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ROAD GRADER DOING THE WORK

CARRIZO SPRINGS ROAD BEING PUT
IN GOOD SHAPE.

Road Boss M. J. Swisher began work Monday morning on the Carrijo Springs road and Thursday night had completed scraping the sand off the entire road to the bridge across Salt Creek, a distance of four miles.

At present traveling is fine on this part of the road, but Mr. Swisher says no doubt heavy wagons will cut into it again and as soon as they do he will make another scraping. After going over it about three times this way he thinks it will be down to solid ground, and ready for grading. An Automobile went over the portion of the road that had been scraped off Thursday evening and the machine glided along as swift and as smoothly as if it were on a race track. We understand it is the purpose of the county to keep the grader on this road until it is put in good condition to the county line. The expense of running it, Judge Thomas informs us is about \$12 per day.

As onion hauling from Dimmit county will soon begin, the presence of the grader will be of great benefit to teamsters, for when the wagons begin to cut down the grading outfit will immediately scrape out the loose sand, and leave a hard road for them to come over next time. By the time the onion business is over the road will be cleaned out down to solid foundation and ready for grading.

CACTUS USED TO KILL MOSQUITOES.

The French have found a use for cactus in their colonies in Africa, which Texas and the southwest has never thought of, and which may help to change cactus from a despised weed to a commercial plant.

United States Consul Bishop at Palermo, Italy, has reported some experiments made by the chief of the sanitary service at Gaboon, French Africa, with the cactus as a substitute for petroleum for the extermination of mosquitoes in warm climates.

"The thick pulpy leaves of the cactus," he says, "cut up into pieces, are thrown into the water and macerated until a sticky paste is formed. This paste is spread on the surface of stagnant water and forms an isolating layer, which prevents the larvae of the mosquito from coming to the top to breathe and destroys them through asphyxiation. It is true that petroleum can perform the same service, but in warm climates petroleum evaporates too quickly, and is thus of little avail. The mucilaginous cactus paste, on the contrary, can hold its place indefinitely, lasting weeks, months or even an entire year; and the period of development of the larva being only about a fortnight, it has the most thorough effect."

It now only remains for Texans to avail themselves of this property of cactus to exterminate their mosquitoes.—S. A. Gazette.

Gardendale Connected by Telephone.

Gardendale is now connected by telephone with the Southwestern Exchange at Cotulla. The stringing of the wires was completed this morning.

Arrangements for the big Opening which will take place April 7th is being rapidly pushed.

NO PRIMARY IN LA SALLE.

FOR ELECTION OF DELEGATES AT
LARGE TO NATIONAL CON-
VENTION.

County Chairman, W. A. Kerr of the Democratic Executive Committee has given out that he will call no election on May 2nd for the purpose of voting for candidates for delegates at large to the National Convention.

Mr. Kerr stated that he had talked to a number of representative citizens and had not found a man that was in favor of the election, and he could see no good to result in having it. The Bailey controversy will have no satisfying effect on the people of Texas, he thinks, but will only make the fight more heated. Mr. Kerr stated further that from the information he could get very few, if any of the counties in this section of Texas would hold the election.

CITIZENS WILL CLAY SANDY STRETCH.

PULSE OF PEOPLE ON GOOD
ROADS QUESTION.

Overseer Matt Russell of the Riverdale precinct spent three days in town this week soliciting subscriptions to clay the sandy stretch on the down-the-river road, that commences just back of the Davenport place and runs nearly to Mr. Seefeld's residence, a distance of about half a mile.

On a proposition that the county would grade up the sand if the citizens would clay it, Mr. Russell began work. In the three days he has put in on it, \$120 in cash was subscribed and 112 days work with teams, which is equivalent to a total of \$450, and Mr. Russell says he is not through yet.

That this piece of road should be put in first class shape is of great importance, as not only thousands of dollars worth of truck is hauled over it, but it has to be crossed in order to get to the beautiful truck farms in the Nueces Valley, that are weekly visited by numerous prospectors, and where our people all go for an evening drive. The clay, of first quality will not have to be hauled over 200 yards from the beginning of the sand. A hard clay road here will be of inestimable value to the town.

This is about the first instance we know of where the citizens have been asked to privately contribute for road building and the liberal subscriptions tell how their pulse beats on the subject. Mr. Russell tells us that only property owners, and not wage-earners have been solicited to contribute.


WILLIAMS WENT AFTER PRESIDENT.

Washington, D. C., March 27.—The minority leader Williams came very near impeaching President Roosevelt in the house this afternoon. He announced that if it is true that the president had taken to task certain members of the judiciary committee for their official criticisms of Judge Wilfley he would introduce a resolution for a thorough investigation of the "intrusion" of the members of the house.

It is reported President Roosevelt and Congressman Dieka of Michigan shook fists at each other during an argument over the Wilfley case in the White House.

Grand Millinery Opening

Friday and Saturday, April 3rd and 4th.

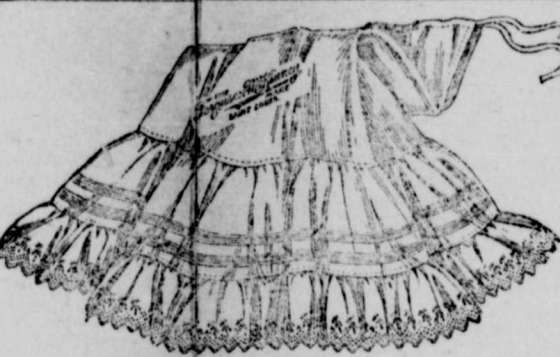


A superb assortment of magnificent creations of up to date Ladies Headwear. Never before have you had such a beautiful lot from which to make your selection. The fashionable world says the "new spring bonnet" will be large and in color light brown, old rose and shades of blue will be extensively seen while American beauty shades, emerald green and violet shades are very popular. We will show an especially snappy line of the "mole widow" shapes and an exquisite and extensive line of ready made Veils and Veiling. Miss Clara Wagner is in charge of our Millinery Department and we feel confident that our trade will have every advantage the season affords.


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The president is said to have told Diekma that the judicial committee was too officious in going into the Wilfley case further than the committee is instructed. Diekma retorted very warmly.

Representative Briscoe Here.

Hon. John T. Briscoe, representative of the 97th district, was here from Devine Thursday looking after his political fences. Mr. Briscoe is a candidate for re-election and says if the people send him back to Austin this time he will not ask for the honor again, as he believes two terms is long enough for a man to hold one office, and he hopes to see a statute to that effect soon.

Mr. Briscoe stated that he did not think any county in his district would hold an election on May 2nd to nominate delegates at large to the National Convention.

Dry Goods Stores Set Same Date For Opening.

Cotulla's two big dry goods stores have set the same dates April 3rd and 4th, for a Grand Opening of Spring Goods and Millinery. This agreement was made for the convenience of out of town people especially, who by one trip will have the opportunity of seeing both stores on display with the beautiful feminine wearables of springtime. An offer is also made to pay railroad fare of shoppers from Millett, Artesia, Dilley and Encinal, if specified amounts are purchased at either or both stores. This proposition can be found in the ads of both houses in this issue.

A brisk Southeast wind prevails today.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Taylor of Devine is in the city visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. Cotulla.

Miss Caroline Cotulla spent a few days in Laredo this week visiting relatives.

W. A. Lowe brought in 54 ear loads of cattle yesterday from McMullen county and shipped them to his Oklahoma pastures.

Mrs. A. Sparks who has been here for three weeks visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Coleman, left first of the week for Devine.

Robert Inman and wife of Williamson county were arrivals on yesterday's train and went out to the McClure ranch.

V. Hayley, a business man of Gurdon, Ark., is in the city today. Mr. Hayley has been up at Gardendale for several days where he purchased a tract of land.

The purchasers of the Altito pasture have gotten out their literature and begun the sale of the land something on the order of the Simmons plan. As the land lies close to the County Seat, within 1 1/2 miles of a truck railway and the blocks only \$200 each, no doubt it will be rapidly disposed of as several hundred agents are working on it throughout the North. Cotulla gets some splendid advertising in the literature.

Early Closing.

An early closing movement was started among the business men this week and agreement was reached whereby all stores will close at 6:30 p. m. after April 6th. The stores closed early all last year, and the people found very little inconvenience by it, and it gives the clerks a chance for recreation.

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Announcement

FOR CONGRESS

We are authorized to announce Hon. J. N. Garner of Nevada as a candidate for re-election to Congress from the 15th district subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Representative, 97th Representative District, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries.
J. N. T. BRISCOE.

Warm weather is approaching which reminds us to begin waging war on the pesky little mosquito.

Senator Tillman is "all in" from nervous prostration. He's been traveling a gait that was too fast.

The Good Times Club of New York are mailing out thousands of circulars advocating the defeat of Bryan, Roosevelt and Taft. No doubt the Wall Street gang compose the Good Times Club.

Well, not much! La Salle won't hold any election to see whether or not Mr. Bailey goes to Denver as a delegate. We understand a large number of counties over the state will take the same position.

But won't the Bailey whoopee and the fellows that can't stand the scent of coal oil have a hot old time up in the thickly populated district of Texas the next thirty days? And won't the performance tickle the Republicans?

The Southern Pacific have let out hundreds of employes, because there is "nothing doing." There'll be something doing on the I. & G. N. pretty soon, when the big onion crop begins to move. Heretofore one "Onion Special" a day has moved the crop but this year in all probability the road will put on two special trains for this work.

In a recent hog-feeding experiment at the state Agricultural and Mechanical College, Professor John C. Burns found that black strap molasses, as a large part of the ration in combination with corn, is not a profitable hog feed, as the hogs fed black strap molasses and corn in varying proportions did not gain as many pounds or gain them as cheaply, as did the hogs that were fed straight corn. Professor Burns also verified in this experiment the fact that an addition of skim-milk in varying proportions by weight to a corn ration appreciably increases the rate of gain in pounds and also cheapens the cost of that gain. The hogs fed skim-milk in addition to this corn ration, not only gained more pounds live weight at a lower cost per pound of gain than those fed on equal amount of corn without the addition of the skim-milk, but also looked better and more thrifty and sold for several cents higher per hundred weight on the Fort Worth market. The actual cash feeding value of the skim-milk was found to be forty cents per hundred pounds when hogs are worth \$1.30 per hundred weight on the hoof; and forty-seven cents per hundred pounds when hogs are worth as much as five dollars per hundred weight on the hoof.

To "Reform" the Calendar.

The Washington Post is responsible for the information that an ingenious, simple and useful scheme for reforming the anomalies of the calendar has been prepared by Alexander Philip, an English scientist, and has received the favorable opinions of such eminent men as Lord Avebury, Sir Oliver Lodge and Sir William Ramsay.

The defects of the calendar at present in use are obvious at all times. The year of 365 days cannot be divided into twelve months of equal length, or into an even number of weeks of seven days, and the inconveniences arising from this are increased by the fact that every fourth year consists of 366 days.

Mr. Philip points out in a booklet he has just published explaining his scheme that "under our present calendar it is impossible to determine beforehand any day of the month as available for any civil or conversely for any ecclesiastical purpose. Accordingly all elections or other annual public engagements or festivals, are usually fixed for the first Thursday, second Monday, and so forth, of a given month, it being impossible in such a case to determine the occasion by a fixed date without involving a constant alteration of week day and the occasional occurrences of a Sunday on the day selected."

Mr. Philip therefore proposes to give the day a fixed relation to the week, the month and the year. Under his scheme the eleventh day of February, for instance, might always be Tuesday and any one day would be available for one particular purpose.

He suggests a few simple alterations which would bring about this highly convenient and business-like state of things. The first day of the year should, he says, "be regarded as a day apart, being regarded as 1906, 1907, etc."

longing to any of the twelve months.

For business purpose and public affairs New Year's Day should not exist, and Mr. Philip expresses the opinion that as the day is already almost universally treated as a holiday, this first step in his plan of reform would cause no inconvenience.

Leap-day, on its occurrence, would go into the same category as a day not counted. It would be known as "L 1908," and so on, and would be interpolated between the end of June and the beginning of July, and observed as a quadrennial midsummer holiday.

There would then be left 364 days, divisible into halves of 182 days, and four quarters of ninety-one days each. The day following New Year's day, would, of course, be January 1.

The symmetry of the scheme is completed by the taking of one day from July and one from October and adding them to February, thus giving the month thirty days. Every quarter would then consist of two months of thirty days and one month of thirty-one days.

A perfect correspondence throughout the year is obtained by the further taking of a day each from May and August and adding them to June and September.

The year would then be equally divided as follows, each quarter having ninety-one days or thirteen weeks:

First quarter—
January 30 days
February 30 days
March 31 days
Second quarter—
April 30 days
May 30 days
June 31 days
Third quarter—
July 30 days
August 30 days
September 31 days
Fourth quarter—
October 30 days
November 30 days
December 31 days

The advantage of the perpetual calendar with the day of the week and the day of the month always the same would thus be assured.

Bulletin of Bulletins.

Bulletin No. 98, issued by the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas and distributed free to all interested persons, a compilation of the results obtained from the farm, stock and garden problems studied by men connected with the Experiment Station. It includes a summary of all the bulletins issued since the establishment of the Experiment Station in 1888. It might appropriately be called a bulletin of bulletins. Each of the ninety-eight bulletins, except those which give results that later experiments have modified, is briefly and attractively summarized. The work is given to the public with the hope that the information and suggestions it contains may be helpful to the thousand of progressive farmers, stockmen and truck growers who are no doing so much for the advancement of the material prosperity of Texas.

The range of subjects treated embraces almost every important feature of farm and stock raising industries. The bulletin contains, for example, seven discussions of steer feeding and two or three of hog feeding; it contains epitomes of bulletins on the sweet potato, cabbage, the peach, the Irish potato, American grapes, the tomato, strawberries; it contains interesting accounts of stock diseases with suggestions for treatment also contains abstracts of bulletins devoted to the preservation of the soil, the destruction of various garden and farm pests, and numerous treatises on growing of the standard crops, such as corn, cotton, alfalfa, tobacco, etc.

This information has been distributed from the College free of cost for the last nineteen years and the published results represent the combined wisdom of the agricultural

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Other Testimony

For Cotton Seed Meal as a Food
For Live Stock.

At a meeting of the South Carolina Live Stock Association held at Columbia, S. C., on February 8 and 9 an address full of practical advice, backed by scientific knowledge was delivered by the eminent Dr. Tait Butler of Raleigh, N. C., on "Practical Stock Feeding in the South." Dr. Butler is a recognized authority on feeds and feeding, and what he says should have special weight and influence throughout the entire South, and that part of his discussion touching the feeding of horses, mules and colts is of special importance to the Southern breeder.

In the official report of the general discussion which followed Dr. Butler's address this occurs. Dr. Butler was asked: "You speak of feeding horses cotton seed meal. What about the muscular forming properties of cotton seed meal on the animal compared to corn and oats?"

Dr. Butler: "There is enough known about feeding horses cotton seed meal for me to state that if you had a horse that you were feeding fourteen pounds of corn daily that you could take out four pounds of that corn and put in two pounds of cotton seed meal and get better results. Not because corn is not the best feed we have for supplying heat and energy, but there is another thing needed. When that horse supplies you muscular energy he is burning up his muscles just as you burn coal in a furnace to supply energy to run the machinery of your factories, and he has got to have something to build up those wasted muscles, and corn does not contain it in sufficient quantity. A little cotton seed meal is better than an additional amount of corn. When you are already feeding your horses clover an ten pounds of corn, I would rather have two pounds of cotton seed meal added than four pounds of corn. I would rather have two pounds of cotton seed meal added than four pounds of oats. Corn is a splendid horse feed, but we are wasting two million dollars a year in South Carolina feeding an all-corn ration."

"In what proportion would you feed corn and cotton seed meal?"

Dr. Butler: That will depend upon your hay."

"Plenty of hay?"

Dr. Butler: "An average ration of a thousand-pound horse doing real hard work is about fifteen pounds of grain, and five to fifteen pounds of corn."

"Like five pounds of peavine hay and seven to eight pounds of clover and then add ten pounds of corn and two pounds of cotton seed meal and get better results. If I had oats to feed and had some peavine hay or clover hay I do not think I would feed any cotton seed meal at all, because it is a bad feed unless you can mix it with something else. If I did not have any peavine or clover hay I would certainly put some cotton seed meal in the ration of a hard-working horse, unless I had plenty of oats and they were cheap."

This is important testimony from the highest authority and should interest every farmer and horse owner in the South. We sell thousands of dollars worth of cotton seed meal. Nobody is benefited by this but the railroads. If we kept our cotton seed meal at home to feed it will help us, and Dr. Butler says it will help our horses—and Dr. Butler knows.

PAPER WALL VOICES.

A little lesson in manners unconsciously given by a young Japanese girl a short time ago will not soon be forgotten by the roomful of American girls who heard it. The little lady from Japan, who is an alumnus of one of our woman's colleges, had been taken by a friend to call on some mutual acquaintances. During the conversation one of the hostesses leaned forward enthusiastically and said in loud tones:

"I shall certainly go back to Japan with you."

The Japanese girl looked up and said quietly in her quaint English: "Then you will have to speak in lower voice."

Instantly realizing that this was, according to Dr. Maurier, "one of the things we would rather leave unsaid," she hastily added: "We have walls so thin in Japanese houses, you know. We make them of paper, and if you speak in that voice everybody in the house can hear you."

As a matter of fact the American voice has so long been the point of many a joke that we have come to realize that the fact that not only is it often unlovely in itself, but it does not always carry the message one would wish it to.

A party of transatlantic passengers were watching the antics of a school of porpoises at play in the wake of their steamer on a recent voyage, when a girl in the group asked a passing officer what the huge fish were. He told her, and her reply, in a high nasal tone, was borne far down the deck:

"A porpoise, is it? I always thought a porpoise was a kind of turtle!"

A fellow passenger, passing just in time to hear the girl's reply, turned disgustedly to his companion: "May I never meet her in a European gallery!"

Among her charms, and the American girl has many, the tonal beauty of her voice is not conspicuous. No one is more clearly aware of that fact than the traveler in Europe, where the soft, rich voices of woman-kind are a constant joy.

It is not very pleasant to have the truth thrust upon us by members of an alien race to which at this moment we are sending missionaries and which looks to us for a higher civilization. And yet, though we smile at their paper architecture, we may safely cultivate their paper voices.—Selected.

RHODE ISLAND REDS.

This is one of the new standard breeds which has gained prominence as a general purpose fowl. They are of medium size, hardy, mature early, lay brown shelled eggs, and are good sitters and mothers. There are two varieties of this breed, the Single comb and the Rose comb, the only difference being in the shape of the comb.

The color of the plumage of the male should be a rich, brilliant red, except in the wings and tail, portions of which should be black. A harmonious blending of red is desirable, but in most specimens the color is accentuated on the wing bows and back. The plumage of the female should be lighter in color than that of the male. Portions of the hackle, wings and tail are black in color. The beak of both male and female should be reddish horn, the shanks yellow or reddish horn, and the toes reddish horn in color.

The standard weight of cocks is 2 1-2 pounds; hens, 1-2; cockerels, 1 1-2; pullets 1 1-2 pounds.

BUCKEYES.

This breed was originated by Mrs. Metcalf of Ohio, and was produced by crosses of Plymouth Rocks, Buff Cochins, Black-breasted Red and Indian Games, but have more fluffy plumage. In color they should be dark, lustrous red, never buff or brick color. The unexposed flight feathers and the main tail feathers may be partially black. The color of the beak, shanks, and toes of the male is yellow, shaded with red horn, and of the female, yellow. Both the male and the female should have a small pea comb.

The standard weight of cocks is 9 pounds; hens, 6 pounds; cockerels, 8 pounds; pullets, 5 pounds.

CLASS II.—ASIATIC. BRAHMAS.

The leading variety of the Asiatic class is the Light Brahma. This fowl has a history that would fill many pages were it recorded. These are the fowls which caused the "hen fever" of the fifties, about which so much has been written in later years. Their early history is a matter of controversy, the best authorities differing as to their origin.

They were first known as "Brahma Pootras," "Gray Shanghais," "Chittagongs," "Cochin Chinas," and what not. The early breeder named them according to his fancy for high sounding and sensational names in order to sell his stock. Fabulous prices were paid for them when the craze for fine poultry was at its height in the early days of the last half of the nineteenth century. They have stood high in popular favor since that without abatement. The number of breeders who are raising them fully attest their worth to the industry as a practical bird. The Brahma is a like other breeds, and it should not be confounded in shape with the Cochin. In shape the Brahma is rather long and deep, with full, broad, and rounded breast, carried well forward. The fulness is typical of Brahma and is characteristic of the breed.

In plumage the Light Brahma male is white and black, with largely predominating. Any color but white and black is a fault in the standard bred bird. The hackle is white with a black stripe extending down the center of each feather and tapering to a point near the extremity. The tail feathers are black, and the sickle feathers are glossy greenish black. The shanks are well feathered with the feathering extending down the middle toe. The toe feathering may be white, or white sprinkled with black. A small pea comb, a broad crown projecting over the eyes, bright red face, wattles, and ear lobes are essential to a good head. The shanks and toes are bright yellow.

The Brahma female is much like the male in head qualities, having a broad crown, projecting well over the eyes, and a small pea comb. The head is white; hackle, white striped with black, as in the male; tail, black, excepting the two highest main tail feathers, which may be edged with white; tail covers—one or more rows, distinctly covering a part of both sides of the main tail, two rows being preferable—are black, edged with white.

DAYS THAT ARE NO MORE.

Tears, idle tears, I know not what they mean,
Tears from the depth of some divine despair
Rise in the heart and gather to the eyes,
In looking on the happy autumn fields,
And thinking of the days that are no more.

Fresh as the first beam glittering on a sail
That brings our friends up from the underworld,
Sad as the last which reddens over one
That sinks with all we love below the verge,
So sad, so fresh, the days that are no more.

Ah, sad and strange as in dark summer dawns
The earliest pipe of half-awakened birds
To dying ears, when unto dying eyes
The casement slowly grows a glimmering square,
So sad, so strange, the days that are no more.

as remember'd kisses after length,
sweet as those by hopeless fancy feign'd.
As those that are for others; deep as love,
as first love, and wild with all regret,
death in life, the days that are no more.

—Tennyson.

When Robert Lowe married, he said, "With all my worldly goods I thee endow," he grumbled to his wife afterward, "And the time I hadn't a brass farthing."

"Oh, but, my dear, you forget one is your genius."

Lowe replied, "Well, you cannot say I endowed you with wit."

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Houston.—The property of the Orange Lumber Company was sold to the National City Bank of Houston for \$2,250,000. The property transferred includes 20,000 acres of yellow pine land and a 50,000,000-foot capacity sawmill.

Dallas.—The Texas Portland Cement Company, composed of St. Louis and Texas capitalists, purchased the property of the Iowa Portland Cement Company, near Dallas. The transaction involved about \$3,000,000.

Austin.—It is stated on good authority that the State Tax Board will lower the State ad valorem tax from 12½ cents to 7 cents on the \$100, owing to the increased value of the taxable property, due to full rendition.

Brady.—Two seven-pointed bucks were found in a pasture with horns firmly locked, one dead and the other very weak. They were loosened by the flinders, who marked the live buck for future identification and turned him loose.

Austin.—Governor Campbell has honored a requisition warrant issued by the Governor of Oklahoma for Sam Dunn, charged with having robbed an Indian named Pink Bull. The prisoner is held at Cameron and is wanted at Paul's Valley, Okla.

Fort Worth.—Baillyer men will call a meeting for March 28 at Fort Worth to nominate delegates at large to the National Convention, if primary is ordered. They strongly urge the formation of clubs over the State.

Austin.—In a close game of handball, played at the State university, George Blucher of Corpus Christi defeated Fred Ramsdell of Austin for the college championship and becomes the handball champion of the college.

San Marcos.—A fire destroyed the Hays County Court House, leaving nothing but the blackened walls. A number of records were consumed, and the building was to be rebuilt from the ground up.

Falfurrias.—Mr. Donahoe has brought in the first string beans for shipment. They are the first of the season in Texas.

Fort Worth.—The general passenger agents have declined to give lower rates to the Texas Baseball League than are given to other large bodies of travelers.

Dallas.—State Chairman George A. Carden has called a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee, to be held at Fort Worth March 31, for the purpose of filling vacancies in the committee and to consider the ordering of a general State primary election.

Austin.—Mrs. Rebecca J. Fisher, president of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, advises the chapters of the State that San Antonio has been selected as the next meeting place and that the convention will be held on April 19, 20 and 21.

Kyle.—Residents of Kyle and vicinity intend to make a strong effort to have the county seat of Hays County removed from San Marcos to Kyle. San Marcos is situated in the extreme corner of the county, and since a new court house must be built, Kyle people will ask for an election to decide the matter. Twenty thousand dollars has been subscribed as a bonus.

La Grange.—Charles Hyatt, a Katy bridegroom, 30 years old, fell from the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway bridge, striking the rocks fifty-six feet below, and was instantly killed. The remains were shipped to Sherman.

Galveston.—Scottish Rite Masons are holding their fifteenth annual session in Galveston, which will last five days. One hundred and five prominent Masons from all over the State have filed their application for thirty-second degree membership.

Galveston.—Captain Moore of a British steamship in the harbor of Galveston, in honor of St. Patrick's day, hauled the green emblem above the Stars and Stripes, in violation of the United States law, and only yielded when threatened that a gunboat would be called into service to enforce the law. He then hauled down the Stars and Stripes, flying the green flag only.

Marshall.—James Brookes, a Negro living about five miles from Marshall, shot and killed his wife and step-son with a shot gun and then killed himself with the same gun.

Fort Worth.—The greatest and best fat stock show ever held in Fort Worth has come to an end. Fully 50,000 people have visited Fort Worth and the exposition, and all were satisfied and delighted with what they saw.

Dallas.—Dr. J. M. Reuss, a Texas pioneer and well known practitioner and veteran of the war between the States, died of old age. Dr. Reuss was 85 years old and came to Texas with Prince Solius of Braunfels, who located New Braunfels, in 1846, and made his home in Indianola. He was captain in Ford's brigade during the war.

Pittsburg.—Complete returns of the prohibition election in Camp County shows a total majority of 556 for prohibition. The city went dry by a majority of 339.

DOMESTIC.

Washington D. C.—The situation in Haiti is becoming more grave; the cruiser Des Moines was ordered from Guantanamo to Port au Prince, and the gunboat Eagle is on its way there to protect American interests.

Denver, Colo.—Guiseppe Allo was found guilty of murder in the first degree for the killing of Father Leo. The verdict was rendered after a trial lasting three and a half days, and just eighteen days after the deed was committed.

St. Paul, Minn.—Governor Johnson of Minnesota is receiving good encouragement from the East in his Presidential race, and will soon open Presidential headquarters in Chicago, which may be extended to New York and Washington.

Washington, D. C.—It has been officially announced that the United States battleship fleet will make a tour of the world after leaving San Francisco. They will visit Hawaii, Samoa, Melbourne and Sydney, Australia, the Philippines and return to New York by way of the Suez canal.

Chicago, Ill.—John R. Walsh, former president of the Chicago National Bank, convicted of illegal use of the funds of that institution, has been sentenced to five years' imprisonment in the United States Penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

Butte, Mont.—Three-fourths of the town of Big Timber has been wiped out by a fire, rendering about 300 families homeless and entailing a loss estimated at \$400,000.

Harrisburg, Pa.—The jury in the case of the Capitol conspiracy case brought in a verdict of guilty as to every one of the four men on trial for the last seven weeks. The convicted are: John E. Sanderson, furniture contractor; William L. Mathress, State Treasurer; William P. Snyder, State Auditor, and James M. Shumaker, Superintendent of Public Buildings. They defrauded the State of about \$13,000,000.

Washington, D. C.—The House Committee on Foreign Affairs reports favorably on the Cullom bill, providing for the reorganization of the Consular Service. The bill proposes to discontinue eleven Consulates.

Washington, D. C.—Orders have been issued to change the headquarters of the Louisiana and Texas Post-office Inspection Division from New Orleans, La., to Austin. This will bring a number of officials to Austin and will be a saving to the Government, as the larger part of the business of the division is in Texas.

Washington, D. C.—Arrangements have been completed for the issuance of the new Springfield rifles, 30 caliber, 1902 model, fitted for 1906 ammunition, to all organized militia of the States and Territories.

Washington, D. C.—Eighty-eight new rural free delivery routes have been established in Texas since July 1 last, and eighty-one applications are pending.

Spokane, Wash.—A lone highwayman boarded a mail car on the west-bound Oriental Limited, and shot and killed two mail clerks and robbed the mail and express cars.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—A Deputy United States Marshal and five possemen, who followed three bank robbers who robbed the bank at Tyro, Okla., were taken by surprise by the robbers, who compelled them to throw up their hands, and then disarmed them, broke their guns and pistols to pieces and sent them back home.

Washington, D. C.—Among other bills, the House passed a bill for the restoration of the motto, "In God we trust," on American coins.

San Diego, Cal.—The United States training ship Buffalo arrived from Magdalena Bay, bringing the news that the target practice by the battleship fleet has already begun, and will be completed within three weeks.

Baltimore, Md.—United States Senator William Pinkney Whyte died at his home at the age of 84. He was Mayor of Baltimore, Governor of Maryland and has been in the United States Senate for several terms.

Washington, D. C.—Rear Admiral Charles S. Sperry will be commander in chief of the Atlantic Battleship fleet when it leaves San Francisco in July, in place of Rear Admiral Evans, who will retire at his own request, owing to bad health.

Des Moines, Ia.—The Republican State Convention elected four delegates at large to the National Convention and instructed them for William H. Tatt.

FOREIGN.

London, England.—The British cruisers Indefatigable and Crested were ordered from the West Indian waters to Haiti for the protection of British interests.

Liverpool.—A new world's record has been made by the steamship Lusitania when she made 627 knots in twenty-four hours, breaking her own former record of 618 knots.

Guadalajara, Mexico.—Charles Allen, an American, who is the son-in-law of Governor Mercado of the State of Michoacan, has been appointed Prefect of Carrizal in order to rid the section of murderers and highway robbers, who were menacing the country, and within a few months succeeded in ridding the Carrizal district of the "bad" men.

Monterey, Mexico.—Work on the new Capitol building is about to be completed, after about fifteen years' continued construction and an expenditure of almost \$1,000,000. It is constructed of granite from near San Luis Potosi.

Honolulu, Sandwich Islands.—The American battleship fleet is coming to Honolulu is greeted with great enthusiasm and preparations are being made for an enthusiastic reception and entertainment of officers and men.

Tomsk, Siberia.—An avalanche which came rolling down the tain in the Dukharinsk district, overwhelmed and carried away houses and killed eight persons were inside and did not get escape.

Bahia, Brazil.—A great cotton laid waste a large part business district of the city, damage will exceed \$1,000,000 city has a population of 200,000.

Berlin, Germany.—Emperor William expressed his regret that Ambassador Tower is to return to America and expressed his appreciation of Tower's labors in Berlin. To the Consul he said: "Tell your President that I am angry at him for accepting Mr. Tower's resignation."

Sidney, Australia.—Australians show great delight at the prospect of the American battleship Premier Alfred Deakin read the telegram announcing the fleet's visit to Sidney and Melbourne, which greeted with deafening cheers.

Tokio, Japan.—A satisfactory settlement of the Tatsu Maru affair has been reached between China and Japan, the former conceding most of Japan's demands, but confiscating arms.

St. Petersburg, Russia.—The Minister of Justice asked the Duma \$1,000,000 for the enlargement of Russian prisons, the number of inmates of which have increased per cent since 1906.

Berlin, Germany.—The German Admiralty, upon request, has ordered the cruiser Bremen, now at Cerna to go to Port au Prince, Haiti, where she will be at the disposition of German Minister for the protection of German subjects and other foreigners.

Havana, Cuba.—Former Chief Engineer of the Panama Canal John Stevens stated in an Associated Press interview that in his opinion a canal would be completed by 1910, and possibly two years sooner, and that the total cost would be under \$200,000,000; probably as low as \$250,000,000.

Guadalajara, Mexico.—The owner of a big ranch in the Compostela district of Tepic committed suicide having a wild bull to gore him to death. He invited some 300 friends and relatives to witness the spectacle, saying he would charge the animal. He awaited the charge of the bull with folded arms and was gored to death before the astonished crowd could kill the bull.

St. Petersburg.—An American who was successful in competing with six Russian and competitors in a long-distance race, carrying a rifle for infantrymen.

St. Petersburg.—The Emperor confirmed the death sentence passed upon Lieut. Gen. Stoessel, also the execution of sentence to ten years' imprisonment in a fortress.

St. Petersburg.—Lieut. Gen. Smirnov was probably fatally wounded in a duel with General Fock. The duel was the outcome of charges made by General Smirnov, upon which General Stoessel was sentenced to death, and in which the courage of General Fock was questioned.

A SLAP AT MOTHER.

Dinner was done, and the family was assembled in the sitting room. Mother had taken up the evening paper and was reading an account of how a highwayman had been operating in the suburbs. Father was down on his hands and knees trying to act like a horse while little Willie drove him around the floor.

"Papa," finally remarked the good lady, glancing toward her husband, "here is a story about another man who was walled. Do those holdups always stop you with a pistol and then go through your clothes?"

"Oh, no," gruffly replied father, arising from the floor. "Sometimes they wait until you hang your clothes over the back of a chair and go to sleep."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

At a dinner to Colonel George Harvey, in London, Theodore Watts-Dunton said:

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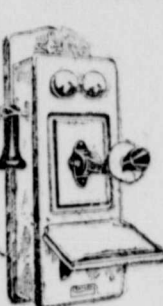
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I have found it very unwise to breed from extremes in color as they are very liable to produce the mottled, mealy, chocolate necked birds that we used to see so many of in the early days of the breed. Experience teaches us that the females with the even color from head to tail and free from all meadiness and shafting, make the best breeders, although they are not as dark as the desirable show color. The above mentioned females are especially desirable if their undercolor is rich and they have the black trimmings in wings and tail that the darker ones are more liable to be weak in.

The real dark males, while they will occasionally throw an extra fine cockerel, are not desirable as breeders as too large a percentage of their chicks mature into specimens that are off color. The long bodied, wide-legged, vigorous, gallant male, with that rich, brilliant bay, harmonizing from head to tail, and with an undercolor as near like surface color as possible, is the bird that makes the best breeder in the majority of cases and his progeny will average as many prize winning specimens as many of the older and better breeds. Personally, I prefer the rich, brilliant, even colored red specimens of either sex, even if they have a slight trace of smut to the light buff birds that are often represented as being Reds. Undercolor is out of sight and of secondary importance, while I think the future success of the breed demands that we breed from red, as it is a color when bred to perfection that cannot be described, and no color in the show room can compare with it.—Reliable Poultry Journal.

PEACH CROP OUTLOOK

Prof. E. J. Kyle of the horticultural department of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, reports, after an extended trip through the peach belt of East Texas, that conditions now point to a peach crop, one-third or one-fourth the usual yield where the orchards have received proper care and attention. This yield, he claims, will be better than a full crop because the prices received will be higher and the quality better. Besides a full crop is always hard on the trees.

Orchards which were pruned heavily last year and well cultivated during the spring will yield good crops this year. The rest last year has helped the trees that have been properly cared for. There is no further danger of frost, so that lovers of the luscious Elbertas may expect to eat the fruit as usual this summer, but they will have to pay a somewhat higher price than in former years.

Prof. Kyle advises all growers to prune their trees now and to cultivate thoroughly during August and throughout the sum-

mer. He suggests that each tree be given two pounds of a fertilizer composed of one part acid phosphate to one part of cotton seed meal. Conditions were never better for the peach grower to make money.

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The emulsifier may be made up in any quantity and kept indefinitely. The cooking is best done in an iron kettle equipped with a cover and so arranged that it can be readily removed from the fire. The mixture being inflammable, it is unsafe to do the cooking near a building.

2.—The Complete Soluble Oil.
Emulsifier, 8 parts; crude petroleum, 18 parts; rosin oil, 4 parts; water, 1 part.

This part of the formula may be made up at any time without heat. The materials should be added separately and in the order named.

By securing the materials in large quantities the complete soluble oil may be made up for 16 to 18 cents per gallon. If diluted with 15 parts water, as is recommended, the spray mixture costs slightly over one cent per gallon. The lime-sulphur wash costs, including labor and fuel, at least 1 1-2 cents per gallon, and the commercial soluble oil costs, depending upon the amount of dilution, from 2 1-2 to 3 1-2 cents per gallon.

After a thorough stirring, take one part of the "soluble oil" to 15 parts of water. Before mixing up large quantities, pour a few drops in a glass of water to see if it mixes. If it has been properly made, the mixture will form a milky emulsion without any free oil on the surface. When satisfied that it will readily mix or "emulsify," a convenient way is to pour three gallons of the soluble oil into a 50-gallon spray barrel and fill the barrel with water.

Thoroughness of application is of utmost importance. Badly infested orchards should receive two applications, one in the fall and the other in the early spring. As a regular practice, however, one application, just after the leaves drop in the fall, should keep the insect in check. A finer nozzle should be used for the oil than for the lime-sulphur wash. In this way more thorough and more economical work may be done. Because of its greater spreading action and of its adaptability to a finer nozzle, one gallon of oil emulsion will go as far as 1 1-2 gallons of the lime-sulphur wash.

FUN FOR THE FAMILY.

Bridget—"Yis, mum, an' Oi made the chicken broth."

Mistress—"What did you do with it?"

Bridget—"Shure an' Oi fed it to the chickens, mum."—Every-day Housekeeping.

Mrs. Tittle—"That photographer's wife always goes to some other chap's studio to have her photographs taken."

Mrs. Tattle—"Of course; she never would 'look pleasant' when her husband was about."

Tess—"He doesn't really care for her."

Jess—"Don't you believe it."

Tess—"Well, he told me the very thought of her makes him sick."

Jess—"Yes; love sick."—Philadelphia Press.

HOW TO FEEL GOOD.

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Are you awfully tired with play, little girl?

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"This is the place," said the man who was showing the part over the field of Gettysburg, "where General Pickett made his last great charge."

"But," objected one of the group, "when I was here last year you pointed out an entirely different locality."

"And if you come again next year," retorted the other, "I'll show you still a different place. You don't suppose he made a charge all in one spot, do you? He fit all over this neighborhood and back again, mister."

Here he made a grand sweep of his arm, apparently indicating all of the territory in sight and a part of the next county.

Country poultry raisers depend much on the egg market and for a time every place for new birds must stand aside until the merchant begins to take his customers that eggs are quick. Market eggs and market chickens are not so profitable a stock as sold by breeders with their fine houses and feeding, but a majority of those in the poultry trade sell eggs to the stevedore and the chickens for shipment to the large cities.

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As in the other cases, it should always be fed to poultry as a supplemental ration only, and mixed always with some less highly concentrated food—corn chops, corn meal, wheat bran, shorts or small grain. Mixed in this way, about one-third to one-half cottonseed meal, it may be fed either dry or wet into a thin dough, and the result will be quickly shown in added vigor, rapid growth, glossier plumage and in increased egg production.

In fact as with hogs it seems to act almost entirely as a preventative of nearly all diseases, and instances are absolutely unknown where any epidemic prevailed in flocks having it as a habitual ration. On the contrary numerous cases can be cited where they have remained entirely immune and healthy while neighboring flocks not having it have been destroyed by cholera and kindred diseases.

EASY TO DRIFT.

Easy to drift to the open sea, The tides are eager and swift and strong, And whistling and free are the rushing winds, But, oh, to get back is hard and long.

Easy as told in Arabian tale To free from his jar the evil sprite,

rises like smoke to stupendous size, oh, nevermore can we rison him tight.

as told in an English tale, fashion a Frankenstein body and soul, breathe in his bosom a breath of life, at, oh, we create what we cannot control.

Easy to drift to the sea of doubt, Easy to hurt what we cannot heal, Easy to rouse what we cannot soothe, Easy to speak what we do not feel, Easy to show what we ought to conceal, Easy to think that fancy is fate, and, oh, the wisdom that comes too late!

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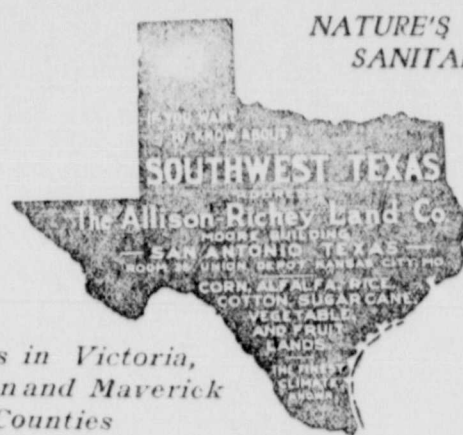
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By Willis George Emerson

Fred was shocked beyond measure at the terrible tragedy of a life that was told in this letter. A search was at once made and the body found near the old prospect shaft. A bullet wound in his temple and the weapon still clutched in the dead man's hand told of this man's suicide.

The people of Gold Valley fairly gasped at the rapidity with which events were occurring in the midst of their little community. The sheriff was missing, and his absence gave color to the statement in the letter that had been written.

Casey and Gibbons, the multi-millionaires, were now the undisputed owners of the "Paceok" mine, and were entirely vindicated of any complicity in the murder of Rufus Grim by the suicide's letter. The citizens of Gold Valley suddenly remembered that Mr. Casey and Mr. Gibbons were most excellent gentlemen. It was astonishing to find how many friends looked around them to tender their congratulations.

"Go, white, Gibbons," said Mr. Casey, one evening, nodding him with his elbow, "the worst we are getting these days is certainly the best of it, as I may have said before."

A few evenings after the funeral of Arthur Bead, who was sitting in the Hilliard home with the members of the family.

They were talking over the success of the Shonhar mine, and Mr. Hilliard, in a subdued, yet satisfied way, thanked God that he had been permitted to live to see the fulfillment of his life's dream.

The door opened and Aunt Phoebe came in. "Good evening, Mr. Rockwell," she said, with her rich Southern accent. "I think this is the happiest day of our lives."

"Yes, indeed," replied Fred, "we owe our brother many apologies for our seeming lack of confidence in the Shonhar."

She looked at him in quick surprise over her phrases and then replied: "Lack of confidence, Mr. Rockwell? I would like to know who lacked confidence in my brother Benjamin's mine? For myself, I have believed from the first that Benjamin would strike it, and I could only keep him working away long enough."

Fred was surprised to find that she was trying to think of a reply, when Mr. Hilliard interposed. "You say, huh," he said, with a knowing twinkle in his eye, "I have often observed to you that my sister is a most remarkable woman, huh? most remarkable. She has been a powerful support to me in my main efforts."

This seemed partially to pacify Mr. Rockwell, who was thinking of a conversation he had some months ago in regard to slaking the shaft. Of course, you don't know how much strategy I had to resort to, that I might keep Benjamin from growing disheartened. I will not allow anyone to say anything against my brother, but personally I know he is the contrary man living."

He said, and again I have been forced to pretend that I was opposed to him, just to make him go on working and slaking that shaft, but that is all over with, and I have much to be thankful for that I was spared that I might keep on nagging and spurring him on, until finally his efforts have been rewarded."

She did not wait for a reply or comments, and soon after, tenderly embracing Virginia and Ruth, retired.

When she had gone Mr. Hilliard looked up from the floor to which he had been kneeling long and steadily. "Mr. Rockwell, that my sister, without question, is one of the greatest characters that ever lived. I'm discovering, even to this day, new traits of superiority and strength in her. Indeed, huh, she is no ordinary woman, huh? though born in the South and possessing in a very high degree the beautiful refinement peculiar to our Southern women, yet at the same time her diplomacy in accomplishing great results equals the shrewdest Northern Yankee. She is indeed a most remarkable woman, huh? most remarkable!"

A little later Wilbur and Virginia retired, pleading weariness. "Do you know," said Mr. Hilliard, as they made ready to retire, "since our great discovery I want to do all my sleeping in the morning."

"Thinking over his good fortune keeps daddy so busy that retiring early is out of the question," explained Ruth. "But, my, how late he does sleep!"

"He has just earned the rest he claims," interposed Fred.

"Indeed he has," said Ruth, approaching her father and pushing back his long white locks. "You are a dear daddy, and may sit up as late as you like, and sleep as long as you wish."

"I tell you, Mr. Rockwell," said Mr. Hilliard, rising and standing before the fire, "this little girl of mine is bound to spoil me. She always did humor me, ever since I can remember, and she's worse now than ever before. Well, you will want to excuse me until I have another pipe of tobacco."

His suit of black made a strange contrast, Fred thought, to the miner's garb he had worn so many years. He went into the room known as his "den" for a smoke, and Fred and Ruth were alone for the first time since their momentary interview in the printing office.

A doubt came into Fred's mind, whether he was glad they had struck it in the Shonhar or not. He wondered if she remembered his sealed letter. Hereafter Ruth, whom he had loved so long, had, in a measure, been dependent upon his bounty, but now it was different—the last blast had made them, in a way, financial equals. He thought he detected a restraint in her conversation, and it was embarrassing and painful.

What if she refused him? Cross-

cutting only to find a plucked out vein of ore would be as nothing compared with such a disappointment. He would exist, but what would life be without her? If she cared for him, loved him, this night he must know.

At his request for a song she went towards the piano, pausing at the table and opening a book from which she took a faded but still odorless boutonniere of violets. She looked at the souvenir only a moment, and then walked quickly to the instrument. No word was spoken—but he knew the seal of his letter had been broken.

She never sang with more feeling. Her heart was filled with a maiden's dearest happiness—a deep and abiding love for the man who was listening.

A Song.
Hope once whispered to a heart,
Worn with waiting, long and long;
Lips that e'er had dwelt apart,
Then were wedded in a song.

Hope then whispered to a love
Tuned as a forest lawn;
A white spirit from above,
Lifting, spoke, and fear was gone.

Hope then kissed Time's hand and prayed
That upon this twin it rest,
Gently as a rare rose laid
On a maiden's happy breast.

With a woman's intuition she well knew that Fred's love belonged to her alone. She sang with the rapture of a wild bird of the Western hills. In notes rich, sweet and laden with melody.

Fred listened with bated breath. There are pleasures so keen they are painful. "I am not worthy," he thought with unselfish humility.

"But happiness without her is impossible." She ceased playing and turned her radiant face towards him. A momentary silence followed.

"Huh," said Fred, with a tremulous note in his voice, notwithstanding he tried to crush it into naturalness, "surely you know are this that I love you."

He had then and was walking slowly back and forth before the open grate, as if in his loyalty he refused to permit the physical to influence the judgment of this noble girl.

"Please do not look away," he pleaded. "I know my unworthiness, but do not—well, pretend you are unconscious of it tonight. I would rather love you, Ruth, even without hope, than to have the unselfish devotion of any other woman in all the world. Do not ask me why—I only know it is so."

For a moment she lifted her hands to her face, protectively, as if fearful he would see the great happiness depicted there, and yet—her mind knew it would be miserable forever.

"What I have said," Fred went on, "may be nothing to you, but it seems either life or death to me. Life to love's pathway, or death to a cherished hope. Understand, I will not love the bad, or do any foolish sort of thing, even if you send me away from you. It is said that some men are willing to be entertained at a vaudeville, when they are denied the opportunity of grand opera—I am not one of them. I hope—very much—that I make myself clear. All the world and all its people, men and women, hold less fascination for me than your own dear self."

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Fred stood before the fire, still and motionless. After a brief silence Ruth raised her eyes and saw his face pale with anxiety—he was standing on the boundary—at the parting of the ways, awaiting his decision. She rose from the piano—her cheeks flushed pink as roses, and came a step forward, then paused.

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A moment later the curtains parted and Mr. Hilliard stood before them. His long white hair fell from his temples and there was a glorified look of gladness on his face. He lifted his hands upwards and in tones scarcely audible said: "Such tender and sacred things of earth are sanctified in heaven."

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WILL DECISION BE SATISFYING?

Austin, Tex., March 22.—It is frequently said that as the anti-Bailey campaign matures and its manifest tendency toward party disruption becomes more pronounced, the closer does its ultimate import assume the aspect of an avenging nemesis, destined to pursue the political career of the vanquished faction into decadence and to shroud it in the victor's contumely.

That the expression to be voiced in the May primary will subdue the contentious element in the two partisanships and restore harmony, to the preclusion of sporadic outbursts of dissension whenever circumstances permit a reversion to the issue now involved, appears to be a question susceptible of debate. Primarily, some think that the election in May to select a part of the State's delegation to the National convention will not influence a popular vote comparable to that cast for Governor two years ago—almost 300,000 ballots—hence it can be charged by the losing faction that the test was not decisive. The anti-Bailey contingent has been the aggressor in this political strife, and it is many times asserted by its conspicuous partisans that they will abide by the voice of the polls. But if the test goes against them, by a small majority, will they? The Bailey adherents agreed to the primary under pressure, and only after they had received their cue from Mr. Bailey himself, and it is not infrequently admitted by members of their partisanship that defeat in the voting box will have no palpable effect on Mr. Bailey's tenure of office or their sympathy and loyalty to him in his unfortunate predicament.

Reasons for this conception of the test imposed are not without weight. It has long been charged by advocates of a thoroughly dem-

ocratic government that an appreciable percentage of American citizenship is unmindful of its moral obligations. The periodic election of the public press, and the poll tax warrants, said the American people, do not excite the Bailey question. If one visits the Bailey question, divided on the rural districts, part entering sections more remote from the thickly populated communities, the issue is rarely drawn. In the cities, therefore, it is expected that a large vote will be polled, but there must be an awakening in the country if a satisfactory voice is to be uttered on this question.

Visitors from the far West almost invariably respond to an interrogatory respecting the sentiment on the Bailey question with, "Well, the feeling is about divided; but we ain't paying much attention to it out our way." Several Bailey men have said that there will be difficulty in getting the counties to hold primaries, and this is not unlikely in view of the provision in the resolution of the executive committee respecting this feature of expense. A paragraph of the resolution is: "The executive committees of the various counties are hereby directed to hold the primary elections herein provided for in accordance with these resolutions, and to provide for the expense of so doing."

In the counties that are suffering the throes of this party squabble there will, probably, be little difficulty in collecting from the ranks of Bailey and anti Bailey men sufficient money to defray the expenses of the primary. The expenses, too, in all probability, will be lighter in this instance than in an ordinary election, as many will deem it an honor to offer their service as officials gratis. Nevertheless the expense of printing and other incidentals will amount to a pretty penny in many instances, and unless the feeling for the pri-

mary is very pronounced there may be some opposition to its being held. At least the prediction is freely made that many counties will decline to participate in such a test. Now, should such an eventuation occur and the vote polled be immeasurably less than the average popular vote at regular elections, the losing side would probably be prone to grumble and declare the vote indecisive. Unless an overwhelming victory is acquired for or against Bailey, just such a situation is foretold by persons who are familiar with the character of the opponents.

Moreover, when the concrete clash occurs—which it probably will on Mr. Bailey's return to campaign for himself and the ticket to be promulgated next Saturday—there will assuredly be germinated a prolonged tirade of personal vilification on each side, the like of which has as yet been unheard in Texas politics. The plans of both factions in this regard are no longer secrets. Every politician in Austin is aware that the personal character of the candidates for Attorney General is to be attacked ruthlessly by their opposition, and that their friends will likewise suffer. Cone Johnson said last night that no champion of Senator Bailey had yet essayed to refute his opening speech, and that that faction's sole method of defense was in spurning and maligning the speaker. A State official, who will probably be the object of a scandalous assault before the war is over, regretfully admitted yesterday that from the outlook now the natural law of the survival of the fittest had to apply. In view of these forebodings the question is asked: "Can this controversy be amicably settled even at the ballot box?" And invariably the man who is not a partisan says it is problematical.

Then, again, there is little more than a month in which to extend this agitation and awaken the "boys from the forks of the creek" to a realization of their duty. The campaign must necessarily be hot and fast to crowd the same volume of effect into a period practically inadequate to the undertaking. Much traveling overland will naturally follow a campaign of the State, for the "forks of the creek" are not reached in Pullman cars, and this mode of transportation takes time. There are many who are encountered in this campaign who are contemptuous of the more some people think they are more to the disparagement of the allotment test, as an efficacious determination of the present paramount issue, and in such event those prone to depict the political unpleasantness foretold as perpetuation.

Like most grim spectacles, this situation is not without its element of humor. Opposed to "party fealty" is the slogan "purity in office," and the hustling orators are already making the welkin ring with both shibboleths as texts. There is much reference to the "inordinate hatred of envious humanity" on the one side and quotations from Demosthenes' rant of Aeschines on the Crown and allusions to the "condign punishment of political treachery" on the other. The ensuing moon will doubtless shed his benign effluence over many an animated gathering and smile and wink at antics and demonstrations of which he can see but the humorous side.

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Judge S. T. Dove visited the Alamo City this week.

Commissioners Court is in session today.

Tom Allen was in town this week.

Geo. Copp shipped over 1000 pounds of onions to points North last Monday.

Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Huff were in from the Edwards' a few days since.

W. K. Beezley left for Millett Monday last after a few days visit at home.

Mrs. Ed Cotulla of Encinal, is here on a visit to her friends and relatives.

Miss Nancy Reynolds, a charming young lady of Twohig, is visiting friends and relatives here.

L. P. Williams of Pudding, was in town this week shaking hands with his many friends.

T. H. Gardner of the Pudding neighborhood was here this week shaking hands with his friends.

Mr. Joe Huff has secured a good paying position on the L. & G. N. and left for his post of duty.

The protracted meeting began at the Methodist church last night, and the attendance was very good for a beginning.

A few of the young people spent a pleasant day picnicking out at Butler's crossing last Saturday.

Rev. J. C. Russell of Devin arrived on Friday, to assist in the protracted meeting, at the Methodist church.

Ed Cotulla of Encinal came to town this week and went up the county assessing for Assessor Jim Breeding.

The public school will close Wednesday next, and we have heard it intimated that the children will have a picnic Thursday.

John Frazier of Carrizo Spring arrived here Tuesday evening, accompanied by Mrs. Willis Barke who came down to join her husband.

J. S. Taylor, the big dam man, passed through here en route to Laredo yesterday for a few days rest. He has been pushing his work rapidly forward of late and it is now nearing completion. We need many more just such enterprises at this and that of our townsman, Mr. Geo. Copp.

A Foxy Old World.

This is a sort of a topsy turvy world. No one seems to be satisfied. One man is struggling to get justice, and another is flying from it. One man is saving up to buy a house and another is trying hard to sell a dwelling for less than it cost, to get rid of it. One man is spending all the money he can earn in taking his girl to a theater or show and sending her presents in hopes that he may eventually make her his wife, and his neighbor is spending all the money he has saved in trying to get a divorce.

One man keeps a gun to protect himself against burglars while his neighbor doesn't keep one for fear of shooting some one in his family.

One man pays for his paper in advance because he can read it with greater relish, while another takes it for five years without paying one cent for it and enjoys it hugely all the while. Surely a queer old world this is.—Bedford Democrat.



one threw a head of cabbage at an Irish orator while he was making a speech. He paused, and said, "Gentlemen, I only for your ears; I don't care for your heads."

What's that piece of cord tied around your finger for?" "My wife put it there to remind me to mail her letter." "And did you mail it?" "No; she forgot to give it to me."

A mistress—"Jane, I saw the man kiss you this morning. The future I will take the milk."

A wife—" 'Twouldn't be no use, m. He's promised never to marry anybody but me."

Three negro girls once professed religion and were baptized. The minister told each of them to say something as she came up out of the water. The first as she arose lapped her hands and joyfully shouted, "Glory!" The second allowed suit and shouted, "Hallelujah!" The third hesitated for a moment after her immersion and then triumphantly screamed, "Christmas Gift!" — Holland's Magazine.

Rev. C. M. Lamson, who was president of the Board of Foreign Missions at the time of his death, used to relate the following in relation to himself:

He was called as a pastor over a parish, and was undergoing examination before council when the question was asked him: "Do you believe in a hell?"

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Just received a nice line of post cards at S. Cotulla's.

Will Lane of Artesia was in town yesterday.

Join the Circulating Library at Gaddis' Pharmacy.

Send your job printing to this office.

Spring Opening at C. F. Binkley's April 3rd and 4th.

The weather was warm and sultry yesterday.

W. E. Mack was in town yesterday from Gardendale.

The best Ice Cream made for sale by S. Cotulla.

The onion men are making ready for the harvest.

K. Burwell's Millinery Opening is set for April 3th and 4th.

Welch's Grape Juice at Gaddis' Pharmacy.

The big opening at Gardendale will take place April 7th.

For a good pocket knife go to S. Cotulla.

Ed Oliver was in town yesterday from Woodward.

Opening Days April 3rd and 4th at K. Burwell's.

Book Readers Library at Gaddis' Pharmacy.

Gus Jones was here yesterday from his ranch.

San Antonio views on post cards at S. Cotulla's.

A good chance for a heavy rain was missed Sunday night.

See my line of Jewelry before you buy, S. Cotulla.

Mrs. F. A. Gallman and son J. H. Gallman returned Monday from Austin.

Opening Day April 3 and 4 at K. Burwell's. Everybody cordially invited.

Wm. Held and sister Miss Rose, were down from Millett last Sunday visiting friends.

YOUR SPRING SUIT—REED.

Ice Cream and all kind of cold drinks at S. Cotulla's.

Friday and Saturday next will be Millinery Opening at K. Burwell's.

Old timers think the drouth is going to break soon, and then we'll be squealing too much rain.

Fruit, Candy and Nuts at S. Cotulla.

F. D. McMahan has been out of the city part of the week buying cattle.

Little Frankie Thompson, who has been sick for the past two weeks is now able to be out again.

Lee Keithley is here for a few days resting up. He has been out at Del Rio, foreman on T. B. Jones ranch for several months.

Judge Earnest was up at Millett one day this week. He reports crops up and looking well in that part of the county.

Every man in the county with a wagon and team will soon be needed to load the Nueces Valley onion crop aboard the cars.

M. T. Strange, a reader of the RECORD living at Deweyville, writes that his future home will be at Millett, and instructs us to change the address of his paper.

Mr. E. E. Scoggins has moved his family here from Sabinal and is at present living in the new dwelling of H. F. Evett's on the West side. Mr. Scoggins expects to build at an early date.

J. H. Daniel accompanied by his sister, Miss Ina, returned from the McKey ranch Tuesday where they spent a few days.

Mr. F. W. Horton of Ashtabula, Ohio, was here Saturday last prospecting. He paid our sanctum a pleasant call while in the city.

Wanted—Every man in La Salle county to join the good roads movement. Do your part and we will soon have good roads everywhere.

For the convenience of school teachers and school girls we will have our opening two days, Friday and Saturday, April 3 and 4th. K. BURWELL.

J. M. Dobie returned first of the week from a few days stay San Antonio. While there he closed up deals for several thousand head of steers.

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Mrs. M. Thompson.

J. W. Campbell of Carrizo Springs, writes that he expects to begin shipping onions about April 10th. There are about 150 acres in the Carrizo Springs country this year.

J. R. Black unloaded about half a car of Elwood wire this week. It was 50 inch heavy wire and there was 26,400 feet or 5 miles of it. He will use it on his ranch.

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W. J. Coleman was up from his farm yesterday and makes a splendid report as to prospects in his onion crop. Mr. Coleman says the plants are growing wonderfully fast and indications are for a good yield.

Aubrey Clark, Millett's wide-awake real estate man was in town Tuesday. Mr. Clark is doing considerable advertising through the North and expects to bring some good citizens to La Salle this year.

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Farmer Jennings of Piedras Blanco, Mex., John Bobo of Beaumont and Clyde Melton of Bisbee, Ariz., former Cotulla boys, fired in a long green this week with instructions to "keep the RECORD coming as they couldn't do without it."

Prof. Smith, we regret to report is sick and unable to attend his duties as Superintendent of the High School. He is threatened with nervous prostration. It is yet five weeks before the close of school and the trustees have not decided what action will be taken in the matter.

The Stockmens National Bank has added a valuable asset to their protection by installing a Mosler screw door Manganese steel safe, tripple timer and absolutely burglar proof. The safe is considered the best that is made and is found in no other bank between San Antonio and Laredo.

Gaddis' Pharmacy is getting to be a very popular resort for the young people. Music, flowers, cream, delicious candy, refreshing cool drinks and the up to date attractiveness of the establishment makes it an ideal place to drop in for a brief rest during the evening hours. The place excites the admiration of visitors even from the cities, and we frequently hear the remark that it's equal is not to be found in Texas in a town the size of Cotulla.

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Some fine onions from Matt Russell's farm, raised by F. M. Harper, John Yarbrough and Hilary Green were on exhibit at the State Bank yesterday. These onions were from three to four inches in diameter, with tops twenty inches long with an exceptionally thrifty look, and no doubt they will be whoppers when matured. There are forty-five acres on Mr. Russell's farm this year.

The Business Men's Club has intended doing some advertising when the onion movement begun by putting large cloth signs on all cars that went out with the inscription "Bermuda Onions from Cotulla, Texas," but Agent Sledge notified the Club that he had instructions to prohibit signs of any kind being put on cars. However Mr. Sledge thought the matter might be arranged by taking it up with the Superintendent, which has been done.

We printed this week for Aubrey Clark, Millett, 1000 Envelopes

Notes.

The members of the I. S. E. Club at their last meeting enjoyed a moonlight ride out to Mr. Chas. Juvenal's, where they listened to a reading by Mrs. Juvenal; a duet by Rev. N. J. Wright and Mr. Juvenal, and a lively debate on the question, "Resolve that farmers' Unions are beneficial." Two very interesting features of the evening were the recital of the "Funniest Experience of my Life" by different members of the Club, and a study of the Spanish language, led by Mr. Price. The next meeting will be with Mr. and Mrs. Wright, March 28.

Saturday evening last, ice cream, cake and coffee were served by the ladies of the Union Sunday School. Notwithstanding the unfavorable weather quite a large number participated and a nice sum was realized.

If you wish to see an ideal irrigated garden, call at Mr. Buckow's. He is by far the most practical farmer about here and has some fine onions and other vegetables with which to prove the value of his methods. He can give you the why's and wherefore's to the business clearly.

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