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Shall We Stand by the Issue.

EDITOR LEADER: The situation which confronts the American people to-day renders it doubly necessary that unity should prevail among the various political parties favorable to the issue, because of the numerous and antagonistic elements which are daily being arrayed in opposition to its ultimate success. The predominant issue in the present campaign is recognized as the most grave and serious question which has ever engaged the attention of the American people; and yet some are disposed to doubt the ability and wisdom of the people to settle it independently and would rather, if possible, submit it to a board composed of "Lords," "Dukes" and other "foreign gentlemen" than to the conscientious judgment of our own people. The patriotism of such men is indeed commendable and will remain untarnished throughout their existence. If the American people are not capable of maintaining an independent government and determining its policies and practices, it is certainly time for the appointment of a successor (probably some Englishman) to come over and assume charge of affairs. If only a few million people secured to us our independence from England more than a hundred years ago and under the most adverse circumstances too, we certainly ought to be able to maintain it now with the co-operation of nearly seventy million and under the most favorable conditions. Whenever the American people relinquish American ideas, wishes and desires and enter into consultation with the Lords of old England they manifest their weakness in the most contemptible manner possible, and every patriotic citizen of America will indignantly spurn the thought of such a necessity. If it is actually necessary to secure the advice and co-operation of every European country (and possibly the Sandwich Islands) before we are in a position to legislate upon any issue, we might just as well acknowledge our dependence in a more formal and honorable manner and thus avoid the necessity of being constantly humiliated by the course we are pursuing. Besides we could then let Grover go to "Buzzard Bay" once in a while. It is indeed a wonder that the spirits of the old Revolutionary heroes doesn't rise up in their power and wrath and forever haunt the men who dare say that we can not govern ourselves. Let us return, will you, to the earliest establishment of our Government, and see whether or not our forefathers ever solicited the co-operation of foreign countries with regard to what they should or should not do. And there you will find recorded on the immortal pages of history a determined disposition to maintain their own independence and exercise their own judgment—notwithstanding the innumerable difficulties with which they had to combat. But they overcome them all and left to us a government untainted by foreign elements. A government which commanded the honor, dignity and respect of every civilized country, and a government which was unknown to the greedy, selfish interests for which at the present time it is becoming famous. Then let us stand by the issue and prove to the world that we are still an independent people. W. T. B. Lacy, Texas.

Populist Programme.

National Questions are to be Let Alone for the Present.

After the State Administration.

Leaders Determined to Sink the Financial Question in Order to Deliver the Party to McKinley.

Can They Deliver the Goods?

Houston Post.
Austin, Texas, September 1.—Chairman Bradley, of the populist State executive committee, doubtless acting under orders from the big three, has on the quiet, notified Texas reform press editors by circular to let National questions alone for the present and to use their space in attacking the State administration, and to make it a point to reproduce the "exposures" which the tory organs are grinding out and dating from Austin. Mr Bradley informs the brethren that the capture of the State government is the only issue just now, and that it will be time enough to write about silver and principles and "sich" after November.

Fusion with the republicans and Hardyties is what he wants, and he aims to lead up to it by calling attention to the "result" offered the populist party by the democratic State convention in refusing to treat with emissaries without credentials and by dropping everything which has heretofore been considered of vital importance to third partyites for the sake of obtaining votes for Kearby in exchange for votes for McKinley.

In other words, Mr Bradley is guardedly endeavoring to carry out his part of the fusion agreement entered into at Galveston, while on the other hand the republican bosses are endeavoring to help him make the fusion dose go down with his people by saying little or nothing about McKinley or silver; and by chiming in with the anti-administration shriekers. Altogether, it's a pretty smoothe game Mr Bradley and his republican allies are playing, but disguise their hands as they may, they can't fool the rank and file.

Mr. Bradley is apt to find himself on election day—in the position of the stockman who, in the shank of a severe winter, undertakes to make sale of cattle from his brand books.

The Globe-Democrat of December 14, 1894, says: "McKinleyism is a relic of barbarism, a survival of the dark ages. It is political heresy, economic lunacy, Chinese statesmanship."

In his letter of acceptance Major McKinley says it is the only salvation of the country and if elected president he intends the country shall have it in allopathic doses.

JEROME KEARBY said in his Kearby ratification speech, that "old Judge Reagan was a fraud and a hypocrite." The people of Texas will not fail to rebuke this wanton and uncalled for assault on that grand and heroic old man by one whose chief claim on fame is that he has been running for office for twenty-five years and has never had the confidence of the people sufficiently to be elected.

"Mabel," said the man who favors free-silver, "that young man who calls to see you remains altogether too late. It was after half-past 12 when he started for home last night."

"I can't help it, father."

"Can't you give him some kind of a hint?"

"I did; but said he had too much respect for your sentiments to think of leaving until sixteen minutes to 1."

GOV. CULBERSON

At Jacksbor. He Addresses Four Thousand People at the Fair Ground.

Jacksboro Gazette.

The Democrats had made arrangements for a large crowd to attend the ratification meeting and hear Gov. Culbertson, but the crowd was much larger than the most sanguine enthusiast had hoped to have present. It was estimated by experts that the number present ranged from 3,500 to 5,000, conservatives estimate that near 4,000 were present, which was the largest assemblage ever brought together on any political occasion in Jack county.

Gov. Culbertson, being introduced by J. C. Houts, chairman of the Democratic executive committee of Jack county, in an appropriate speech, said it was due the people that he should give them a short statement of how he had administered the state government. In replying to the charges in the populist platform that the Democratic administration had squandered the public domain, and that, "It has multiplied offices, wasted the public revenues, increased our state debts and raised our taxes to the point approaching confiscation;" he proved from a statement of one of the most prominent Populist leaders, Barnett Gibbs, made two years ago, that for twenty years, ever since the state government had been wrested from the carpet-baggers by the Democratic party, that the state government had been administered very economically, and then he showed by the records that his own administration had been the most economic of any since the carpet-bag rule, the Populist platform to the contrary notwithstanding. In regard to the taxation approaching confiscation, he showed by statistics that there were only five or six states in the Union that had lower taxes than Texas, and that the three states of which Populists had had the rule, when the people put them out of office they left one state with forty-five cents, another with forty-three cents, and the lowest (Colorado), thirty-three cents tax on the \$100 worth of property, while the tax in Texas is twenty cents for the same purposes, showing that states under Populist rule paid from sixty-three to one hundred and twenty-five per cent more than Texas under Democratic rule. As to the allegation in the Populist platform that the expense of the state government had been increased from \$1,000,000 to \$4,000,000, that was false, as the expense had not been but little over \$2,000,000 as the records of the state would show.

As to the administration of the public school fund he said the Populist statement that the public schools had been reduced from six to three months, was incorrect, the facts were the schools had never reached an average of six nor as low as three months; the scholastic population had more than doubled in the last few years, and on account of the forfeiture of school lands and loss of interest thereon, the school fund was not as large as it would have been. That instead of maladministration, expenses had been greatly curtailed to help counteract the shortage in the available school fund. His explanation here was satisfactory to almost ever one. He showed very clearly that the populist charges are without foundation and that where they have been in power they have not administered state governments as economically than Democrats.

Governor Culbertson said the Populist leaders wanted the prize fight to come off. It was a contest between gambler and morality. The prize fighting gamblers had engaged several of the strongest law firms in the state to defend them and had offered ex-Governor Hogg \$5000 to assist in defending them, the state officers had taken an oath to execute the law, what else could the administration do but prepare to prosecute defiant premeditating offenders of the law. Gov. Culbertson said he had given Governor Hogg \$2500 to assist in preventing prize fighting in Texas, and under the same circumstances would do it again. It was the only thing any governor had done to give the state a good name as to her morals and at much less expense than any other governor had used for other purposes.

and yet it was the only thing the Populist party has made any proposition to. He said he had proposed to make for his actions against the prize fight, and did not want to go away from the town of Jacksboro leaving any room for any one to accuse himself or his party of trying to evade a defense of the acts of the administration.

The Democrats and some Republicans were not only pleased but delighted with Governor Culbertson's defense of his administration, and of the prize fight in particular. The people came to here and under the adverse conditions gave him their best attention.

The Old Reprobate.

John H. Reagan has for half a century been a public servant, enjoying the confidence and support of the people of Texas. Only last week he received at the hands of the democratic party a renewed pledge of personal and political esteem. He was called upon to forego the pleasures and comforts of private life, and to again assume the burdens of a public trust.

He stood before that convention and calling attention to fifty years of arduous labor in official positions said that he had hoped that he might rest from his labors and spend the few remaining days of his declining years in quiet rest, but in obedience to the request of those who knew him best and loved him most he consented to give his labors in the interest of the people whom he loved and who had honored him.

It remained, however, for the chosen leader of the populist party of Texas to size up his life-work and his character and to eulogize him as an "old reprobate" and to characterize the tears that flowed from his weary eyes down his face and wrinkled cheek as "crocodile tears." These poisoned shafts hurled by the impotent arm of this political malcontent can not harm the "grand old man." He has won a name and place among the great and good far above the reach of him who would gain political notoriety by an unmanly and indecent attack upon this honored son of Texas. This style of campaigning may be in harmony with the tastes and principles of this aspirant for the gubernatorial chair, but he will find when it is perhaps too late that Texas chivalry will not treat the chaplet of honor from the brow of honored age to place it in mockery upon the brow of one who would resort to such methods to further his ambitious end.—Mineral Wells Graphic.

Bryan Will Carry Iowa.

Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 31.—General J. B. Weaver candidate for elector-at-large on the fusion silver ticket, was interviewed today on the prospects of democratic success in Iowa. He said: "The vote of three parties in Iowa at the 1892 election was in round numbers 219,000 republicans, 196,000 democrats and 20,000 populist, leaving a majority for the republicans of 3,000 over combined populists and democrats. A very low estimate is that 20,000 republicans will vote for Bryan. This, added to the combined democratic and populist vote, gives 236,000 for Bryan against 199,000 for McKinley. The gold democratic vote cannot possibly exceed 20,000 in the State, so that we have a net majority of 17,000 for Bryan. The estimate of 20,000 republicans for Bryan is ridiculous—small. The number will be immensely greater than this. Then there is the prohibition vote of 120,000, which will be an important factor. Much of it will go to Bryan because it represents people who favor silver. Iowa will go for Bryan, in my opinion, by 30,000 or 35,000, at least."

We are told that the restoration of bimetallism would be a hardship on those who have entered into contracts payable in gold, but this is a mistake. It will be easier to obtain the gold with which to meet a gold contract when most of people can use silver, than it is now when every one is trying to reduce gold.—[Extract from Bryan's speech of acceptance.]

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Democratic Ticket:

FOR PRESIDENT. WILLIAM J. BRYAN, Of Nebraska.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT. ARTHUR SEWALL, Of Maine.

Presidential Electors. STATE AT LARGE. WILBUR PIERCE, Of Bell County.

DISTRICTS. 1st. J. C. BUFFINGTON, 2nd. W. M. IMBODEN.

3rd. NED MORRIS. 4th. H. F. O'NEAL. 5th. E. L. AGNEW.

6th. H. POWELL. 7th. D. H. HARDY. 8th. M. M. SCOTT.

9th. T. B. COCHRAN. 10th. S. H. HO-KINS. 11th. A. M. THURMOND.

12th. MILTON MAYES. 13th. S. F. HUFF.

14th. JOHN H. STEPHENS. Representative 104th District.

T. H. C. PEERY. For County Judge. O. E. FINLAY.

For County and District Clerk. CHAS. GAY. For County Attorney. JOHN C. KAY.

For County Treasurer. J. A. DIXON. For Sheriff. H. C. WILLIAMS.

For Tax Assessor. S. H. JAMES. For County Surveyor. ELISHA T. HIGGINS.

For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1. A. J. WHEAT.

For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2. G. W. HUNT.

For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3. H. L. LEBERMAN.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4. ALLEN C. CASEY.

The State election in Arkansas was held last Monday.

Bryan is still in the North and East, and draws immense crowds wherever he speaks.

In 1880, Bourke Cockran stumped Maine for the greenback candidate for governor.

Bourke Cockran has joined the republican party. In this he is more honest than most of the McKinley aids.

It becomes plainer every day that the national campaign is a contest between millionaire manufacturers and gold speculators on the one hand and the common people on the other.

If you want to see McKinley elected you must quit shouting for him. Is the advice an English paper gives its readers.

The most charitable explanation that can be made of Kearoy's ungentlemanly talk at the Dallas justification is that he was drunk—drunk on rotgut whiskey.—Cleveland Review.

Gregg county populists have resolved, unanimously requesting the Texas populist State committee to substitute the name of Norton for that of Bryan.

The bolting democrats met at Indianapolis on the 2nd inst. and nominated Gen. Palmer for president and Gen. Buckner for vice president. They adopted a straight gold standard platform.

The sound money Democrats of the Eight District have called a convention to meet at Stephensville on the 12th to nominate a candidate for Congress. Their only hope is to defeat Lanham, the Democratic candidate.

Answer not a fool according to the folly.—Solomon.

Specimens of the so-called Mexican dollars which the McKinleyites have been using as arguments against free silver have been sent to Mexican secretary of the treasury who pronounces them fraudulent. It is not surprising that the McKinleyites have been passing them at a discount. If the fellow who have been dealing in this counterfeit money are ever caught in Mexico, they will find trouble.

A populist paper up in Kansas "The Star and Kansan," sounds this note of warning to its party. "The great danger that confronts the people's movements for industrial emancipation lies in the selfishness of the men who are constantly being tempted to profess their faith in order to reap the reward of leadership; and the thing that the honest masses of the party need most to guard against is these same unreformed reformers. Shun the professional office seeker as you would the plague."

The warning and advice should not lose its force at this distance. Ladies waists, vests, silk mitts etc. at actual cost. See them. J. E. MORRISON & Co.

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Boils

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Impure Blood

blood, to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, and prevent such eruptions and suffering. "I had a dreadful carbuncle abscess, red, fiery, fierce and sore. The doctor attended me over seven weeks. When the abscess broke, the pains were terrible, and I thought I should not live through it. I heard and read so much about Hood's Sarsaparilla, that I decided to take it, and my husband, who was suffering with boils, took it also. It soon purified our

Blood

built me up and restored my health so that, although the doctor said I would not be able to work hard, I have since done the work for 20 people. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured my husband of the boils, and we regard it a wonderful medicine. Mrs. ANNA PETERSON, Latimer, Kansas.

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J. C. Kearby disgraced himself and the Populist party which he pretends to represent when he stated from a public stand in Dallas last Saturday night that there was not a man on the Democratic ticket who would not compromise the virtue of his wife or daughter for the sake of office. We are all used to mud-slinging in politics but this is worse than mud-slinging. It is an insult to the entire state ticket, and we presume this man Kearby will have an opportunity to apologize or take back his rash, indecent and uncalculated attack on the gentlemen who compose the State Democratic ticket. Kearby has been in the habit of cursing out district judges and others who don't do to please him on all occasions and his been let run at large about long enough. Some one or all of the State ticket should call his hand, and call it at once Texas is a country of decency and morals and blackguards should be handled for publicly traducing gentlemen.—Mesquite Herald

Parker County voted local option last Saturday and the county went for prohibition.

There is a hole in Yellowstone Park only six inches in diameter and 3,000 feet deep. Here is an opportunity for some thrifty Yankee to make a speck by pulling it up and selling it out for post holes.

Secretary Carlyle has withdrawn the Government deposits from the States National Bank of Florida, for no other reason than that the President of the bank is a strong free silver advocate.

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FAT AS A PIG. J. J. Scrogg, of Sidden, Miss., says: "Our little girl 6 months old, was in a very low state from summer complaint and Germetuer made her as fat as a pig."

Those Populist leaders who prefer an office to principle will find many of their former friends deserting them and sticking to their principles.

The efforts of the big railroads and other corporations in the country to coerce their employes into voting for McKinley is going to be a signal failure in this year of 1896.

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LITTLE LOCAL LEADERS.

Dull, hot and dry. C. W. Johnson and family are visiting relatives in Wichita Falls this week.

J. B. Robertson and J. L. Vaughan visited Elkinsville last Tuesday. S. M. J. Benson, a prominent business man of Farmer, was in town Tuesday.

P. A. Martin is attending District Court in Palo Pinto this week. Elder Geo. T. Thomas and wife, of the vicinity of True, were in town Monday.

Three head of stray horses were sold Monday, bringing \$10.00, all told. J. H. Cochran is building an addition to his residence in the east part of town.

Walter Johnson has accepted a position in Akin's Drug Store. Patronize the merchants who advertise in THE LEADER.

Every man should have a private cemetery in which to bury the bodies of his friends. There is no happiness in this life for those who cannot inspire affection.

V. F. Garrison returned last Monday from Dallas and other points. Mrs. Evans Jackson returned Tuesday from a visit to relatives in Tennessee.

S. B. Street is now in the Eastern markets purchasing goods for his firm. A. E. Ostman, the broom man of Farmer, bought a good lot of broom corn from W. A. Morris of South Bend this week.

Paul Corpton, who has been in the employ of D. R. Akin, will leave soon to attend a school of Pharmacy. Found—a pair of spectacles in a leather case. Owner can get same by calling at this office and paying for this notice.

W. P. Beckham and Mrs. Alice Williams returned last Saturday from St. Louis and other points, where they have been purchasing goods for the Graham Mercantile Co. J. P. Clayton and wife, of Farmer community, were in town Monday. They are preparing to move to Wichita Falls.

Rev. R. H. H. Burnett, the noted evangelist, will commence a meeting at the Methodist church here next Friday night, the 18th inst. The farmers are all busy picking cotton. They do not appear to be in any hurry about picking a ginned, as they think it will bring better prices later. We think they are right.

F. L. Thomas, one of the oldest settlers of this county, has sold out and will soon move to Knox county. Mr. Thomas is one of our best citizens and we regret to lose him. The private school had one hundred and twenty students in attendance this week. This is the largest private school ever in Graham. The number will reach one hundred and fifty on the first day of next month.

Olie Benson was married last Sunday to Miss Annie Mathis, of Caddo, Stephens county. The happy couple visited the groom's parents here, and returned to Caddo Tuesday where they will reside. A McKinley and Hobart club was organized in Graham last week with 35 members. W. W. Johnson was elected president and B. S. Doty secretary. The greatest harmony prevailed.

Fifteen students from Jack county will attend the Graham High School through four schools in that county have had solicitors to send nearly every family in the county. Some of the most substantial families will be represented on the board. All the available space in the splendid building will be occupied by the students. Who said the house is too small for Graham? Fifty students have been enrolled and as many more from a distance attend.

School as in other business, some come the seventh hour. Do not forget that the school is open, regular attendance, and the pupils make up the keynote to successful school work. The teacher has a hard job to do. The parent has a work to do. The pupil has a work to do. Unless all work together, good results are likely to follow.

To Whom It May Concern. Owing to the bad times, I will, on the 14th inst., close my books and after that date sell strictly for cash. Call and get a copy of book; it is cheaper and more convenient. J. D. SNOAR.

Notice to Teachers. The Board of examiners for teachers certificates will meet on the 14th and 15th inst., 1896. J. TIMMONS, Co. Judge.

South Bend.

Politics not in it—everybody cotton. The Methodist closed a ten days' meeting here last Sunday night. Very good interest was manifested throughout the service, there being quite a number of conversions and several additions to the church. Rev. Dunn, of Breckenridge, an earnest christian worker and revivalist, and Rev. Hendrickson, who is equally as faithful, conducted the meeting.

The gin is doing big work just now. Mr. Darnell, who moved from here last spring to Mineral Wells, has returned to South Bend. Mr. D. has met with great misfortune since he left here, having lost his wife and one or two children.

Clay Parker of this place, and Miss Ora Askew of Tonk Valley, were united in marriage last Sunday evening. Joy and peace may it follow them. In all probability the school house here will be enlarged on account of the increase in the school. GEE A. GEE.

Some schools advertised as colleges have a shorter course of study than the Graham High School. They have presidents and secretaries (on paper). The people want to patronize a good school and the word college is attractive to them. Let every one study this question seriously. The Graham High School is the only one relying solely on its merits for patronage.

When at Mineral Wells stop at the Mineral Wells Wagon Yard. My son follow not into the footsteps of the loafer, and make no example of him who is born tired, for verily I say unto you, their business is overstocked and the seats on the corner are all taken and the whittling places are all full. It is better to saw wood at a bit a cord than to whittle in a loading match and cuss the government. My son, while thou hast left yet in thy skull the sense of a jaybird break away the cigarette habit, for lo, thy breath stinketh like unto a glue factory and thy whole appearance is less intelligent than a store dummy. Yes, thou art a cipher with the rim knocked off.

SALT CREEK. As Salt Creek has not been represented by the Briggs & McGinty family we will step in and see what we can give you in the way of items. Awful dry up here, but we had a sprinkle since our last communication. Well digging is the order of the day. Two augurs in this neighborhood pounding away for something wetter than Salt Creek mud. We thought it was awful dry when the pros won it, but we didn't know what dry was then. R. M. Summers is having a new well sunk; he is now 215 feet and no water. He says he thought the world was flat once, but is now fully convinced that it is round. He says if it had not been round he would have been through it. Mr. Loving is also having a well put down.

We learn that music is the order of the day. One of our young men has been giving lessons on the organ. Mr. Editor, I have an example in such a complicated form I beg your assistance to help me solve it. The question is: A wants to buy some chickens. He goes to B, who has them to sell, but has promised them to C & D, and will not sell to A, who gets mad and says his chickens of blood. What ought to be done with A and how long will it be before he gets the chickens from B.

Mr. L. N. Johnson and family are going to move to town soon. Mrs. Johnson has been right sick for a few days but is recovering. BRIGGS & MCGINTY. Wanted.—To rent two good homes for families who desire to move here Oct. 1st for the benefit of the school. J. N. JOHNSON.

The article in another column headed "More Money is What is Wanted," will no doubt be of interest to our readers. What subjects are taught in the Graham High School? This question is often asked. The same subjects that are taught in the Sam Houston Normal Institute at Huntsville, Texas, the Dallas High School, Weatherford High School, Waco High School, or any other High School in Texas. What advantage are offered to your graduates? The same that other schools of like grade offer. Our graduates, after three years teaching, will be able to pass the examination for a life certificate. What more could you ask of a new school of five years work?

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Sunday School Convention.

The Macedonia Baptist Association appointed a Sunday School Convention to be held at Graham, Texas, beginning Friday night before the second Sunday in October, 1896. The churches of Stephens county, Stone-wall, Lake Creek, Westwater and Macedonia Associations are invited to send delegates. The following is the PROGRAMME.

1st. Introductory sermon by Elder C. J. McDonald; Elder Warren Cunningham alternate. 2nd. Saturday, 9 o'clock A. M. Thirty minutes devotional exercises conducted by Thomas G. Black. 3rd. Organization. 4th. The necessity of Baptist Sunday Schools in every Baptist Church. Elder I. H. Cunningham; Elder A. B. Milam alternate. 5th. The duties of Superintendents. Eld. J. H. Longan; J. J. Robertson alternate. 6th. The qualifications and duties of Sunday School teachers. Elder A. B. Lane; T. J. Lamor's alternate. 7th. The duty of christian parents in the Sunday School work. W. G. Caperton; Elder C. Ryster alternate. 8th. 8 o'clock P. M.—Sermon by Elder R. C. Farmer; Elder A. E. Foster alternate. 9th. Sunday, 9 o'clock A. M.—Sunday School Mass Meeting conducted by Elder R. C. Farmer; D. A. Ford alternate. 10th. 11 o'clock. Sermon by Elder W. G. Caperton; Elder J. H. Longan alternate. G. W. BLACK, Com.

FARMER. The Farmer school started Aug. 31st. There was small attendance and will be for as the patrons or the dry weather has ruined every thing that requires any finance what ever. The general make up of the school however, seems to be very good. Several classes moderately well up. There are and will be when the books arrive classes in Latin, German, Algebra, Geometry, Higher Arithmetic, Histories, Physical Geography, etc. If the patrons will only notice this they will see that their school is progressing very nicely; the only thing in the way is that there are not enough of those that need to be in school attending. Farmer school community has enough deserving boys and girls that desire an education—and all these about grown—to have a large school by itself. The patrons of this community especially as well as elsewhere are asked to consider this proposition: Do you ever intend to educate that boy or girl of yours? If so, when and where? Would it not be cheaper and far more pleasant if you have a home school well advanced to patronize it? Believing this as most people do why don't you send to school, for there is no demand for your children at home.

The greatest gift, if it may be called a gift that man can bestow upon his fellow man is a well rounded education. God's masterpiece is man or woman with every faculty developed. There is and always will be a demand for the head or leading man in every line of life. By continued application one may attain any height ever before scaled. Will even the few who may chance to read this heed the word that whoever will, can. A great writer once said: "One of two things must be done in this country. Parents must spend money to educate their children or they must pay taxes to build penitentiaries to punish crime." Parents, if this be true, re-read the terrible doom of the unfortunate, calculate and see how easy it will be to place that boy or girl in your home school. Lend thy voice with a helping hand to higher education, and receive thy reward—fulfillment of duty. J. H. A.

PROTRACTED MEETING. A protracted meeting will begin at the Methodist church on Friday night, Sept. 18. I have secured the services of Rev. R. H. H. Burnett, et, evangelist; a preacher of ability and power. Let every christian attend and work and pray for a mighty baptism of the Holy Ghost. Every one of every denomination is most cordially invited both by the pastor and Bro. Burnett. M. L. MOOPY.

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Lacy Locals. Aunt Mel Richardson is still very low at this writing. W. A. Whittenburg and family have moved to Ft. Worth. We regret having to give them up, but what one looses another gains. Mr. Adams leaves today (Wednesday) for Bowie. He takes his daughter, Miss Nannie to return to the Blind Institute at Austin. Miss Sallie Thornton, leaves for her home near Austin. Steve Hazard and family have gone east on a vii. Misses Jennie Hawk's, Anna Hamilton and W. F. McMeilin have gone to Vernon to attend the Epworth League Conference. The appointment for Bro. Burnett at Bethel for the third Sunday has been called n. as B. O. Burnett can not come. A SWITZER. Mrs. J. W. Carson is quite sick.

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passing away. Under spring blossoms,
 and through summer harvests, and
 across autumnal leaves, and through
 the wintry snow-banks, we are passing
 on. O, rejoice at it, children of God,
 rejoice at it! How we shall gather them
 up, the loved and the lost! Before
 we mount our throne, before we drink
 of the fountain, before we strike the
 harp of our eternal celebration, we will
 cry out: "Where are our loved and
 lost?" And then, how we shall gather
 them up! O, how we shall gather them
 up!

In this dark world of sin and pain
 We only meet to part again;
 But when we reach the heavenly shore
 We there shall meet to part no more.
 The hope that we shall see that day
 Should chase our present griefs away;
 When these short years of pain are past
 We'll meet before the throne at last.

Queer Will.
 A Russian who died in Odessa last
 year left 4,000,000 of rubles to his four
 nieces but demanded that, previous to
 receiving the money, they should work
 for fifteen months either as chamber-
 maids, washerwomen or farm servants;
 this in his opinion being a salutary
 discipline likely to chasten any foolish
 pride they might be tempted to foster
 in their minds. A Sussex publican
 took an odd revenge on a nagging wife
 whose sharp tongue had given him
 many a bad quarter of an hour while
 he lived. On his death she found that
 to receive any benefit from his will she
 must walk barefooted to the market
 place each time the anniversary of his
 death repeated itself. Holding a can-
 dle in her hand, she was there to read
 a paper confessing her unseemly be-
 havior to her husband during his life
 and stating that had her tongue been
 shorter her husband's days would in
 all probability have been longer. By
 refusing to comply with these terms
 she had to be satisfied with £20 a year
 to keep her off the parish. The re-
 strictions imposed on widows and other
 legatees with regard to matrimony are
 often arbitrary and sometimes smack
 of cruelty. A husband, in one case re-
 ported recently, left his widow an an-
 nual income of £1,000, which was to be
 reduced to £800 in the event of the
 lady marrying again. Another reduc-
 tion of £200 was to be made on the
 birth of the first child of the second
 marriage, and every additional child
 was to involve the further loss of £100
 a year.—Chambers' Journal.

Roman Patrician Charities.
 Great Roman families take as much
 pride in their private charities as in
 their picture galleries or chapels.
 Prince Doria, in the Istituto Doria,
 which is under the care of the Sisters
 of St. Vincent de Paul, supports a hun-
 dred old men and women. The Tor-
 lonia family's institute is a home and
 training school for sixty orphan girls,
 girl and infant schools for 650 pupils,
 an eye and ear hospital with a dis-
 pensary and large out-patient depart-
 ment, and an old woman's home. The
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 perfect of children's hospitals, is main-
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 loupe occupy the mountain ranges, and
 are from 600 to 1,500 feet in altitude.

are not surprised to find her son Jeho-
 ram attempting assassination. Oh,
 what a responsibility upon the parent
 and the teacher! The musician touches
 the keys, and the response of those
 keys is away off amid the pipes and the
 chords, and you wonder at the distance
 between the key and the chord. And
 so it is in life; if you touch a child,
 the results will come back from man-
 hood or old age, telling just the tune
 played, whether the dirge of a great
 sorrow or the anthem of a great joy.
 The word that the Sabbath School
 teacher will this afternoon whisper in
 the ear of the class, will be echoed
 back from everlasting ages of light or
 darkness. The home and the school
 decide the republic or the despotism;
 the barbarism or the civilization; the
 upbuilding of an empire, or the over-
 throwing it. Higher than parliament
 or congress are the school and the
 family, and the sound of a child's foot
 may mean more than the tramp of a
 host. What, then, are you doing for
 the purpose of bringing your children
 into the kingdom of God? If they are
 so susceptible, and if this is the very
 best time to act upon their eternal in-
 terests, what are you doing by way of
 right impulsion? There were some
 harvesters in the fields of Scotland
 one hot day; and Hannah Lemond
 was helping them to gather the
 hay. She laid her babe under a
 tree. While she was busy in the field,
 there was a flutter of wings in the air,
 and a golden eagle clutched the swad-
 dling band of the babe, and flew away
 with it to the mountain eyrie. All the
 harvesters and Hannah Lemond start-
 ed for the cliffs. It was two miles be-
 fore they came to the foot of the cliffs.
 Getting there, who dared to mount the
 cliff? No human foot had ever trod it.
 There were sailors there who had gone
 up the mast in the day of terrible tem-
 pest; they did not dare risk it. Hannah
 Lemond sat there for awhile and look-
 ed up and saw the eagle in the eyrie,
 and then she leaped to her feet, and she
 started up where no human foot had
 ever trod, crag above crag, catching
 hold of this root or that root, until she
 reached the eyrie and caught her babe,
 the eagle swooping in fierceness all
 around about her. Fastening the child
 to her back, she started for her friends
 and for home. O, what a dizzy descent!
 sliding from this crag to that crag,
 catching by that vine and by that root,
 coming down further and further, to
 the most dangerous pass, where she
 found a goat and some kids. She said:
 "Now I'll follow the goat; the goat will
 know just which is the safest way
 down;" and she was led by the animal
 down to the plain. When she got there,
 all the people cried: "Thank God,
 thank God!" her strength not giving
 way until the rescue was effected. And
 they cried: "Stand back, now. Give
 her air!" O, if a woman will do that for
 the physical life of her child, what will
 you do for the eternal life of your boy
 and your girl? Let it not be told in
 the great day of eternity that Hannah
 Lemond put forth more exertion for the
 saving of the physical life of her child
 than you, O parent, have ever put forth
 for the eternal life of your little one.
 God help you! * * *
 There is not a large family, or hardly
 a large family that has not bent over
 such a treasure and lost it. In the
 family fold is there no dead lamb? I
 have seen many such cases of sorrow.

knees in noon and then died.
 Though hundreds of years have
 passed away since that boy skip-
 ped to the harvest-field and then was
 brought home and died on his mother's
 lap, the story still thrills us. Indeed,
 childhood has a charm always and
 everywhere. I shall now speak to you
 of childhood; its beauty, its susceptibil-
 ity to impression, its power over the
 parental heart, and its blissful transi-
 tion from earth to heaven.
 The child's beauty does not depend
 upon form or feature or complexion or
 apparel. That destitute one that you
 saw on the street, bruised with unkind-
 ness and in rags, has a charm about
 her, even under her destitution. You have
 forgotten a great many persons whom
 you have met, of finely-cut features
 and with erect posture and with fault-
 less complexion, while you will always
 remember the poor girl who, on a cold,
 moonlight night, as you were passing
 late home, in her thin shawl and bare-
 foot on the pavement, put out her hand
 and said: "Please give me a penny." Ah!
 how often we have walked on and
 said: "Oh, that is nothing but street
 vagabondism;" but after we got a
 block or two on, we stopped and said:
 "Ah, that is not right;" and we pass-
 ed up that same way and dropped a
 mite into that suffering hand, as
 though it were not a matter of second
 thought, so ashamed were we of our
 hard-heartedness. With what admira-
 tion we all look upon a group of chil-
 dren on the play-ground or in the
 school, and we clap our hands almost
 involuntarily and say: "How beautiful!"
 All stiffness and dignity are
 gone, and your shout is heard with
 theirs and you trundle their hoop, and
 fly their kite, and strike their ball, and
 all your weariness and anxiety are
 gone as when a child you bounded over
 the play-ground yourself. That father
 who stands rigid and unsympathetic
 amid the sportfulness of children,
 ought never to have been tempted out
 of a crusty and unredeemable solitari-
 ness. The waters leap down the rocks,
 but they have not the graceful step of
 childhood. The morning comes out of
 the gates of the east, throwing its sil-
 ver on the lake and its gold on the
 towers and its fire on the cloud; but it
 is not so bright and beautiful as the
 morning of life! There is no light
 like that which is kindled in a child's
 eye, no color like that which blooms on
 a child's cheek, no music like the
 sound of a child's voice. Its face in
 the poorest picture redeems any im-
 perfection in art. When we are weary
 with toil, their little hands pull the
 burdens off our back. Oh, what a dull,
 stale mean world this would be with-
 out the sportfulness of children. When
 I find people that do not like children,
 I immediately doubt their moral and
 Christian character. But when the
 grace of God comes upon a child, how
 unspeakably attractive. When Samuel
 begins to pray, and Timothy begins to
 read the Scriptures, and Joseph shows
 himself invulnerable to temptation—
 how beautiful the scene! I know that
 parents sometimes get nervous when
 their children become pious, because
 save the idea that good children al-
 ways die. The strange questions about
 God and eternity and the dead, excite
 apprehension in the parental mind
 rather than congratulation. Indeed,
 there are some people that seem mark-

would have been killed Sunday. The
 sidebars on the drive wheels of the en-
 gine broke so the engineer lost control
 of it. The conductor set the automatic
 brakes on the cars and stopped them,
 but the engine became disconnected
 from the train just as the fireman and
 engineer abandoned it. The engine
 shot down the mountain at a terrific
 speed to a curve half a mile below,
 where it jumped the track and shot
 through the air 150 feet. When it
 struck the ground the engine exploded.
 On the train was a party of London and
 Northwestern railway magnates, ac-
 companied by manager Fred Harrison
 of the Cogwheel road and S. K. Hoop-
 er of the Denver and Rio Grande road.

Mine Pumps Stopped.
 Leadville, Col., Sept. 1.—The pumps
 in the Bon Air and Penrose mines, two
 of the largest properties in the dis-
 trict, have been stopped and the mines
 are rapidly filling with water. Moffatt
 & Smith, owners of these and several
 other deep mines here, announce that
 they shall stop the pumps in all of them.
 This will cause the flooding of nearly
 every mine in the richest part of the
 district, entailing a loss of hundreds of
 thousands of dollars in damage to the
 workings. Some of the mines will be
 abandoned permanently. This action
 is the result of the strike which was in-
 augurated five weeks ago, and seems
 no nearer a settlement than when it be-
 gan. There have been no disturbances.

Mob Runs a Train.
 Shreveport, La., Sept. 1.—On the ar-
 rival of an excursion train yesterday on
 the Cotton Belt from Camden, Ark., the
 passengers had a thrilling account of
 vandalism which took place Sunday
 night. It appears that a crowd of
 drunken rowdies took possession of
 the train and terrified the passengers.
 The conductor and train crew were
 powerless to control the mob, who
 broke window glasses in the coaches,
 etc. Before reaching this city the mob
 got off the train and skipped out. It
 is understood that the Cotton Belt of-
 ficials are investigating the affair and if
 the guilty parties are found they will
 be prosecuted.

Spanish Government in Fear.
 New York, Sept. 1.—A dispatch from
 Havana says:
 "The rebels must be defeated before
 the year ends or we are lost." Premier
 Canovas cabled to Capt. Gen. Weyler.
 The despairing dispatch explained
 that the Spanish government has taken
 alarm at the developments of a recent
 interview between United States Min-
 ister Taylor and the Duke of Tetuan,
 Spain's minister of foreign affairs.

Mico, Miss., Sept. 1.—A report reach-
 ed here yesterday evening to the effect
 that the families of Rev. Marion Wal-
 ters and Mr. McGill, who live near
 County Line church, were poisoned
 yesterday, and half a dozen children
 were dangerously ill. It is supposed
 that the poison was in the water. No
 further particulars have been received.

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 1.—Oliver Broa.
 Tenth Street rolling mill closed down
 indefinitely yesterday, throwing sev-
 eral hundred men out of employment.
 The reason given is the general de-
 pression in the trade.

next year's crop.
 "A meeting of the conservative
 leaders was held. Planters and politi-
 cians of great influence were present.
 After a long discussion, in which
 Gen. Weyler's expected edict was de-
 nounced without stint, resolutions
 were adopted to this purpose:
 "1. That a committee composed of
 the marquis of Apezteguia, Paschal
 Goicochea and Patacco Sanchez visit
 Weyler and try to prevail upon him
 not to issue the edict.
 "2. If he persists in his determina-
 tion to issue the edict that the gov-
 ernment at Madrid be urged to recall
 Weyler to Spain.
 "These audacious resolutions are
 the talk of the city, as it is well
 known that Spanish rule in Cuba has
 always been upheld and in control of
 the conservative party, especially in
 times of war, and that the party's
 resolutions are in effect law. It will
 not be the first case of a captain gen-
 eral being disqualified by the Cuban
 conservatives. In the last war Capt.
 Gen. Dulce was sent back to Spain by
 the volunteers. Conservatives and
 volunteers are the same people. Capt.
 Gen. Campos was also sent back by
 them.
 "The conservatives want Gen. Pol-
 avieja in Weyler's place.

G. A. R. Encampment.
 St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 1.—The week of
 the thirteenth encampment of the
 Grand Army of the Republic opened
 auspiciously. Special trains have been
 pouring in thousands all day. Com-
 mander-in-Chief I. N. Walker and
 staff were expected on an early
 train, and the local posts were at the
 depot to greet the train, but it was de-
 layed, and not until noon were the vet-
 erans able to welcome their chief. He
 was at once escorted to the Ryan hotel,
 where the national headquarters were
 at once established, becoming the cen-
 ter of Grand Army activity.

Gen. Dan Sickles of New York, the
 hero of Gettysburg, arrived during the
 afternoon with his party. Monday the
 citizen's committee gave an informal
 reception in honor of Commander-in-
 Chief Walker and wife and party at the
 Ryan hotel. A second reception was
 given at the Capitol by the Minnesota
 department of the Woman's Relief
 Corps to the national officers of that
 organization, and this was also largely
 attended.
 Buffalo, Baltimore and Chicago are
 after the next encampment and indi-
 cations favor the first named.

Mrs. Maybrick is not expected to live
 through the winter.
Fatally Shot.
 Cincinnati, O., Sept. 1.—An outing
 club was spending the Sunday in a
 grove near the suburb of College Hill
 when Edward Nelous, an amateur pug-
 glist, and his friends started a game of
 chuck on the grounds. Adam Prather
 of the outing party ordered them to
 quit playing there. In the melee that
 followed Prather was fatally shot by
 Nelous.

The Czar of Russia has appointed M.
 Chichkine as minister of foreign af-
 fairs.

earned; not expect-
 ve.
 Jessie Downey was bruised in a
 runaway on West Houston street,
 Sherman, the other day. The vehicle
 in which she was driving collided with
 a guard post.
 Ramsay Little, the 15-year-old son
 of Mr. J. G. Little of Pearsall, Frio
 county, was thrown from his horse a
 few days ago and died from the ef-
 fects of the fall.
 J. J. Baldrige, a Katy brakeman
 on the run from Hillsboro to Temple,
 Bell county, a few nights ago. He
 is doing very well.
 James Edmonds, for several years a
 lumber man at Gatesville, Coryell
 county, died several mornings ago. He
 was found unconscious in his bed and
 died in a little while.
 A white man, named Stafford, who
 runs Hudgins' gin at Hungerford,
 Wharton county, got his arm caught
 in the saws a few days ago, and has
 lost three of his fingers.
 John Baldree, who lives about ten
 miles east of San Augustine, San Au-
 gustine county, was thrown from his
 wagon while his team was running
 away, a few days ago, and killed.
 Recently Francis Pina Juarez, a
 merchant at Rio Grande City, Starr
 county, filed a chattel mortgage with
 E. Downey as trustee, for the benefit
 of L. & H. Blum to secure a debt of
 \$2000.
 A cutting affray occurred at Mount
 Pleasant, Titus county, several days
 ago. L. Barrett received several se-
 vere cuts on the face and neck and L.
 Barber has several bad wounds on the
 shoulder and neck.
 The examining trial of Gus Weather-
 erford, charged with the murder of
 Sam Hunt, was held several days ago
 at Brenham, Washington county, and
 defendant was admitted to bail in the
 sum of \$2500.
 Mrs. Linda Blackey of Howe, Gray-
 son county, was adjudged insane sev-
 eral evenings ago. It seems that her
 chief crime is that she is accused of
 the theft of some clothing. She has
 made several signs as if she would kill
 herself.
 Bruce Kendrick, son of a wealthy
 farmer, was arrested in Karnes coun-
 ty recently on an affidavit made before
 Justice Earle, charging him with par-
 ticipating in the Hillsboro whitecap-
 ping. The prisoner was placed in the
 Waco jail the other day.
 At a colored festival on the Ramson
 place, near Sandy Point, Brazoria
 county, the other night, Wade Rich-
 ards and Tom King were shot.
 Richardson died instantly and King is
 not expected to recover. The party
 who fired the shots made his escape.
 Instructions have been received at
 Beaumont, Jefferson county, to stop
 boring in the wells at Gladys City.
 Three thousand dollars have been
 spent there in the attempt to secure
 oil and natural gas, the wells now be-
 ing 360 feet deep and still no indica-
 tions of successful results.

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The Fusion Plan.

Austin, Texas, September 5.—The populist State executive committee will meet in Dallas on September 10 for the purpose of receiving final propositions from the republicans, in case the republican State convention which meets on September 8 is in fusion mood, and on September 15 a grand meeting of populist bosses will be held also in Dallas, for the purpose of deciding on how to break the news to the rank and file that it has been swapped off to McKinley.

Other campaign details will be attended to, and as one of the men who expect to take part in the campaign expressed it this morning, "We will then get down to work right," by which is meant, no doubt, that fresh supply of slimy campaignatory will be turned loose for the purpose of attracting attention away from the disgraceful bargain which will by that time have been entered into with the black and tans.

"Fifty men of these United States have it in their power, by reason of the wealth they control, to come together within the next twenty-four hours and arrive at an understanding by which every wheel of trade and commerce may be stopped from revolving, every avenue of trade blocked, and every electric key struck dumb. These fifty men can paralyze the whole country, for they control the circulation of the currency, and can create a panic whenever they will."—Chauncey Depew in 1893.

The Happy Turn of the Tide.

Some of the country banks have complained of their inability to obtain money with which to move the cotton crop and the demand on the banks of the larger cities has been very great. While the trouble has been attributable largely to the unsettled political condition of the country other causes have contributed to the embarrassment. Cotton began to roll into market this season from two to three weeks earlier than usual. Naturally the annual influx of capital did not begin in-time to meet it. A great deal of money had been used in moving wheat, large stores of which waited at the ports for transportation. Gold was going out until the last of August, when the tide turned and within a few days shipments aggregating almost \$18,000,000 began to move our way. If the importations continue the present stress in money matters will soon be greatly relieved. It will not take the cash of the great spinners long to find the man with cotton to sell. It will not be long before the farmer with grain on the market will meet a customer with cash to pay for it. The tide has fairly turned our way and it will be found on examination that the happy change was made at about the usual time of the year. Our beef, grain and cotton have never failed to attract the attention and the capital of a world of customers and consumers abroad. They have never failed to bring the gold our way.—Dallas News.

What It Means.

Vague promises that if the Ohio major is elected president the country will in some mysterious way become more prosperous, should not blind the American people to the real nature of McKinleyism. Four years ago that word was understood to mean a policy of high taxation; dear goods and restricted foreign trade. This was the form in which it was embodied in the McKinley tariff, and after a full and fair discussion for over two years the people rejected the policy and ordered the tariff repealed.

Nothing has happened since 1892 to change in the slightest degree the essential nature of McKinleyism. It is now as then a demand for special tariff privileges for the benefit of a few great trusts and manufacturing monopolists. It is a scheme by which 70,000,000 American consumers are to be taxed on all the goods they buy, in order that a small number of millionaires may make greater fortunes. It means class legislation in the interest of men who furnish money to buy votes and corrupt the sources of popular government. It is a bold assertion of right for some men to get rich at the expense of the masses who produce all wealth.

The popular verdict in 1892 was that McKinleyism was a fraud and robbery. Theft is theft, no matter what it may be called. Four years ago the American people voted against stealing under the form of law. Is there any reason why the same people should now vote in favor of high tariff robbery, merely because the McKinleyites are this year calling their leader "prosperity's advance agent?"—Seymour Banner.

The press dispatches say that everybody around the democratic headquarters at Washington has worn a broad smile ever since the publication of Mark Hanna's interview, trying to hedge on the silver question. Senator Faulkner, chairman of the congressional committee at Washington, says of that interview:

"I never saw a more significant interview appear during a campaign. Mr. Hanna virtually admits that unless he can force some other issue to the front he is beaten on the currency issue. He recognizes, what is the absolute truth, that the great mass of the people of the U. S. in the west especially, are bi-metallists. He sees they will have nothing to do with a single gold standard, and he proposes, with the election only ten weeks off, to swing around and try to undo the work of the republican convention by claiming there is no hostility to silver in the republican platform. He admits the democratic contention that bi-metallism is the proper thing for this country, but I do not think he can fool the people by his profession of friendliness at this late date."

In conversation this week with a number of Populists, they denied that Jim Davis had stated he would support McKinley, as published last week in the News. Mr. Davis is out this week in a letter in which he says emphatically that if the Republicans support the Populist state ticket that the Populists will support McKinley and Hobart in Texas. The Populists can read his letter for themselves. Those Populists can read his letter for themselves. Those Populists who are fighting for principle and for silver can see whether their leaders are trying to carry them.—Bonham News.

During the last three years according to the Report of the Secretary of the Treasury, the volume of currency has been reduced from \$24.00 per capita to \$21.00. This estimate includes the gold that is only in circulation from bank to bank, or in the hands of syndicates and in the treasury held as a reserve to accommodate the money grabbers. As a matter of fact, there is no gold in circulation among the people and this reduces the per capita to about fourteen dollars.

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

—Boggs—"They have a rather good time." May—"Who?" Boggs—"The babies at the orphan asylum."—Princeton Tiger.

—Mr. Swift—"You told me that this horse was without fault, but I notice that one of his eyes is blind." Dealer—"Sure, that's not his fault, nor, it's his misfortune."—Vanity.

—Tommy (surprised)—"Why, papa, I thought that one spoonful of sugar was always enough for my coffee?" Tommy's Papa—"This is a restaurant, my son; take all the sugar you want."—Tit-Bits.

—Yeast—"Did you ever notice how busy the bees are and how indolent the wasps appear to be?" Crimsonbeak—"Well, I can't say that I ever noticed it, but I have often heard of the 'busy bee' and of the 'wasp-like waste.'"—Yonkers Statesman.

—Rastus, you infernal nigger, you told me that mule was perfectly safe, and when I went into the stable he nearly kicked the top of my head off." "Yes, sah; I sayed de mawl wuz safe, sah. But ef yo' kin recollect, I didn't say nuffin' about wedder it was safe in his vicinity. Dat mawl is able enough to be safe anyhow."—Washington Star.

—Diogenes stopped to trim his wick—"Hello!" called an irreverent passer-by, "what se doing out here in broad day with that lantern?" Diogenes regarded his question calmly: "I was looking," he explained, "for a store that didn't have the agency for the only leading bicycle in the world." But for his innocence the irreverent passer-by only laughed him to scorn.—N. Y. World.

—"It's a great relief," remarked Meandering Mike, "ter 'ink dat dere ain't no call for us ter worry 'bout de financial policy er dis country." "Still ye can't help kinder 'inkin' 'bout 'em," replied Plodding Pete, "specially when everybody else is givin' 'emselves up ter it. T'ight down in yer heart, Mike, what metal do yer honestly favor, gold or silver?" "Neider," was the prompt response. "Ez long ez beer is five cents a glass I don't see no use er havin' any'ting but nickel."—Washington Star.

SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

—In New Jersey wheat-raising costs \$20.29 per acre; therefore the Jersey man cultivates vegetables and berries for the markets of New York and Philadelphia.

—The yield of wheat in France, owing to the careful cultivation of the soil and the large quantities of guano and other fertilizers employed is 17 bushels per acre.

—In 1790 were made the first brooms in this country from broom corn grown on American soil. The brooms were made in Philadelphia, and the event was spoken of at the time as an illustration of the development of the country.

—Mr. Mallet investigated the depth of the center of shock in the case of the Calabrian earthquake of 1857 and found it to be nearly six miles, while Dr. Oldham ascertained that the center of the Cachar earthquake in 1862 was 20 miles below the surface.

—Rapid progress is being made on the Great Eastern canal, which is expected to irrigate 250,000 acres in Nance, Platte and Colfax counties, Nebraska. The first five miles have been completed. Five grading machines are at work on the big canal and 14 scrapers.

—A nonpoisonous match has been devised by a French chemist, potassium permanganate and amy acetate being among the inoffensive ingredients. The matches are made easily and without danger, ignite readily, are not liable to explosion when stored in quantity, and have an odor said to be positively agreeable.

—Electric lines in Europe increased in number from 70 to 111 during 1895, their length from 700 to 902 kilometers (560 miles), and the power from 18,130 to 25,995 kilowatts. Germany leads with 406 kilometers, followed by France with 132 and England with 107, and Switzerland fourth with 47. The only countries still free from electric traction are Bulgaria, Greece and Denmark.

—Antistreptococcal serum has led to the forced resignation of one of the laboratory directors of the Paris medical faculty. He has discovered a serum that would cure erysipelas, puerperal fever, etc., which, however, is said not to be so effective as the Mannorick serum, and made his discovery public. A firm of druggists began to manufacture the serum and employed the doctor's laboratory assistant to direct the process; the doctor found this out, but did not dismiss the assistant, and for the breach of professional etiquette has had to resign his place.

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Reported by M. K. Graham, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, Young county, and left with C. W. Putman, 7 miles west of Graham, one blood bay horse, 5 years old, 14 hands high, branded C on left jaw and S on left thigh. Aug. 15, 1896.
Reported by J. T. Hunt, Com. Prec. No. 3, and left with G. M. Durham, One dun blaze faced stockinged horse about 10 or 12 years old branded A.K. on left thigh, collar & saddle marks. This Aug. 10, 1896.
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