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We have opened a plumbing shop first door north of Adams' Studio and are preparing to do all kinds of Sanitary Plumbing and Wind-mill repairing. We are practical plumbers and guarantee satisfaction. Both in price and workmanship. Give us a trial,

The Haskell Plumbing Company
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HOME MISSION

At the annual meeting of the W. H. M. Society of the N. W. Texas Conference held in Corsicana last month the following officers were elected:

- President, Mrs. J. T. Bloodworth, Ft. Worth.
- 1st V-President, Mrs. J. L. Griswald, Stamford.
- 2nd V-President, Mrs. A. F. Bentley, Temple.
- 3rd V-President, Mrs. Jno. B. Bishop, Ft. Worth.
- Cor. Sec., Mrs. N. G. Rollins, Aspermont.
- Treasurer, Mrs. D. L. Stephens, Anson.
- Supt. reading course, Mrs. J. R. Milam, Waco.
- Press Supt., Mrs. Kate Sims, Gordon.
- Mrs. Steele of Anson, Auditor.

Waxahachie is to entertain the conference next year.

Friday June 11, is the regular business meeting of this auxiliary. A short prayer service will be held and some urgent business attended to.

The social meeting which was to have been held last week with Mrs. Lemmons has been postponed indefinitely.

The Alabama Conference has free circulating library of 37 Home Mission Books.

Mrs. McDonnell, General Secretary of the H. M. S. who accompanied Miss Bennett, have returned from a trip to the Pacific slope. They leave Nashville at once to attend the Conferences along the Atlantic coast.

Press Reporter.

LOW RATES FOR SUMMER SCHOOL.

The Abilene Business College is making the greatest reduction in rates for its SUMMER SCHOOL that has never been made in this country and a large number of our young people should take advantage of these splendid terms and educate themselves for Business and Profit while they can at so reasonable a cost.

They secure Board for their students in the best and nicest families at \$12.50 to 15.00 per month.

All Barneses that are usually taught in a first class Business College are taught here in the most practical manner.

We maintain a high standard for graduation in all Depts. and our students have our guarantee backing up their qualifications.

In order to increase our already heavy Summer attendance we have put on special rates for the Summer Months and it will pay you to write us if you are at all interested in any course we teach.

We get positions for all our qualified graduates.

WRITE NOW.
Abilene Business College,
Abilene, Texas.
Mention "Summer Rates"

ELECTRICAL STORM

Visits Haskell and Surrounding Towns Thursday Night at 8:30.

SIX PERSONS KILLED.

Many Houses blown off their Foundations and Crops badly damaged.

Haskell was visited by an electric storm Thursday night which lasted from about 8:30 o'clock till about 1 o'clock. Out houses were torn up and electric wires blown

Wears Longer or No Pay Here's Another Offer

Paint half of your house with lead and oil; the other half with Devoe lead and zinc. In three years the lead and oil half will need repainting. While the Devoe half will be about like new. If not we will give you the paint for the whole house.

MCNEILL & SMITH Hwd. Co.
HASKELL, TEXAS.

Where you will find a full line of the above paints, also the largest and best line of Wall Paper in Haskell county.

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We Ask for Your BUSINESS

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down, and the South Ward School house partly unroofed.

Mr. R. S. Middleton who lives 3 1-2 m's. northeast of town with his family went to his dugout, and during the storm it caved in killed his wife and four children and Miss Maggie Bishop a school teacher who was visiting the family. Mr. Middleton and his two little boys and a little girl escaped with slight injuries. The bodies of the victims were exhumed Friday morning and prepared for burial. We saw Mr. Middleton and his three children when they came to town for medical treatment. Their home was blown away and they lost everything they possessed.

Haskell Flooded water 3 feet deep in North East Part of Town. SEVERAL DROWNED.

LATER--Friday evening Haskell county was visited by rain, hail and wind that went through roofs, blown in stone walls, killed people and stock, wrecked houses, destroyed crops, trees and every tiny living thing. The reckage around our homes and that of our employees precludes a detailed statement, besides we must go to press.

The Storm at WEINERT

The brick store of Jno. E. Robertson at Weinert was badly damaged. The northeast corner and part of the adjacent walls were blown down below the ceiling. The damage to his stock was slight.

Mr. Rickelman's ware house of that city fell in on his stock of buggies and damaged them considerably. Many crops of cotton were destroyed by the high winds. Corn, Milo Maze, Sorghum and Kaffir Corn damaged.

The rain has been general over this county. It is reported here by phone that the Passenger train of the Orient was lifted off of the bridge Thursday and turned over, nothing but the engine left on the track. The engine cut loose and went to Knox City to get assistance. We learn that there were five persons killed.

HASKELL FREE PRESS

OSCAR MARTIN, Publisher

HASKELL, TEXAS

A Parisian scientist declares that the secret of life is simply a plain matter of chemistry. Thus is triumphantly vindicated on natural principles the much-maligned chemical blonde.

This scare about peroxide blondes being germ-infested to such an extent that deadly danger lurks in their kisses, is supposed to have been started by their jealous brunette sisters.

The conviction of those 13 barrels of whisky at Cincinnati for not being what they pretended to be establishes a dangerous precedent. Suppose they should begin trying men on the same charge?

Another American heiress is to marry a foreign nobleman. Now that they are framing up a new tariff, why not protect our own marriageable young men by putting in a stiff prohibitive duty on coronets?

A New York milliner declares that she has never seen a suffragette wear a fashionable hat. Taking the fashionable hat of this spring as a basis from which to reason, this is a splendid compliment to the suffragette.

Persian nationalists are appealing to the civilized world to force the deposition of the shah. The ideas of representative government and of the abolition of absolutism are catching, even in the conservative east.

Of course navies are built for fighting, but let us not forget the great service they perform in impressing our size and importance upon the other nations of the earth. "We don't want to fight, but by Jingo if we do," etc.

It may be true, as the London Times says, that England has an inventor who can fly much better than the Wrights, "if he wants to," but this sort of aeronauting wouldn't win a prize at any county fair that we ever heard of.

It is expected by French scientists that a photographic map of the skies will show between thirty and forty million stars. The stage, according to the stellar outburst annually announced, is running the firmament rather hard.

Pittsburg churches have taken up the matter of abolishing pew rent and have made considerable progress along that line. Those that have tried the experiment claim their receipts are larger and their opportunity for doing good correspondingly expanded.

The old saying that "Potatoes make a mighty good fence around a flour barrel" ceases to hold good since the price of "spuds" has gone soaring up ward with the price of wheat. Dandelion greens remain stationary, but who wants to eat greens without side meat or bacon?

People who believe that English is likely to become the language of the world will find confirmation for their opinion in the fact that President Manuel Estrada Cabrera of Guatemala has signed a decree making the study of English compulsory in the primary schools of that republic.

Indians and cowboys, going to exhibitions, delighted London crowds by war-whoops and cries as they passed through the streets. This performance will leave an abiding impression upon many London minds that the average street life in the United States is of the same vociferous kind.

Down in Maine the long-veiled question whether eels breed like other fish or lay large eggs like snakes has been settled by the discovery of spawn in one. For a fish that has been so largely used as food the eel has strangely escaped both scientific investigation and legal protection.

Whatever else may happen, there is a significance in recent occurrences in the east which cannot be misrepresented. An enlightened world has decreed the downfall of autocracy, and every despot, great or small, will act the part of wisdom in recognizing the fact and governing himself accordingly.

Of course there will be many opinions as to the militant preacher in Texas that thumped a bully who had made a practice of cursing the dominie on sight. But even the turn-the-other-cheek non-combatives have a sneaking satisfaction that the abusive sinner did not have to wait until reaching the next world before getting what was coming to him.

A hypothetical question of 31,000 words has been ruled out by the Massachusetts court which was trying a murder case on the ground that it is too long. It is not surprising that it was ruled out, but it is surprising that counsel ever proposed to put such a question. No lawyer would ever devise a question that would fill three or four pages of a newspaper.

The man after whom Clark street in Chicago was named walked down that busy thoroughfare last week. Ninety-two years of age, he had not seen Chicago since it was called Skunk village. He found many changes. Some of them must have filled him with admiration and amazement. But as he surveyed the town's dirty streets and smelled its packing house odors, he must have wondered why the inhabitants went to the trouble of changing the name.

ELEVEN BODIES FOUND AT BOTTOM OF LAKE

RESULT OF PLATFORM COLLAPSE WITH EXCURSIONISTS ON LAKE PONCHARTRAIN.

RESIDENTS OF NEW ORLEANS

Drowning Occurs When Passengers Attempted to Board the Steamer.

Mandeville, La., June 8.—Up to an early hour last night eleven bodies had been recovered from the waters of Lake Ponchartrain at the scene of Sunday's disastrous collapse of a small platform upon which scores of excursionists had crowded to board the Steamer Margaret about to return to New Orleans.

As far as can be learned no other persons are missing, but searching parties continued to drag the lake until late Monday night. A revised list of the dead shows that all of the victims were residents of New Orleans. The responsibility for the catastrophe has not been fixed, but a rigid inquiry has been instituted by the authorities of St. Tammany Parish, in which Mandeville is situated, and in New Orleans, where the company, which owns the Margaret, is domiciled, and where Capt. William M. Nelhyssel, the boat's master, took out his license as a pilot.

The Ponchartrain Transportation Company, which owns the vessel, denied all responsibility for the accident. They declared that the wharf gave away under the weight of the large number of people upon it.

TEXAS-OKLAHOMA CROPS.

Conditions Compared With Last Year—Ranges Very Poor to Fancy.

Dallas: Reports from 625 correspondents written June 2, show the acreage in cotton to be 162.7 in Texas and 83.1 in Oklahoma, with condition of 94.2 in Texas and 120.5 in Oklahoma, all comparisons being with same time last year, and not with normal. The reports are summarized by districts as follows:

	Comp. with 1909	Area	Cond.	Total
	Acres	Sq. Miles	Index	1909
East Texas	195.5	107.7	355,320	
North Texas	194.5	112.8	673,859	
Central Texas	101.3	101.9	1,178,454	
South Texas	96.2	84.6	346,431	
N. W. Texas	96.0	85.2	271,175	
Mid. West Tex.	168.3	74.3	644,109	
S. W. Texas	103.3	72.2	291,141	
Panhandle, etc.	103.5	90.4	53,986	
All Texas	102.7	94.2	3,814,485	
Oklahoma	83.1	120.5	696,752	

Crop conditions in Texas are not only spotted, but they run in streaks—a streak of lean and a streak of fat as it were. In Eastern Texas, as a rule, and all along the Red River belt, conditions are not only better than last year, but in many counties are better than they have been for many years. These good conditions extend well out into the black land belt in North Texas and in Central Texas. Farther west, in a region of which Dallas is central, conditions remain below par because of insufficient moisture; again, in such counties as Palo Pinto, Erath and Hood, drouths still prevail. Farther west comes a streak in which conditions are rather good, and in which there has been more rainfall than yet farther west. In the northern Panhandle country, which had the advantage of snows, crop conditions are fair to good in some counties.

MOTHER KILLS CHILDREN.

Takes Own Life After Slaying Daughter and Two Sons.

Richland, Navarro Co., Tex., June 7.—Mrs. J. M. Green, who lives about one mile east of here, killed her three children—a girl aged twelve and two boys aged seven and three—by cutting their throats with a razor and then cut her own throat. This happened about 3:30 or 4 o'clock Sunday morning.

It appears that the children died immediately and that the woman only lived about fifteen minutes.

Mr. and Mrs. Nell, next-door neighbors, spent the night at Mrs. Green's. She did not awaken until Mrs. Green had killed her children and was in the act of killing herself, which she did before they could prevent.

One Dead; Several Injured.

Dallas: One life was lost in the fire that gutted the three-story Knight Building, on Elm and Harwood streets, early Sunday morning. Several persons were seriously injured by leaping from the second and third stories of the rooming house. At least three of these are believed to have sustained fatal injuries.

Texas Butter to Chicago.

Gainesville: The Gainesville Creamery Company Monday shipped a solid car load of butter to Chicago, which was all fresh and in good condition. The car contained 26,815 pounds, for which the creamery received \$6,793.75.

Texas Opticians Hold Meeting.

Dallas: The sixth annual session of the Texas Opticians' Association began at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning in the rooms of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce.

TEXAS NEWS HAPPENINGS

The Trinity and Brazos Valley is preparing to open a new gravel pit about two and a half miles from Waxahachie.

The Turner Richardson farm, north-east of McCoy, consisting of 1,600 acres, has been sold by E. R. Parks to Dr. W. J. Thurmond for \$61,000.

Henry Milan and his 6-year-old son were cremated Saturday night on W. M. Linville's farm near Hereford. The lamp exploded, setting fire to the house.

The town of Shepherd Wednesday night at 11 o'clock was visited by night riders who bent and severely injured an inoffensive colored citizen named Ed Dirden.

Cash wheat reached the highest price on change Thursday in St. Louis, ever touched since the Civil War. A car of No. 2 red winter brought \$1.65, a price never reached in the market since 1868.

From now on the supply of strawberries will be light, but blackberries are now in their prime, and constitute one of the market's features. The supply will probably not be abundant after this week.

A call has been issued for a meeting of the Old Settlers' Association at the Court House in Marlin on July 3. All who were citizens of Falls County on the first day of January, 1887, are eligible to membership.

The State Examiner and Inspector's report upon the condition of the Oklahoma State banking department made known Wednesday shows that the State depositors' guaranty fund amounts to \$302,489.20.

Texas sheep men are repeating a harvest, wool is selling at record-breaking prices, perhaps the highest in twenty years, more buyers are in Texas than for many years and all are eagerly competing for the unsold wool.

Work began Wednesday on the new Fort Worth and Denver depot in Amarillo. The structure will be of red pressed brick, 164 feet long by 43 feet wide, one story high with basement and will cost \$30,000.

The lease contract between the city of Galveston and the county of Galveston relative to the lying of the city's duplicate water main on and in the causeway structure, has been fully and formally entered into.

The ex-Confederates and Old Settlers' Reunion and Picnic Association of Collin County has been chartered, its purpose being to maintain a public park. The annual meeting of the association will be held this year, August 18, 19 and 20.

About a dozen potato buyers are in Texas from Omaha, St. Louis, Chicago and other points for the purpose of buying up the potato crop. The farmers, it is understood, will not be satisfied with anything less than \$1 per bushel for this year's crop.

Governor Campbell Friday announced the appointment of Capt. E. A. Bolmes as long been chief pension clerk in the Controller's Department and is thoroughly familiar with the pension system and the pension roll of Texas.

To bring the coffin containing the body of William Penn, which now reposes in a practically abandoned cemetery in Bucklebury, England, to this country and have it interred on the banks of the Delaware river, is the object of a movement just launched in congress.

One of the largest deals in real estate made in recent years in the Panhandle was consummated in Canyon City when Harrison, McAfee & Co. of this city sold the Fines & Crews ranch in Cochran County to a syndicate of Illinois capitalists. The ranch consists of 33,633 acres and the consideration was \$291,708.

While Sidney Wood and Frank Boutin, two small boys, were handling a pistol Saturday afternoon at Greenville the weapon was accidentally discharged and the bullet struck young Wood just below the heart.

Since Jan. 1 a dealer has been shipping from Decatur at the rate of 200 crates of eggs per month, and other shipments are being made by other dealers. Upward of \$1,000 per month is coming to the diversificationists of this section from poultry products alone.

Another extensive ride for officers of the army is being planned at the War College in Washington to take place in the Gettysburg battlefield and the ground covered by the two armies in the campaign that ended the invasion of the North by Lee's army.

At the Santa Fe offices in Amarillo it is said that work will begin immediately on the Santa Fe extension from Texico, N. M., to Coleman, Tex., the contract for which was let yesterday to the C. H. Sharp Contracting Company of Kansas City.

Adolph Toff, 28 years of age, a prominent contractor and resident of Argenta, Ark., was shot by Policeman George Carr of the Argenta police force, following a dispute over a dog license, and died Sunday.

R. B. Cousins, State Superintendent of Public Instruction at Austin, gave out a statement Wednesday in which he treats with the public schools of the State, and their condition at the close of a year's work. Incidentally he makes an appeal for better salaries for teachers.

GOOD NEWS EPI TOMIZED

HAPPENINGS OF UNUSUAL INTEREST TO OUR READERS, IN READABLE SHAPE

BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

If It Was of Sufficient Importance You Will Find It Recorded Here.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

At a conference in Washington, Friday, of the State and provincial boards of health of North America one of the chief matters taken up was the plan to have congress appropriate \$1,000,000 for a great national leproisarium where all known lepers in the country may be taken care of by the government.

Gen. Arthur Fridge, Adjutant General for the State of Mississippi, is authority for the statement that the War Department at Washington is figuring on the possibility of again sending regulars into Cuba within ninety days.

Delevan Smith and Charles R. Williams, owners of the Indianapolis News, were before Judge Anderson, United States Court, of Indianapolis, Tuesday, resisting removal to District of Columbia on indictments charging them with having committed criminal libel in articles intimating there was an enormous graft in the purchase by the United States of the Panama Canal zone.

An interesting event at the White House Tuesday was the opening of the Yukon-Alaska-Pacific Exposition at Seattle by President Taft. He touched a solid gold key, ornamented with gold nuggets from Alaska, transmitting the electric spark that started the machinery in the Exposition grounds.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

The first warm days of summer have been marked in St. Petersburg by an alarming increase of cholera.

A party of ten young ladies left Ft. Worth Thursday to make a European trip of about four months. The trip will include France, England, Switzerland and Germany.

Beginning at 2:46 and continuing until 5:02 o'clock Friday morning, seismographs at the observatory here registered intense seismic disturbances at Manila.

The contract for the construction of the Santa Fe extension from Clovis, N. M., to Coleman, Tex., was let Friday. The road will be 176 miles long. The cost will be close to \$1,500,000.

Olle Waiters, aged 30, single, a brakeman in the employ of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway, was killed Wednesday morning in Waco by falling from a freight train beneath the wheels.

While in bathing at the E. E. Endelle farm Sunday, near Gonzales, Lucile Schelyer, the 12-year-old daughter of Mrs. Oscar Schelyer, was swept off by a current. Her body has not been recovered.

Two thousand feet of the Neva grain docks at Fort Costa, on the bay at San Francisco, in which all the grain for California for foreign ports is loaded, burned Monday. The loss is estimated at more than \$1,000,000.

Oil mill superintendents to the number of about two hundred met in annual convention at Hotel Denechoud, New Orleans, Wednesday. They represent the mechanical end of the great cotton industry of the South.

A free barbecue, with music, oratory and all sorts of amusements, was given Thursday by the Retail Merchants' Association of Waco, over 10,000 people attending, all of whom were served with abundance of food and entertained with automobile, motorcycle and horse races.

Battling Nelson of Illinois knocked out Dick Hyland of California Saturday afternoon in the twenty-third round of a scheduled forty-five-round bout in San Francisco.

A terrific wind and rainstorm visited Nacogdoches Tuesday, doing considerable damage there in the city and causing a great loss to the crops.

A \$202,000 Jefferson County refunding bond issue was approved by assistant Attorney General Sluder in Austin Monday. The bonds are for courthouse bridge and road improvement purposes.

Hon. Burtford Isaacs, City Attorney of Abilene, was in Austin Tuesday and secured the approval by the Attorney General and registration by the Attorney General of \$40,000 of Abilene city school building bonds.

Two localities in Texas are to be the scenes of a new plan in colonization, association, according to a report from Rome. An Italian syndicate will establish in the middle part of the State two agricultural colonies, each composed of 100 families, or about 1,000 in all, brought directly from the agricultural districts of Northern Italy.

Wills Point's public auditorium is about completed and the city is the possessor of a comfortable building, well finished, and which will accommodate any number of people likely to come together for some years.

When communication was resumed Monday with the stricken area of Saturday's Tornado in Oklahoma, it was learned that fourteen persons had lost their lives. The country over which the tornado swept is inhabited almost entirely by negroes. The fatalities and financial loss fell almost entirely upon them.

W. E. Dean, an old resident of Cleburne, shot himself in the stomach Wednesday with a muzzle-loading shotgun and died immediately.

A natural gas supply for Ft. Worth is promised by the Lone Star Gas Company of Fort Worth, for which a charter was issued in Austin Friday.

The National Retail Grocers' Association met in Portland, Ore., Wednesday in annual convention, with nearly 50 delegates, representing fifty-one States, present.

July 28, 29 and 30 are the dates definitely decided upon for the first reunion of the Panhandle U. C. V. Association. This session will be held at Amarillo.

Edgar Turner, of Justin, Saturday sold 900 bushels of wheat, which he raised on sixty acres near here, to the Burrus Mill and Elevator Company for \$15.7 per bushel.

In one of the hottest local elections ever held in the county, Alice, at a local option election Saturday, voted prohibition by a majority of 11 out of 185 votes cast.

Former Representative J. L. Crawford of Bridgeport, confirms the report the second vein of coal of a very superior quality has been discovered at a depth of about three hundred feet.

In another flight in his aeroplane at Brownsville, Friday, Prentiss Newman sailed through the air a quarter of a mile with perfect control of the machine and alighted without a jar.

Ernest Edwards, 21 years of age, who had been employed at a gravel pit near Plover, was struck and killed by a train on the Frisco at an early hour Tuesday morning. The body was mangled.

Watermelons are coming. Advices were received Wednesday from South Texas to the effect that the melons are already moving and that before the end of the week receipts may be expected in Dallas.

Friday morning Austin was visited by a heavy electrical storm, accompanied by a high wind and much rain. The wind was severe and did considerable damage. All over Austin trees were blown down.

Jack Clifford, who was knocked out by Battling Nelson in five rounds in Ogden, Jan. 13, last, is to be the opponent of the lightweight champion in a twenty-round fight arranged for Oklahoma City, June 22.

Persons returning from the Colorado River, where they have been fishing, report that during the rise the river has been on during the past week, hundreds of fish were seen floating down the stream, dead.

Albert T. Patrick's application for a writ of habeas corpus releasing him from Sing Sing prison where he is under life sentence for the murder of William Marsh Rice, was denied by the appellate division of the supreme court in Brooklyn Friday.

A successful flight was made Wednesday by Prentice A. Newman, inventor of the Brownsville aeroplane, in the presence of a large crowd. As the aeroplane has not yet been equipped with a motor, an automobile was used to tow it.

The growing crop of cotton on May 25 was 81.1 per cent of the normal condition, against 79.7 one year ago, and a ten year average of 81.4. The area planted this year is about 95.6 per cent of the area planted in cotton last year and aggregates about 31,918,000 acres, a decrease of 1,452,000 acres or 4.4 per cent from the bureau's revised estimate of last year's planted area.

The report of the Controller of the Currency shows that during the forty-three years, 1855 to 1907, inclusive, the average annual individual deposits with National banks aggregated \$65,763,310,417 and that the total losses to depositors of National banks during that period totaled \$49,911,533, or, in other words, the ratio of loss to deposits of National banks through insolvency was .073 of 1 per cent of the total deposits.

The strike of the motormen and conductors of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, which began last Saturday morning, is now in progress of settlement, and those having the matter in charge confidently assert that it will be brought to a close within a few days.

Although Ballinger has been entitled to city mail for three years past, its postal receipts having exceeded \$10,000 per year for that period, application for such service was not filed with the Postoffice Department until Tuesday.

In the annual readjustment of the salaries of Texas postmasters there have been increases in 139 cities and decreases in but twenty.

The committee appointed by the Methodist denominations of Haskell has completed the plans for a \$25,000 church and submitted same to the contractors for bids on the construction of the building.

E. T. Bade was electrocuted in some unexplained manner Tuesday, in Houston, by coming in contact with a cash register that is operated with electricity.

The International and Great Northern Railroad will put auditors on their passenger trains within a few days, according to a report current in railroad circles.

The Chilean Congress was reconvened Tuesday. President Montt's message, which was read, indicated that cordial relations existed between Chile and the whole world.

Confirmation is said to be apparent at Austin of the San Antonio report that E. H. Harriman is to build a line direct from San Antonio to the City of Mexico down the East Coast.

Starch, like everything else, is being constantly improved, the patent Starches put on the market 25 years ago are very different and inferior to those of the present day. In the latest discovery—Defiance Starch—all injurious chemicals are omitted, while the addition of another ingredient, invented by us, gives to the Starch a strength and smoothness never approached by other brands.

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THE LION'S SHARE

BY OCTAVE THANET
AUTHOR OF THE MAN OF THE HOUR

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SYNOPSIS.

The story opens at Harvard where Col. Rupert Winter, U. S. A., visiting, saw the suicide of young Mercer. He met Cary Mercer, brother of the dead student. Three years later, in Chicago, in 1906, Col. Winter overheard Cary Mercer apparently planning to kidnap Archie, the colonel's ward, and to gain possession of Aunt Rebecca Winter's millions. A Miss Smith was mentioned, apparently as a conspirator. Winter unexpectedly met a relative, Mrs. Millicent Melville, who told him that his Aunt Rebecca, Archie and the latter's nurse, Miss Janet Smith, were to leave for the west with the colonel and Mrs. Melville. A great financial magnate was aboard the train on which Col. Winter met his Aunt Rebecca, Miss Smith and Archie. He set his orderly, Sergt. Haley, to watch over Cary Mercer. Col. Winter learned that the financial magnate is Edwin S. Keatchum. On approaching Cary Mercer, the colonel was snubbed. Winter, aided by Archie, cleverly frustrated a hold-up on the train. He took a great liking to Miss Smith, despite her alleged connection with the kidnaping plot, which he had not yet revealed to his relatives. The party arrived in San Francisco. It was thought that there were big persons behind the hold-up gang. Archie mysteriously disappeared. Fruitless search was conducted for Archie. Blood in a nearby room at the hotel caused fears for the boy's life. No headway was made in the search for Archie. The lad's voice was heard over the telephone, however, and a minute later a woman's voice—that of Miss Smith. Col. Winter and a detective set out for the empty mansion, owned by Arnold, a Harvard graduate. They were met with a terrible detonation, indicating an explosion within. The party rushed into the house.

CHAPTER VIII.—Continued.

"I am not often mistaken in people," was the colonel's rather oblique answer, "and I think you are a gentleman who might kill me if you had a chance, but would not break his word to me. If you will promise to play fair with us, do no harm to my nephew, take this letter and bring me an answer—if you find any one—on your word of honor as a Japanese soldier and gentleman, you may go; we will not signal the police. Is it a bargain?"

The Jap gravely assented, still in the language of the east, "saving his face" by the declaration of the absence of his principals. And he went off as gracefully and courteously as if only the highest civilities had passed between them.

"Won't he try some skin game on us?" the detective questioned; but Winter only motioned toward the telephone desk. "Listen at it," he said, "you can tell if the wires are cut; and he knows your men are outside hiding, somewhere; he doesn't know how many. You see, we have the advantage of them there; to be safe they don't dare to let many people into their secret. We can have a whole gang. We haven't many, but they may think we have."

Birdsall, who had lifted the receiver to his ear, laid it down with an appeased nod. Immediately he proceeded to satisfy his professional conscience by a search in every nook and cranny of the apartment. But no result appeared important enough to justify the production of his red morocco note-book and his fountain-pen. He had paused in disgust when the colonel sat up suddenly, erect in his chair; his keener ears had caught some sound which made him dart to all the windows in succession. He called Haley (whom he had posted outside to guard the door) and dispatched him across the hall to reconnoiter. "I am sure it was the sound of wheels," he explained, "but Haley will be too late; we are on the wrong side of the house."

As he spoke the buzz of an electric bell jarred their ears. "Somebody is coming in the front door," hazarded Birdsall.

"Evidently," returned the colonel, dryly. "How can our absent friends get in otherwise—at least how can they let us understand they have come in? I think we are going to have the pleasure of an interview with the elusive Mr. Mercer."

They waited. The colonel motioned Birdsall to a seat by the table, within breathing distance of the telephone. He himself fidgeted the loose journals and magazines, his ironic smile creasing his cheek. "Our Japanese friend reads the newspapers," he remarked. "Here are to-day's papers; yes, Examiner and Chronicle, unfolded and smoked over. Cigar, too, not cigarette, for here is a stump—decidedly our cherry-blossom friends are getting civilized!"

"Oh, there is somebody in here all right," grunted Birdsall. "Say, colonel, you are sure Mrs. Winter has had no answer to her ad? No kind of idea about sending money?"

"I haven't seen her for a few hours, but I saw Mrs. Melville Winter; she was positive no word had come. She thought my aunt was more worried than she would admit, and Miss Smith looked pale, although she seemed hopeful."

"She didn't really want to give me the letter, I thought," said the detective. The colonel gave him no reply save a black look. A silence fell. A footfall outside broke it, a firm, in no wise stealthy footfall. Birdsall slipped his hand inside his coat. The colonel rose and bowed gravely to Cary Mercer.

On his part, Mercer was not in the least flurried; he looked at the two men, not with the arrogant suspicion which had stung Winter on the train, but with the melancholy courtesy of

his bearing at Cambridge, three years before.

"This, I think, is Col. Winter?" he said, returning the bow, but not extending his hand, which hung down, slack and empty, at his side.

"I am glad you recognized me this time, Mr. Mercer."

"I am sorry that I did not recognize you before," answered Mercer. "Will you gentlemen be seated? I am not the owner of the house nor his son; I am not even a friend, only a casual acquaintance of the young man, but I seem to be rather in the position of host, so will you be seated, and may I offer you some Scotch and Shasta—Mr.—ah—"

"Mr. Horatio Birdsall of the Birdsall & Gwen Detective Agency," interposed Winter. Birdsall bowed. Mercer bowed. "Excuse me if I decline for us both; our time is limited—no, thank you, not a cigar, either. Now, Mr. Mercer, to come to the point, I want my nephew. I understand he is in this house."

"You are quite mistaken," Mercer responded, with unshaken calm. "He is not."

"Where is he, then?"

"I do not know, Col. Winter. What I should recommend is for you to go back to the Palace, and if you do not find him there—why, come and shoot us up again!" His eye strayed for a second to the blackened, reeking mass on the great stone hearth.

"Have you sent him home? Is that what you mean to imply?"

"I imply nothing, colonel; I don't dare to with such strenuous fighters as you gentlemen; only go and see, and if you do find the young gentleman has had no ill treatment, no scare—only a little adventure such as boys like, I hope you will come out here, or wherever I may be, and have that cigar you are refusing."

The colonel was frankly puzzled. He couldn't quite focus his wits on this bravado which had nothing of the bravo about it, in fact, had a tinge of wastefulness in its quiet. One would have said the man regretted his compulsory attitude of antagonism; that he wanted peace.

Mercer smiled faintly. "You ought to know by this time when a man is lying, colonel," he continued, "but I will go further. I may have done plenty of wrong things in my life, some things, maybe, which the law might call a crime; but I have never done anything which would debar me from passing my word of honor as a gentleman; nor any one else from taking it. I give you my word of honor that I have meant and I do mean no slightest harm to Archie Winter; and that, while I do not know where he is at this speaking, I believe you will find him safe under your aunt's protection when you get back to the Palace."

"Call up the Palace hotel, Mr. Birdsall," was the colonel's reply. "Mr. Mercer, I do not distrust that you are speaking exactly, but you know your Shakespeare; and there are promises which keep their word to the ear but break it to the sense."

"I don't wonder at your mistake; but you are mistaken, suh."

Birdsall was phlegmatically ringing up Mrs. Winter, having the usual experience of the rash person who intrudes his paltry needs on the complex workings of a great hotel system.

"No, I don't know the number, I haven't the book here, but you know, Palace hotel. Well, give me information, then—Busy? Well, give me another information, then—yes, I want the Palace hotel—Palace—yes, yes, Palace hotel; yes, certainly. Yes? Mrs. Archibald Winter. Yes—line busy? Well, hold on until it is disengaged. Say, Miss Furber, that you? This is Birdsall & Gwen. Yes. Give me Mrs. Winter, will you, 337? This Mrs. Winter? Oh! When will she be back? Is Mrs. Melville Winter in? Well, Miss Smith in? She's gone, too? Has Master Archibald got back, yet, to the hotel? Hasn't? Thank you—eh?" in answer to the colonel's interruption. "What say, colonel?"

"Tell her to call up this number," the colonel read it out of the telephone book—"when Master Archie does get back, will you? I am afraid, Mr. Mercer, that you will have to allow us to trespass on your hospitality for a little longer."

He suspected that Mercer was annoyed, although he answered lightly enough: "As you please, Col. Winter. I am sure you will hear very soon. Now, there is another matter, your machine; I understand you left it outside. Will you ring for Kito, colonel? Under the circumstances you may prefer to do your own ringing. I will ask him to attend to the car."

The colonel made proper acknowledgments. He was thinking that had Mercer cared to confiscate the motor he would have done it without ringing; on the other hand, did he desire some special intercourse with his relative, wherein, under their very noses, he could issue his orders—well, perhaps they might get a whiff of the secret themselves were he allowed to try. At present the game baffled him. Therefore he nodded to Birdsall's



"Yes, Suh, I Got Your Aunt Herself," Responded Mercer.

puckered face behind Mercer's shoulder. And he rang the bell.

The Jap answered it with suspicious alacrity.

"Kito," said Mercer, "will you attend to Gen. Winter's car? Bring it up to the court."

Absolutely harmless, to all appearances, but Birdsall, from his safe position behind master and man, looked shrewd suspicion at the soldier.

"Shall your man in the hall go with him?" asked Mercer.

The colonel shook his head. "No," he said, quietly, "we have other men outside if he needs help. Call Skid, please." But when Birdsall attempted to get central there was no response. The colonel merely shrugged his shoulders, although Birdsall frowned with vexation. "What a pity!" said Winter, softly. "Now, the fellows will come when the time is up; we can't call them off."

Mercer smiled faintly. "There are two more telephones in the house," he observed. "You can call off your dogs easily any time you wish. Also you can hear from the Palace. Will you come upstairs with me? I assure you I have not the least intention to harm you or the honest sergeant."

"You take the first trick, Mercer," said the colonel. "I supposed the bell was your signal to have the wires cut. But about going; no, I think we will stay here. There is a door out on the court which, if you will open—thank you. A charming prospect! Excuse me if I send Haley out there; and may I go myself?"

Anticipating the answer, he stepped under the low mission lintel into a fairy-like Californian court or patio of pepper trees and palms and a moss-grown fountain. There was the usual colonnade with a stone seat running round the wall. Mercer, smiling, motioned to one of them. "I wish I could convince you, colonel, that you are in no need of that plaything in your hand, and that you are going to dine with your boy—isn't he a fine fellow?"

The colonel did not note either his admission that he had seen Archie, nor a curious warning of his tone; he had stiffened and grown rigid like a man who receives a blow which he will not admit. He stole a glance at the detective and met an atrocious smirk of complacency. They both had caught a glimpse of a figure flitting into a door of the court. They both had seen a woman's profile and a hand holding a little steel tool which had ends like an alligator's nose. And both men had recognized Miss Smith.

CHAPTER IX.

The Agent of the Fireless Stove.

The time was two hours later. Rupert Winter was sitting on one of the stone benches of the colonnade about the patio. The court was suffused with the golden glow presaging sunset. Warm afternoon shadows lay along the flags; waving silhouettes of leafage or plant; blurred reflections from the bold bas-reliefs of Spanish warriors and Spanish priests sculptured between the spandrels of the arches.

more than you do, Mr. Birdsall," he said; "you won't believe me, suh, but I am right worried."

"Of course I believe you," purred the detective, so softly that the colonel knew he did not believe any more than Mercer suspected. "Of course, I believe you; but I don't know what to do. It ain't on the map. I guess it's up to you to throw a little light. I've called the boys off twice already and told 'em to wait an hour or a half-hour longer. I got to see the colonel."

"I can trust my intuitions, or I can trust the circumstantial evidence," thought the colonel. He jumped up and began to pace the court.

"Seems to be like a game of bridge before one can see the dummy," he complained; and, as so often happens in the crises of life, a trivial illustration struck a wavering mind with the force of an argument. His thoughts reverted whimsically to the card-table; how many times had he hesitated over the first lead between evenly balanced suits of four; and how often had he regretted or won, depending solely upon whether his card instinct had been denied or obeyed! It might be instinct, this much-discussed "card instinct," or it might be a summing up of logical deductions so swift that the obscure steps were lost, and the reasoner was unconscious of his own logical processes. "Now," growled Rupert Winter, "I am up against it. She looks like a good woman; she seems like a good woman; but I have only my impressions and Aunt Rebecca's against the apparent facts in the case. Well, Aunt Rebecca is a shrewd one!" He sat down and thought harder. Finally he rose, smiling. He had threshed out his problem; and his conclusion, inaudibly but very distinctly uttered to himself, was: "Me for my own impressions! If that girl is in with this gang, either what they are after isn't so bad—or they have made her believe it isn't bad."

He looked idly about him at the arched doorway of the outer court. It was carved with a favorite mission design of eight-pointed flowers with vase-like fluting below. There was a tiny crack in one of the flowers, the tiniest crack in the world. He looked at it without seeing it, or seeing it with only the outer half of his senses, but—he could not help told how—into his effort to pierce his own tangle there crept a sudden interest, a sudden keenness of scrutiny of this minute, insignificant crack in the stone. He became aware that the crack was singularly regular, preserving the form of the flower and the fluting beneath. Kito, the Japanese, who was sitting at the far end of the court, conversing in amity with Haley, just here rose and came to this particular pillar. The Irishman sat alone, rimmed by the sunset gold, little spangles of notes drifting about him; for the merest second Winter's glance lingered on him ere it went to the Jap, who passed him, courteously saluting.

After he had passed, the colonel looked again at the column and the crack—it was not there.

"Chito, chito!" muttered the colonel. Carelessly he approached the column and took the same posture as the Jap. Unobtrusively his fingers strayed over the stone. He scratched the surface; not stone, but cement. He tapped cautiously, keeping his hand well hidden by his body; no hollow sound rewarded him; but all at once his groping fingers touched a little round object under the bold point of an eight-pointed flower. He didn't dare press on it; instead he resumed his cautious tapping. He glanced about him. Save for Haley he was alone in the patio. He pressed on the round white knob, and what he had half expected happened: A segment of the column swung on inner hinges, disclosing the hollow center of the engaged columns on either side. He looked down. Nothing but darkness was visible, but while he stood, tensely holding his breath, his abnormally sensitive auricular nerve caught distinctly the staccato breath of that kind of sigh which is like a groan, and a voice said more wearily than angrily: "Oh, damn it all!"

Almost simultaneously, he heard the faint footfalls of the men within; he must replace his movable flower. The column was intact, and he was bending his frowning brows on the stylobate of another when Birdsall and Mercer entered together, Mercer, with a shrug of his shoulders at the detective's dogged suspicion, preceding the latter.

"Well," said the colonel, "did you get my aunt?"

"Yes, suh, I got your aunt herself," responded Mercer, with his Virginian survival of the formal civility of an earlier generation. "Yes, suh; but I regret to say Archie is not there."

"Where is he?" The soldier's voice was curt.

"Honestly," declared Mercer, "I wish I knew, suh, I certainly do. But— Mercer's jaw fell; he turned sharply at the soft whir of an electric stanhope gently entering the patio through the great arched gateway. It stopped abreast of the group, and its only occupant, a handsome young man,

jumped nimbly out of the vehicle. He greeted them with a polite removal of his cap, a bow, and a flashing smile which made the circuit of the beholders. Birdsall and the colonel recognized the traveling enthusiast of the Fireless Stove.

The colonel took matters into his own hands.

"I think you're the young gentleman who took my nephew away," said he. "Will you kindly tell us where he is?"

"And don't get giddy, young gentleman," Birdsall chimed in, "because we know perfectly well that you are not the agent of the Peerless Fireless Stove."

"I've got one here on trial, and I've come back to see if they like it," explained the young man, in silken accents, but with a dancing gleam of the eyes.

"We are going to keep it," said Mercer. "Kito," calling the unseen Jap, "fetch that Fireless Stove this gentleman left us, and show it to this gentleman here."

"Oh, cut it out!" Birdsall waved him off. "It's only ten minutes before our fellows will come. You can put the police court wise with all that. Try it on them; it don't go with us."

"Where is the boy?" said the colonel.

"Tell him, if you know," said Mercer. "This gentleman," he explained, "left a stove with us to test. He was here about it this morning, and we gave Archie to him to take to the Palace hotel."

"And he is there now," said the young man.

"Did you leave him there?" asked the colonel.

"Yes, did you?" insisted Mercer.

The young man looked from Mercer to the other two men. There was no visible appeal to the southerner, but Winter felt sure of two things: One, that the new-comer was Mercer's confederate whom he was striving to shield by pretending to disavow; the other, that for some reason Mercer was as anxious for the answer as were they.

"Why?" hesitated the stove promoter, "you see, Mr.—ah, gentlemen, you see, I was told to take the boy to the Palace hotel, and I set out to do it. We weren't going to more than an eight-mile-an-hour clip, yet some fooler of a cop arrested us for speeding. It was perfectly ridiculous, and I tried to shake him, but it was no use. They carried us off to a police court and stuck me for ten dollars. Meanwhile my machine and my passenger were outside. When I got outside I couldn't find them. I sketched around, and finally did get the machine. I'd taken the precaution to fix it so it couldn't be run before I left it—took the key out, you know—it must have been brushed off by hand somewhere—but I couldn't find the boy. Naturally, I was a bit worried; but after I had looked up the force and the neighborhood, it occurred to me to 'phone to the Palace. I did, and I was told he was there."

"Who told you?" The question came simultaneously out of three throats.

"Why, Mrs. Winter—that's what she called herself."

"But not three minutes ago Mrs. Winter told me that he wasn't there," remarked Mercer, coldly. "When did you telephone?"

"It was at least 15 minutes ago," the young man said dolefully. "I say, wouldn't you better call them up again? There may be some explanation. I shouldn't have come back without the kid if I hadn't been sure he was safe."

"Was it Mrs. Melville or Mrs. Winter you got?" This came from the colonel. "Did she by chance have an English accent, or was it southern?"

"Oh, no, not southern," protested the young man. "Yes, I should say it was English—or trying to be."

"It would be exactly like Millicent," thought the colonel, wrathfully, "to try to fool the kidnapers, who had apparently lost Archie, by pretending he was at the hotel!"

He made no comment aloud, but he nodded assent to Mercer's proposition to telephone; and then he walked up to the stove man.

"The game is up," he said, quietly. "We have a lot of men waiting outside. If we signal, they will come any minute; if we don't signal, they will come in ten minutes. Give us a chance to be merciful to you. This is no kind of a scrape for your father's son—or for Arnold's."

Shot without range though it was, Winter was sure that it went home under all the young fellow's accused bewilderment. He continued, looking kindly at him:

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"Which shall I fetch," said William, "the old horse or the young one?"
"The old one, of course," said Jacob. "Always wear out the old ones first, you know."
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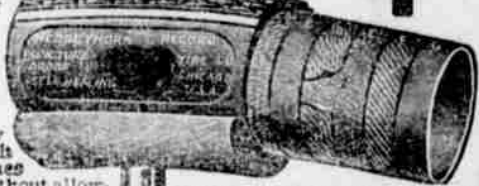
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Owing to the dissolution of the firm of Poole & Martin some time since, we have on hand a \$350.00 Mahogany case piano we intended to put up as a premium on subscriptions, that we have decided to sell on easy terms. Will take two gentle pony horses in trade. Poole & Martin.

DISSATISFIED EDITORS

In reading the Stamford Tribune and the Hamlin Herald, we note that these editors are very much displeased at the way their respective merchants are patronizing their advertising columns.

Now brother editors, let us give you an idea, why don't you get out of your shop and work among your people and merchants and create a demand for your paper, take up issues that will be a benefit to every man in your town, and get in behind worthy causes and see that they are pushed to the front. Don't set in your offices and write long editorials, telling them about your troubles, but get out and work on enterprises and get action on them and produce volumes of business for your merchants and then they will want to get into your paper, for it will pay them, and they will reciprocate. Produce a business medium for them, give them results. That is what a business man wants for his money. Don't take his money unless you give him results and quit grunting. It is true your merchants should patronize your papers and your job offices, but you must give your home people some news that they are interested in as well as the foreign reader. Dwell more on local issues and create a demand among your home people for your paper. Have them so they will grab for your paper and call for it in case they do not get it at the postoffice. These are the people the local merchant wants to reach. Make a canvass of your town every 3 or 4 months and see that every man and woman in your town and adjacent communities reads your paper. Look into your county affairs and see that your county officers are administering their duties correctly, and if they are not tell them so thru your columns. If your city affairs are not being conducted right tell them so thru your columns. You may have to fight a few of them but always have your dope right and keep the record straight and you will have no trouble in winning a victory. In this way you will keep every reader of your paper interested, your friends and foes alike, and thereby hurt no one. That is what the average layman wants, is a newspaper that will tell the facts.—Not all hot air and boom and booster talk. He hears enough of that on the streets every day thru the street corner fakir. Hand them a few facts. They will appreciate them better.—Ex.

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Jno. B. Lamkin
White Bermuda Onions at Stephens & Smiths'.

CONSTABLE SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Haskell.)

By virtue of a certain execution issued out of the Honorable Justice Court of Pre. No. 1, Haskell county, on the 14th day of May, 1909, by Emory Menettee, Justice of the Peace in and for said precinct against B. I. Maddox for the sum of one hundred, twenty and 35-100 (\$120.35) dollars and costs of suit, in cause No. 728 in said court, styled R. B. Spencer & Co. versus B. I. Maddox and placed in my hands for service, I, T. W. Carleton, Constable of Pre. No. 1, of Haskell County, Texas, did, on the 14th day of May, 1909, levy on certain real estate, situated in Haskell county, described as follows, to-wit: A part of the Peter Allen sur. of 2-3 League and one labor, survey No. 140, Cert. No. 136, Abstract No. 2, patented to the heirs of Peter Allen, on the 31st day of December A. D. 1866, by patent No. 365, Vol. 17, and being lot 2, in block No. 43, of same as is shown from a map or plat in the said subdivision of said Peter Allen survey, as the same appears of record on page 480, Vol. M7 of deed records of Haskell county, Texas, said lot being 150 feet by 150 feet, and levied upon by the property of said B. I. Maddox and on Tuesday, the sixth day of July, 1909, at the Court House door of Haskell County, in the town of Haskell, Texas, between the hours of ten A. M. and four P. M. I will sell said lot at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said B. I. Maddox by virtue of said levy and said execution.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Haskell Free Press a newspaper published in Haskell county.

Witness my hand, this 14th day of May, 1909.

T. W. Carleton, Constable Pre. No. 1, Haskell Co., Texas.

White Wolf Stock Feed.

Alfalfa, 35 Per Cent
Corn, 50 "
wheat, 15 "

Try a sack for your cow and horse Phone 157. E. A. Chambers.

D. R. Couch and family of Aspermont are visiting relatives in this city

The City Well in the south part of town and is 26 feet in diameter and the water flows in from all sides in a stream. The tower for the reservoir is about completed, and the ditching machine is ready to begin the ditches for the sewers.

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Time Table

Schedule of trains on Wichita Valley R. R. arriving and leaving Haskell.

Train No. 2 East Bound due 7:50 a. m.
Train No. 1 West Bound due 6:40 p. m.
Train No. 6 East Bound due 10:15 p. m.
Train No. 5 West Bound due 5:22 a. m.
M. R. Frampton, Agt.

Local and Personals.

Miss Kathline Wilfong has returned from Waco, and resumed her duties as assistant at the post office.

Moved—Evers Harness shop to post office block, Haskell.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Hemphill of the east side was in town shopping Tuesday.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from
(1f) Sanders & Wilson.

Mr. A. G. Hemphill of Aspermont was in the city Tuesday.

Come to East Haskell and get fine syrup, fruit and potatoes, G. J. Miller

Miss Una Foster of Boston Mass. who is spending the summer with the family of Judge Foster at Rule visited in this city Tuesday.

For fresh and up to date groceries call on Stephens & Smith.

Harvy Frost of Mineral Wells is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Frost of this city.

Nice fresh butter on ice at the City Grocery.

Sterling Edwards and Miss Lennie Jones were married Sunday.

E. A. Chambers, Phone 157 for the best bran chops and his special white wolf feed.

Dr. E. E. Gilbert has returned from a visit to a brother at Alamogorda New Mexico.

T. J. Sims has crushed corn and threshed Milo Maize chops put up in 100 lbs and will be delivered any where in town.

Mr. J. A. Lee of Rule was in the city Tuesday.

Judge A. C. Foster of Rule attended District Court this week.

Hosiery, Towels, Handkerchiefs—nice line at the Racket Store.

Mr. O. G. Warbritton, left Sunday morning for Memphis Tenn. He will visit his parents who live in Arkansas before returning.

Dried fruits and beans of all kinds at Stephens & Smiths'.

Burford Long and Jessie Foster returned Sunday from Austin where they have been attending the State University.

Ladies! We have just received a case of those fine Flemish Jugs—so nice for water or milk. Call and secure one—you will like them much.

Ed Dobbin of Walnut Springs, chief dispatcher of the T. C. was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. O. G. Warbritton is visiting her parents at Munday.

Miss. Ella Re Debard is visiting the family of her uncle, W. D. Garren at Van Horn.

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Mrs. W. B. Anthony of Austin and Mrs. J. W. Meadors are visiting relatives in Tennessee.

J. L. Tippit will supply you with any kind of sewing machine needle you desire. 4-t

Alfalfa Hay, Chambers Grain Store. Phone 157.

Plenty of picnic plates now—also paper napkins and picnic sets.

Who sells Alfalfa hay? Ring 157. E. A. Chambers, Racket Store.

You will find every thing new and up-to-date at Bowers.

Dry Goods West Side Square

Once a customer always a customer, I handle nothing but the best Chops, Bran, Oats, Hay and last but not least, Alfalfa Hay. Phone 157, Chambers Grain Store.

Have your machines cleaned and repaired, J. L. Tippit will do the work. 4-t

Satisfied users are the best boosters for Chambers Grain & Coal Store. Have you tried an order with him if not you are the looser.

E. A. Chambers handles nothing but the best. Phone 157.

Mr. L. C. Ellis has bought out the interest of Joe Taylor in the gents furnishing business and is now the sole owner of "The Hub."

Wanted: A milk cow and 10 to 25 heifers, yearlings or twos. 2t M. A. Clifton, Haskell, Tx.

Ice cold soda water served at the City Grocery.

W. B. Anthony was up from Austin this week and spent several days with friends and relatives.

American Beauty flour best on earth at Stephens & Smith. at Bowers.

Seed Irish Potatoes, \$1.75 per bu. at Stephens & Smith.

Mr. Wilmer Camp has returned home from Okla., where he has been attending school.

Nice line ornamental and plain bowls and pitchers—and selling so cheap at the Racket Store.

Will Lowery has gone extensively into the poultry business. His place northwest of town is alive with broilers and ducklings "they say."

Courtney's Full Vamp Shoes is the best. Prices from 75c to \$4.00

Bird cages at the Racket Store.

Croquettes, Hammocks at Racket Store.

If its saddles, harness, or any other horse clothing you need, I have them cheap. Remember my new location in post office block Haskell.

W. J. Evers.

WACO NURSERY

As agent of the Waco Nursery I have located in Haskell, and will take your orders for trees, shrubbery and shade trees. We sell on a guarantee and I will be on the ground to deliver the stock. See me before you give your orders to others.

C. W. RAMEY,
Residence Agent, Haskell, Tex.

We will treat free of charge all who will call at our office in Tompkins cottage on Thursday of every week for one month, beginning Thursday, June 10th.

W. L. Parrott, graduate of the famous Weltmer Institute.

Dishes! Dishes!! Best assortment in decorated and white at the Racket Store.

Wanted; clean white rags. Boys you can pick up a few dimes. Haskell Light Plant.

MONEY! MONEY! MONEY!

Yes I can now make loans in amounts of \$500.00 and up, and can give you the very quickest possible. Better come in and get that land debt adjusted while money can be had.

J. L. Robertson
State Bank.

Come and see those pretty new Skirts at Bowers.

S. T. Brewer and wife of Mountain View, are in this city. They are related to the family of Dr. Williamson.

Just received a nice assortment of Voits and Panama Skirts

Mr. Sam Neathery of the firm of Kinnard & Neathery attended court at Sweetwater last week where he represented two defendants in felony cases. He secured an acquittal in both cases.

Go to Bowers for Courtneys Full Vamp Shoes.

Mr. F. G. Alexander has received from the Agricultural Department at Washington three bulletins; Insects Affecting the Cotton Plant, The Boll Weevil Problem and The Cotton Boll Worm. He is distributing these to the farmers and has given us a copy of each.

NOTICE.

I have postponed my visit to Tennessee for some weeks and will be at the same old stand to make loans and look after land business and do all kinds of conveyance and Notary work promptly. Call on me.

J. L. Robertson,
State Bank.

Phone Stephens & Smith for a can of Alarm Coffee.

Mrs. J. L. Baldwin and daughter Fannie, have returned from a visit to Honey Grove, Commerce and other points.

Call at Alexander Mercantile Co's. and get copies of the bulletins on boll worms, boll weevils and other pests.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jones of Rule and Miss Ruby Poole, left Wednesday for Aransas Pass.

The Stamford and Northwestern railroad has laid its steel to Aspermont. We congratulate our neighbor city and can appreciate their feelings. This scribe waited twenty-three years at Haskell to witness the snort of the first iron horse to visit us, and the occasion filled our heart with joy.

Misses Lillian Chancellor and Norma Cobb, spent a few days this week on the Cobb ranch.

Miss. Floe Tandy, who is making her home with her sister Mrs. S. W. Scott, has returned from Lexington Ky. where she has been attending College.

Messrs E. Nettleton, Jake Schaffner of Temple, and officials of the Santa Fe Rail Road were in the city Tuesday.

BUFFALO ITEMS.

Well the farmers are all busy planting and planning cotton this week, but if it don't rain pretty soon we are going to have another rest coming. So we can get us up a crowd and go fishing.

Chess Cavitt and family visited Isaac Howard Monday.

Chess Cavitt, Jim Williams, Dink Hawkins and Monroe, John and Pearl Howard, all went fishing Monday eve, all report a nice time and lots of fish.

Mr. Jasper Boom and Mr. Loyd visited Mr. Smith Sunday. Mr. Loyd says he is coming back to Buffalo again, I suppose he got struck on some pretty girl, we will be glad to see him come at any time.

Mrs. Newberry and daughters Pheny and Rhudella, visited Mrs. Smith Sunday eve.

Mrs. Rose Andress visited her father and mother Wednesday.

Bill Barnes from the Rose settlement is visiting friends on Buffalo this week.

Herly Howard has been at work for John Earls this week he says the cotton is suffering for the want of rain.

Buffalo had a big ice cream supper at John McGregors Saturday night. The roll was called and paint creek was absent but all had a nice time any way.

Buffalo and Paint creek had a big ball game Friday eve, well who beat, Buffalo. All the time the Buffalo 9 have their park at Trimmer City, near the Howard school house. Buffalo says they have no country team barred when it comes to playing ball.

Joe Smith has got Freestone county fever, I am afraid we will loose him if it don't rain real soon. I believe there is something besides the dry weather that is causing him to have the fever so bad.

Hammie Smith and Monroe Howard say they are about to get their out-laws broke.

If anyone wants to buy some town lots in New Mexico, call on L. M. Howard's office, he has got to be a land agent these days. We hope he will have much success in selling his property.

Well Joe Clark what is the matter with you, it is time you were letting us know how you P. C. people are getting along, some of you may be dead.

So if any of you P. C. people die let us know at once. I remain as ever,
A Buffalo Sport.

"White Frost Refrigerators"

We are now offering this celebrated "REFRIGERATOR" to the trade as one for BEAUTY and ECONOMY, is constructed entirely of metal, germ proof, and is nicely enameled both inside and out, will do for the Parlor. Everybody likes it but the ICE MAN. Let us show you.

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One buggy and set of harness price \$10.00 cash.

H. L. Owens,
Close to Dr. Gebhards.

TEAM WANTED

Will sell one of our splendid piano's and take a well broke team of horses as first payment, Street Music Co., Haskell Texas.

FOR SALE

Four standard size lots two blocks southeast of the north side school house, corner lots \$250, inside lots 200.

Oscar Martin.

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Which has been the acme of perfection for 52 years—ask your dealer for it, accept nothing else, if you don't know whether you are getting EUPION PHNOE 45

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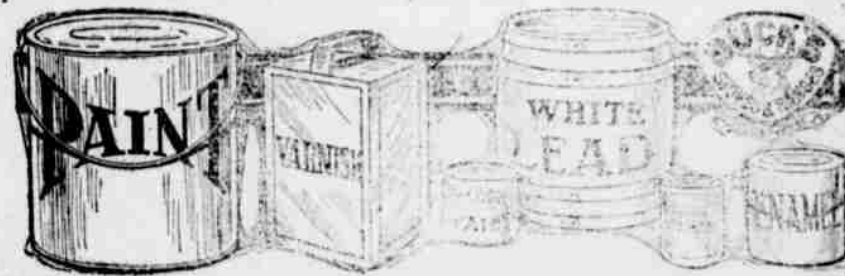
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JOHN DEERE

There is none better. We are also offering the Peter Schuttler and New Moline wagons you know what they are. Our line of shelf and builders hardware is complete, besides our beautiful line of furniture.

Call and get the prices and we will sell you.



CASON, COX & CO. Undertakers and Embalmers.

"Chance."
When you talk of chance, you are only confessing ignorance. The very spin of the coin is governed by the nerve, muscle (or manipulation) of the thumb and brain that spin it. The only chance about it is your ignorance of the forces that lift, twist and catch the coin. If you could calculate the physical and mental forces between the half-penny's leap and return you might buy the world. But you can't. And it's just that bit of blindness that we have to call chance.

First Thing You Remember.
What is the earliest thing that you remember? This would be a nice question for an after-dinner discussion. Miss Maud Allan, the dancer, in her small autobiographical essay, tells us twice over that her memory goes back to when she was five months old—five months! She was then given her first doll. She had been told of Santa Claus, and on Christmas eve had "sped down the broad staircase."

Rural Wit.
As a countryman was sowing his ground, two smart fellows were riding that way, and one of them called to him with an insolent air: "Well, honest fellow," said he, "tis your business to sow, but we reap the fruits of your labor." To which the countryman replied: "Tis very like you may, for I am sowing hemp."—Catholic News.

Poverty and Prosperity.
The problems of poverty and labor have become more and more puzzling the further we have gone along in national prosperity, and none feel the bewildering nature of the present state of things more than those who have daily to suffer from its sad effects. — International Theosophical Chronicle.

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WEDDING PRESENTS AT GUS EVANS

This is the time for June weddings, when people just will get married. Some time ago we placed an order for gifts suitable for wedding presents.

In our show window you will see some handsome Mantel Clocks, Cut Glass, Stouffer's Hand Painted China and China painted by Miss Nellie Reese, the local art teacher.

The wise buyer never waits till the last moment.

Gus Evans
Cogdell's Drug Store.

MARKET REPORT

Corn per bu.	55c
Wheat " "	\$1.15
Oats " "	60c
Maize in head per bushel,	55c
Kaffir Corn " "	55c
Old Roosters 10c each	
Hens,	25c
Chix,	25c
Turkeys	8c to 9c per lb.
Eggs per doz.	12 1/2
Butter	15c per lb.
Hides Green 3/4c to 4c per lb.	
Hides dry	8 and 10c per lb.
Changed weekly by Marsh-Williams & Co.	

The Claw of the Liquor Bottles

Edited by William J. Bacon

A True Story of the Secret Service, as Told by Capt. Dickson



SOME years ago, before I became connected with the United States secret service in the east, I was engaged by a member of the western express companies to do some special work for them," began Capt. Dickson. "My headquarters were in Denver and my work, on the whole, was decidedly interesting. One adventure in particular made me proud of my service for our company, although it was largely a matter of luck that brought about my success in that instance. I am a firm believer in luck, for it plays an important part in every man's life, and it has figured to a large extent in my own affairs, I am free to confess.

A daring express robbery had been committed in the western part of the state, near the Utah line, by three men. The messenger had been murdered and the passengers throughout the train robbed of all their money. The hold-up men secured something more than \$15,000 from the express company's safe and fully \$5,000 from the passengers. They took nothing but money, however, leaving valuable jewelry, diamonds and watches with their owners, and ignoring the parcels in the express car. This circumstance showed that the gang was composed of experienced thieves, for money is the hardest thing in the world to trace.

"I was notified of the robbery on the afternoon of the second day after it occurred, and although I hastened to the spot with all dispatch and made my arrangements by wire it was noon of the third day before I alighted at the nearest station. Here I had arranged for two horses and a prospector's outfit, deeming it best to follow the bandits in the disguise of a miner, as the robbery had been made at a point near the mining region of southwestern Colorado, and I expected to find the criminals at some of the numerous mining camps.

"I have never been a believer in disguises except as to clothing. All efforts to change the face with arched brows and wigs and the like only tend to attract attention and direct suspicion to the man thus disguised. The casual observer might not notice the deception, but the criminal and especially the hunted criminal, is no casual observer. He has formed the habit of noticing everything, and he will detect the least false point in a man's appearance and shun him as if he were afflicted with the plague.

"A change of dress will work wonders in a man's appearance. If a man can wear other clothes than those he is accustomed to, and wear them easily and naturally, he can more effectively disguise himself by this means than he can with all the wigs and paints and whiskers in existence.

"Coming across the continental divide, I had suffered a slight attack of indigestion. I sent the porter after a flask of whisky, asking for a certain brand. He returned in a few minutes with one of the diminutive little bottles customarily sold on sleeping cars at a quarter a bottle. I was not the kind I had ordered, but the porter explained that this was the only brand of liquor the company sold, and I had to make do with it. The label of the bottle stated that it was put up expressly for the company.

"On reaching my destination, I immediately assumed the character of a miner and set about my inquiry. There was little information to be gathered by hunting about what was contained in the express company's report of the robbery, of which I had a carbon copy.

Satisfied that time spent here would be wasted, I set out for the scene of the robbery, riding a wily little pony thought leading another on which was a lot of lead. It is the custom of the summer to place a desolate spot. The road ran through a broad alkali valley and the fresh had not, at that time, been of farm-fertilized cultivation by irrigation. It was easy to pick up the trail of bandits and follow it across the valley in a southwesterly direction to the foothills of the Rockies, where the trail disappeared, the rocky ground leaving no trace of hoof-prints.

"From this point on it was to be a matter of luck and guesswork. I believed my men had made for Telluride, Ouray, Silverton or some other mining camp, but I was not rash enough to venture a guess as to which it might be at that stage of the game. These camps, with their rough, shifting population, offered capital retreats for criminals, and from past experiences I knew that my three rogues would, in all probability, remain in one of these camps until the excitement from the robbery had subsided, and then make for civilization to spend their money.

"For three days I drifted at random through the mountains, following trails and paths, for there were no roads, endeavoring to pick up some clew or find the place where my party had spent the first night after the robbery. The hold-up had occurred about noon, and, by hard riding, the three highwaymen could penetrate some ten or twenty miles into the fastness of the mountains before it became too dark to travel further. It was out of the question for any one to advance through that region after dark. I hoped to find the place of their camp, and felt sure I would do so by persevering.

"Late the third afternoon I stumbled on the ashes of a campfire, and close beside it, among the firs and cedars, I found where horses had been tied. This was what I had searched for, and I felt sure that I would here find something of value. I camped a short distance from the place so I would not disturb it, leaving my examination until the next morning, when I would have a good light, it then being too dark to attempt such a thing.

"That night, by the light of my campfire, I read again the report of the robbery as given by the train hands. Near the last of it was the account of the sleeping car porter who related, with evident grief, that he had been relieved of \$5.15 in silver, and that the bandits had rifled the liquor cabinet of the buffet, taking with them all of the whisky and a few bottles of the rarer and stronger wines.

"Early next morning I examined the deserted camp of the highwaymen. There was nothing but a burned-out pile of ashes and charred sticks and a few empty bottles. The bottles gave the clew for which I searched. The highwaymen had certainly made their

men. They had not stopped there certainly, so I took the trail to Telluride, a mining camp farther on in the mountains. Telluride was then a camp of 500 or 1,000 souls, and there was a bit of a mining boom on which daily brought new prospectors to swell its citizenship. Fatuous souls brought there by the greed of gold—a lure that never fails to attract victims in swarms. For three days I searched in vain through the saloons and dance halls and other places where the rough miners congregated without finding a trace of my three rogues. That inflexible sixth sense of mine was doing its best to keep me longer in Telluride, although my judgment told me to move on to Silverton; but in the end my intuition won the fight and I remained.

"One evening I was drinking with a raw-boned miner. The whisky was abominable. The distillery where it was made would never have recognized its product in its present form. I complained of the poor quality of whisky and asked my acquaintance if there were not some better stuff to be found in the camp. He said there was not, at any of the bars, but that he had been given an amazingly good drink by a miner, whose name he mentioned. He said it had been in a little bottle which held just enough to tease one, but it was the best liquor he had drunk since he left Kentucky many years before. He licked his lips in pleasant memory of the drink.

"I almost gave myself away, so keen was my pleasure at this chance remark. I inquired about the gen-

"It would have been the rankest folly to have attempted their arrest without assistance—although I did tackle such a job once in my salad days, as this scar will testify," and he pointed to an ugly wound at the back of his neck, partially covered by his flowing gray locks. "But that is another story. I decided to call on the United States deputy marshal, a man of tigerish bravery, for assistance. There was no chink or crack in the door through which I could gain a peek at the interior of the cabin, so I dropped down on my hands and knees and crawled around to the back of the cabin where I thought there might be a window. There was a window, but it was closed with a heavy shutter, and I could not find any point to peep through; but I did find something on the way around. My hand touched something round and smooth, and I clutched it involuntarily. It was one of the little whisky flasks. After I had left the cabin I struck a match and examined it. The label of the car company was still on it.

"The deputy marshal was found at one of the dance halls and he soon summoned a reliable posse. We surrounded the cabin, from which still issued the sounds of revelry. The men were stationed at every point about it. Then the marshal and I rapped on the door. In response to our summons one of the miners staggered across the floor and threw the door wide open. We tripped him up and rushed over him into the cabin. The men were too drunk to make any resistance, and we captured them without

THE KING OF ITALY

Is Grateful for Aid Given Earthquake Sufferers.

In Interview with Dr. Klopsch of Christian Herald He Discusses Relief Measures and Turkish Situation.

The regard of King Victor Emmanuel of Italy for the American people and his gratitude for the relief they gave to the victims of the Italian earthquake, together with comments on ex-President Roosevelt, Ambassador Griscom, and the Turkish situation, are set forth in an interview with him by Dr. Klopsch, its editor, in the forthcoming issue of the Christian Herald.

Dr. Klopsch says in his account of the interview: "It was a few minutes after ten in the forenoon of April 26 when I arrived at the gateway of the Quirinal. A few minutes later it was announced: 'His majesty will now receive you.'

"Almost at the very door the king received me, taking my hand and shaking it cordially, remarking at the same time, 'Come and sit down.' And down we sat. I had abundant opportunity for observing the quiet unassuming king and of noting the excellence of his English.

"He said that the princely generosity of America had deeply touched his heart, and that he was glad of the opportunity for expressing his sincere gratitude for the practical shape the sympathy of the American people had assumed.

"America," said he, "is a rich country, very rich; and its people know how to use the bounties of a kind Providence in a way that must be pleasing to the giver of every good gift."

"He then asked me: 'How do you raise such vast sums? Do the millions of your country give you large sums?' I replied that the money was generally from people in moderate circumstances, who give as God has given them and in his name. 'Then they must be very good people. Do they give large amounts?' 'No, your majesty,' I answered, 'the average contribution is \$2.75.' 'But that is very large. Fourteen lire is a great deal of money in Italy.'

"He changed the subject for a while, saying he was sorry that Ambassador Griscom was to leave. 'He is a very



ONE OF THE MINERS THREW THE DOOR WIDE OPEN



King Victor Emmanuel of Italy.

camp here. Each bottle bore the label of the sleeping car company, and some of them were the diminutive flasks of which I had drunk one on the trip from Denver. There was not a scrap of paper anywhere else to be found.

"Elated with my success, I made a survey of the country and discovered a half-obscure trail leading farther into the mountains. I took up this trail and followed it as best I could until nightfall. Often I lost it, and sometimes I spent an hour or more fasting about to pick it up again, as I have seen hounds baffled on the trail of a fox. About three o'clock that afternoon I found something that made my eyes sparkle. Shattered into a thousand pieces was the remains of one of the small whisky bottles on a large flat rock beside the trail where it had doubtless been cast in a playful mood induced by its contents. Among the fragments I found the label of the car company.

"It was the dry season, and this was in my favor, for no rains came to obliterate the trail. For five days I followed the bandits across the hills and through the valleys, verifying my route from time to time by fragments of broken whisky bottles along the way, and at the places where they had camped for a night. The buffet-car must have been well stocked, for I found many bottles in this journey.

"The trail eventually came to a well beaten road, which, from my map, I learned was the stage and rail route from Montrose, the nearest railroad point to Ouray, then a rather insignificant mining settlement. I lost no time in getting to Ouray, for it was impossible to trail my men along this road and I was sure they had headed for the mining camp.

"Two days were spent at Ouray without finding a trace of the three

eros owner of the good liquor, with a show of indifference I was far from feeling. He was a late arrival, it seemed, and lived in a shanty far up on the mountain-side with two companions. The three were making a rather poor attempt to work a claim they had preempted.

"Getting away from my loquacious miner-friend, I climbed the steep trail to the cabin and set about an investigation of it with great caution. The men were at home, and from the sounds issuing from its closed doors I guessed they were having a rare old time that evening. I approached the very door and listened with my ear to the planks to sounds of revelry within. The men were gambling and drinking, and I could hear the clink of coins and the rattle of bottles and the ribald jests with which they made their bets and gloated over their winnings and cursed their luck when they lost. The most interesting of these were the ones which was once owned by Johann Sebastian Bach, and another on which Queen Louise of Prussia learned to play.

a shot being fired. They were having a big stud-poker game, played with gold pieces and currency instead of chips. There was some \$8,000 or \$10,000 upon the table. Strewed about the floor were many whisky and wine bottles. In a box beneath one of the bunks was a solitary pint bottle of whisky, the last remnant of the contents of the buffet car's liquor store. It was, as I said, a clean case of luck."

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Pittsburg Man Is "Loaded"

Perfect Fieud to Quote Statistics, According to Writer in Harper's.

The Pittsburg car can carry more figures of large denomination on his person without your suspecting their existence than any other citizen of the United States. He is a reservoir of decimals and statistics. He must have ample justification, however, before he turns the spigot, but when he does there is a torrent no man can stem.

If provoked and inclined to extend himself, in a five-minute talk he can fill you so full of miscellaneous indus-

tries—natural gas, steel rails, tin plate, petroleum, steel pipes and sheet metal, fire bricks, tumblers, tableware, coke, pickles, and all that sort of thing—that you will begin to feel like a combination delicatessen and hardware store.

I have not begun to enumerate the different data I have collected on this subject, as I have no desire to make the reader feel small or to lose confidence in himself. As I have pointed out before, the Pittsburger, or the man who is under the influence of Pittsburg, must be provoked before he unburdens.—C. B. White, in Harper

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WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT

ALL DRESS LIKE MEN

Only an Eskimo Can Tell Boys from Girls.

In the Barren and Monotonous Country of Greenland Women Do All the Hard and Laborious Work.

If our American women were transported to a clime where they were expected to build their own houses while their dutiful husbands went a-fishing, where it was considered utter madness to wash one's clothes—to wear them in fact to the bitter end; where beef, mutton or pork were non-existent, and where chairs, tables and bedsteads were unknown, it is highly probable that the cause of woman suffrage would enlist new recruits. And yet these are merely a few of the inconveniences and hardships in



Winter Attire of Men and Women.

the daily life of the Eskimo housewife, says B. P. Harvey, in the Pittsburg Literary Magazine. For the mode of living and customs of the hardy Arctic race have changed little since the discovery of Greenland hundreds of years ago, although there is now a Christian church, and supply steamers are maintained by the Danish government for improving the condition of the Eskimo.

In this barren and monotonous country the women do all the hard and laborious work, build their houses, rig up tents, help in the hunting and fishing, and make their own and their husband's clothes. At the commencement of the cold weather they set to work to build their winter quarters. A suitable spot is selected, and the walls are built up by the sturdy maids and women with masses of stone heaped one upon another with pieces of turf between. All the holes and crannies are filled in with earth, bushes are then laid on top, and finally a layer of fine earth. Spaces are left for the windows, which are filled up with pieces of soft thin sealskin sewn together. The entrance to these houses is by a small passage, so low that the occupants must creep in on their hands and knees.

These curious residences are all on the ground floor. Several families dwell in one house, each room often containing an entire family. If, after the house is built, another family wishes to join the domestic circle, an extra "wing" is built alongside, the one entrance serving for all. There are no fireplaces or chimneys in these "winter resorts," but suspended from the roof is a basin filled with oil, and containing a quantity of dry moss, which, when lighted, gives a broad flame. This warms the house instead of a fire and gives light to the occupants by day and night, besides being used for cooking food and drying shoes and clothes. The floor of the house is a little above the hearth, so that the men may sit in front with their legs dangling down, and the women, of course, sit behind, cross-legged. There is not a solitary stick of furniture beyond this lamp, but old tents or skins are spread on the floor, which serve as bed and bedding at night and parlor furniture in the day.

Marriage customs in Greenland are a great many cases conspicuous by their absence, a large proportion of the natives being polygamists, taking to themselves one, two or more wives, according to their means and disposition.

As will be seen from the illustration accompanying this article, the dress of both sexes is very similar. The upper garment is made of sealskin with the hair side out, terminating in a tongue in the case of the women, whilst the men's are cut even all round. The top is so far open as to admit the wearer's head, a hood being behind. This is neatly trimmed with foxskin, and made to fall back over the shoulders, or cover the head, if required.

The lining consists of the skins of the elderduck or auk; the lining being close to the bottom and open at the breast serves as a pocket. This dress is called an amout. Under them both men and women wear shirts made of the skins of birds, sewn together, the leathers being turned inwards, so that they come next to the skin.

By way of a great coat in stormy weather a smooth sealskin hide is worn, called a tueuk. The boots are made of sealskin with the hair inwards, the sole being covered with walrus hide; these reach over the knees and meet the middle part of the dress. The whole "costume" is made by the women.

BURDENS LIFTED

From Bent Backs.

A bad back is a heavy handicap to those of us who have to work every day. Nine times out of ten, backache tells of kidney weakness. The only way to find relief is to cure the kidneys. Doan's Kidney Pills have given strong backs to thousands of men and women. Mrs. Wesley Clemens, 311 Marion St., Manchester, Ia., says: "Constant work at a sewing machine seemed to bring on kidney trouble. The kidney action was irregular and the pains in my back and loins so severe I could hardly endure it. Doan's Kidney Pills made me feel better in a short time, and I took them until entirely free from my trouble." Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.



Mr. Saphead—By Jove, it's nearly 12 o'clock. Perhaps I had better be gone.

Miss Smart—Well, they say "Never put off till to-morrow what you can do to-day."

Prominent Women Aid Good Cause.
A large number of women occupying prominent positions in society, or on the stage, are taking an active interest in the anti-tuberculosis campaign. Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt has recently given \$1,000,000 for sanitary homes for consumptives. Mrs. Keith Spalding of Chicago has erected a sanitarium for the Chicago Tuberculosis institute at a cost of about \$50,000; Mrs. Collis P. Huntington and Mrs. Borden Harriman have given largely to the consumption fight. In Porto Rico, Mrs. Albert Norton Wood, wife of a prominent army officer stationed at San Juan, has stirred the entire island through the anti-tuberculosis crusade she inaugurated. Mme. Emma Calve is a most enthusiastic worker, and has given largely of her talent and money for the relief of tuberculosis sufferers, and Miss Olga Nethersole has even lectured before the public on tuberculosis.

Couldn't Stand It.
A Raleigh, N. C., woman not long ago received into her house for "training" a "cracker" girl from the mountains.

Endeavor was made to inculcate in the girl a love for order and cleanliness, but suddenly this discipline ceased, for the "poor white" fled to her home in the fastnesses. Thither the Raleigh woman traced her after some difficulty.

"Why did you leave me, Mary Jane?" she asked.

"Mis' Morgan, I jes' couldn't stay!" exclaimed the girl. "I was jes' cloyed with neatness!"

Englishman's Withering Reply.
The best of us sometimes forget the beam in our own eyes while we search for a mote in another's. An American traveling abroad met an Englishman with the rather remarkable name of Pithorne, which was pronounced Thorne.

"What's the good of the 'P'?" the American queried; "you don't pronounce it, do you?"

The Englishman gazed at him with the manner of one who, while he pitied, is bored.

"What's the good of 'h' in 'orse'?" he questioned, convincingly.—Spare Moments.

MAKING SUNSHINE
It is Often Found in Pure Food.

The improper selection of food drives many a healthy person into the depths of despairing illness. Indeed, much sickness comes from wrong food and just so surely as that is the case right food will make the sun shine once more.

An old veteran of Newburyport, Mass., says: "In October, I was taken sick and went to bed, losing 47 pounds in about 60 days. I had doctor after doctor, food hurt me and I had to live almost entirely on magnesia and soda. All solid food distressed me so that water would run out of my mouth in little streams.

BOY'S GRATITUDE WAS REAL.

Has Long Cared for Grave of Man Who Had Been Kind to Him Many Years Ago.

Rev. John Henri Sattig, pastor of St. Phillip's church, Dyker Heights, Brooklyn, tells this beautiful story: "In Milford, Pa., there is an old graveyard, neglected, weed-grown and unkempt. Of all the mounds in that village of the dead only one is cared for. On that the grass is neatly trimmed, flowers bloom and never a weed appears. The visitor who looks upon this evidence of love and devotion amid so many examples of forgetfulness usually asks whose grave it is, and the sexton answers: 'The man whose body rests there had neither chick nor child. Nearly every day for the six years since the man died a boy comes here to tend to the grave. Winter and summer he comes. The lad is the butcher boy. The man was the only human being who ever was kind to the boy.'"

SKIN ROUGH AS BARK.

Baby Boy Had Intense Itching Humor—Scratched Till Blood Ran.

Found a Cure in Cuticura.
"Our son, two years old, was afflicted with a rash. After he suffered with the trouble several weeks I took him to the doctor but it got worse. The rash ran together and made large blisters. The little fellow didn't want to do anything but scratch and we had to wrap his hands up to keep him from tearing the flesh open till the blood would run. The itching was intense. The skin on his back became hard and rough like the bark of a tree. He suffered intensely for about three months. But I found a remedy in Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment. The result was almost magical. That was more than two years ago and there has not been the slightest symptom of it since he was cured. J. W. Lauck, Yukon, Okla., Aug. 23 and Sept. 17, 1908." Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

BILL'S AFFLICTION.



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At a baseball game in Chicago the gatekeeper hurried to Comiskey, leader of the White Sox, and said: "Umpire Hurst is here with two friends. Shall I pass 'em in?" "An umpire with two friends!" gasped Comiskey. "Sure!"—Everybody's Magazine.

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Farmers' Union Department

In pursuing the investigation of cause or causes for low prices of cotton, from week to week, we find that there are a number of different "elements" entering into the problem of marketing cotton. While it is admitted that the so called "law" of supply and demand must be recognized as the final arbiter of prices, it is important to notice also that that "law" is in itself subject to many influences which singly or collectively, have much weight in the final results, not only to the farmer who produces the raw cotton, but on the value of the total returns affecting the country at large and consequently the welfare of the trade of the country.

In last weeks article we gave extracts from the report of the senate committee on Agriculture and forestry appointed in 1892, that we think proves quite conclusively that the volume of money, or circulation, of the United States has much to do with the price of cotton; for instance in the decade from 1851 to 1860 the crop was a little more than doubled, yet the average price remained practically the same, it being 10.94 in 1851 and 10.91 in 1860, while in the decade from 1881-82 to 1891-92 the increase was only 65 per cent and yet the price fell from 11.73 in 1881-82 to 4 1/2 cents in 1891-92, a decrease of over 60 per cent.

In the decade from 1857 to 1860 the report says: "there was a constant and rapid increase in the volume of money coming from the large output of gold in California and Australia, and there was free and unlimited coinage of silver in the United States and most of the nations of Europe, and the other was under the full operation of the demonstization of silver as it occurred about 1871-73."

If the above statement, and the conclusions resulting therefrom, be true, the low prices suffered by the farmers directly, and the commerce of the south incidently, the entire blame, which has the proportions of crime, must rest with the men whom the people elected to make laws in their interest. If you think this is a prejudiced view of the matter I refer you to page 723 of Ridpaths History of the United States, centennial edition. There the "law" of supply and demand was crippled by act of congress, by crippling the peoples buying power, or ability to consume. The reason for it was graft, to enable the men who had loaned money to the government to collect off the people a greater value than, under their contract, they were entitled to. Another agency referred to in that report as affecting the price of raw cotton, is the tariff policy of this country. Under this head the report says: "Under these circumstances it would seem to be the manifest duty of government to so arrange its policies that no artificial charge should be added to the price. This duty would appear to be even more evident when raw cotton is the chief business of about 8,000,000 of our people, such is the line of policy of other civilized nations who generally admits raw cotton or cotton yarns free of duty or with a very light tax imposed. Our tariff policy has so operated as to increase the cost of cotton goods, and thereby to diminish the consumption. This policy has helped to produce that over production complained of. Another potential stimulus in this direction has been our general tariff policy, which, by impeding, and in many instances by prohibiting the introduction of the goods of other nations, has diminished their power to consume our products. In the effort to secure a home

market for our products, we have, so far as cotton is concerned, not only impaired foreign markets, but have so arranged as to diminish the purchasing power of the laboring classes among our people."

As regards the working of this tariff policy of our country, I have before me a copy of the bill enacted by congress on July 24, 1897, schedule No. 1 cotton manufactures. I will quote a few items for the information of those who may care to read them. We will take item 305 which reads thus: Cotton cloth, not bleached, dyed, colored, stained, painted, or printed, exceeding fifty and not exceeding one hundred threads to the square inch counting the warp and filling, and not exceeding six square yards to the pound, one and one-fourth cents per square yard." A simple calculation on that item shows an added cost, to the consumer, of seven and one-third cents per pound of cotton. This, the act of 1897. Say Mr. Farmer, how much did you get a pound far that years cotton crop? Continuing the bill reads: Exceeding six, and not exceeding nine square yards to the pound, one and three-fourths cents per square yard! Fifteen and three-fourth cents per pound? Whew?

Now get a good hold on your breath and grip your plowhandles tight; exceeding nine square yards to the pound, two and one-fourth cents per square yard! Twenty and one-fourth cents per pound for unbleached white cloth! ??? If dyed, colored, stained, painted or printed, exceeding nine square yards to the pound, three and one-fourth cents per square yard! Twenty-nine and one-fourth cents per pound over and above the alleged value of the goods! ???

Have you ever heard anything said about combinations in restraint of trade? Oh well this congress was elected by the people and as soon as the polls closed the people went to sleep and turned their congress over to the tender mercies of the money brokers and capitalists, and so long as there was no objection made they saw no reason why they should not place the profits of agriculture to their own credit. Then, you know, our "infant industries" are so needy and helpless an American citizen who would object to having the hat passed around in their interest would not be worthy of the right of suffrage. More anon,
 Press Correspondant.

SIMMONS-TIDWELL
 Last Saturday night Mr. J. K. Simmons of this city and Miss Pearl Tidwell of Rule surprised their friends by getting married. They drove in an auto to the arbor at the M. E. church during the night service and called in their service Bro. Meador who promptly performed the ceremony. They have our best wishes.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN.

I have two lots, 82x124 feet each, in the northeast part of town, west of the R. R. track, facing south on the same street with the High School Building. I will sell at a bargain for the cash or will sell on time if improvements will be placed on the property. See me at once,
 Walter S. Hicks.

UNVEILING.

The Monument of I. B. Dement will be unveiled June 20th, at Haskell Cemetery at 4.30 p. m. by Elm Wood Camp No. 24. Sovereigns will meet at their hall at 3.30 p. m. prompt and march to the Cemetery.
 Everybody welcome.

If you need a fine brass mounted up-to-date buggy harness at a low price, buy mine, W. J. Evers at post office blk Haskell.

TO THE PUBLIC:

Having purchased my partners interest in

THE HUB

I wish to thank each and everyone who have given us a share of their trade in the past and especially ask that you give me a share (if not all) of your trade in the future I assure you right prices, right merchandise and right treatment along all lines. I expect to carry a complete line of **Men's Goods** and in order to do that I will need your trade. The store will still be known as **THE HUB** and will be run on cash basis, so don't ask for credit as I am not in position to carry you, but my prices will be enough under the **Credit Prices** that it will pay you to trade with me. Hoping that you will make **THE HUB** your store, I beg to remain, yours truly,

THE HUB
 HASKELL, L. C. ELLIS, Propr. TEXAS.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.
 (REAL ESTATE)

BY VIRTUE OF AN Order of Sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Taylor county, on the 2nd day of June, A. D. 1909, in the case of R. J. Suggs, versus Preston A. Weatherford, No. 225, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 5th day of June A. D. 1909, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in July, A. D. 1909, at the Court House door of said Haskell County, in the town of Haskell, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which R. J. Suggs had on the 24th day of March A. D. 1909, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit: Situated in Haskell and Shackelford Counties, Texas, and known and described as follows, to-wit: First tract; 40 acres of land out of Survey No. 16, Block M, for Brooks and Bulson, by virtue of Certificate No. 102, issued by the Commissioners of the general land office, said survey situated in Haskell and Shackelford counties, Texas, on the waters of the Clear Fork, a tributary of the Brazos River, about 2 1/2 miles S. 45 E. of Haskell town; beginning at the N. E. Corner of the Sarah Blythe, an old stone mound, original corner; thence N. 89.05 W. 100.00 varas; 41; thence N. 18.1 W. 715 varas to stakes for S. W. corner Jos. Fenner; thence S. 89.42 E. 293 varas, the most S. E. corner of said Fenner survey; thence N. 18.1 W. 194 varas to pile of rocks for S. W. corner; thence S. 89 E. 1210 varas to N. W. corner of survey No. 17; thence S. 1009 varas S. W. Cor. survey No. 17; a set stone marked S. W. 17; thence N. 89.42 E. 498.8 varas corner in W. B. line of Pate survey; thence South 175 varas to the place of beginning.

Second tract; 250 acres more or less of land surveyed for O. A. Matthews beginning at S. W. Cor. of No. 15, Block M, 5, Brooks & Bulson; thence N. 0' 39.1 E. 874 varas south bank of the Clear Fork of the Brazos River, 954 varas, the north bank of the same at 1301 1/2 varas, south bank again recross and at 1445 varas north bank of same 3370 to south line of survey No. 104, Indianola Ry. Co; thence South 88.42 1 W. 416 vrs to most Northern N. E. Cor. of Fenner Survey; thence S. 1, 18.1 E. 2110 varas to a corner of said Fenner survey; thence S. 88.42 1 W. to another corner of said Fenner survey; thence S. 1, 18.1 E. 1444 varas to the N. W. corner of survey No. 16, Block No. 5, B. & B.; thence east 736 varas to the place of beginning, containing 350 acres, more or less, said property being levied on as the property of R. J. Suggs, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$742.65, in favor of Preston A. Weatherford, and costs of suit.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND This 5th day of June A. D. 1909. M. E. PARK,
 Sheriff Haskell County, Texas.

Ordinance Relative To Hitching Teams.

Be it ordained by the city Council of the City of Haskell:
 Art. 1. Any person who shall leave within the city limits of the City of Haskell, any team hitched to a wagon, buggy or other vehicle or conveyance, without first securing such team to some hitching post or other safe hitching place, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not less than five nor more than fifteen dollars.
 Introduced July 1, 1907.
 Passed July 1st, 1907.
 Approved July 2nd, 1907.
 A. S. Smith, Mayor
 of the City of Haskell.
 Attest: O. E. PATTERSON,
 City Secretary.

This ordinance will be strictly enforced after this issue.

GILLIAM-HUGHES
 On last Tuesday night at the home of the brides parents, Mr. Leon Gilliam and Miss Cecil Hughes were united in the bonds of matrimony. The groom is the book keeper at the Farmers' National Bank and is a promising young business man. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Hughes and is an excellent young lady.
 We extend the popular young couple our congratulations.

I will have this week a larger supply than ever, including east Texas fruits, berries, peaches, apples, pears, potatoes, pure ribbon cane syrup, and California goods as well. Will be glad to supply you.
 G. J. Miller,
 East Haskell.

I have moved my shop to post office block where I will do all kinds of repairing on saddles, harness and buggy tops as well as selling you new goods cheap.
 W. J. Evers, Haskell.
 Best line of Syru on earth at Stehens & Smiths': 3t

RESULTS OF PROHIBITION IN WORCHESTER

Worcester Mass., is the first city more than 100,000 population to vote no-license twice in succession under a local-option dispensation. The Massachusetts No-license League has issued a report of results during the past year, showing that arrests have declined in the following ratios: For drunkenness, from 3,924 to 1,843; for assault and battery, from 382 to 263; for larceny from 343 to 255; for neglect and non-support, from 112 to 87; for disturbing the peace, from 210 to 109. Patients in the alcoholic ward at the city hospital decreased from 274 to 144, and deaths from alcoholism, for from 30 to 6. The Survey (New York) summarizes other features of the reports as follows:

"Apparently liquor-selling will be entirely discontinued the coming year, except for original packages shipped in. Some of the saloons kept open a part of the first year, selling soft drinks but they all closed when the city voted 'no' the second time. Eight liquor licens held by drug-stores resulted in a recorded sale of 96,190 'packages'—one-quarter of them quart bottles, most of the remainder half-pints. Only one of these license was renewed for this year."
 Literary Digest.

Farmers wives take more interest in their husbands business than do those in the city." An eminent college professor makes this statement in all seriousness. He makes no explanation. Probably the solution never occurred to the observant professor. A farmer and a farmer's wife live for the farm. There are few enough distracting influences. The Sphere is narrow hard and monotonous. If the woman is to take an interest in anything it must be in the farm. The farmer's success is to a very large extent directly dependent upon the assistance he receives from his wife.

To the merchant, the lawyer, the doctor this assistance is more an accident, at best merely an indirect factor contributing to his success. The city woman has social duties, club duties, church duties, interests apart from her home.
 A closer relation between man and wife would work for good. Domestic happiness to a large extent rests upon the interdependence of man and wife. The wife should know the husband through and through. He follows his temptations, his shortcomings should be gauged by her. She has a right to know at all times his financial condition. If she possessed this knowledge a deal of unhappiness would be avoided. She has a right to her husband's confidence and she will justify all the consideration he can pay her.

DIED

About seven-thirty Monday evening J. M. Schwartz died suddenly at his shop in this city. He was taken suddenly with cramps and called for an emetic. Mr. W. T. Hudson heard him and went to his relief and called in physicians, but before anything could be done he expired. Mr. Schwartz has been a very industrious citizen of this place for the past 15 years. In the early days he came to Throckmorton and has made boots for the ranchmen of this section for the past 20 years. He possessed excellent skill in making the typical cowboy boot and always had orders for work months ahead. He leaves a wife and a large family to whom we extend our sympathy.
 He was buried in the Haskell Cemetery by the Woodmen.