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JUDGE JONES' SPEECH

Nominating Hon. Henry I. Moore for the Office of Judge of the 63rd Judicial District.

Marfa New Era:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Convention.

We are assembled tonight to discuss questions that are of the profoundest interest to a large portion of the citizens of the seven counties that comprise the 63rd Judicial District. As the representatives of the people of these counties it becomes our duty tonight to nominate and place in nomination the name of one of our citizens for the office of District Judge.

This, I believe, is the first time in the history of this state when the judiciary has been called into politics. Heretofore it has been kept free by reason of the fact that nominations were not necessary, but under the enactments of the last legislature it is impossible for a man to run for a district office without having first the sanction of some political party. For that reason it becomes necessary

that the representative parties desiring to place candidates before the county, district or state must assemble in precinct, in county, must assemble in district, and must assemble in state conventions and make nominations. The office of District Judge, I believe, should be saved from politics, and while I have stated that we have assembled tonight for the purpose of nominating a candidate for that office, it is well known to you, gentlemen, and to the people of the entire district, that there are already two candidates in the field—one having been nominated by one of the dominant parties and the other having announced independently of any party. As I said, if we represent the opposition we will only endorse the candidacy of the candidate who has been running independent of any political party.

Government, gentlemen, is formed for the protection of its citizens. It is divided into different parts—the legislative, judicial and executive. One department makes the law, another department judges of that law and puts it into action, while the third executes the commands of the second. Whenever a government fails to protect its citizens, it then fails in its mission—it has no purpose. One of the departments into which the law is divided is the judiciary, and it behooves the people to look well to that one whom they would intrust, not only with the disposition of their property, but with their liberty and their lives. I have great respect for all judges, but I know too much of the history of the judiciary to be absolutely blind to imperfections that men clothed with judicial authority have. Judges are but men at best and

the history of all times shows that men who have been judges have had an equal portion of the frailties of their fellow men. Therefore it behooves the people of this district, and of every other district, to look well to the man they choose to nominate for this office. On this occasion, gentlemen, I propose to nominate a citizen of my county, a man whom I have known well and intimately both as a private citizen and in the practice of law, and as an officer, and I have never found them wanting, a man able in every respect, both from the standpoint of honesty and from the standpoint of ability and courage to enforce what he knows or thinks to be right. I say that it is my purpose to place this man in nomination, not because he would be my choice, but because the citizens of Maverick county have spoken in no mistaken terms and have recommended to this convention the nomination of Hon. Henry I. Moore. Upon the chairman's desk lies another record, of Kinney county, where the citizens of that county have spoken in like manner for Hon. Henry I. Moore. Upon the chairman's desk lies another record, from Val Verde county, where they have done likewise; and there is another record, from Brewster county, in which they nominate Hon. Henry I. Moore. The same thing you will find by inspection of the records from Presidio and Jeff Davis counties. Gentlemen, it is the unanimous desires of the people of this district that Hon. Henry I. Moore be nominated by you and by me as the party's candidate for the office of District Judge. Complying with these instructions, gentlemen, I now place in nomination

Hon. Henry I. Moore for District Judge, and in doing so I wish to state that Mr. Moore has been associated with me for a period covering six years. During that time he has been engaged in some of the largest litigations that have taken place in your district. He has been constantly engaged in practice, and I defy any man who has practiced law for that time in the district to show a cleaner record than that which stands to his credit. Wherever he has practiced, whether in county, district courts, court of civil appeals and criminal courts, he is well known to be a man of honesty, and of courage to enforce what he thinks is right—clear headed, cool and dispassionate. And when he is elected, he will not, gentlemen, be any party's friend, but he will be the judge of the people, because I have reason to believe, all citizens who regard the welfare of the district will unite in electing him to that office.

Now gentlemen, before I close these remarks I desire again to say I nominate in behalf of Kinney, Val Verde counties because I represent them, and the other counties because they have spoken Hon. Henry I. Moore for the office of the 63rd Judicial District of Texas.

A Kansas woman got one cent judgment from a man who stole a kiss. How very foolish this was—her kisses might have been valued at twenty-five cents apiece had they not been appraised in this way.

The Norther that came Tuesday morning made everyone feel like winter was here.

Bicycle repairing. Inquire at this office.

Fruits of all kinds at Keys Kool Korner

SOMETHING ABOUT ONION PLANTING.

H. R. Ebert of Calhoun County Talks About the Succulent Vegetable.

Brownsville Herald.

If you want to grow onions for profit, the first thing to do is to form an Onion Growers association; next is to order your onion seed and be sure to order the kind the American public demands, in words the Bermuda. When you have advanced that far, commence plowing your ground. Plow your ground about three times and plow it deep. In the first week in October sow your Bermuda onion seed in flat beds where you can water them. Sow the seed in drills so you will be able to cultivate them with a planet junior wheel or common hoe. December your onion plants will be ready to transplant in the field. Have your land all bedded up and well pulverized before December 7 and well fertilized in beds about 15 feet wide and 300 feet long. Now you are ready to plant. Set out your onion plants 18 by 3 inches and you can plant 120,000 plants per acre; and if your soil is rich enough and you cultivate your onions your crop will be 50,000 lbs. per acre.

When the farmers of Calhoun county shall grow the Bermuda onion, hard times and such a thing as asking a corner grocer to credit you for a sack of meal will be things of the past. We will have nothern buyers here to buy your onions for cash and the Port Lavaca growers will pay their little 2 cents per pound for onions the same as any other buyer that comes along.

A. R. EBERT.

Every Town Has.

A liar.
A sponger.
A smart alec.
A girl who giggles.
A weather prophet.
A neighborhood feud.
A woman who tattles.
A man-who-knows-it-all.
More loafers than it needs.
A boy who cuts up in church.
A few meddlesome old women.
A "thing" that stares at women.
A widower who is too gay for his age.
Some men who make remarks about women.
A preacher who thinks he ought to run the town.
A few who know how to run the affairs of the country.
A grown young man who laughs every time he says anything.
A girl who goes to the post-office every time the mail comes in.
Scores of men with the caboose of their trousers worn smooth as glass.
A man who grins when you talk and laughs aloud after he has said something.—Ex.

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JOHN HERZING.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

The Athens Pottery is steadily enlarging and increasing its trade territory.

Maypearl held a roping and tying contest Saturday, paying good prices to successful contestants.

A massmeeting of prohibitionists of Navarro County has been called to meet at Corsicana on the 24th inst.

A German cotton manufacturer has entered suit against a Houston cotton firm for \$13,000 for failure to deliver cotton at time contracted.

It is freely predicted that the Episcopal General Conference, in session at Boston will not make any formal declaration on its divorce question, now a live problem before that body.

Austin constabulary is making life unhappy to a number of small merchants and peddlers who have been doing business without the necessary license.

Having resigned as rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church at Corsicana, a position held by him for the past five years, Rev. H. H. Johnston left for Monterey, Mexico.

The 3-year-old daughter of Charles Nehring, a prosperous farmer residing near Dessau, was found dead in a cotton seed bin, having fallen in and smothered to death.

News is received that the large plantation gin of Killis Holt at Furr Smith County, was burned. Value \$4500, insurance \$1500, in the Ginners' Underwriters' Association.

The 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Orla Hunt, of Sherman, was painfully and seriously burned about the face by the explosion of a railroad torpedo, with which he was playing.

After having kept their marriage secret for two months, Mr. Claude Williams and Miss Susie Hyche of Tyler have announced their wedding which took place on August 18 last.

The farmers south of Denison report a worm much the same as the old army worm doing damage to cotton vegetation. The worms clean up leaves and everything on the stalk.

By a gasoline stove explosion a fire was started at Bay City Wednesday morning which resulted in the destruction of several business houses and their contents, valued at about \$25,000.

Hon. John D. Pitts, for years a resident of Hillsboro and Hill county, has moved to California. He will locate at Los Angeles. He was a former representative and ex-mayor of Hillsboro.

Six Tyler lawyers were indicted by the recent grand jury for failure to pay their occupation tax. They will comply with the law, whereupon the indictments will be squashed and the cases dismissed.

Dallas County leads in assessed values over all counties in the State. The rolls of Harris County show a total for 1904 of \$40,679,434, while the values of Dallas County exceed that amount by \$37,036.

A dispatch to a news agency from Harbin says the hospitals there are preparing for the reception of thirty-seven officers and 1200 men, wounded during the fighting between Yental on the 11th, 12th and 13th inst.

The barn on Looney's farm, two miles east of Pottsboro, burned Friday night. The loss of feed of Bailey Stone, renter, will probably reach \$4,000. Looney's loss is about \$1,500. No insurance.

A convention of representatives of the American Sunday-school Union for several States of the Southwest, including Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Indian Territory, will be held at Texarkana from Nov. 3 to 6, inclusive.

While a Frisco passenger, south-bound, was nearing Fort Smith, Friday morning, J. E. Sigman of Harrison, Ark., jumped off before it began to slow up and sustained injuries that may prove fatal.

The body of J. M. Britton, an inmate of the county poor house, was found floating in the river a mile below La Grange. He escaped from the poor farm last Sunday and from appearances must have been dead several days.

A horse hitched to a grocer's delivery wagon at Roysse City ran away on the street. The wagon struck Mrs. Grider, knocking her down, breaking one rib and rendering her unconscious for a time. She is 63 years of age.

The grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of Texas concluded its twenty-second annual session at Galveston Friday by installing the officers. Dallas is to be the next place of meeting.

RUSSIANS FIRE ON BRITISH SHIPS.

Hull Fishing Boats Attacked by Baltic Squadron. Complications Likely to Result.

Hull, England, Oct. 24.—A. M. Jackson & Co., solicitors for the owners of Hull fishing boats, have notified the foreign office and admiralty of an attack on the Hull fishing fleet by the Russian Pacific squadron, commonly known as the Baltic squadron, commanded by Admiral Rojestvensky. The official information is that shortly after midnight Friday the Russian squadron fell in with the Hull fishing fleet in the North Sea, the first portion of the fishing fleet passing safely. Then the Russian ships turned their searchlights on the British vessels for some time, and a little later opened fire. The steam trawler Crane was sunk, and the decapitated bodies of her skipper and mate, Smith and Leggett, have been brought to Hull. The boatswain and other men of the crew, who are understood to be seriously wounded, are on board a mission ship. The only slightly injured member of the crew has arrived at Hull.

The steam trawlers Moulmein and Minohave, arriving at Hull, were seriously damaged by shots, the latter having sixteen holes in her hull.

It is feared that other damage was done to the trawlers, and that at least one more was lost, with all hands.

The news has created an intense sensation and indignation in Hull. The Moulmein arrived with her flag at half mast. Her skipper states that the trawlers were fishing about 220 miles east by north of Spurnhead at 1 o'clock Saturday morning, the weather being hazy, when the outlines of several vessels, apparently warships, sailing in a line, were seen. While the crew were watching the warships searchlights were flashed upon them, in the glare of which the Moulmein's crew observed what they took to be torpedo boats approaching, apparently with the intention of boarding the Moulmein. They steamed away, however, and soon the fishermen were horrified to find they were being fired upon.

First one and then another trawler was struck by flying shells. What seemed to be a round shot went through the Moulmein's galley. The Minohave, lying near by, was also struck with many shots, but fortunately the damage was above her water line and none of the crew was struck. The bombardment continued about twenty minutes.

When it had ceased the fleet sailed southward and some of the trawlers sent up rockets. The Moulmein steered in the direction of the rockets. Soon cries were heard and the Crane was found sinking, with another trawler taking off some of her crew. Those seriously wounded were removed to a mission ship and the bodies of Smith and Leggett were placed aboard the Moulmein. The other men, with minor injuries, were put aboard the trawler Seagull, which at a late hour had not arrived at Hull.

Crowds gathered around the dock here, but no further information is available. Representatives of the fishing fleet started late last night for London to consult with the authorities there.

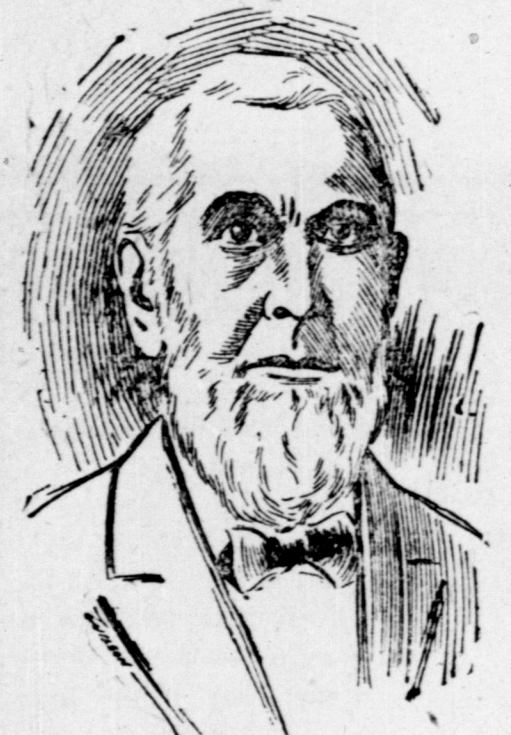
No motive can be assigned for the extraordinary procedure of the Russian warships.

According to other reports, the affair occurred 200 miles from Spurnhead. The Russian warships, were steaming in line. The leading ships passed without incident, though most of the vessels turned searchlights on the trawlers long enough to prevent any mistake as to identity. After the bulk of the squadron had passed it opened fire, nearly all participating in the firing. The Crane was struck below the water line and above deck.

Skipper Smith and Third Mate Leggett had their heads carried clean away by a shot, and many of the crew were seriously wounded.

Another trawler also was sunk, but the Moulmein, which brought the news to Hull, has no particulars as to her fate.

OLDTIME ABOLITIONIST DEAD.



JAMES TOWNSEND

James Townsend, one of the manplutators of the "underground railway" in Ohio and Iowa during the days of John Brown's ascendancy, died at Iowa City, Iowa, Oct. 8. He was associated with Brown in the flight of scores of slaves through those states to Canada. During his life in Iowa Brown made his home with Townsend near Iowa City, in a village called West Branch. Townsend was 34 years old, and is survived by four sons, including T. W. Townsend of Iowa City, at whose home he died after lying practically unconscious for six days.

Establishing Triangulation Towers.
Beville, Texas: Jasper Bilby of the Government Coast and Geodetic Survey corps was in Beville during the past week. Mr. Bilby is establishing the 98th meridian, and towers from which to work the necessary triangulations are being erected at or near Beville, Normanna and Cadiz. This degree of longitude is about fifteen miles west of Beville.

Embroidery a Century Old.
Bryan, Texas: There was an exhibition at the Central Texas Fair just closed a rare and beautiful piece of embroidery 100 years old. It was made by Miss Mary Richardson in Hancock county, Georgia, and is now the property of Mrs. Belle Town of Madisonville, Texas, who prizes it very highly.

Diaz Reached Houston.
Houston, Texas: Secretary Diaz of the Department of Agriculture of the Republic of Cuba, arrive with a party of distinguished men Sunday night from New Orleans. A committee met him at the train.

Dr. S. A. Knapp went over and met Mr. Diaz and will have him in charge Monday and take him to North Galveston and other points of interest. While here Mr. Diaz will look carefully into the culture of rice.

Railroad Got Verdict.

Cameron, Texas: In the case of Hugen vs. the International and Great Northern Railroad, suit for damages for personal injuries alleged to have been sustained by plaintiff through the negligence of a porter on defendant's train pushing him off the coach at Gause, and for which he claimed \$20,000 damages, the jury Friday returned a verdict for the defendant.

Secures Sam Houston Scholarship.
Hearne, Texas: Through the influence of Senator A. J. Harpers of this district Miss Ethel Freeman of this city has been awarded a scholarship to the Sam Houston Normal at Huntsville.

Found Petrified Turtle.
Taylor, Texas: While visiting relations near Burton a few days ago T. W. Falkenberg of this city found on a hillside a petrified turtle where it had laid probably for ages. It shape is perfect and it measures four feet in length, two feet wide and eighteen inches thick.

Earthquake in Scandinavia.
London: Dispatches received here from various points report a rather severe earthquake and much damage to property throughout Scandinavia and Denmark about 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Thus far, however, no fatalities have been reported.

Freight Cars Smashed.
Falls City, Texas: Sunday afternoon seven freight cars were smashed up in a wreck between Elmendorf and Burgess on the Aransas Pass road. No one was injured, but traffic was delayed several hours.

Young Man Killed.
Bastrop, Texas: While out hunting Friday afternoon near his home at Cedar Creek, Wesley Smith, a young man about 21 years of age, was accidentally shot in the abdomen with a load of birdshot, from the effects of which he died.

Russians Bombardeed Lamaton.
Mukden: The Russians on Friday and Saturday recently bombarded the villages of Lamaton, Shalandatay and Sanyantsey and Shakhe Station, which the Japanese have now completely evacuated.

Killed While Resisting Arrest.
Macon, Ga.: Joe Davis, a young night guard for the convict camps of Jasper county, at Monticello, Ga., was killed by Officer Griffin here early today while resisting arrest at the Union depot. A coroner's jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide.

Sharp Fighting Continues.
Mukden: Sharp fighting continues along the front. The Russians are entrenching the ground recently occupied by them.

MAY ATTAIN ANY ALTITUDE.

Mountain Climbers Afforded a Sure Preventive of Difficult Breathing. The difficulties of respiration at high altitudes have attended many mountain climbers and explorers, and the theory advanced in explanation has been that this trouble was caused by the reduced tension of the oxygen in the atmosphere.

Professor Mosso, an Italian scientist, has recently disproved this theory by showing that if the pressure of the mixture of oxygen and nitrogen making up ordinary air be reduced to one-third of an atmosphere, and then the proportion of oxygen be increased so that its partial pressure is the same as normal, the mixture is breathed with inconvenience, accompanied by an abnormal respiration and pulse.

By taking supplies of pure oxygen and mixture of gases to the summit of Monte Rosa and analyzing the blood it was shown, however, that a diminution in the amount of carbon dioxide in the air due to the low pressure was doubtless responsible for much of the trouble in respiration. Proof of this was afforded by breathing a mixture of 80 per cent of oxygen and 20 per cent of carbon dioxide on top of Monte Rosa, with a feeling of pleasure and ease, while the effect of the same mixture near the sea level in Turin was to produce giddiness and vomiting.

If this discovery is substantiated by further experiments it seems that by the carrying of cylinders containing this mixture of gases the highest mountain peaks can be scaled, while the mere provision of oxygen is of doubtful utility.

Pin Prick Cause of a Victory.
Nelson gained his great victory of the Nile through a pin prick. It came about in this way.

Sir John Acton, then commander-in-chief of the land and sea forces of Naples, happened to be in his wife's dressing room at the moment she was preparing for dinner.

Lady Acton's French maid was also in the room, and was so startled at receiving a letter from her brother, a sailor in the French navy, whom she believed to be dead, that she ran a pin into her mistress' flesh.

Apologizing for her carelessness, the maid stated the cause of her surprise. With carefully suppressed eagerness, Sir John offered to read the letter while the maid continued her duties. The maid gladly consented.

Having read the letter the commander-in-chief left the house in search of Lord Nelson, who had in vain been seeking the French fleet. He found him and imparted to him the contents of the letter.

It gave all the information the admiral had so long endeavored to obtain. Setting sail immediately, Nelson came up with the French, and the victory of the Nile was the result.—Stray Stories.

School System Overcrowded.
The idea of introducing cooking and sewing lessons into the public school system! The whole thing is a stinging criticism on the home of to-day. Where did the mothers of to-day and the mothers of yesterday learn to cook and sew? At home! They went home from school and helped get supper instead of galavantiing down town to make goo-goo eyes at the boys and gaze into store windows. They did the same thing at noon and they knew what was going to be on the breakfast table before it was displayed. They got up and helped get it, instead of sleeping off a dance of the night before until called to get up and help eat it.

The item has long taken issue with the foolmooley that is to be found in our present day school system. And we are not alone in our protests. Our school system is overcrowded, clogged up, packed, jammed full of things that have no business there, and are placed there and kept there at the expense of things essential.—Richmond Item.

Tropical Fruit Imports.
In reviewing the tropical fruit trade for the last year, it is seen that New Orleans still holds the record for being the largest receiving point of tropical fruits, and on account of its geographical position and its close proximity to Central and South America, no other port will ever equal it. The total importations of bananas and cocoanuts into United States ports during the fiscal year from July 1, 1903, to June 30, 1904, aggregated 27,000,000 bananas and 75,000,000 cocoanuts, of which New Orleans received 9,000,000 bunches of bananas Mobile 4,000,000, Baltimore 3,000,000 Philadelphia 2,500,000, New York 4,500,000, Boston 4,000,000. In addition to the receipts of bananas and cocoanuts sundry shipments of Central American oranges and pineapples and Cuba pines have been liberally imported.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Sunburned Kid.
Recollect him, do you, mister. When the fellers used to swim. The plump boy whose back 'ud blister. When the sun's rays got at him? 'Member how some feller bolder. 'Than the rest 'ud softly slip. Up behind an' slap his shoulder. As he fixed to take a dip? Recollect the way he hollered. At the smartin' of his back. An' the threatenin' that followed. 'For the boy who gave the whack? 'Member then, when all was quiet. In the water while he'd slip. How some other boy 'ud try it. An' then dive to get away? 'Member when you all were dressin'. How that boy 'ud watch each one? Recollect, you kept him guessin'. Slappin' at him just for fun whack? Now an' then his first 'ud get you. But you laughed, of course you did. Those were happy times, you bet you. 'Less you were the sunburned kid. —Bide Dudley

Note—The following article has been widely published and is one of the most remarkable illustrations of the value of careful marshalling and analysis of facts in presenting a subject to the public.

LEVELERS.

The Mission of Whisky, Tobacco and Coffee.

The Creator made all things, we believe.

If so, He must have made these. We know what He made food and water for, and air and sunshine, but why Whisky, Tobacco and Coffee?

They are here sure enough and each performing its work. There must be some great plan behind it all; the thoughtful man seeks to understand something of that plan and thereby to judge these articles for their true worth.

Let us not say "bad" or "good" without taking testimony. There are times and conditions when it certainly seems to the casual observer that these stimulant narcotics are real blessings.

Right there is the ambush that conceals a "killing" enemy. One can slip into the habit of either whisky, tobacco or coffee easy enough, but to "untangle" is often a fearful struggle.

It seems plain that there are circumstances when the narcotic effect of these poisons is for the moment beneficial, but the fearful argument against them is that seldom ever does one find a steady user of either whisky, coffee or tobacco free from disease of some kind.

Certainly powerful elements in their effect on the human race. It is a matter of daily history, testified to by literally millions of people, that Whisky, Tobacco and Coffee are smiling, promising, beguiling friends on the start, but always false as hell itself in the end. "Once they get firm hold" enough to show their strength, they insist upon governing and drive the victim steadily towards ill health in some form; if permitted to continue to rule, they will not let up until physical and mental ruin sets in.

A man under that spell (and "under the spell" is correct) of any one of these drugs frequently assures himself and his friends, "Why, I can leave off any time I want to. I did quit for a week just to show I could." It is a sure mark of the slave when one gets to that stage. He wiggled through a week, fighting every day to break the spell, was finally whipped, and began his slavery all over again.

The slave (Coffee slave as well as Tobacco and Whisky) daily reviews his condition, sees perfectly plain the steady encroachments of disease, how the nerves get weaker day by day and demand the drug that seems to smile and offer relief for a few minutes and then leave the diseased condition plainer to view than ever and growing worse. Many times the Coffee slave realizes that he is between two fires. He feels bad if he leaves off and a little worse if he drinks and allows the effect to wear off.

So it goes on from day to day. Every night the struggling victim promises himself that he will break the habit and next day when he feels a little bad (as he is quite sure to), breaks, not the habit, but his own resolution. It is nearly always a tough fight, with disaster ahead sure if the habit wins.

There have been hundreds of thousands of people driven to their graves through disease brought on by coffee drinking alone, and it is quite certain that more human misery is caused by coffee and tobacco than by whisky, for the two first are more widely used, and more hidden and insidious in the effect on nerves, heart and other vital organs, and are thus unsuspected until much of the dangerous work is done.

Now, Reader, what is your opinion as to the real use the Creator has for these things? Take a look at the question from this point of view.

There is a law of Nature and of Nature's God that things slowly evolve from lower planes to higher, a sturdy, steady and dignified advance toward more perfect things in both the Physical and Spiritual world. The ponderous tread of evolutionary development is fixed by the Infinite and will not be quickened out of natural law by any of man's methods.

Therefore we see many illustrations showing how nature checks too rapid advance. Illinois raises phenomenal crops of corn for two or three years. If she continued to do so every year her farmers would advance in wealth far beyond those of other sections or countries. So Nature interposes a bar every three or four years and brings on a "bad year."

Here we see the leveling influence at work. A man is prosperous in his business for a number of years and grows rich. Then Nature sets the "leveling influence" at work on him. Some of his investments lose, he becomes luxurious and lazy. Perhaps it is whisky, tobacco, coffee, women, gambling or some other form. The intent and purpose is to level him—keep him from evolving too far ahead of the masses.

A nation becomes prosperous and great like ancient Rome. If no leveling influence set in she would dominate the world perhaps for all time. But Dame Nature sets her army of "levelers" at work—luxury, overeating and drinking, licentiousness, waste and extravagance, indulgences of all kinds—then comes the wreck. Sure, Sure, Sure.

The law of the unit is the law of the mass. Man goes through the same process. Weakness (in childhood), gradual growth of strength, energy, thrift, probity, prosperity, wealth, comfort, ease, relaxation, self-indulgence, luxury, idleness, waste, debauchery,

disease, and the wreck follows. The "levelers" are in the bushes along the pathway of every successful man and woman, and they bag the majority.

Only now and then can a man stand out against these "levelers" and hold his fortune, fame and health to the end.

So the Creator has use for Whisky, Tobacco and Coffee to level down the successful ones and those who show signs of being successful, and keep them back in the race, so that the great "field" (the masses) may not be left too far behind.

And yet we must admit that same all-wise Creator has placed it in the power of man to stand upright, clothed in the armor of a clean-cut, steady mind, and say unto himself, "I decline to exchange my birthright for a mess of pottage."

"I will not deaden my senses, weaken my grip on affairs and keep myself cheap, common and behind in fortune and fame by drugging with whisky, tobacco or coffee. Life is too short. It is hard enough to win the good things without any sort of handicap, so a man is certainly a fool trader" when he trades strength, health, money and the good things that come with power for the half-awake condition of the "druggier," with the certainty of sickness and disease ahead."

It is a matter each individual must decide for himself. He can be a leader and semi-god if he will, or he can go along through life a drugged clown, a cheap "fellow of wood or carrier of water."

Certain it is that while the Great Father of us all does not seem to "mind" if some of his children are foolish and stupid, he seems to select others (perhaps those he intends for some special work) and allows them to be threshed and castigated most fearfully by these "levelers."

If a man tries flirting with these levelers a while, and gets a few slaps as a hint, he had better take the hint, or a good solid blow will follow.

When a man tries to live upright, clean, thrifty, sober and undrugged, manifesting as near as he knows what the Creator intends he should, happiness, health and peace seem to come to him. Does it pay?

This article was written to set people thinking, to rouse the "God within," for every highly-organized man and woman has times when they feel a something calling from within for them to press to the front and "be about the Father's business." Don't mistake it; the spark of the Infinite is there and it pays in every way—health, happiness, peace and even worldly prosperity—to break off the habits and strip clean for the work cut out for us.

It has been the business of the writer to provide a practical and easy way for people to break away from the coffee habit and be assured of a return to health and all of the good things that brings, provided the above has not gone too far, and even then the cases where the body has been rebuilt on a basis of strength and health run into the thousands.

It is an easy and comfortable step to stop coffee instantly by having well-made Postum Food Coffee served rich and hot with good cream, for the color and flavor is there, but none of the caffeine or other nerve-destroying elements of ordinary coffee.

On the contrary, the most powerful "rebuilding" elements furnished by Nature are in Postum and they quickly set about repairing the damage. Seldom is it more than two days after the change is made before the old stomach or bowel troubles or complaints of kidneys, heart, head or nerves show unmistakable evidence of getting better, and ten days' time changes things wonderfully.

Literally millions of brain-working Americans to-day use Postum, having found the value and common sense in the change.

C. W. POST.

Generous Deed of Elks.

Through the generosity of the Bridgeport lodge of Elks, Peter Markoon of Wallingford, Conn., will profit by the unfortunate accident which he met with while witnessing the Elks' banner raising. A runaway horse ran him down and dislocated his collar bone.

The bone was not fractured as at first reported. Markoon was here looking for work, and when the Elks heard that he had a wife and family dependent upon him for support they sent a committee out to investigate.

Markoon, as a result, was sent back to Wallingford to-day, after the Bridgeport lodge of Elks had paid his medical expenses, secured his ticket, given him money for incidental expenses, and told him to calculate upon \$5 per week for the next four weeks.

The Elks went further. They notified the Wallingford lodge to take care of Markoon and help him to get employment. Markoon is not a member of the order, never was, and the Elks were not in any way liable for the accident.—Boston Globe.

The Eternal Feminine.

He—Will you—O, will you be mine forever?

She—Mercy, no! I just accepted Cholly Saphede last night.

He—What! Has all your encouragement to me meant nothing of affection?

She—Oh, I assure you it has meant a good deal. In fact, I don't know how I'd have managed without you. You see, until you came along and I began to be so nice to you, Cholly didn't seem to have any serious intentions at all.—Baltimore American.

This One of the Years.

Johnny—Pa, when was the year of the big wind?

Father—Any year when there was an election.

SPLENDID TRIBUTE TO MR. PARKER

Cleveland Tells Why the Democratic Candidate Is Worthy of Every Confidence.

New York, Oct. 22.—Former President Grover Cleveland in McClure's for November gives his personal estimate of Judge Parker as a candidate for president. He says in part:

"We sometimes find features of character so prominent in a man's mental organization that, like the features of his countenance, are the proof of their existence. This is pre-eminently true of Judge Parker, intent deliberation on reaching conclusions and his inherent judicial conservatism. These qualities of his mind are so distinctly apparent that they are at once seen and known by all who gain the slightest knowledge of the man. This should make it thoroughly understood that those who love presidential pyrotechnics must look elsewhere. I have known Alton B. Parker for more than twenty years. He impressed me on our first acquaintance as a sincere, honest and able man, and this impression has

with time and observation grown to clear and undoubting confidence. I am sure that I venture nothing in making the positive assertion that the guiding trait of his character is his constant and undying devotion to duty. Judge Parker's experience in judicial investigation, added to his natural aptitude in the same direction, ought to satisfy the most cautious and exacting of his abundant ability to discover in the light of constitutional requirements and in the atmosphere of enlightened and conservative Americanism, the manner in which a president should best serve his countrymen. I am persuaded that the American people will make no mistake if they place implicit reliance in Alton B. Parker's devotion to duty, in his clear perception of the path of duty, in his steadfast persistency against all temptation to lead the way where duty leads, and in his safe and conservative conception of responsibilities."

A FIGHT ON THE SOUTH.

Authorities in Canal Zone Diverting Traffic Under a Disguise.

New Orleans, La.: "The American health authorities in Panama are manipulating the health and sanitary regulations to divert traffic destined for the canal zone from the gulf ports to Northern and Eastern ports," writes Dr. O. F. C. Caracristi from Colon to a local business man. "The action of the health people has been decidedly antagonistic to Southern shippers, who are made the victims of unwarranted discrimination under the disguise of protecting the canal strip from infectious diseases. Americans are not permitted to land at Colon and other ports in the Atlantic side of the zone through idiotic regulations. In this manner traffic is diverted from Southern ports, as many persons have been

subjected to scandalous treatment and have been obliged to return to the United States after failing to effect expected business relations in Panama."

Dr. Caracristi declares that the health authorities have been denounced as favoring Northern ports to the detriment of such places as New Orleans, Galveston, Mobile, Pensacola, Tampa, Charleston and Baltimore. He says that unless the policy is changed these ports will have to be abandoned and the entire traffic will go to New York, Philadelphia and Boston. He accused Gen. Davis, commander of the American forces on the Isthmus, as being especially partial to Northern shippers, because the latter have received prejudiced endorsement from President Roosevelt and the members of the cabinet and diplomatic corps.

Won the Grand Prize.

Austin, Texas: The following was received Friday night by Prof. W. L. Bray of the State University, who arranged the Texas forestry exhibit at the World's Fair:

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 21, 1904.—William L. Bray, University of Texas, Austin, Tex.: Jury of awards, department of forestry, has given Texas exhibit grand prize. The Texas commission congratulates you and Texas on this glorious achievement. Give out to all Texas newspapers.

Louis J. Wortham.

Customs House Seized.

St. Thomas, D. W. I.: A steamer from Puerto Plata, San Domingo, which has arrived here, reports that the United States has seized the custom house at Puerto Plata. The Dominican consul here has no information of such seizure and discredits the report.

Trouble at Panama.

San Diego, Cal.: The torpedo boat destroyer Paul Jones has gone under hurry orders to meet the Pacific squadron, which is supposed to have left Magdalena Bay, where target practice has been going on, for Panama. She is bearing dispatches, the nature of which are unknown. The boat took on an extra cargo of coal and provisions and steamed out at full speed.

\$100 Oil Well Fire.

Sour Lake, Texas: Fire broke out at the Hart well in the western part of the field at an early hour Friday morning and destroyed about \$100 worth of oil and oil well machinery.

Shot in Both Arms.

Hobart, Ok.: In a street duel Friday T. P. Lea, a grocer, shot and killed Charles G. Hill, a barber. Lea was shot in both arms, but will recover. Domestic trouble caused the shooting. The Leas were recently divorced.

A Year and a Day.

Shreveport, La.: Judge Alec Bearman of the United States court has sentenced James Rice to serve one year and one day in the Federal penitentiary for taking money from the United States mails. Rice worked in the postoffice at Monterey, La., when arrested. He pleaded guilty.

Belligerent Greeks.

Salonica: Twenty Bulgarians were killed by Greeks near Florina Oct. 19. A band of sixty Bulgarians approached thirty Greeks, who were posted on a hill, supposing them to be friends. The Greeks fired point blank at them. Forty of the Bulgarians escaped.

Passed Into the North Sea.

Frederickshaven, Denmark: All the vessels comprised in the Russian Baltic squadron passed into the North Sea during Friday night.

FARMERS OF TEXAS AND LOUISIANA

Meet in Houston--They Enter Into Hearty Co-operation With Dr. Knapp in Cultural Methods.

Houston, Texas, Oct. 20.—The Farmers' Co-Operative Congress, composed of members from Texas and Louisiana opened its first session yesterday in the old Masonic Temple on Main street. The meeting was the result of the efforts of Dr. S. A. Knapp, in charge of the Texas and Louisiana territory for the Agricultural Department of the general government.

In the absence of Hon. A. L. Jackson, mayor of Houston, who was prevented from being present on account of some legal matters, City Attorney Thomas Stone delivered the address of welcome.

He spoke of the extent of the loss occasioned to the farmers each year by the boll weevil. He said the number of bales lost would reach one million, that meant a loss of \$50,000,000 each year to the farmers. This amount of money turned loose would make a marked difference in the condition of the people.

He spoke of the efforts being put forth by the United States government through the able management of Dr. S. A. Knapp and his corps of efficient helpers.

He said that Texas is an Empire and that everything can be grown here "from a man to a prairie dog."

He said that by intelligent work the farmers would be able to combat the evil of the boll weevil.

He spoke of the good prices cotton is bringing as compared to ten years ago. Then cotton only brought five cents a pound; now it costs nearly that to pick it. He said by intelligent management the prices of cotton would not necessarily be reduced, even with an increase of production.

He spoke of Houston being the greatest cotton market of the Southwest and predicted that in the future she would be the greatest in the world. On account of the Isthmian Canal Houston will be made the half-way house between New York and the Far East, and in the natural order of things would become a great city. That Houston was interested in the farmers, for her greatness is due somewhat to the farmers.

He stated that the doors of Houston had been thrown wide open to the farmers and that the officers had been instructed not to interfere with them so long as they did not flagrantly violate any law.

Dr. Knapp introduced J. E. Adger, who made a short talk, expressing the hope of a good meeting with much resulting good.

Mr. R. R. Claridge of Palestine was introduced by Dr. Knapp and made a very interesting talk. He said that as long as people wore clothes cotton

Dust to Dust.

Dresden: With cannon booming and with volleys of musketry outside, Emperor William, King Frederick Auguste, Archduke Franz Ferdinand and the royal personages, courtiers and dignitaries standing about, the catafalque bearing the remains of the late King George of Saxony was slowly lowered into the vault of the Catholic Court church. When the red velvet covered casket beneath the black baldachin was no longer visible, a mighty choir composed of church and opera singers burst forth with "Sala Regia."

Wreck Near Colmesneil.

Colmesneil, Texas: The northbound passenger train to Rockland on the Texas and New Orleans road, which is due here at 12:35 p. m., was derailed two miles south of this place. Several of the passengers walked to town and reported the wreck and conveyances were sent out from here for those remaining. The engine struck a cow, which derailed it and at 5 o'clock the belated train had not arrived. No one was hurt.

Expensive Landslide.

Mexico City: Word from Mazatlan states that since the opening of the rainy season in the state of Sinaloa the Guadalupe de Los Reyes Mining Company has lost bullion to the value of \$100,000. A few days ago a landslide occurred in the neighborhood of the Piaxtla river and four pack mules loaded with bullion were precipitated into the raging waters and drowned. Attempts made to recover the bullion have thus far been unsuccessful.

Porter Accused of Smuggling.

El Paso, Texas: For a long time the customs authorities have suspected that the Pullman car porters running into the city over the Mexican Central were engaged in systematic smuggling and Wednesday S. Simmons, a negro, was taken into custody while on his way to a hotel to deliver a quantity of drawn wool to one of the guests. He was accused of smuggling the goods across the border in his car.

would be raised, and Texas would raise her share.

He said he did not advocate starting the boll weevil by stopping growing cotton. He favors fighting the weevil in the open.

He stated that the results accomplished the past year must prove gratifying to Dr. Knapp, for it is largely due to his untiring efforts that the evil of the boll weevil had been so far overcome.

He said that Dr. Knapp is on the right track in that he does not confine himself to any one method. He thinks no one remedy can solve the problem, and Dr. Knapp is advocator of all remedies that prove of any effect at all.

He said he was present at the meeting at San Marcos, when the prize of \$50,000 was offered. He said that he was convinced then that no one would get that prize, and he is still of that opinion.

He said that Dr. Knapp little knew how far his good influence had been felt or how much he had been followed by the farmers. Many who are not co-operators were following his instructions with beneficial results.

He said that while many of the Texas farmers had studied the scientific principles of growing cotton, yet the extent of ignorance of common principles of natural laws is appalling.

He said that Dr. Knapp's influence has been felt in every branch of agriculture in Texas.

One of the principal things that had been accomplished by Dr. Knapp among the co-operators was the improvement of the staple of the cotton. This in itself is of incalculable value.

He predicted the complete overthrow of the boll weevil as a result of the war being waged by Dr. Knapp and his men.

Mr. Stanley H. Watson moved that Dr. Knapp be selected as the chairman of the congress, and there being a dozen seconds, Mr. George W. Curtis put the motion and the doctor was selected by a unanimous vote.

Mr. George W. Curtis was elected secretary with five assistants, who are as follows: Stanley Watson, Houston; T. O. Plunkett, Waco; S. J. Bentley, Wichita Falls; F. B. McCade, Terrell; George T. Williams, Terrell.

The vice presidents were selected as follows: Hugh Taylor, Homer, La.; L. S. Calloway, Quanah, Texas; F. A. Hiley, Shreveport, La.; George Scarborough, Grapeland; G. H. Collins, Greenville; Major J. R. Greenup, Terrell; W. L. Walker, A. A. Barnes, N. N. Hoffer, Kaufman; W. L. Foster, Shreveport; E. H. R. Green, Terrell; Lee Jerryman, Anderson.

The meeting will probably adjourn today.

Lowden a Benedict.

Fort Worth, Texas: James G. Lowden, a man of affairs, well known over Texas, the head of a national bank of Abilene and the republican nominee for governor of the state, was quietly married here Wednesday morning at the Trinity Episcopal church by the pastor, Robert Hammond Cotton, to Miss Kathleen Norris of Handley. A son of Mr. Lowden, James G., Jr., came here from Abilene to attend the wedding. Only a few other relatives were present. The bride formerly resided in Abilene, but for some time has lived at Handley with her mother and brother.

Capt. Jadwin's Return.

Washington: Private advice received in the city Wednesday convey the information that Capt. Jadwin, district engineer at Galveston, will resume his duties on Nov. 1. Capt. Jadwin was temporarily transferred to New York some time ago in order to obtain treatment for his eyes, which have been a source of much trouble to him. He has undergone several operations since leaving Galveston and his sight is now said to be much improved.

Mexican Star Gazer.

Mexico City: Louis McG. Romero, a pupil of the National Preparatory school and a member of the Astronomical Society, has discovered the Encke comet, being the first Mexican to discover it.

It is proposed to build an Italian cotton factory here for the manufacture of special kinds of cotton goods finding acceptance in Italy.

Russia's New Ships.

Warned Munde, Mecklenburg-Schwerin: The mail steamers Kaiser Wilhelm and Koenig Christian, recently sold to an Odessa firm, have been rechristened and have sailed for Russia.

Shot and Killed.

Gainesville, Texas: A young man named Less Hodgkinson was shot and killed in West Gainesville Wednesday morning at 1 o'clock. An arrest has been made.

THE FARMERS FINISH UP BUSINESS

Many Cultural Methods Demonstrated Before the Progressive Farmers at Houston.

Houston, Texas, Oct. 21.—The two days' congress of co-operative demonstration workers has been brought to a close, and the farmers, bankers and merchants from different sections of the state have gone to their homes thoroughly alive to the benefits to be derived by following the directions of the Department of Agriculture in fighting the boll weevil pest. Those who attended the congress are in a frame of mind which might be termed enthusiastic. They have been taught that cotton can be grown in Texas in spite of the boll weevil, though no hope has been held out that the pest will ever be eradicated.

Even those who are not confronted with the pest, and are not likely to be, have benefited by the discussions. They have learned something about diversification, the rotation of crops, the raising of cereals, hogs and cattle. In a word, they have been taught lessons in farming that will be of vast benefit to them, and they will go home and teach these same lessons to their neighbors.

However, the congress was not so much the dissemination of information concerning the cultural methods

as it was the giving of the experience of those who had adopted the methods. The special agents who have been in the state and in Louisiana for the past year have preached to the farmers of the different sections concerning the cultural methods. Most of the farmers in the state know pretty much the plans pursued by the demonstration workers. Many of them were skeptical and refused to adopt the work. These farmers have seen that their neighbors who adopted the methods have succeeded while they have failed, and next year they will make crops themselves by adopting the methods.

One gentleman stated during the congress that the work of the government had resulted in many instances in awakening people who did not enroll themselves in the movement. It was his experience, he stated, that many farmers over the state, seeing what the demonstration workers were doing, became imbued with the spirit of beating them, and the result was that they had made crops by intensely cultivating their lands. It was results that they were after, he stated, and he and his co-workers were glad to see it.

AVES MADE BISHOP.

Will Have Supervision Over Mexican Episcopal Congregations.

Boston, Mass.: The house of bishops of the Episcopal church, in session here Thursday, nominated Rev. Henry D. Aves of Houston, Texas, for missionary bishop of Mexico. The office is one of recent creation, having been decided upon at the present session of the Episcopal conference in this city. Rev. Aves, who is the rector of Christ Episcopal church at Houston, will have general supervision over the English speaking congregations of Episcopalians in the Mexican republic.

By an overwhelming majority a compromise canon on the remarriage of a divorced person was adopted by the house of deputies of the Episcopal general convention, and if it is concurred in by the house of bishops, the most important issue that has come before the present convention will be disposed of for at least three years. The compromise measure, like the old law, permits the remarriage of the innocent person in a divorce for the cause of infidelity, but further provides that no remarriage shall be allowed within one year after a decree has been issued by a civil court. Satisfactory proof of the innocence of the applicant for remarriage must be furnished in the shape of court records, and after the consent of the bishop is obtained a clergyman may refuse to perform such a ceremony without subjecting himself to censure or discipline.

In the opinion of Francis A. Lewis of Philadelphia, a member of the committee on canons, who favored no marriage of a divorced person, but who accepted the compromise, the canon adopted is so strict that if endorsed by the bishops it will practically put the church, as he expressed it, "out of the divorce business."

Lost His Right Leg.

Lake Charles, La.: James Pollock, while attempting to board a Watkins train at Kinder Wednesday evening, met with a serious accident. Pollock slipped as he went to board a freight train, and fell, his right leg being cut off below the knee by the wheels of a box car. He was brought to Lake Charles and Dr. Watkins is attending him.

Second Degree Murder.

Houston, Texas: Thursday night the jury brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree in the case of Wm. Lyles, charged with the killing of William Leben last November at Cross Timbers, a small place seven miles east of this city.

Crystal Wedding at Temple.

Temple, Texas: Mr. and Mrs. John H. Stephens celebrated the anniversary of their marriage Wednesday night by a crystal wedding at which a large number of their friends and relatives, both from town and abroad, were present.

Accidentally Shot.

Hempstead, Texas: Mr. Robert Crawford, a young man of this city, was shot in the left knee Wednesday by the accidental discharge of a revolver in his own hand.

Earle Granted \$5,000 Bail.

Corsicana, Texas: After a habeas corpus trial lasting two and a half days, Walter Earle, charged with killing Policeman Maddux here a few weeks ago, was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000.

A Fatal Precaution.

Boise, Idaho: A young man named Dan Jones has been fatally wounded by his own revolver in a lodging house here. He had gone to bed and placed the weapon under his pillow. Seeing the pistol slipping out he made a grab for it, but only succeeded in knocking it harder on the floor. It was discharged and the ball entered his abdomen. He was able to give his name when found, but could give no account of himself. Papers found in his clothing show that his home was in Louisville, Ky.

Too Dry for Berries.

Alvin, Texas: The weather continues very cool and dry, with brisk north to northeast winds. The nurseries are receiving numerous large orders for berry plants, but the ground is too dry to move the plants. The hay men are all putting in good time and making some very fine hay.

McClannahan Office Discontinued.

Marlin, Texas: The McClannahan postoffice, near Marlin, has been discontinued as a result of the rural free delivery. All mail matter intended for that place will be distributed from Marlin.

Rumors of an Attack.

Colon: There is a rumor current here that a large body of armed Colombians has been concentrated near Calebra with the intention of making an attack there on Nov. 3, the first anniversary of the secession of Panama from Colombia. The canal zone authorities are investigating the report, but no importance is attached to the rumor, the origin of which is attributed to malcontents.

Steamers Rechristened.

Warned Munde Mecklenburg-Schwerin: The mails steamers Kaiser Wilhelm and Koenig Christian, recently sold to an Odessa firm, have been rechristened and have sailed for Russia.

Child Burned by Gasoline.

El Paso, Texas: The 3-year-old child of John Callahan was seriously burned Thursday by an explosion of a gasoline stove. Mrs. Callahan's hands and arms were severely injured while she was endeavoring to save the child's life.

Aeronaut Injured.

San Angelo, Texas: M. H. Phillips, a balloonist from Hudson, Mich., was injured Thursday while making an ascension at the San Angelo fair. When about sixty feet high the balloon split into shreds and Phillips fell to the ground, striking several spectators, who were also injured. He will recover.

Box Cars Burned.

Jacksonville, Texas: Two old box cars, which were doing service in the Texas and New Orleans yards as a tool and oil house, burned Wednesday night, the origin of the fire caused by the explosion of a lamp. Loss not exceeding \$300.

Frost North of Red River.

Denison, Texas: There was no frost in Denison last night, but rains coming in from the north were coated with white. From Red River north it was reported that the frost was heavy.

Frost in Brown County.

Brownwood, Texas: First frost of the season was noticed here Thursday morning. In some parts of this county heavy frosts are reported, but here it was very light.

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Announcements.

FOR CONGRESS.
THE NEWS is authorized to announce
N. Garner for re-election to Congress
in this district, subject to the action of
Democratic party.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE.
THE NEWS is authorized to announce M.
Malone for re-election to the office of
County Judge.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce E.
Jones for the office of County Judge.

FOR SHERIFF & TAX COLLECTOR.
THE NEWS is authorized to announce Mr.
John Perry for the office of Sheriff and Tax
Collector.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce
Ed Pfitter for the office of Sheriff and Tax
Collector.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce H.
H. Levering for re-election to the office of
Sheriff and Tax Collector.

FOR COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK.
THE NEWS is authorized to announce
Ira Spaly as a candidate for the office of
County and District Clerk.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce
O. F. Seargeant for re-election to the office
of County and District Clerk.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce
Hancock Fritter as a candidate for the office
of County and District Clerk.

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.
THE NEWS is authorized to announce
H. Nutt as a candidate for the office of
Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce H.
Falcott for re-election to the office of
Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1.

TAX ASSESSOR.
THE NEWS is authorized to announce
Jos. Veltmann for re-election to the office of
Tax Assessor.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce
Adolph Bitter to the office of Tax Assessor.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce R.
Stratton for re-election to the office of
Treasurer.

We are authorized to announce J. N.
Spear as a candidate to the office of
County Treasurer.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce N.
Castro for re-election to the office of County
Commissioner of Precinct No. 1.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce A.
Lalley for Commissioner Precinct No. 2.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce
Henry I. Moore as the Republican candidate
for Judge of the 63rd Judicial district.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce
Judge B. C. Thomas as the Democratic
Nominee and candidate for Judge of the 63rd
Judicial district.

Mr. Morin and Moore, Southwest
Texas will be proud of them on
election day.

Kinney will not be the only
county that will give a big ma-
jority for Sam Morin.

It is hard to find a man in
Kinney county that will vote
against Sam Morin.

It is not long till election, in
the meantime do some talking
and working for Morin and
Moore.

From everywhere over the
district comes encouraging re-
ports of the prospects for
Morin's success.

We wonder why there have
not been more joint debates in
the 15th district this campaign?
It was not Morin's fault at any
rate.

Henry Moore has made a good
clean campaign, which is more
than can be said of the ill ad-
vised efforts of the frantic
friends of his opponent.

If Moore hasn't a better
standing in his community than
the poker playing lawyer that
is villifying in Del Rio, his
standing is blow zero.

As a lawyer, Moore is
Thomas' superior. As to ex-
perience, his equal, and as a
man that is honest, upright

and trustworthy, he is the in-
ferior of no man in the district,
his opponent not excepted,

Henry Moore is a Kinney
county product, and a young
professional man, of whom Kin-
ney county has just reason to be
proud. Kinney county should
give him a rousing majority on
election day.

The space is not the thing the
merchant pays for at all when
he buys an advertisement in the
paper. Space is only the me-
dium through which he conveys
an impression of his goods and
his store to thousands of possi-
ble customers each week.—Hon-
do Anvil-Herald.

The present member of Con-
gress from this district un-
doubtedly did his best while at
Washington, but what can a
democrat congressman expect
to be able to do in a republican
house with a republican ad-
ministration? Elect Sam Morin,
and this district would reap
favours untold.

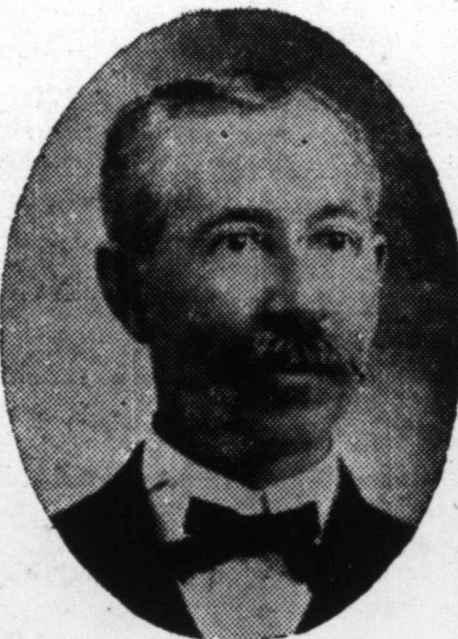
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splendid news reports the Hous-
ton Chronicle has special leased
wires from the Publishers Press
Association and from W. R.
Hearst's New York American.
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into this office enable the Chron-
icle to furnish its readers the
best, earliest and most elab-
orate news service of any paper
in Texas.

The Sunday morning Houston
Chronicle is a special feature
paper, containing from 30 to 50
pages. There are 4 pages of illus-
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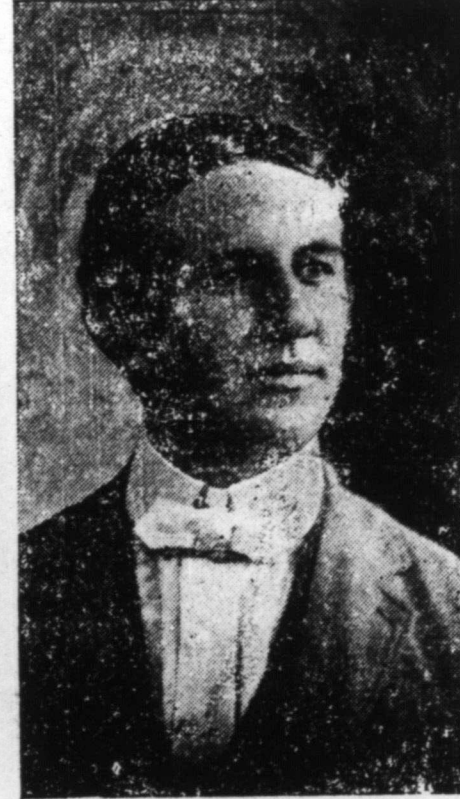
The following from the
Floresville Chronicle is a sam-
ple of the complimentary words
that are being said about our
next congressman from the 15th
Hon. J. S. Morin stands for
all that is manly in man and
all that the Republican party
advocates. You can no more
blame him for what individuals
in the party do than you can
blame the church for what
some of its members do. He
is a perfect gentleman, and
recognized as such in his home
town; despite the underhanded
slurs cast at him by the ir-
responsible mouthpiece down the
street.

Sam Morin, republican nomi-
nee for Congress, accompanied
by R. W. Dowe of Eagle Pass,
arrived in Uvalde on Monday.
Mr. Morin spoke in the interest
of his candidacy at the Court
House that night. A large num-
ber of citizens were present,
including many ladies. The
speaker was introduced by Post-
master D. W. Barnhill, who for
many years had been acquaint-
ed with him. Mr. Morin spoke
for nearly two hours in defense
of the administration and its
policies. His speech was in-
terspersed with humorous an-
ecdotes that he used at the ex-
pense of his opponent and pro-
voked a great deal of mirth. Mr.
Morin and Mr. Dowe left here
for Sabinal, where the former
was to speak Tuesday night.—
Uvalde Leader-News.

Speaking the varied interests
with which Mr. G. Bedell Moore
of San Antonio is connected,
such as vast holdings of rice
lands in the coast belt, lumber
mills in east Texas, big new
office buildings in San Antonio
etc., the Orange Leader says:
"Among the many enterprises
which Mr. Moore is engaged
in, the most important is the
big canal and irrigation system
he has established near Del
Rio, where by the aid of a mag-
nificent canal system thousands
of acres of arid lands are being



HON. J. S. MORIN



HON. HENRY I. MOORE

Morin and Moore, Southwest Texas will be proud of them on Election Day.

brought under cultivation and
responding readily to the touch
of the husbandman. This year
several thousand acres were
planted in rice, which is now
being harvested and a big
yield is reported. The greater
portion of this rice will be
brought to Orange and milled
here. Mr. Moore has spent
thousands of dollars developing
that section of the country and
his plans have not yet reached
a state of maturity."

And now it develops that the
editor of the Brackett News is a
democrat; that he took part in
the democratic primaries; that
he whooped 'em up for Kilpat-
rick and Garner. Well, there
are many different people in the
world, but the political leaders
in Val Verde county can furnish
any kind made to order.—Eagle
Pass Guide.

We laid low last week re-
garding the above charges
waiting till some sucker would
bite, and behold the Guide has
swallowed the bait, hook and
all. Now we will make this
statement. The Guide can
make due acknowledgements if
it sees fit. Our brother, the
editor of the Record-News is
and has been a democrat since
Bryan ran the first time. The
editor of this paper never has
voted a democratic ticket nor
taken part in democratic pri-
maries otherwise than as an on-
looker, the assertions of cer-
tain maligners to the contrary
notwithstanding. Mr. Guide
put that in your pipe and smoke
it.

The gentlemen (?) that are
editing the "Political Review"
column in the Val Verde County
Herald have been using their
best endeavors to bring the
editor of this paper into dis-
repute with Kinney county peo-
ple. In reply we will say that
we have always been a republi-
can, have never voted any
other ticket. We acknowledge
that we were present at the
democrat primary in Del Rio as
was nearly every other republi-
can in the town but as to taking
part in the convention, by mak-
ing any pledges or by register-
ing our poll tax receipt, we
deny. This matter can be easi-
ly ascertained by "digging up"
the list and if the mud-slinging
villifiers will take the trouble to
do this they will find that our
name is not on that list. We
understand that a certain law-
yer, who two years ago was
badly beaten for office in an
overwhelmingly democratic
district and a certain school
teacher that hadn't sense
enough to put into the precinct
credentials the names of the
delegates, though he drove 70
miles to attend the convention,
are responsible for these asser-
tions. As for being "Martiniz-
ed", well,—the people of Brackett
seem pretty well pleased
with the result, if the increase
in our subscription list and im-
provement of the paper be any
criterion,

Some Fine Mohair.

Messrs. George Ellis and J.
C. Lane who have large goat
ranches to the north of Brackett
brought in about 4400 lbs.
of fine mohair a few days ago
and stored with Petersen & Co.
until satisfactory bids could be
gotten. Some of the hair was
of very fine quality and about
six and a half inches long. The
Angora Goat business is a grow-
ing one in this section, as
ranchmen are beginning to realize
that the brush and climate are
suitable. The northern hilly
part is especially suitable for
the purpose. About \$1700
worth in addition to the above
mentioned lot, have been sold
at Brackett this season.

Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas, To the
Sheriff or any Constable of
Kinney Co., Greeting:
You are hereby commanded
to summon Albert Conley by
making publication of this
Citation once in each week for
four successive weeks previous
to the return day hereof, in
some newspaper published in
your County, if there be a news-
paper published therein, but if
not, then in any newspaper
published in the 63rd Judicial
District; but if there be no
newspaper published in said
Judicial District, then in a
newspaper published in the
nearest District to said 63rd,
Judicial District, to appear at
the next regular term of the
District Court of Kinney County,
to be holden at the Court House
thereof, in Brackett, on the
fourteenth Monday after the
first Monday in September A.D
1904 the same being the 12th
day of December 1904, then
and there to answer a petition
filed in said Court on the 6th
day of October 1904 in a suit,
numbered on the docket of said
Court No. 539, wherein Minnie
Conley, is Plaintiff, and Albert
Conley is Defendant, and said
petition alleging; That on Aug-
ust 22nd, 1898, in Maverick
County Texas, plaintiff and de-
fendant were duly and legally
married, and thereafter their
said marriage they lived to-
gether as husband and wife for
one month and twenty-one days
plaintiff at all times conducting
herself as a dutiful wife should,
and managing the domestic
affairs with prudence, care and
economy, but the defendant dis-
regarding the solemnity of his
marriage vows, did on, the 12th
day of October, 1898, willingly
and wilfully, abandon plaintiff
with the intention of abandon-
ment, and more than three
years have elapsed since he so
abandoned plaintiff with the in-
tention of abandonment.
With the prayer that the mar-
riage now existing between
plaintiff and defendant be dis-
solved and held for naught, and
that plaintiff's name be changed
from Minnie Conley to Minnie
Bucklew, which it was before her

intermarriage to said defendant.
Herein Fail Not, but have
before said Court, at its afore-
said next regular term, this
writ, with your return thereon,
showing how you have executed
the same.

Witness, O. F. Seargeant, Clerk
of the District Court of Kinney
County.
Given under my hand and
the Seal of said Court, at office
in Brackett this the 6th day of
Oct. 1904.

O. F. SEARGEANT,
Clerk, District Court Kinney
County.
By MILDRED CLAIBORNE,
[SEAL.] Deputy.
SHERIFF'S RETURN.

Came to hand on the 6th day
of October A. D. 1904, at 4
o'clock p. m and I executed
the within Citation by ordering
the same published in the Brackett
News a newspaper published in
the County of Kinney once
in each week for four success-
ive weeks previous to the return
day hereof.

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Sheriff Kinney County.
By JOHN DOOLEY,
Deputy.

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ing Fresh Beef and Mutton, called for by
Commissaries at Forts Bliss, Brown, Clark,
McIntosh, Ringgold, Sam Houston, Tex.;
Jackson Barracks, La., Fort Logan H. Root
Ark., and Forts Reno and Sill, O. T., during
six months commencing January 1, 1905.
Proposals received and opened same hour
by Commissaries of those posts, each re-
ceiving proposals for his own post only.
Proposals will also be received stating
prices at which bidder will deliver fresh
beef and mutton of temperature not greater
than 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Information
furnished on application. Envelopes con-
taining proposals should be endorsed "Propo-
sals for Fresh Beef and Mutton," and
addressed to undersigned, or to Commis-
sary at post bid for. S. B. Bootes, Capt.,
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FROM THE POST

Sergt. Reed, of B troop, spent several days in the hospital lately but is on his pins again smiling affably as usual.

Troop A defeated troop E in the Sunday morning game after nine spiritless innings replete with errors on both sides.

Sergt. Youngs, of troop B was transferred to the 15th Field Battery this week. His future station will be at San Antonio.

Band concert will be held on the officers parade in the afternoon hereafter instead of in the evening as the night air is too cold.

Sergt. Haugha, of troop A, went on a flying trip to San Antonio this week, on a sight-seeing trip. He reports having had an excellent time but says Brackett seems more like home to him.

The entire command were ordered into the Olive Drab uniform yesterday on account of the sudden drop in temperature. The men all look comfortable now.

High Mass was sung in the Catholic Church on Sunday morning last. Mrs. Capt. Cabell was the organist and assisting Mrs. Ballantyne, of Brackett, were Messieurs Logive Crafton and O'Connor of the Post.

Troop G gave a crushing de-

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FORT CLARK, TEXAS.

feat to troop B at base ball yesterday. For seven of the nine innings B troop scored nothing but goose eggs while G troop piled up 17 runs. The final score stood 17 to 3.

A rousing game of base ball was played on Sunday afternoon between troop F. and D. at the Post Grounds. There has been considerable rivalry between these two troops and excitement was high during the past few days over the prospect of a tight game. Troop D has one of the strongest teams in the league and had been picked by many for a sure winner, but after balancing inning for inning the score at the end of the ninth showed twelve to eleven in favor of F troop.

What might have been a very serious accident happened on Sunday afternoon last. Sergt. Lonzo F. Koon, troop, E 1st Cavalry, was driving one of Mr. Veltmann's horses, in a buggy. With him was his cousin, Miss Helen Elliott, of Kansas City, Mo., who is visiting the sergeant and his brother. While on the road between Brackett and the Post a horse ridden at a furious gate by one of officers' strikers, collided in some manner with the horse driven by Sergt. Koon, breaking the check strap of the bridle and letting the bit drop out of the horses' mouth, Sergeant Koon passed the reins to Miss Elliott and jumping out attempted to grasp the horse near the head to hold him. The frightened horse tore up the road to the Post, Miss Elliott still hanging to the reins. The buggy striking a large rock in the way, overturned throwing Miss Elliott underneath, scratching her face cruelly and bruising her in a number of places. We are pleased to learn however that the results are not as serious as might have been. The young lady is on the road to recovery from the shock incurred and hopes to be able to be about in a few days.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Our enrollment now is the largest in the history of the school.

The Tenth Grade Book Keeping Class are finishing up Single Entry.

The Sixth Grade have missed Sam Fritter lately. He has been sick.

Jessie Dudley and Virgel Larison were absent from the 2nd Grade last week on account of illness.

There has been several new accessions to the Second Grade recently among same being Melton Moody and Irene Sanders.

The 3rd Grade participated in a spellingmatch Friday afternoon. Herman Schafer and Sarita Martinez deserve special mention for spelling correctly the most words.

The cool weather last week was very acceptable as pupils work better than in hot weather. However we have had very pleasant temperature nearly all the time since Sept. 1.

The scarlet fever at Del Rio caused some fear among our pupils and a few stopped school for two or three days. One boy and one girl who were in school and who had recently come from Del Rio were sent home by the teachers till all danger had passed.

The Ninth and Tenth Grades wrote compositions last Friday on the subject "Beautiful Streets in a Town." They did not take the streets of Brackett as a models of beauty, but they cited some others for illustration and showed how much it helped any town to keep its streets and sidewalks in good condition.

The Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grades took great interest in the guessing Flower game which was substituted for the Spelling and Language classes

Friday. By so doing they learned to spell the names of more than one hundred different flowers, besides making them put on their thinking caps. The game was something like this:

1. The hour before my English cousin's etc.—Answer 4 o'clock.
2. A country in Asia and the name of a prominent New York family.—Answer China Astor.
- 3.—A Roman numeral.—IV y.
- 4.—The eye has it.—Answer Iris.
- 5.—What a father said to his son in the morning.—Answer Johnny jump up.

Nueces Newslet.

The weather here for the last week has been bright and warm but the nights have been quite cold with sometimes a light frost. All crops have been gathered in, the corn crop has been very light this year, owing to the drouth through summer months, but the cane and hay crop have been very good.

Last Sunday a picnic and barbecue was held at the Falcon School House and was largely attended. Mr. Hutchinson contributed a fine fat steer, and Mr. Rose, our Hon. Commissioner and others the necessary trimmings. A most enjoyable time was spent and everyone seemed to be happy. Public speaking was the order of day, Commissioner Rose spoke in Spanish, his theme was the political issue of the day, his subject was very ably handled and appeared very much appreciated, he was followed by Postmaster Yeates who also spoke in Spanish. Mr. Yeates in his speech explained the intricacy of the new election law, and confined his remarks to local affairs, Mr. Yeates was followed by Mr. W. S. Hutchinson who spoke in English, Mr. Hutchinson subject was taxation and he urgently entreated this audience to vote for

those candidates who were in favor of land beneficial to the poor man as against laws made for the trusts and rich corporations, in other words to support any candidate for the legislature who advocated equal taxation for all, rich and poor alike. Mr. Hutchinson was followed by Sr. Don. Ramon Barera, who made a very able and eloquent address. After the speaking dancing commenced, and continued untill morning.
DON. CARLOS.

S. Frakkenstein of San Antonio was in Brackett this week.

Rey. H. N. Dikeman made a trip to Uvalde Monday returning Tuesday.

Mis Mammie Gastring left yesterday for San Antonio to visit relatives.

Judge Walter Gillis, and Hon Geo. M. Thurmand were in Brackett yesterday on business.

Sharp & Rivers are undergoing some extensive improvements at their place of business this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry I. Moore of Del Rio, are in town this week. They will be here for several days.

Mrs. R. Stratton and daughter, Miss Lucy, left Monday for San Antonio to visit a few days and also see the Fair.

Albert Postell, of the Pinto, was in town this week. Mr. Postell came in and made us a pleasant call and shoved his subscription up a notch,

Subscribe.

Cool weather

Politics are warming up.

How do you like the News?

Thanksgiving will soon be here.

Bring in your bicycles for repairs.

Cedilio Convero went to San Antonio yesterday.

Send in your orders for fruits at Keys Kool Korner.

Frank Clamp and Ben Nolan are taking in the Fair.

Jack Hinds was in town from the Pratt ranch yesterday.

Mrs. Geo. Herzing left yesterday for San Antonio to visit relatives.

Wm. Sharp and Otto Stadler were passengers to San Antonio yesterday morning.

Rev. D. W. Matthews leaves today for Comstock where he will attend the Fifth Sunday meeting.

Misses Mattie Cook, Jennie, Bessie, and Nora Nolan were among those that went to San Antonio yesterday morning.

Be it high ball or straight, be it early or late, at the bar at the Club on the sly, be the drink hot or cold, be the man young or old, let him specify RED TOP

Misses Minnie and Maudie Speer left Saturday for San Antonio where they will visit relatives during the Fair. Miss Minnie will remain there and Miss Maudie will return in a few days.

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"If young girls only realized how dangerous it is to take cold at this critical time, much suffering would be spared them. Thank God for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, that was the only medicine which helped me any. Within three weeks after I started to take it, I noticed a marked improvement in my general health, and at the time of my next monthly period the pain had diminished considerably. I kept up the treatment, and was cured a month later. I am like another person since I am in perfect health, my eyes are brighter, I have added 15 pounds to my weight, my color is good, and I feel light and happy."—Miss Agnes Miller, 25 Potomac Ave., Chicago, Ill.

The monthly sickness reflects the condition of a woman's health. Anything unusual at that time should have prompt and proper attention. Fifty thousand letters from women prove that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound regulates menstruation and makes those periods painless.

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Best Cough Syrup. Best Food. Use in Home. Sold by Druggists.

THAT DOOR CLOSED.

RECIPROCITY WITH CANADA AN IMPOSSIBLE PROPOSITION.

Limited to Natural Products Only the United States Would Reject It. While Canada Will Not Lower Her Tariff Bars in Favor of American Manufactures.

The light of truth and fact seems to have penetrated the intellectuals of the Des Moines Register. After a long period of hankering after Canadian reciprocity, after having employed many columns of editorial space in urging a wide open policy of free trade in articles which can be produced more cheaply in Canada than in the United States, the Register at last sees the situation as it is and concludes that Canadian reciprocity is an impossibility under present conditions. Undoubtedly, for more than two years past these conditions have been perfectly obvious to those who opened their eyes to see. Repeatedly it has been pointed out by the opponents of competitive reciprocity that Canada did not want and would not consent to any trade arrangement other than the free interchange of natural products; that Canada was bent upon building up her own industries and not upon crushing them by inviting increased competition from the United States; that reciprocity in natural products only was not to be thought of, unless the Republican party was prepared to take the consequences of depriving the farmers of the United States of the direct benefits which they now derive from the tariff on competitive agricultural products; that, in short, Canadian reciprocity was a closed book. All this has been pointed out over and over again. It is the absolute truth and once it is fully grasped and understood as such we shall hear no more about Republican dissension on that

all, impracticable, undesirable and worthless, because it would not gain for Massachusetts manufacturers a dollar's worth of new markets for their wares, while it would be morally certain to dissolve and disrupt the more than seven years between the protected farmers of the agricultural west and the protected manufacturers of industrial New England; and, second, because the scheme of reciprocity that is being promoted by Foss and his free trade coadjutors is in direct conflict with the sound Republican doctrine, set forth in the national platform of 1904, that there shall be no reciprocity that involves injury to "any American industry or to American agriculture." The best thing to do with the reciprocity chimeras is to tell the truth about it. The truth is that the dream of Canadian reciprocity is now, and while the Republican party remains in control of national affairs must continue to be, utterly hopeless of realization. They understand it that way in Iowa. Now let Massachusetts follow suit and recognize the obvious and the inevitable.

Reducing the Military Force.

As some of President Roosevelt's critics claim to have discovered, after reading his letter of acceptance, that while he is peaceful enough now he is preparing for war, it may be interesting to call their attention to the fact that the army, so far from being increased, is of less strength than it was the summer before he succeeded to the presidency. The actual strength of the regular army, including the hospital corps, the Porto Rico regiment and the Philippine scouts, was, June 30, 1901, 2,940 officers and 78,646 enlisted men; total, 81,586. At the close of the last fiscal year, June 30, 1904, it was estimated at 69,836. Though this is an estimate, it is not likely that the completed returns will materially change these figures. For a man who is preparing for war the president is following a most peculiar

PREMATURE EXPLOSION COSTS LIVES OF BRAVE SOLDIERS

Three men were killed and ten others injured in a premature explosion of the charge in a 12-inch mortar gun at Fort Banks, Winthrop, Mass., Oct. 15.

All the dead and injured were members of the 89th company of coast artillery, commanded by Lieut. Lefort. Of the injured, Private Tomlinson is not expected to live. All the other injured are resting comfortably, and it is said that none is in a serious condition, injuries consisting principally of burns.

Never before in the history of Bos-

ton's modern coast defence was such a report heard. There was an ominous explosion, not so loud as that of a well regulated breech-loading rifle discharging its proper shot, but one to thrill the senses of the artillerymen who heard it.

Immediately following this, the southwest pit of the mortar battery vomited forth a cloud of smoke and suffocating noxious gases. More than fifty men were thrown gasping in indescribable confusion for the moment beneath that cloud.

Fire call rang out shrilly its penetrating treble.

Instantly the fort was closed to all comers by cordon as impervious as wall of steel. "Litters!" shouted Sergeant Donnan, and the hospital squad ran for the flaming volcano. As the cloud of smoke lifted, even stern discipline could not restrain the emotions from a spectacle so appalling as that which greeted the comrades who hastened to succor.

It was but momentary, however, since Capt. Merrill, officer of the day, and Lieut. Lefort, acting in command of the gun detachments at the bottom of the pit, rallied the men who had been so close to death at gun practice. Within a few feet of the breach of mortar No. 3 lay the headless body of Sergeant George J. Nevins, the acting chief of the gun detachment in the absence of its regular sergeant. Close beside it was the terribly mangled body of Private Edward Higgins, whose duty as No. 1 man at the mor-



Center—1st Sgt. Thomas Foley, Injured. Lower Left-hand Corner—Private Edward T. Higgins, Killed. Lower Right-hand Corner—Corporal Arthur Bannister, Injured.

ton's modern coast defence was such a report heard. There was an ominous explosion, not so loud as that of a well regulated breech-loading rifle discharging its proper shot, but one to thrill the senses of the artillerymen who heard it.

Under command of the officers of the company at practice order was quickly restored and discipline at once resumed. Buckets were brought and water thrown upon the burning uniforms, and, as rapidly as possible, the litter bearers removed the injured.

One glance at the breach of the mortar told the story. The entire breech mechanism was gone. Crank, console and breech block were missing. After careful search it was found that the breech block, a solid cylinder of steel, grooved to fit the threads of the breech cavity, had been thrown back by some unexplainable premature explosion, and struck the muzzle of mortar No. 2 some yards in the rear, chipping out a big piece of steel from the rim; thence had rebounded almost at right angles, to be hurled across the space of the pit, striking the concrete wall on the same face that Kelley struck, and thence, deflected back again, in a slightly downward course, from its diminished energy, it tore a big hole out of the "racer," as the mortar platform is termed, and finally dropped almost exactly beneath the muzzle of the mortar to which it belonged.

The projectile, weighing nearly 800 pounds, was found remaining in the

MAKING THE RECORD.



question, and those who continue to agitate for reciprocity with Canada will have to deal with the Democratic party, which is always ready to attack and undermine protection.

It is, to be sure, an eleventh-hour conversion in the case of the Des Moines Register, this final abandonment of the chase after the pot of gold at the foot of the Canadian reciprocity rainbow, but none the less welcome on that account.

In a recent editorial the Register says:

"Col. Raymond has recently been in Canada, and his report of sentiment as he found it, confirms the report Gov. Cummins recently brought from the North. Canada is not at all solicitous for reciprocity with the United States, further than to get a market here for Canadian farm produce, which this country has always refused to consider unless accompanied by substantial concessions to American manufactures, which Canada will never make. Canada is to-day firmly wedded to the high tariff idea as against American trade, and is steadily raising the barriers to protect Canadian manufactures. Canada has seen that a high tariff is forcing American capital across the border, and on that account also will insist upon it.

"The manufacturers of Massachusetts and New England believe they can secure more favorable admission into the Canadian market for their cotton and wool goods, but there is not the slightest indication that they can. * * * Canada will not now nor at any time while the Chamberlain preferential trade program is alive, or while the prospect of developing home industries adequate to the home needs is bright, allow the United States to enter the Canadian market on any but the most unfavorable terms. The opportunity to monopolize the Canadian market came and went ten years ago."

We commend this candid recantation on the part of a hitherto hot propagandist of the Canadian reciprocity humbug to the earnest consideration of certain Republican statesmen in Massachusetts. They can take it home to themselves with positive advantage. They may be able to discover therefrom that it is far better to fight Canadian reciprocity with the keen-edged weapons of fact, of truth and of logic, than to palter and straddle and compromise. What the Republican negotiators of Massachusetts need to be told is, not that their scheme of free trade with Canada is sanctioned by sound Republican doctrine and is not in conflict with the national Republican platform, but that reciprocity with Canada in competitive natural products is, first of

method in reducing the organized military force of the country.—Boston Transcript.

The President and Peace.

Baron d'Estournelles de Constant does not seem to regard the president as a reckless and flamboyant "war lord." On the contrary, he speaks feelingly of "the grand and decisive services rendered to the cause of international arbitration by the United States, and particularly by President Roosevelt." What were those services? The baron tells and he scarcely claims too much when he says that he knows the facts better than any one else. Certainly he should know them as well as any one in the world. "The court at The Hague," he says, "stood deserted, abandoned and ridiculed until the day when he (President Roosevelt) had the courage, generosity and foresight to save it. That act alone has entitled him to the thanks of all Europe for his pacific and liberal spirit."

That is a remarkable tribute to be paid to a "war lord" who is, according to his partisan critics, going about with a chip on each shoulder and bullying and browbeating every one with whom he comes in contact, and is ready at any moment to embroil the world in war for the sake of personal prestige or for sheer lust of blood. Yet he would be rash who should deny the authority of this speaker or the exact truth of his words.—New York Tribune.

Party Confessing its Error.

What we may know for sure is that the country does not regret any of the leading achievements of the past eight years of Republican rule. We speak this confidently, for the Democratic party now stands confessed before the country as having been in error in its opposition to the most important of these measures. It is seeking the election with a platform which virtually confesses that the party was wholly wrong in the last two presidential campaigns. It has a candidate who openly confesses that it was wrong in every vital particular. It comes pleading that it has seen the error of its ways and that as a reformed bungler it can safely be trusted with power. It has no argument or charge to make against the general sum of Republican policies.—Kansas City Journal.

Democrats and the Constitution.
The Democratic campaign handbook does well to remind the people of the constitution; but, as a partisan exponent, it is wise to remind them also, that on at least one notable occasion the Republican senators defended it against a contemplated desecration?—Washington Post.

gun nearly in the position in which it had been placed for firing. Not a vestige remained of the silk bag containing its seventy-five pounds of powder for the charge required for the shot. The broken mechanism of the breech crank and console were found dropped in the pit directly beneath the mortar

tar had been to close and lock the breech and fix the primer for the firing.

The right side of Higgins' head was blown completely away, the face itself being split almost exactly in two above the chin. His right arm was gone at the elbow and the body was in

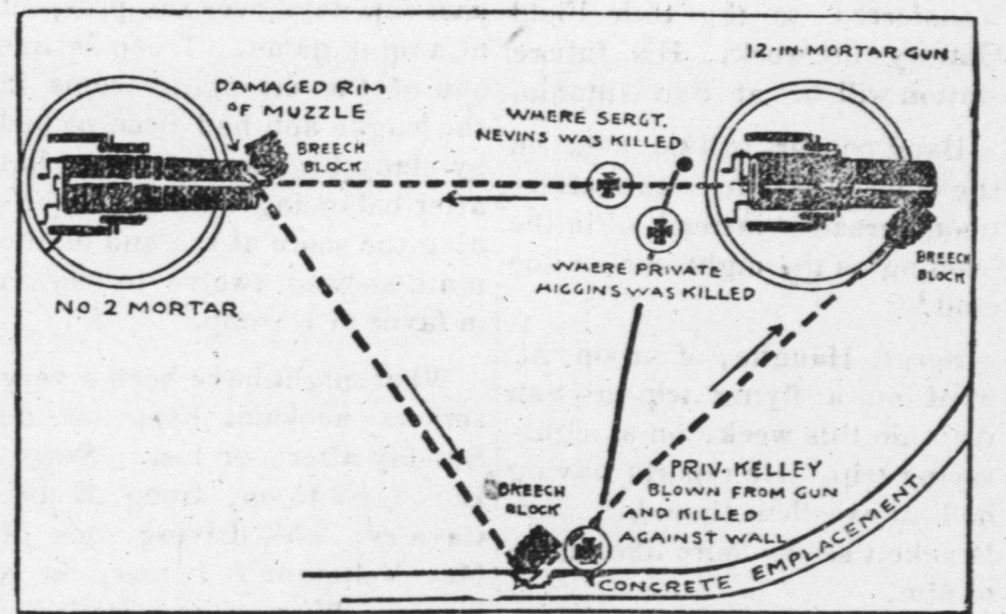


DIAGRAM OF THE ACCIDENT—DOTTED LINES SHOWING COURSE OF BREECH BLOCK.

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President to Hunt in Wyoming.
President Roosevelt will spend a few days hunting big game in Wyoming after the presidential campaign. He will be the guest of "Buffalo Bill." Several Englishmen also will be in the party. Col. Cody is now in England, and has written that he will return to America this month and will leave for the West with President Roosevelt about the middle of November. He says that the English members of the party are friends he has made while abroad, and that some of them are members of the nobility.

Honors Worthily Worn.
Few women have fitted into a new social sphere more easily than Mrs. Samuel Newhouse, wife of one of Colorado's richest men. This charming woman married Mr. Newhouse when he was poor, and she had to do her own cooking and washing. Now she travels in state, with two maids to take care of her wardrobe, but neither she nor her husband makes the slightest effort to conceal their early struggles. Mrs. Newhouse is said to own one of the finest strings of pearls in the world.—Chicago Chronicle.

Works for Christian Homes.
Rev. William Colbert Detling of Cleveland has prepared an interesting service—that of dedicating a Christian home. He reasons that the home might be dedicated to Christian work quite as much as the church, and he has prepared a simple liturgical service with this in view. This Christian home dedicatory service, as he calls it, consists of an appropriate hymn, scripture reading and responsive service, in which the pastor pledges the home to the service of God. A prayer of dedication follows, and then the appropriate song, "Home, Sweet Home."

Should Be Interesting Book.
Edmond Duval, who for nearly half a century has managed the Monte De Piete in Paris, is about to retire from his position. It was as a message boy that he began his connection with this the greatest pawnshop in the world. He is now over 70 years old. While at the head of affairs there he succeeded in reducing the rate of interest from 9 to 7 per cent, his reforms having resulted in saving 13,000,000 francs to the republic. It is said M. Duval will write a book of reminiscences.

BLOOD WILL TELL

A THEORY SUPPORTED BY FRESH, CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE.

A Recent Instance Proves That a Woman's Happiness is Largely Dependent on the State of Her Blood.

When the blood is disordered every organ of the body is affected unfavorably and fails to discharge its functions properly. In the case of every woman nature has made special provision for a periodical purification of the blood, and so long as this occurs her health and spirits unfailingly reveal the beneficial results. So slight a cause as a cold or a nervous shock may produce a suppression of this vital function, and until it is restored she is doomed to misery. The remedy that has proved most prompt and effective in all disorders peculiar to the female sex is that which brought such great relief to Miss Mattie Griggs, of No. 807 Indiana street, Lawrence, Kansas, concerning which she speaks as follows:

"In the winter of 1902, from some unknown cause, there was a cessation of functions peculiar to my sex for a period of four months. I became very weak and could not get up stairs without help. I had nausea and pain and a constant headache. I was under the care of a physician for three months, but he did not succeed in curing me. Then a lady friend told me about the merits of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills which she had used in her family, and she induced me to try them. It was in May when I first began to use them, and in June I had fully recovered my health, and have since remained perfectly well."

In all cases of delayed development of young girls; in anemia or weakness due to impoverished blood and showing itself in pallor, lack of ambition, despondency and nervousness; also in the great constitutional disturbances attending the period known as the change of life, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are invaluable for women, whose health is always closely dependent on the state of the blood. They are sold by all druggists. A booklet of valuable information relating to the care of a woman's health at all important periods, and entitled "Plain Talks to Women," will be sent free in a sealed envelope to any one who chooses to write for it to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

March on, My Soul.

March on, my soul, nor like a laggard stay,
March swiftly on, yet err not from the way
Where all the nobly wise of old have trod—
The path of faith made by the sons of God.
Follow the marks that they have set beside
The narrow, cloud-swept track, to be thy guide:
Follow and honor what the past has gained,
And forward still, that more may be attained,
Something to learn, and something to forget;
Hold fast the good, and seek the better yet;
Press on, and prove the pilgrim-hope of youth—
That creeds are milestones on the path of Truth.

Ringling Bells to Swarm Bees.

It is a foolish notion to suppose that the ringing of bells or "tangling" of tin pans will cause a swarm of bees to settle. The real origin of this custom dates back to the reign of Alfred the Great, who in order to prevent disputes regarding the ownership of a swarm ordered that the owner should always ring a bell when his bees swarmed; and, ever since then, the good farmer's wife has been rushing out with ringing bells whenever the bees swarmed, and the fact that they settled verified, in her own mind, the belief that the bell did it.—Country Life in America.

Six Doctors Failed.

South Bend, Ind., Oct. 24 (Special)—After suffering from Kidney Disease for three years; after taking treatment from six different doctors without getting relief, Mr. J. O. Laudeman of this place found not only relief but a speedy and complete cure in Dodd's Kidney Pills. Speaking of his cure Mr. Laudeman says:

"Yes, I suffered from Kidney Trouble for three years and tried six doctors to no good. Then I took just two boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills and they not only cured my kidneys, but gave me better health in general. Of course I recommended Dodd's Kidney Pills to others and I know a number now who are using them with good results."

Mr. Laudeman's case is not an exception. Thousands give similar experiences. For there never yet was a case of Kidney Trouble from Backache to Bright's Disease that Dodd's Kidney Pills could not cure. They are the only remedy that ever cured Bright's disease.

Germany's public debt amounts to \$750,000,000; the interest on this is more than \$25,000,000 a year.

The number of canals in operation in the United States exceeds twenty thousand, and their combined length is not less than fifty thousand miles.

An excuse is usually a lie in disguise.

Habit is a wonderful thing, but it never yet made a man look for der towel before he got der soap in his eyes.

Don't aim too high or you will miss the good things of life a little lower down.

If husbands and wives were always sweethearts there would be no longings for another and better world.

You aren't really living if you aren't learning a little something every day and taking time to think.

TIME TO JUDGE SCENERY.

Observant Man Advises Waiting Until After Breakfast.

"It's curious, you know, it really is," said a returned summer boarder, "what effect a good square meal will have on the imagination."

"We arrived at the end of a long railroad journey, on our way to where we were to spend the summer, at 5 o'clock in the morning. Then we took a stage and rode miles further over a hilly road, in the chilly morning air to one end of a lake, where we took a steamboat and rode some more miles to our final destination, arriving there at 7 a. m."

"Seen under such circumstances, after being routed out of bed at 4 a. m., and before breakfast, the scenery was disappointing. The lake seemed not much bigger than a good-sized mill pond, the trees were all stunted and the mountains were not much bigger than hills, and we were inclined to take a gloomy view of things, and in that frame we remained until, at 7:30, the toasts sounded and we went in for breakfast."

"That was a good breakfast, with everything well cooked and admirably served, and with particularly excellent coffee, and we had the appetites of hungry mules and lingered long."

"When we had again come out the sun was shining and the lake had been enlarged by four acres at least; each individual tree of all the innumerable thousands that everywhere fringed the lake's shores and rose upward on its mountainous sides had grown forty feet, and the mountains themselves now climbed to the sky."

"It was all noble and restful and beautiful; and so it remained, growing on us all the time as long as we were there."

"Hereafter I shall never pass judgment on scenery till after breakfast."—New York Sun.

GAMBLE ON RULERS' LIVES.

English People Make Practice of This Form of Insurance.

"Policies, I'll wager, are already being taken out in London on the life of the Alexis, the new heir to the Russian throne," said an insurance agent. "The English gamble horribly in life insurance, and Alexis must appeal to them as a wonderful risk. They will pay high for him, though."

"The insurance rates on all royal lives are a tribute to the power of the nihilists and anarchists, for they are so huge as to be almost prohibitive. The rate on the King of England is enormous, and among monarchs his is the lowest rate of any. That on the Russian czar is the highest. The czar is a bad risk. Many companies would not insure him on any consideration."

"But Lloyd's, the great London concern, would insure anything or anybody—Prof. Langley going in one of his flying machines, a Japanese spy about to enter Port Arthur, a Russian battleship going into battle. And hence Lloyd's is willing to insure the poor little Russian heir, and a certain class of men, taking advantage of this fact, are procuring policies upon the baby's life."

"Gambling on lives is a ghastly form of sport, and I believe that it is practiced nowhere but in England. It ought not to be practiced there. The law ought to prohibit it. At Lloyd's, however, it is always going on. Policies at Lloyd's are continually being taken out on persons of eminence all over the world."

How Nature Works.

A lonely rock uprose above the sea,
The coral insects fretting at its base;
And no man came into its loneliness,
The very storm-birds shunned its evil case.

Only the ocean beat upon its breast,
Only the ocean gave it close embrace.

An island was upheaved toward the skies,
A central fire within its heart had burst;
The rock became a mountain, stern and strong,
The desolation showed at first:

A stray bird dropped a seed that fructified,
No longer reigned the barrenness accursed.

A little world stood out among the seas,
With singing brooks and many a fragrant wood.

Where lovers heard again their story sweet,
And truth grew fair, more fully understood.

The tender flowers o'ergrew the chasms deep,
And God looked down, and saw that it was good.

—Sarah Williams.

Canada's New Governor.

An American boy who was traveling in South Africa in 1896, toward the close of the Matabele troubles, recalls his first sight of Earl Grey, the new governor general of Canada. "His lordship," says the American referred to, "did not look a bit like a belted earl. Though administrator of Rhodesia at the time, he was in his shirt sleeves, with a pair of obviously ready-made trousers and a disreputable slouch hat. He and a couple of friends were having a drink at the bar of the Bulwayo club." Lord Grey, by the way, was born in a royal residence. His father was private secretary to Queen Victoria, and Lady Grey was stopping in St. James' palace at the time.

Oldest Naval Veteran.

William Macabee, America's oldest naval veteran and an inmate of the sailor's home near Philadelphia, has been celebrating his one hundred and first birthday. The old man who was born in Baltimore, Sept. 22, 1803, entered the navy as an apprentice on the frigate Constitution. His birthday anniversaries in recent years have been memorable events. Last year Attorney General Moody, then secretary of the navy, was in Philadelphia, and made it a special point to congratulate the old man. "Billy" is still nimble on his feet, and on his birthday danced a couple of steps of the sailor's hornpipe, to the unmeasured delight of his aged fellow inmates.

A VOICE FROM THE PULPIT.

Rev. Jacob D. Van Doren, of 57 Sixth street, Fond Du Lac, Wis., Presbyterian clergyman, says: "I had attacks of kidney disorders which kept me in the house for days at a time, unable to do anything. What I suffered can hardly be told. Complications set in, the particulars of which I will be pleased to give in a personal interview to any one who requires information. This I can conscientiously say: Doan's Kidney Pills caused a general improvement in my health. They brought great relief by lessening the pain and correcting the action of the kidney secretions."



Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all druggists. Price, 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

KNOW IT WAS THE POPE.

Titled Woman Not Strong on Points of Historical Accuracy.

The duchess of Bedford, who died in 1859, was rather weak-minded, and unhappily her education did little to disguise the defects which nature had imposed upon her. Her great dread was to have a visitor at Woburn abbey who would ask her hard questions about the foundation and history of the abbey. So if she had a savant in the party she always asked a man of higher rank to meet her, so that she might not be taken in to dinner by the savant. Once, as bad luck would have it, she got Lord Stanhope, the historian, who, though he had to take her in to dinner, was none the less a savant. As soon as he sat down to dinner he began the dreaded inquiries about the date of the abbey. The poor duchess, much frustrated, said:

"I have a very poor head for these historical things, but I will tell you all I know. The founder was a Crusader who, finding himself in great danger in battle, vowed that if he got home to Europe safe he would do anything the Pope told him. He got back safe and went to Rome, and the Pope told him to build a Cistercian abbey—and he built Woburn abbey. That's all I know."

Lord Stanhope said: "That's exactly what I wanted, for if you can tell me which Pope it was I can approximately fix the date."

"Oh!" said the duchess, "I always understood it was the Pope of Rome."—Manchester Guardian.

Not Disappointed This Time.

"I have been often disappointed in the use of some widely advertised remedy, claiming to cure this or that trouble. Nevertheless, on the strength of one of the testimonial letters published, I decided to try a box of Hunt's Cure. My trouble was eczema of the lower limbs, from which I long suffered. One box cured me. I have had a pleasant, peaceful summer, thanks to Hunt's Cure."

Mrs. Alice Fortune,
Shell Knob, Mo.

It is a blessing for the happy home that husbands and wives do not always know exactly what each thinks of the other.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 2-pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters the figures "16 ozs." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

It may be better to be an old man's darling than a young man's slave—yet there are more slaves than darlings.

FITS permanently cured. No other nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Sent for \$1.00 in 30-day trial bottles and treatment. Dr. R. H. Kline, Ltd., 151 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

"There's one good thing about it," chuckled the ancient Phoenician as he invented the alphabet, "some of those politicians will be sure to write letters now that will knock them into a cocked hat when they run for office."

The man who is satisfied he made a mistake in marrying is not satisfied.

Dickey's Old Reliable Eye-water cures sore or weak eyes. Don't hurt. Feels good.

All passions are good when one masters them.

"Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is essential for the liver. Cured after eight years of suffering." S. Pepton, Albany, N. Y. World Famous. St.

This is a fine year for heirs to throne.

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

Any man's salary would be large if it were not for his expenses.

Codfish Ate Lobsters.

As throwing some light on the disputed question whether lobster fry are eaten by fish, the finding of two fairly large specimens of the crustacea in the interior of a codfish is of considerable interest to the fishermen around the water front who discuss such matters. The lobsters are about four inches in length, and one of them had apparently been occupying his quarters for some time, as his shell was quite soft from the cod's digestive operations. The other lobster had been a recent acquisition, evidently, as his shell was as strong as most of his kind. The lobsters were accompanied by a crab when found. The discovery was made in a restaurant on the water front.—Gloucester (Mass.) Times.

Slightly Poetical.

"My experience with Cheatham's Laxative Tablets has been most happy. They are just what you say—a sure cure for chills. They cast out malaria and biliousness, drive the blues away; restore strength and appetite and clear out the well springs of hope."

C. Gastrell,
Tallulah, La.

The practice of oiling the roads has been introduced in India, at Bombay. It is found that if the oil is allowed to soak in slowly no obnoxious mud is produced, and the result is a success.

More Flexible and Lasting.

won't shake out or blow out; by using Defiance Starch you obtain better results than possible with any other brand and one-third more for same money.

The Russian military surgeons are said to be the most experienced in the world, because in time of peace they do the work of nearly all the civil hospitals.

If one could remember, when asked for advice, that his friend wants only confirmation of his own judgment, it would save much heartache.

MECANE'S DETECTIVE AGENCY.
Houston, Texas, operates the largest force of competent detectives in the South. Give them a call.

"Poor old Prof. Thinkard went home the other night, and he knew there was something he wanted to do, but he couldn't think what it was."

The giraffe is the only animal which is unable to swim. This is on account of its long neck. Every other animal can, if put to it, manage to keep itself afloat.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
For the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him.

WALDING, KINSMAN & MARTIN,
Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Money that talks does little else. Money that whispers re-echoes where least expected. Money that acts might save many a broken heart from a suicide's grave.

Those Who Have Tried It

will use no other. Defiance Cold Water Starch has no equal in Quantity or Quality—16 oz. for 10 cents. Other brands contain only 12 oz.

A South African constabulary commandary office wrote to a local troop officer asking if there were any donkeys in camp. The reply came, in the troop officer's handwriting: "Yes, one—R. H. Symes, captain."

A sure Pile's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. THOM. ROBBINS, Maple Street, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

If we were a statesman we never should begin an interview with: "My attention has been called to an article concerning," etc. We would not want people to think we didn't read the papers.

When a man has to support his grown-up son, his mother says he has an artistic temperament.

Superior quality and extra quantity must win. This is why Defiance Starch is taking the place of all others.

In dress reform, as in other reforms, the mistake is to attempt to substitute something not so handsome and less expensive.

It is remarkable that men attending the pans in salt works are never known to have smallpox, the grippe, scarlet fever or cholera.

One of the great drawbacks to the budding poet is the refusal of the government to supply postage stamps on credit.

A large proportion of the cooking in Paris restaurants is done in sight of the customers.

Draw the curtain of night upon injuries, shut them up in the tower of oblivion, and let them be as though they had never been.

When a baby sleeps all night its mother talks about it all day.

Not a baseball umpire has been killed this season. Have the masses lost all interest in the national game?

Some women can keep a secret easier than they can keep money.

Apparently mosquitoes have come to London to stay, and they seem to be making their way into the country places.

That and This.

"Twelve years ago I bought my first bottle of Hunt's Lightning Oil. For Cuts, Burns, Sprains and Aches it was the best remedy I had found to that time. After the lapse of one dozen years I can truly say, it is the best remedy I have found to this time."

John P. Thompson,
Red Rock, O. T.

A man who can love deeply is never utterly contemptible.

No chromes or cheap premiums, but a better quality and one-third more of Defiance Starch for the same price of other starches.

Just because a man likes to see the ghost walk is no sign that he is a spiritualist.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12 oz. brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16 oz. pkg. Defiance Starch for same money.

Donkeys are just as necessary as horses for the success of the race track bookmaker.

Russia and Japan both apparently agree that facts are contraband of war.

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The Pioneer Water Supply Material House of Texas. Wind Mills, Pumps, Cypresses and Galvanized Tanks, Gasoline Engines, Steam Engines, Boilers, Cotton Gins, Well Drilling Machines, Horse Powers, etc., etc. We furnish estimates, plans and specifications for Irrigation Plants of any capacity. WE ESPECIALLY SOLICIT MEXICAN BUSINESS.

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If you wear W. L. Douglas \$3.50 shoes for the last twelve years with absolute satisfaction, I had better advise you to stop wearing them and start wearing mine. W. L. Douglas \$3.50 shoes are made in my factory, and are made of the finest leather. W. L. Douglas is conceded to be the finest Patent Leather maker. Fast Color Eyelets used exclusively. W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Massachusetts.

Plantation Chill Cure is Guaranteed

To cure, or money refunded by your merchant, so why not try it? Price 50c.

LOCAL.

Sauer Krout at Kartes' store.
 Bring in your bicycles for repairs.
 Frank Gastring went to San Antonio Saturday.
 Send in your orders for fruits at Keys Kool Korner.
 A. Carlson made a business trip to Spofford Sunday.
 Mrs. Hans and daughter left Saturday for San Antonio.
 Mrs. Kornrum was a passenger to San Antonio Friday.
 Henry Salamon, of Nueces, was in town on business Saturday.
 Joe Rose was one of the many who was taking in the Fair this week.
 Mrs. R. Keene went to San Antonio Saturday to visit relatives.
 The best made is the Reserved D Whiskey sold by F. S. Fritter.
 L. Henze, of Kickapoo, was a visitor to the County Seat Saturday.
 Thanks Anderson went to San Antonio Saturday to take in the Fair.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stadler are visiting in San Antonio and taking in the Fair.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Clump and sons Leo and Harry went to San Antonio Sunday.
 Misses Lillie and Emily Rose left Saturday for San Antonio where they will remain during the Fair.
 Mrs. M. J. Mahoney, of San Antonio, has arrived in Brackett and will remain here for some time.
 Postmaster H. J. Veltmann, left Sunday for San Antonio where he went to visit relatives and take in the Fair.
 Miss Ida Keplinger returned Saturday from an extended visit with friends near Dryden. She was accompanied home by Mrs. Doc Anderson.
 Mrs. M. Terrell returned Friday from a visit to the World's Fair. Mrs. Terrell says she had a pleasant trip but was glad to get back to Brackett.
 Mr. and Mrs. F. Glied departed Saturday for Nebraska where they will make their temporary home. Their many racket friends wish them success wherever they may go.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Holmes departed Saturday for San Antonio. While in the city Mr. Holmes bought his holiday stock which was the best that the market affords.
 Mrs. Geo. W. Hobbs of Spofford, accompanied Miss Alice Jones of Del Rio to Brackett Friday. Miss Jones was here to make arrangements to have her hats put on display.
 A. L. Cashell, a prominent ranchman of Tularosa, was in town Saturday. He made us a pleasant call and complimented us on our recent improvement. Call again Mr. C.
 James McLymont, of Del Rio, has decided to embark in the wool commission business at that point. He says ample facilities are to be had at Del Rio for storing wool. Mr. McLymont is a sheepman to the manor born. What he does not know about growing sheep in west Texas is hardly worth knowing, as he was engaged in the business nearly all his life, and for many years was known as "the sheep king of Texas." We have no doubt but that Del Rio will show up as a wool center from now on to a greater extent than ever before.—Texas Stockman and Farmer.

Ten days till election.
 Have your job work done at home.
 Keys Kool Korner for refreshing drinks.
 Harry Shields went to San Antonio Saturday.
 Jim Gildea, of Nueces, was in town Saturday.
 Harry Wickham spent Sunday with home folks.
 Cotton Tucker, of Mud Creek, was in town Sunday.
 Jim McBee, of Live Oak was in town trading Saturday.
 N. Petersen made a flying trip to Spofford Saturday.
 Have your bicycle repaired. Leave orders at this office.
 Butter that beats Kansas the product. 25c pound at Kartes store.
 Have Keys to fix you up your lunch before leaving on the noon day stage.
 Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Bunce, of Uvalde, were Brackett visitors several days this week.
 Fresh lemons, Colorado cabbage, bananas and apples.
 Chas. Kartes.
 Mrs. Clara Bitter and daughters Misses Francis and Ella went to San Antonio Saturday.
 Press Cuvington and Mr. Bass of 4 miles, were transacting business in town this week.
 Emanuel Sims and Will Patrick were taking in the San Antonio Fair several days this week.
 Judge P. D. Saner, departed Saturday for Del Rio after a few days visit with Jos Therrel and family.
 Rev. Father Whelan, of Del Rio, was in Brackett Sunday and conducted services at the Catholic church.
 Mrs. Doc Anderson, of Dryden, who was here visiting friends, left Sunday for San Antonio to visit relatives.
 Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Hukill were in Brackett Sunday. Rev. Hukill gave the B. Y. P. U. a good talk Sunday evening.
 Joseph Iredale, who is and old citizen of Del Rio and has often visited Alpine, arrived yesterday.—Alpine Avalanche.
 Rev. H. N. Dikeman came in Saturday from Uvalde and preached both morning and evening at the Episcopal church Sunday.
 Mr. O. W. Zuehl, agent for the G. H. & S. A. at Spofford, was in Eagle Pass this week shaking hands with his many friends here.—Eagle Pass Guide.
 Be it high ball or straight, be it early or late, at the bar at the Club on the sly, be the drink hot or cold, be the man young or old, let him specify RED TOP.
 There will be preaching at the Episcopal church next Sunday morning and preaching in the evening in the Post Hall. Everybody cordially invited to these services.
 C. W. Odell and A. J. Combs were here from Del Rio yesterday. Mr. Odell owns the telephone exchange there and is thinking of extending the line to Uvalde.—Uvalde Leader-News.
 Bedelle Moore, of San Antonio, who owns a large irrigation interests in this vicinity, arrived in the city Wednesday. He was joined here by his brother, Dr. Moore, of California.—Val Verde Herald.
 The many friends of Rev. and Mrs. F. R. Godolphin will regret very much to learn that Rev. Godolphin has resigned as pastor of the Cuero Episcopal church and has accepted a call at Petos Key, Michigan. They will leave about November the 14th for their new home.—Del Rio Record-News.

Citation by Publication.
 The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Kinney Co., Greeting:
 You are hereby commanded to summon George Brown by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 63rd Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 63rd, Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Kinney County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Brackett, on the fourteenth Monday after the first Monday in September A.D. 1904 the same being the 12th day of December 1904, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 4th day of October 1904 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 588, wherein Ella K. Brown, is Plaintiff, and George Brown is Defendant, and said petition alleging; That on September 4th, 1896, in Kinney County Texas, plaintiff and defendant were duly and legally married, and thereafter their said marriage they lived together as husband and wife for about three weeks, plaintiff at all times conducting herself as a dutiful wife should, and managing the domestic affairs with prudence, care and economy, but the defendant disregarding the solemnity of his marriage vows, did on, or about September 25th, 1896, told plaintiff "You can rustle for yourself, and I am going to leave you and never come back," and he saddled up his horse and left her.
 That said defendant on said later date abandoned plaintiff with the intention of abandonment, and that more than three years have elapsed since he so abandoned plaintiff with the intention of abandonment.
 With the prayer that the marriage now existing between plaintiff and defendant be dissolved and held for naught, and that plaintiff's name be changed from Ella K. Brown to Ella K. Woods, which it was before her intermarriage to said defendant.
 Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
 Witness, O. F. Seargeant, Clerk of the District Court of Kinney County.
 Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Brackett this the 4th day of Oct. 1904.
 O. F. SEARGEANT,
 Clerk, District Court Kinney County.
 By MILDRED CLAIBORNE,
 [SEAL.] Deputy.
SHERIFF'S RETURN.
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