them to look on those they are supposed to serve as their legitimate prey.

Can Not Escape Thoughts. Man is a thinking being, whether he will or no; all he can do is to turn his thoughts the best way.—Sir William Temple.

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29 BRACKETT NEWS	42 Patrick W. R. Store
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54 Bergath R. O. R. res	58 Page Dr.
19 Burke Harry res	55 Porter Dr.
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27 Clamp W. L. Law Office	57 Q. M. Corral
41 Central Meat Market	R
63 Club Officers	28 Ray J. F. Saloon
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37 Dooley W. D. res	17 Rose Frank res
47 Dooley Mrs. H. M. res	S
F	9 Sharp & Rivers Saloon
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H	38 Sharp Wm. res
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L	51 Nolan J. W. ranch
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67 Larrison Henry res	51 Silver Lake ranch
M	51 Stadler J. H. ranch.
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14 Veltmann Jos. res	44 Windus C. A. res
44 Windus C. A. res	

Call by Number and Separate Figure With a Short Pause Between, This Way 2-1, 3-2 or 3-4 and so on.

Oddfellowship.

About the middle of the 18th century in the highlands of Scotland, a little group of men organized themselves into a fraternal order called Oddfellows. This beautiful order was founded on the friendship of Jonathan and David and the charity of the Good Samaritan. You will remember the parable of the traveler who went from Jerusalem to Jericho; thieves fell upon him, robbed him and left him maimed and bleeding by the roadside to die. A Priest passed by, and then a Levite came and looked upon him and left him to die, after which came the Good Samaritan, who anointed his wounds, carried him to an inn and paid his fare. Oddfellowship teaches us to emulate the example of the Good Samaritan. It is the most benevolent and charitable of all fraternal orders, and in America it is known as the Independent Order of Oddfellows. It has carried succor and aid to the oppressed and afflicted in every land and country has more than one and a half million members, and is the largest of all fraternal orders.—Hon. J. F. Cunningham of Abilene.

The Tramp Afield.

Most of us are not doing much talking these days. The street

car, the automobile and the everlasting demands of business are keeping men off their feet. They sit at desks or stand in their places to the end that after a long day the spirit is as tired as the body. We are upon the time when the walk afield is as agreeable as a pastime as it is good for a man. No slouchy stroll on a concrete pavement will answer the purpose. No brisk in an avenue of city buildings serves. The walk must be in the open, out across the country. The feet must touch the earth the lush grass of the ripened season, the slipping pebbles of the strand and the boulders of the hillside.

Climb, though the muscles cry with pain. They will recover. Tramp the meadow, follow the thrush and net a butterfly to better regard his colorful beauty. Get wet and tired and dirty. Go to the plunge with eagerness. Then sleep and eat.

These are times when the doctor and his bottles are trying to save or mend shattered nerves, but tramps afield will make new nerves and restore old ones. There is nothing like the summer sun and air and the free stride to bring new thoughts and new tissue.

Give nature a chance. Forget to work so hard that you may work to the better end.—St. Louis Times.

FALLACIOUS FILTERS.

What can we do in the private home to stop the entrance of the disease germ, provided we believe danger exists? The sanitary experts say that no small filter which allows a good stream of water to pass removes bacteria. In the sale of such filters and the belief in their efficiency, says Hollis Godfrey, in the Atlantic, lies peril to the public which so often believes that a couple of inches of sand or charcoal preserves them from all harm. As a matter of fact, expert engineers are practically agreed that 18 inches of sand above drains, and that well covered with the sediment filter, are necessary to obtain efficiency. Some of the larger household filters are efficient when filled with fine filtering matters, such as sand stone and infusorial earth, which only allow water to pass drop by drop. These are usually provided with either storage reservoirs or joined in a series of filters so that a quantity may be obtained at once despite the slow rate of filtration. One simple safeguard is always at hand, and never should be forgotten—the boiling of the drinking water. No precaution is better in time of epidemics.

TOLEDO MARRIAGE RITUAL.

The Rev. Herbert Thurston, S. J., in an interesting historical study of "The Marriage Ritual of Toledo," in the course of which he traces the changes which have occurred in several of the marriage services of Europe shows that the betrothal and the marriage services have been blended into one, and suggests that the wedding ring was originally the engagement ring. It was also placed finally on the third finger of the right hand, as it still is on the continent, and not on the left hand, as in this country. The Toledan ritual lacks the solemn words "for better, for worse; for richer, for poorer... till death us do part," but here is a passage in it which Father Thurston observes does not occur in the medieval rituals of England, France or Germany. Taking the bride by the right hand, the priest gives her into the charge of the bridegroom, saying: "I give you a legitimate and not a slave. Love her as Christ loved his church." The "worldly goods" were typified in the Spanish royal marriage by 13 gold coins given to the bride. Originally payment was made to the father in purchase of the bride, and when this system went out of use it probably became necessary to point out that the bride was no longer to be considered a slave.

LESSON FOR THE BOYS.

Seems Simple, But Will Make Them Sit Up and Think.

Tell your youngster the celebrated story of the wise man of Persia who, being asked by the shah to name a present for himself, said his wants were so simple that he would be willing to accept grains of corn in compensation for all he had done for his royal master and the state. "Have the grains placed on a checkerboard," he said, "one on the first square, two on the second, four on the third, eight on the fourth, and keep on doubling until each of the 64 squares have been covered." The shah smiled, and hinted to his prime minister that the wise man must be humored, as he was a silly old thing. So the grains of corn were brought—about a pint; and one of the slaves was set to work filling the squares. Before 16 squares were filled the shah and his court began to be amazed. Great mathematicians were summoned to do the counting, and corn was brought in by the wagon load. By and by it threatened to fill the palace, then the palace grounds, then the city, then the whole of the shah's dominions, and a halt had to be called.

This yarn will set your boy thinking. If he has been naughty, say that you are going to punish him by allowing him to fill up the squares of the checkerboard with rice or mustard seed, and when the job is finished he may go away. See him laugh at you for the celebrity with which he will finish the task and be out with his chums. Then watch the lengthening of his countenance as he gets up to counting the first 1,000 grains. When the utter hopelessness of the job dawns upon him you relent, and he has learned a useful lesson. No child on earth will believe at first in the veracity of a father who tells him it would occupy a lifetime many times over to count out the grains for the 64 squares. He gives the merry laugh!

SOCIETIES.

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