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**A JUMPER.**

He jumped out of bed and jumped into his  
shoes.  
He jumped for the paper that had the day's  
news.  
When breakfast was over, he jumped quick as  
a cat  
For his big outside coat and his everyday hat.  
He jumped on the car that was going down  
town.  
And he jumped to shake hands with his neigh-  
bor, Miss Brown.  
He jumped from the car when the office was  
reached.  
And jumped with alarm when the fire whistle  
screamed.

He jumped into harness to do his day's work,  
And never was known one small duty to shirk.  
When doing his work, if folks into him bumped,  
He stopped not to argue, but over them jumped.

He jumped at each chance that the day brought  
to him.  
To enlarge and expand his wallet's bright rim,  
And when he got through at the end of the  
day  
He jumped on the car that was going his way.  
His wife and his children jumped at his re-  
turn  
To greet him and all the day's triumphs to  
learn.  
And when the last prayer and good night had  
been said  
Year in and year out he jumped into bed.  
—Boston Globe.

**Slow of Speech.**

Grandfather Hilton was one of the  
slowest mortals in western Maine.  
His mind, his tongue and his legs all  
worked with extreme moderation,  
and it was a common saying among  
his townspeople that when Father  
Hilton laughed at a joke it was al-  
ways at one he had heard two weeks  
before.

Few people could stop to talk with  
him, and one bold youth who said,  
"Well, Mr. Hilton, we'll have warm-  
er weather soon," was said to have  
lost two trains waiting for this drawl-  
ing answer; "W-a-a-a-l, 'twon't be  
much warmer till the snow comes off  
the mount'ns, 'n I calculate the snow  
won't come off the mount'ns till it's  
a good deal warmer."

Across the street from the Hilton  
House were several "summer board-  
ers." One day they came over, boil-  
ing with indignation, to complain of  
some noisy boys who had been driv-  
ing cows to pasture at 4 o'clock in  
the morning.

"They wake us up every morning  
with their shouting," said the ladies  
excitedly. "Can't you tell me who  
they are so we can complain of them,  
Mr. Hilton?"

"W-a-a-l, now, I'll tell you just how  
'tis," he drawled. "De-e-ferent boys  
drive de-e-ferent cows on de-e-fer-  
ent mornings."—Youth's Companion.

**Jerusalem.**

Jerusalem is not alone sacred to  
Jew and Christian. The city was the  
most revered by Mohammed before  
his flight to Mecca, and after the lat-  
ter place it is the most holy of places  
to the true Moslem of today. The  
Moslem creed in substance is "There  
is no God but God, and Mohammed  
is the prophet of God," but it ac-  
knowledges the great prophets to be  
Adam, Noah, Abraham, Jesus and  
Mohammed. In the Koran the story  
of Christ is dreadful and mixed if our  
acceptance be true. Mary is con-  
founded with Miriam, the sister of  
Moses, Jesus is believed to have been  
a prophet from childhood and to  
have wrought miracles surpassing  
all other prophets, including Moham-  
med himself. He proclaimed the  
gospel and was sentenced to be cruci-  
fied. Another was crucified in his  
stead, but God caused Jesus to die a  
few hours before taking him up to  
heaven.—New York Herald.

**A Korean Bath.**

M. A. B. de Guerville, the lecturer,  
told an amusing story of a happening  
during his stay in Korea while in  
that country as a commissioner in  
behalf of the United States for a Ko-  
rean exhibit at the Chicago fair. Ac-  
cording to M. de Guerville, the Ko-  
rean women bathe but once a year,  
and the occasion is made an annual  
festival. They are escorted to the  
river with music and an acclaiming  
multitude. The funny part of it is  
that the year the commissioner was  
there the band changed to be one  
that had been aboard a United States  
man-of-war, and his astonishment  
equalled his amusement to have the  
procession of ladies advance to the  
strains of "Marching Through Geor-  
gia."—New York Times.

Offenbach was the French Gil-  
more. He always tried to please  
rather than instruct, and of the 64  
operas that he wrote in less than 25  
years only one had the good fortune  
to last more than three or four years.  
His maxim was, "A grain of wit is  
better than a bushel of learning."

Oliver M. Babcock, in a lecture be-  
fore the public school teachers of  
Chicago, predicted that before 1950  
the city would have a population of  
10,000,000, be the capital of the United  
States, include Waukegan, Elgin,  
Aurora and Joliet and extend to the  
Indiana state line.

Paganini would never let any one  
hear him tune his violin, and it is  
believed that many of the extremely  
peculiar effects he produced were ob-  
tained by his tuning the violin half a  
tone lower or higher than the ordi-  
nary pitch.

In a ton of Dead sea water there  
are 187 pounds of salt; Red sea, 93;  
Mediterranean, 85; Atlantic, 81; Eng-  
lish channel, 72; Baltic, 18; Black  
sea, 26, and Caspian sea, 11.

Grains of wheat found in Egyptian  
mummy cases have been known to  
germinate after lying dormant for 30  
centuries.

**Boston Diplomacy.**

A really fine function was on the  
tapis, and mother and daughters had  
planned for weeks for it. As they  
were waiting for the carriage the  
servant brought to the matron a let-  
ter. She had every reason to think  
that it contained news which would  
prevent their going out as planned,  
and the manner in which she rose  
superior to the occasion is worthy of  
note and does credit to her diplo-  
macy if not to her heart.

"Girls," said she, entering the  
room. "I have just received a letter  
in a black bordered envelope from  
New York, where, you know, Uncle  
William has been seriously ill for—"  
"Great heavens!" exclaimed the  
girls, bursting into tears.

"There is every reason to suppose  
—don't make your noses red, for gra-  
tious sake—to suppose that it con-  
tains sad news, but—"  
"But, maw," exclaimed the quar-  
ter, "look at our new gowns and—  
everything."

"Exactly," continued mamma. "I  
was going on to say that while the  
worst is to be feared, on the other  
hand we really know nothing definite  
as yet, and considering everything  
I have concluded not to open the  
letter until tomorrow morning."

And, repowdering their noses, with  
grateful smiles the girls rushed beam-  
ingly out.—Boston Home Journal.

**Italian Asbestos.**

Some of the characteristics of Ital-  
ian asbestos have given a decided  
preference for that article, it seems,  
over the American for certain man-  
ufacturing purposes. The Italian  
mineral lies in beds and pockets  
which are mostly reached by open  
quarrying, dynamite being largely  
employed in this operation. The  
lumps as they are taken from the  
mine consist of bundles of hard fibers,  
lying parallel to one another and  
strongly bound together. They vary  
in color from light gray to brown,  
the general appearance of a fine sam-  
ple being suggestive of the interior  
of the riven trunk of a tree.

By the exercise of a little care  
threads may be separated many feet  
or even yards in length, the contin-  
uity being perfect from end to end,  
the general appearance and strength  
being very similar to those of flax.  
It is this characteristic of length and  
strength of fiber and its chemical pu-  
rity that are said to distinguish Italian  
asbestos from all others. Still another  
peculiarity remains to be mentioned,  
—namely, a certain greasy feeling re-  
sembling that of French chalk or  
soapstone.—New York Sun.

**Fontainebleau Forest.**

This grand old forest of Fontaine-  
bleau is everywhere very beautiful,  
and, far from being monotonous in  
character and simply a forest of  
trees, it has a great variety of other  
natural beauties. Certain parts con-  
tain rocky hills, enriched here and  
there by thick heath growing on a  
sandy soil. In places one sees great  
heaps of rocks of sandstone forma-  
tion piled one above the other on the  
slope of the hills, as if large masses of  
water formerly had rushed through  
all this country, loosening the im-  
mense rocks and heaping them one  
upon the other. One peculiarity of  
these rocks is that many of them are  
formed like great living monsters.  
When we went into the forest to-  
ward nightfall, Francois was always  
deeply moved. It seemed to him as  
though we were amid a crowd of an-  
te-diluvian monsters, and he enjoyed  
pointing out to me the semblance to  
living forms of these mysterious  
shapes.—Pierre Millet in Century.

**Results of Curiosity.**

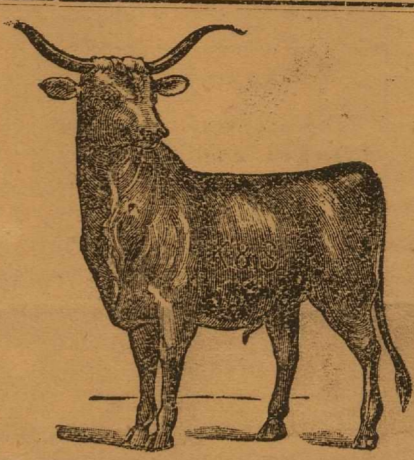
Miss Minnetta saw one of her nu-  
merous admirers in a barber's chair  
having a day's growth of beard  
rasped off with a razor. His face  
had been coated with a heavy layer  
of white lather, but when she saw  
him one side had been scraped clean,  
and as he caught a glimpse of her  
the unlathered side turned a bright  
crimson in deep contrast with the  
white side. This has occurred so  
often that the Indianapolis girls  
wonder why there are no blinds to  
the men's part of tonsorial establish-  
ments, as at the windows of the  
women's part. One barber says:  
"Ef de windows had blin's, we  
couldn't see de ladies go by, sah."  
The young men who patronize the  
barber shops say that if the girls  
would not look into the windows to  
see if their dresses are hanging plumb  
they would not see their half shaved  
admirers wrapped up in towels.—In-  
dianapolis News.

**The Romans a' Table.**

A dish was prized for its oddity,  
rarity or costliness. Mighty curious  
reading are the accounts that come  
down to us of the great Roman  
"spreads," such as that which Lentu-  
lus gave on his election to the office  
of flamen, or that with which Nasid-  
dius mocked Horace and his  
friends. The menus on these occa-  
sions would strike terror to the heart  
of a modern "maitre d'hotel" or "chef  
de cuisine."

What would be thought of a dish  
of echini, or sea hedgehogs, of  
thrushes served up on asparagus and  
a fatted hen for course No. 1? Of  
haunches of wild venison and becca-  
ficos (fig peckers, "Curruca hortens-  
sis") for the second? Of a sow's udder,  
a wild boar's cheek, a ragout of fish,  
ducks, hares, boiled lead, capers, fur-  
menty and Picentian bread for the  
third?—All the Year Round.

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**HOUSTON IS A CANDIDATE.**  
*He Will Make an Active Campaign to Secure the Nomination.*

Mr. A. W. Houston was seen in his office by a reporter for the Express and asked the question whether he would be a candidate for Congress, to which he replied: "It seems to have been an accepted fact for some time that I would allow my name to be used before the convention. I have written a number of letters to prominent Democrats in the district to ascertain as near as possible the sentiment of the district and I have such information as I think justifies me in saying that I will go before the convention. We have a district in some things peculiar. It is strictly a Western district and the people are more than usually intelligent and independent in their views and action. Their mode of life, habits of thought and associations all tend to make them so and the many difficulties, not to say adversities, with which, as a frontier people, they have had to contend must necessarily make them bold and self-reliant in politics, as well as in business.

The district is Democratic and the nominee of the next convention will, in my opinion, be elected. But these people will never be entirely satisfied with any representative who has not the same independence of opinion and action which they have, one who will be able to maintain himself as a Democrat, loyal to his party, and at the same time hold his first and highest duty to the promotion and preservation of the business and industrial interests of the district. I have lived among this people for more than forty years and have practiced law for them for more than twenty years. I represented most of the counties in the district in the State Senate for eight years. Hence, I think I know and understand them and would have their confidence in my efforts to promote their best interests.

"I do not arrogate to myself any pre-eminence ability to represent the district better than many true and tried Democrats who might ask the distinction, but if chosen I shall devote my entire time and such ability as I possess to the faithful performance of the duties devolving upon me.

"I shall be engaged in an active canvass of the district from now until the primaries are held and will make myself known to the people as well as I can."

What a great necessity raw wool must be in the great democratic legislators consider that the people of the United States will receive more benefit from "free wool" than they would if iron, lead, coal, lumber, sugar, etc., were free.

All the amendments offered to protect wool were voted down by a strict party vote in the senate Friday the 15th, and as a consequence when the tariff bill is passed wool and wool alone will be on the free list.

The business men of San Antonio held a meeting in the board of trade rooms of that city and passed resolutions requesting the representatives of Texas in both houses of congress to use their influence to save the live stock and land interests of Texas by having the same measure of protection given their industries that have been secured for other states.

The business men of San Angelo acted on the suggestions made in the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS of June 9th, in regard to the Sutton County Protection Club and held a mass meeting on June 14th; passed resolutions condemning free wool while protection was given other American industries, and telegraphed their resolutions to the Texas senators and representatives requesting them to vote for the Sherman amendment of 40 per cent ad valorem duty on wool.

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**D. P. Gay for the Legislature.**  
 Col. D. P. Gay of Ballinger, has consented to allow his name to go before the democratic convention as a candidate for the legislature. Col. Gay is a business man of recognized ability and is well known throughout the district. The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is pleased to learn that he is a candidate. His familiarity with the wants of the stockmen, being interested in cattle and sheep as well as merchandise, fit him in every way for the position. Mr. Gay being a business man recognizes the necessity for a good, energetic representative is urgent in this district, otherwise he would not make the sacrifice and offer to act.

**The Few Sheepmen.**  
 The San Antonio Express shows how free wool has affected that city and the report is true with regard to every town in West Texas in proportion. The Express says from the most reliable information obtainable 3,000,000 pounds of wool were marketed in San Antonio in 1893 and this year only 1,500,000 pounds.

At an average of 18 cents per pound, 3,000,000 pounds of wool sold in San Antonio would bring to the producers \$540,000—money brought every year from the North and paid out to the wool growers of Western Texas in this city. Of this amount the lion's share went immediately into the money circulation of this city, in commissions, handling the wool and in the purchase of supplies of every description,—every business, every workingman, directly or indirectly securing some of the benefits of the distribution, while what was carried home by the flockmaster after selling his wool went to pay for labor and other ranch expenses in a country tributary to San Antonio, and most of it eventually found its way back to this city through other channels. It is therefore perfectly safe to say that 3,000,000 pounds of wool annually, at an average price of 18 cents, worth half a million dollars a year in cool cash to the trade of San Antonio. But the agitation in favor of free wool and the fear of success in that direction has reduced the volume without reducing the cost of production more than one half, and the price of the commodity about two-thirds. At an average of 7 cents a pound 1,500,000 of wool would bring in San Antonio \$105,000, a loss to the trade of San Antonio from this one industry of nearly \$450,000 a year as compared with the anti-free trade times, and even this balance will be wiped out when free wool is an accomplished fact, for flockmasters are already killing their bucks and lambs preparatory to abandoning their ranches as soon as they can dispose of their remaining flocks as muttons. Are the people of San Antonio who enjoyed this vast trade benefit interested with the "few sheepmen" in this tariff question? And what of the thousands of country people who depended upon this great industry and the owners of land rented to wool growers, which land now promises to be soon abandoned, if something is not done to stop the free trade destroyer? Are they not interested in this question?

Will our merchants, our mechanics, our laboring men, our property owners—not only in San Antonio, but throughout the whole of the great wool-producing region of Texas—ponder these questions, and then see how long their indifference will last.

C. T. Turney, the popular and energetic Sutton county cowman, was in town Thursday last. Mr. Turney reports cattle throughout the North Western section getting fat, but says that more rain is needed to insure range for winter and next spring.—Bracket News.

R. C. Dawson, the well known saddler and harness maker, left yesterday morning for Sonora, Sutton county. He goes there on a business trip, which may result in adding to the town of Sonora, a mechanic of genuine worth, a good name to the town's business directory, and a citizen that will assist every legitimate enterprise that will benefit the town.—Bracket News.

Lost on Wednesday June 13th, between J. M. G. Baugh's ranch and Sonora, boxing for a wrist pin of wind mill. Finder will please return and oblige,  
 J. M. G. BAUGH, at his ranch, or at this office.

**Cause of Depression.**

The American Wool and Cotton Reporter in a recent editorial said: In general, it may be said that the cause of much of the present business stagnation lies beyond the mere effect of a proposed radical change in the tariff, and even beyond the currency question. The proof of this is evident in that the depression is by no means confined to our own country, but is world-wide, beginning in Australia and in the Argentine Republic months before this country commenced to feel any ill effects, and afterwards spreading to many sections of Europe before the tariff or the financial crisis became a disturbing feature in the United States. But this has simply been the result of the almost immutable law that after any great financial activity must come a period of liquidation more or less depressing. In Argentine there was a "boom" caused by a great influx of capital and the promotion of all sorts of enterprises of a speculative and doubtful nature. To Australia the golden tide of investment capital also flowed, and the same fictitious and mushroom financiering was indulged in, often headed by groups of speculators who combine to work up to fictitious heights the shares of certain "balloon" enterprises, of whose value the public knew nothing except from hearsay. The atmosphere all over the world became more or less artificial and everything was too inflated to permit of permanent prosperity. In England alone the new corporate capital brought in 1889 was £189,000,000, against £98,000,000 in 1887. The speculation in brewery shares was a perfect mania, £450,000,000 being paid by the English investing public for these over capitalized plants. In the United States an inflation somewhat similar to that in Argentine and Australia occurred. Over production was stimulated in many directions. Industrial development was pushed beyond a conservative limit. The manufacturing of town "additions" was for a time the chief employment in numerous sections of the country. Loans were made upon security in "boomed" and drouth-afflicted localities; railroads were built where traffic did not warrant it, and everywhere new enterprises were easily launched.

Not until these errors are lived down can general prosperity fully return. The country is, however, steadily on the mend. The worst is over, and we are again moving slowly but surely onward. From the settlement of the tariff we may safely anticipate considerable improvement, for manufacturers and others will then know where they stand, and can then adjust themselves to new conditions, but it is hardly probable that anything like a "boom" will be experienced.

**Four Sheep.**

The sheep market is in a worse condition now than it has been since the first of the year, and there seems to be little prospect of its getting better. The demoralized state of the market last week ought to be sufficient to discourage liberal shipments of common and inferior stuff but in the sheep business the rule don't seem to work that way. The worse the market gets the more anxious shippers are to unload and so the market is gorged when it most needs a rest. If sheep men would be more conservative and reduce supplies when the market is over-supplied and demoralized until the channels were clear they would have a much better chance to get rid of all sheep at better average prices. At the present time there is no possible excuse for sending so many inferior sheep. Pastures in most places are good, at least good enough to keep the sheep alive so that the mad-rush to market is wholly impardonable. It seems strange that practical sheep men would send stock to market which is not fit for human food and expect to get a good price for it. It would be better for the owner and the public in general if such stuff was killed at home. There ought to be a restriction put on sheep below a certain grade.—Chicago Drovers' Journal.

Information that will lead to the recovery of the following described horses may be had at the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS office by paying for advertisement: One bay horse, 8 years old, 14 hands high branded [ + ] also one sorrel 9 years old, branded 37. 91

We will pay 25 cents for a copy of the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS of the issue of April 9th 1892,

**Stock News.**

Mrs. Phillips has sold her entire stock of cattle to Geo. K. Deaton at \$6.00—Del Rio Record.

About 20,000 pounds of twelve months wool were sold at Bertram last week at 9c per pound.

The Chicago Drovers' Journal says: The general live stock situation is certainly in better shape than for a long time.

James McLymont, of Kinney county bought the P. H. Wentworth Jr., sheep 9656 head at 65 cents a head.

The following well-known sheep men attended the trustees sale of the Wentworth sheep Tuesday: D. A. Cauthorn, John T. Cooper, Sidney Bremner, C. F. Adams and James McLymont.

All parties having stock in Fields' pasture will take notice, that unless they report same, with brands thereon before July 1st, they will be turned out.

91-3 W. B. SILLIMAN.

Dr. J. B. Taylor the cattleman, will be in Austin this winter as a member of the Cattlemen's Association and will co-operate with the representative from this district for the benefit of the stockmen.

During the past week there have been many rumors, but no reports, of wool sales in this market. On the 18th there was a rumor current that twelve month's clip is being sold quite freely here at 10c to 10 1/2.—San Antonio Express.

Wm. Bevans & Lee Russell have purchased a small bunch of steers from Gus Beyer; paying \$9 for 2's, \$12.50 for 3's and \$15.00 for 4's and 5's. The steers are said to be a very choice lot.—Menardville Enterprise.

J. Charleston Clarkson went to San Antonio to attend to his wool sales. He disposed of ninety thousand pounds at 8 cents, this being several seasons' clip. It seems to be generally acknowledged that the present congress will give our domestic products no assistance, neither will the Texas members ask it.—Del Rio Record.

James McLymont was here from his Kinney county ranch buying sheep, and while here purchased 1500 head from R. Weymiller at \$1.50 per head. He also purchased some from B. F. Hollingsworth all of which were shipped to market. Mr. McLymont, through his agent, has purchased other bunches of sheep around the country.—Uvalde News.

F. Koenig, of the Sonora country returned from Chicago yesterday, where he last week shipped 1103 mutton for market. He received the highest price that has been paid for several weeks, namely, \$3 per hundred. Mr. Koenig also recently sold his wool in this city at the present-time good price of 7c per pound.—San Angelo Enterprise.

From the San Angelo Standard:

Charles Schauer, the well-known mutton buyer made the following purchases of mutton sheep this week at private figure: From James Manning, 2100; D. Q. McCarty, 2300; Schwartz & Rias, 1100; A. B. Priour, 600. Mr. Schauer is still in the market to purchase more. He will ship 4000 head—two full train loads—to-morrow and put on feed near market. Mr. Schauer will go to Chicago to-morrow.

G. S. Long bought 4,000 sheep from Mrs. Whitten of Ozona this week. He paid 75 cents for ewes and yearlings and \$1 for muttons.

G. S. Long bought the Henry Maudsley sheep, 1100 head, and the ranch this week at private terms.

G. S. Long bought Mark Fury's ranch consisting of three or four sections, this week for \$875.

Capt Will Anson, the handsome ranchero of Coleman county, was in the city this week. The Capt bought 500 high grade Hereford stock cattle from a North Concho cattleman at private figures and 200 fine steer yearlings from Thos. McCall, of Eden, at \$8 per head.

Chicago, Ill., June 19.—Cattle—receipts 4,500, shipments 200. Market slow rather on down turn; Texans lower. Prime to extra native steers \$1.80 to 4.95; medium \$3.75 to 3.95; Texan \$2.00 to 3.60. Sheep and lambs—receipts 9,000; shipments none; market unchanged. Top sheep \$3.25 to 3.65; top lambs \$4.25 to 4.50.

If you feel weak and all worn out take BROWN'S IRON BITTERS

**The Congressional Canvass.**

The congressional canvass in this—the Twelfth—district is beginning to grow warm, Hon. A. W. Houston of San Antonio and Judge James M. Goggin of Eagle Pass having taken the field as competitors with Congressman Paschal for the democratic nomination. Houston opened his canvass at Blanco on the 11th instant and secured the instructions from county, making a speech in which he planted himself squarely on the national democratic platform and promised if elected to labor for the interests of the district.

Judge Goggin in his opening speech at Eagle Pass declared himself in favor of tariff reform and reduction, but that whatever tariff taxes might be found necessary should be equalized, and not attempt to foster the industries of any one section or discriminate against those of another.

On the financial question Judge Goggin recommended as a solution of the silver problem the suggestion of the late Secretary William Windom: to congress in 1890, which proposed that the treasury accept all silver offered and issue for its market value treasury notes redeemable in silver bullion at the market value of the bullion on the day of redemption. These notes would call on demand for so many dollars' worth of metallic silver. Thus a \$2 note would call for \$2 worth of silver bullion. If silver were worth \$1 an ounce two ounces would redeem this note; if silver fell to 50 cents an ounce four ounces would redeem it. But in any case the note would always be worth \$2 whether the metal on which it was based rose or fell. The proposal would yield notes based on silver, yet with a gold standard. Consequently they could not fluctuate save as gold fluctuates and there would be one and only one standard of value, viz.: 25 8/10 grains of gold, nine-tenths fine. This bill once law, declared Judge Goggin, the country would be supplied with a currency having but one standard and at the same time the amount of paper money outstanding and demanding redemption in gold would be greatly reduced. The circulating medium would be expanded, for then every ounce of silver in the country would be valuable as money of ultimate redemption, and yet not one iota would have been added to the burden of debtors and fixed charge payers by appreciation of the money standard.

Congressman Paschal is still in Washington and by the time he gets home he will find his political fences needing his attention badly. The declaration of Mr. Houston that he will labor for the material interests of his own district is interpreted as a promise that since it is found necessary to protect so many American industries, he would attempt to secure at least a quota of protection for the great wool industry of Southwest Texas. This interest has ceased to be profitable since raw wool was placed on the free list in the Wilson bill. The prospect of the bill becoming a law causing a decline at once in the price of wool and sheep. The failure of Congressman Paschal to protect against this discrimination against wool has produced widespread opposition to him among the wool growers and others who shared the prosperity of that industry, and the other candidates, it would seem, have both placed themselves in a position to profit by this opposition to Mr. Paschal.—San Antonio Correspondence to Dallas News.

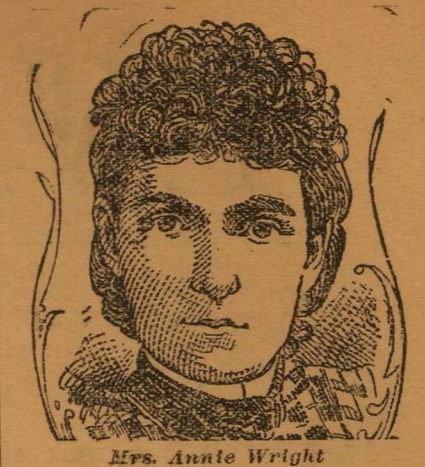
**Foster's Weather.**

St. Joseph, Mo., June 13.—My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from June 19th to 23rd and the next will reach the Pacific coast about the 24, cross the Western mountains by close of the 25, the great central valleys from 26 to 28, and the Eastern states about the 29.

The warm wave will cross the Western mountains about the 24th and the Eastern states about the 27th. The cool wave will cross the western mountains about 27th the great central valleys about the 29th, and the Eastern States about July 1.

This storm wave will be of very considerable force west of the Mississippi river about the 25th and 26th.

Many Persons are broken down from overwork or household cares. BROWN'S IRON BITTERS rebuilds the system, aids digestion, removes excess of bile and cures malaria. Get the genuine.



Mrs. Annie Wright, Piedmont, Alabama.

**They Said She Would Die**  
 But Hood's Sarsaparilla Proved Its Merit.

The following statement will be of interest to the many friends of Mr. Wright all over Alabama and Georgia. He was for ten years a locomotive engineer, and is now machinist for the Coosa Manufacturing Co.: "I know the good there is in Hood's Sarsaparilla, because it has been proved in the case of my wife. In the summer of 1892, she was taken ill with malarial fever, which the physicians succeeded in breaking up. But then followed a severe illness like dropsy. She seemed to be growing worse every day, and our friends said:

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 I was induced to have her take Hood's Sarsaparilla, which was followed by the best results. She has now taken eight bottles and has used six boxes of Hood's Pills, and is in perfect health, as well and hearty as ever. We thank God for such a valuable medicine as Hood's Sarsaparilla." H. A. WAGNER, Piedmont, Ala.

**Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures**  
 Hood's Pills cure all liver ills, biliousness, jaundice, indigestion, sick headache, &c.

**Boston Wool Market.**

The American Wool and Cotton Reporter in its last weekly review of the Boston wool market says:

The steadily increasing depression has caused one or two houses to be free sellers at manufacturers' prices. The feature of the market this week has been the sale by a leading commission house of fully 1,000,000 pounds of fine and fine medium Territory wools in original packages at private terms, but which, we understand, cost the purchaser close to 30 cents scouring. Fully 600,000 pounds of this was taken by a leading New England woolen mill, while about 40,000 pounds was sold to another manufacturer to arrive. Aside from these transactions, the sales have been small and scattered except in one instance, where another prominent house sold 100,000 lbs. of fine and fine medium Utah on a slightly higher scoured basis. Washed fleeces have not yet come forward and prices of these new wools cannot now be named. Bright, unwashed medium wools are greatly lacking demand in this market at present. Texas, California and Oregon wools are very quiet, and milled wool, Australian and carpet selections share in the general dullness.

The sales for the week in Boston aggregate 1,992,000 pounds of domestic and 174,000 pounds foreign. The sales since Jan. 1, 1891, have been 55,077,700 pounds against 64,413,400 a year ago. The sales in New York aggregate 375,000 pounds. The sales in Philadelphia aggregate 722,000 pounds.

**Cattle Free.**

Washington, June 18.—Senator Coke has secured an amendment to the pending tariff bill, which is particularly interesting to Texans along the border. It provides that stray cattle on either side of the United State and Mexican boundary may be taken home free of duty. There is already a statute to this effect, but Mr. Coke, by inserting it in the tariff bill places this particularly before the custom officers. He also had inserted in the amendment a provision that the increase of such stray cattle should come back duty free.

The European wool markets indicate that a somewhat fictitious value exists for wools suited for this side in anticipation of a removal of the tariff. Partly because of the delay in our tariff legislation, however, values have gradually dropped to the lowest limit ever known in Europe. Abroad they are carrying a large portion of the clip of South America, the Cape and Australia, without any certainty of an outlet by export to America. Tops are said to be lower in England than ever before while in Roubaix, France, futures are quoted for June at 4 francs, 2 1/2 centimes for July at 4 francs, 5 centimes, and for August 4 francs, 7 1/2 centimes.

**Notice to Parents.**

Parents wishing to transfer their children from one school district to another must make such application in writing to the county judge before August 15th.

**FOR THE CAMPAIGN.**  
 The Fort Worth Semi-Weekly Gazette Until January 1, 1895, for Only 50 cents.

The Semi-Weekly Gazette is issued on Tuesday and Friday of each week. It is an eight-page paper, seven columns to the page, printed in clear type and on good paper. It is easy to read.

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For the election of United States senators by popular vote. For an effective railroad commission. For the right of the majority of the Democratic party to announce its platform.

Against the effort of a national administration elected by Democratic votes to perpetuate a Republican financial policy.

Against the control of national finances by a plutocracy of eastern wealth, no matter what political name it assumes for selfish purposes.

Against mugwumptry. Against the maintenance of Republicans in office by a Democratic administration.

Against star chamber politics. The coming campaign will be full of interest to the people of Texas. A United States senator, congressman, and a state ticket are to be chosen. The Semi-Weekly Gazette will give its readers all the news relating to the campaign without bias.

To the sender of a club of five under the above offer a copy of the paper will be sent free until Jan. 1, 1895.

Remit by postal note or money order. Send for sample copy. Address THE SEMI-WEEKLY GAZETTE, Fort Worth, Texas.

**NOTICE.**

All parties indebted to the Sonora Store and Express Line, will please settle their accounts at once as my contract expires on July 1st and I wish to close up all accounts. Thanking the public for their liberal patronage, I remain, Respectfully yours, J. R. HOLMAN.

**Stop, Lady, Stop!**

Stop, lady, stop! His liver is out of order. "He's just too nice for anything," his wife says, "when he is well." Every wife's husband should, if sick, take Dr. Pierce's Medical discovery. It puts the liver and kidneys in good working order, purifies the blood, cleanses the system from all impurities, from what ever cause arising, and tones up the functions generally. Guaranteed to benefit or cure, or money paid for it refunded.

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E. GIBBONS, of the late "Star" hotel, is temporarily located at the Max Mayer residence where he will be pleased to have his old customers, and as many new ones as possible, stop when they want a good wholesome meal and a comfortable bed. The accommodations are not as convenient as before the fire, but the traveler may depend on getting plenty to eat and a good place to sleep, at reasonable rates if he stays with E. Gibbons when in Sonora.

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 The shortest and quickest route  
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 To the principal cities of the  
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Positively in Advance.

District offices..... \$10.00  
 County offices..... 10.00  
 Precinct offices (precinct No. 1)..... 5.00  
 County Commissioners..... 2.50

The announcement rates published will be the same the week before the election as they are now

All those that announce will not be charged for having their names printed on general ticket. Candidates not announcing will be charged one-half the announcement fee to have their names appear on tickets.

The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is authorized to announce:

**For District Attorney.**  
 Eugene Cartledge, for the office of District Attorney of the 1st, Judicial District at the November election.

**For District & County Clerk.**  
 W. B. Silliman as a candidate for re-election to the office of District and County Clerk, of Sutton county.

**For County Treasurer.**  
 W. H. Cusenbary, as a candidate for re-election to the office of Treasurer of Sutton county, at the ensuing November election.

**For Assessor.**  
 A. J. Sweatingen, as a candidate for the office of Assessor of Sutton county, at the November election.

**For Sheriff and Tax Collector.**  
 J. L. Davis as a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton county at the November election.

**Justice of the Peace and Commissioner.**  
 W. A. Stewart as a candidate for re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace and Commissioner of Precinct No. 1, at the November election.

**WOODFORD (1881) WHISKEY**  
 is the finest article that has ever sailed over the San Angelo bars. No headache guaranteed. For sale only at the Corner Saloon. San Angelo.

Delays are dangerous. Let the people know you are out for office and want their vote through the columns of your county paper.

P. J. Pruett has rented the Gus Batte residence and moved in on Monday.

We have a nice line of boys suits we offer below cost.  
 89 Mayer & Hagerlund.

Richard Potter the cattle and sheep raiser was in Sonora Thursday.

You can get Chevron Cord, double warp, worth 15 cents for 10 cents a yard at Mayer & Hagerlund's.  
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Joe T. McInteer was in town Thursday and moved his name up a peg. Many thanks.

To reduce our immense stock of Dress goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Shirts, etc., we offer them at reduced prices.  
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### Republican Mass Meeting.

We have been requested to call a mass meeting of Republicans to meet in Sonora, on Thursday July 5 h, for the purpose of organizing a club and holding a convention to take action in regard to the selection of a congressman to represent the 12th district. The Republicans of San Antonio have decided to prevail upon Judge G. H. Noonan to make the canvass and want all the Republicans of the district to endorse and work for his election.

Cal Holt the cattleman ranching at the old Kendrick well was in Sonora Wednesday. He is out with the boys on a round up.

Mayer & Hagerlund have reduced their entire stock of dress goods from 10 to 20 per cent.  
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D. A. Cauthorn the sheepman was in Sonora this week. Mr. Cauthorn has instructed his wool commission man not to sell his clip if he thinks it will pay ten per cent by folding. He has two clips on hand now.

Go to SAM RUNKLES' Moss Rose saloon, under Hotel San Angelo, for fine Imported Brandies, Imported Claret, California Orange wine, fine liquors and cigars.  
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John Sanford, of Rock Springs, was in Sonora this week prospecting. Mr. Sanford has recently returned from the University at Austin where he took a course in law and intends to follow his profession in one of the West Texas live towns.

Call on Zenker & Malers at the Favorite Saloon, when in San Angelo, take a glass of their cool beer and you will continue to call every time you chance that way.  
 38-11

Visitors from the neighboring towns and counties are expected to be in Sonora for the Fourth in large numbers.

These hot days you should call at the Maud S. saloon and cool off. Everything on ice.

J. M. Kirkland was in Sonora Thursday trading.

Peter Jager, San Angelo, manufacturer and dealer in marble slabs, tombstones, monuments, and all kinds of marble works, solicits your trade.  
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Miss Florence Traweck left for Lampasas Thursday where she will attend the summer normal.

The cheapest place.—The Pioneer Drug Store, San Angelo.  
 38 1/2

Mrs. Mathews and daughter Miss Annie left for Brownwood Wednesday, where Miss Annie will attend the Howard Payne college.

**Bucklen's Arnica Salve.**  
 The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by W. H. Cusenbary & Co.

Ladies who wish to contribute baskets of provisions to the fourth of July celebration barbecue will confer a favor by making same known to the soliciting committee.

M. F. Burnet of Coke county, who has been wintering his stock at I. N. Brook's ranch, 10 miles north of Sonora, was in town Monday and moved his cattle to his ranch in Coke county.

**Don't Tobacco Spit or Smoke Your Life Away**  
 is the truthful, startling title of a little book that tells all about No-to-bac, the wonderful, harmless guaranteed tobacco habit cure. The cost is trifling and the man who wants to quit and can't run no physical or financial risk in using "No-to-bac." Sold by all druggists. Book at drug stores or by mail free. Address the Sterling Remedy company, Indiana Mineral Springs, Ind.

James Worden of the sheep firm of Worden Bros., of Edwards was in Sonora Wednesday.

Henriettas worth 25 for 16 2 3 cents a yard at Mayer & Hagerlund's.  
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Joe T. Gurley of Ozona, was in Sonora Wednesday.

We offer a great reduction in our entire stock of clothing. Come and price them before buying elsewhere. We can save you money.  
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I. N. Brooks the sheepman, was in from the ranch Monday.

Mayer & Hagerlund offer special bargains in childrens straw hats, infant's caps, buttons, laces, ladies handkerchiefs, towels, bed spreads, lace curtains, etc.  
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James Lambert the well-known cattleman and boss for Dr. J. B. Taylor, was in town Monday for hands to round up the pastures.

If the soliciting committee for the fourth of July celebration does not interview you do not get offended but make known at this office what you will give.

### Fourth of July.

The meeting elected John W. Hagerlund, treasurer.

C. C. Lemen was elected general superintendent. His duties being to see that the work assigned to the various committees was performed.

C. F. Adams, S. D. Foote and W. A. Stewart were elected a committee on arrangements, it being the duty of said committee to have the pit, arbors, seats, tables, water, grounds, etc., put in proper condition.

Geo. Traweck, R. E. Covington and Sim White were elected a committee on barbecue and their duty being to have the meats barbecued and prepared for the table.

Doc Simmons, S. L. Alexander and J. P. McConnell were elected a committee on bread, coffee, pickles, etc.

S. G. Taylor, L. N. Halbert and J. M. Bell were elected a committee on public speaking to select the orator of the day and to allot the time allowed candidates to address the assemblage.

George Morris, Max Mayer and Felix Vander Stucken were elected a committee on amusements.

Mrs. S. D. Foote, Mrs. J. P. McConnell, Mrs. Max Mayer, Mrs. Fannie Mayer, Mrs. W. A. Stewart and Mrs. Jno. W. Hagerlund were elected a committee on securing a flag.

J. L. Davis was elected marshal of the day.

It was the voice of the meeting that the first tables be for the ladies only.

Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Jones entertained a few friends Thursday night at their residence "Sunny-side," from 9 to 12 o'clock in honor of their guest, Miss Agnes Black of Live Oak Park, near McKavett. The evening was delightfully spent with music, games, etc. Ice cream and cake was not the least attractive item on the programme. The following were present: Dr. and Mrs. Jones, Misses Agnes Black, Adah Gibbons, Nellie and Mary DeBerry, Ora Coker, Ollie Gurley, Messrs. Elton Silliman, Steve Murphy, C. J. Nichols, Felix Vander Sucken, and Mike Murphy.

Friday afternoon June 15th, the following ladies and gentlemen explored the cave at Turner's ranch, 8 miles below Sonora. A delicious supper was spread and full justice done same at twilight after which the party returned to Sonora by moonlight. The outing was thoroughly enjoyed by all: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gibbons, Misses Adah and Viola Gibbons, Lonie Wyatt, and Willie Jones of Rbert Lee; Messrs. C. J. Nichols, W. B. Burnette, and Mike Murphy.

### It May Do as Much for You.

Mr. Fred Miller of Irving, Ill. writes that he had a severe kidney trouble for many years, with severe pains in his back and also that his bladder was affected. He tried many so-called kidney cures but without any good result. About a year ago he began use of Electric Bitters and found relief at once. Electric Bitters is especially adapted to cure all kidney and liver troubles and often gives almost instant relief. One trial will prove our statement. Price only 50c for large bottle. At W. H. Cusenbary & Co's drug store.

Miss Viola Gibbons left for San Angelo Wednesday on a week's visit to her sister Mrs. Jerry Robinson.

Dr. J. B. Taylor one of the most widely known cattlemen in the State, was in Sonora Tuesday. The doctor is having his pastures rounded up this week.

The most pleasant resort in Sonora is the Maud S. saloon. Ice cold, refreshing drinks.

The committee appointed to look after the wants of the people on July fourth, are a guarantee that everything will pass off in the most acceptable manner. Don't fail to come.

It don't cost any thing to look at them. Ask your dealer.

"THE BUCKSKIN BREECHES" cost no more than other makes of Jeans Pants. They look better and wear better. Every pair is warranted. Ask for them.

Mayer & Hagerlund sell the celebrated Buckskin Jeans Pants 56-11

Robert Harper a well known cattleman of the Nueces country, was in Sonora Monday. He has wintered his cattle in Dr. J. B. Taylor's pasture and as the range is good at his ranch he will move them back.

Golden fleece dress goods worth fifteen for ten cents at Mayer & Hagerlund's.  
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# 4th of July CELEBRATION

AND

## BARBECUE.

SONORA invites the People of Sutton and adjoining counties to attend the Barbecue and Celebration on July 4th.

THERE WILL BE

**PUBLIC SPEAKING, RACING, GAMES, SPORTS, ETC.**

**Grand Ball and Supper**

In the Court House at night.

**Everybody Welcome!!!**

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FRUITS,  
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 NUTS, ETC., ETC.

### Notice to Tax-Payers.

Notice is hereby given to all persons owning property in Sutton county, that the board of equalization will meet at the Court House in Sonora, Texas, on the 25th day of June, 1894, for the purpose of finally determining and setting the values of all taxable property in Sutton county, for the year 1894, at which time and place you may appear to show cause if any, why the valuations on any property in which you are interested should not be raised or lowered.

W. B. SILLIMAN,  
 County Clerk of Sutton County.

### \$10.00 Reward.

Strayed or stolen from Cooper's ranch below Ozona, one heavy set dun horse branded B on left shoulder and on left thigh.

Has a heavy mane and tail and a black stripe from weathers to tail, about 8 years old.  
 SMITH DUNIH,  
 San Angelo, Texas.

Sonora will celebrate the Fourth of July in a manner fitting the occasion and the boys and men's clothing for sale by Mayer & Hagerlund fit perfectly and can now be had at reduced prices.

Make arrangements to be in Sonora on July 4th and enjoy with your families an old time barbecue and have the pleasure of meeting friends and making new acquaintances.

The committees for the barbecue and fourth of July celebration, met at the court house Thursday night and made their reports. Everything is progressing favorably and the final meeting will be held on Saturday June 30th, at the court house at 9 o'clock p.m.

J. A. Caldwell dealer in wool, hides, furs, grain, hay, etc., San Angelo, has opened a first-class free wagon yard in the rear of his warehouse. Good water and sheds. He solicits the patronage of the Devil's River Country. 101-11.

A meeting will be held at the court house to-night for the purpose of arranging committees for the dance and supper on the night of July 4th. You are requested to attend.

Why not buy one of those nice Challie dress patterns at Mayer & Hagerlund's at 5 cents a yard the regular price was 6 1/2 cents.

A meeting will be held at the court house to-night for the purpose of arranging committees for the dance and supper on the night of July 4th. You are requested to attend.

Ladies shoes and slippers, odd sizes, worth \$1 to 2.25 at 75c to \$1.40 while they last. Call at once and take your choice at Mayer & Hagerlund's

Notice is hereby given, that all beaters, wood haulers and men driving sheep in the Taylor pasture, will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. A reward of \$25.00 will be paid for the arrest and conviction of any one for theft or killing of cows, hogs or horses.

JAS. LAMBERT,  
 Foreman Dr. J. B. Taylor's ranch.

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**AMONG THE SPANISH.**

Their interesting Capital—Works of the Old Masters—Spanish Women.  
Madrid is a city with avenues even on a wider scale than our Washington. It is a haven country in the vicinity, and the people generally appear to live on no government. The elevation makes it a very cold city. It is an interesting one to the stranger chiefly from its gallery of paintings. This is said to be the finest in Europe, and in some respects it probably is. I can give you no description of them. They are my first experience on an extended scale of the old masters. I was prepared to be disappointed in them, but am happily not at all so.

The old masters, as I see them here, are to the world of art what the Yosemite valley is to the world of nature. There is no exaggerating their beauty and effectiveness, and no one with an appreciation of the ideal need fear disappointment in beholding them. In comparison with modern works, I am almost led to advance the inquiry if painting in its highest achievement has become a lost art? One might spend months in the study of the astonishing masterpieces in this Madrid gallery.

The Spanish people are to a great extent poor, as the degree to which beggary exists among them seems to prove. The land everywhere is thoroughly cultivated. It is apparently fertile in the south, but less so as one approaches the interior. There are almost no trees except trees that bear fruit, principally the olive and the orange. In the vicinity of Barcelona one is amazed to see the extent to which cultivation is carried. In the most barren and rocky ground a grapevine is sure to be planted.

Soldiers are everywhere seen. They are not formidable in appearance. I have seen the army on drill in the king's palace yard, and poorer drilling I never saw in the many with us. Perhaps it is the lack of attention to this that makes them so little soldierly in appearance. The dignity of a Boston policeman would put the best of them in the shade. They are almost universally undersized men and seem to be but a burlesque as successors of the celebrated Spanish infantry of Charles V and Philip II. There is absolutely nothing of our standard military bearing about them.

The Spanish women are much what one is led to expect from description we have had of them. Their style of beauty is hardly that of our country, and if one may judge from the photographs that appear to represent its ideal the Spanish taste is not ours in this respect. A white skin seems to be the standard among the women, and there is a plentiful use of powder to procure it. Most of the women wear no hats, but in the cities it is becoming more common to cover the head in this way, and the mantilla and veil threaten to pass away in time.

The women pay more attention to their hair than to any other part of their persons. It is always neatly dressed and glossy, and they have rare taste in its arrangements. There is an almost total absence of gray hair except among those advanced in age, and even with them gray hair is by no means the rule. The population is nearly all native. Madrid differs from our large cities in not being at all cosmopolitan. One sees only Spanish types of face here. Barcelona, being a seaport and much dependent upon its commerce, might be supposed to have more people of other nations in its streets, but I saw very few of them there. The absence of Jews throughout the country is remarkable. I doubt if there are 500 Jews in all Spain.—Boston Herald.

**A Very Correct Gorilla.**  
At the aquarium in Berlin there is a big gorilla whose habits are a great deal more correct than those of most of his distant relatives. He gets up at 8 o'clock in the morning, takes a bath and uses soap without hesitation. When his toilet is completed, he takes a cup of milk, after which he eats two loaves of bread, with frankfort sausages and smoked Ham-burg beef, all of which he moistens with a glass of lager beer. At 1 p. m. he takes a bowl of soup, with rice and potatoes, and a wing of a chicken. He uses his knife and fork and his napkin like a born aristocrat, but when he thinks that his keepers are not observing him he discards the implements of civilization and plunges his muzzle into the bowl, as if to give evidence of the melancholy fact that even a gorilla can be a hypocrite.—London Million.

**Double or Elmyr Stars.**  
All stars appear single to the naked eye, but the use of the telescope has proved that many consist of two or more distinct orbs. When the astronomer Herschel first began to make a special observation of double stars, only four were known. He increased the number to 500, and now about 7,000 are catalogued by astronomers. Some have argued that these stars only appear to be double because they are on the same line of vision, but Herschel, after many years of investigation, was convinced that in hundreds of cases they actually revolve around each other, thus proving beyond a doubt that there is an actual relationship between such pairs of stars.—St. Louis Republic.

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**INSURING WOMEN'S LIVES.**

The Insurance Companies Do Not Care to Take Them as Risks.  
Insuring women's lives has become such a precarious business that insurance companies disapprove of women as risks and have discontinued largely the custom of insuring them in favor of their husbands, fearing that men will abuse their opportunities. A writer in The American Woman has been investigating the subject and has gathered some information which may serve to put women on their guard and cause them to be more suspicious of the faithfulness and undying affection of their lords and masters.

The first reason given against women as subjects for life insurance is that they rarely if ever give a true statement of their physical condition. Examinations may find them in apparently perfect health, when in reality they have some incurable disease. If reference is made to their habits of life and manner of dress, they promptly assert that they dress in the most approved and hygienic plan. An officer who may be called cynical goes so far as to state that when women go to have their lives insured they tell only a minimum of the truth. Companies consider it unsafe to insure property which has no insurance value, and take it for granted that a woman's income is not large enough to justify any large amount of insurance.

It seems that the moral risk of insuring women is far greater than the physical—not that the woman herself is morally a risk, but that the avaricious tendencies of her husband make it a hazardous experiment. Permitting a husband to put a monetary value on his wife is fraught with danger which has not been anticipated by loving, unsuspecting wives with their husband's welfare at heart. One large insurance company discovered a great increase in the mortality of their female risks, and upon investigation came to the conclusion that men are not to be trusted. While no cases of real murder have been found against these men, physicians were in many cases convinced that with good care many a woman might have lived out her allotted time.

One method among husbands after a wife insures her life is to treat her with neglect, and when she comes ill attend to it that she has no medical advice until it is too late. This writer adds that "men have been known to marry women, have their lives insured, give them cause for divorce and sell them to other men for the insurance."

**Wonders of Chess Combination.**  
To estimate the actual number of ways of playing even a very few moves in chess is beyond the power of calculation. At first both players have a choice of but 20 moves. The first player has an average of 28, 30 and 33 ways of playing the second, third and fourth moves, respectively. On the hypothesis that the number of "replies" is always the same, no matter what the preceding move may have been, the number of ways of playing the first four moves on one side only would be 318,979,504,000.

Let us assume for convenience of calculation that for the next six moves on each side after the first four there is a choice of 30 ways of playing. We thus get by combination with the result quoted above figures which prove that the number of ways of playing the first 10 moves on each side is 169,318,829,100,544,000,000,000,000.

The above figures are quoted from an article on "The Inexhaustibility of Chess" by Edward Anthony, a noted British mathematician.—St. Louis Republic.

**Could, if Not Polite.**  
Some people have a habit of assenting to everything said to them without regard to rhyme or reason. "Oh, yes," "Certainly," "No, indeed," "Of course," "Yes, indeed," "You are quite right," and the like. Mrs. Hendricks is one of those pleasant people.

"I think," said Mrs. Hobson, who was making a call, "that little Miss Small is one of the stupidest girls I ever met, and"—  
"Isn't she?" interrupted Mrs. Hendricks.  
"And so plain!"  
"Dreadfully."  
"Now, I haven't much beauty myself, but"—  
"No, indeed," said Mrs. Hendricks cordially.—London Tit-Bits.

**He Felt Confused.**  
"Were you ever arrested before?" asked the judge.  
Meandering Mike held his hat before his face and looked sidewise at the court.  
"Do you mean that question, judge?" he asked.  
"Why, certainly I mean it."  
"Sure!"  
"Stop your trifling and answer me!"  
"Sense me, yer honor, but I can't git over yer takin dis appearance fur me debut. Hones', now, judge, do I look like er bud?"—Washington Star.

**Ridicule as a Tonic.**  
Fidus is a friend of mine. He has a very nice mother who, being quite an old lady, is on terms of most irritating intimacy with thoughts of the hereafter. She will discuss death in the most chatty and familiar way and frequently talks over and revises plans for her own funeral. This dear lady was invited to spend a month with her brother in the distant south. The day before her departure, feeling rather down, she remarked to Fidus, "My son, if I should die while I am away, I shall give up all my original plans and be buried in dear John's plot," and at the thought she pressed her handkerchief to her eyes.

Fidus, not being exactly the same sort, remarked dryly, "Yes, mother, death is apt to unsettle people's original plans, but don't you think it is rather hard on Uncle John, when he has only invited you for a month, to plan a visit of such indefinite length?"  
The old lady took down her handkerchief, glared at Fidus and then went about her business comfortably indignant. And that is the moral of my story—a little ridicule or even a reasonable insult is far more tonic in effect than maudlin sympathy.

To weep with those who weep is all very pretty theoretically, but 'tis infinitely more practical to induce the constitutional weepers to laugh with you.—New York Recorder.

**A Lion Story.**  
"Though lions are timid enough in the daytime," said a well seasoned African hunter, "when the sun has set and darkness comes they become bold and fearless, and often, when urged by hunger, reckless and daring. It is by no means unusual for an ox to be seized at the yoke or horses to be killed inside a stable or when tied to the wheel of a wagon. While in Mashonaland alone four men were carried off and eaten by lions during the first two years of the occupation of that country."  
"One of those unfortunates was a young man who was about to start a market garden in the neighborhood of Umfali settlement. He had gone away with a cart and four oxen to buy some native meal at one of the Kafir kraals and had outspanned for the night at a spot about six miles distant from the little township. The oxen were tied up to the yokes, and Mr. Teale was lying asleep under the cart alongside of a native when a lion walked up, and seizing him by the shoulder carried him off and killed and ate him. This lion, be it noted, showed a refined taste in disregarding the Kafir and seizing the European."—Badminton Library.

**Coquelin.**  
"The only Coquelin known in all France," said a learned Frenchman, "is the great actor. It is not a French name, and the fact is that many of his friends do not believe that he is of French descent. While every Frenchman is naturally proud of this distinguished countryman, yet justice requires that credit be given where it belongs. Those who have studied the question assert that Coquelin is descended from the Irish, and they base their opinion upon two important facts.

"First, the name is unique. As you know it is pronounced Kok-lan. What a similarity to Coghlan, and how natural that the Irishman who settled in France should have his name perverted from Coghlan to Coquelin! Secondly, the features of Coquelin are decidedly Hibernian. It is believed that some one of his ancestors, possibly a grandfather or great-grandfather, exiled from his native land, as so many Irishmen have been, sought shelter in France and remained there. The fact that Coquelin was born in that part of France nearest Ireland lends color to this theory."—New York Sun.

**The American Girl Abroad.**  
An Englishman of noble birth was telling me many pleasant things about some of my countrywomen whom he had met in his native land. One story which he seemed to particularly enjoy was of a young lady who, on being asked by a certain pompous and self-satisfied Lord Somebody-or-other among what people she had met the most perfect, polished and cultured gentlemen, replied sweetly:

"Among the British nobility, my lord."  
"Yes," said the questioner beamingly. "I felt very sure you would so reply. And among what people have you encountered the exact reverse, if I may ask?"  
"Among the British nobility, my lord," answered the lady without hesitation, whereupon the conversation flagged.—Philadelphia Press.

**Self Control.**  
Try to form a habit of self control by keeping a steady and continuous watch on the temper. Believe that those around do not mean to irritate. The state of mind in which a perpetual expectancy of offense is maintained is neither dignified nor conducive to respect. The fretful porcupine is not a pleasant companion. Irritability is not a proof of strength nor in any sense to be excused on the ground of a sensitive temperament.—New York News.

**A Lie.**  
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