

THE STAYER.

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February 25, 26 and 27 should be on every Hereford man's calendar in red figures, for these are the dates on which Gudgell & Simpson, Scott & March, O. Harris, Steward & Hutcheon, C. A. Stannard, Frank Rockefeller, Walter B. Waddell and Mrs. C. S. Cross announce that they will sell at Kansas City "the best 200 head of registered Herefords to be sold during the year." When breeders as conservative as are the ones interested in this sale make an assertion of that kind it is pretty safe to bank upon it. Such being the case the 200 head that will be sold will afford anyone who can buy Herefords the very best possible chance for doing so: It is good cattle, and good cattle only, that a Hereford breeder should buy. There is material in this sale that will improve any herd in the country, and the beginner who takes advantage of an occasion of this kind to purchase his foundation stock has two-thirds of the battle won. This is the annual sale in which each of the contributors leads forth the best of his cattle and says to the public: "There they are. That is the best I can do." Each contributor is offering the best results of his work as a breeder. The cattle to be sold have not been purchased for speculative purposes, but are the best specimens that these eight breeding establishments with their large annual increase can put out. It is doubtful if any other sale with a like number of

cattle involved has contained so few bred by others than the contributors. The consignors are not using their names and reputations to sell cattle of any other breeding than the kind upon which their names and reputations have been built. And there will be plenty of them. One hundred and twenty females and eighty bulls from a larger offering than is usual, and coming as this does after the numerous sales of the past six months no sensational prices are anticipated. In fact, the conditions are such that is highly probable that the buyers present will be able to pick up a great many plums at less than they could be purchased for privately. All females old enough have been bred to the various herd bulls of their owner, and this includes the majority of the females in the sale. Such great sires as Dandy Rex, Java, Benjamin Wilton, Columbus 17th, Wild Tom, Keep On, Militant and numerous others of the same high merit have been used, and the value of calves from these grand females by such bulls cannot be over-estimated. The bulls to be sold are of the breeding and individuality that can be used to advantage in every pure bred herd in the country. The bull contingent is full of "herd headers" but the large number to be sold—eighty—makes it extremely likely that many of them will go at farmers' prices. Don't miss this sale. Catalogues may be had by addressing Gudgell & Simpson, Independence, Mo.

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CANYON LUMBER CO.
CANYON CITY, TEXAS.

SMITH, WALKER & COMPANY

ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE

WILL CONTINUE IN BUSINESS.

THAT THEY

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OUR STOCK IS COMPLETE AND OUR PRICES ARE THE
LOWEST. AN INVESTIGATION WILL CONVINCING YOU.

DRY GOODS

WE ARE FILLING IN ALL BROKEN LINES,
HOWEVER, FOR THE PRESENT WE WILL

CONTINUE TO SELL AT COST.

REMEMBER ALL GOODS CHARGED WILL BE AT REGULAR PRICES.

SMITH, WALKER & COMPANY.

We are headquarters for

EVERYTHING IN DRUGS, PAINTS, GLASS.

We buy in jobbers quantities and can save you money.
We are agents for Pasteur Blackleg Vaccine and
Lincoln Dip. Call on us when in town and we will
fill your orders complete, as well as

SAVE YOU MONEY.

Yours for Drugs,

HADLEY DRUG CO.

THE LEADING DRUGGISTS.

A herd of valuable Galloway cattle just imported from Scotland and on the way to the Ames, Iowa experimental station for cross breeding purposes accidentally found its way into the slaughter pens at Chicago and is being served up as common beef. In addition to the direct money loss of \$5000, the experiments at Ames must be stopped until a new lot of thoroughbreds can be imported.—Texas Stock Journal.

ROGERSON HOTEL

REFURNISHED THROUGHOUT.

Tables Supplied with the Best the Market Affords
Neat, Clean, Polite Cooks and Waiters
It is Best Furnished Hotel on the Plains—Superb Beds.

MRS. I. N. HIX IN CHARGE.

A charter has been filed at Austin by the C. C. Slaughter cattle company of Dallas. The company, which has a capital stock of \$100,000, will operate a large ranch in Hoekley and Cochran counties and also a ranch in New Mexico. Improvements are now being made. The company has 250,000 and 300,000 acres which will be stocked with Hereford cattle. Col. C. C. Slaughter stated that he organized the company for the benefit of his children. The incorporators are C. C. Slaughter, George M. Slaughter, Robert L. Slaughter, E. Dick Slaughter and C. C. Slaughter Jr.—Texas Stock Journal.

Portales Bank.

By far the most beautiful and costly building in Portales will be the Sledge Bros' bank, now in course of construction. It will be a two story building constructed from Kansas brick, trimmed with sandstone. Mr. S. P. Denning, the contractor, estimates the cost of the block when completed at \$5000. The upper story will be used as a lodge room, and the first floor will be occupied by the bank for their own business.—Roswell Record.

There is nothing that adds more to a man's appearance than a nice shave and hair cut. Coulter is the man who can always do the work neatly and quickly.

If you have headache, dizziness of vision, watering of the eyes and letters running together you probably need glasses. Drs. Odell & Stewart can give you satisfaction. They are experts in their line.

Joe Garrison sold nine lots north of the Baptist church to C. E. Long for Mr. T. J. Harvey last week.

An eloquent and deeply pious divine who had been raised and educated in a city and whose Christian work had always been where it was the custom for the people to be in their pews at the beginning of service, was changed to a small western town and on noticing that a number of his flock were usual-

ly about ten minutes late, shocked the would-be fashionables by publicly requesting that they have their cows brought home and milked earlier on Sunday afternoon so they could get to church in time. The divine was innocent in his remark and did not know that it was fashionable to arrive late in some country towns.—Exchange.

This did not occur in Canyon City but from what we can learn it might well have done so.

A good shave and hair cut adds 100 per cent to the ordinary man's appearance. F. M. Coulter is always ready with the keenest of razors and sharp scissors to make you feel good.

Col. D. D. Swearingen reports the sale of 2000 OX two year old steers to J. M. Sheldon, of Ft. Worth, at \$28. This is an exceptionally good lot of steers, and the price shows there will not likely be any decline over last year's prices. Mr. Sheldon will receive the cattle in the spring and ship them to Montana.—Quanah Observer.

Manners in the Street.

It is a mark of provincialism and lack of good form for people to walk arm in arm, says the March Delineator, or for a man to walk between two ladies; his place is at the outside of the walk. If a lady is very old or infirm and requires assistance, he may offer his arm; otherwise it is unnecessary and is not the custom even after dark. A lady bows first to a man, as it is her privilege to take the initiative in such matters. If people meet several times during the day in walking or driving, it is unnecessary to bow, as known once is sufficient. A lady should not bow to a man who has just bowed to her. A lady should not bow to a man who has just bowed to her. A lady should not bow to a man who has just bowed to her.

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THE STAYER.

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Official organ of Camp Stonewall Jackson, U. C. V.

Mrs. R. W. Morgan, Editor and Publisher.

SUBSCRIPTION.

One Year, \$1.00
Six months, .50

FOR GOVERNOR

Sergeant Sam W. T. Lanham

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Redfearn entertained at dinner on Sunday in honor of Mr. James M. Redfearn's 19th birthday. A delicious repast was served and good time enjoyed by those present who wish for their young friend very many happy returns of the day. Those present were:

Misses Ada and Cummie Redfearn, Miss Mae Lair, Miss Olga Long, Miss Addie Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Worth Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Vansant, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lair, Mrs. High tower, Messrs. Otto Jennings, Gene Barks, John Houser, W. W. Stephenson, Sam Heiser and A. G. Richardson.

Get your old buggy fixed up like new. Harter can and will do it right for more or less, according to the amount of fixing it needs.

Mr. W. F. Kelley of Silverton is in town to-day on business. Mr. Kelley is an avowed candidate for district attorney and from what we learn from friends of ours, who know him, he is a good man for the position.

Bue & Wallace are the people you want to see to sell your land and cattle quickly.

On Tuesday Judge Wallace dissolved the injunction restraining the prohibitionists from enforcing the local option law. It now remains to be seen whether the good citizens of Amarillo can force the saloon element to respect the law.

Leave your order for bus at Taylor's only .25 cents both ways. That is much cheaper than walking.

Mrs. John Rusk received a telegram last Sunday from her brother at Denver Colorado that his little son Harry Whitescarver died on the 8th inst.

Oscar Hunt & Co. are showing the handsomest line of pictures, moldings, frames, etc. ever exhibited in the Panhandle.

The Plainsman, published at Hale Center by Messrs. Hill & Elsam is the latest candidate for favor. When the publishers get things to running smoothly, so they can get a cleaner print their paper will be quite attractive and will we hope, fill "that long felt want." We wish it all success.

Mr. J. M. Vansant is now in the real estate business and solicits the patronage of the public. Give him a trial and be pleased at the results.

The new store building of Mr. Brown is rapidly nearing completion.

Have you seen those lovely eye maple bedroom suits at Hunt's. They are extra as also is their new line of watches. Call and see prices when you want or clock.

M. C. Chamlee, the Jeweler has on hand a large stock of watches. Call and get his prices when you want a watch or clock.

Mr. Dave Taylor spent the first part of his time in town interviewing a nut.

If you want to sleep on a bed, new, nice and perfect with an abundance of good go to the Rogerson Hotel.

THE PUBLIC

Are always interested in any news that will save them a dollar. We have

BARGAINS TO TALK ABOUT IN PURE FRESH GROCERIES

Give us a call and see if you do not find it was your

GOOD LUCK.

Yours for Trade,

J. A. WANSLEY & CO.

Beverly Briefs.

We have had some cold weather and a right smart of snow but not enough yet to make the ground pulverize good. It is very dry in this part of the country and a good rain is needed badly while it would make the old cows shiver and decrease considerably, it would help the farmers.

Most everybody in this part of the country have good wind breaks and plenty of feed for their cattle.

We heard a fine sermon last Sunday delivered by brother Carter of Tulia. We are proud to know the old gentleman is in good health. We welcome him back in our midst.

Quite a lot of Wayside people attended church at Salem last Sunday.

Mr. Albert Pietzsch has gone to Channing this week.

Mr. Will Legations and family have moved near Tulia.

Mr. Walter Burris, one of the cow boys, was visiting on this side of the canyon last Sunday.

Mr. J. E. Pietzsch has been quite busy for the last few days killing hogs and making sausage. They are going to have hog and hominy at their house.

Miss Minnie Brooks is all smiles this week. Her best fellow was up last Sunday.

W. W. Hastings has almost lost use of his hand on the ac-

count of a broken finger. We are very sorry to hear this and hope his hand will improve and will soon be so he can use it again.

The sale that was to come off at father Derr's on the 4th was put off for some unknown reason. Success to The Stayer.

Jasper.

Home Comfort coffee is the best. J. A. Wansley & Co. tf

Hon. Duncan G. Smith of Quamb passed through the city yesterday enroute home from Lubbock.

We desire to call your attention to the beautiful display of furniture at Oscar Hunt & Co's store, some lovely pieces and suites for sale at reasonable prices.

Mr. Oscar Hunt sends The Stayer to Messrs. L. A. Hunt, Madisonville, Tennessee and Lewis Hunt, Tellico Plains, Tennessee. If all our business men would send two or more copies of the paper to friends or relatives abroad it would materially help us and advertise the country and induce the very best class of immigration.

If you have any disease, injury or deformity of the eye, consult Drs. Odell & Stewart, Canyon, Texas.

HEREFORDS FOR SALE.

I will sell at a bargain if taken in the next thirty days 88 to

FULL-BLOOD STOCK CATTLE.

I have used with these cattle the very best bulls that money could buy. There isn't a cow over six years old. I will have 30 head of three-year-old heifers that will bring calves this year that will interest the most sceptical. My reason for disposing of my entire grade herd is to handle registered stock altogether. Come soon, they are going.

This is a chance for some one to get a good herd. Call on or write to

CANYON CETA STOCK FARM, CETA, TEXAS, C. T. DeGraftenreid, Prop.

J. R. Harter now has D. L. Hutchins from Brownwood, who is a finished wood man. He is now prepared to do all kinds of buggy and wood work the very best. Bring in your work to the Old Reliable shop where you will be treated right.

Mrs. C. P. Money and Mr. W. W. Smith left last night for Ft. Worth in response to a telegram announcing the dangerous illness of their brother at that place.

An important change in the business personnel of the city is being consummated this week. U. S. Gober & Company have bought the Canyon Grain and Coal Company's stock, business etc. They will also control the wagon yard of Brent C. Taylor's place, consolidating all the wagon yard interests of the town.

For artistic wall paper see Oscar Hunt & Co., they have some of the prettiest designs and colorings ever shown here. Prices always right.

Teachers Association.

The Panhandle Association meets at Canyon, Feb. 21-22, 1902. This is a two day's meeting and should be of much worth to this community.

The success of a teachers association is judged largely by the attendance of the citizens in the community in which it is held. If a large number of a community attend, the institute will be of much benefit from an educational standpoint.

Such an educational gathering comes but once a year. Should we not endeavor to make the most of it?

Let the good people of Canyon do what they can for this gathering by attending its sessions and by making the teachers welcome. Hon. Arthur Lefevre, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, will address the association at 3 P. M., Friday. All are invited.

It is customary for the teachers to be entertained in the town where the association is held. Any that can furnish homes should communicate with me. Help along this line will be highly appreciated.

The day session will be held in the school building.

The night session, Friday night, in the Methodist church.

Let Canyon do her duty, and all will pronounce the institute a success.

A. Ernsberger.

Bue & Wallace have several more nice residences for sale, also unimproved lots in Canyon City.

The Hadley Drug Company's store has been treated to a new dress of paper and paint on the inside. It is now a beauty and full up to the ceiling of the best and purest of drugs and all things usually carried in a first class drug store.

J. A. Wansley & Co. handle the old reliable Meyers flour, Albartross and Supreme. Every sack guaranteed.

Hon. James Montgomery, a candidate for a position on the Court of Civil Appeals, was in our city yesterday. He is said to be one of the best lawyers in the state and bears the appearance of an honest, upright gentleman, the important qualifications of one who should fill the position he seeks.

M. C. Chamlee, the Jeweler has on hand a large stock of watches. Call and get his prices when you want a watch or clock.

TO OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS:

We wish to say that after Jan. 1 we will sell STRICTLY FOR CASH

This is no dumping ground for hard stocks of other stores

ALL OF OUR GOODS ARE NEW AND FRESH

WE CAN SAVE YOU MONEY

If you will give us your trade, you will not have to pay for any one else's goods which you will have to do if you trade with credit houses.

GIVE US A TRIAL

CANYON MERCANTILE COMPANY, CANYON CITY, TEXAS.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist church will give a tea at the residence of Mrs. F. M. Lester Friday evening February 21st. All are invited to come and enjoy a pleasant evening and help a good cause.

Only the very best woodworking material carried in stock, and it is unpainted so you can see exactly what you are getting at Harter's.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Gordon-Cumming were visiting in town Tuesday. Their team decided to depart and did so somewhat hastily, breaking the buggy tongue. No one was in the buggy and no very serious damage was done.

Bue & Wallace have several tracts of land near Canyon for sale, also ranches and cattle. See them before buying.

If you want to sleep on a splendid bed, new, nice and perfectly clean; with an abundance of good blankets go to the Rogerson Hotel.

Rev. Perryman, a reformed lawyer, lectured in the city this week. He became quite eloquent at times and seemed to keep his audience in perfect good humor. He is evidently a man of talent and much forensic ability.

Oscar Hunt is back from Kansas City where he bought a lot of elegant up-to-date furniture of the always dependable kind that he handles. Be sure to see this stock before you make up your mind about what you need.

If you want a first class meal, nicely cooked and neatly served, for only 25¢, go to the Rogerson hotel.

The C. P. Workers will give a fish and oyster supper Saturday evening, February 22nd. Particulars next week.

Remember Chamlee the jeweler can mend any broken piece of jewelry, no matter how bad the break.

'Tis sweet to love,
But oh, how sad
To have to ask
The maiden's dad!
J. M. Lewis.

"THE LONG TRAIL" OF THE CATTLE RANGE

has given prominence in history to the now world famous Texas Panhandle. But few years ago the wonderful possibilities of this region as a wheat country became known, and great things were prophesied for "The Granary of the South," which subsequent harvests justified. Comparatively recent is the demand of good liver for "Vernon Cantaloupes," but it's come to stay. Those acquainted with this section and its wealth as a producer of feed-stuffs, corn and cotton have long believed in it, nor have they been moving away. When Northwestern Texas remained conspicuous for its excellence in the face of almost universally discouraging crop conditions, people began to see reasons for the faith of those inviting them to enter and possess the land; and now, with farms and ranches being bought daily by new settlers coming in by wagon and rail, these new railroads now building and four more projected, seeking a share of the general prosperity, good reason is evident for the favor with which the territory along "THE DENVER ROAD" is regarded by prospectors.

W. F. STERLY, A. A. GLISSON, CHAS. L. HULL
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FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

BRENT C. TAYLOR,



LIVERY FEED AND SALE STABLE.

Bus meets all trains.
Best teams and rigs always on hand.
Drummer's rigs a specialty.

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BREEDERS COMBINATION SALE
 OF
200-REGISTERED HEREFORDS-200

AT
 Kansas City, Tuesday, Wednesday and
 Thursday, February 25, 26 and 27 1902.

120 FEMALES
80 BULLS

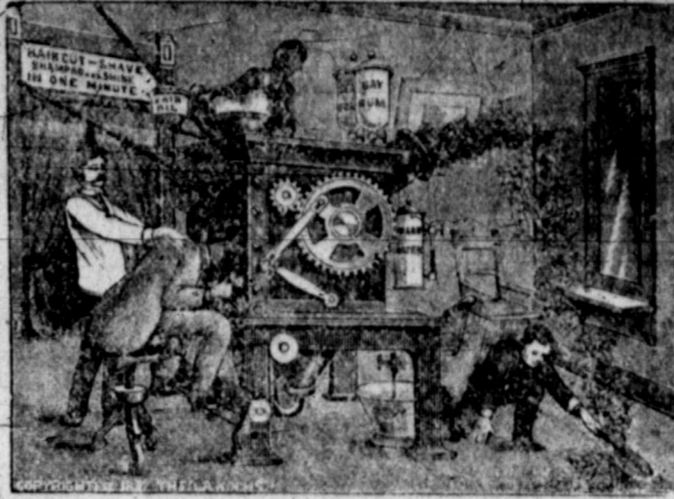
Of serviceable and desirable ages.

Last year we announced to sell at Kansas City the best 200 Herefords that would be sold during the year. We propose to make this pledge good with choice selections from our herds that jointly number over 2500 head of registered Herefords.

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This is not exactly the way J. T. Parks fixes you up but he gives you your moneys worth when you visit his shop next door to Oscar Huft & Co.



Mr. M. C. Chamlee, the jeweler, has started a new enterprise in Canyon City. That is digging wells with a post hole digger. Last week he dug a well 49 feet deep in one day and got plenty of water. This opens a new field of labor to the enterprising home owner. Mr. Pipkin says the people in Hale county can dig a well before breakfast. Anyway, it seems to be practicable to dig wells that way.

Dr. Edgar P. Lewis, dentist, will make his third regular trip to Canyon March 6, 7 and 8, stopping at Hotel Victoria. If

O. G. Roquemore came down Monday to receive the Lester house from the sub-contractors.

For strictly first class blacksmithing go to Harter.

To get the cash out of your property quick see Buie & Wallace.

Mr. Platt of Plainview, an old time Comanche county friend of Charlie Burrow was in town Monday.

Why go around looking wooly and wild with long hair and bristly face when F. M. Coulter, the barber, is always ready to fix you up in good style.

Miss Annie Gunn went home Sunday night. Charlie and Miss Mary Burrow and W. W. Gunn accompanied her as far as Amarillo.

If you are anxious to sell your property list it with Buie & Wallace.

Mr. C. M. Hardin of Amarillo was in town this week.

Are you restless at night, and harassed by a bad cough? Use Ballard's Horehound Syrup. It will secure you sound sleep, and effect a prompt and radical cure. Price 25 and 50¢ at Hadley Drug Co.

School Notes.

The children of B. Frank Buie are in school again after two weeks of sickness.

Attend the Teacher's association, February 21-22.

The Book-keeping class of the Canyon City High school consists of twelve members. Recitation from 4 p. m. to 5:30 p. m.

The mumps have kept a few out of school, but most are well from mumps.

Dr. Edgar P. Lewis, the dentist, who has been practicing at Canyon will make his third regular trip on Thursday, 6th, Friday, 7th and Saturday, 8th. Those wishing work come early.

A letter from Geo. Taylor today announces that his mother is very low with little or no hope of her recovery.

Children who are troubled with worms are pale in the face, fretful by spells, restless in sleep, have blue rings around their eyes, bad dreams, variable appetite, and pick the nose. White's Cream Vermifuge will kill and expel these parasites. Price 25¢ at Hadley Drug Co.

Fanchon Notes.
 As there is quite a dearth of news, will say that the health is generally good, with exception of grip which is generally very mild, although with a few has been quite severe.

All native stock are in fine condition, even much better than usual at this time of year, but stock that was brought from down south late in the season are doing badly and I understand that the loss in that kind of cattle will be great, in fact, has already been very great.

Most every one in this community had their old land all broken before Christmas, and many are now waiting for moisture sufficient to begin turning sod.

A great deal of wheat has been sown, and doing exceedingly well, considering the extremely dry weather but of course a rain or snow would benefit it greatly as it would also enable the new comers to break sod, which many of them are anxious to do, as well as most of the older settlers who contemplate adding to their farms this spring.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Shelmut of Ceta, on the 22nd of January a fine girl. All doing well.
 Old Spike.

This space will contain some startling news next week. Watch it.

A stock company here, is figuring with a Motor carriage company, of the north, for a passenger and express carriage that will make a round trip per day from Canyon to Lubbock. The gable end of destruction that you see making its way across the prairies, pulled by donkeys, will have to go a way back and sit down, to give room for the enterprising people of Hale Center.—The Plainsman.
 Amen brother, we will surely pay the future great city of the Plains, to wit: Hale Center, a visit whenever the aforesaid Motor carriage gets to running in good order.

TRY
F. M. COULTER.
THE NEW BARBER.

While he has been but a little while here, he is no novice in his business.

Faults of digestion cause disorders of the liver, and the whole system becomes deranged. Herbine perfects the process of digestion and assimilation, and thus makes pure blood. Price 50¢ at Hadley Drug Co.

Texas Printers Are Good.

A printing office, says the Quanah Star, is usually considered a rather tough place and the newspaper worker a mighty bad man. Statistics, however, do not bear out that idea. Of 3,890 in the Texas penitentiary, there is not a printer or a newspaper man, while there are ministers, lawyers, music teachers, doctors, bankers, cooks, photographers, barkeepers, barbers and members of other professions and callings. The printer gets a bad name because the nature of his business teaches him to detect shams, while he scorns hypocrites.

Frequently accidents occur in the household, which cause burns, cuts, sprains and bruises. For use in such cases Ballard's Snow Liniment has for many years been the constant favorite family remedy. Price 25 and 50¢ at Hadley Drug Co.



For Sale.
 16 head of good 5 and 6 year old mules, well broken and in good shape. Also a lot of three year old.
 Address,
 Wm. Ward,
 Fanchon, Texas.

Mrs. Patterson is reported some better today. She is very ill with pneumonia.

With our X-Ray machine we are able to see exactly the condition of an injured or diseased bone or joint, therefore are able to apply proper treatment at once. Drs. Odell & Stewart, Canyon, Texas.

The Christian Scientists will hold their services at 2:30 p. m. each Sunday in the court room. Other denominations will kindly make a note of this when arranging their afternoon services. The Scientists usually take up about one and one-half hours altogether.

THE FACTS
— IN THE CASE —
 Then you read a thing you like to feel that it's the truth. THE DALLAS SEMI-WEEKLY NEWS gives the facts in the case.

SPECIALLY
EDITED.
 If you'll read the News awhile you'll like it. It holds the attention. It is specially edited, that's why. Brains and not hap-hazard go into the make-up of The News.

TWO PAPERS
YOU NEED

You need THE STAYER, because it's your local paper. It gives a class of news you can't get elsewhere. You need The News because it gives you all the State news. THE STAYER and The Semi-Weekly News one year for \$1.50, cash in advance.
 The News recently stopped at expiration of time paid for.

JEWELRY

R. B. Redfearn, the old reliable, has on sale, a beautiful line of solid gold, rolled gold, sterling silver and plated rings, pins, brooches, cuff buttons, collar buttons, fancy stick pins, bracelets, in fact a line too numerous to mention. Call and see what marvelous bargains he is offering. Remember

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 TRADE MARKS
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 Anyone sending a sketch and description may quickly ascertain our opinion free whether an invention is probably patentable. Communications strictly confidential. Handbook on Patents sent free. Oldest agency for securing patents. Patents taken through Munn & Co. receive special notice, without charge, in the
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"When Mama Was a Little Girl."

When mama was a little girl,
 You really couldn't find
 In all the State of Texas
 A child so sweet to mind.
 Grandma never called but once
 Mama was always there;
 She never made the baby cry,
 Or pulled her brother's hair.
 She always rose at 6 o'clock
 And went to bed at eight.
 She never went to parties then—
 She never staid up late!
 She finish'd Latin, Greek and French
 When she was 10 years old,
 And she knew the alphabet
 As soon as she was told.
 She never climbed the apple trees,
 Nor made the slightest noise,
 And never in her life was known
 To play with little boys.
 She always studied hard at school
 And got her lessons right,
 And tending to the baby
 Was mama's chiefest delight.
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 To tear or soil her Sunday
 Or do a thing that was
 She never, never thought
 Until her work was done
 She labored hard from morn
 Until the set of sun.
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The Sturgis Wager

A DETECTIVE STORY
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will be made through... per channels. I am surprised that one who passes for a man of science should be willing to make such a request."

If Murdock intended to call the reporter, he succeeded; for, modest as he was, Sturgis prided himself above all things upon the scientific value of his work in all its aspects. He manifested no external sign of annoyance, however, as he answered, with a smile:

"I am not a man of science now, but only a reporter."

"In that case," replied Murdock, "let us talk of something else. I should be pleased to discuss my chemical researches with Mr. Sturgis, the scientist; but with Mr. Sturgis, the reporter, I should prefer to talk about something in his line of knowledge; let me see, shall we say the Knickerbocker bank mystery, for instance?"

The reporter's ear detected the venomous sarcasm to which he was now accustomed from this strange man. He raised his eyes to those of the chemist, and for the space of a few seconds the two men looked steadily into each other's souls.

Then a sudden light flashed across Sturgis' brain, and he started perceptibly. At the same time he thought he saw a shadow cross Murdock's impassive features; but in this he might have been mistaken, for when he looked again the chemist was regarding him with an air of mild curiosity.

"Is anything the matter, Mr. Sturgis?" he asked.

"Only a sudden thought," carelessly replied Sturgis, who to all appearances had completely recovered from the momentary shock produced by the suddenness of the suspicion which had crossed his mind. "Your mention of the Knickerbocker bank mystery reminded me of something that is all."

"Ever since Sprague's dinner," said Murdock, "I have been devoting all my spare-time to the reading of the Tempest, in the hope of finding there a sensational account, with glaring headlines, of the brilliant work of our distinguished reporter, Mr. Sturgis."

Sturgis made no reply. His eyes were fixed upon the typewriter which stood near Murdock's desk.

"Up to the present time," continued Murdock, "I have not seen anything to cause me to worry about my stakes."

"I have still 28 days in which to complete my case," said Sturgis.

"True," replied Murdock. "Well, I wish you luck. If I can render you any assistance in your investigations I hope you will call upon me. In the cause of science I would willingly jeopardize my stakes. For instance, if you need to consult any works of reference, my library is at your disposal. I am told that, at least on the subjects in which you are interested, it is quite complete."

He observed the reporter narrowly, as if to mark the effect of his words.

"It is," replied Sturgis, after an almost imperceptible hesitation; "I have already admired it."

"Indeed?" said Murdock, arching his brows in mild surprise.

"Yes, I stepped into the library for a few minutes while I was waiting for you."

"Ah! yes, I see." Murdock gave the reporter another searching look. Then he leaned back in his easy chair with half-closed eyes and silently puffed away at his cigar for a few minutes.

Had Sturgis been able to read the sinister thoughts which were passing through the mind of this impassive man as he sat apparently in-lazy enjoyment of his fragrant Havana, it is probable that he might have lost some of the interest which he seemed suddenly to have developed in the typewriter. But he was busy with his own train of thought, and therefore was not paying any particular attention to Murdock.

Presently the chemist spoke again: "On second thoughts, Mr. Sturgis; if you will step into my laboratory I shall be pleased to show you those of the results of my recent researches which are ready for publication."

The reporter was surprised at this sudden change of front, and perhaps a trifle suspicious, for he was beginning to weld together many hitherto isolated facts into a strong chain which was leading him from the Knickerbocker bank and Chatham, through the Manhattan Chemical company, to the emotionless man in whose presence he now stood. Some important links were missing, however, and Sturgis could not afford to lose any chance of picking the chain complete.

He therefore accepted Murdock's invitation, in the hope of making some



SHOVED THE REPORTER INTO THE EXTENSION.

discovery which would throw positive light upon the somewhat hazy situation.

"Very well," said Murdock; "wait for me just one minute while I open the ventilators of the laboratory. It becomes pretty close in there when the place has been shut up for some time."

So saying, Murdock turned a crank which projected from the wall. A grating sound was heard, as of the rasping of metal upon metal. Then he returned to his desk, where he bustled himself for a few minutes under pretext of looking for some notes of his experiments. When apparently he had found what he was seeking he went toward the door of the extension. This was of massive hard wood. Before turning the knob, the chemist stooped as though to examine the lower hinge. Sturgis was not consciously following Murdock's movements. His mind was bent upon accomplishing a certain object; and with that end in view, he was gradually drawing nearer to the typewriter. But so accustomed was he to receiving detailed impressions of all that occurred before his eyes, that the chemist's actions, unimportant as they seemed at the time, were unconsciously recorded upon the reporter's brain.

Murdock opened the door of the extension and passed out of the room. Sturgis, watching his change, snatched up a sheet of paper from the table, inserted it in the typewriter and rattled off something as fast as he could. Looking up when he had finished he saw that Murdock had returned and was observing him with a sardonic grin.

"More happy thoughts?" he inquired.

"Yes," answered Sturgis, calmly folding the paper and slipping it into the pocket of his coat.

Murdock chuckled to himself, as if enjoying a quiet joke.

"Well," said he, "if you will do me the honor, we can step down into the laboratory."

Sturgis nodded and went toward the door which Murdock held open. As he passed the chemist the reporter caught his eye and, in a flash, read there some sinister purpose, which caused him to hesitate, on his guard.

At that moment there came a knock upon the hall door.

"Pshaw!" exclaimed Murdock, "here comes an interruption; I suppose, please step downstairs; I shall be with you directly."

With these words he quietly but firmly shoved the reporter into the extension and, with a rapid motion, pushed forward the door.

Sturgis almost lost his balance, but instinctively put out his foot between the door and the jamb. He felt a strong pressure from the outside, but he knew he was master of the situation and patiently bided his time. Presently the pressure ceased and he was able to open the door.

Murdock wore an air of pained surprise.

"What is it?" he inquired.

"I have just remembered an important engagement," said Sturgis, unruffled. "I fear, after all, that I shall be unable to visit your laboratory at present. I hope, however, that the pleasure is only postponed for a short time."

"I hope so," replied Murdock, calmly meeting his steady gaze.

All this had happened in the space of a few seconds. Meanwhile the knocking at the door was renewed.

"Come in," said Murdock, moving toward his easy-chair.

The door opened and a servant appeared.

"P lease, sir, Miss Agnes would like to know kin yer resarve her sum toime this afternoon?"

"Yes, Mary; tell Miss Agnes I shall be in all the rest of the afternoon, and that I shall be at her disposal at any time."

Sturgis, picking up his hat and coat, hurried from the house.

"Why did he want to shut me in the extension?" he asked himself over

and over, and he could find no satisfactory answer to the question.

Then he took from his pocket the lines he had written on Murdock's typewriter and compared them carefully with those on the sheet which he had laboriously pieced together in the Knickerbocker bank on the previous day.

The result of the examination was apparently satisfactory; for, when Sturgis returned the papers to his pocket, his face wore an expression of calm but unmistakable triumph.

CHAPTER XIX.

THE UNDERGROUND PASSAGE.
As he reached the corner Sturgis came upon Sprague, who was waiting for a car.

"Oh! I say, old man," exclaimed the artist, hardly able to conceal his elation, "I am glad to see you. I have news to tell you."

"So have I. But I am in a hurry now. Come along with me; we can exchange confidences on the way."

"Very well; whither are you bound?"

"I am on the track of big game. Can you spare a couple of hours? I think I can promise you an interesting afternoon."

"What is it? The Knickerbocker bank case?"

"Yes." Sprague readily consented to accompany his friend.

"By the way," inquired Sturgis, "have you any weapons?"

"Any quantity of them among the properties of the studio," replied Sprague, surprised; "but I do not go about armed in broad daylight."

"You would better have a revolver," said the reporter. "You will probably have no occasion to use it," he added, in answer to his friend's glance, "but it is best to be on the safe side."

"Very well; I shall go home for one. Where am I to meet you?"

"At police headquarters in about half an hour. Let me see; it is now nearly five o'clock. Say at half-past five. It will be necessary to obtain a couple of warrants and the help of the police before we start."

"After Sprague had left him Sturgis approached Detective Conklin, who was still at his post.

"Did Chatham show up while I was in there?" he asked, indicating Murdock's house.

"No, sir."

"Did you notice the man with whom I went in?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well, let Chatham go for the present and stick close to that man if he stirs from the house. I shall be back in less than an hour."

"All right, sir."

When Sprague reached police headquarters he found the reporter ready to start with four detectives. He had not, therefore, any opportunity for conversation with his friend until the party reached its destination. There two of the detectives relieved the men previously on duty, while the others accompanied Sturgis and Sprague to the office of the Manhattan Chemical company.

It was after six o'clock. The place was closed for the night and seemed quite deserted. One of the men rang the bell. The tinkling echoes died away, but no sign of life manifested itself from within. Then he seized the pull and plied it again repeatedly and vigorously.

"That will do," observed Sturgis, presently; "the old woman is coming as fast as she can."

"What old woman?" asked the detective.

"I don't know. Perhaps I ought to have said an old woman. I hear her hobbling on the stairs."

The detective placed his ear to the keyhole. After listening attentively, he turned to the reporter with an incredulous smile.

"Well, Mr. Sturgis," said he, "if you can hear anything in there, your ears are sharper than mine. That's all I can say."

"She is on the second flight," replied the reporter, quietly. "Now she is in the second-story hall—and now you can surely hear her coming down the last flight."

By this time, sure enough, the sound of footsteps began to be audible to the other three men; and presently the door opened and—disclosed the scathed face of an old Irish woman.

"And phawt might yez be wantin' gintlemen, to be after scarin' an old woman asked to death wid yer ringin' in?" she asked, somewhat aggressively.

"We want to see Mr. Chatham," replied one of the detectives.

"Mister who, is it?"

"Thomas Chatham. Show me the way to his room. I'll go right up, and my friends will wait for me here."

"Mister Thomaz Chatham, is it?" said the old woman; "well, ye've come to the wrong house to see him, I do be thinkin', fer he don't live here."

"Come, that won't do," said the detective, sharply; "we belong to the police, and we saw Chatham enter this house."

At the mention of the police, the old hag's parchment face became a shade yellow and her eyes glistened.

"Sure, thin, if he do be hidin' here, it's mesilf as 'ud know it," she said, after a short interval; "but yez can find 'um, if yez loike; yez can find 'um."

Whereupon she turned and hobbled off, leaving the intruders to their own resources.

They found themselves in a narrow hallway. On the right was a rickety staircase leading to business offices in the upper part of the building; on the left, a door opening into the office of the Manhattan Chemical company, and at the

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