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### THE MANAGEMENT OF YOUNG FOALS

Caring for the young colt really begins with caring for the mare. She should be kept healthy, and during the winter months she should have plenty of exercise, writes C. A. Waugh in the Breeder's Gazette. Do not jerk her, give away from slaughter houses and give her a sensible ration, not getting her overfat. Then do not start in with the spring work too heavily. It does not take much to overheat a horse in early spring, and such trouble is often injurious to the foal. It may be well to stop working the mare a few days before the birth of the foal.



The Percheron was the first of the draft breeds to be tested by our farmers, its distribution is widest of all breeds and by far stronger numerically, and breeders, buyers and sellers are much more familiar with this breed than any other. Much of market preference doubtless finds root in these facts. One large handler of horses classes Belgians as about as good as the French horses when set before the buyer. Another commission man coincides practically with this view, ranking Belgians as the next rank, just sellers after Percherons. The Belgian stallion Bienfait de Masny, herewith shown, was champion at the national show of Belgium in 1910.

though it really matters little. I have known of several foals that have been born in the field before the owner was able to get the mare out of the barn, and they have done as well as any without any damage whatsoever to the mare. Anyway, it is always better to have the colt foaled out of the stable and on the ground, for the

cases of naval trouble with colts foaled on the ground are much less numerous than with those foaled in manure soaked stables.

It is seldom that the mare needs to rest from work more than a week after foaling. We never allow the young colts to follow the mares about when they are at work. It is a constant annoyance to the man who is working the team. Ofttimes the colt will get to suck when the mare is unduly warm, which is sure to cause bowel trouble. What is more, following the mare about when working is bad for the colt, as it gets more exercise than it needs, and a great deal of its food goes to waste when it should go to making bone and muscle. For a short time after the mare goes to work we aim to have her near the barn, and then about the middle of the forenoon and afternoon we drive the team up to the barn, so as to allow the colt to suck, always taking great care that the mare is not hot when she is brought in. This continues until the colt is old enough to be allowed a whole half day to himself.

We teach colts to eat grain as early as we can by milking a small box in the stall with their dams. Bran and some oats make the usual feed, and it is surprising how much they will eat. Doing this makes it possible to wean the colts at an earlier date as well as to cause them to grow on uninterceptedly after weaning. Always teach a foal to lead when it is young. It is an easy matter then; later it is a task.

Lambs on Pasture. It is usually advised that when the lambs are turned out on the grass with the opening of the pasture season they need no longer receive an extra grain feed. It is not well to stop off too suddenly in this respect. In a majority of cases the flocks are turned out on grass before the grass has attained much solid substance or sweetness. The result is a general scouring of the flocks, the lambs usually suffering most.

Continuing to feed some whole corn has a tendency to allay the attack of scour and hence saves the lambs from suffering too severe a setback. Therefore it is good practice to continue to feed some whole corn for some time after the lambs are turned out on grass.

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### FATTENING CATTLE.

The amount of grain that should be given cattle that are being finished on the grass should be gauged for the prospective time for fattening and by the condition of the grass. When the animals are to be sold early, as in June or July, more grain or meal should be fed than if marketed later, as in August or September. When the grass is really at its best, which usually is in the advanced weeks of June, grain will not add much to the gains, but it may and doubtless does lead to the consumption of less feed.

### REASONS FOR THE SILO.

Good Ensilage is a Necessity on Every Dairy Farm.

The silo makes it possible for the farmer to do for his stock what the housewife does for her family. We take the crop of corn when it is at its prime, gather it and store it in the silo for feed during the winter, says Kimball's Dairy Farmer. Of course other crops may be used, but corn is always preferable. Anything that has a hollow straw does not make such good silage because it does not pack so well, and it is difficult to exclude all of the air, and air is what spoils silage. You will notice this if you find a small hole or crack in the silo. All about this the feed will be decayed until the decayed matter seals over the mass of the silage, preventing the air from working further injury. This explains why any substance having a hollow straw is not easily preserved.

In filling the silo remember that it is of extreme importance to pack the feed very carefully over the entire surface. It is sometimes considered best to keep the middle a little higher than the outer edges, but in no instance should one neglect this part, for the walls of the silo have a tendency to retard settling, and unless the silage is packed so as to exclude all of the air it will not keep satisfactorily. Silage is good from the day it is put into the silo until the last particle has

### THE SELECTION OF GOOD DAIRY COWS

In an address before the Vermont Dairy Association Professor Cook of New York said that after an experience of a lifetime he believed the only sure way to tell a good cow is to bring out the scales and Babcock test. On a cow that came pretty near being eligible for the booby prize had to her credit 550 pounds of butter for the year Professor Cook mentioned this to show how impossible it is to judge a cow entirely on her looks. As a man looks the dairy cow in the face she should have a good head and eye, not too prominent. The lips should be strong and the nostrils large with good openings. Strong lips indicate good digestion, and good nostrils indicate lung power. The cow should be wide between the front legs and have a good length of body.

Continuing, Professor Cook said: My experience is that a good dairy cow has good, heavy shoulders, not beefy, for, in fact, there should not be a bit of fat on a dairy cow.

The ribs should be far apart. The mammary veins do not always indicate what the cow will produce, but they come pretty close. Milk veins should be prominent and many of them. This indicates a good blood circulation. Contrary to the impression of many, there is no milk in the milk veins. They are filled with blood returning from the udder to the heart. I always like large milk veins or openings. I like to see milk veins on the udder.

The skin of the animal should be loose and snap back when released. Watch out for a thin, papery hide. Such an animal is likely to have poor



The Holstein cow Julia Abbecker Green, herewith shown, is thirteen years old and has in the past five years produced a sufficiently great amount of milk and butter fat so that from the proceeds her owner, C. A. Nelson of Waverly, Ia., has purchased a new 1910 Buick automobile. Julia Abbecker Green produced last year 15,000 pounds of milk. There are just two reasons why she did that, she is a good cow, well bred along dairy lines and having productive ancestry, and, second, she was properly cared for, given the proper feed in amounts and quality and stabled in a good barn.

digestion and be unable to reproduce herself. I never saw a hide too thick if it snapped back on quick release. I do not want a thick, woolly tail and do not take much stock in an extra long one. Many make a sad mistake in feeding cows too heavily before they freshen. They should be placed on a diet two weeks before parturition. It is a terrible shock to the cow when the blood flows from the fetus to the udder.

As to the cow's feet, which can be told by the texture of what will be seen inside. It is a great mystery to know just why, how and when a cow does remarkable stunts at the stall while another does little or nothing.

There seems to be a peculiar functional activity with the udder of some cows to turn out a lot of work. They have the peculiar ability to take a lot of nourishment from the blood as it passes through the udder. That is why we urge farmers to select the cow with extra good circulation. If the milk veins are prominent on the abdomen and udder it indicates a good circulation and the probability that a lot of nourishment is being utilized through the udder. A soft, velvety or silky udder is as good an indication as I know of what is going on inside.

Cooking Feed Does Not Pay. As a rule, cooking the feed for the cow depreciates the digestibility of the protein. At the Oregon experiment station Dithycombe & Bradley found that steaming both vetch and corn silage materially decreased the digestibility. Some starchy feed, like potatoes, often has its digestibility increased by cooking, but the preponderance of testimony is to the effect that it does not pay to cook feed for the dairy cow.

Sheep and Swine. Sheep, it has been estimated by those who give close attention to these matters, may be more cheaply kept than swine. But the pasture is indispensable when sheep are kept, while swine can be kept in the pen. But swine are seldom profitable when kept in close quarters.

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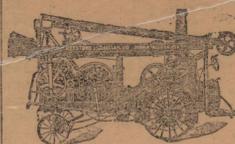
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In Honor of Mrs. Brockman.

Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken gave an informal afternoon Thursday in honor of Mrs. George Brockman of San Angelo. Punch and a salad course was served.

H. P. Cooper the cattleman was home from Dove Creek Thursday.

Mrs. Henry Bridge and babies are spending the week with Mrs. Will Wilson on the ranch.

Norman Lockley of Rocksprings was prospecting in Sonora this week for a business location.

Mrs. W. F. Decker of the Decker Hotel made a business trip to San Angelo Tuesday.

Miss Jewel Decker has returned from visiting friends at Eldorado and San Angelo.

Mrs. Ben Cole of San Angelo, arrived Friday on a visit to her mother Mrs. R. H. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Stansell of San Angelo and Miss Josephine Lewis of Mertzon were visitors in Sonora Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Fowler and children arrived home Monday from a visit to their old home in Williamson county.

John Robbins and W. E. Clendenen were in from the Robbins ranch on the Llano in their two-cylinder hay burner.

John A. Ward and Will Wilson are going to stay several weeks longer at Mineral Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Caldwell and Kimball of the line of Sutton and Tuesday.

Will Whittington and one of the largest property owners of Sutton and Val Verde counties, was in Sonora this week.

Another fine rain fell in the Sonora country Friday, covering a ten mile strip through Word's Taylor's, Dunbar's and Cauthorn's south of town.

Miss Clara Allison will leave Tuesday for a month's visit to Oklahoma and North Texas. At Lubbock she will visit the Misses Wardlaw.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Aldwell arrived home Friday from Dallas. They made the trip overland in Mr. Aldwell's new car.

Mrs. E. C. Saunders of Wallinger is here on a visit to Mr. Saunders and son Harold. Mrs. Saunders will probably remain for the rest of the summer.

Leo Burney and family have returned from the old home in Kerr county. Miss Bettie Brown returned with them.

Right in your busiest season when you have the least time to spare you are most likely to make diarrhoea and cholera your daily demons unless you have Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

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AN ANTI-PEST BILL.

The state of Colorado has set an example in the matter of anti-pest legislation that might well be followed with profit by sister commonwealths. The measure in question, which is known as the Casady-Teller bill, is the result of the activity and interest of the State Anti-pest association and in particular of the painstaking work of the secretary of the society, C. L. Fitch.

The state entomologist is required to make inspections twice a year of all sections where he has reason to believe pests exist or when asked to do so by the district inspectors. He may direct extermination work to be done, and in case it is not the inspector may take it in charge.

SWEET CLOVER AS A SOIL-RENOVATOR.

Some interesting experiments have recently been made in the use of sweet clover as a soil renovator. In an Illinois experiment it was found that in an acre of thrifty sweet clover, including leaves, stems and roots, there were 228 pounds of nitrogen, which is about twice the amount contained in an acre of alfalfa or red clover.

FOR POTATO BLIGHT.

If the growing season for the potato should be damp and muggy and blight should develop, the vines should be sprayed with the Bordeaux solution made by dissolving four pounds of copper sulphate in half a barrel of water and to this adding slowly, stirring the white, a lime-water solution made by carefully slacking five pounds of fresh stone lime and diluting to about twenty-five gallons.

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All concert pianists are subject to split finger tips. The constant stroke of the balls of the fingers on the hard ivory makes the flesh so delicate and tender that frequently playing becomes acute agony.

Violinists suffer a great deal of physical inconvenience. Most of us have an idea that the violin is held against the neck and shoulder by the player's left hand, which grasps the arm of the instrument.

Performers on wind instruments suffer many inconveniences, and in some instances their work leads to permanent physical disability. Bulbar paralysis from continued use of the tongue and lips is an ever present danger.

Mental peculiarities of oboe players are traditional in the orchestral world, in spite of the fact that oboe players are normal. Some explain that the oboe player is mentally affected by the fact that he is forced to blow through an exceedingly small aperture and the expiration is unusually prolonged.

Programme for the B. Y. P. U. July 16, 4:30 p. m. Subject, The Sabbath and the Christian Citizen. Leader, Miss Bell Putman. Song. Prayer. Scripture Reading, John 5: 14 by leader. Song, Step by Step. The Teaching of Jesus about the Sabbath. (Quarterly Par. 1.) Ors Merck. The Sabbath of Rest. (Par. 2) Rowena Smith. What the Christian should do to maintain public Sabbath observance. (Par. 3) Mrs. Ward. How the Christian should spend his Sunday. (Par.) Rose Word. Special music. Reading (selected) Miss Georgie Irvin. Recitation, Annie Martin. Song. Sword Drill. Bible Drill. Announcements. Free will offerings. Adjournment.

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MAKING GOOD BUTTER.

Articles of High Quality May Be Produced on the Farm.

Much of the butter made in the country is not as good as it might be, and this need not be so, for the process of making a first class article is very simple, writes W. H. Underwood in the Country Gentleman.

Before the milking begins the sides and udders of the cows are carefully brushed, thus preventing dirt and dust from falling into the milk. The milking is done with clean, dry hands; to milk with wet fingers would be extremely filthy. As soon as the milk is drawn from the cow it is strained through a wire gauze and three thicknesses of cheesecloth.

The cream is separated from the milk with a hand separator and held until there is a sufficient quantity to churn. The churning is done three times each week with a barrel churn. The cream is strained into the churn through a hair sieve.

When the butter is well drained from the butter it is rinsed with a little water, and after this has drained away the cork is put in the churn and cold water added. The cover is then put on the churn and the churn revolved slowly six or eight times; the water is now drawn off and the butter left to drain about fifteen minutes.

The butter is pressed into square one pound pats and carefully wrapped with parchment paper which has been soaked in salt water a few minutes before being used.

Money in Horse Breeding.

The Nevada experiment station has this about horses: "The station is not in the horse breeding business. Yet the farm team market is a very important one. It is a double duty in that they have done the farm work and added to the working force by rearing colts. One of the original team, purchased some five years ago, died from blood poisoning at foaling this spring. She had been a regular breeder and leaves four colts, any of which would probably bring on the market double the amount paid for the team. One of these, a two-year-old stallion, weighing over 1,900 pounds, we value at \$1,000 and consider him superior to most of the 'company' horses that have been sold in the state at from \$2,500 to \$5,500.

Selecting the Ram.

The ram to head the flock should be the embodiment of masculinity in every feature. The true ram's head should be deep and broad through the forehead, the nose broad, with a large nostril, making a spacious entrance for plenty of oxygen into the lungs. The eye should be bright, large and full of vigor. The neck of the impressive sire should be short and well set on, giving style and carriage. The shoulders should be smooth and evenly muscled, which will give him an even walk, a brisket well extended and broad. A ram with a straight top line, ribs well sprung and wide loin and well muscled back will find favor with the good judges, and a twist will let down with good width. The most good sire is a ram in the present year. When good width here smoothness throughout is characterized.

Potatoes as a Hog Feed.

The value of potatoes as a hog feed has been tested at the Wisconsin experiment station, where the potatoes were cooked and fed with corn in comparison with corn alone. It was found that it required 442 pounds of potatoes to save 100 pounds of cornmeal. A Danish investigator found that it required 400 pounds of potatoes to save 100 pounds of mixed grain. From these results it seems that four or a half bushels of potatoes are worth about the same for feeding purposes as one bushel of corn. They should always be fed cooked.

Happiest Girl in Lincoln.

A Lincoln, Neb., girl writes, "I had been ailing for some time with chronic constipation and stomach trouble. I began taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and in three days I was able to be up and got better right along. I am the proudest girl in Lincoln to find such a good medicine." For sale by all dealers.

WHY SHROPSHIRE ARE PREFERRED

What has made the Shropshire so popular? More Shropshires are fed and marketed in England than any other two breeds, writes a New York farmer in American Agriculturist. In this country there are over 4,000 breeders on the membership roll and more than 328,000 animals recorded. The reason the breed is popular is because these sheep give better returns for money invested than any other of the mutton breeds. The English farmers, you know, are not slow to find out what sort of live stock is the most profitable for them to keep, and American farmers are not slow, either. The Shropshire Registry association has nearly as many members as all other



The Shropshire here pictured shows remarkable quality. Many farmers consider the Shropshire one of the best all around sheep they can raise. The breed is of composite character, which has been improved largely during the past century through crossing and selection and also through better care and food. In its production the blood of the Southdown, Cotswold and Leicester has been intermixed. Although the grazing qualities are good, the breed requires better pastures than the Southdown or Merino. There are more Shropshires in England than of all other mutton breeds together.

sheep registry associations of the mutton breeds combined.

This is ample proof of the popularity of the breed. Now, back of this breed are the business capabilities of the Shropshire to make lots of money. These sheep show a profit to their feeder and breeder if given any reasonable chance to do so. They are the most common of the mutton breeds and on the same amount of food will excel the other breeds in making more pounds of both mutton and wool than their rivals. They are also very prolific. With good care at least one and one-quarter lambs may be expected on the average to each ewe in the flock, but it is not uncommon even in large flocks to get an average of one and one-half lambs each ewe. I doubt also if there is any breed that is better adapted for crossing or for breeding on our own native ewes than the Shropshire. Any one who follows the market reports of the leading live stock markets will see that lambs sired by Shropshire rams are continually topping the market. The ewes of the leading live stock exhibitions show that for grades and crossbreds three-fourths of the winners are sired by Shropshire rams. Shropshires are popular sheep in this country because they are worth while sheep.

Swine in Summer.

As to the summer management of swine there is little to say. Raise plenty of rape and either let the pigs feed it off or mow off and throw a little in the inclosure often. The animals should be graded so the different lots can be used to the best advantage. Good, thrifty shotes intended for an early fall market can be very profitably fed on a mixture of corn, oats and barley and best quality of wheat bran. If each is allowed a quart a day of this mixture in the early fall it will get along in good shape. It is an open question still whether it is an advantage to cook the food. Theoretically cooked food ought to be more digestible than raw, and the pigs certainly like it better. Warm feed is a preventive of stomach and intestinal troubles. A chilled pig is very much like a chilled person.

Feed and Milk Production.

Whatever makes feed taste better or more enjoyable to cows increases its value for milk production. Early cut alfalfa is best not only because it contains more protein than that cut late, but because its aroma and its flavor make it more palatable. The appetizing effect from early cutting and careful curing of all forage crops increases the food value for milk production. Freshly harvested and fully ground grain is most palatable to dairy cows, and it will give best results. Dairyman who grind feed should let down with good width. The most good sire is a ram in the present year. When good width here smoothness throughout is characterized.

Will Try Persian Lamb.

The department of agriculture is seriously considering the introduction into this country of Bokhara sheep, from which comes the fur called "Persian lamb." All Astrakhan fur is now raised on territory tributary to the Caspian sea. The best fur is taken from the lamb when it is only four or five days old. The Bokhara sheep also make good mutton.

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Lemonade with fruit	10c	Milk Shake	10c	Orange Phosphate	5c
Lemo De Mint	15c	Pineapple Sundae	10c	Grape Juice	5c
Manhattan Flip	20c	Peach Delight	15c	Lemon Phosphate	5c
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Mrs. D. A. Johnson of Sherwood is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Pfister this week.

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Miss Effie Thomas of Sherwood, is visiting her cousin Miss Maggie Pfister this week.

If cash counts see Grimland & Allison for anything and everything in mens ready-to-wear goods. 78

Eric Cloudt who ranches on the South Llano, was a visitor in Sonora this week.

Now is the time to spot the cows you want to go to market this fall. Have a trap for them and a little extra attention will put on the seal fat that brings the money. Think about it now.

Mat Karnes was up from his ranch Friday delivering a bunch of cattle to Bob Martin.

The Saturday Evening Post comes in on Thursdays 5c a copy at Corner Drug Store.

Bob Peacock was up from the Peacock & Savell ranch Friday to order some rain.

A bad taste in the mouth comes from a disordered stomach, and back of that is usually a torpid liver. A condition which invites disease. HERBINE is the remedy needed. It corrects the stomach and makes the liver active and regular. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists.

Joe Ross was in from the ranch Thursday in his car. Joe says its no trouble to run a car when you know how.

### Parson's Poem a Gem.

From Rev H. Stubenvoll, Allison, Ia., in praise of Dr. King's New Life Pills.

"They're such a health necessity, in every home these pills should be. If other kinds you've tried in vain USE DR. KING'S And be well again. Only 25c at Nathan's Pharmacy.

Reserve a section or two of grass for winter. Think about it now.

When the baby is suffering the double affliction of hot weather bowel disorders, the remedy needed McGEE'S BABY ELIXIR. It reduces the feverish condition, corrects the stomach and checks loose ness of the bowels. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Edgar Ratliff of Longworth, was visiting his brother John Ratliff on the Roy Hudspeh ranch this week.

Wanted small family to live in fine house one mile south of town. Wood, water, garden, and house free. See Lewis Alverson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Bryson and the boys were in from the ranch day on their way to Mayer.

For summer diarrhoea in children all ways give Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and castor oil, and a speedy cure is certain. For sale by all dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Evans Jr., and children were in from the ranch last Saturday shopping and visiting.

When you go to San Angelo call on Eddie Maier, at the Favorite Saloon, he will treat you O. K. 72-1f

D. K. McMullan passed through Sonora, Wednesday, on his way home to San Angelo from a visit to his ranch near Juno.

Stings or bites of insects that are followed by swellings, pain or itching should be treated promptly as they are poisonous. BAL-LARD'S SNOW LINIMENT counteracts the poison. It is both antiseptic and healing. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

### Entertainment at 500.

Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken entertained Thursday night a number of young friends at 500 in honor of Mrs. Brockman of San Angelo. Miss Ida Aldwell won the ladies prize a hat pin and Lem Johnson the gentleman's prize a pair of cuff buttons. Mrs. Brockman the honoree was presented with a cut glass souvenir. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Vander Stucken Mrs. Bartlett, Mrs. Brockman, Miss Brockman, Misses Marjory Aldwell, Bahan, Tillman, Allison, Parkerson, Maddox, Smith, Rountree, Karnes, Ida Aldwell, Messrs Schwartz, Hamilton, Vosburg Hall, Lse Aldwell, Rountree, Nogueae, DeWitt, H. R. Wardlaw, Johnson, Alverson, Buchanan, Roy Aldwell. Delightful refreshments were served and the evening much enjoyed.

Have civic pride about your premises. Build sidewalks. Look pretty and boost Sonora.

WANTED—I want either a position in a public school, or private teacher on a ranch in Sutton Co. Two years experience. Satisfactory references furnished. My father is Principal at Sonora, and want to teach near home. MISS MARION WOODFORD, 79 Crowley, Texas.

### LADIES LISTEN.

Hats at half price and Skirts at greatly reduced prices. It is our policy to carry nothing over from one season to another. There are not many of these Hats or Skirts left, but as the Season is still young this is a great opportunity for those who have not made their purchases. Remember we carry everything in Ladies Furnishings. Come in and see our novelties. B. F. Meckel & Co.

Last call for the ridiculously low rate of \$3.95 for The San Angelo Daily Standard, including seven issues per week. The Standard gets the news to you ahead of all others in West Texas. and is a paper that makes for good cheer. It is a good tonic for the home. You can't read the Standard regularly and have the blues. Send check at once, if you would take advantage of this exceptional offer. Murphy & Tupper, Editors and Owners, The Standard's Publications.

H. L. Wade and Dick Waring of San Angelo were in Sonora this week wanting to buy any kind of stock they could make a dollar or two out of.

The Corner Drug Store sells the best Ice Cream made in the South, so people say, and it is made at home of pure cream 76 1f

### Escaped With His Life.

"Twenty-one years ago I faced an awful death," writes H. B. Martin, Port Barreleson, S. C. "Doctors said I had consumption and the dreadful cough I had locked like it, sure enough. I tried everything. I could of, for my cough, and was under the treatment of the best doctor in Georgetown, S. C. for a year, but could get no relief. A friend advised me to try Dr. King's New Discovery I did so, and was completely cured. I feel that I owe my life to this great throat and lung cure." It positively guaranteed for coughs, colds, and all bronchial affections. 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at Nathans Pharmacy.

Joe Bradford returned Thursday from a visit to Mineral Wells.

Jim Alford, Jim Barton, Roy Glasscock, E. C. Beam and Jack Dougherty took in the barbecue at Roosevelt, Thursday, and report having had a fine time.

Grimland & Allison can save you money on shoes. Try a pair of the Roberts, Johnson & Rand and you will be pleased. 78

T. B. Adams and children spent a few day down on the Llano this week visiting friends and relatives. They also took in the barbecue at Roosevelt.

Why not try a pair of Roberts, Johnson & Rand shoes. We have them in all styles and sizes. Ladies, Mens, Boys, Misses and childrens 78 Grimland & Allison.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Crow Jr., and family of Trinity, Texas, arrived in Sonora this week on a prospecting trip. Mrs. Crow is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Denman.

Never leave home on a journey without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is almost certain to be needed and cannot be obtained when on board the cars or steam ships. For sale by all dealers.

Rev Richard Mercer conducted service last Sunday before an appreciative congregation. The singing was excellent and we have heard his discourse highly praised.

Wanted Horses to Pasture By day or month. Good grass and plenty of water. See Lewis Alverson. One mile south of town.

W. R. Norwood of Palo Pinto county, was in Sonora Saturday on a prospecting trip.

Mrs. Joe Gresham and children of Grosebeck, arrived last Saturday and will visit Mrs. Gresham's parents Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stuart on the ranch. Mrs. Stuart met them at Sonora.

Sam McKee and some of his family were in from the ranch in the auto Wednesday. Sam is getting to be quite an expert with his auto.

Sprains require careful treatment. Keep quiet and apply Chamberlain's Liniment freely. It will remove the soreness and quickly restore the parts to a healthy condition. For sale by all dealers.

Trade at home. Buy from your home people. Make your home town prosperous. Assist your home town to be progressive. Encourage your home town schools by sending your children to them. In fact do every thing for and nothing against your home town. Think about it.

Mrs. George Brockman and Miss Cora Brockman of San Angelo and Mrs. Louisa Bartlett of San Antonio, are visiting relatives in Sonora this week. Mrs. Brockman is the sister of E. F. and Max Vander Stucken and Mrs. Bartlett is their cousin. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken.

We offer the people of the Devil's River Country, The San Angelo Daily Standard, for an entire year, including seven issues per week, at \$3.95. This offer is good for 12 days. Send in your check at once, if you want to take advantage of it. The Standard gets the news to you ahead of all others, and is strictly and always for this section of Texas. Murphy & Tupper, Editors and Owners, The Standard's Publications.

Bunk Caruthers who has been with Lee Martin in the Mertzon country for about a year, was in Sonora this week shaking hands with his old friends. He is on his way to Sanderson to meet his mother and from there they will go to San Antonio to visit James Caruthers and family.

### A CALL.

Fredericksburg, June 30 Attention Confederate Veterans The annual Re-union of the Mountain Remnant Brigade will be held at Ballinger, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday August 2, 3 and 4, 1911.

Rations of bread, beef and coffee will be furnished all old soldiers, their wives and unmarried children. So come and make this the banner reunion of the Brigade.

Done by order of the general commanding. B. W. Palmer, Brigadier Gen. Commanding. F. C. Striegler, Adjutant General.

Geo Allison of Sonora, sold 120 head of fat cows to Hancock & Godfrey of Menard at \$22.

C. B. Wardlaw sold 25 mares and colts to John Robbins for \$75 per pair.

J. T. Evans Jr. bought 14 mares from R. E. Taylor at \$85. Mr. Taylor delivers them after weaning the colts this fall.

R. E. Taylor bought from J. T. Evans Jr., his six section ranch 18 miles south of Sonora for \$6,180. This ranch connects with Mr. Taylor's home place with the exception of one mile. Three sections are school land and three are under lease.

J. J. Ford returned Wednesday from Uvalde where he bought 14 Angora Billies from F. O. Landrum. In this purchase was "Bob Lee" half brother to "Admiral Togo" the goat from whose fleece made a pair of pants for President Taft. "Bob Lee" is 3 year old, pure bred African and his fleece is of great density. Mr. Ford paid \$250 for "Bob Lee" and only got him then by buying the other 13.

Cecil Jackson representing H. Obercamp, of San Angelo, has been in Sonora this week doing the plumbing on the Parkerson residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Latta of Brady, were in Sonora, Saturday, enroute to Juno on a visit to Mrs. Lattie's relatives.

Miss Lee Plumar of Dal Rio formerly of Ballinger, was in Sonora Wednesday, enroute to Ballinger on a visit to friends.

The made at home pure cream Ice Cream, sold at the Corner Drug Store, is said by their customers to be the best in the South, and the increasing patronage justifies the Corner Drug Store in believing it is so. 76 1f

Miss Pearl Owens and J. F. D. Smith were married Wednesday night at the home of Mr. and W. J. Owens in East Sonora, Justice of the Peace Bart C. DeWitt officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Owens of Owenville and the groom is a well-known young stockman, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Smith of Sonora. The News extends best wishes.

Registered Hereford Bulls for Sale. One car load of Registered Hereford Bulls 2 year old. Can be seen at my place at Keller, twelve miles north of Fort Worth. MARK HOVENKAMP, 713m Keller, Texas.

Notice to Trespassers. Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on my ranch 12 miles south of Sonora for the purpose of cutting timber, hauling wood, hunting hogs or fishing without my permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. O. T. WORD, Sonora, Texas. 37

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I. N. Brooks lost a pair of silver mounted specs a short while ago they were in a black case and had his name marked on case with pencil. He will be thankful for their return.

## Special Shoe Sale

# VANDERSTUCKEN'S 159 Pairs

Good Shoes but Odd Sizes. If you find what fits you the price is all we ask. Remember these shoes are for women, men and children. What was worth

75 Cents goes now at 25 Cents \$5 shoes AT \$2.50 Try a Fit at E. F. VANDERSTUCKEN CO.

### MEBANE'S

## IMPROVED COTTON SEED

I have 200 bushels of the celebrated Mabase's Improved Cotton Seed for sale at \$2.00 per bushel. O. T. WORD, Sonora, Texas. 61-1f

### THE DECKER.

The Decker wants chickens and will be glad to speak to those having chickens for sale. It is the policy of the Decker to serve chicken at dinner on Sunday and Wednesday but we try to set a good table all the time and will appreciate a share of your patronage at hotel.

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### The RED FRONT STABLE

Robert Anderson, Prop., HAY AND GRAIN. Your Patronage Solicited. Will buy hides.

Employment Bureau. All kinds of labor contracted Also Spanish Interpreting. Charges reasonable. Write, see or phone TRAINER BROS., At the Bank Saloon.

Town lots in Sonora are for sale by the Martin Commission Co. Buy one now and get in on the ground floor. Do it now before prices advance. The new maps are being made and the dedication of the streets and alleys will be made as soon as possible. Perfect title. No trouble to show you See Martin Commission Co.

J. D. Lowrey and family returned Thursday from a two weeks visit to Mr. Lowrey's parents at Lubbock.

Dr. A. J. and Mrs. Smith and daughter Miss Jessie returned Monday from a two months visit to St. Louis.

Mrs. Glimp and daughter Miss Ang Glimp of Burnet, are visiting at the W. A. Holland ranch. Mrs. Glimp is the mother of Mrs. Holl and. Miss Ludie Posey of Cook county is also visiting at the Holl and ranch.

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SUN PRINTERY, Sonora, Texas.

HAY BALING. Give your orders to me for baling your hay. Prompt attention and satisfaction guaranteed. ED. PRIESTER, Sonora, Texas. 47

### BILLIES FOR SALE.

I have for sale this season, over 300 head of yearling and two year old Billies. These goats are extra large, in good shape, and the best woolled goats that I have ever offered for sale. However, as the market is dull I am offering them unusually cheap. I hold 20 of the tops at \$50 each, the remainder at \$15 to \$30. Quality being considered, these are the cheapest Billies that have ever been offered for sale in Texas. I will have them shaped for the market by July 10th, 1911. If you want the best come early. J. D. PEPPER, Rockefrings, Texas. 78 4

FOR SALE. All of our household goods, furniture, etc., is for sale. Many bargains will be picked up by applying to J. B. BLAKENEY, Sonora, Texas. 79-1f

FOR SALE. One bay horse 4 1/2 years old, 16 hands high, gentle to ride or drive. Also buggy and harness. For further particulars see, DR. R. L. DENMAN, Sonora, Texas. 79 1f

FOR SALE. Forty head of coming two-year-old Angora Billies for sale. These Billies are sired by No. 43 of the Horele Importation from South Africa. J. J. FORD, Ranch 16 miles east of Sonora, Texas. 79

For Sale or Trade. 30 head of Registered and Grade Billies. Can be seen at the old Belcher ranch on the Llano. For further particulars write or see, W. R. CLENDENNEN, Owenville, Texas. 76 f

Ranch job wanted. Am married, 28 years of age. Experience with goats and sheep and general ranch work. Can give references. Phone me at Cardwell's ranch. I. C. CALENTINE, Telegraph, Texas.

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**WHERE TO BUILD.**  
Rocky Site No Longer Advised—Gravel the Ideal Soil.  
As it may seem, after years of talk and song about advantages of founding one's home on a rock, one of the very best that modern builders tell us is in selecting a site of rock, principally because of the safety of excavating a cellar in it.  
Another objection to rocky soil is that water will not soak through and so runs down it. Some of the water would be almost certain to seep through the cellar walls, forming the cellar damp, or it might undermine the foundations.  
If a spring were opened in the rock often contains water which would mean a costly operation. A house upon a rock also vibrates during thunderstorms.  
Clay is perhaps more to be avoided than rock. Clay collects water and spreads under pressure. It expands in wet or frosty weather and contracts in summer. Frozen clay clings to brick or stone and often causes dislocation of cellar walls and pipes.  
Also it is impervious to water. Thus an underground layer of clay will prevent the proper drainage of rainwater and leave the soil foul and sodden. Finally, it is extremely costly to excavate. Undesirable for building purposes also are made land, sand and silt. Made land is not always stable.  
Gravel is the ideal soil for building purposes. It is porous and drains perfectly. At the same time it is sufficiently stable to support foundations. A gravelly elevation is the ideal building site.  
Depressions or levels between rocks are likely to retain water, even though the depression is slight and the elevations distant. The ground water thus retained stands at a level. Small gravelly elevations form islands, as it were, in a subterranean lake, and upon them houses may be built with perfect safety. The cellar floor will be above ground water level, and no rainwater will drain into the cellar.—Circle Magazine.

**A Tall One.**  
"I've been all over the world," remarked the globe trotter, "but I have never seen a place like Madagascar—such vegetation, such charming natives, such food!"  
"When I went there I was a sailor on a schooner. We lay in the Madagascar harbor for several weeks. Well, will you believe it, at the end of the first week a deputation of sailors waited on the captain. They threatened to mutiny unless a certain demand was granted."  
"Now, what do you suppose they demanded? Salt pork—salt pork mind you—instead of what the captain had been giving them?"  
"And what was that?" inquired the auditors.  
"Partridges and pheasants, grouse and quail, and—"  
At this point the interest shifted from Madagascar and its charms to the question of the raconteur's veracity.—New York Times.

**Nietzsche's Swan Song.**  
One of the really pathetic documents of modern times is entitled "Ecce Homo," and it is the last work that Friedrich Nietzsche wrote before he went mad. The daring poet-philosopher, whose thought, whether for good or for ill, has already permeated the whole intellectual atmosphere of our epoch, was never more vividly revealed than in this remarkable book. Like all his works, it is a rhapsody, written at white heat, marred by excessive gaudiness. But in one important respect it differs from them all. It voices a sense of peace and serenity he never before had realized. At the very moment when darkness was overwhelming him he seemed to experience a marvelous exaltation. His song floats over the world like a hymn to infinite joy.—Current Literature.

**Kill More Than Wild Beasts**  
The number of people killed yearly by wild beasts don't approach the vast number killed by disease germs. No life is safe from their attacks. They're in the air, water, dust, even food. But grand protection is afforded by Electric Bitters, which destroy and expel these deadly disease germs from the system. That's why cholera, fever and ague, all malarial and many blood diseases yield promptly to this wonderful blood purifier. For them, and for the glorious health and new strength they'll give you. Money back, if not satisfied. Only 50¢ at Nathan's pharmacy.

**The Cash**  
By GEORGE RANDOLPH CHESTER.  
COPRIGHT 1900, by the BOBB'S MERRILL CO.

Breed in sudden fright. "Don't leave me. When you arrived I was a nervous wreck, but since you came I have been able to do a lot of work—good work, splendid work!"  
"That's because you at first did what I told you. But of late you've grown careless. You give me the slip every morning now, and I can't find you. When you should be out in the fresh air you are down here in this unhealthy atmosphere with unhealthy thoughts, counting money—not the money that you have, but the money you expect to make. I hadn't the slightest idea that you were a mere miser."

"A miser, doctor," Breed smilingly expostulated. "Is a man who hoards his money for his own sake. He never uses it for pleasure or comfort, he never even puts it to work. But this money of mine by the mere fact of its being here is a tremendous dynamo, by the mighty current of which I can sway almost the entire social and economic universe—to its own good, to its own good," he hastily added. "With it, when duly increased, I can



"You'll be a jibbering idiot in less than a year!"  
"Right great wrongs, change unjust laws, destroy and build anew entire civilizations, shatter and recreate governments! Think, doctor! Handled with my experience and the genius of young Kelvin, this money has already bankrupted nearly every enemy I had in the world, destroyed the integrity of the New York Stock Exchange and given me absolute control of every mile of railroad in the United States. No miser's money could have done that."  
"Incidentally," observed Zephan, "several hundred thousand people were thrown out of work, a thousand or so starved to death, a few hundred committed suicide and other hundreds deserted their families."  
"For their iniquities the Lord shall bring suffering upon his people," solemnly declared Breed, and reached down a nervous hand for his Bible.  
Zephan looked at him sternly. "I want you to come out of this place at once and stay out," he ordered.  
"No, no!" objected Breed nervously. "No! I must come in every day, doctor—just a little while."  
"Yes, I suppose you must," admitted Zephan. "I'll give you thirty minutes every day, but some one must be with you."  
"My granddaughter usually comes with me," explained Breed. "She is the only one besides myself who knows the combination to these locks, and only we four—Lillian and Kelvin and you and I—know of its existence. You must guard this secret well, Zephan."  
"No danger of my telling it," scorned the doctor. "I don't want to ruin any human soul with the knowledge that all this money is here, guarded only by iron bolts and your handful of armed guards. There's a curse on the stuff. More than enough to live on has never done any one any good. Look at yourself!"  
"What is the matter with me?" asked Breed quickly.  
"Oh, nothing," said Zephan quietly. "only you are losing your mind, that is all. If you don't keep away from this silent brooding you'll be a jibbering idiot in less than a year. Unless you obey me implicitly I shall leave you. I had a notion to do so this morning, but Mr. Rollins came and I changed my mind."  
"Rollins?" exclaimed Breed. "Is he here? Good! I must see him at once."  
"You'll do nothing of the sort," asserted Zephan, closing the door after him.

**CHAPTER XIII.**  
BREED came out and called Rollins into the library, where Kelvin was already seated. The old man was almost childish in his admiration of his two lieutenants, as he chose to call them.  
"I have been waiting for years for this," said he, rubbing his clawlike hands together as he looked from the one to the other of them. "In all my years of money making my only worry was that when the time came I might not find capable men through which to wield the ultimate power I craved. Like most worry, it was wasted. You two young men have done wonderful work, but it has only just begun."  
"Precisely my errand," said Rollins, with a rather wan smile. "The work is only just begun, and at the outset I have found so much opposition that I ran down here for moral support."  
"You've come to the right place," laughed Kelvin. "At Forest Lakes we are dealing almost exclusively in moral support."  
"Backed by the dead weight of more cash than was ever in one man's control since time began," chuckled Breed. "What are your difficulties, Mr. Rollins?"  
"Well," said Rollins, "I have practically put the United Steel corporation out of business as a monopoly. Here is a communication I had from MacDougal. If ever a big man made a whim in a letter MacDougal is the man, and here is this whim. And with huge contempt he tossed down a three page missive which Kelvin read, with a smile.  
"The answer," went on Rollins, "is open hearted steel and the control of

**INTRIGUE**  
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splendid muscular effort for up the bank. As Kelvin stepped out he once more looked at his watch.  
"You will pardon me if I hurry on?" he said.  
"Oh, we are all going," returned Lillian. "It's too late for the fish to bite any more anyhow."  
Kelvin was already passing her. The bank was very steep at this point. Near the top she slipped, and he was compelled to throw his arm hastily about her. She let her shoulders rest limply back in his embrace and allowed him to drag her dead weight up over the little rise, and Kelvin almost cursed himself aloud, for again he had found that contact more than plausible. "After all"—Phillip brought himself back to the future with a jerk. "No entanglements with women." That had been the one warning motto he had set for himself, and he must observe it if he would accomplish his boundless ambitions.

Mrs. Rensselaer, puffing from the exertion of being dragged up the bank by Herbert, turned to that young man with severity. "Herbert," she admonished him, "really I think you are neglecting your opportunities most shamefully. It is within your reach to make the name of Rensselaer precisely what it used to be."  
"With Miss Breed's money," commented Herbert with ill concealed disdain. "If I loved her or if she herself were capable of love it would be different."  
"You are perfectly absurd, Herbert," she insisted. "Lillian is the richest girl in the world. After she is married her little eccentricities, impossible in a girl, will only enhance her charm. Let me be perfectly frank with you. This girl, while she thinks she has her mind set upon Phillip Kelvin, really wants a husband. I scarcely dare usher her into society unmarried—she would disgrace us all. But any strong man, such as you, could marry her, master her and make her content, and she would be most presentable."

"But I want to work, to carve out my own fortune as Kelvin has done. I am not so clever as he. I could not make a million in five years, as he did, but I could try, which, if you only know, is a great satisfaction. Instead of that you make me stop work. You give up practically your whole income to keep me an idler at a few good clubs in New York. I don't see how you can consistently object. You are yourself accepting a salary."  
"Herbert!" she exclaimed. "I am a guest here, and the money I receive from Mr. Breed is the income from investments which he has made for me."  
He laughed. "Ten thousand dollars," said he, "and on that Breed pays you dividends of ten thousand a year. It's salary, nothing else."  
"How crude you are!" she protested. "How do you know that Mr. Breed does not make 100 per cent on the money I gave him? How do I know? I tell you, you are ungrateful!"  
As they neared the house Elsie White, who had been gathering flowers for Lillian's room, went up on the porch, where Rollins met her and stopped to chat with her for a moment.  
"If you must know," Rensselaer said, "there is an illustration of why the thought of Lillian is so distasteful to me. That's the kind of girl I want to marry."  
"Lillian's maid!" his aunt exclaimed. "Herbert, you are really past belief!"  
"You needn't worry about her. I don't want that particular one, and if I did I couldn't have her. Her eyes see no one but Phillip!"  
"Do you mean to say that if you went to this girl of no class whatever and offered her the Rensselaer name she would refuse you?"  
"She certainly would," replied Herbert promptly. "To her position means but very little, love means much, and she is beautiful enough to command love."  
"She is handsome," reluctantly admitted his aunt, "but rather vulgarly healthy, don't you think?"  
"God is vulgar in a good many things he does," replied Herbert wearily. "sunsets and dowers, for instance. Dreadfully loud colors he uses sometimes."

transportation. I have put them in direct competition with our own plants, and they are underbidding us. I intend to let them have some large contracts at a price we cannot touch. Now I begin to have dreams."  
"I don't see any difficulty in that," laughed Kelvin. "A man doesn't dream many dreams in the face of failures. It's success that brings dreams. I have dreams of my own. I have done a little thinking about these dreams of late."  
"I know you have," interposed Rollins. "Somebody has been doing a great deal of thinking around here. At first I thought it was Mr. Breed, but now I know that he hires his thinking."  
"I know myself was the first to acknowledge by a chuckle the truth of this remark.  
"I used to have to do it myself when I was poor," he admitted, "but that is not the way to success. You can't get rich that way any more than you can by performing all your own manual labor. My success is built on an unusual ability to discover men who can think for me. But you two go ahead and exchange your dreams; I am interested."  
"I have no objection to telling mine," said Kelvin. "I want to do a little trust busting."  
"I've tried it, and that's why I'm here," laughed Rollins. "Trust busting, with absolute control of every mile of railroad in the United States, is the easiest thing in the world. It may be a good deal more than I can do, and all the others have been making life a burden to me. Strangely enough, they don't want to be drawn and quartered."  
"I hate them, every one," suddenly snapped Breed. "A dozen times they tried to gobble me up in the early days. I have their photographs, too, waiting to be checked off."  
"We'll let you check them off by and by," replied Rollins. "They are crippled now, but it was a task. Even with all my experience I didn't appreciate the full extent of the private car graft. It was a colossal trick, serving merely as a disguise for excessive and absurd rebates."  
"Well, you stopped it," Kelvin consoled him.  
"Yes, I stopped it," admitted Rollins, with a mischievous grin. "The next thing that happened I had all the big packers on my neck."  
"The only way to forget the attacks of the packers," suggested Kelvin, "is to attack the other monopolies. Hamstring them the first stroke."  
"Good!" said Rollins, with relief. "It's a pleasure to find that we want the same thing without argument. It's simple enough. I've merely to establish my flat freight rate without undue reduction for quantity and without rebate, thus giving the small shipper an equal chance with the big one. The interstate commerce law may then go out of commission, for we will do the same work which it was designed to do, but in which it failed."  
Kelvin and Breed exchanged glances. "Don't misunderstand me," went on Rollins. "I consider the trusts as much a product of natural law as the attraction of gravitation, but where they attain to stupendous fatness merely on abuses they cease to fulfill the need which brought them into existence. The greatest abuse of which the monopolies have been guilty is in transportation. Probably more than half of the freight carried in this country by large corporations, nearly every ton of it being subject to a rebate or a drawback of some sort, and this drain on the railroads, amounting to millions every year, must be made up by the small shippers. I can lower the present ostensible cost of transportation on a flat rate basis and make more money for our stockholders."  
Breed looked at Kelvin inquiringly. Phillip nodded his head.  
"I have been over some of the figures," said Breed. "The aggregate is appalling, but I am afraid that, after all, we shall be compelled to allow certain concessions in certain places."  
Rollins turned slightly pale. "I have been waiting for that remark," he said, "but I want you to understand that there will be no concession of any sort. One exception I grant you, and that is the secret rebate on Mr. Breed's bread, wheat and cereal shipments, which was agreed upon in the first place; other than that, absolutely none. I propose to manage these united railroads unhampered or I propose to create such a stench that public opinion will revolt at the next stockholders' meeting and you will be utterly unable to secure proxies. Without proxies you have no railroad domination."  
Again Breed and Kelvin exchanged glances. Again Phillip nodded his head.  
"You are quite right in your contention," Mr. Rollins, admitted Kelvin. "But you misunderstand us. We don't intend to interfere with your absolute control. We do hope, however, to have you see that our way of planning is right. Until then we shall not even bother you with advice. In the meantime promulgate your flat rate sheet and we'll sit behind you."  
Rollins studied the matter over for some time. "Very well," said he. "I think that I shall remain at Forest Lakes for a month or so. I had just as lief have the avalanche of protests come to me here as in New York. I understand by this that you will rather promise not attempt to make any concessions a these people."  
"Absolutely none," declared Kelvin. "We'll give you our bond on that."  
"Your word is enough at present," replied Rollins dryly. "If you will stick to the letter of that I am perfectly satisfied."  
After Rollins had left the room Kelvin turned inquiringly to Breed. "Will he come in?" he asked anxiously.  
"When the time is ripe, yes," asserted

ed Breed confidently. "It is in his blood, and when the time comes he'll listen."  
That evening Rollins met Elsie White coming down the kitchen steps and joined her. She was so frank so unhesitatingly that he had an indelible impression of her. "Dear the better for having talked with her, even though nothing of moment had been said."  
"How the country agrees with you!" he observed as he joined her. "You were looking rather pale when I first saw you here, but you have found some marvellous ronge among these trees."  
"I like it very much," she admitted, turning his compliment with a smile. "I have already grown to have a certain amount of superstitious pity for city dwellers."  
"They really need it," he agreed, with a laugh, "and to prove that I am sincere in that remark I am going to stop with you for a month or two."  
"Good!" she exclaimed. "More people to enjoy Forest Lakes is all that we need."  
"Do they never have any visitors," Rollins inquired. "week end parties and the like?"  
"None," she replied. "For festive times of that sort I go down occasionally to Mr. Rollins's other place in Virginia, but Mr. Breed is very jealous of having any social life whatever here."  
Rollins strolled by her side until they reached the cottage, where the garrulous Mrs. White met them at the door.  
Mrs. White was delighted to be introduced to Mr. Rollins.  
"Elsie has told me all about what a fine man you are, and the men are scarce enough any place. Are you going to stay long this time?"  
"He promises us a month at least, mother."  
"That's nice," asserted Mrs. White. "I'm fine to have a lot of good looking men around. My goodness! I tell Elsie she never will have a chance to get married if she stays here."  
Rollins was so thankful to Elsie that she laughed from sheer amusement and gave him a chance to join her. His amusement and also his repressed embarrassment were heightened when, after Elsie had invited him to sit on the vine-clad little front stoop, Mrs. White suddenly and conspicuously absent herself. The two were silent for a time, when they heard approaching voices.  
"You had better come in with us," said the voice of Blagg from just beyond the corner of the house. "The organization now numbers more than a quarter of a million, all of the downtrodden, sworn to serve the best interests of the poor."  
"But if they are all poor people what can they do to help themselves?" objected the voice of Ben White.  
"Rise up and overwhelm the existing condition of things by the mere weight of numbers," responded Blagg quickly and teasingly. "Moreover, the organization is not so poor as you might think. It has quite a snug little sum in its own treasury, and, besides that, I know where there is \$1,000,000,000 in cash that we can seize upon the moment we rise. Look here, Mr. White, I want to explain to you the system of our organization."  
By the sound of the voices they were slowly walking away. Elsie turned to Rollins with a troubled frown.  
"I don't like this Mr. Blagg," she declared. "He talks nearly every evening with father about some secret society he wishes him to join, and I am afraid."  
Rollins laughed easily. "These so-called organizations never do any thing," he told her.  
He thought no more of the matter just then, but he did think more and more frequently of Elsie White as the days wore on. He knew that he had lost caste with Mrs. Rensselaer. The Rollins men folk had held it as their right to marry whom they chose, and he began a deliberate courtship of Elsie White.  
He avoided Lillian Breed from fear of doing her wrong, but he spent much time in his spare hours with Kelvin and young Rensselaer.  
One dreary night he had dropped to sleep upon a bench on the porch in the shadow of a climbing rosebush. He was awakened by the scrape of chair and became conscious of low and tense voices quite near him.  
"You, too, could love as I love," said the voice of Blagg, trembling with repressed lustiness, "could love with seething brain, with pounding pulses, with a heart the throbs of which would hurt and hurt and hurt."  
"You are almost poetical in your anatomy of the emotions," drawled the contemptuous voice of Lillian Breed. "I had no idea that the love of money could affect one in that precise way."  
"You don't mean that she," he protested angrily. "You know that if you had not a dollar I would still have for you this hunger that starves me, this thirst that parches me, this flame that burns me, this agony that makes me cry out in the night."  
"You ought not to encourage your self in that attitude," she said, with less contempt. "You are making a breach in the confidence that is placed in you here."  
"I would make a breach in the wall of heaven," he retorted passionately. "I would break and destroy it utterly, would grind it to powder, would scatter its dust to the four winds, if by that I might win you. And you could love. I tell you, as madly as I do."  
"Yes," she admitted slowly, "but not you."  
"I know," he responded bitterly, "but you are wasting your affections. Kelvin cares for no one but himself."  
"Who told you to speak his name? Don't make me hate you."  
"I'd rather that than indifference."  
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