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# **CROP REPORT** M 750 POINTS

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Chihuahua's Governor Makes Plain His Determination to Save Mexico for Mexicans.

Chihuahua, Mexico, June 16 .-- Re forms immediately affecting millions of dollars' worth of American property in Mexico were announced Thurs day night.

Gov. Abram Gonzales said under the new regime foreign concessions which might be considered monopo lies would not be extended or renew ed and every legal effort would be made to restrict foreign monopolies Chihuahua is one of the richest States in minerals and in timber and is practically controlled by American, British and German interests. The Americans are the largest holders.

"All Americans who grieved at the downfall of the Diaz Administration. will find that their grief was well founded," said Gov. Gonzales. "We do not intend to take away the riches of any foreigner who legally holds them, but we realize that under the Diaz system the granting of conces sions, with their ruinous payments of large sum " money to Mexicar politicians, was a virtual selling out of Mexico. "For years Mexico has been ex

ploited by foreigners until the great body of the people have nothing. Now all special privileges shall cease if we can accomplish it.

"We hope to maintain the friendliest relations with Americans and we shall invite foreign capital to come in, but there will be no more selling out of the country by piecemeal. We will invite competition, not monopoly. "Undoubtedly the foreigners, including Americans, who profited so greatly under the Diaz system, will be hard hit by the new era, but the determination to rebuild Mexico and to improve the conditions of her poverty-stricken people will, I am sure, receive the hearty support of the great body of the people of the Uni-

#### Million Dollar Lumber Fire.

St. Louis: Fire, supposed to have started from the spark of a locomotive, in the rear of the Huttig Sash and Door Companys plant and completely wiped out eight acres of lumber warehouses and factory, the entire plants of the Huttig Sash and Door Company, the Fathman & Milthough personally unknown to the motor exploded in midair, flooding ler Planing Mill Company, the Misrebel chief of the north, admittedly him with gasoline and burning him souri Star Company and the Mound has been one of the reasons for the to death; M. Le Martin, who dashed City Box Company being destroyed. 1000 estimated at \$1,000,000 insured for \$500,000. The insurance Manchester avenue, Missouri Pacific would be destroyed. About 100 famand Cuernavaca, the town where Za- ing senseless near his machine in illes in direct line of the high wind a wheat field, four miles from Villars moved their good into the streets.



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#### Deal Endorsed by Federal Court. Palestine Asserta Right to Shops and Offices.

Palestine: Under a single bid third mortgage holders of the International and Great Northern purchased the road at receivership sale for \$12,645,-000. The Could interests own the ma iority of the third mortgage bonds and the result of sale is that the road will again be under their control. Frank D. Nicodemus, a New York attorney, represented the mortgage bondholders' committee and no other bid was accepted by W. H. Flippen of Dallas, Master Commissioner, sub-

ject to the approval of the United States District Court of the Northern District of Texas.

P. B. Greenwood, representing the city of Palestine and Anderson County, announced that the city and county would hold the road to its former promise to maintain the shops and general offices here. This announcement was made in connection with numerous reports that have been circulated as to the moving of the headquarters

As an evidence of good faith Mr. Nicodemus deposited a certified check for \$100,000 before the bid was entered

It is the intention of the purchasers to at once begin a reorganization both materially and managerially.

To Eliminate Express Companies. Washington: Recognizing that the Democrats of the House must soon face a demand for parcel post legislation, which it will not be possible to stave off longer than the end of the present special session of Congress, Representative Burleson of Texas, after conference with House leaders, has developed the plan to eliminate from the transportation scheme of this country the express service. In the opinion of Representative Burleson the express service unnecessary and expensive in the scheme of transportation, doing a service which he believes should be required of the railroads, or if transacted by express companies should be done at rates at which the service could be rendered by parcels post.

# SWEETWATER STILL HOPEFUL

NO. 18.

Contends Orient Shops, Round House and Offices Already Located.

Austin: J. H. Beall, attorney for the city of Sweetwater, has nied a motion for rehearing in the Supreme Court in the case of Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway Company vs. City of Sweetwater, wherein the court recently reversed the lower courts and held that the railroad company could move its shops, roundhouse and office from Sweetwater. The city claimed a contract bolding the shops and offices, but the Supreme Court said that the officer who made the contract for the company had no authority to do so. The motion for rehearing is elaborate and insista that the evidence not only shows that the officer did have the authority to make the contract, but that the jury is the judge of such matters and decided that the contract had been properly made.

Dallas-Waco Line "Up to" Waxahachie Waxahachie: At a meeting of the Commercial Club President Strickland formally submitted a proposition to the city looking to the construction of an interurban electric railway from Dallas, through Waxahachie and Hillsboro, to Waco. In consideration that Waxahachie takes \$100,000 worth of stock the road will be built through the city, the central station and car barns located here and not less than three miles of street railway constructed and operated. The local lines reach Trinity University and Chautauqua Park. In addition to taking \$100, 000 in stock the city is to provide the right of way from Rockette to Forres-

U. S. Wheat and Flour Exports. Washington: The United States furnish about 18 per cent of the total international trade in wheat, including flour, according to a statement of the Department of Agriculture. In recent years the world's wheat crop has averaged slightly more than three billion bushels annually, of which about 8 per cent is exported from one country to another in-the flour and 17 per cent in the form of wheat, making a total of about 25 per cent of the world's wheat crop which enters international trade. The United States exports about 62 per cent of all the flour that is shipped from one country to another and

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Waco: The Texas State Ginners' Association has been organized here and the following officers were electwood, president; George Caldwell of Corpus Christi, vice president; W. J. Eubanks of Comanche, secretary and treasurer; H. L. Quinis, Charles E.

#### Recall that Stands.

Austin: One recall provision did get by the Executive. It transpires that the House bill giving Houston County a road law provides for the creation of the position of Road Supcalling the post and abolishing it. The election was held and the recall carried.

#### Valuable Potato Patch.

Sulphur Springs: J. F. Peck, a successful diversifier, living two miles south of this city, has finished digging nine acres of potatoes that made 100 bushels to the acre, for which ha and marketing, he realized new He has cotton wing on the d it betwe

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#### FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 1911

going to be ruined if it don't rain in a few days but the crops can stand the drouth several weeks yet.

Congress is about to agree for the people to elect United States this way at present. senators by popular vote provided, the people will agree for con- Holland visited relatives at Tye gress to control the election.

plaint from the farmers of the Sunday. destruction the jack rabbits are S. W. Taylor and family, Cora doing the crops. What has be- and Alma Hays, Willie and Molcome of the Merkel gun club? lie Hardy took dinner with Will Why not organize a hunt and Higgins and family Sunday. help the farmers rid the country Misses Lillie Smith, Olive and of these pests.

Our Salt Branch correspon- Sunday. dent asks us to publish all we can get on prohibition, but you know our paper is not very ner with Ray Douglas Sunday. large and only comes out once a week and we have not the room Saturday in Merkel the guests of for even half that could and G.F. Turner and wife. should be said on the subject.

We learn that a cyclone struck a preacher-anti-prohibitionist in Callahan county one day last Sunday with Mrs. Etta Petty. week and that there was not a timb nor twig left of what was the sick list for the past week. a proud defender of personal liberty and local self-government. Cyclone, don't be so hard, remember that moderation is one of the tonics recommended by our governor. We have never been Murray Saturday night. an admirer of Cyclone but if he can demolish such growth as that we are bound to class him as a great benefactor to mankind.

# The New Iceless Soda Founta

Did you ever see one? Water freezes without ice and all drinks are just as COLD as freezing wate We serve the best Ice Cream that's made in Texas. It's Boedeker's, and by test the best. Private parlor for ladies. Ice Cream and Limades are our specialties. Come to see us when HOT.

#### & MCCAULEY DRUG COMPAN RUST

#### Salt Branch News.

June 20-Say, Mr. Editor lets have those prohibition pieces this week, as we are strong for prohibition we enjoy everything on The farmers and merchants are that line. Too much can't be said for prohibition.

> Well, going to see your wife's kinefolks, fishing and sitting in the shade talking to your neighbors is the order of the day out

Miss Selena Teaff and brother Sunday.

Misses Minnie Barker and Oma We hear considerable com. Taylor attended church at Tye

> Ocie Teaff were the guests of Misses Essie and Dewey Floyd

> Austin and Houston Robertson and Arthur McMurray took din-W.B.Beavers and family spent

W. M. Hays and family spent

Sunday afternoon at the home of spent Thursday with Mrs. H. C. Will Higgins.

Mrs. W. B Robertson spent Miss Lula Higgins has been on

Several from Warren attended would show the box of Bucklen's singing here Sunday afternoon. W. M. Hays and family, Oscar Mobley and family enjoyed ice a cut, wound, bruise, or sore it

Hays.

wife Sunday.

nie Hogg.

ly Tuesday.

W. B. Robertson took dinner scalds chapped hands and lips, with W. B. Beavers Sunday. W.B. Beavers and family spent H. C. Burroghs. Monday at the home of W. M.

We invite the close scrutiny of the banking public to the statement of our condition on opposite page.

We have on hand a cash reserve of over 67 per cent, when the law requires only 15 per cent, and not one dollar of this reserve is represented by borrowed money or interest-bearing time certificates.

We invite a continuance of your patronage and new accounts on the merits of this statement and the services that we can render NOW.

Our Capital and Surplus of over \$50,-000.00, our long experience in this country" and our strong Eastern connections, established through years of satisfactory business enables us to give unexcelled and dependable service to our patrons.

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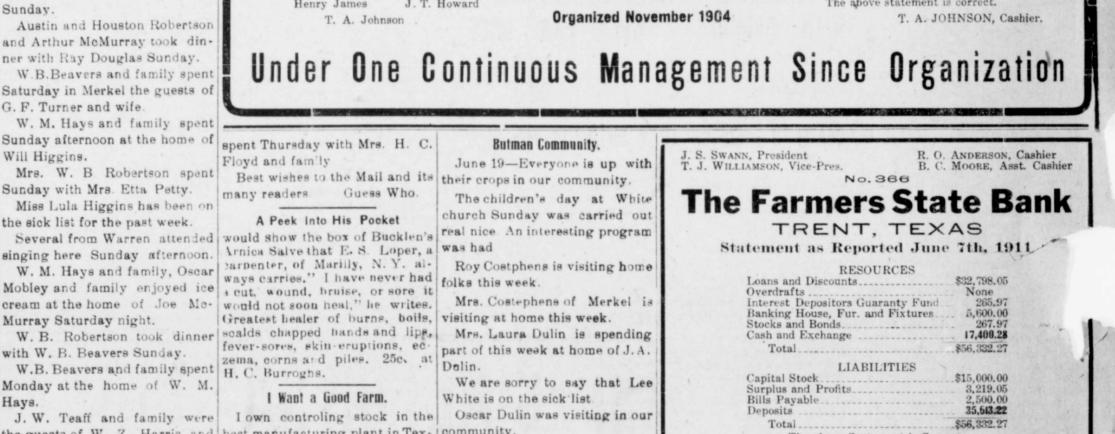
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Total	\$157,594.45
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STATEMENT

Farmers & Merchants National Bank

OF MERKEL

Other Borrowed Money. None 100,947.32 DEPOSITS \$157,594.45 Total ..... The above statement is correct.



#### Farmers Urged Plant June Corn.

Plant June corn is the advice of President Loudermilk to all farmers, whose early corn crop has been destroyed by the drouth.

"If the tassel is dead it is certain that no amount of rain can make corn, and in such cases, I am advising the farmers wherever I speak to turn the stalks under and plant June corn or Squaw corn-the new bluegrained type. I advise the farmers to plant now for if the ground is not moist enough to cause the grains to sprout, they will lay there until the rain comes, In a good many places good rains have fallen and the corn will start growing right off.

"By planting June corn, sorghum and other foilage crops, the farmers will be able to offset the devastation wrought by the drouth."-Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

#### Saved His Wife's Life.

"My wife would have been in her grave to-day," writes O. H. Brown, of Muscadine, Ala., "if it had not been for Dr. King's New Discovery. She was down in her bed, not able to get up without help. She had a severe bronchial trouble and a dreadful cough. I got her a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, and she soon began to mend, and was well in a short time." Infallible for coughs and colds, its the most reliable remedy on earth for desperate lung trouble, hemorrhages, la grippe, asthma, hay fever, croup and whooping cough. 50c, \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by H. C. Burroughs.

Misses Lurline Long and Fay en\_are visiting Mrs. W. C. this week.

than useless to take any ernally for muscular or natism. All needed

I Want a Good Farm.

J. W. Teaff and family were I own controling stock in the the guests of W. Z. Harris and best manufacturing plant in Tex- | community. as. Making wovenwire fencing, Cartha Lyles and wife spent only one in the south; bears a guest of Miss Willie Dulin Sun-

many readers

Sunday at the home of Mrs. Nan- good profit, no money necessary day. to operate. Other business de-Joe McMurray and family were mands my attention and I want dinner with Bryant Dulin Sunvisiting Frank Rogers and fami- to retire. \$7,500 will handle. day Write for particulars, G. E.

Mrs. Beavers and children Blewett, Fort Worth, Texas. 4tod Bonnie Mathis attended children

Miss Thresa Watford was the

J. A. Dulin and family took

Misses Amber Neighbors and day at White church Sunday.

The Misses Moore of Center Point were visiting in the White church community Sunday. Several from the Divide were at White church Sunday.

Guess ho.

#### Lightning Kills Few.

In 1906 lightning killed only 169 people in this whole country. One's chances of death by lightning are less than two in a million. The chance of death from liver, kidney or stomach trouble is vastly greater, but not if Eleo tric Bitters be used, as Robert Madsen, of West Burlington, Ia., proved. Four doctors gave him up after eight months of suffering from virulent liver trouble and yellow jaundice. He was then completeley cured by Electric Bitters. They're the best stomach, liver, nerve and kidney remedy and blood purifier on earth. Only 50c at B. C. Burroughs.

Miss Genevieve Rust who had an operation for removal of nasal growth a few days ago we learn is doing well, the operation being entirely successful.

#### A Wreck

is the only fit description for ths man or woman who is crippled with rheumatism. Just a few rheumatic twinges may be the forerunner of a severe attackstop the trouble at the start with Ballard's Snow Liniment. Cures the rheumatism and all pain. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by H, C. Burroughs.

Read the Mail-\$1.

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Notwithstanding the adverse conditions in this vicinity for the past year this Bank has made an increase in its deposits of over 95 per cent. solicit your business on the merits of this statement, and on our ability to handle your business satisfactorily. THIS IS A GUARANTY FUND BANK



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Of course we are honest and accurate, or we could not conduct the successful business we do. But it is as well for you to know that when you buy goods at this store you are amply protected.

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# J. E. FAUCETT, Cashier

We will give a can of JACK The Texas Wonder cures kid. FROST Baking powder FREE Paylor.

> T. L. Hall, wife and son are visiting Mrs. Hall's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Vol Martin. Mr. Hall is one of the district and new in wedding presents managers of the W. O. W. of Oklahoma and arrived several days McCauley's.

ago. Mrs. Hall who had been in Will Burns, Frank Ferrier and Galveston for some time came in Tuesday.

Miss Ona Johnson is at home from her visit to Mrs. BessieReed in Hillsboro.

#### Stomach Troubles.

Miss Ada Brown is attending rangements of the stomach or was cured by a few boxes of these tab-he summer normal at Abilana all dealers.

# LOCAL AND PERSONAL

The Tailor has fits for everybody.

Mrs. E. P. McMillen was visiting in Abilene Friday.

Clean men should wear clean clothes cleaned by the CityTailor

Miss Alpha Garrett visited Merkel Saturday and Sunday.

Birthday presents at Rust & McCauley's. Cut glass, silver novelties and china.

Will Hamilton of Snyder was visiting his father's family Sunday.

Don't make your wife press your suit with a 7 pound iron The work is too hard. tf

Mrs. W. C. Calvert of Trent visited several days in Merkel last week.

Miss Leona George of Eskota is visiting her cousin, Mrs. T. E.

Miss Rachel Knight of Fox Worth is the guest of her cousin, Miss Agnes Hall.

If you don't believe The Tailor is game come around and he will clean you up. tf

Mr. and Mrs. White who have been visiting relatives and frienda here returned to Austin Monday,

If you want sometime elegant come see our line. At Rust & tf

Paul Cranford of Fort Worth was visiting his father and moth-Suturday and Sunday.

Mr. Jackson of the Coggin ranch brought some well filled roasting ears to town Saturday.

Wedding presents of the most appropriate and up to date kind. Prices \$1 to \$100. Everything neat, nobby and new. Rust & McCauley Drug Co.

Mrs. Sam Wallace and little son of Fort Worth visited her sister, Mrs. Claude Bigham this week.

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Groene's Art Store. Open 8 to 6; and 8 to 10 on Saturdays. Taylor Jennings is in Stamford

attending the normal. The City Tailor wants to suit

tf you. J. M. Fogleman of Noodle was in town Saturday.

don't look good. The Tailor. Guy Hamilton of Sweetwater

was at home Sunday.

Go to the City Barber Shop for first-class work. West & Evans, Proprietors.

has no equal. If not satisfactory, E. Barnes, W. I. Cogburn, and money refunded. For sale by all Wm. Clark were in town Saturdruggists. day.

Wheat and Oat Bags and Bin-Company.

Farmers from the different neighborhoods who were in town the summer normal at Abilene. Saturday report light showers

family.

ness.

burns, bruises, piles, pain and

soreness of all kinds, Dr. Cox's

Barbed Wire Liniment, 25c size,

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Jennings

Dr. Geo. Howard who has been A TEXAS WONDER. a student in Baylor Medical College is at home, having completed ney and bladder troubles, weak with every sack of LIGHT a full four years course and re- and lame backs, rheumatism and CRUST FLOUR sold this and ceived a diploma at the close of all irregularity of the kinneys next week. Order a sack and 1911 session in May. He expects and bladder in both men have good bread, you couldn't to further equip himself for his and women, regulates bladder fail with this brand of Flour and chosen profession by taking hos- troubles in children. If not sold Baking Powder. For sale only pital work before he enters the by your druggist, will be sent by at Merkel Dry Goods and Groregular practice. He is a young mail on receipt of \$1. One small cery Company. man of splendid character and bottle is two months treatment good habits and we congratulate and seldom fails to perfect a cure. If your clothes are dirty you him on his success so far and Send for Texas testimonials. Dr. predict for him a life of usefull- E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists. As a household remedy for cuts

Will Evans, Harvey Warren, N. C. Sinclair are at Waco attending the firemen's convention.

The most delicate part of a baby is it's bowels. Every ailment that it suffers with attacks

arrhoea, dyseptery and all debowels.

A Vital Point. der twine at the lowest price at Merkel Dry Goods and Grocery iting Mrs. J. W. Jennings and most cases the life of the infant. Many remarkable cures of stomach Merkel Dry Goods and Grocery iting Mrs. J. W. Jennings and most cases the life of the infant. McGee's Baby Elixir cures di-arrhoea, dyseptery and all de-sand dollars for medicine and treatment

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Baskets shipped Monday, Tues-day, Wednesday and Thursday, returned Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Work called for and delivered promptly or received at the City Narber shop. 1 will appreciate your patronage.

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Is your horse, mule or cow sick? If so we will give your money back for any case you fail to cure with any of Watson's celebrated line of Veterinary Remedies. Sold and guaranteed by Rust & McCauley Drug Co., Merkel, Texas. Manufactured only by

The Watson Co. Pine Bluff, Ark,

The uniform success that has attended the use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cho-OFFICE OVER FIRST NATIONAL BANK lera and Diarrhoea Remedy. has made it a favorite everywhere. It can always be depended upon. For sale by all dealers

Friday night.

G. L. Baker, Brooks Patterson and A. J. Hartley of the Warren neighborhood were in town Saturday.

Our prices are right on wedding presents and birthday presents. Come and see them. Rust & McCauley's. tf

B. W. Hudgins, J. N. Routh, Otto Sosebee, Chalie Ely, left Monday to attend the normal at Abilene.

Dr.Cox's Painless Blister, price 50c. Guaranteed to blister without pain or money refunded. For sale by all druggists.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Taylor who have been at Corpus Christi several months for their health have returned to Merkel considerably improved.

We have fresh vegetables most every day, phone 170 your order and it will have prompt delivery. Merkel Dry Goods and Grocery Company.

Miss Lucile Sutphen returned from Caps Saturday accompanied by Misses Kittie Clyde and Alma Parmelly who will visit her for some time.

Anyone needing a secondhand folding upright or mantel bed will save money by seeing what we have to offer. The Furniture People-Behrens-McMillen Company. tf

Miss Fannie Bounds of Sherman who has been the guest of her friend Miss Bigham left Monday for Van Horn.

#### You Never Can Tell

just exactly the cause of your rheumatism, but you'know you have it. Do you know that Ballards Snow Liniment will cure it?-relieves the pain-reduces the swelling and limbers the joints and muscles so that you will be as active and well as you ever were. Price 25c 50c and \$1.00. Sold by H. C. Burroughs.

# SPECIAL FOR SATURI These Prices are Good For One Day Only

# Saturday, June 24th

Men's best grade Overalls in this special sale for Saturday only	850
One lot of Men's Hats, regular \$3.00 values, for Saturday only	\$1.50
ONE-FOURTH OFF ON MEN'S OX	FORDS
Men's 50c Underwear, special price in this sale for Saturday only	35c
Men's \$1.00 and \$1.25 Dress Shirts, special price for Saturday only	85c
We have about 50 dozen Men's 4-ply Linen Collars fo Saturday only	<sup>or</sup>
One lot of Men's \$10.00 Suits, for the small price of Saturday only	\$3.95
MEN'S CLOTHING REDUCED ALMOST	ONE-HALF

In fact everything in the store is priced far below what you will pay elsewhere. :: It will pay you to come and take a look.



10 5-9 54 Ka E

All druggists sell Dr. Cox's Barbed Wire Liniment, 25c, 50c and \$1 bottles. Guaranteed to heal without leaving a blemish, or money refunded.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Herring. of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Jud Sheppard Sunday. They were accompanied by their aunt of Shreveport.

Whooping cough is not dangerous when the cough is kept loose and ex-pectoration easy by giving Chamerlains Cough Remedy. It has been used in many epidemics of this disease with perfect success. For sale by all dealers

R. R. Black of Thornton Tex., on his way home from a visit to his father at Sweetwater stopped in Merkel to visit his aunts, Mrs. W. Parten and Mrs. I. S. Allen Sunday night.

Dr. Cox's Barbed Wire Liniment does not burn or blister, relieves pain quickly and flies will not bother the wound. For sale by all druggists.

President Sandefer of Simmons College will address the Merkel people Sunday night on statewide prohibition. It is announced that there will be no preaching in town but all are invited to the tabernacle to hear him.

Try Van Camps Condensed Milk for making ice cream. Its as good as pure Cream and cheaper. You can get it by phoning 170. Merkel Dry Goods and Grocery Company.

Miss Zada Hardy who has had charge of the millinery department at Whodroof Bros. the past season has returned to her home at Dallas.

Whose phone is 48? The Tailor

#### The Big Head

is of two kinds-conceit and the big head that comes from a sick headache. Does your head ever feel like a gourd and your brain feel loose and sore? You cp cure it in no time by actir your liver with Ballard' bine. Isn't it worth trib absolute and certain get? Sold by H. C. ?



SYNOPSIS.

Count di Rosini, the Italian ambas-sador, is at dinner with dipiomats in the national capital when a messenger brings a note directing him to come te the embassy at once. Here a beautiful young woman asks that she be given a ticket to the embassy ball. The tick-et is made out in the name of Miss Is-abel Thorne. Chief Campbell of the secret service, and Mr. Grimm, his head detective, are warned that a plot of the Latin races against the English speak-ing races is brewing in Washington, and Grimm goes to the state ball for information. In a conservatory his at-tention is called to Miss Isabel Thorne. Count di Rosini, the Italian ambas-

#### CHAPTER III .-- (Continued.)

Benorita Rodriguez laughed, and Mr. Grimm glanced idly toward Miss Thorne. She was still talking, her "ace alive with interest; and the fan was still tapping rhythmically, steadlly, now on the arm of her chair.

"Dot-dash-dot! Dot-dash-dot! Dotdash-dot! Dot-dash-dot!"

"Pretty women who don't want to pe stared at should go with their faces swathed," Mr. Grimm suggested, indoiently. "Haroun el Raschid there would agree with me on that point, I have no doubt. What a shock he would get if he should happen up at Atlantic City for a week-end in August!"

"Dot-dash-dot! Dot-dash-dot! Dotdash-dot!"

Mr. Grimm read it with perfect understanding; it was "F-F-F" in the Morse code, the call of one operator to another. Was it accident? Mr. Grimm wondered, and wondering, he went on talking lazily:

"Curious, isn't it, the smaller the nation the more color it crowds into the uniforms of its diplomats? The British ambassador, you will observe, is clothed sanely and modestly, as befits the representative of a great nation; but coming on down by way of Spain and Italy, they get more gorgeous. However, I dare say as stout a heart

That was all, apparently. The soft quiring looks and the plaintive whine clatter of the fan against the arm of of the orchestra, far away, faltered, the chair ran on meaninglessly after then ceased. There was one brief that. "May I bring you an ice?" Mr.

Grimm asked at last. "If you will, please," responded the of colors halted. Then, after a mo-

senorita, "and when you come back ment, there came clearly through the I'll reward you by presenting you to stillness, the excited, guttural com-Miss Thorne. You'll find her charm- mand of the German ambassador. ing; and Mr. Cadwallader has monopolized her long enough."

Mr. Grimm bowed and left her. He had barely disappeared when Mr. and greeted her effusively.

'I'm delighted to see you here. I understood you would not be present, and-

as she rose and moved away, with a nod of excuse to Mr. Cadwallader. A of the officers present dropped his repassed from Mr. Rankin to her. She charged. No harm done.' tugged at her glove, and thrust the little paper, still folded, inside the palm. ter, deep-drawn breaths of relief, the

asked in a low tone. "Frankly, I can't say," was the re-

ply. "He read the message," she ex-

plained hastily, "and now he has gone to decipher it.

She gathered up her trailing skirts narrow hall. over one arm, and together they glided away through the crowd to the strains | tersely. of a Strauss waltz.

"I'm going to faint in a moment," she said quite calmly to Mr. Rankin. "Please have me sent to the ladies'

dressing-room. "I understand," he replied quietly.

#### CHAPTER IV.

#### The Fleeing Woman.

Mr. Grimm went straight to a quiet nook of the smoking-room and there, after a moment, Mr. Campbell joined him. The bland benevolence of the chief's face was disturbed by the slightest questioning uplift of his brows as he dropped into a seat opposite Mr. Grimm, and lighted a cigar. Mr. Grimm raised his hand, and a servant who stood near, approached them.

"An ice-here," Mr. Grimm directed, tersely.

The servant bowed and disappeared, and Mr. Grimm hastily scribbled something on a sheet of paper and handed it to his chief.

"There is a reading, in the Morse code, of a message that seems to be unintelligible," Mr. Grimm explained. 'I have reason to believe it is in the Continental code. You know the Continental-I don't."

Mr. Campbell read this: "St5ut man fed gaje neaf j5nsef-

at5f," and then came the unknown,



instant of utter silence in which whitefaced women clung to the arms of their escorts, and the brilliant galaxy "Keep on blaying, you tam fools! Keep on blaying!'

The orcnestra started again tremu lously. Mr. Grimm rodded a silent Rankin lounged along in front of Miss approval of the ambassador's com-Thorne. He glanced at her, paused mand, then turned away to his left, in the direction of the shot. After the "Why, Miss Thorne!" he exclaimed. first dismay, there was a general movement of the crowd in that direction. a movement which was checked by Mr. Campbell's appearance upon a Their hands met in a friendly clasp chair, with a smile on his bland face. "No harm done," he called. "One

thin slip of paper, thrice folded, volver, and it was accidentally dis-There was a moment's excited chat-

"Is it yes, or no?" Miss Thorne orchestra swung again into the interrupted rhythm, and the dancers moved on. Mr. Grimm went straight to his chief, who had stepped down from the chair. Two other secret service men stood behind him, blocking the doorway that opened into a

"This way," directed the chief

Mr. Grimm walked along beside him. They skirted the end of the ballroom until they came to another door opening into the hall. Chief Campbell pushed it open, and entered. One of his men stood just inside.

"What was it, Gray?" asked the chief.

"Senor Alvarez of the Mexican le gation, was shot," was the reply. "Dead ?"

"Only wounded. He's in that room," and he indicated a door a little way down the hall. "Fairchild, two servants and a physician are with him." "Who shot him?"

"Don't know. We found him lying in the hall here."

Still followed by Mr. Grimm, the chief entered the room, and together they bent over the wounded man. The bullet had entered the torso just below the ribs on the left side.

"It's a clean wound," the physician was explaining. "The bullet passed through. There's no immediate danger.

Senor Alvarez opened his eyes, and stared about him in bewilderment; then alarm overspread his face, and he made spasmodic efforts to teach the inside breast pocket of his coat. Mr. Grimm obligingly thrust his hand into the pocket and drew out its contents, the while Senor Alvarez struggled frantically.

'Just a moment," Mr. Grimm advised quietly. "I'm only going to let you see if it is here. Is it?" He held the papers, one by one, in front of the wounded man, and each time a shake of the head was his answer. At last Senor Alvarez closed his eves again.

Writings of Bible Times Inscribed on

Potsherds Have Been Found

in Samaria.

cheap and easy method of sending writ-

ten messages which was in fairly com

mon use is now an established fact."

said George A. Reisner, assistant pro-

fessor of Egyptology at Harvard, who

for the last fourteen years has been

conducting excavations in Egypt and

Palestine. Professor Reisner just re-

once capital of the northern kingdom

of Israel, in 1908, when we came upon

the palace of the Israelite kings. Last

summer we found on the floor of one of

the chambers of the palace a number

of potsherds and on these shards were

tithes or taxes paid to the king, and

were written in an ink made of pure

carbon or lampblack. These, perhaps,

Would Chase Cats.

The other night a New York man

visited friends in a New Jersey town

where police dogs help the local force

in routing out burglars. These dogs

"In spite of that," said the man,

"Max, which I believe is considered

the best of them, cannot be trained

to leave a cat alone. His job is to

go around at night with a policeman

and circle houses. If he finds a bur-

glar at work he is trained to chase

him out into the open, where the po-

licemen can get at him. But if Max

finds a cat on his trip around a

house it is all off with his job. He

chases that cat until pursuit is use-

less. I don't know what he would do

If he caught a cat, because he is kept

muzzled, but his nature tells him cats

are to be worried and he annoys

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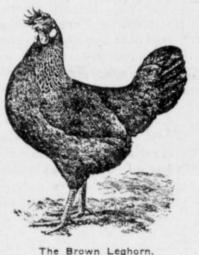
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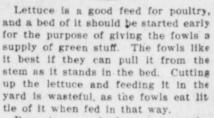
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"Did you happen to notice any time this evening a stout gentleman, with red face, near the conservatory door?" he asked.

The servant pondered a moment, then shook his head.

"No, sir."

"Thank you."

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Fattening crates are usually made six feet long, 18 to 20 inches high and 18 inches wide. The crate is divided into three compartments, each holding from four to six birds, according to the size of the chicken. The crate is made of slats usually one and a half inches wide by five-eighths inch thick. Those in front are placed two inches apart to allow the birds to put written messages; they related to their heads through for feeding. The slats on the bottom are placed threefourths of an inch apart allowing the dropping to go through. Care should be taken not to have the first bottom slat at the back fit too closely against the back, or the droppings will collect and decompose. The slats on the bottom should be one inch

by one-half inch, and run lengthwise of the crate. The slats on the back and top are usually two inches apart. A frame is made of one and one-half inch by one inch.

Very fair coops may be made from old packing boxes by taking off the front and bottom and substituting slats in their places. During warm weather spare it. these crates may be placed out of doors.

#### Good Hatches.

A very important item in getting good hatches is to thoroughly test out the infertile eggs. Excellent egg testers, with instructions as to use, are furnished with most incubators. These testers can be placed on an ordinary lamp, and the eggs are best tested at best time for the first testing, says a writer in an exchange. A good, strong germ has the appearance of a spider in the egg. A blood circle adhering to the shell denotes a dead germ; a perfectly clear, as well as a cloudy, egg. is infertile, and should be removed from the incubator. These discarded eggs can be saved and boiled to feed the young chicks or they may be used for cooking purposes. I have always while some do not think this really

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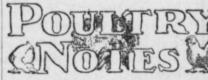
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Scaly Legs.

If any of the fowls show scaly legs the best remedy is kerosene mixed with lard and sulphur. Apply it warm with a brush at intervals of a week apart. Then, since this trouble is supposed to be caused by parasites upon the perches, see to it that the roosts are thoroughly swabbed off in kerosene.



Sunshine and cleanliness are the best medicine.

These are gala days for lice. Fight them strong and hard.

But do not forget that shade is sometimes necessary in the hot days." Kerosene will do deadly work. Pour it in every crack and crevice. Don't

Watch the grit box. The hens are doing so. Don't let them catch you napping and the box empty.

The keeping of the flock free from disease is the first great factor in the list of requisites for success.

The waste of grain on every farm is great; but a good flock of hens will glean much of it and turn it into meat and eggs.

Be sure that the drinking fountain night when the room is dark. I con- is kept in a cool place and renewed sider the sixth day of incubation the as frequently as you would like for your own drinking.

It is almost a waste of time on your part as well as that of the hen to set her in a nest and in a house infested with vermin.

The poultry raiser who is too lazy to keep his poultry house absolutely free from vermin does not deserve success nor will he have it.

Allow the cool air to enter the houses at night by taking out the found it a good plan to retest the eggs windows, but do not forget to have again about the fourteenth day, and inch-mesh wire netting fastened to the opening to keep out the enemies.

Watch the condition of the young chickens. If they are moping, look for lice, especially the large gray louse found on the head of the chick. A drop of sweet-oll will soon end his career

"Oh, Mr. Brown, was that your shin?" she asked.

"Yes, Mrs. Blaikie," said the mate, meekly, "hit's been my shin hall the voyage, ma'am."-Youth's Companion.

#### First Ald.

George Ade, at a luncheon in Chicago, paid a gal ant compliment to a well-known actress.

The actress wore a harem skirt of the new flame color and Mr. Ade said to her:

"It is pretty. And what an odd color it is! Tell me the name of the color.'

"Flamme de Vesuve-flame of Vesuvius." the actress answered.

"Be jabers," said Mr. Ade, "ye make a vurry purty crater."

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Count di Rosini, the Italian ambas-sador, is at dinner with diplomats in the national capital when a messenger brings a note directing him to come te the embassy at once. Here a beautiful young woman asks that she be given a ticket to the embassy ball. The tick-et is made out in the name of Miss Is-abel Thorne. Chief Campbell of the secret service, and Mr. Grimm. his head detective, are warned that a plot of the Latin races against the English speak-ing races is brewing in Washington, and Grimm goes to the state ball for information. In a conservatory his at-tention is called to Miss Isabel Thorne. Count di Rosini, the Italian ambas-

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Benorita Rodriguez laughed, and Mr. Srimm glanced idly toward Miss Thorne. She was still talking, her 'ace alive with interest; and the fan was still tapping rhythmically, steadlly, now on the arm of her chair.

"Dot-dash-dot! Dot-dash-dot! Dotdash-dot! Dot-dash-dot!"

"Pretty women who don't want to pe stared at should go with their faces swathed," Mr. Grimm suggested, indocently. "Haroun el Raschid there would agree with me on that point, I have no doubt. What a shock he would get if he should happen up at Atlantic City for a week-end in August!"

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"Curious, isn't it, the smaller the nation the more color it crowds into the uniforms of its diplomats? The British ambassador, you will observe, is clothed sanely and modestly, as befits the representative of a great nation; but coming on down by way of Spain and Iraly, they get more gorgeous. However, I dare say as stout a heart that. "May I bring you an ice?" Mr.

Grimm asked at last. Miss Thorne. You'll find her charming; and Mr. Cadwallader has monop-

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"Why, Miss Thorne!" he exclaimed. "I'm delighted to see you here. I understood you would not be present, and-

as she rose and moved away, with a thin slip of paper, thrice folded, passed from Mr. Rankin to her. She charged. No harm done.' ugged at her glove, and thrust the little paper, still folded, inside the palm. "Is it yes, or no?" Miss Thorne

asked in a low tone 'Frankly, I can't say," was the re-

ply. "He read the message," she explained hastily, "and now he has gone to decipher it

She gathered up her trailing skirts over one arm, and together they glided away through the crowd to the strains of a Strauss waltz.

"I'm going to faint in a moment," she said quite calmly to Mr. Rankin. "Please have me sent to the ladies' dressing-room.

"I understand," he replied quietly.

#### CHAPTER IV.

The Fleeing Woman.

Mr. Grimm went straight to a quiet nook of the smoking-room and there, after a moment, Mr. Campbell joined him. The bland benevolence of the chief's face was disturbed by the slightest questioning uplift of his brows as he dropped into a seat opposite Mr. Grimm, and lighted a cigar. Mr. Grimm raised his hand, and a

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"This way," directed the chief tersely.

Mr. Grimm walked along beside him. They skirted the end of the ballroom until they came to another door opening into the hall. Chief Campbell pushed it open, and entered. One of his men stood just inside.

"What was it, Gray?" asked the chief.

"Senor Alvarez of the Mexican le gation, was shot," was the reply. "Dead ?"

"Only wounded. He's in that room," and he indicated a door a little way down the hall. "Fairchild, two servants and a physician are with him." "Who shot him?"

"Don't know. We found him lying in the hall here.'

Still followed by Mr. Grimm, the chief entered the room, and together they bent over the wounded man. The bullet had entered the torso just below the ribs on the left side.

"It's a clean wound," the physician was explaining. "The bullet passed through. There's no immediate dan-

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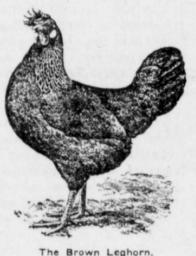
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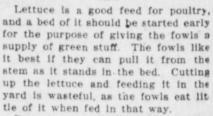
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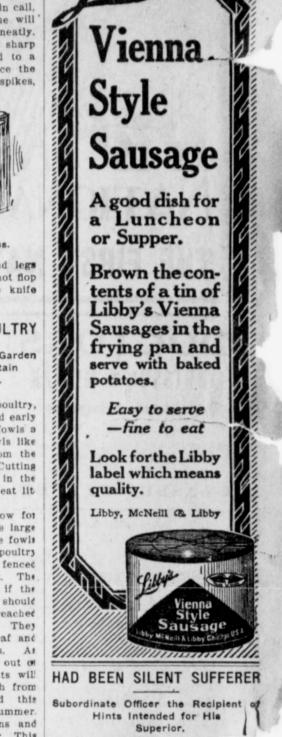
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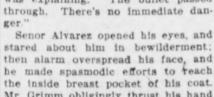
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"Stout man, red face, near conservatory door. Bring over when G goes. "Very well!" commented Mr. Grimm ambiguously.

With no word of explanation, he work contemporaneous with the Bible. rose and went out, pausing at the door They were written in the reign of to take the ice which the servant was bringing in. The seat where he had left Senorita Rodriguez was vacant; so was the chair where Miss Thorne had been. He glanced about inquiringly, and a servant who stood stolidly near the conservatory door approached him.

"Pardon, sir, but the lady who was sitting here," and he indicated the chair where Miss Thorne had been sitting, "fainted while dancing, and the lady who was with you went along when she was removed to the ladies' dressing-room, sir."

Mr. Grimm's teeth closed with a little snap.

"Did you happen to notice any time this evening a stout gentleman, with red face, near the conservatory door?' he asked.

The servant pondered a moment, then shook his head.

"No, sir."

"Thank you."

Mr. Grimm was just turning away. ing." when there came the sharp, vibrant cra-a-sh! of a revolver, somewhere off

to his left. The president! That was his first thought. One glance across

man he got time for a certain amount the room to where the chief executive of reading. He made it a rule, alstood, in conversation with two other though very fond of good pictures, Grimm followed it with difficulty, a gentlemen, reassured him. The cholnever to buy any for fear of developdifficulty utterly belied by the quizzi- eric blue eyes of the president had cal lines about his mouth. As he opened a little at the sound, then he art, for with all his wealth he felt calmly resumed the conversation. Mr. that he could not afford to spend so Grimm impulsively started toward the an arbitrary signal which is not in the little group, but already a cordon was being drawn there-a cordon of quiet-Mr. Grimm carefully stored that faced, keen-eyed men, unobtrusively away in some recess of his forcing their way through the crowd. There was Johnson, and Hastings,

-f," he read, and then, on and Blair, and half a dozen others. The room had been struck dumb.

ing a craze for collecting works of much money on a fad. The only famous painting that he owned was one by Sir Joshua Reynolds, supposed to represent a young married woman, which hung in the dining-room over

the fireplace. As a boy he had taken a great fancy to the picture, and when he grew up and became rich he Then dancers stopped, with ter, e, in- bought it.

the second is the second second A Tank for Ducklings.

well set in the ground-two or more laths according to the length of the

Usually Divided Into Three Compartments, Each Holding From

the dropping to go through. Care should be taken not to have the first bottom slat at the back fit too closely against the back, or the droppings will collect and decompose. The slats on the bottom should be one inch by one-half inch, and run lengthwise of the crate. The slats on the back and top are usually two inches apart. A frame is made of one and one-half

Very fair coops may be made from old packing boxes by taking off the front and bottom and substituting slats in their places. During warm weather | spare it. these crates may be placed out of

good hatches is to thoroughly test out the infertile eggs. Excellent egg testers, with instructions as to use, are furnished with most incubators. These testers can be placed on an ordinary lamp, and the eggs are best tested at night when the room is dark. I consider the sixth day of incubation the best time for the first testing, says a writer in an exchange. A good, strong germ has the appearance of a spider in the egg. A blood circle adhering to the shell denotes a dead germ; a perfectly clear, as well as a cloudy, egg, is infertile, and should be removed from the incubator. These discarded eggs can be saved and boiled to feed the young chicks or they may be used for cooking purposes. I have always again about the fourteenth day, and while some do not think this really

necessary, I think it a good plan.

work over.

and the stand

Oats for Hans.

The farmer cannot afford to keep his poultry shut up in summer, except during short periods, as mentioned above. The great advantage the farmer has over the city and village poultry raiser is that he can make his poultry work for him. The bug population of every farm is very great, and this population is drawn upon by the fowls.

Scaly Legs.

If any of the fowls show scaly legs the best remedy is kerosene mixed with lard and sulphur. Apply it warm with a brush at intervals of a week apart. Then, since this trouble is supposed to be caused by parasites upon the perches, see to it that the roosts are thoroughly swabbed off in kerosene.



Sunshine and cleanliness are the best medicine.

These are gala days for lice. Fight them strong and hard.

But do not forget that shade is sometimes necessary in the hot days. Kerosene will do deadly work. Pour it in every crack and crevice. Don't

Watch the grit box. The hens are doing so. Don't let them catch you napping and the box empty.

The keeping of the flock free from disease is the first great factor in the list of requisites for success.

The waste of grain on every farm s great; but a good flock of hens will glean much of it and turn it into meat and eggs.

Be sure that the drinking fountain is kept in a cool place and renewed as frequently as you would like for your own drinking.

It is almost a waste of time on your part as well as that of the hen to set her in a nest and in a house infested with vermin.

The poultry raiser who is too lazy to keep his poultry house absolutely free from vermin does not deserve success nor will he have it.

Allow the cool air to enter the houses at night by taking out the found it a good plan to retest the eggs windows, but do not forget to have inch-mesh wire netting fastened to the opening to keep out the enemies.

Watch the condition of the young chickens. If they are moping, look for lice, especially the large gray A bundle of unthrashed wheat or louse found on the head of the chick. oats is a good thing for the bens to A drop of sweet-oll will soon end his career

"Oh, Mr. Brown, was that your shin?" she asked.

"Yes, Mrs. Blaikie," said the mate, meekly, "hit's been my shin hall the voyage, ma'am."-Youth's Companion

#### First Aid.

George Ade, at a luncheon in Chicago, raid a gal ant compliment to a well-known actress.

The actress wore a harem skirt of the new flame color and Mr. Ade said to her:

"It is pretty. And what an odd color it is! Tell me the name of the color.'

"Flamme de Vesuve-flame of Vesuvius," the actress answered.

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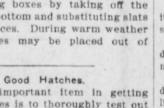
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in routing out burglars. These dogs inch by one inch. "In spite of that," said the man, "Max. which I believe is considered the best of them, cannot be trained to leave a cat alone. His job is to

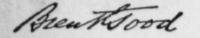
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ciples that they must take up their cross daily and follow him, he was borrow ing a term from his own experience and transfer-

ring it to ours. "The cross" meant to Jesus the sacrifices demanded by the duties which the will of God laid on him. Jesus came to earth willingly. but not on his own initiative: "The Father sent the Sch to be the Saviour of the world." And he came with just one purpose: "I came not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me." A part of the will was that he should die, in order that we, through his death, might have life. He spoke of himself as the Good Shep herd who was to lay down his life for the sheep, and added: "This commandment have I received of my Father.' Therefore he endured the cross, despising the shame. When he speaks to us of the every-day cross, Jesus can only be referring to experiences in daily life which have for as the same significance the cross of Calvary had for him

Life is a complicated web of relationships. Every one of us is the center of a world. Each individual life is set in the midst of a maze of parents, brothers, sisters, aunts, cousins, husband or wife, sons or daughters, business associates, friends or enemies. And toward each of the persons composing this world of ours we have our duties, laid upon us by the will of God.

There is not one of these duties which does not, sooner or later, involve sacrifice. Sometimes the duties of one of these relationships absorb the whole of life, making it one long agony of sacrifice, lightened only by love. Perhaps a mother is an invalid. Perhaps a father has been unfortunate in business and grown utterly discouraged. Sometimes a brother or sister has gone wrong, or a child turned ou' a source of disappointment instead of pride. The whole life of some healthy and normal member of the family has to be spent in caring for, encouraging or seeking to reclaim the unfortunate one.

#### Must Bear Own Burden.

Some try to escape it. But if we could, we should only transfer our burden to somebody else's shoulders. There is just about so much of burden and responsibility in the world. There is just a certain number of shoulders among whom these must be division. If the divisor is lessened, the quotient must increase.

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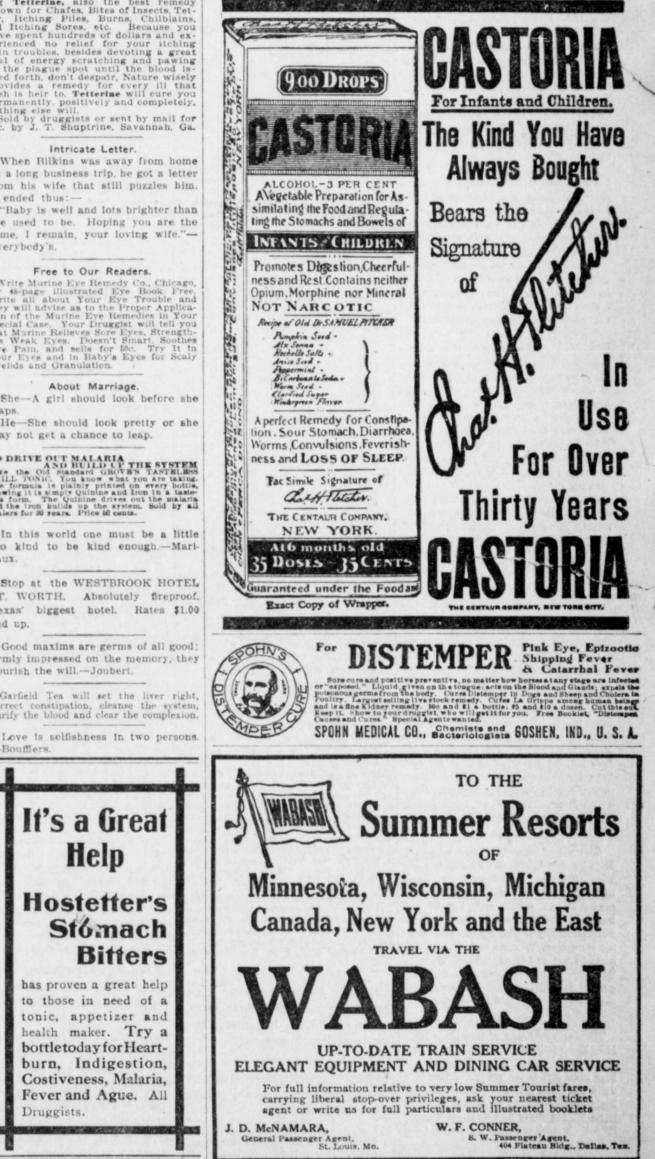


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bravely, proudly, yet bitterly. That statement makes one think of Dante. He loved Florence as few have ever loved the city of their birth; and yet for nineteen years before his death in 1321 he was compelled to wander from

one city of Italy to another, and perhaps as far as Paris and Oxford, with a death sentence registered against him by the city of his love. Such pride and scorn as he was capable of, however, have rarely had residence in a human breast. Rossetti, himself the son of an Italian exile, has given a picture of the wandering poet which may stand for many a burdened soul today, whose cross galls, whose heart hath no rest, whose spirit has grown bitter, but who disdains to try to escape the cross, unless they can do so on their own terms.

We have all known such people. They have never reconciled themselves to their lot. The heart burns continually with a sense of the injustice of life. Complaint arises even against God. The sight of the happiaess of others galls like vinegar poured into an open wound. We have found no experience that such lives have no power to help others. Those we have known have been a source of discouragement rather than of inspiration. Here, then, is a case for the application of the Golden Rule. If we would seek light and inspiration from our friends we should give them the same. One ought to be very care ful of allowing to grow up in his own heart the spirit which, in others, acts as a kill-joy and a source of disheart ment to him

#### The Attitude of Jesus.

A third class of people try to bear their cross as Jesus bore his. When he said, "Take up the cross daily, and follow me," he meant "Follow me ir the bearing of the cross." The ex perience of Jesus in the Garden of Jethesemane is the key to his attitude toward the cross. The burden of what was before him seemed heavier than he could bear; but when his vision was cleared from the obscuring clouds of momentary depression an horror, and he saw unmistakably that Calvary was God's will for him, he arose and went out to meet it. What the cross of Calvary was to Jesus the everyday cross may be made to us, by the simple expedient of taking it up and following Jesus in the bearing of

The cross was to Jesus the gate of glory. Through it he entered into the resurrection life. The everyday cross may become a pathway into glory of character which we could never otherwise attain. Fire burns but it purifies. It consumes dross, but it refines gold. The everyday cross is God's purifying baptism of fire

# FREED FROM SKIN DISEASE

"Our boy was born in Toronto on Oct. 13, 1908, and when three months old a slight rash appeared on his cheek. What appeared to be a water blister would form. When it broke, matter would run out, starting new blisters until his entire face, head and shoulders were a mass of scabs and you could not see a particle of clear skin. Other parts of his body were affected, but not to such an extent. We tried about every advertised remedy without avail, indeed some of them only added to his suffering and one in particular, the Remedy, almost put the infant into convulsions. The family doctor prescribed for him and told us to bathe the baby in buttermilk. This did not do any good, so we took him to a hospital. He was treated as an out-patient twice a week and he got worse, if anything. We then called in another doctor and inside of a week the boy was, to all appearances, cured and the doctor said his work was done. But the very next day it broke out as bad as ever.

"We decided that it could not be cured and must run its course and so we just kept his arms bandaged to his side to prevent his tearing his flesh. We left Toronto and shortly after our arrival in Duluth, the Cuticura Remedies were recommended. We started using them in May, 1909, and soon the cure was complete. You would not think he was the same child for Cuticura made his skin perfectly clear and he is entirely free from the skin disease. There has been no return this time. We still use only Cuticura Soap for baby's bath. Robert Mann, Proctor, Minn., May 3, 1910."

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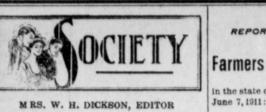
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Standing under a wedding bell su pended from an evergreen arch, inter spersed with red roses, Miss Lillia daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Howar was married to Mr. Rufus Grisham o Hamlin Wednesday evening June 14th Miss Ova Teaff sang "Calm as" th Night" after which Miss Winnie War ren rendered the Bridal Processional The bride and groom appeared coming through the hall pausing under the arch as they reached the porch, they were met here by Rev. J. W. Saffle who spoke the words of the beautiful and sacred marriage ceremony that united their future lives in the holy bonds of matrimony.

A large crowd of relatives and friend were seated on the lawn to witness the marriage and several close friends and relatives of the groom were present from Hamlin.

The bride in this beautiful home wedding wasidaintily gowned in a white em broidered robe and carried a showe boquet of red and white carnations Sh is very popular with the younger se and her church circle, being the secre tary of the Y. W. B. U. an organiza tion she helped to organize in the win ter.

Mr. Grisham is no stranger in Merke having made this his home for a shor time four years ago. At present he i located in Hamlin where he is engaged in business. He is an honorable an deserving young man with a wide cir cle of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Grisham left on th evening train for their home via Abi lene. The bride's going away suit wa a champagne marquisette draped ove silk with hat and gloves to match.

Wednesday June 14 Mrs. G.H. Adam York some years ago," said Justice Wilkin. "He drifted down to the took the Rose Philathea class to th South Brooklyn waterfront and earn-McNees tank where the day was spen ed his living there by selling bran in taking kodak pictures, wading an water to the great sweating 'longshorehorse back riding. At the noon hou men. One of these, becoming interestall enjoyed a splendid picnic dinne ed in the lad, asked him his name. which was most appetizing. Cream and "Swipes; that's all," said the boy. cake were served in the afternoon. The 'longshoreman told Henry A. Song Boys usually have some way of finding Moore, superintendent of the docks, Tell some facts about Romanism in out which way the lunch baskets goes Italy and Mexico-Mrs. Victor Harris. who is a son of the late Judge Henry also the girls and in the afternoon a A. Moore, about the boy. Mr. Moore J 43 Collection. spoke to me about the youngster, and surrey filled with boys appeared. The Annoucements. we got him a lodging, and by and by class members present: Misses Bur-Song. a place in an office. Then for years I roughs, Sutphen, Coats, Keeton, Swaf-Dismissal. lost sight of him. ford, Anderson, Allday, Sheppard, Ona "A few evenings ago," continued and Virginia Hamblet, Jones, Smith, 856,332,27 Total. Justice Wilkin, "I was taking dinner Ladies M. and A. Society. Johnson, Brown. Their guests were Following is the program for the Capital Stock paid in ... LIABILITIES with some friends in the Crescent little Misses Julia Martin and Ina May \$15,000.00 Ladies M. and A. Society at the Bap- Surplus Fund ... club. A stocky, good looking and pros-2,000,00 "I think there is some of the best advice in your book I ever saw." Your druggist sells Cardui. Try it. Adams. perous appearing man came up to our tist church Monday June 26 at 4 o'clock: Undivided Profits. 1,219 05 that I ever saw." table. In reply to his question, I told 34,575.42 Mexico-Mrs. P. B. Causseaux. 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WITNESS my eny & Co., doing busines in the City Open to all Ethical Physicians-Building New and Modern Convenien Wheeler, Alma and Kittie Clyde Par-Lesson Taught by Success of An Irishof Toledo, County and State aforsaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each hand and notorial seal on the date last aforesaid. man Who Came to America S. C. GAGE Surgeon in Charge. mally, Lucile Sutphen. Messrs. John-MISS ANNIE CALDWELL MRS. B. F. SHEI (SEAL) W.W. Wheeler, Notary Public. in 1855. Graduate Nurse son, Rust, Hodson of Brownwood, Correct-Attest R. O. Anderson B. C. Moore J. C. Moore Hamm, Warren, Sutphen and Scott. and every case of Catarrh that cannot Directors In the early part of March, 1855, a be cured by use of Halls Catarrh Cure Frank J. Cheney. native of Ireland arrived in New Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 7th day of Decem-ber, A. D. 1886. A. W. Gleason, York with \$8 in his pocket. He struck PRACTICAL A crowd of merry makers surprised The woman of today who has good off into the country, asking at every Miss Fannie Burroughs Friday evening health, good temper, good sense, bright A. W. Gleason, Notary Public farm for a steady job and paying when they went in to have some music eyes and a lovely complexion, the re-(SEAL) for a meal and a night's lodging with Shortly after their arrival they were sult of correct living and good digeston More BANKERS indorse DRAUGHON'S College Halls CatarrhCure is taken internally a few hours' work. He finally found seated at the tables enjoying 42 and and acts directly on the blood and muc-bunco. Those present were Misses ous surfaces of the system. Send for seated at the tables enjoying 42 and wins the admiration of the world. If a place at \$15 a month, board with Positions Guaranteed. National reputation. Address either Abilene, 7 your digestion is faulty Chamberlain's the farmer's family, and a room in testimonals free. F. J. Cheney & Co.. Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Halls Family Pills for constipaor Sweetwater, Texas. Sheppard, McDonald, Maude and Min-Stomach and liver tablets will correct the garret. Out of his pay, in the course of time, he bought 100 acres of nie Ferguson, Virginia and Ona Hamit. For sale by all dealers. THROW OUT THE LINE land at \$100 an acre. It was pracblet, Carrol and Gene Rister, Warren, Frequently we hear of some tically new land. He built a house Sutphen. Messrs. Ferrier, Sharp, Ferwith his own hands, a barn with the guson, Barnett, Hicks, Earnest, Garfamily being disturbed by some Give the Kidneys Help and Many Misses Willie Bigham, Ellen timber on the land, and, with the heir ret, Pate, Merritt and Burroughs. one prowling about the premises, Merkel People Will Be Happier. of his neighbors, dug the ditches and Daugherty and Mrs. Fred Bigpeeping in at the windows or built the fences. He raised nine use-"Throw Out the Life Line". ham visited J. M. Daugherty and ful sons and daughters and led a knocking on the doors. Now if a Tuesday afternoon of last-week little The kidneys need help. family at Tye Tuesday. happy life. Miss Louise Warren entertained with a 44 automatic could be well han-WANTED-Man with family They're overworked-can't get Today any man can get twice the We are glad to note the comdoll party. Eeach guest brought her dled in a case of this kind it farm work. Sam Butman. wages and buy the farm, with all its the poison filtered out of the best bred doll to the party. After the plete recovery of Miss Dorothy improvements, at half the price; only would stop. blood. FOUND-Yale key, No. 15356. dolls had been given a promenade, the Lee Potter from a severe attack one-fourth the period of saving and little hostess served pineapple cubes to at Mail office and pay for this ad. Mrs. Bartley Smith of Andrews They're getting worse every waiting is required of the man who of scarlet fever. little Misses Ruby and Evelyne Hamm, makes the effort today. What comcounty is visiting her parents, minute. FOR RENT-First house south fr fn parison is there between that Irish Elizabeth Barker Hazel Harkrider and There is one medicine that every fam Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Johnson. Will you help them? ily should be provided with and especialfarmers' cornfields, the cattle on his railroad pumphouse, five rooms, east the dolls. Doan's Kidney Pills have front, good water, dug well, crib, shed, ly during the summer months; viz, Chamberlrin's Colic, Cholera aud Diarhills, his peaceful Sunday afternoons, Mrs. Arthur Harris of Dallas is and the harried life of an underfed brought thousands of kidney suf- chicken house, lot, chicken fence, fine rhoea Remedy. It is almost certain to be needed. It costs but a quarter. Can you afford to be without it? For sale visiting her mother and other re-Mrs. C. D. Mims who was sent as a city workman? No laws helped the wheat patch with chicken fence. \$3.00 ferers back from the verge of delatives in Merkel. delegate from Merkel to Childres to atimmigrant except harsh ones which per month. Dr. Joseph H. Warnick.tf caused an economic situation that tend the annual conference of the W. spair. by all dealers. G. W. Boyce, C. E. Whitaker pushed him from his home and put H. M. Society is at home and reports Will cure any form of kidney T. & P. TIME TABLE. Mrs. J. R. Sandlin left Monhim upon his own initiative and selfand G. W. Cypert were in Abia splendid meeting with over 150 in attrouble. help .-- Collier's Weekly. H. W. Derstine, of Merkel. Train No. 8, leaves Merkel... 9:02 a.m. tendance. Miss Belle Bennett of Nashday for an extended visit at Arlene Wednesday. ville, Tenn., a recognized leader was lington, Wills Point and Pale-Texas, says: "For several years Train No. 4 " A. L. Jobe goes to Elgin this J. P. Daniel, an old settler of present. stine. I was troubled by backache and Train No. 6 " week to fill his regular appoint-Abilene and at one time county Mrs. J. H. Warnick left Wedtreasurer of Taylor county was was unable to get relief until 1 League Program June 25. ment. WEST BOUND began using Doan's Kidney Pille, Train No. 5, leaves Merkey nesday for a few weeks visit with Leader, Jack Provine. buried in Abilene Thursday. Miss Maurice Cooper of Odessa her sister at Featherstone, Okla. Hymn, No. 46. procured at Rust & McCauley's Train No. ' is a guest of Miss Pauline John-C. P. Warren and wife are the 44 4 .45 Drug Store. This remedy bene- Train No. 3 Prayer by leaguers. LIGHT CRUST FLOUR is the guests of their son J. T. Warren. Scripture lesson by leader. fited me from the first and soon The Mail is the Paper the son. best flour milled inTexas for bak. Duet-Mary and Jackie Jennings. W. B. Beavers and daughter relieved me entirely. I shall coning light-bread. Try a sack next > Turn Over The unfinished task-Simpson Chris-Lyda were in Merkel Tuesday. tinue to take Doan's Kidney A Terrible Blund time and you will use no other. topher. Pills whenever my kidneys trou- to neglect liver troubl a New Leaf The widow's mite-Miss Fannie Bur-For sale at Merkel Dry Goods & Mrs. Ina Oxford of Stephenble me, knowing that the best of do it. Take Dr. King's roughs. Grocery Company: results will follow." ville is in Merkel visiting her Pilles on the first sign of Hymn. Miss May Stanley of Browncousin Mrs. H. M. Rose. She is Our Latin races at home and abroad For sale by all dealers. Price pation, biliousness or wood is visiting her, uncle Capt. By subscribing 50 cents. Foster Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents bowels and prevent vir Mrs. H. C. Williamse an applicant for the position of digestion, jaundice or ga They regulate liver, stor J. H. 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H	Farmers & Merchants Nat'l Bank	
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=	Loans and Discounts	Loans and discount
8-	Overdrafts, secured and unsecured 32.12	U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 50,000.00
r-	U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 6,250.00	Profit and Loss account
in	Premium on U. S. Bonds	Premiums on U. S. Bonds
rd	Furniture, and fixtures 2,800.00 Other real estate owned 1,600.00	Bonds, securities, etc
of	Due from Nat. Banks (not reserve agt) 2,766.76	Other real estate owned 8,592.13
h.	Due from approved reserve agents 43,102.96	Due from Nat. Banks (not reserve.agt) 64.50
ne	Checks and other cash items	Due from approved reserve agents 4,366.02
r-	Notes of other National Banks	Checks and other cash items
1.	Fractional paper currency, nickels and	Fractional paper currency, nickels and
g	cents	cents
h	Specie \$13,221.60	Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:
e	Legal Tender Notes 1,500.00- 14,721.60	Specie
10	Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	Legal-tender notes 2,530.00-10 565 00 Redemption fund with U.S. Treasurer
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"	Capital Stock paid in \$ 25,000.00	LIABILITIES
1.	Surplus fund	Capital stock pald in
is	taxes paid 5,397.13	Surplus fund 1,733.82
le	National Bank Notes outstanding 6,250.00	National Bank notes outstanding 50,000.00
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	Loans, real estate
	Óverdrafts None
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1	Real Estate (banking house)
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After firing seven shots from a Colts 44 automatic pistol, six balls taking effect, with the pistol in his hand, almost red hot from the before one o'clock Haskell Rusrapid firing, Dr. Alexander walk- sell a young man of this city, ed from the washroom to the day was arrested at his home in West clerk T. C. Busby, at his desk Abilene by Jailer Whaley and and asked him:"Was that O'Neil Nightwatchman Kellis Eubank I killed?" to which the clerk re- and was left in custody of the plied. "it was." Dr. Alexander then said :"Well stated that already a charge of

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# REAL ESTATE BARGAINS

My office is located in the Merkel Mail building next to the postoffice where I will appreciate the visits of my friends and clients. I am going to do my very level best for those who will ask my assistance in the sale or purchase of any of our properties. Your lands should be listed with me and if given to me exclusively I will work that much harder to serve your interests. It is easy to sell any property of real merit-just the job of finding the man with the money who wants the property. If you have a horse and want a mule and I have a client with a mule who wants a horse and you are both fair in your valuations there will be a trade and two good friends made for my business. Some of our farmers have lands and want the money and some men with money are looking for good investments in lands. If you are among the latter read the following and if you are not interested write me what it would take to please you

#### Section of Land at Sacrifice.

There is a real stable value in all good agricultural land, easily evident to any practical farmer or business man and in this piece of property you can get the biggest and best bargain in farming land in the Merkel country. It is already fairly well improved, 330 acres in cultivation, three sets of improvements but the value is in the soil outside of any of these. The price is \$10.00 to \$15.00 below the price of the same grade of land in that community and the land is offered for sale for just the amount against it It will take \$5,000 cash now for the first payment, with terms on the balance.

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#### Brick Building at a Bargain.

The assurance of an enhancement in value or a fair return of revenue either makes a good investment but in this proposition I can guarantee a good revenue from the investment from the date of the sale and anyone who will make investigation will see the promise of increase in value. This is one of the most desirable business properties in our little city and if you are inter sted write or ask for further information. It will take \$2500 c' to make the deal and liberal terms on the balance.

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IN TOWN COME TO SEE US

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#### The Story of the Trip.

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about June 1st Dr. Alexander The postoffice at Merkel has brought to him a letter signed by made a count of each piece of deceased and addressed to Mrs. mail handled and of the time it Alexander, a copy of which letter took to handle the mail, average was made at the time by Mr. number of pieces handled each Hardwicke and read before the minute and the time per piece of court. Dr. Alexander sat through mail handled. The inquiry apthe reading of this letter with his plied to all classes, first, second,

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Total number handled 74,055. The rural free delivery carriers McLemore and F. C. Olds of delivered and collected the fol-

> Carrier No. 1, 5364. Carrier No. 2, 3596. Carrier No. 3, 4258. Carrier No. 4, 4158. Carrier No. 5, 4146.

#### Sore Nipples.

Any mother who has had experience with this distressing ailment will be After operating upon a patient at the Alexander Sanitarium up to midnight, Dr. Alexander left Abilene at four o'clock in an au-tomobile with Commodore Logan

No country has a richer soil and our seasons compare favorably with those where lands are worth \$100 to \$150 per acre. We have the country for the man of ambition who wants his property to enhance in value. Our lands will never be cheaper and now is the time to make your purchase of a home. We promise you more than this value in our lands, the greatest blessing of life and that is the best of health which you can not buy in the countries with a lower altitude. This is not idle newspaper talk for I will make good on everything I tell you and you may come to look at any of the following propositions on a guarantee from me or our banks that you will find everything just as I represent it to you with this ink and paper.

A tract of 550 acres of land, 75 in cultivation, 90 per cent tillable but no improvements except tanks and fencing, desirably located and a good investment at \$18.00 per acre.

Half section, 320 acres, 125 in cultivation, 75 more good, making 200 acres of the richest Canyon valley soil, some of which has produced two bales of cotton per acre, balance rough mountain but some good grass land. No better home for a good farmer or investment for anyone. Price \$5,000; \$1500 cash, balance easy.

A good and good-looking improved farm, 135 acres in Stith country, 107 in cultivation and all level as the floor except three or four acres, good house, barn, cistern, well and other improvements. Price \$32 per acre; \$1500 cash and liberal terms.

A small tract, 80 acres, desirable property, well located and 4 miles of Merkel, will make someone a good little home. An abundance of good water and 55 acres in cultivation. Price \$27.50 per acre; \$1000 cash and terms.

I have some of the best little farms in our country, right up close to town and will be glad to show you or submit you propositions if you will let me know what you want.

#### FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE

A wealthy and successful business man who is retiring from active business owns one of the best gin plants, 4-stand Munger modern plant, all in good shape and with \$500 or \$600 worth of wood on the ground, is worth his price, \$6,000. It is in good community and will gin 1,000 to 2,000 bales any average year. He will give liberal terms or let me exchange it for good farming land in Taylor or Jones county, worth the money.

The owner of 130 acres of our best land, improved, owing \$1200, wishes to exchange the same for a small tract of 20 to 60 acres of good black land near some good town.

I have some handsome homes in Merkel to exchange for farm land and one client who wants to trade small improved farm for good comfortable home in the edge of Merkel.

If you do not see what you want, write and ask about it. If you are wanting to trade tell me about what you have got and what you want. All such information is treated as confidential and any business intrusted to me will be handled to the best of my ability.





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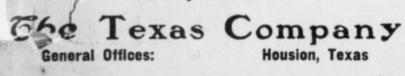
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A tract of land in the Clear Fork valley consisting of 1128 acres, 450 in cultivation and the most of the other the richest valley land would make an ideal stock farm and one of the most profitable investments possible. This land is for sale at a bargain figure simply to enable the owners to divide their interests. Price, \$30,000; \$10,000 in cash or good trade worth the money. If you are looking for this kind of an investment do not waste time wriging but come and look at the property and then make your proposition.

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IN TOWN COME TO SEE US

duced by Sheriff Tom McClure, Total of 29298 pieces outgoing the first witness introduced.

sworn and testified that on or livered on rural routes. about June 1st Dr. Alexander The postoffice at Merkel has brought to him a letter signed by made a count of each piece of

visibly affected. Upon the conthe witness, Russell, and others could be secured, to this course pieces per minute and each piece

for defendant, objected, stating

to the court that even should wit- pieces, handled at 45 pieces per made denial to the statements of 3 times.

the defendant that deceased tried to kill him the evidence deduced handled 10 per minute and each already would entitle him to piece handled 4 times.

bond in the case, the offense slaughter. The court then ruled that the ute and each piece handled 3

case was bailable and fixed the times. amount at ten thousand dollars. bank of Abilene, Cashier C. H. 4 times.

Steele and A. W. Johnson of the two Anson banks, also A. P. Abilene, C. E Sammons of Stam- lowing on their routes: ford and Drs. Sheppard, Will-

iams, McReynolds and Tisdale. The bond was readily approved and Dr. Alexander left in an automobile immediately for his home in this city, where he arrived at five o'clock.

#### The Story of the Trip.

and 43757 incoming pieces han-S. P. Hardwicke was then led by clerks. 21522 pieces de-

deceased and addressed to Mrs. mail handled and of the time it Alexander, a copy of which letter took to handle the mail, average was made at the time by Mr. number of pieces handled each Hardwicke and read before the minute and the time per piece of court. Dr. Alexander sat through mail handled. The inquiry apthe reading of this letter with his plied to all classes, first, second,

face buried in his hands and third and fourth in and out. Outgoing mail total was 22,876 clusion of this evidence, County pieces of 1st class handled at the Attorney Stinson asked the court rate of 65 pieces per minute, and to postpone further hearing until each piece was handled 5 times. Incoming mail 18,689 pieces of whose testimony might be desired 1st class, handled at rate of 10

Judge J.F. Cunningham, counsel handled 5 times. Second-class outgoing 3,953

ness Russell be secured and minute and each piece handled

Second-class incoming 11,320,

Magazines, transit, 3rd and 4th coming within the term man- class and other mail outgoing 3,469 pieces, handled 45 per min-

Magazines, transit, 3rd and 4th

Immediately a bond was pro- class and other mail incoming duced signed by Henry James, 13,748 pieces, handled 30 per cashier of the F. & M. National minute and each piece handled

Total number handled 74,055. The rural free delivery carriers McLemore and F. C. Olds of delivered and collected the fol-

> Carrier No. 1, 5364. Carrier No. 2, 3596. Carrier No. 3, 4258. Carrier No. 4, 4158. Carrier No. 5, 4146.

#### Sore Nipples.

Any mother who has had experience with this distressing ailment will be After operating upon a patient at the Alexander Sanitarium up to midnight, Dr. Alexander left Abilene at four o'clock in an au-tomobile with Commodore Logan

No country has a richer soil and our seasons compare favorably with those where lands are worth \$100 to \$150 per acre. We have the country for the man of ambition who wants his property to enhance in value. Our lands will never be cheaper and now is the time to make your purchase of a home. We promise you more than this value in our lands, the greatest blessing of life and that is the best of health which you can not buy in the countries with a lower altitude. This is not idle newspaper talk for I will make good on everything I tell you and you may come to look at any of the following propositions on a guarantee from me or our banks that you will find everything just as I represent it to you with this ink and paper.

A tract of 550 acres of land, 75 in cultivation, 90 per cent tillable but no improvements except tanks and fencing, desirably located and a good investment at \$18.00 per acre.

Half section, 320 acres, 125 in cultivation, 75 more good, making 200 acres of the richest Canyon valley soil, some of which has produced two bales of cotton per acre, balance rough mountain but some good grass land. No better home for a good farmer or investment for anyone. Price \$5,000; \$1500 cash, balance easy.

A good and good-looking improved farm, 135 acres in Stith country, 107 in cultivation and all level as the floor except three or four acres, good house, barn, cistern, well and other improvements. Price \$32 per acre; \$1500 cash and liberal terms.

A small tract, 80 acres, desirable property, well located and 4 miles of Merkel, will make someone a good little home. An abundance of good water and 55 acres in cultivation. Price \$27.50 per acre: \$1000 cash and terms.

I have some of the best little farms in our country, right up close to town and will be glad to show you or submit you propositions if you will let me know what you want.

#### FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE

A wealthy and successful business man who is retiring from active business owns one of the best gin plants, 4-stand Munger modern plant, all in good shape and with \$500 or \$600 worth of wood on the ground, is worth his price, \$6,000. It is in good community and will gin 1,000 to 2,000 bales any average year. He will give liberal terms or let me exchange it for good farming land in Taylor or Jones county, worth the money.

The owner of 130 acres of our best land, improved, owing \$1200, wishes to exchange the same for a small tract of 20 to 60 acres of good black land near some good town.

I have some handsome homes in Merkel to exchange for farm land and one client who wants to trade small improved farm for good comfortable home in the edge of Merkel.

If you do not see what you want, write and ask about it. If you are wanting to trade tell me about what you have got and what you want. All such information is treated as confidential and any business intrusted to me will be handled to the best of my ability.

J.G.JACKSON Office Next to Postoffice at Merkel



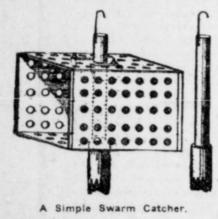
#### SWARM CATCHER IS SIMPLE

One Exhibited at Recent Maryland Bee Keepers' Association Meeting-Made Any Size.

At the recent meeting of the Maryland State Bee Keepers' association in Baltimore, Dr. B. N. Gates of the United States department of agriculture exhibited and described an ap-'paratus for securing swarms. As will be seen from the illustration, it coneists of a wooden box with holes in five of the sides, the sixth side being open, says the Orange Judd Farmer. Any convenient size will answer.

The box shown by Dr. Gates was about 16 inches long, 12 high and 8 wide. The holes were about an inch in diameter. At the top were two slits in which small pieces of comb filled with unsealed brood could be let down into the box and fastened so that they would not jar out. They are placed parallel with the long side of the box, so as to leave no obstruction when the bees are to be jarred

In the center of the bottom and the top of the box larger holes are red for a pole to pass through.



Several poles of varying lengths are provided, so as to reach high or low clusters of bees. When the pole has been put in place through the box a hook is fastened to the top, so this may be hung over a limb if necessary. Preferably the edges should be bound with iron to prevent injury when the box is jarred to get the bees out.

In operation all that is necessary is to catch half a pint or more of bees in the box and let the box hang near where the bees have started to form They will quickly assem cluster.



The mere mowing of the grass is only a small part of the labor required to keep a lawn in attractive shape. The trimming of the turf along the edges of walks and flower beds is an important feature and is work that requires a certain amount of skill and experience, if done with old-fashioned tools, A New Hampshire man, however, has devised an implement that he calls the "rotary lawn



Rotary Turf Trimmer.

edger," which enables the veriest tyro of a gardener to keep the edges of his grass neatly trimmed. The edger consists of a long handle and s sharp wheel mounted at the lower end. The wheel can be held stationary by means of a cotter pin, but un der normal conditions it revolves. A step near the bottom of the handle enables the gardener to press the wheel into the turf with the foot and by running the tool along the edge of a walk the grass there can be trimmed in rapid time.

## GIVE THE VEGETABLES ROOM

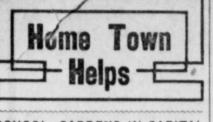
Probably More Garden Truck Ruined For Want of Being Thinned Than by Any Other Cause.

Do not be afraid to thin out your plants-they must not be crowded. Probably more garden stuff has been ruined for want of being thinned at the proper time than by any other cause

However that may be, one of the most puzzling things for the beginner is to find out whether any particular vegetable should be thinned or transplanted and how far apart the plants should stand afterward.

He will get some help from the catalogues as to the distances, but whether he should transplant or thin is the kind of thing that is not in the book.

pull up and destroy the unnecessary city to the other, notwithstanding the the Bible, says the London Chronicle.



### SCHOOL GARDENS IN CAPITAL

Washington City Has Achieved Re markable Results in the Public Schools.

Simple experiments are performed and conclusions drawn from the results. Soils brought from school grounds are treated with different fertilizers, seeds planted in them, and the results carefully noted. The waterholding power of soils, the conservation of water by soil mulching, the essentials for germination, and the proper depths for planting various seeds are learned through experiments.

Before the frost touches geraniums, coleus, scarlet sage, and heliotrope in the park beds, cuttings are made and placed in clean sand to root, thus furnishing material for school-ground decoration later. These slips are potted and shifted into larger pots, as required, during the winter, so that by spring the greenhouse is filled with material for distribution. In the spring of 1904, 4,000 plants were sent out from the house, which covers an area only 9 by 32 feet.

Much attention has been given to window-box gardening. The preparation of the soil, the suitability of plants, and their proper arrangement have been carefully studied. Special success in these window boxes has been obtained with Boston ferns.

Tree seeds have been collected in the parks of the city in the autumn and kept in sand during the winter. In the spring the ground has been plowed by the students with a hand plow, the seeds being planted in accordance with the directions given in Bulletin No. 29 of the bureau of forestry. Weeding occasionally during the summer is all the work that has been required. The nursery now contains about 400 young trees.

PRESERVING THE SKY LINE

#### Skyscraper Buildings Condemned as Upsightly and Forbidden by

Law in Belgium.

"The skyscraper so far has been condemned as unsightly and hence forbidden by municipal law in Belgium, and the liberty of the individual has been sacrificed for the benefit of the majority. In Antwerp, for instance, no building may rise above 65 feet from the ground, no matter how wide the street, and so the rental value of property is limited for the sake of harmony.

"Ostend is another striking example of the same understanding in the It requires a great deal of nerve to municipal body. From one end of the



Cholly Chumpleigh -- Would you leave your happy home for me? Miss Caustique-Yes, if I saw you

locked. SUFFERED FOURTEEN YEARS.

A Terrible Case of Dropsy and How It Was Cured. The central police station was over-

Mrs. W. R. Cody, 603 Tenth St., Lewiston, Idaho, says: "Fourteen years I suffered from kidney trouble. I was so lame and sore I could hardly move. Headaches were frequent and my whole body bloated. I had chills and hot flashes and my ankles were so swollen I could

secretions bothered me and my nerves were unstrung. I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills and soon the swelling diminished. The backache and other troubles quickly disappeared and I was completely cured.'

Remember the name-Doan's.

For sale by druggists and general storekeepers everywhere. Price 50c. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Couldn't See the Resemblance. They have been joking Assistant Treasurer James A. Mathews of the Guardian bank, on his resemblance to President Taft, and Mr. Mathews has steadily refused to be annoved thereby. So the jokers subsided and the joke died a natural death.

Until the other night, when Mr. and Mrs. Mathews dined together with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harmon and their little daughter, when the Taft resemblance was revived. Turning to young Miss Harmon, Mr. Mathews asked whether she, too, thought he looked like the president. Dorothy studied long and earnestly.

Then she answered: "Not in the face, Uncle Jim."-

### Cleveland Leader.

The Kaiser Likes the Bible.

The kaiser is a great reader, and while he tries to keep himself abreast of current events, his favorite book is



every day by

# **Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription**

#### It Makes Weak Women Strong,

Sick Women Well.

It acts directly on the organs affected and is at the same time a general restored tive tonic for the whole system. It cures female complaint right in the privacy of home. It makes unnecessary the disagreeable questioning, examinations and local treatment so universally insisted upon by doctors, and so abhorrent to every modest woman.

We shall not particularize here as to the symptoms of those peculiar affections incident to women, but those wanting full information as to their symptoms and means of positive cure are referred to the People's Common Sense Medical Adviser-1008 pages, newly revised and up-to-date Edition, sent free on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing enly; or, in cloth binding for 31 stamps. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N.Y.



Comparatively Easy of

Arrangement,

crowded one day last week. Officers

were wondering what they would do

should another arrest be made, when

the door opened and a sleepy-looking,

blue-eyed foreigner drifted in with a

The officers nodded their greetings

to the stranger, who then asked: "Can

I did some sleepings here? I yust

came from Chicago and am start to

"Well, the only space we have left

is a bunk, which is already occupied

by a colored man. You can share

that if you want to," replied the offi-

The man thought for a few minutes,

A Heartless Father.

"I need some help with my house-

"What's the matter with our daugh-

"And what? Her teacher's report

"But she is the star member of her

shows that she isn't doing a bit of

eager to take the prize at the gym-

a man-wanting a delicate girl to en-

gage in rough, hard labor. Be asham-

ed of yourself, Jim Jenkins! You

"The Bard of Odon."

bard of Odon," celebrated his eighty-

The Rev. George F. Culmer, "the

scratched his head and said:

sleep."-Milwaukee Wisconsin.

work tomorrow."

other night.

school, and-----

school work.'

have no feeling."

most dejected "Goot efning, mens."

#### SOLVING NEGRO PROBLEM WANT TO BUY arter sections land, this county, if price Under Conditions, the Matter Seemed

right. Deal only with owners. Write description to E. S. McCrary, 431 Scarritt Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.



W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 25-1911.

Keep your heart high; that is the sum of philosophy .--- Victor Cousin.

Take Garfield Tea to regulate the liver and overcome constipation

Friendship is one soul in two bodes.-Diogenes.

Lewis' Single Binder gives the smoker . ich, mellow-tasting 5c cigar.

WISE BROKER.

"Well, I guess I no can see him in dark, and besides I am tired and want OROKO hold duties," announced a woman when her husband came home the ter?" the husband wanted to know. "Our daughter? The idea! Why Jim, you know she's awfully delicate, and she would die if she had to do any household work. She has her basketball team, and you know she is nasium contest. But that's just like

Jiggs-That marriage broker was to get 10 per cent. of the girl's estate for arranging a match with a French marquis, but he did better that that -he took it all. Wiggs-How? Jiggs-Married the girl himself

Historic Event Celebrated. sixth birthday yesterday. The Rev. Australia recently commemorated Mr. Culmer was born May 22, 1825, in the one hundred and forty-first anni-

versary of Captain Cook's grst land-

ing. It was in 1770 that H. M. S. En-

deavor, a barque of 370 tons, entered

the inlet first called Sting Rays Har-

bor, but afterwards Botany Bay, from

left the British flag was holsted. A



ble in the box by coming through the holes, and all that will be necessary will be to carry the box and dump the bees either into or in front of the new hive. The bees will take possession in the ordinary way.

#### WIRE TWISTER FOR FENCING

#### Spiral Shank Has Effect of Working Automatically and Swiftly-Especially Useful on Farm.

A novel form of wire twister that has the effect of being automatic in its operation has been patented by a Texas man. A spiral shank revolves as the device is drawn toward the user and does the work swiftly. This implement is especially useful in making wire fencing, where it is



#### Wire Twister Is Novel.

necessary to have a few twists at close intervals. The head of the tool little, because the surplus fills up the slips down into the hollow handle interstices at the soil, excludes the air and is normally in a retracted posi- and smothers the plants. To use the implement two or tion. more wires are seized in the jaws and gether, as well as vine crops, such as the operator draws the tool toward cucumbers, melons, etc., also tomatoes, him. The resistance offered causes the peppers, eggplant and the like. head to wind its way out of the handle with the circular motion imparted by rapid maturing of vegetables-a soil its spiral shank, and as this happens | made light with sand, and rich with the wire is twisted automatically. well rotte manure, and a wind break. This is a very much speedler operation than the method of twisting wire stand why the farmers are not all with a pair of pincers by turns of the rich when she considers the enormous wrist.

#### Use of Weeds.

blessings in disguise. They have taught to be cultivated with a horse. Hoeing us how to cultivate the soil, and they in the garden doesn't set well with never allow us to forget the lesson: most of us. Solomon went by the field of the

d covered the face thereof."

seedling-more nerve than the ama fact that it is a summer watering teur possesses. They say that a per son never becomes a good gardener tic structure will be found. The city until he steels his nerve to this ruth- is as substantially built as any in the less sacrifice.

room to develop its best size and ed as elsewhere. No wooden summer flavor and one can take no pride in hotels, no wooden structures for small or commonplace vegetables. shows, no wooden walks along the True it is that "the worst weed in sands. The parade along the watercorn is corn."

Never plant melons near squashes or pumpkins.

Let the rows run north and south: this gives the most sun exposure.

Young babies and young plants must have the right kind of food and plenty of it to make them grow.

If your plants grow tall and spindly thin them out. Do not be afraid to cut-go at them courageously.

If you keep a lot of cats, you won't have birds about the place. Birds de stroy a great many insect pests.

Tomato seeds are easily preserved and if you have extra good ones pick out the best and save the seeds.

Good seed, good cultivation, good common sense are a pretty good combination, if good crops are desired. It is a great thing to know just when a plant needs water. It is a matter that requires close observation. Seed potatoes in the cellar may look all right on top and be badly sprouted in the bottom of barrels and bins; better investigate.

Too much water is as bad as too

Root crops should be planted to-

Two essentials are necessary for the

The city house wife cannot under price she pays for vegetables and fruit.

A well planned garden is one that Weeds in many cases have been will allow as much of it as possible

Plan to plant crops that live fror lothful and by the vineyard of the year to year, like asparagus, rhubart an void of understanding, and, lo, strawberries and the like, at one enc wn over with thorns, and net- so that they will not interfere when you cultivate the annual vegetables.

place, not a single temporary, inartis-Interior and its villas, hotels and pub-A vegetable must have plenty of lic buildings are as solidly constructfront is as well built as the main streets of the city of Brussels. So it is with the smaller seaside resorts along the coast, and so it is everywhere in Belgium.

> Preserve All Big Trees in Parks. If a state or a nation possesses, as fts crowning glory, some peculiar manifestation of nature, or some noble work of art, its rank among civilized communities is best measured by the manner in which it treats such a priceless possession. Among philosophic historians and men of science, there is no such convincing proof of the inherent weakness of Spain as a nation, as her destruction, centuries since, of the forests which in Moorish times clothed her Sierra Nevada and Sierra Morena, the mother of the rivers, now shrunken, but formerly bringing fertility and plenty to the plains below. What shall be the answer of the future historians to a similar question as to our forests? Possibly we are in danger of evoking a similar answer.

> Even England Misses Beauty. Nine-tenths of the front gardens in this country are failures, having "neither beauty nor desirableness, pride nor grace," as Ruskin says of the old church tower at Calais, says the London Evening Standard. Diff. cult enough to lay out well at any time, being half courtyard, half garden, the difficulty of making the front garden attractive is doubled by the owner's insistence on bringing a carl cature of a carriage drive up to his front door. The rest of the space is usually filled or killed with aucubas. bilious and blotched, and with laurels passing into lean and lanky legginess

#### Insect Injuries to Trees.

All trees, but more especially street trees, because of their greater value and importance, should be well looked over occasionally to note any mechanical injuries which need attention Dead or decaying wood is often at tacked by insect pests that gradually extend their borings into the sound wood and thereby endanger the heart of the tree. All dead wood should be chiselled away as soon as noticed, and the wounds painted over to protect the wood from both weather and insects In all large eastern cities a forestry department has been found necessary to the preservation of the older street trees.

A well thumbed and marked copy is always by his bedside. When Mr. Roosevelt visited Berlin last year, the kaiser made him a present of a number of books. About half of them referred to theology and the others to military subjects. These two classes indicate the kaiser's own preferences.

Outdone. Willis-I'm raising 500 chickens on a five-foot lot.

Gillis-That's nothing. You ought to see the relatives my wife is taking care of in our flat .-- Puck.

Kent, England, during the reign of George Frederick (George IV.), for whom he was named. At the time of his birth John Quincy Adams was president of the United States.

the beauty and variety of the plants Dr. Culmer has been a minister for many years in the Methodist Episco- growing about its shore. The vessel remained eight days, and before she pal church until his advanced age made it necessary for him to retire is the custom on each recurring annu He is a scholar and poet. Many of his poems have been published in versary, the flag was again unfurled magazines and newspapers .-- Washing- upon the spot where it was first displayed, and was saluted by the guns Correspondence Indianapolis ton of the warships in the harbor. News.

(A short human-interest story written by C. W. Post for the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd.)



To tell you the curious story of how the mind affects the digestion of food.

I refer to the condition the mind is in, just before, at the time, or just following the taking of food.

If he has been properly educated (the majority have) he will help you understand the curious machinery of digestion.

To start you thinking on this interesting subject, I will try to lay out the plan in ageneral way and you can then follow into more minute details.

Pawlow (pronounce Pavloff) a famous Russian Physician and Chemist, experimenting on some dogs, cut into the tube leading from the throat to the stomach.

They were first put under chloroform or some other anaesthetic and the operation was painless. They were kapt for months in very good condition.

When quite hungry some un-appetizing food was placed before them and, although hunger forced them to eat, it was shown by analysis of the contents of the stomach that little if any of the digestive juices were found.

Then, in contrast, some raw meat was put where they couldn't reach it at once, and a little time allowed for the minds of the dogs to "anticipate" and create an ap-When the food was finally given them, they depetite. voured it ravenously and with every evidence of satisfaction. The food was passed out into a dish through the opening before it reached the stomach. It was found to be mixed with "Ptyalin" the alkaline juice of the mouth, which is important for the first step in digestion. Then an analysis was made of the contents of the stomach, into which no food had entered. It wa shown that the digestive fluids of stomach were flowin freely, exactly as if the desirable food had entered.

This proved that it was not the presence of foowhich caused the digestive juices to flow, but the flow was caused entirely and alone as a result of the action of the mind, from "anticipation."

One dog continued to eat the food he liked for over an hour believing he was getting it into his stomac whereas, not an ounce went there; every particle went out through the opening and yet all this time the digestive juices flowed to the stomach, prepared to quickly digest food, in response to the curious orders of the mind.

Do you pick up the lesson?

Unappetizing food, that which fails to create mental anticipation, does not cause the necessary digestive juices to flow, whereas, food that is pleasing to the sight, and hence to the mind, will cause the complicated machinery of the body to prepare in a wonderful way for its digestion.

How natural, then, to reason that one should sit down to a meal in a peaceful, happy state of mind and start off the breakfast, say with some ripe delicious fruit, then follow with a bowl of crisp, lightly browned, thin bits of corn like Post Toasties, add a sprinkle of and some good yellow cream and the attractive ing picture cannot escape your eye and will pr condition of mind which causes the digest nature has hidden in mouth and stomach, to c and do their work.

These digestive juices can be driven back b oppressed with worry, hate, anger or dislike of agreeable appearance of food placed before on

Solid facts that are worthy the attention o who esteems prime health and human happin valuable asset in the game of life.

"There's a Reason" for saying "The Memory Lingers" when break started with POST TOASTIES.