

SMALL POX SITUATION.

Three new cases of smallpox have appeared in Brownfield within the last few days, the patients are J. R. Hill, Taylor Kelly at the Hill Hotel, and Mr. Bess.

Dr. J. H. McCoy, of Tahoka, was in town the first of the week and got matters in such shape that he has the situation under control. He is now back in Tahoka waiting upon several critical cases in that place. He will make visits to this place every few days to attend his patients here. Dr. McCoy says that he does not consider the situation as being alarming under present conditions and thinks that under precautions taken that it will be but a short time until the disease is stamped out. He reports twenty cases in Tahoka at present, one of the doctors being a patient.

Dr. Reynolds, from Lubbock, who came down a few weeks ago to especially investigate the small pox situation told the editor that those then sick were convalescent and would be entirely well within a very short while. He also said that there would be no spread of the disease from those then sick with it, and that no one need be afraid of contracting a case of smallpox, unless, it was brought into the community from some other infected town or some one already here who had the smallpox bacillaria in their system and that it had not as yet had time to develop into a case. Subsequent events have proved the potency of the doctor's remarks; as in the case of Earl Hill.

While Dr. Reynolds was in town, now some weeks ago, Earl, son of J. R. Hill, was somewhat indisposed and asked the doctor to examine him which was done, the doctor discovered no indications of smallpox. At that time Earl had a very bad carbuncle on the back of his neck and some pimples on his face. A few days later he broke out all over with minute sores or pimples which occasioned him no inconvenience he not even going to bed, his condition being generally attributed to the bad condition of his blood. It has since been learned that Earl had a very mild form of the smallpox. At the time that Earl was examined by Dr. Reynolds the quarantine had been raised but a few days, too short a time for the disease to have developed had he been exposed to the smallpox consequent to the raising of the quarantine, which is highly improbable since at no time before the quarantine was declared off, nor at any time thereafter was he in anyway exposed to a smallpox patient, partly from the fact that he was kept close at home by both the inclemency of the weather and his duties around the house and wagon yard. The only way in which he could have taken the disease was from some one staying at the hotel who came from an infected community and when it is remembered that Fred Pyeat caught the disease while in Big Springs, but does remember coming in contact with the smallpox in any form, it is

reasonable to assume that the disease was spread by some outsider and not through any defect in the quarantine or negligence of any of the county officials, as some seem prone to believe.

The smallpox in Brownfield is of a very mild form and no great uneasiness is felt over the condition of things.

Summing the situation up all over the country Brownfield has much cause for thankfulness and self-congratulation.

The Big Springs Enterprise in last week's issue under the caption of, "Clean Up," says:

"We have on several different occasions called the attention of the people of Big Springs to the fact that a town cleaning was in order. The necessity for such a step is more apparent at the present time than it has ever been. Two contagious diseases have developed in our town recently—smallpox and diphtheria—one death resulting from the latter, and cleaning of the alleys etc."

Tahoka has as many as twenty known cases, San Angelo has a number of cases with no quarantine at last report, and there are but few towns in Western Texas that are free from this plague.

Tahoka has two physicians and one of them has the smallpox, Big Springs has not only a number of first-class physicians, but several up to date pharmacies plus railroad facilities for obtaining within a few hours any of the latest drugs from the cities that science recognizes as a smallpox cure or preventive, and still, she not only has the smallpox, but her citizens are dying with another contagious disease as fatal, if not more so, than smallpox—diphtheria.

And yet, some unthinking men boldly make the assertion that if the quarantine had never been raised, or at least not when it was, that no one else would have taken the disease; whereas, if they will stop to consider the facts, they can easily see that Brownfield and the county officials have handled the plague, despite the fact of the limited means, in a manner as well as any of the other towns mentioned above, none of which but were far more able to cope with such situations. And further, it was not only time to raise the quarantine, but the only thing that could be done under circumstances.

Smallpox is a highly contagious disease. A contagious disease is one which can be contracted through being in contact with any person having it or it can be carried around in the clothing or transmitted through various agencies. A disease of this kind is caused by what are commonly termed microbes. It is for this reason that quarantines and pest houses are established. When a quarantine is declared a physician is appointed and he has full control of the situation. A doctor when appointed as Health Physician during a quarantine must take every precaution to keep from spreading the disease and must fumigate himself after leaving an infected place before

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he goes where no infection exists. When the Health Physician fails to do this he becomes more dangerous than the patient and a quarantine under such conditions becomes a far greater menace to the community than no quarantine.

Such conditions existed at Brownfield during the quarantine and the dictates of reason offered but one safe solution to the situation and that was to raise the quarantine as far as medical attention was concerned, but to request the patients and those in the pest house to remain in the quarters allotted them and feed them and supply all of their needs as long as they remained there, at public expense. This was agreed to by those then under quarantine and then the quarantine was declared off.

Those who had been exposed remained in the pest house until their 21 days were up and those sick staid in the house allotted them until everyone in town was satisfied that there was no further danger from them. Thus a more effectual quarantine was kept than at first existed.

Alleged Smallpox Cure.

A correspondent of the Stockton (Cal) Herald writes as follows: "I herewith append a recipe which has been used to my certain knowledge in hundreds of cases. It will prevent or cure smallpox, though the pittings are filling. When Jenner discovered cowpox in England the world of science hurried an avalanche of

fame on his head; but when the most scientific school of medicine in the world, that of Paris, published this recipe as a panacea for smallpox it passed unheeded. It is as unerring as fate and conquers in every instance. It is harmless when taken by a well person. It will also cure scarlet fever. Here is the recipe as I have used it, and cured my children of scarlet fever; here it is as I have used it and cured smallpox. When learned physicians said the patient must die it cured:

"Sulphate of zinc, one grain; foxglove (digitalis), one grain; half a teaspoonful of sugar; mix two tablespoonfuls of water. When thoroughly mixed, add four ounces of water. Take a spoonful every hour. Either disease will disappear in twelve hours invariably. For a child, according to age. If counties would compel their physicians to use this there would be no use of pest houses. If you value advice and experience, use this for that terrible disease."

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"Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown."—The Czar.

Readers of The Herald may remember an article published in this paper a short time since under the caption of 'An Opinion' in which S. B. Burnett, of Ft. Worth, predicted a bad March. DeVoe also said that March would have bad weather until after the middle of the month. Well all we have to say is that these two gentlemen have guessed right this time.

Wake Up.

Did you ever think about it? Did it ever occur to you that it takes MEN to build up a town, a country or a nation. Did you ever hear of anything being accomplished by that class of men who set around waiting for the other fellow to start? When was it that you ever saw or heard of a man accomplishing any lasting good to a community, that was always waiting for a more propitious time, who was always in favor of waiting till he had a "cinch"?

Do you know that the man that dallies is the man that most often fails? It has been wisely said that, "The boy is father to the man," it is just as true that the man can be a father to his town.

It takes men with energy, men of resource, of determination, of forethought and ambition, men who, when they once start a thing never give in to the first puff of trial and hardship they encounter nor rest on their oars before the goal is reached.

They are the successful men who are never satisfied with things as they are, the men who are always striving to better their own condition and their neighbor's. It is this class of men who are counted as influential citizens in any community, it is they who are town-builders.

The men who first see that they are right and then go ahead, achieve most. Those that start things and finish them.

To which class of men do you belong? Are you a starter and a finisher, or do you start an enterprise and stop when you meet up with Adversity, that great forge in which Nature tries the mettle of men? Or have you ever started to do any commendable action, something that would benefit not only yourself, but the community at large. If you haven't, begin now, quit sitting around in the way of others who will accomplish something if they are given a chance. Every man has his influence and yours is for for the bad, change it. Stop building air castles and help to build up your community. In your present state you are a drawback to your town and community, turn over a new leaf and resolve to be a man; don't wait till New Year it's too far off.

If you have been in the habit of starting something and then becoming discouraged and quitting because Success at first turned her face away; then now is the time to learn to succeed. Become a "stayer," they are the ones that win. Be a master of yourself; be a man among men.

If you're a man who always succeeds, if you are a "stayer" and don't know how to cry "quit," if you have learned the secrets of success, then teach them to an erring brother, lend a helping hand to the man that fails.

Too much have we thought of our own pleasures; too little have we cared for others'. Too zealously we guard our own rights; too negligent have we been of our brother's.

Then let us get together in interest of the development of our country. There are plenty of people in East Texas who want to settle out west but do not know where. Make a bid for them. Show them that this part of the Plains Country is the best in the world for the stock farmer. Now is the time. The season is in the ground, there is no excuse, if you don't make good this year you may have no chance next. Procrastination is not the only thief of time, but of opportunity, will power and ability.

Then plan and work together, stand by and help each other, and pull, pull for the welfare of Brownfield and Old Terry.

The Bachelor Club.

We have heard some very favorable comments upon the proposed organization of the Bachelor Club, every one seems to think that its purpose is a most worthy one.

In a sense the Club resembles all other fraternal orders in that it lends a helping hand to its members, but it also materially differs from most other fraternities in that its benefit fund is paid at the beginning of a man's married life, not at the end of it. A member of most any other organization never gets the benefit, personally, of the benefit fund of the Order to which he belongs, but he dies in order to get his money's worth. Such an Order as this, at the best, offer nothing save what may be called a consolation fee, as an inducement to its members, to paid only after they die. Whereas

The Bachelor Club pays its members at a time of life when prospects are brightest, hopes are highest and it is practically just begun. It pays a bonus to its members for becoming a full fledged citizen in the land of the living and not for becoming an inhabitant in the city of the dead. It pays its members for living, not for dying.

Members of most other Organizations pay their regular assessments yearly, whether a member dies or not.

The Bachelor Club pays its benefit fund whenever its members become "home-builders," other fraternal organizations pay out a bonus only as their members become "home-destroyers"

The Bachelor Club is for the unmarried man; almost any other beneficiary organization helps most the married man. As has been stated in last week's issue, Mr. W. T. Dixon has been asked to act as Corresponding Secretary until the club is organized, which he has kindly consented to do, and those desiring further information on the subject are referred to him.

Personal Mention.

Jim Craig left on the mail hack Thursday for La Mesa.

Will Dixon went to Lubbock last Thursday morning.

Charlie Walker was in Brownfield on business Thursday.

John Welch and family left for their ranch one day this week.

Judge Copeland was in Brownfield last Monday and Tuesday.

Floyd Pyeat returned to his bonus on the West Side Thursday.

G. A. Whitley, wife and child, were in town one day this week.

County Treasurer Deshazo was in town from Gomez last Monday.

Lawson Bess and Walter Stoneham were in from Gomez a short while one day this week.

State Ranger Moore, J. W. Craig and Joe Beil got in from Yoakum county last night.

County Sheriff Tiernan came over from Gomez last Monday to attend Commissioners' Court.

W. J. Peveler returned from the railroad Thursday. He reports the roads as being in a bad condition.

Sam Walker was in Brownfield last Thursday and invested in Terry County Herald Stock a dollar's worth.

Walter Dixon made a trip to the north side last Thursday to get a load of feed for J. R. Hill. He returned Friday.

Jack Head, Tom and Claud Criswell, Thompson Bostick and Louis Craig paid Gomez a visit one evening this week.

Commissioners Groves, Adams, Gist and Shepherd were in town the first of the week to attend a call meeting of their court.

J. N. REAGAN DEAD.

At 5:30 a. m., Monday, March the 6th, John Henninger Reagan died at his home, Fort Houston, in the town of Palestine.

Judge Reagan was one of the most noted statesmen in the South. He held numerous important offices and served faithfully and honorably under three flags; the Confederate, the United States and The Republic of Texas.

The Camp of Confederate Veterans named after him will unite in the ceremonies, and all Confederate veterans, wherever disposed are invited to be in attendance. Commander Allen has wired suitable notice to General Lee at Columbus, Mississippi, to General Cabell, at Dallas and to General Edgar at Galveston, commanding in this department. The camps at Bryan, Huntsville and Tyler have already wired their intention to attend the funeral.

The funeral took place on Wednesday at 3 p. m. The Masonic Lodge No. 31 took charge of the body as far as the cemetery, escorted by Palestine Commandry No. 3, Knights Templars, of which two bodies he had been a member over fifty years.

His death came as a shock to the citizens of Palestine. On the Thursday morning before his death he was on the streets, apparently in his usual health. Friday morning he complained of a slight chill which passed off with seemingly no bad effects. Saturday he became worse but was not considered seriously ill until a few hours before his death, when his lungs became involved and rapidly developed into acute pneumonia.

Judge Reagan was born October 8, 1818 and died March 6, 1905.

With his death the last member of President Davis' Cabinet passes away. During his lifetime he held the positions of Deputy Public Surveyor, Justice of the Peace and Captain of the Militia,

Probate Judge and Colonel of the Militia, Member of the State Legislature, District Judge, (2), Member of U. S. Congress (re-elected), Member of Confederate Provisional Congress, Postmaster General of the Confederacy, Secretary and Treasurer of the Confederacy, Member of U. S. Congress until he became U. S. Senator which he resigned to become Chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission.

Grammar in Rhyme.

In the following selection it is seldom that one sees so much valuable information as the following lines contain, comprised in so brief a space. Every little grammarian just entering upon the mysteries of syntax, will find it highly advantageous to commit the "poem" to memory, as by doing so many a "black-mark" will be avoided, for with these lines at the tongue's end one need never mistake a part of speech;

1. Three little words you often see
Are articles—a, an and the
2. A noun's the name of anything
As school or garden, hoop or swing.
3. Adjectives tell the kind of noun
As great, small, pretty or brown,
4. Instead of nouns the pronouns stand—
Her head, his face, your arm, my hand.
5. Verbs tell of something to be done—
As read, count, sing, jump or run.
6. How things are done the adverbs tell,
As slowly, quickly, ill or well
7. Conjunctions join the word together.
As men and women, with or whether.
8. The preposition stands before
A noun, as in or through a door.
9. The interjection shows surprise.
As oh! how pretty,—ah! how wise.
The whole are called nine parts of speech,
Which reading, writing, speaking teach.

Court House Accepted.

A call meeting of Commissioners' Court was held Monday to accept the County Court House situated at this place.

There are some few finishing touches on the inside of the house yet to be done and water tables over the windows are to be put on, aside from these unfinished jobs the court house is complete in every detail and fully comes up to the contract.

Work began on the court house the first of last October and was turned over to the county on last Monday by the contractors; Messrs. Maeplin, Allman, Hamilton and Boone.

The building in size is 40x40 at the foundation with a 24 foot wall. On the lower floor there are four rooms one apiece for the Judge and Sheriff, one for the County Clerk and the fourth for the Treasurer.

The County Judge will occupy the northwest corner of the house this room is sixteen feet square, has four windows and a door that opens into the main hallway on the east. South of this room the smaller hall, is 10x16 in size and contains the stairway leading up to the court room. In this hall, and directly under the flight of stairs is a roomy closet to be used as a storage room.

Next to the hall and just south of it, is the Sheriff's office, which corresponds in size and number of doors to the County Judge's office.

Across the hall from the Sheriff's office is that of the County and District Clerk, in the southeast corner of the building, its size is sixteen by eighteen. This room connects with the vault on the north. The inside measurement of this vault is 8x10 and is regarded as being exceptionally strong.

North to the vault and east of the Judge's office is the room allotted the County Treasurer. It is in size, twelve by sixteen and like the offices on the lower floor, it has four windows and one door which opens into the main hall.

This hall runs the entire length of the building, north and south, connecting with the hall containing the stairway, on the east. The size of the main hall is eight by forty.

Up-stairs is the court room, situated on the east side of the house. This room is twenty-four feet wide and runs the entire length of the building.

West of the court room and on either side of the landing, are the jury rooms. Both of these rooms are in size, sixteen feet square.

The outside walls of the courthouse are painted white, trimmed with coffee-brown. The roof also is painted in the latter color.

The building cost the county in the neighborhood of four thousand dollars and considering the first-class work done by Mr. Maeplin and his fellow contractors, Messrs. Allman, Hamilton and Boone, Terry county ought to congratulate herself that she got off so lightly.

The structure makes an imposing appearance and the traveler, coming into Brownfield from any direction, sees first, Terry County's House of Justice.

The county officers will soon be installed in their new departments. The Judge's office is now being used as the postoffice, until better arrangements are made.

The Clerk's office is now serving as an office for each of the other county officials until the furnishings arrive for their respective offices.

Those now in office are: W. N. Copeland, County Judge; W. T. Dixon, County and District Clerk; T. Deshazo, County Treasurer and G. E. Tiernan, Sheriff.

Brownfield Boys.

The spacious court room upstairs in the new court house is not yet furnished, and the boys around town congregate in this room every night or two and while away the otherwise monotonous evening hours, in laughter and dancing.

Thompson Bostick and Jack Head take turn about as musicians whenever there is a violin around, which always happens when Thompson is in town, but if there happens to be no violin, as has been the case once or twice, then a french harp, played by one of the boys, does duty as a musical agent.

All the boys except one or two are good dancers and the antics these two latter perform, trying to turn without losing step, make a mimic side show.

Most all the boys work hard during the day and those who are not occupied during the entire day in some remunerative occupation, or whose business is such that it does not demand their undivided attention, are either disputing among themselves over some (important political question?) or are amicably pitching dollars.

The boys of Brownfield are a jolly, whole-souled, companionable set, a credit to any town, and Brownfield ought to feel proud of them.

Attempted Assassination.

As we go to press the sad news is brought to us by a runner, that J. A. Childers, one of Lubbock county's highly respected citizens, living 14 miles west of Lubbock was called to the door of his residence Thursday eve, shortly after dark, and fired on by an unknown person, with a shot gun loaded with No. 4 shot. —The Avalanche.

The Tongue.

"The boneless tongue, so small and weak, Can crush and kill," declared the Greek. "The tongue destroys a greater horde," The Turk asserts, "than does the sword." The Persian proverb wisely saith "A lengthy tongue, an early death." Or sometimes takes this form instead "Don't let your tongue cut off your head." "The tongue can speak a word whose speed," Says the Chinese, "outstrips the steed." While the Arab sage doth impart "The tongue's great storehouse is the heart." From Hebrew the maxim sprung "Though feet should slip, ne'er let the tongue." The sacred writer crowns the whole: "Who keeps his tongue doth keep his soul." —Sel.

The Czar and The People.

The Czar has issued a rescript, permitting the people of Russia to elect representatives, who will be given an opportunity to express their views in the preparation of the laws of the nation. This is autocracy's final reply to the cry of the Russian populace for a voice in the government. Though it has been announced that this action of the Czar's does mean any change in the regime of autocracy, and that it allows neither a constitution or national assemblage, still it is hard to believe it as anything but the first step towards constitutional government. Whatever the result may be, it at least marks an epoch in Russian History as important, if not more so, than the signing of the emancipation manifesto. The signing of the document allowing the people to elect representatives came at the end of a dramatic scene, the climax of which was an impassioned speech by Emperor Nicholas to his Ministers in which he declared that he sought only the welfare of his subjects: "I am willing," he said, "to shed my own blood for the good of my people." The Czar's manifesto reads like a surrender to the Japanese army in the Far East, while his decree reads like a long delayed surrender to his own people.

Word has been received lately from Big Springs stating that the organ recently ordered for the church had arrived at the freight office there. It will be brought up as soon as possible.

Man is a funny little cuss and hasn't long to stay, he flies around and makes a fuss and then he hikes away. Some men imagine they are great and try to tear up Jack, but each one meets the same old fate and trots the same old track. Great Caesar's dead and turned to clay and so is Cicero, and Alexander's gone the way the rest of us must go. The sages, heroes, poets, all, the men of wealth and worth, into an open grave must fall, and crumble back to earth.

Uncle Joe Hamilton who lives about 3 miles north-east of town, received the contract for carrying the mail to Meadow and back daily. Mr. Hamilton got the notice on last Wednesday's mail. The service is to start on the 20th of this month and according to contract will run fifteen months.

"It is a fact of natural philosophy that where things are cold they are easily broken. This is also true in love affairs. For instance, when love becomes cold, engagements are easily broken off."

"Quite true, but this does not apply in the financial world." "Why not?"

"Because as long as a man has the cold cash he is never broke."

If you read anything below that you have read before, don't read it.

Rain Makers in Australia. The rain-making hoax, which has run its course in this country, is being worked extensively by "drought-busters" in Australia.

New York's Visitors. The average number of visitors in New York city is estimated at 250,000 and their stay is ten days.

Bandanna is Indian. Bandanna is derived from an Indian word signifying to blind or to.

Courage and Clothes. If women were not brave they would never face the dangers with which they are constantly threatened by doctors and others. There have been those who would have frightened them out of their corsets; others have predicted blindness from the use of spotted veils; pneumonia, by this time, would have decimated the female population if all the prophecies concerning the blouse had been fulfilled. Still, woman fearlessly follows fashion.—World.

The Largest Egg. The egg of the aepornis, just purchased for the United States National museum, is probably the largest egg in existence. It is 12 inches long and 10 inches wide, and its shell is nearly a quarter of an inch thick and as hard as a rock. Some idea of its size may perhaps be had when it is stated that it is capable of holding the contents of six ostrich eggs, or 148 hen's eggs, or 24,000 humming bird's eggs.

Largest Photograph. The largest photographic picture in existence is being exhibited in Berlin. It is about 40 feet by 5 feet, and represents a view of the Bay of Naples.

Czar's Menu Tablet. The menu card placed on the table of the Czar is printed in red letters on a pure ivory tablet, surmounted by the imperial crest and arms.

Colombian Railways. Colombia has little more than 500 miles of railway and not a mile of road has been built in ten years.

German Orchards. Germany has on an average of 200 orchard trees to the square mile.

FUTURE USES OF OLD AGE.

When Elderly People Will Do Most of the World's Work.

Our old men are going to be our future workers, if we are to credit a theory propounded in a recent work of Prof. Eli Metchnikoff, of the Pasteur Institute in Paris. He reminds us that, in the case of some of the most industrious of the lower creatures, such as ants and bees, the workers are distinct from the breeders, a third or neutral sex having been evolved by modification of one or both of the others. With man, no neutral sex has appeared, but both sexes cease the work of reproduction at a fixed period of life. This, then, is the most favorable period for work, and, when science has eliminated the infirmities of age, as Prof. Metchnikoff believes it is now able, or soon will be able to do, the aged will be our most vigorous and efficient toilers. This is a paradoxical conclusion, and one that will hardly gain the consent of all physiologists.—Success.

Stick to Old Customs. Goose quill pens and writing powders are still used in English law courts and the House of Lords and in the French Chamber of Deputies.

Isthmian Travel. In a year nearly 100,000 persons traveled the forty-seven miles of railway across the isthmus.

Snakes Kill Thousands. In India nearly 25,000 people die every year as a result of snake bites.

Fast Time by Flight Train. In order to reach the port of New York with a shipment of cotton intended for Liverpool spinners, a freight train on the New York Central recently covered a 425-mile run in sixteen hours and twenty minutes.

Cause of Cancer. Henry Morris, an Englishman who has given much attention to the subject of cancer, recently called attention to the pernicious influence of the clay pipe and the decayed tooth in causing cancerous growths.

Mutilate Corpse of "Witch." After the death of a reputed witch some peasants of Hungary mutilated the corpse in the belief that she would otherwise reappear and suck the blood of living persons.

Mexico, D. F. "Mexico, D. F.," as the postmark on all Mexican postal matter reads, means "Distrito Federal," or Federal District, and corresponds to our Washington, D. C.

Spanish Pride. Nearly one-half of the 19,000,000 population in Spain, or, to be exact 8,727,519 persons, according to the last census, declare that they have no occupation, and they are proud of the fact.

South African Education. Prof. Hele-Shaw of the new University of Liverpool, is in South Africa to organize scientific education and prepare a university scheme for the Transvaal and Orange River Colony.

Undoubtedly. A mouse club has been formed in London with 400 lady members. Club business is probably transacted with all the members standing on chairs.—Beaver Post.

New Ship-Warning System. In the ship-warning system of Mr. C. E. Kelway, signals by Hertzian waves are sent out from the light-houses at regular intervals at the same times as the sound warnings. A vessel in range having a receiver notes the time that passes between receiving the wireless signal and the sound warning and is thus enabled to calculate its distance from the light-house, and, on repeating the observation, after continuing a few miles, data is obtained for ascertaining the exact location of the lighthouse by trigonometry. A stopwatch reading directly in distances and a special position finder have been devised for use with the system.

THE CHANGES OF FASHION.

Custom of Snuff Taking Has Completely Disappeared.

Fashions are always changing. Once snuff taking was the proper thing to do; now we offer our friends a cigarette or cigar. Queen Charlotte had her snuff account. Frederick the Great took it in handfuls and smothered his clothes so badly that his valets acquired a small but comfortable income by brushing them and selling the results. Of course, the true snuff taker does not sneeze, though Sam Weller could never take it without sneezing, but perhaps he belonged to the degenerate age when tobacco and cigars were fighting their way to the front. At that period, if you wished to make a man your enemy for life the best way was to smoke a cigar while he was taking snuff or filling his box. Not so now, but perhaps the snuff taker sees, for he knows nothing of the torture a bad cigar presented by a friend or the sorrow at losing a pet pipe.—Liverpool Daily Post.

Bracing Up.

It is claimed that Boston makes the best quality of Egyptian cigarettes, produces the choicest Italian macaroni and has altogether the best brand of the Irishman in politics.

How to Tell New Nutmegs.

New nutmegs may be distinguished from the last year's supply by scraping the surface with the finger. If new, the oil will moisten the spot at once.

Results.

We read of an Eastern author who wrote three stories in a single night—then walked out of an open window and fell four.—Atlanta Constitution.

Discouraging Suicide.

A favorite method of suicide in Japan lately has been to leap over certain waterfalls. So frequent have such occurrences become that police are now constantly stationed in their neighborhood, and large notice boards are erected bearing inscriptions in large letters, of which the following is an example: "Do not drown yourself here! Intended suicides are warned that heaven disapproves of the utilization of Keokuk waterfall for the purpose. This is certified to on the best possible authority, and serious consequences in the hereafter are guaranteed. To drown here is also forbidden by the professional authorities."

Why Eyschal is White.

The eyeball is white because its blood vessels are so small that they do not admit the red corpuscles.

Women Merchants.

About one-fourth of the buyers in New York wholesale stores are women.

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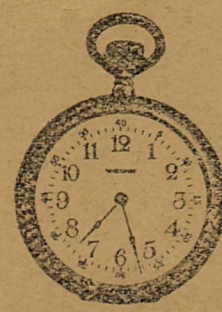
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He Preached for Nothing.

The Rev. Francis Bloodgood Hall, for thirty-nine years pastor of the Peristrome Presbyterian church of Plattsburg, N. Y., and probably the most widely known clergyman in Northern New York, died the other day. He had the novel distinction of having refused any pay for his services, holding to the Biblical theory that the gospel is and should be absolutely free to all.

A Petition.

To the honorable Congress of the United States—Greeting:

Inasmuch as the snow of the mercile winter is again drifted about us, and the cold north wind doth sing its roundlay through the apertures of our summer-before-last clothes, the coal bin is a yawning vacuum and the pork barrel a hollow mockery, I feel called upon to make a few suggestions in the interest of mankind.

It is plain to every observer that there is something wrong. Class legislation is the deadly vampire that preys upon us. We wish for the days of our forefathers and five mothers when things were equal. I could cite you numerous instances of men laboring from day unto day, and after they have paid for their drinks and treated their friends they have not enough left to pay "trust" prices for coal and other commodities, while other men provide for their families and always have money in their jeans. There is something wrong.

Now, I would recommend a law to enable a "sporting" man to have, after paying for his own drinks and treating all his friends as much money as the other fellow. It would require noly a few millions to make up the deficit.

Air-ship building should be encouraged. This government has suffered great inconvenience and loss by not being able to travel through the air except by the means balloons. The air route is decidedly the favored one. No heavy grades and the fewest hills, and the old difficulty as to where to put whistling post and hang the switch light will, I think, in due time be overcome.

I know an ingenious young man who has been very successful in navigating the sky. He has his ship all complete but the wings and a contrivance to work them, and he is now studying on that. The appropriation of a few thousands would surely stimulate his brain and encourage him in the enterprise. The schedule and time table are already in the hands of the printer.

Also I think your Honorable Body should encourage discoveries along the line of wireless telegraphy. I understand that the "glass trust," since they found out the system won't need insulation, has been trying to discourage further discoveries. Of course when this system becomes practical, and the wire and pole system has become obsolete, the government can, at nominal cost, put crosses in the South and West to hang "niggers" on.

My friend, Bill Jonsing, says that he has helped to lobby several bills through the house, and that you all don't put in half the time that you could do to better our condition and keep us in the notion of sending you back.

Of course we understand that there are some things that have to be put off from time, but I would request you with all due deference that you either vacate your office or immediately look after the following needs:

To enforce the Monroe doctrine with reference to earthquakes and volcanoes.

To put widows and old maids on the free list.

To encourage government ownership of cyclones and tornadoes.

To establish diplomatic relations with Kentucky, Arkansas and Mississippi.

To enact a law making it sensible to play football.

To annex Vardaman and Garrard Harris, of Mississippi, and J. Thos. Hefflin of Alabama, to the Isle of Guam.

To "expand" the mental horizon of some of Congressmen.

To restrain the packing houses from using long-haired dogs in making sausage.

To discontinue the garden seed department and send us in lieu thereof a setting of frog eggs.

To "frank" out no more installments of speeches that were not delivered, sending up in place thereof some of your old oclthes.

Not to allow any man or woman to apply for a divorce but once in the same calender year.

Not to allow any newly elected President to lower the price of raw cotton unless he also lowers the price of raw beef and crooked cord wood.—Sel.

Amarillo Invites Roosevelt.

Amarillo citizens held a mass meeting the latter part of last month the object of which was to extend to President Roosevelt an invitation to pay that town a visit when he comes to Texas. We append a copy of the resolutions.

Whereas, Theodore Roosevelt, the forceful and popular President of the United States contemplates a visit to the State of Texas and

Whereas, His efficiency in attacking the commercial octopi that are a menace to a republican form of government is recognized by all classes, in all sections; and

Whereas, Our Texas Democratic majority is laid aside for four years as soon as the votes are counted, and

Whereas, Our patriotism and hospitality move us to desire to meet and entertain the President; therefore be it

Resolved, That we extend to his excellency, Theodore Roosevelt, a cordial invitation to visit Amarillo and make his visit as extended as his itinerary will permit. As the President is a devotee to popular sport, among which is the wolf chase, and our special desire being his entertainment, we obligate ourselves to cut the leash of one hundred dogs on the occasion of his visit.

Signed by C. B. Pash, F. L. Vanderburgh and G. L. Clark, Committee.

Brownfield on Last Sunday.

Brownfield all but played the part of a deserted village last Sunday. In the morning Floyd Pyeat left for to Tahoka to summon Dr. McCoy of that place for Mrs. Hill who was quite sick the night before. Shortly afterwards Jack Head and Mark Key left for Gomez, ostensibly to attend church.

Immediately after dinner Messrs. Spencer, Small, Dixon Tanner left for Commissioner Groves' home. The latter crowd returned to Brownfield at near sunset, those who went to Gomez and Floyd Pyeat with the Dr. from Tahoka returning sometime after night.

A Socialist's Idea.

I hate a capitalist, no matter how he becom one. I hate the meenspirited, grovelin retch wich will work ten or more hours a day deprivin hisself uv beer, and terbacker, and cards, and bilyards, and hos racin, and sich' savin penys til he hez ground enough out of the world to hev a shop uv his own, and to employ oter men to slave fur him' and thus go on akumulatin till he owns things. Such men are monopolists, and the enemies of labor, and grinders,

I hold that the possession of a ten dollar bill makes a monopolist, and all sich shood be crushed. As hevin a ten dollar bill makes a man a monopolis, his monopolism increases jist in proporshen to the ten-dollar bills he hez. The owner of a factory is a enemy to the human race, and ez for the man which bilds railr oads he

"Is a monster of such hidgus mean That to be hated needs but to be seen."

My hatred of railroad managers is intens. It commenst the fust time I wuz dropped off the hind platform uv a trans fur not paying fare, and hez increst with every repetishun uv the offense, which generally happens every time I want to go any wher. I lothe a railroad monopolis.

A grindin monopolis is any man with any thing. Whenever a man has saved anything he becums a capitalist, and as capitalists is dangerous to labor, he shood be made to divide up so ez to be on ekality with them that never saves nothing.

The mechanic or workingman wich saves so ez to own a house or farm becums a capitalist and consequently a grindin monopolis, and ez accumulashions are dangerous to labor, wat he hez shud be confiscated and divided up among us wich heza't anything. Property is a crime.

I ain't just shur that I have got the socialistic doctrine down just fine enuff, but I think these definishuns will do especially when yu howl em under a red flag to lovers uv humanity under the influence of stale beer.—Anon

Another's Faults.

The only thing that can be found where it does not exist is fault. That is, you can easily find it in others. But in yourself, though you be blackened with it, you can't see it so easily.

If the other fellow has a fault—and some times if he has't—you are quick to perceive it.

You incessantly find fault with the weather. It is either too warm or too cold, to wet or too dry, too sunny or too cloudy, and you have a great deal to say about it.

And the times never suit you. It's either hard times, or else some other people are making too much money by methods that you don't know anything about and so don't approve. Deep in your subconsciousness you are quite sure that money-making you can't comprehend and can't imitate can't be honest.

And the government is all wrong, too, in your opinion. As a matter of fact, you may confess to yourself that you are unable to vote with real discrimination for county sheriff, you do think you know all about running the national government and settling all international differnces.

You may be loudly preaching for world-wide peace, when you can't get along amicably with your own wife. You may not be able to successfully run a corner grocery, but you think you know all about the big trust. You don't know what are the elements of failure in your own affairs, but you think you know just what are the faults of the great railroads.

The trouble is easily diagnosed. It is one of the most common disorders under the sun. You are "far-sighted" in your mental vision. You see only those things that are beyond the reach of your hands, and are blind to those that lie about you. You see the faults of the other fellow but are blind to your own.—Atlanta Journal.

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