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The W. O. W. is preparing for the annual sermon to be preached at the Court House the second Sunday in May. The general public is cordially invited to come and take part in the services.

Rev. Jno. A. Arbuckle, pastor 1st Baptist Church will preach the sermon. Services to be held at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

T. W. Holder,
C. Commander.

Let the South and West stand back and watch the scramble of the eastern dinner pail for more tariff graft.

The West and South lost all they had during the days of McKinley and Dingley, and they have nothing more to lose. The grafters are getting so thick up there the graft went go around. When they get hungry it may awaken a broader statesmanship even if they be devoid of conscience, or patriotism.

Farmers Union Department.

The Cooperator for April 14th has a letter from Mr. Malcolm Graham explaining how the cotton quotations are made at Galveston under the Anti Option law of Texas and as a matter of information to the general public I have concluded to reproduce it entire. Mr. Graham says: "Frequent inquiries are made concerning the premiums over quotations that are obtained in this market for cotton. It appears that these inquiries are due to lack of a correct comprehension of the methods of quotation of the sale of cotton in Galveston. Therefore I believe it my duty to fully explain this matter. I am very anxious to have all the facts of marketing cotton here well understood by those who send their cotton here for storage and sale.

In the Galveston market there are numerous buyers and sellers of spot cotton. For convenience of these buyers and sellers and to facilitate their operations, they have organized an association called the cotton exchange. In this exchange all the transactions are strictly on spot cotton. They have established type samples, agreed upon by the buyers and sellers, and these types are kept for the purpose of a standard by which all classifications in this market are made. These types are on exhibit and all classifications made in Galveston should conform to this standard. Every day about 2 p. m. the quotation committee, composed of three buyers and three sellers, meet to make quotations. I might say the "sellers" on this committee are cotton factors of Galveston who have "consigned cotton" for sale for account of shipper. The chairman of the committee has the deciding vote when a tie vote occurs. The committee meets and wrangles and finally compromises on a figure to quote. This figure can not absolutely reflect the correct market price, as this figure must necessarily represent the transactions of the entire day; some sales have been low; others high, due to quality of cotton, the necessities of the buyer or seller, and to many other interests and views.

As a rule a buyer wishes to keep down quotations from selfish motives and however misleading this is, it is but human and really to be expected while sellers as a rule are actuated by a desire to quote full value. Thus it may be observed that quotations on any market are at best but approximations of the price which may be obtained. Still it is very necessary that quotations be given, but they should be considered only as a guide indicating the level of the market price that naturally ebbs and flows.

When cotton is offered for sale it is first classed according to the standard of the types of the cotton exchange. I quote now from a booklet on this subject, issued by Moody & Co. under the heading of "Sales." "In selling, although we know the grade of each bale before offering, we never sell "on basis" but on the merit of each bale, according to its class and quality as shown by the samples on our tables. What ever may be the price of the list based on official quota-

tions, we keep posted as to the demand and get the best possible price we can. When sales are left to our direction we never sell below quotations, and as much above as we can. Our account sales rendered to our patrons will, we think, show that three-fourths of our sales have been at premium above quotations, running from one-sixteenth of a cent to one-half cent, depending on the demand and strength of the market. It may be that one lot of cotton may class equally as well as another and yet be worth materially more or less than the other, so much depending on color, staple, cleanliness, etc. Should our classification ever appear too low to the shipper, since we sell cotton on its merit, getting all we can, no injustice can be done him.

Thus any one may clearly see how advances over quotations may be obtained; and among other causes this is easily traceable to the capable sales agent who takes advantage of every facility of this market, and whose interests are strictly and alone the interests of the men who own the cotton. Among the facilities he profits by is the opportunity buyers here have of obtaining direct from ships concessions in freight rates, thus enabling the buyers to pay more for the cotton. The cotton is here lying practically along ship side, where the buyer may inspect and satisfy himself, and if advantages exist any where of benefit to the owner of the cotton, certainly they are found here. And the truth is that, although the Galveston quotations are higher than any other market in America, still advances are obtained over quotations by the simple but effective operations of the Galveston plan.

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"FHBustring is out of order; the clerk will proceed to read the bill." Farmer Fart a speakers chair at Austin March 21st 1909.

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Press Correspondent.
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A DECIDED SUCCESS

The entertainment given under the auspices of the Haskell Magazine Club on Friday evening, April 16th was a grand success. It proved to be an evening of interest and enjoyment. The audience was well pleased in every respect and was impressed with the talent of the amateurs of Haskell. Miss Guest as reader is good and as leading lady in "The Mouse Trap" displayed unusual histrionic ability. Misses Bess Lemmon, Jessie Wright, Fay Parsons, Mamie Meadors and Annie Ellis deserve special mention. They played their parts well and Mr. Black's ease of manner, his natural acting and his ability attracted the audience. The success of "The Mouse Trap" was due to Miss Ella Day, whose accomplishment as a reader is known not only in Texas, but in other states.

"The Vision of Fair Women" was well received and each picture was beautiful. The little girls who appeared, little Burnice Long, Willie Jones, Elsie Scott and Effie Nola Long, portrayed their characters well, and the young ladies, Miss Dacia Winn as "May Queen," and Misses Fay Parsons, Julia Winn, Vera Neathery and Jessie Wright made a pretty tableau, as did Miss McKelvain as "Cleopatra" and her attendant, Miss Almedia Camp. Miss Lorena Graham made a sweet "Maud Muller" who raked the hay on a summer day. Miss Frankie Terrell was superb in her part as "Minnehaha." Her natural beauty and effective costume made her as grand an Indian maid as has ever appeared on any stage. The club ladies who appeared in the "Vision" were Mesdames Henry Alexander, Louis Ellis, Elkins, Graham, McGregor, S. R. Rike, Fred Sanders, S. W. Scott, A. J. Smith and Mrs. Wilson. The pose of each one was beautiful and great attention was paid to the words of the dreamer, Miss Guest, who introduced each vision, while soft and dreamy music was played behind the scenes.

"Muffs" was well rendered by Misses McKelvain and Lamar and Mr. Louis Ellis and Rev. Cunningham. The solos and quartets were sweetly sung. The vocal selection by Mrs. Jno. B. Baker was appreciated by all in general, and in particular by the musicians present who recognized the pure, true tones of her well-placed high soprano voice. Miss Lorena Graham gave a dreamy violin solo, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. H. R. Jones. The duets by Mrs. Chas. Irby and Miss McKelvain were played with much animation and color. All listened with much admiration to the rich mezzo-soprano voice of Miss Fred Lindsey.

Twelve of Haskell's most beautiful girls and young matrons, Misses Vera Neathery, Almedia Camp, Ruby Fitzgerald, Dollie Wheeler, Julia Winn, Florence Baldwin, Jessie Wright, Eunice McKelvain, Lucille Hughes, Frankie Terrell and Mesdames Henry Alexander and Louis Ellis, represented the Japanese girls. The Japanese drill was a pretty sight as the cute little "Japs" ripped to the music played by Miss Lola Wallis. The audience was disappointed that the Japanese girls did not respond to the encore.

The last feature of the evening's program was "The Old Maid's Tea Party," with Misses Dollie Wheeler, Vera Neathery, Jessie Wright and Frankie Terrell as the old maids. It was laughable throughout and the song by Miss Neathery and the stately minuet danced by all four of the old maids ended the evening's entertainment most merrily. It is to be hoped that the Magazine Club, with Mrs. H. R. Jones to superintend, will soon produce another program at the Opera House.

The LION'S SHARE

BY OCTAVE THANET
AUTHOR OF THE MAN OF THE HOUR

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CHAPTER I.

The Man with the Mole.

The first time that Col. Rupert Winter saw Cary Mercer was under circumstances calculated to fix the incident firmly in his memory. In the year 1903, home from the Philippines on furlough, and preparing to return to a task big enough to attract him in spite of its exile and hardships, he had visited the son of a friend at Harvard. They were walking through the corridors of one of the private dormitories where the boy roomed. Rather grimly the soldier's eyes were noting marble wainscoting and tiled floors, and contrasting this academic environment with his own at West Point. A caustic comment rose to his lips, but it was not uttered, for he heard the sharp bark of a pistol, followed by a thud, and a crackle as of breaking glass.

"Do you fellows amuse yourselves shooting up the dormitory?" said he. The boy halted; he had gone white.

"It came from Mercer's room," he cried, and ran across the corridor to a door with the usual labeling of two visiting cards. The door was not locked. Entering, they passed into a vestibule, thence through another door which stood open. For many a day after the colonel could see just how the slender young figure looked, the shoulders in a huddle on the study table, one arm swinging nerveless; beside him, on the floor, a revolver and a broken glass bottle. The latter must have made the crackling sound. Some dark red liquid, soaking the open sheets of a newspaper, filled the room with the pungent odor of alcohol. Only the top of the lad's head showed—a curly, silky, dark brown head; but even before the colonel lifted it he had seen a few thick drops matting the brown curls. He laid the head back gently and his hand slipped to the boy's wrist.

"No use, Ralph," he said in the subdued tones that the voice takes unconsciously in the presence of death. "And Andy was going to help him," almost sobbed Ralph. "He told me he would. Oh, why couldn't he have trusted his friends?"

The colonel was looking at the newspaper—"Was it money?" said he; for a glance at the dabbled sheet had brought him the headings of the stock quotations: "Another Sharp Break in Stocks. New London Records." It had been money. Later, after what needed to be done was over, after doctors and officers of the law were gone, Col. Winter heard the wretched story. A young, reckless, fatally attractive Southerner, rich friends, college societies, joyous times; nothing really wicked or vicious, only a surrender to youth and friendship and pleasure, and then the day of reckoning—duns, college warnings, the menace of black disgrace. The young fellow was an orphan, with no near kindred save one brother much older than he. The brother was reputed to be rich, according to southern standards, and young Mercer, who had just come into a modest patrimony of his own, invested in his brother's ventures. As to the character of these ventures, whether films or substantial, the colonel's informants were absolutely ignorant. All they knew of the elder Mercer was that he was often in New York and had "a lot to do with Wall street." He wasn't a broker; no, he was trying to raise money to hang on to some big properties that he had; and the stocks seemed to be going at remarkable rates just now, the bottom dropping out of the market. If a certain stock of the Mercers—they didn't know the name—could be kept above 27 he would pull through. Col. Winter made no comment, but he remembered that when he had studied the morning's stock-market pages for himself, he had noted "bad smog in the southern steels," and "tidewater on the toboggan slide; off three to four points, declining from 27 and a fraction to 23."

"Another victim of the Wall street pirates," was the colonel's silent judgment on the tragedy. "Lucky for her his mother's dead."

The next morning he had returned and had gone to his young friend's rooms.

The boy was still full of the horror of the day before. Mercer's brother was in Cambridge, he said—arriving that morning from New York. "Andy is going to fetch him round to get him out of the reporters' way sometime this evening; maybe there's something I can do"—this in explanation of his declining to dine with the colonel. As the two entered the rooms, Winter was a little in advance, and caught the first glimpse of a man sitting in a big mission arm-chair, his head sunk on his breast. So absorbed was this man in his own dithered musings that the new-comer's approach did not arouse him. He sat with knitted brows and clenched hands, staring into vacancy, his rigid and pallid features set in a ghastly intensity of thought. There was suffering in the look; but there was more; the colonel, who had been living among the serpent passions of the orient, knew

deadly anger when he saw it; it was branded on the face before him. Involuntarily he fell back; he felt as if he had blundered in on a naked soul. Noiselessly he slipped out of the range of vision. He spoke loudly, halting to ask some question about the rooms; this made a moment's pause.

It was sufficient; in the study they found a quiet, calm, although rather haggard-looking man, who greeted Winter's companion courteously, with a southern accent, and a very good manner. He was presented to the colonel as Mr. Mercer. He would have excused himself, professing that he was just going, but the colonel took the words out of his mouth: "Ralph, here, has a cigar for me—that is all I came for; see you at the Touraine, Ralph, to-morrow for luncheon, then." He did not see the man again; neither did he see Ralph, although he made good, so far as in him lay, his fiction of an engagement at the Touraine. But Ralph could not come; and Winter had lunched, instead, with an old friend at his club, and had watched, through a stately Georgian window the shifting greenery of the common in an east wind.

All through the luncheon the soldier's mind kept swerving from the talk in hand to Cary Mercer's face. Yet he never expected to see it again. Three years later he did see it; and this second encounter, of which, by the way, Mercer was unconscious, was the beginning of an absorbing chapter in his life. A short space of time that chapter occupied; yet into it crowded mystery, peril, a wonderful and awful spectacle, the keenest happiness and the cruellest anxiety. Let his days be ever so many, the series of events which followed Mercer's reappearance will not be blurred by succeeding experiences; their vivid and haunting pictures will burn through commoner and later happenings as an electric torch flares through layers of mist.

Nothing, however, could promise adventure less than the dull and chilly late March evening when the chapter began. Nor could anyone be less on the lookout for adventure, or even interest, than was Rupert Winter. In truth, he was listless and depressed.

When he alighted from his cab in the great court of the Rock Island station he found Haley, his old orderly, with a hand on the door-hasp. Haley's military stoicism of demeanor could not quite conceal a certain agitation—at least not from the colonel's shrewd eye, used to catch the moods of his soldiers. He strangled a kind of sigh. "Doesn't like it much more than I," thought Rupert Winter. "This is mighty kind of you, Haley," he said. "Yes, sor," answered Haley, saluting. The colonel grinned feebly. Haley, busy repelling a youthful porter, did not notice the grin; he strode ahead with the colonel's world-scarred hand-luggage, found an empty settee beside one of the square-tiled columns of the waiting room and disposed his burden on the iron-railed seat next the corner one, which he reserved for the colonel.

"The train ain't in yet, colonel," said he. "I'll be telling you—"

"No, Haley," interrupted the colonel, whose lip twitched a little; and he looked aside; "best say good-bye now; don't wait. The fact is, I'm thinking of too many things you and I have gone through together." He held out his hand; Haley, with a stony expression, gazed past it and saluted, while he repeated: "Yes, sor; I'll be back to take the bags when the train's made up." Whereupon he wheeled and made off with speed.

"Just the same damned obstinate way he's always had," chuckled the colonel to himself. Nevertheless, something ached in his throat as he frowned and winked.

"Oh, get a brace on you, you played-out old sport!" he muttered. "The game's on the last four cards and you haven't established your suit; you'll have to sit back and watch the other fellows play!" But his dreary thoughts persisted. Rupert was a colonel in the regular army of the United States. He had been brevetted a brigadier general after the Spanish war, and had commanded, not only a brigade, but a division at one critical time in the Philippines; but for reasons probably known to the little knot of politicians who "hung it up," although incomprehensible to most Americans, congress had failed to pass the bill giving the wearers of brevet titles the right to keep their hard-won and empty honors; wherefore Gen. Winter had declined to Col. Winter.

He had more substantial troubles, including a wound which would probably make him limp through life and possibly retire him from service at 50. He had given him a six months' sick leave (which he had not wanted), and after spending a month on the Atlantic coast, he was going for the spring to the Pacific. Haley, whose own term of office had expired, had not re-enlisted, but had followed him, Mrs. Haley and the baby uncomplainingly bringing up the rear. It was not fair to Haley nor to Mrs. Haley, the colonel felt. He had told Haley so; he had found a good situation for the man,



At First He Did Not Recognize the Face.

and he had added the deed for a little house in the suburbs of Chicago.

If Haley wouldn't re-enlist—there never was a better soldier since he had downed a foolish young hankerer for wild times and whisky—if he wouldn't go back to the army, where he belonged, let him settle down, take up the honest carpenter's trade that he had abandoned, be a good citizen and marry little Nora to some classmate in the high school, who might make a fortune and build her a colonial mansion, should the colonial still obtain in the twentieth century.

The colonel had spread a grand prospect before Haley, who listened unresponsively, a dumb pain in his wide blue Irish eyes. The colonel hated it; but, somehow, he hated worse the limp look of Haley's back as he watched it dwindle down Michigan avenue.

However, Mrs. Haley had been more satisfactory, if none the less bewildering. She seemed very grateful over the house and the \$300 for its furnishing. A birthday present, he had termed it, with a flicker of humor because the day was his own birthday. His fiftieth birthday it happened to be, and it occurred to him that a man ought to do something a little notable on such an anniversary. This rounding of the half-century had attributes apart; it was no mere annual birthday; it marked the last vanishing flutter of the glided draperies of youth; the withering of the garlands; the fading tinkle of the light music of hope. It should mark a man's solid achievements. Once, not so long ago, Winter had believed that his fiftieth birthday would see wide and beneficent and far-reaching results in the province where he ruled. That dream was shattered. He was generous of nature, and he could have been content to behold another reap the fields which he had sowed and tilled; it was the harvest, whether his or another's, for which he worked; but his had been the bitter office to have to stand aside, with no right to protest, and see his work go to waste because his successor had a feeble brain and a pusillanimous caution in place of his own dogged will. For all these reasons, as well as others, the colonel found no zest in his fiftieth birthday; and his reverie drifted dimly from one somber reflection to another until it brought up at the latest wound to his heart—his favorite brother's death.

There had been three Winter brothers—Rupert, Melville and Thomas. During the past year both Thomas Winter and his wife had died, leaving one child, a boy of 14, named Archibald after his father's uncle. Rupert Winter and the boy's great-aunt, the widow of the great uncle, were appointed joint guardians of the young Archibald. To-night, in his jaded mood, he was assailed by reproaches because he had not seen more of his ward. Why, he hadn't so much as looked the little chap up when he passed through Fairport—merely had sent him a letter and some truck from

the Philippines; nice guardian he was! By a natural enough transition, his thoughts swerved to his own brief and not altogether happy married life. He thought of the graves in Arizona where he had left his wife and his two children, and his heart felt heavy. To escape musings which grew drearier every second, he cast his eyes about the motley crowd shuffling over the tiled floors or resting in the massive dark oaken seats. And it was then that he saw Cary Mercer. At first he did not recognize the face. He only gazed indifferently at two well-dressed men who sat some paces away from him in the shadow of a great tiled column similar to his own. There was this difference, it happened; the mission lantern with its electric bulbs above the two men was flashing brightly, and by some accident that above the colonel was dark. He could see the men, himself in the shadow.

The men were rather striking in appearance; they were evidently gentlemen; the taller one was young, well set-up, clean-shaven and quietly but most correctly dressed. His light-brown hair showed a slight curl in its closely clipped locks; his gray-blue eyes had long lashes of brown darker than his hair; his teeth were very white, and there was a dimple in his cheek, plain when he smiled. Had his nose been straight he would have been as handsome as a Greek god, but the nose was only an ordinary American nose, rather too broad at the base; moreover, his jaw was a little too square for classic lines. Nevertheless, he was good to look upon, as well as strong and clean and wholesome, and when his gray-blue eyes strayed about the room the dimple dented his cheek and his white teeth gleamed in a kind of merry good-nature pleasant to see. But it was the other man who held the colonel's eye. This man was double the young man's age, or near that; he was shorter, although still of fair stature, and slim of build. His face was oval in contour and delicate of feature. Although he wore no glasses, his brow had the far pucker of a near-sighted man. There was a mole on his cheek bone and another just below his ear. Both were small, rather than large, and in no sense disfiguring; but the colonel noted them absently, being in the habit of photographing a man in a glance. The face had beauty, distinction even, yet about it hung some association, sinister as a poison label.

"Now, where," said the colonel to himself, "where have I seen that man?" Almost instantly the clew came to him. "By Jove, it's the brother!" he exclaimed. Three years ago, and he had almost forgotten; but here was Cary Mercer—the name came to him after a little groping—here he was again; but who was the pleasant youngster with him? And what were they discussing with so little apparent and so much real earnestness?

One of the colonel's physical gifts was an extraordinary acuteness of hearing. It passed the mark of a fat,

ubby and became a marvel. Part of this uncanny power was really due, not to hearing alone, but to an alliance with another sense, because Winter had learned the lip language in his youth; he heard with his eyes as well as his ears. This combination had made an unintentional and embarrassed eavesdropper out of an honest gentleman a number of times. To set off such evil tricks it had saved his life once on the plains and had rescued his whole command another time in the Philippines. While he studied the two faces a sentence from the younger man gripped his attention. It was: "I don't mind the risk, but I hate taking such an old woman's money."

"She has a heap," answered the other man carelessly; "besides—" He added something with averted head and in too low a voice to reach the listener unassisted. But it was convincing, evidently, since the young man's face grew both grave and stern. He nodded, muttering: "Oh, I understand; I wasn't lacking water; I know we have lost the right to be squeamish. But I say, old chap, how long since Mrs. Winter has seen you? Would she recognize you?"

The colonel, who had been about to abandon his espionage as unbecoming a soldier and a gentleman, stowed away all his scruples at the mention of the name. He pricked up his ears and sharpened his eye, but was careful lest they should catch his glance. The next sentence, owing to the speaker's position, was inaudible and invisible; but he clearly caught the young man's response:

"You're sure they'll be on this train?"

And he saw the interlocutor's head nod.

"The boy's with them?"

An inaudible reply, but another nod.

"And you're sure of Miss Smith?"

This time the other's profile was toward the listener who heard the reply: "Plumb sure. I wish I were as sure of some other things. Have we settled everything? It is better not to be seen together."

"Yes, I think you've put me wise on the main points. By the way, what is the penalty for kidnaping?"

Again an averted head and hiatus, followed by the younger man's sparkling smile and exclamation: "Wow! Riskier than football—and even more fun!" Something further he added, but his arms hid his mouth as he thrust them into his greatcoat, preparing to move away. He went alone; and the other, after a moment's gloomy meditation, gathered up coat and bag and followed. During that moment of arrested decision, however, his features had dropped into sinister lines which the colonel remembered. "Dangerous customer, or I miss my guess," mused the soldier, who knew the passions of men. "I wonder—they couldn't mean my Aunt Rebecca? She's old; she has millions of money—but she's not on this train. And there's no Miss Smith in our deck. I'm so used to plotting I go off on fake hikes! Probably I'm getting old and dotty. Mercer, poor fellow, may have his brain turned and be an anarchist or a bomb-thrower or a dirty kidnaper for revenge; but that boy's a decent chap; I've licked too many second lieutenants into shape not to know something of youngsters."

He pushed the idea away; or, rather, his own problems pushed it out of his mind, which went back to his ward and his single living brother. Melville had no children, only his wife's daughters, who were both married—Melville having married a widow with a family, an estate and a mind of her own. Melville was a professor in a state university, a mild, learned man whom nature intended for science but whom his wife was determined to make into the president of the university.

"Even money which will win," chuckled Rupert Winter to himself. "Millicent hasn't much tact; but she has the perseverance of the saints. She married Mel; he doesn't know, but she surely did. And she bosses him now. Well, I suppose Mel likes to be bossed; he never had any strenuous opinions except about the canals of Mars—Valgame dios!"

With a gasp the colonel sprang to his feet. There before him, in the flesh, was his sister-in-law. Her stately figure, her Roman profile, her gracefully gesticulating hand, which indicated the colonel's position to her heavily laden attendant, a lad in blue—these he knew by heart just as he knew that her toilet for the journey would be in the latest mode, and that she would have the latest fashion of gait and mien. Millicent studied such things.

She waved her luggage into place—an excellent place—in the same breath dismissing the porter and instructing him when he must return. Then, but not until then, did she turn graciously to her brother-in-law.

"I hoped that I should find you, Bertie," she said in a voice of such creamy richness that it was hard to credit the speaker with only three short trips to England. "Melville said you were to take this train; and I was

so delighted, so relieved! I am in a most humbling predicament, my dear Bertie."

"That's bad," murmured the colonel with sympathetic solicitude; "what's the trouble? Couldn't you get a section?"

"I have my reservations, but I don't know whether I shall go to-night."

"Maybe I'm stupid, Millicent, but I confess I don't know what you mean."

"Really, there's no reason why you should, Bertie. That's why I was so anxious to see you—in time, so that I might explain to you—might put you on your guard."

"Yes!" the colonel submitted; he never hurried a woman.

"I'm going to visit dear Amy—you remember she was married two years ago and lives in Pasadena; she has a dear little baby and the loveliest home! It's charming. And she was so delighted with your wedding gift, it was so original. Amy never did care for costly things; these simple, unique gifts always pleased her. Of course, my main object is to see the dear child, but I shall not go to-night unless Aunt Rebecca Winter is on the train. If for any reason she waits over until to-morrow I shall wait also."

"Ah!" sighed the colonel very softly, not stirring a muscle of his politely attentive face; "and does Aunt Rebecca expect to go on the train?"

"They told me at the Pullman office that she had the drawing-room, the stateroom and two sections. Of course, she has her maid with her and Archi—"

"Does he go, too?" the colonel asked, his eyes narrowing a little.

"Yes, she's taking him to California; he doesn't seem well enough, she thinks, to go to school, so he is to have a tutor out there. I'm a little afraid Aunt Rebecca mollycoddles the boy."

"Aunt Rebecca never struck me as a mollycoddler. I always considered her a tolerably cynical old Spartan. But do you mean there is any doubt of their going? Awfully good of you to wait to see if they don't go, but I'm sure Aunt Rebecca wouldn't want you to sacrifice your section—"

Mrs. Melville lifted a shapely hand in a Desartian gesture of arrest; her smiling words were the last the colonel had expected. "Hush, dear Bertie; Aunt Rebecca doesn't know I am going. I don't want her to know until we are on the train."

"Oh, I see, a surprise?" But he did not see; and, with a quiet intension, he watched the color rattle Mrs. Melville's smooth cheeks.

"Hardly," returned the lady. "The truth is, Bertie Melville and I are worried about Aunt Rebecca. She, we fear, has fallen under the influence of a most plausible adventurist; I suppose you have heard of her companion, Miss Smith?"

"Can't say I have exactly," said the colonel placidly, but his eyes narrowed again. "Who is the lady?"

"I thought—I am sure Melville must have written you. But—Oh, yes, he wrote yesterday to Boston. Well, Bertie, Miss Smith is a southerner; she says she is a South Carolinian, but Aunt Rebecca picked her up in Washington, where she was with a kink of cousin of ours who was half crazy. Miss Smith took care of her and she died"—she fixed a darkling eye on the soldier—"she died and she left Miss Smith money."

"Much?"

"A few thousands. That is how Aunt Rebecca met her, and she pulled the wool over Auntie's eyes; and they came back together. She's awfully clever."

"Young? Pretty?"

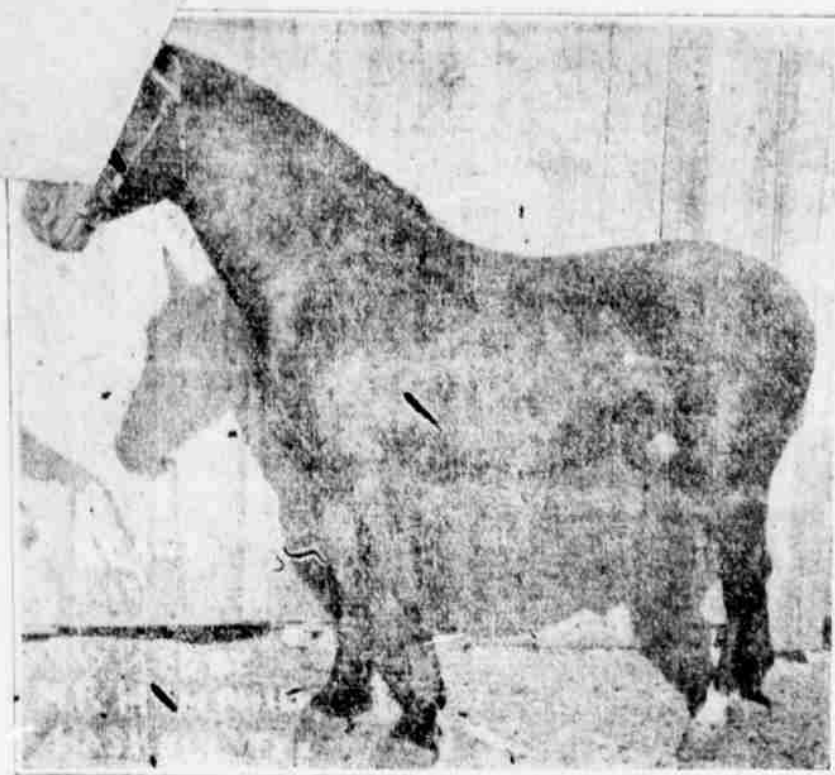
"Oh, dear, no. And she's nearer 40 than 30. Just the desiring age for a woman when she's still wanting to marry some one but beginning to be afraid that she can't. Then such creatures always try to get money. If they can't marry it, and there's no man to set their caps for, they try to wheedle it out of some poor fool woman!" Millicent was in earnest, there was no doubt of that; the sure sign was her unconscious return to the direct expressions of her early life in the middle west.

"And you think Miss Smith is trying to influence Aunt Rebecca?"

"Of course she is; and Aunt Rebecca is 80, Rupert. And often while people of her age show no other sign of weakening intellect, they are not well regulated in their affections; they take fancies to people and get doting and clinging. She is getting to depend on Miss Smith. Really, that woman has more influence with her than all the rest of us together. She won't hear a word against her. Why! when I tried to suggest how little we knew about Miss Smith and that it would be better not to trust her too entirely, she positively resented it. Of course I used tact, too. I was so hurt, so surprised!" Mrs. Millicent was plainly aggrieved.

The colonel, who had his own opinion of the tact of his brother's wife, was not so surprised; but he made an inarticulate sound which might pass for sympathy.

(TO BE CONTINUED)



B. B. CRISPY

I am the owner of B. B. Crispy, the \$3000 Imported English Hackney Coach Horse. This horse is 5 years old, he will make the season at my place 1 1/2 miles N. E. of Haskell, Texas, and Simmons Bros. Stable, Rule, Texas. I will go to Rule Monday, the 26th and stay 6 days and then back at my place in Haskell and will continue that way 6 days at each place all through the season, you can see the photo of him above and is a true one of the horse, taken at my place. Terms of breeding is \$17.50 to insure sound free colt and \$15.00 to insure foal. I will answer all phone calls and pay for them. For any information you want on the horse, call me, my residence phone number is 323. I will be glad to refer you to some of his colts. Write me what day you will come to my place or at Rule and I will hold that day for you if possible. I have got a pasture to take care of mares and want charge anything extra, get grass, most all smooth wire fence around place. Come and see this horse, no doubt will arrive in your mind but what he is the finest horse in the country, he is an all purpose horse and has not got big feet, but a small foot for a horse his size, has no long fetlocks, he is a simple day and is a beautiful horse, his record in trotting is about a mile in 4 1/2 minutes. Now if you have got a fine blood name why do you want to degrade your stock, when you have a chance to grade them up. I have the papers to show him to be a pure blooded horse, his weight is 1375 lbs. and I have cut the price from \$25.00 to \$17.50 and insure a sound live colt. Come or call me over the phone or write me what day you will come and your time will be held for you if possible.

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CLUB NOTES.

On Saturday afternoon, April 17th, the Magazine Club met at the home of Mrs. Fred Sanders. Those present were Mesdames Elkins, Ellis, Graham, Jones, Langford, Long, McGregor, Rike, Sanders, Scott, Smith, Whitman, Wilson and Miss Houston.

The subject for the lesson was Ireland, and the roll call was responses from Sir Thomas Moore. The table talk was from the Irish Note Book. At five o'clock the hostess served dainty refreshments.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. S. R. Rike and the program for the afternoon is:

Subject—"A Week in Wales."
Roll Call—Welsh Note Book.
Paper—Evan Roberts.

The members of the Magazine Club greatly appreciate the interest that was manifested in their entertainment on Friday evening, April 16th, and also the efforts of all those who kindly assisted them in producing this entertainment. They wish to most heartily thank the talented young men and women who took part and also thank the managers of the Opera House who were most courteous in every respect.

The Symphony Club is to have a Schubert-Schumann program at the next meeting. In this club are nine very enthusiastic music lovers and musicians: Mesdames John B. Baker, Gordon McGuire, Charles Irby, R. C. Montgomery, J. D. Smith, H. R. Jones and Misses McKelvin, Roebuck and Houston.

The Symphony Club met on Wednesday afternoon with Miss Houston at the home of Mrs. Charles Irby. Seven members answered to roll call with an interesting current event.

After the hour of business the Round Table discussion began and many interesting things of Beethoven's life were related. This was a Beethoven afternoon and the program was:

A Sketch of Beethoven's Life—Miss Roebuck.
Piano Selection, Sonate Pathetique—Mrs. Irby.
The Musical Career of Beethoven—Mrs. Montgomery.
Story of Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata"—Mrs. Smith.
Vocal Solo—Mrs. McGuire.

A Friend of Old Joe Clark

We received the following unassigned communication through the post office, and as we can conceive of no harm from its publication we give it space. However we wish correspondents would give their names in future.

Howard News—The timber is looking pretty with its green foliage.

Mr. Virgel Williams visited Mr. G. L. D. Parks Sunday.

Misses Alma Green and Rosett McGuire visited Miss Birtie Green Sunday.

Mr. Date Anderson and family visited Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Fowler Sunday evening.

Mr. Thornton visited Mr. Anderson Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Fowler visited Mrs. Date Anderson Sunday.

Paint Creek had a good party Friday night but the Buffalo people did not attend, however they attended Sunday School at Howard Sunday.

R. G. Landess is improving his place. Has built a house and is totting water to fill his tank.

Mr. Warnie wishes he was back in 10ic.

Mr. F. L. D. Parks has two more bales of cotton to pick.

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CITATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED. That you summon, by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Haskell if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day thereof, the unknown heirs of O. A. Pattee whose names and residences are unknown, to be and appear before the Honorable District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be held in the County of Haskell at the Court House thereof, in Haskell on the 16th Monday after the first Monday in February 1909, the same being May 24, 1909, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court, on the 10th day of May A. D. 1907, and the answer and cross plea of defendant, A. H. Tandy, filed May 27, 1907, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 433, wherein J. U. Fields is plaintiff and W. T. Hudson, A. H. Tandy, W. C. Wasson and the unknown heirs of O. A. Pattee are defendants.

The nature of the demands of plaintiff and defendant, Tandy being as follows, to wit: Plaintiff's demand being evidenced by original petition alleging substantially: That he is the legal owner and holder of two promissory notes executed by the defendant, Hudson, payable to the order of Jefferson Johnson, executor of the last will and testament of N. S. Walton deceased, each for \$200.00, bearing date of April 10, 1900, due respectively April 10, 1902, and April 10, 1903, bearing interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, payable annually, and providing for 10 per cent additional upon the principal and interest as attorneys fees if said notes should be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection or if collected by suit, and that the balance then due upon said notes was secured by vendor's lien upon a certain tract or parcel of land situated in Haskell County, Texas, containing 80 acres, known as block 117 of the Peter Allen survey of 2 1/2 league and one labor, abstract No. 2, as the same is shown from a map or plat of the subdivisions of said Peter Allen survey recorded at page 400 of volume M7 of the deed records of Haskell County, Texas, which vendor's lien was reserved in a deed conveying said property to defendant W. T. Hudson, executed by W. M. Walton acting for himself and the said Jefferson Johnson acting as executor aforesaid, bearing date of April 10, 1900; that the defendants, A. H. Tandy and O. A. Pattee, by judgment liens held by them against W. T. Hudson, were claiming to be junior lien holders against the said W. T. Hudson, and as such junior lien holders to have an interest in the above described property; that the vendor's lien aforesaid was only valid and subsisting as against the north 65 acres of the 80 acres above described, and said suit by plaintiff was for the collection of his aforesaid debt and the foreclosure of said vendor's lien.

The demand of the defendant, Tandy, as shown from his said answer is for the foreclosure of a judgment lien upon said premises with a decree that on sale of said property, the debt of plaintiff, above mentioned, be first satisfied, 2. The debt and judgment of the defendant, Tandy, be satisfied and the surplus, if any, be disposed of by the trial court as the other parties in said suit should show themselves entitled to, and for a divestiture of any title or claims by defendant, to Wasson, said property, and that he be forever debarred from any part of said property.

The allegations in said answer with reference to the claims of defendant, Tandy, being in substance: That on the 26th day of May 1903 in cause No. 341 on the docket of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, wherein W. T. Hudson and J. N. Webb were defendants, he the said Tandy did on that date secure a judgment against the said defendants, J. N. Webb and W. T. Hudson, for the sum of \$3213.17 and for \$7.20 cost, said judgment drawing 8 per cent interest per annum from date; that said judgment is a valid and subsisting judgment and constitutes a valid and subsisting lien against said property

from the first day of June 1903, at which date said judgment was properly filed, recorded and indexed in the judgment lien records of Haskell County, Texas; that the defendant, O. A. Pattee, has a judgment lien junior in point of time to the lien of said Tandy, and that said lien of said Pattee and his equity of redemption should be forever extinguished and debarred unless he should take up said lien of said Tandy and the lien of plaintiff in said suit; that on the 26th day of April 1906, the defendant, Wasson, procured from the defendant, Hudson, and his wife for a recited consideration of \$2000.00, a deed to 32 1/2 acres of land off the north end of the property above described.

HEREIN FAIL NOT. And have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, this, the 31st day of March A. D. 1909.

J. W. Meadors,
Clerk District Court of Haskell County, Texas.

(L.S.) By Worth Long, Deputy 14-8t

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Honorable County Court of Haskell County, on the 10th day of April, A. D. 1909, in the case of Hobson Electric Company versus Haskell Light, Ice and Water Company, No. 219, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 10th day of April A. D. 1909, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 12 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in May, 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 Haskell Light, Ice & Water Company has in and to the following described property, to-wit: Lots 5 and 6 in Block No. 2 of the Brown & Roberts Addition to the town of Haskell, Texas, same being a part of the land owned by the League & Labor, Abstract No. 253 (Cort. No. 905, Survey, No. 109, in Haskell County, Texas, said property being levied on as the property of Haskell Light, Ice & Water Company to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$350.02, in favor of Hobson Electric Company and costs of suit, given under my hand this 10th day of April A. D. 1909.

M. E. Park,
Sheriff Haskell County, Texas.

We are in receipt of a lot of literature from the secretary of the whole sale grocers of New York, advocating reduction in the sugar schedule of the proposed tariff bill.

Of course this patriotic eastern grocers association are looking after the interests of the consumer? When the business institutions of the country get to where they will lie and fool the people to help out the big corporations it is time for the common people to look to their liberties. It has come to pass that you can neither expect statesmanship, patriotism or the truth from eastern business interests. The East has fattened on the tariff graft, and lived on it for forty-three years, now they clamor for free raw material in the name of the consumer.

If they were sincere why not give us free shoes and other manufactured necessities. The whole history of tariff legislation shows that the east is after the graft. They have gotten all their wealth by legislation that is against the south and west and in the interest of the east. For years foreigners have held the balance of power, elected our congress and presidents. These foreigners came to the eastern states to get the benefit of the graft. What does a naturalized foreign laborer care for the burdens of others if he gets a fractional percentage of the graft his trust employer collects from the south and west?

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Locals and Personals.

Look out for Mrs. Wiggs and Lonely Mary.

Croquet at the Racket Store.

C. W. Green of Crowell visited Haskell this week.

Misses Fannie Baldwin and Ella Bee Debard spent Sunday with friends at Stamford.

Mr. Alf Campbell of Munday visited friends in this city the early part of the week.

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All the Cabbage Patch will be there. Will you?

Messrs Sallie and Coot Hughes Ella Day and Annie Ellis spent Sunday at Stamford.

Judge H. G. McConnell visited Aspermont on professional business the early part of the week.

Parlor enameled clocks at Evans.

A. H. Tandy and son, Henry, of Woodward, Ok., and Mr. and Mrs. Morrison of Kansas City are visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Scott of this city. Mrs. Morrison is a sister of Mrs. Scott, and Mr. Tandy is their father.

Postmaster Baker requests the people to write their name and route number on their letters. This will save many letters from the dead letter office.

The Foot Bros. have bought out Ellis & Williams' grocery.

Mr. Dudley Hamilton left Sunday for Van Horn. He took with him cattle, horses, farm implements and household goods. He will take up eight sections of school land.

J. L. Jones of Rule was in the city Wednesday.

A Jim Dandy \$4, 8 day clock at Evans', the jeweler, Cogdill's Drug Store.

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Mr. Martin (Editor) I wish you would tell the ladies what a nice line of Croquet we have at the Racket Store.

Just received a new lot of 8 day clocks. Evans.

With each suit sold at Dellis Bros. for 12.50 and up, you will get free a handsome watch.

On Saturday, May 1st, the ladies of the Presbyterian Church will have on sale at Sherrill Bros store cakes, pies and other things suitable for Sunday dinner. There will also be an assortment of ladies collars for sale.

Work on the new brick being constructed by the North Side Market and E. Sutherlin is progressing very rapidly. The contractor Mr. D. Scott, will turn the building over to the carpenters in less than three weeks from the time he broke dirt for the foundation.

New York to Haskell, thence to Gus Evans—fine line of clocks.

A circular from F. C. Lowery, Secretary of the Wholesale Grocers Association of New York, advocating free sugar, has inspired us to take a few editorial shots at those eastern tariff grafters with their army of empty dinner pails to be filled at the expense of the South and West.

NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at the Court House in the town of Haskell within the Haskell Independent School district, on the 15th day of May, 1909, to determine whether the bonds of said District shall be issued to the amount of ten thousand dollars, payable forty years from their date and bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum, for the purpose of constructing and equipping of a Public Free School building of brick or stone material and purchasing a site therefor in said District, and whether there shall be annually levied, assessed and collected on all the taxable property, in said District for the current year and annually thereafter while said bonds, or any of them, are outstanding, a tax sufficient to pay the current interest of said bonds and provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

G. T. McCulloh has been appointed manager of said election, which shall be held as nearly as may be possible in conformity with the general election laws of the State.

No person shall vote at said election unless he be a qualified voter under the constitution and laws of this State, and a taxpayer in said Haskell Independent School District.

Those in favor of the issuance of the bonds and the levy of the tax shall write or print on their ballots, "FOR THE BONDS"; and those against on their ballots, "AGAINST THE BONDS".

Said election was ordered by the Board of Trustees of said Haskell Independent School District by an order passed on the 10th day of April 1909. And this notice is issued pursuant to said order.

Dated this the 12th day of April A. D. 1909.

P. D. Sanders, President Board of Trustees of said District. Attest:

W. W. Fields, Secretary Board of Trustees of said District. 4-t-P

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of April 1909 the Board of Trustees of Haskell Independent School District (a quorum being present) made the following order, to-wit:

ELECTION ORDER.
Be it ordered by the Board of Trustees of Haskell Independent School District that an election be held at the Court House in the town of Haskell in said Haskell Independent School District on the 15th day of May, 1909, to determine whether the Board of Trustees of said District shall have power to annually levy and collect a tax upon all taxable property in said District, for the support and maintenance of Public Free Schools in said Haskell Independent School District, of and at the rate of not exceeding fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation of all taxable property in said District; such tax, if voted, to be levied and collected for the year 1909 and annually thereafter unless it be discontinued as provided by law.

G. T. McCulloh is hereby appointed manager of said election and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same, none but property tax payers, who are qualified voters in said Haskell Independent School District, shall vote at said election.

A copy of this Order signed by the President and attested by the Secretary of this Board shall serve as proper notice of said election and the President shall cause notice of said election to be given in accordance with the law.

P. D. Sanders, President, Board of Trustees, Haskell Independent School District. Attest:

W. W. Fields, Secretary, Board of Trustees, Haskell Independent School District.

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You hear Some fellow say

"Gents Furnishings if from THE HUB.

Means Fashion's Right of Away." c. a.

HASKELL THE HUB TEXAS. FURNISHERS TO MEN.

INSURE YOUR HOME AGAINST LAMP Explosion

Avoid Smoked Chimneys

By Using

EUPION OIL

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

We can tell you who handles it.

E. L. NORTHCUT

EUPION OIL AGENT.

NORMAN'S PAINT STORE

BRIGHTEN UP

You want the Best, of course you do, there's not a

doubt about it

And Fashion echoes "to be sure, you cannot do without"

So when it comes to Paint—we'll say—on Gilt Edge Guarantee

It's Norman's Paint Store Has the Best—"S. W. P. for Me!"

This is the Age of Specialties, and where variety shows

As Here, each Line belongs to each, and from the other

grow

It's thus in this Exclusive Store and hence it comes to pass

You find Wall Paper—Varnishes, Floor Finishings and

Glass.

I could right now expatiate, and linger on each line,

To show—just Why on Norman's Lines its always

theirs for Mine;—

But better judgment cuts me short, and wisdom's wiser way

Says "Normans" Paint Store has the Best—

c. a. what more could Volumes say?

Person-Houston Criminal District. Because of those ugly, gray, gray hairs. Use "LA CREOLE" hair cream.

POTATO MAKES PROUD BOAST.

Humble Vegetable Used for Many Other Purposes Than Recognized Dinner Essential.

Whenever you lick a postage stamp you partake of me, since all lickable gums are made from dextrine, one of my products.

Your neck compresses me all day—for the starch that stiffens your collar is made from the potato.

The bone buttons on your underwear are probably "vegetable ivory"—compressed potato pulp.

My leaves, dried, make a good smoke. You have often smoked them "unbeknownst," mixed with your favorite brand.

Potato spirit is a very pure alcohol. It is used to fortify white wines. Many a headache is not so much due to the grape as the potato.

I yield a sweet syrup. In this form I am often present in cheap cocoa, honey, butter and lard.

Let the carpenter try as they will, they cannot escape yours truly.

—THE POTATO.

SAVING PAINT MONEY

It Cannot Be Done by Using Cheap Material and Cheap Painters.

In attempting to paint a good many property owners try to save money by employing the painter who offers to do the job cheapest—or try to save money by insisting on a low priced paint. But no property owner would incur such risks if he realized that most he taken into consideration in order to get a job that will wear and give thorough satisfaction.

No houseowner will go wrong on the painting question if he writes National Lead Company, 1922 Trinity Building, New York, for their Houseowner's Painting Guide No. 43, which is sent free. It is a complete guide to painting. It includes a book of color schemes for either exterior or interior painting, a book of specifications, and an instrument for detecting adulteration in paint materials.

Nearly every dealer has National Lead Company's pure white lead (Dutch Boy Patent trademark). If yours has not, write National Lead Co., and arrangements will be made for you to get it.

GOING THE PACE.



Tortoise—What, have you started a motor car?
Snail—Yes, one must move with the times, you know.

Perfectly Reckless.
The members of the church voted that their dearly-beloved and devoted pastor should have a vacation, and so he decided that he would visit a brother-worker in the neighboring village.

This good brother recognizing his fellow-worker in the Lord way back among the congregation, on Sunday morning, and wishing to show every courtesy, asked him to lead in prayer, but the visitor calmly replied: "You'll live to excuse me, dear brother, I'm on my vacation."—Ladies' Home Journal.

Not Our Discovery.
The Greek, Eratosthenes, 250 B. C., taught the doctrine of the roundness of the earth, and the ideas of the sphere, its poles, axis, the equator, ionic and antarcic circles, equinoctial points and the solstices were quite generally entertained by the wise men of that time. There were plenty of men in Rome, therefore, who were prepared to talk about the earth as a sphere and to make globes illustrating their ideas.

"COFFEE DOESN'T HURT ME"

Tales That Are Told.

One of the kind who wouldn't quit coffee was hurting me," said a Y. woman. "You just couldn't see me its use was connected to heart and stomach trouble I had from most of the time.

trouble finally got so bad I could live on milk and toast almost for three or four years. Still loved the coffee and wouldn't believe could do such damage.

"What I needed was to quit coffee and take nourishment in such form as stomach could digest.

"I had read much about Postum, I never thought it would fit my case. One day I decided to quit coffee and give it a trial and make sure about it. I got a package and carefully read the directions.

Soon I began to get better and was to eat carefully selected foods about the aid of pepsin or other digestants and it was not long before I was really a new woman physically.

"Now I am healthy and sound, can do anything and everything that I please and I know this wonderful change is all due to my having coffee and got the nourishment I needed through this delicious Postum.

"My wonder is why everyone don't give up the old coffee and the troubles it goes with it and build themselves up. I have done, with Postum."

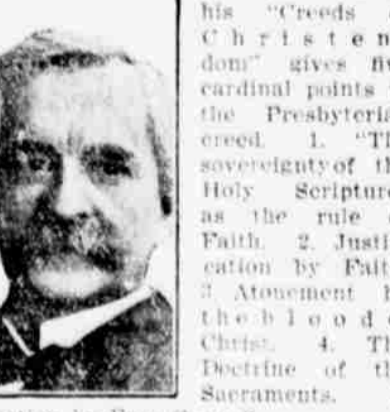
"I say to prove by 10 days' trial of Postum in place of coffee. The reward is big.

"There's a Reason."
Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

WHAT THE WORLD OWES TO PRESBYTERIANISM

By REV. A. C. DIXON, D. D., Pastor of the Chicago Ave. (Moody's) Church, Chicago.

"The Lord God omnipotent reigneth."—Rev. 19:6.



Philip Schaff in his "Creeds of Christendom" gives five cardinal points in the Presbyterian creed.

1. "The sovereignty of the Holy Scriptures as the rule of Faith. 2. Justification by Faith. 3. Atonement by the blood of Christ. 4. The Doctrine of the Sacraments. 5. Election by Free Grace."

In all its official utterances the Presbyterian church has been loyal to the little as the inerrant, infallible word of God. So far as I know it has never uttered a word through any official channel casting a doubt upon the Bible as the authoritative word of God.

On the contrary, it has made religious unbelievers very uncomfortable in its ranks. Robert Watts in answer to the question, "What is Presbyterianism?" declares that the heart of its teaching is in the word Imputation. 1. The Imputation of Adam's sin to the race. 2. The Imputation of our sins to Christ. 3. The Imputation of Christ's righteous deeds to us.

The basis of all this is atonement through the blood of Christ. Though Presbyterianism exalts the solemnity of the church into sacraments, there is no cleansing power in the water of baptism, nor is there transubstantiation or consubstantiation in the Lord's Supper. "Election is free grace" gives us the secret of the blessings which have come to the world through the emphasis which Presbyterianism has placed upon the sovereignty of God and consequent human responsibility. God is the sovereign ruler of the universe and should have no rival. As sovereign he has the right to command, it is our duty to obey. Sin is rebellion against a sovereign God who reigns in righteousness. Salvation has its source in the love and mercy of a sovereign God.

This doctrine of God's sovereignty and man's consequent responsibility has done more than any other one thing to break the rule of tyrants and give to the world civil and religious liberty. If God is sovereign, no man has a right to lord it over his fellows. All are equal before God and all should serve him while they accord to every one else the same privilege.

The men who in our history threw the tea overboard in Boston harbor believed that God reigns in righteousness and that it was not right in his sight to pay taxes without representation in parliament. Faith in the sovereignty of God inspired the sentence in the Declaration of Independence: "All men are created equal." When the people lose sight of the sovereignty of God and become willing to acknowledge the sovereignty of any man, however great, civil liberty is at an end and a tyrant is on the throne.

Missions.
The sovereignty of God and man's consequent responsibility has inspired and carried forward the great foreign missionary movements of the church. When the Duke of Wellington was asked his opinion of foreign missions and he replied: "What are your marching orders?" he emphasized the sovereignty of God. Morrison went to China and stayed there years without a convert, not so much because China needed him as because he had heard the voice of his sovereign God saying: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." It was this voice of a sovereign God which sent Livingstone to Africa, Carey to India, Judson to Burma and Paton to the New Hebrides.

Revivals.
The doctrine of God's sovereignty and man's consequent responsibility has made great preachers and produced great revivals. In this was the secret of Paul's success as a preacher. He spoke as the ambassador of a sovereign God. Finney was so powerful in his appeals to the reason and will of men because he brought to bear upon them the pressure of God's sovereignty, which demanded that they surrender their wills and use their reason for his glory. Charles H. Spurgeon, the greatest preacher of the last century, was mastered by his faith in the sovereignty of God and D. L. Moody was like him in this, for he often said: "If God should tell me to have my own way I would ask him to have his way in my life." When a sinner is led to believe in the sovereignty of God he will be convinced of sin as rebellion against his king, and to every Christian comes great comfort in the faith that his father is supreme ruler of the universe and will somehow make all things "work together for good to them that love God." Heaven means a place where Christ is sovereign over all. None dispute his away. Crown him king in your heart and life. Then you need not go to heaven to be happy. Heaven has come to you.

BY THE TELEPHONE

CHURCH SERVICE WAS BROUGHT TO CONGREGATION.

Cut Off by Storm, Pastor Found Means of Providing Edification For His Flock by Means of the Wire.

An entire church service by telephone, listened to by the parishioners within a radius of ten miles of the parsonage, is the brand-new idea in Sunday worship worked out successfully by a New England pastor. Not only was the sermon delivered over the wire, but the violin music and choir selections were also duly given.

Rev. Newell C. Maynard of Pomfret, Vt., is the clergyman whose novel plan promises to find many followers. In the town of Pomfret, among the hills of Vermont Sunday morning broke with a midwinter blizzard. Three feet of snow had already fallen and the darkened sky gave no signs of withholding the rest of its hoary burden.

To me, as minister of the village church, it was evident that this was a good day for people to enjoy the comforts of their own fireside. But how to reach these people in such a storm and give them the practical benefits of a Sunday service in their own homes—this was the question which I set myself about to answer.

"I had it! Almost every home within a radius of ten miles had a telephone. Why not preach over the wire? Accordingly I called up my lessons and made my propositions to them. They were so pleased with the novel idea that they at once said: 'Go ahead!'"

"I then called up central and asked permission to have the switch thrown open on both lines. Next I called up my violinist, Marvin Whipple, and requested him to be ready with a violin solo, and finally asked Lester Clifford to be prepared for two selections of sacred music for the phonograph. I gave the order of service to my violinist and phonograph operator, and Deacon A. P. Clifford called up the parties on the line and requested all who cared to listen to the service to take down their receivers at 11 o'clock.

"When the hour arrived I took down my receiver and calling the roll of all the parties on the line, said simply: 'We will commence our morning service with a selection by the male quartet.' Then the phonograph placed before the transmitter rendered 'Rock of Ages' in clear male voices. I then read the Twenty-third Psalm. Next followed Handel's 'Largo,' played before the transmitter as a violin solo. 'Having completed my brief sermon, I said: 'We will close our service with another selection by the male quartet.' Whereupon the service was concluded by the singing of 'Nearer, My God, to Thee.'"

Youthful Elopers.
The youthful elopement in Dickens' pretty story was duplicated in real life the other day, when Jesse Yeakey, aged four years, and Annie Theresa Unterfashberger, aged three years, left their respective homes in Portland Ore., and wandered down town hand in hand, intent on getting married. The course of true love never did run smooth, however, and the little romance was spoiled by Patrolman Riley, who met the tots in the heart of the business district. The boys was much abashed by the man in uniform, but the girl slipped out their plan to get married and visit a moving-picture show. When taken to the police station, where their frantic parents were waiting, there was a scene. "No," screamed the little girl, breaking into tears as her mother started to take her away. "Annie wants to stay and marry Jesse."

Point of Law.
In a small southern town two roadabouts got into an argument about the ownership of an opossum. During the disturbance Sam assaulted Remus with a paving stone and in due time was brought before the bar of justice. Sam, in the meantime, had engaged the services of a rising young lawyer. "We have heard the evidence," said the young attorney at the trial, "and I think, according to Blackstone, my client is innocent."

It was then that Remus arose and rubbed his bandaged head dolefully. "He may be innocent, sah, according to Blackstone," he said, seriously "but according to dat cobblestone he am guilty."

And the judge thought the same and Sam was convicted.

On a Pass.
It was during a tedious ride on a western railway, and the passengers, tired, dirty and thirsty, all berated the company, with the exception of one single man. His fellow passengers commented on this, and asked him why he did not denounce the company, too. "It would be hardly fair," he replied, "as I am traveling on a free pass; but, if they don't do better pretty soon, blamed if I don't go out and buy a ticket and join you."—Harper's Magazine.

He Needed Them.
"What with whooping cough, measles and all that," began the first traveler, "children are a great care; but they are blessings sometimes—"

"Certainly they are," interrupted the second traveler. "I don't know how we should get along without them."

"Ah, you are a family man, too?" "No," a doctor.—"Tit-Bits."

TEXAS NEWS

HAPPENINGS

Twenty-five car loads of fat cattle were shipped to market from Snyder, Friday.

Despite the agitation of the question of removing the Farmers' Union Headquarters from Fort Worth, the question has been definitely decided that to change will be made.

The City Council of San Antonio has passed an ordinance to prevent the erection of any tuberculosis sanitarium in the city limits of San Antonio.

A proposition has been made by the Santa Fe Railroad to build to Snyder. The consideration to be a bond for 'right of way across the county, and depot grounds in Snyder.

The Texas State Oratorical contest, held at the auditorium in Waco, Friday, resulted in a victory for Fort Worth University, R. P. Lightfoot of that institution taking first place.

It has been determined by the citizens of Galveston, acting through the Business League, to give during the first week in August of 1909 the First Annual Cotton Carnival of Galveston.

The corner in wheat, which has already resulted in the increase in the price of bread in some sections, has revived interest in the legislation to prohibit dealing in futures in farm products.

Preparations for the spring racing meet to be held in Houston, are well advanced and everything points to one of the most successful ever held in the State. Six hundred horses will be there.

The jury in the case of the State vs. John Wynne, at Huntsville, colored, after being out all night, Sunday morning returned a verdict assessing the death penalty. He was charged with killing his wife.

Jeff Jenkins of Sherman, received a message Monday stating that the body of his son, John Jenkins, who was drowned near Los Angeles on Sunday, April 4, was washed ashore late Sunday evening.

A few minutes after the United States Supreme Court went into session Monday, Chief Justice Fuller sent into the office of the Clerk of the Court a brief note announcing that the petitions for rehearing in the three Waters-Pierce Oil cases from Texas are denied by the Court.

A wreck occurred on the San Antonio and Aransas Pass Railway about seven miles from Sinton, Tex., Thursday, resulting in eight freight cars going into the ditch, two carrying stone, three lumber, one oranges, one bananas, and one beer. Five of the cars were destroyed.

The anticipated letter of Prof. R. B. Cousins, Superintendent of Public Instruction of Texas, requesting County Superintendents and teachers of the various schools throughout the State to call meetings of the people of their respective districts at their schoolhouses for April 20, has been issued. It marks another step in the effort begun by the Commission on Country Life looking to the improvement of conditions on the farm throughout the Nation.

Representatives of cattle shippers appeared before the Oklahoma State board of Agricultural Thursday and asked that a proclamation be issued placing the State quarantine line north of Osage County on June 1, which would have the effect of admitting Southern cattle there for grazing purposes.

The Court of Inquiry, which is to pass upon the application for re-enlistment of the negro soldiers who were discharged from the army for alleged complicity in the shooting up of Brownsville in August, 1906, will begin its sessions during the coming week.

Wednesday a cattleman named Summers, who resided in Llano, Texas, fell between the cars of a cattle train near Aubrey, and was mangled, death being instantaneous.

The highest price paid for cash wheat in St. Louis in thirty-one years was recorded Thursday, when sales of No. 2 red were made at \$1.47 and \$1.50.

A heavy rain fell in Commerce, Tuesday morning, which was much needed by the farmers. During the rain a small cyclone struck the south part of the city, blowing several residences down.

The twenty-third annual convention of the Lumbermen's Association of Texas concluded its labors Thursday in Galveston, after selecting San Antonio as the place for meeting in 1910. John Henry Kirby, president of the Kirby Lumber Company of Texas, is reported as saying that the difficulties through which that concern has been passing for the past five years have been adjusted and the company is now in readiness to proceed with the development of its business. Mr. Kirby is quoted as saying that the financial plans of the company mean \$4,000,000 of new money for Texas.

Dallas has determined to spend \$100,000 for a coliseum at the State Fair of Texas. The money is to be raised by popular subscription, and committees will call on the citizens for contributions.

Al Lewis, living north of Tyler has made an enviable record this season in the raising of strawberries. He has picked and sold nearly \$600 worth of berries on six acres of ground.

An enthusiastic meeting was held in Denton Thursday, of thirty representative business men to organize a permanent commercial organization.

AILING WOMEN.

Keep the Kidneys Well and the Kidneys Will Keep You Well.

Sick, suffering, languid women are learning the true cause of bad backs and how to cure them. Mrs. W. G. Davis, of Groesbeck, Texas, says: "Back-aches hurt me so I could hardly stand. Spells of dizziness and sick headaches were frequent and the action of the kidneys was irregular.

Soon after I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills I passed several gravel stones. I got well and the trouble has not returned. My back is good and strong, and my general health is better."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Question of the Hour.
"We are really at a loss to know how to punish Earle," she said. "We have tried all the punishment in our kindergarten list without effect. We have reasoned with him and told him that he will cease to be our pretty pet and will grow up to be a bad, bad man, and—"

"Madam," interrupted the gentleman of the old school, who was visiting them, "you will find on the trunk in my room a very excellent strap that I shall not need temporarily."

But, of course, he didn't know anything about modern methods.

What Charlie Had.
Several of the scholars had returned to Sunday school after being absent some weeks on account of illness. "I had the measles," said one little girl. "I had the mumps," said another. "So did I," said a third. The superintendent heard them and, addressing a curly-headed boy said: "Well, Charlie, you were absent, too. What did you have?"

Charlie's face flushed. He thought a moment and then sang out in high treble: "I had a little brudder!"—Delineator.

\$100 Reward, \$100.
The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for free testimonials.

Address: J. C. LITTLE & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

A Hot Time All Around.
Lawyer—What did the prisoner say when you accused him of arson?
Witness—He answered with heat that such a charge was a burning shame.

Do not force yourself to take offensive (and harmful) drugs—take Garfield Tea, Nature's Herb laxative; it overcomes constipation, purifies the blood, brings Health!

No woman really believes that she is in the homely class.



Let Me Tell You Something

A woman who is sick and suffering, and won't at least try a medicine which has the record of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, is to blame for her own wretched condition.

There are literally hundreds of thousands of women in the United States who have been benefited by this famous old remedy, which was produced from roots and herbs over thirty years ago by a woman to relieve woman's suffering.

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Ask Your Druggist for Allen's Foot-Ease.

"I tried ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE recently, and have just bought another supply. It has cured my corns, and the hot, burning and itching sensation in my feet which was almost unbearable, and I would not be without it now.—Mrs. W. J. Walker, Camden, N. J." Sold by all Druggists, etc.

They Deserve It.
She (horror-stricken)—"That's my new spring hat in the chair there! What are you doing, John?
He (meekly)—"I am sitting on the style, Mary."

For Colds and Gripp—Capudine.
The best remedy for Gripp and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—25, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

The Easiest Way.
"I wonder if there isn't some way we can get our assemblyman to advocate good roads?"
"Give him an auto."—Brooklyn Life.

Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes
Relieved by Murine Eye Remedy. Compounded by Experienced Physicians. Conforms to Pure Food and Drug Laws. Murine Doesn't Smart; Soothes Eye Pain. Try Murine in Your Eyes. At Druggists.

The habit of viewing things cheerfully, and of thinking about life hopefully, may be made to grow up in us like any other habit.—Smiles.

Time is the best test. For over fifty years Hamlin's Wizard Oil has been the most popular remedy in the United States for the cure of Rheumatism, Neuralgia and all pain and inflammation.

Occasionally a man listens to an honest opinion because it is so different from his own.

Lewis' Single Binder—the famous straight 5c cigar, always best quality. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

It doesn't take much to satisfy most people who are self-satisfied.



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in the purchase of paint materials. It is an absolute guarantee of purity and quality. For your own protection, see that it is on the side of every keg of white lead you buy.
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THE STATE LEGISLATURE

BANK DEPOSIT INSURANCE BILL FINALLY PASSED THE HOUSE.

MAY BE 3RD CALLED SESSION

Appropriation Bill Carries, First Year \$4,856,231, Second Year \$3,932,820.

Austin: Some of the members of the Legislature think the submission of twelve additional subjects of legislation by the Governor Friday makes it practically certain that the present session will run the full limit of thirty days, and some go so far as to say that there may be a third called session, unless the legislators "pass the appropriation bill and go home," leaving the rest of the stuff to die on the calendar. It may be said, however, that there never has been a third called session of a Texas Legislature, although such predictions invariably have been heard during the progress of a second called session.

Having on Monday resolved that the Speaker should employ such clerks, stenographers, pages, porters and other employes as he might deem necessary for service during the special session, the House of Representatives Tuesday took that power away from him and provided for the retention of most of the employes who served during the first called session, and Wednesday it further reconsidered and again gave the Speaker the power to employ or discharge the forces, indicating, however, about how many employes it thinks are needed. The salaries of class A clerks and stenographers it reduced from \$4 a day to \$100 a month, while advancing the salaries of some of the clerks in lower classes. Certain special clerks will continue to receive \$5 a day.

Austin: House bill No. 2, the guaranty of deposits bill, finally passed the House Saturday afternoon, changed only by a few correlative amendments offered by its friends. This result was accomplished after much trouble and travail. Indeed, the bill was twice finally passed. It might have been finally passed "for keeps" much earlier than it was but for the nervous haste of certain of its friends and advocates.

Representatives McCallum, Lively and Cox Friday introduced in the House a bill to amend the charter of the city of Dallas so as to exempt existing street railway mileage from the gross receipts tax levied under the present charter upon street railway tenements. Within less than thirty minutes they had the bill favorably reported upon by committee and finally passed by the House, which is record time.

New Bills Introduced.

The following bills were introduced in the House:

No. 22, by Messrs. Cureton and Crawford: Providing for the summoning of jurors by registered mail.

No. 23, by Messrs. Cureton and Crawford: Providing that subpoenas may be served by telephone or mail.

No. 24, by Messrs. Cureton and Crawford: Providing for the filing of the original memoranda of bills of exception.

No. 25, by Messrs. Cureton and Crawford: Defining how subpoenas shall be served. A companion bill to that above, providing for the serving by telephone or mail.

No. 26, by Mr. Maddox: Extending the terms of court of the Twenty-Ninth Judicial District.

The following imperfect synopsis is the best that can be given under the circumstances:

By Mr. Jenkins: Prescribing the method of pleading in civil cases in the District and County Courts.

By Messrs. Gilmore and Mobley: Providing for the refunding of the public debt.

By Mr. Robertson of Travis et al.: Regulating the surety companies.

By Mr. Crockett of Washington et al.: Appropriating \$100,000 for the benefit of the iron industry at the Rusk penitentiary.

By Mr. Aston: Defining how applications for subpoenas for witnesses in felony cases must be made.

By Mr. Jenkins: Amending Art. 770 land in code of criminal procedure.

By Mr. Elliott et al.: Authorizing land to Railroad Commission to require land in road companies to maintain Union We also

Mr. Davis: Authorizing the introduction of street and interurban roads, using gasoline, naphtha, de alcohol and similar power.

Mr. McCallum et al.: Authorizing, chartering of corporations for the purpose of erecting and repairing C. for taxicab lines and conducting advertising and bill post-

The Haskell Christian W. Jenkins: Providing for the Missions, will consist of the Thirty-Fifth Ju-3rd, with Mrs. Cho, McCulloch, Rannels, ms.

The Study: Profr- diplomas conferred by America for Christian- iversity upon students land, The Southern full courses in the De. East, The Great- ulation shall have the Cry of the Cities of the permanent State

Missions in America Requiring railroads All members, require freight and pas- all stations.

Racket Store for Ham-

Governor Sends Message.
The message which Gov. Campbell delivered to the Legislature through Senator Cofer, chairman of the Senate notification committee, on Monday morning to the effect that he had already sent the Legislature a communication and expected to communicate with it further from time to time, seems not to have been a mere pleasantry. Having previously submitted subjects of legislation to the second called session at the ratio of sixteen subjects to one session he handed the Legislature another package containing eight more subjects, making a total of even two dozen subjects up to date. And only one of these subjects pertain to local legislation. All of the rest are hefty. Some of them are calculated to take up much time.

Against Official Final Ball.
Before the House Committee of Appropriations reported the general appropriation bill Friday it adopted an amendment offered by Mr. Nickells, which provides that no part of the university appropriation shall be available for the purposes mentioned in the bill in case the university authorities shall "permit the benefits to be derived from its expenditure to be jeopardized by allowing the 'final ball' or 'final reception' or other such functions to be given or carried out in the name or by the authority of such institution, directly or indirectly, or in connection therewith in any way."

Regarding Experiment Stations.
Austin: The bill passed at the second called session of the Legislature in relation to agricultural experiment stations not only provides for additional stations, which was the original object, but it also makes radical changes as to the management and control of all such stations. Heretofore these stations have been under the control of the board of directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College and immediately under the management of the directors of experiment stations elected by said board.

The new bill starts out with the proposition that the new experimental stations shall be "under the care, control, management and direction of the director of agricultural experiment stations of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas."

House Appropriation Bill.
The House appropriation bill has been completed.

It is practically identical with the bill framed by the Senate committee. The total for the first year is \$4,856,231, second year \$3,932,820, a grand total of \$8,789,051.

IN THE SENATE

Austin: Senator Terrell of McLennan introduced a bill Friday requiring railroads to provide suitable and adequate freight and passenger depots and keep the passenger depots lighted.

Receives Many Protests.
Subsequent to the final passage of the fire insurance rating board bill (Senate bill No. 25), which is now before the Governor, many letters protesting against the approval of same have been received here, some of them being anonymous.

Sales of Bills.
Austin: Friday proceedings in the Legislature consisted of the introduction of two sales of new bills; the passage of two local bills by the Senate; ditto by the House, and passage to engrossment of the Cureton guarantee of deposits bill.

Railroad Commissioner.
There are good reasons for believing that Gov. Campbell will soon nominate to the Senate Thomas B. Love to be Railroad Commissioner, and that the appointment will not be deferred until after the adjournment of the Legislature.

New Senate Bills.
Austin: Senator Willacy introduced a bill carrying \$37,700 to pay accrued deficiencies, \$100,000 to meet prospective deficiencies, which is an innovation, and \$44,450 estimated supplemental appropriations to present allowances. Other bills introduced:

By Senator Cofer: Incorporating the independent school district of Myra.

By Senator Willacy: Transferring to the general fund the balance in the pure food, quarantine and Tyler subsidy funds.

By Senator Ward: A charter for Cleburne.

By Senator Veale: A charter for Amarillo.

By Senator Veale: Incorporating the Amarillo independent school district.

Governor Signs Bills.

The Governor Thursday signed the following bills:

Senate bill making it a felony to pursue the occupation or business of selling intoxicating liquors in a local option territory.

The House bill exempting the State from making bond in appeals in civil cases.

Senate bill appropriating \$37,000 for the mileage and per diem of second called session of the Thirty-First Legislature.

The Governor Thursday signed two bills. The first was the message passed in the second called session amending the Upshur County road law.

The second was the Senate bill fixing the time of holding court in the Galveston-Houston Criminal District.

CRIMINAL IN CHILD NATURE.

Writer in New Orleans Picayune Asserts We Are All Born with Tenderness Toward the Bad.

"All children," said a psychologist, "are born criminals. Instinctively they lie, steal, slander, torture—I don't know what. The saintliest man, a very Dr. Parkhurst of a man, were he to grow up as he began, would have a long career of bank robberies, assaults, d. bauches and murders, and he would die on the gallows."

"A child, as soon as it begins to toddle and lip, steals. Till you have trained a child to know that thefts are followed by spankings, would you dare to leave it alone in a candy shop?"

"It also lies. After a raid on the jam or cake, does a child admit its guilt? Of course not. It lies earnestly, doggedly."

"A child slanders and libels. Did you ever hear a beautiful, lisping child speak in praise of its playmate? No. On the contrary, it accuses the playmate continually of horrible crimes."

"A child will get drunk if you give it the opportunity. Lack of opportunity is all that prevents children from becoming confirmed inebriates."

"It is needless to go on. Look back on your childhood. Study your evil little child heart. You'll wonder then that no curio collector cherishes a piece of your rope."—New Orleans Picayune.

BABY'S WATERY ECZEMA

Itched and Scratched Until Blood Ran—\$50 Spent on Useless Treatments—Disease Seemed Incurable.

Cured by Cuticura for \$1.50.

"When my little boy was two and a half months old he broke out on both cheeks with eczema. It was the itchy, watery kind and we had to keep his little hands wrapped up all the time, and if he would happen to get them uncovered he would claw his face till the blood streamed down on his clothing. We called in a physician at once, but he gave an ointment which was so severe that my babe would scream when it was put on. We changed doctors and medicine until we had spent fifty dollars or more and baby was getting worse. I was so worn out watching and caring for him night and day that I almost felt sure the disease was incurable. But finally reading of the good results of the Cuticura Remedies, I determined to try them. I can truthfully say I was more than surprised, for I bought only a dollar and a half's worth of the Cuticura Remedies (Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Pills), and they did more good than all my doctors' medicines I had tried, and in fact entirely cured him. His face is perfectly clear of the least spot or scar of anything. Mrs. W. M. Comer, Burnt Cabins, Pa., Sept. 15, 1908. Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

GENEROUS.



Clarence Dubb—May I have this dance, Miss Sharply?
Miss Sharply—Certainly! I don't want it!

When Courage Failed.
"Duke," said the heiress, eagerly, "did you see father?"
"Yes."
"Well?"
"We talked about the weather."
"What? Lose your nerve again? Why don't you brace up and talk like a man—a subject of a king on whose domain the sun never sets!"
"Can't," moaned the duke. "All the time I was in your father's office he kept grinning at a big painting."
"What painting?"
"The battle of Bunker Hill."—Lippincott's.

Don't Lie Down.
Spring is here. Your system needs toning up to fortify against the long summer's debilitating influence. Simon's Sarsaparilla will build you up, make you strong and carry you through without that usual "want to lie down" feeling.
50c and \$1.00 per bottle.

Deception.
"Did a man ever kiss you against your will?"
"No; but some have thought they did."—Brooklyn Life.

For Headache Try Hicks' Capudine.
Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the aches are speedily relieved by Capudine. It's Liquid-pleasant to take—Effects immediately. 10c and 25c at Drug Stores.

The total number of sailing vessels in the world is double that of steamers.

Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c. Many smokers prefer them to the cigars. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

There is nothing more uncertain than a sure thing.



WHAT JOY THEY BRING TO EVERY HOME

as with joyous hearts and smiling faces they romp and play—when in health—and how conducive to health the games in which they indulge, the outdoor life they enjoy, the cleanly, regular habits they should be taught to form and the wholesome diet of which they should partake. How tenderly their health should be preserved, not by constant medication, but by careful avoidance of every medicine of an injurious or objectionable nature, and if at any time a remedial agent is required, to assist nature, only those of known excellence should be used; remedies which are pure and wholesome and truly beneficial in effect, like the pleasant laxative remedy, Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna has come into general favor in many millions of well informed families, whose estimate of its quality and excellence is based upon personal knowledge and use.

Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna has also met with the approval of physicians generally, because they know it is wholesome, simple and gentle in its action. We inform all reputable physicians as to the medicinal principles of Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, obtained by an original method, from certain plants known to them to act most beneficially, and presented in an agreeable syrup in which the wholesome Californian blue figs are used to promote the pleasant taste; therefore it is not a secret remedy, and hence we are free to refer to all well informed physicians, who do not approve of patent medicines and never favor indiscriminate self-medication.

Please to remember and teach your children also that the genuine Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna always has the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—plainly printed on the front of every package and that it is for sale in bottles of one size only. If any dealer offers any other than the regular Fifty cent size, or having printed thereon the name of any other company, do not accept it. If you fail to get the genuine you will not get its beneficial effects. Every family should always have a bottle on hand, as it is equally beneficial for the parents and the children, whenever a laxative remedy is required.

Intruder Among the War Dogs.

Prof. William Lyon Phelps of Yale went to West Point last fall to lecture. He was lecturing in the chapel, the cadets were rigidly paying attention, erect, eyes front, each man a ramrod of military etiquette. An Irish setter entered the chapel door and ambled sniffingly down the aisle and up on to the platform. The cadets squirmed under the eagle eyes of their officers but not a man smiled. "Hi!" noticed the strain. He looked down at the dog wagging its tail benevolently on the rostrum. "What! How's this?" said Prof. Phelps. "A setter? Why, I expected to see nothing but West Pointers up here."—Yale Alumni Weekly.

The Missionary Mule.

"That mule," said the old farmer, "is what I call a 'missionary mule,' an' I'll tell you why: It throwed one man on his head, an' when the man wuz able to be up an' about ag'in, he went to preachin'; an' the last time the sheriff come to levy on that mule the critter kicked him 'cross the county line, whar they wuz holdin' a campmeetin' an' I'm blest if the sheriff didn't git religion an' quit runnin' fer office—which wuz uncommon hard to do, seem' that the office habit run in his blood. I tell you, nuthin' in this here worl' is to be despised, w'en as humble a critter as a mule kin be a missionary!"

Won't Turn Loose.

"I insist on saying that Hunt's Lightning Oil takes hold quicker and lets go slower of aches, pains and sore places than any other liniment I ever saw. It just won't turn loose till you're well." "I never have a little ache but what I slosh it on and ere I get the bottle corked that little ache is gone."
C. W. JACKSON,
Marble Hill, Mo.

Letting Him Down Easy.

A young man of very limited means, after the marriage ceremony, presented to the minister 27 large copper cents, all spread out on the palm of his right hand. "This is all I've got, parson," he said. Seeing a disappointed look in the minister's face, he added: "If we have any children we will send them to your Sunday school."—Success Magazine.

Usually They Are.

"Professor, what is the meaning of the word 'monologue'?"
"My dear sir, consider the derivation of it. 'Mono' is slang for 'money' and 'logos' means 'a word.' Monologue, words for money."

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES

Color more goods brighter and faster colors than any other dye. One 10c package colors all fibers. They dye in cold water better than any other dye. You can dye any garment without ripping apart. Write for free booklet—How to Dye, Bleach and Mix Colors. MONROE DRUG CO., Quincy, Illinois.

Ninety per cent. of the neuralgic headaches are attributed to eye defects.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

He who is buried in thought dodges the undertaker.

Awful Condition

"I am fully cured," writes Mrs. Gertie McNeil, of Astoria, Ill., "since taking Cardui for my female troubles. Tongue cannot express what Cardui has done for me. I was in awful condition. The doctors did all they could, but with poor results, and I thought that all there was for me to do, was to wait for the icy hand of death; but I read your advertisement about Cardui and I am so glad I did, for now I feel better than in three years."

"Now my female troubles are all gone, and I have no more pains."

TAKE CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

You are urged to take Cardui, for your own good, because it will help you. Its ingredients are harmless. Its action is gentle. It has been found to restore women's strength and relieve women's suffering. It will help you, for the same reason, and in the same way, that it has helped others.

All druggists sell Cardui. Try it.

DROPSY NEW DISCOVERY: gives quick relief and cures worst cases. Book of testimonials and 10 days' treatment FREE. DR. H. H. GREEN'S SONS, Box 10, ATLANTA, GA.

DEFIANCE STARCH—16 ounces in the package—will starch only 12 shirts—same price and "DEFIANCE" IS SUPERIOR QUALITY. W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 17-19'09.

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For DISTEMPER Pink Eye, Epizootic Shipping Fever & Catarrhal Fever. More cure and positive preventive, no matter how long as any are infected or "sore-eyed." Liquid, given on the tongue, acts on the blood and cleanses the poisonous germs from the body. Cures Distemper by 100s and 500s and Cholera in Poultry. Largest selling live stock remedy. Cures La Grippe among human beings and is a fine kidney remedy. See and get a bottle. Read and take course. "Cure-out, Keep It. Show to your druggist, who will get it for you. Free booklet." Distemper, Catarrh and Cures. Special Agents wanted. CHEMISTS and BACTERIOLOGISTS GOSHEN, IND., U. S. A.

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Because of those ugly, grizzled, gray hairs. Use "LA CREOLE" HAIR RESTORER. PRICE, 50c, retail.

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TWO GOOD STALLIONS AND BLACK SPANISH JACK

will make the season of 1909 at my barn on automobile line 3 miles from Rule, 7 miles from Huskell. The horse John T. Cecil is 3 years old 16½ hands high, a rich mahogany bay, his sire is Cecil Alton by Alton, record 2:9½, dam by Gambetta Wilks, second dam by Nut Wood, third dam by Administrator. John G's dam is Si Rene by Sirocco, she is the dam of 3 in 2:30 list. Grand dam Dollie Clates by Joe Gavin, he is as well bred as any colt in the state. If not convenient to come and go with mare you can leave her and she will have proper attention and will notify you when to come after her.

PELTER BROOKS No. 0818

Standard and Registered Pacer. He is 7 years old, 16 hands high, weighs 1150 lbs. Sired by Ratler Brooks, Jr., he is the sire of Pau Eve 2:15½, the Kid 2:14, Patsy Brooks (2) 2:16½, Rippling Brook (2) 2:24; Brown Brooks 2:28½ and others.

GILLIE DODSON, Mgr. Huskell, Tex.

The Jack is Black Spanish with white points, about 15½ hands high and a good foaler.

T. A. Pinkerton.

Iron and Wire Fencing for Graves **A SOUVENIR** Marble and Granite Monuments

By proofs of Love—Affection holds its Sway.
Heart-whole, and seen in light of every day.
Late-stealing on Night's Sable Shadows bear
A dream of Heaven—the Deathless World, is there.
Thus Love by Faith—when Dust to Dust returns
On Tombstone writ—a Heaven-sent Comfort learns.
So as we read, each dear, familiar Name
Memorials prove the Love and Faith we claim.
And o'er the Grave—With Every Sigh and Tear,
Conviction tells that Heaven is very near. (c. a.)

Prices Reasonable and Prompt Attention and Deliveries **T. E. Bowman** Write me Huskell, Texas, and I will gladly call to see you.

AD BRINGS ANYTHING

Even Effective in Breaking Bad Habits.

WANT AD. FREES PRISONER

Originality of Advertiser Wins Attention of Public and Secures Pardon from Governor—Other Audacious Advertising

A short time ago a certain Chicago newspaper offered a prize for the most original advertisement for a Sunday issue. Among those received was the following:
"Wanted—Young man in jail wants to get out; suggestions solicited that might result in immediate release; wants poet's name who wrote: 'Stone walls do not a prison make, nor iron bars a cage.' Address John L. Silber, County Jail."

This so tickled the public that readers of the paper became interested in the man, and as the result of an agitation his pardon was granted by the governor of the state.
Frankness is the soul of honesty, says an exchange, and ne'er-do-wells might do worse than follow the example of another Chicago man named Cullen, who, the other day inserted the following in the "Situations Wanted" column of a paper:
"Situation wanted by a worthless, good-for-nothing fellow, six feet tall, built like a match, wearing specs, aged 19, but easily passes for 25; was graduated

from grammar school and have had 22 different positions in the last five years, mostly clerical, with railroads and commercial houses; so far I am a failure; having dealt myself the worst cards in the pack; I smoke, chew, drink, gamble; I have reached the crossroads, but if there is still a man who will take a chance I will call for inspection."

With wheat \$1.50 per bushel, the Eastern dinner pail grafter will be forced to look to something better than the protection graft for relief.

TRUSTEE ELECTION

On Saturday, May 1st, there will be an election held at Huskell to elect three school trustees. A mass meeting is called to meet at the Court House, Thursday, April 29th to consider the bond issue for school purposes.

Quite a large delegation of Waco business men visited this place Thursday. The citizens turned out en masse, met them at the train, took them in vehicles and autos and drove them over the city. They only spent thirty minutes here, but in that thirty minutes their opinion of Huskell expanded about 700 fold.

Some of them had heard before Huskell was on the map, but did not have any idea of the size of the concrete city and its 5000 inhabitants.

CITATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County—Greeting:

You are hereby Commanded. That you summon, by making publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Haskell, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 39th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 39th judicial district, for four weeks previous to the return day hereof, R. L. Keister whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Haskell at the Court House thereof in Huskell, the 24 day of May, A. D. 1909, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court, on the 22nd day of April A. D. 1909, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 587, wherein G. Muns is plaintiff and R. L. Keister is defendant. The nature of the plaintiffs demand being as follows, to-wit: Suit in trespass to try title and for the recovery of the title to and possession of real property and for damages thereon and rents thereon under allegations substantially as follows:

Heretofore, to-wit, On the 8th day of November A. D. 1908, the plaintiff was lawfully seized and possessed of a certain tract of land situated in Haskell County, Texas, hereinafter described holding the same in fee simple that on the day and year last aforesaid, the defendant, R. L. Keister unlawfully and wrongfully entered into possession thereof and ejected plaintiff therefrom, and still withholds the possession thereof from the plaintiff to his damage of Five Thousand (5,000.00) Dollars.

That the premises so entered upon and wrongfully withheld by the defendant from the plaintiff are bounded and described as follows: All that certain tract or parcel of land on Mule Creek, a tributary of the Clear Fork of the Brazos River about three and one-half miles South, 15 West of the town of Huskell, being a part of the William Walker league, No. 63. Beginning at the North East corner of said William Walker league a stone mound; thence West 1026-1-4 varas on the North line of said William Walker league for North West corner of this tract; thence South 1100 varas cross Mule Creek to a stone mound for South West corner of this survey; thence East 1026-1-4 varas to a stone mound for South East corner of this tract on E. B. line of William Walker survey from which an elm bears North 78 West 9 varas a china tree bears North 23 East 6 varas; thence North 1100 varas cross Mule Creek to the place of beginning, containing 200 acres.

That the annual rent of said property is of the value of Five Hundred (500.00) Dollars.

Plaintiff's claim and title to said property is as follows, to-wit: (a) Said land was patented by the State of Texas on the 27th day of January 1857 to the heirs of William Walker by patent No. 793, volume 12. (b) Plaintiff holds a regular chain of transfer from and under the heirs of William Walker down to himself. (c) Plaintiff and those under whom he claims, long prior to the acquisition or claim by the defendant to said property, or any part thereof entered into actual possession of the same by enclosing it with a wire fence and by actually using and occupying it for a home thereon and otherwise using and occupying said property exclusive to all others. For further plea in this behalf

this plaintiff says that the defendant ought not be permitted to have and hold said property against him because he says that he, and those whose estate he is claiming, are claiming the same under deeds duly registered, have had peaceable, continuous and adverse possession of said land and tenements, cultivating, using and enjoying the same and paying all taxes due thereon for a period of more than five years after any cause of action by defendant accrued and before the commencement of this suit.

Plaintiff does not know the nature of defendant's claims to said property, but has been informed that he is claiming the same by virtue of some right under one G. W. Keister, the extent and nature of this being unknown to the plaintiff, but the plaintiff says that the defendant has no right or title to said property whatever.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, And have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Huskell, this, the 22 day of April A. D. 1909.

[L. S.] J. W. MEADORS, Clerk District Court Haskell County, Texas.

By WERTHER LONG, Deputy.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF AN execution issued out of the Honorable County Court of Haskell County, on the 10 day of March A. D. 1909, in the case of Higginbotham, Harris & Co. vs C. W. Green, No. 229, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 10 day of March 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 May A. D. 1909, it being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Haskell County, in the town of Huskell, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which C. W. Green had on the 12th day of December A. D. 1908 or at any time thereafter, of in and to the following described property, to-wit: Lot No. One (1) in Block No. Sixty-nine (69) of the town of Huskell, Abst. No. 2, Certificate No. 136, Survey No. 140, same being a part of the Peter Allen survey as shown by plat of said town of Huskell on record in Clerks office of Haskell County, Texas, said property being levied on as the property of C. W. Green to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$480.50, in favor of Higginbotham, Harris & Co. and costs of suit.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND This 7th day of April A. D. 1909. M. E. Park, Sheriff Haskell County, Texas. By J. H. Meadors, Deputy.

We understand that the Huskell Light, Ice & Water Co. have offered to do the pumping for the city for 60 per cent of gross receipts and do the collecting for the use of water. At a mass meeting Monday a majority present objected to this plan and the city council has turned it down.

They will incur about \$4000 putting in machinery for a plant to do the pumping, and the city will operate the system. Now the Free Press wants to make the prediction that the majority of that mass meeting has made a bust and that while we have found it out before it has cost a cent, the other fellows will be smart enough to see it in about 12 months. It may take some of them two years. Now if this prediction does prove true are those fellows going to help bear the blame or are they going to help the Free Press and its crowd soak the city council for bad judgment? Now if the other crowd are proven to be right we are perfectly willing to be remembered and will swallow every word of this article.

CITATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, That you summon, by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Haskell, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, the unknown heirs of Oliver Smith, deceased, whose names and residences are unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court at the next regular term thereof to be holden in the County of Haskell at the Court House thereof, in the city of Huskell on the 24th day of May A. D. 1909 same being the first day of the next regular term of said court, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court, on the 16th day of March A. D. 1909, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 581 wherein Myron M. Parker and Hattie G. Neal and her husband, Sydney C. Neal are plaintiffs and the unknown heirs of Oliver Smith, deceased, are defendants. The nature of the plaintiffs demand being as follows, to-wit:

Suit for the title to and possession of a certain tract of land hereinafter described, situated in Haskell County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: A part of the Oliver Smith league survey situated on the waters of Lake Creek about fifteen miles north and 85 degrees east from the junction of the Salt Fork and the Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos River, located by virtue of headright certificate No. 188 issued by J. S. Gillett, Adjutant General, on the 13th day of January 1856, and patented on the 9th day of May 1874 to the heirs of Oliver Smith, deceased, by patent No. 176, volume 20. The part hereby referred to being bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a stake 903 varas South to the S. E. corner of 246 acre tract set apart to John A. Green and Mary Smith by a decree of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas made and entered on September 21, 1891 in cause No. 81, styled M. M. Parker, guardian vs. John A. Green et al, to be found at page 352 of volume one of the minutes of said district court; thence west 1666 varas to stake in west boundary line of said Oliver Smith survey; thence south 903 varas to stake for corner; thence east 1666 varas to stake for corner; thence north 903 varas to place of beginning, containing 266½ acres of land, and plaintiffs allege that the nature of their claim and title to said property is as follows:

Patent from the State of Texas to the heirs of Oliver Smith in patent No. 176, volume 20.
2. Deeds from the heirs of Oliver Smith to I. G. Searcy, recorded at page 287, volume 10, at page 289 of volume 10, at page 293, volume 10; at page 296 of volume 10; at page 299 of volume 10 and at page 302 of volume 10 of the deed records of Haskell County, Texas.
3. Deed from I. G. Searcy to Boulds Baker, recorded at page 38, volume 4 of the deed records of Haskell County, Texas.
4. Deed from Boulds Baker to Mrs. M. E. Davidson, recorded at page 40 of volume 4 of the deed records of Haskell County, Texas.
5. Certified copy of the will of Mrs. M. E. Davidson together with certified copy of the probate thereof devising said property to H. G. Parker and L. L. Parker.
6. Hattie G. Neal and the said H. G. Parker are now one and the same person.
7. Deed to M. M. Parker by

which he acquired the title of L. L. Parker to said land, recorded at page 401 of volume 40 of the deed records of Haskell County, Texas.

Plaintiffs further claim of title to said property is as follows: Plaintiffs say that defendants ought not to be allowed to have or to hold said property against them because plaintiffs say that they have had and held peaceable, continuous and adverse possession under title and color of title from and under the State of Texas of the lands and tenements above described for more than three years after any cause of action by defendants accrued and before the commencement of this suit, and this they are ready to verify.

Plaintiffs further say that defendants ought not to have and hold said property against them because plaintiffs say that they and those whose estate they have claiming the same under deeds duly registered, have had peaceable, continuous and adverse possession of the lands and tenements above described, cultivating, using and enjoying the same and paying all taxes due thereon for a period of more than five years after any cause of action by defendants accrued and before the commencement of this suit, and this they are ready to verify.

For further plea and claim in this behalf, plaintiffs say that defendants ought not to be allowed to have and hold said premises against them because plaintiffs say that they claiming to have a good and perfect right and title to the lands situated and described above, have had and held peaceably the land claimed and adverse possession of the same, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for a period of more than 10 years after any cause of action by defendants accrued, and before the commencement of this suit, and this they are ready to verify.

Plaintiffs also allege that they do not know what kind or character of title to said property the defendants are claiming to have, but they say that defendants have no title thereto and that plaintiffs are the legal and equitable holders thereof.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, And have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Huskell, Texas this, the 31st day of March A. D. 1909.

J. W. Meadors, Clerk District Court Haskell County, Texas. By WERTHER LONG Deputy. (SEAL)

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.	12½
Butter	15c per lb.
Hides Green	3½c to 4c per lb.
Hides dry	8 and 10c per lb.
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