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"TIS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE, BUT THE 'GIT-UP-AND-GIT' THAT MAKES MEN GREAT."

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DR. TALMAGE COMMENTS ON THE PRODIGAL SON PARABLE.

A Wonderful Sermon Drawn from the Well Known Text—God Greets Sinners as Joyously as Did the Father His Erring Child.

BROOKLYN, June 15.—Dr. Talmage's sermon for today is on the Prodigal Son, and his text, Luke xv, 20: "When he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him." Following is the sermon:

One of the deepest wells that inspiration ever opened is this well of a parable which we can never exhaust. The parable, I suppose, was founded on facts. I have described to you the going away of this prodigal son from his father's house, and I have showed you what a hard time he had down in the wilderness, and what a very great mistake it was for him to leave so beautiful a home for such a miserable desert. But he did not always stay in the wilderness; he came back after a while.

He came back after a while. He came to greet him. I suppose she was dead. She would have been the first to come out. The father would have given the second kiss to the returning prodigal; the mother the first. It may have been for the lack of her example and prayers that he became a prodigal. Sometimes the father does not know how to manage the children of the household. The chief work comes upon the mother. Indeed, no one ever gets over the calamity of losing a mother in early life. Still this young man was not ungreeted when he came back.

However well appareled we may be in the morning when we start out on a journey, before night, what with the dust and the jostling, we have lost all cleanliness of appearance. But this prodigal, when he started from the swine trough, was ragged and wretched, and his appearance, after he had gone through days of journeying and exposure, you can more easily imagine than describe. As the people see this prodigal coming on homeward they wonder who he is. They say: "I wonder what prison he has broken out of. I wonder what lazaretto he has escaped from. I wonder with what plague he will smite the air." Although these people may have been well acquainted with the family, yet they do not imagine that this is the very young man who went off only a little while ago with quick step, and ruddy cheek, and beautiful apparel. The young man, I think, walks very fast. He looks as though he were intent upon something very important. The people stop. They look at him. They wonder where he came from. They wonder where he is going to.

You have heard of a son who went off to sea and never returned. All the people in the neighborhood thought the son would never return, but the parents came to no such conclusion. They would go by the hour, and day, and sit upon the beach, looking off upon the water, expecting to see the sail that would bring home the long absent boy. And so I think this father of my text sat under the vine looking out toward the road on which his son had departed; but the father has a very much since we saw him last. His hair has become white, his cheeks are furrowed, his heart is broken. What is all his beautiful table to him when his son may be lacking bread? What is all the splendor of the wardrobe of that homestead when the son may not have a decent coat? What are all the sheep on that hillside to that father when his pet lamb is gone? Still he sits and watches, looking out on the road, and one day he beholds a foot traveler. He sees him rise above the hill; first the head and after awhile the entire body; and as soon as he gets a fair glance of him he knows it is his erring son. He forgets the crutch, and the cane, and the stiffness of the joints, and bounds away. I think the people all around were amazed. They said: "It is only a footpad. It is only some old tramp of the road. Don't go out to meet him." The father knew better.

The change in the son's appearance could not hide the marks by which the father knew the boy. You know that persons of a great deal of independence of character are apt to indicate it in their walk. For that reason the sailor almost always has a peculiar step, not only because he stands much on shipboard amid the rocking of the sea, and he has to balance himself, but he has for the most part an independent character, which would show in his gait even if he never went on the sea; and we know from what transpired after ward and from what transpired before that this prodigal son was of an independent and frank nature, and I suppose that the characteristics of his mind and heart were the characteristics of his walk. And so the father knew him. He puts out his withered arms toward him, he brings his wrinkled face against the pale cheek of his son, he kisses the wan lips, he thanks God that the prodigal is home. "When he was yet a great way off," says the father, "I saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him."

Oh, dear father, recognize that Father. Who is it? It is God! I have no sympathy with that cast iron theology which says that God is a hard, stern, unfeeling, God-father kind of a thing. God-father kind of a thing, indeed, gentle, long suffering, and full of love, that is our immortal Jesus. Oh, that we might realize it. A wealthy lady in one of the eastern countries was going off for some

time, and she asked her daughters for some memento to carry with her. One of the daughters brought a marble tablet, beautifully inscribed; and another daughter brought a beautiful wreath of flowers. The third daughter came and said: "Mother, I brought neither flowers nor tablet, but here is my heart. I have inscribed it all over with your name, and wherever you go it will go with you." The mother recognized it as the best of all the mementoes. Oh, that our souls might go out toward our Father—that our hearts might be written all over with the evidences of his loving kindness, and that we might never again forsake him.

In the first place, I notice in this text the father's eyesight; in the second place, I notice the father's haste; and, in the third place, I notice the father's kiss.

To begin: the father's eyesight. "When he was a great way off his father saw him." You have noticed how old people sometimes put a book off on the other side of the light. They can see at a distance a great deal easier than they can close by. I do not know whether this father could see well that which was near by, but I do know he could see a great way off. "His father saw him." Perhaps he had been looking for the return of that boy especially that day. I do not know but that he had been in prayer, and that God had told him that that day the erring boy would come home. "The father saw him a great way off."

I wonder if God's eyesight can discern us when we are coming back to him? The text pictures our condition—we are a great way off. That young man was not farther off from his father's house, sin is not farther off from holiness, hell is not farther off from heaven, than we have been by our sins away off from our God; eye, so far off that we could not hear his voice, though vehemently he has called us year after year. I do not know what bad habits you may have formed, or in what evil places you have been, or what false notions you may have entertained; but you are ready to acknowledge, if your heart has not been changed by the grace of God, that you are a great way off—eye, so far that you cannot get back of yourselves. You would like to come back. Aye, this moment you would start if it were not for this sin, and that habit, and this disadvantage.

But I am to tell you of the father's eyesight. "He saw him a great way off." He has seen all your frailties, all your struggles, all your disadvantages. He has been longing for your coming. He has not been looking at you with a critic's eye or a bailiff's eye, but with a father's eye; and if a parent ever pities a child God pities you. You say: "Oh, I had so many evil surroundings when I started life." Your father sees it. You say: "I have so many bad surroundings now, and it is very difficult for me to break away from evil associations." Your father sees it, and if you should start heavenward—as I pray you may—your father would not sit idly down and allow you to struggle on up toward him. Oh, no! Seeing you a great way off he would fly to the rescue. How long does it take a father to leap into the middle of the highway if his child be there, and a swift vehicle is coming and may destroy him? Five hundred times more than it takes our heavenly Father to spring to the deliverance of a lost child. "When he was a great way off his father saw him."

And this brings me to notice the father's haste. The Bible says he ran. No wonder! He did not know but that the young man would change his mind and go back. He did not know but that he would drop down from exhaustion. He did not know but that something fatal might overtake him before he got up to the doorsill; and so the father ran. The Bible for the most part speaks of God as walking. "In the fourth watch of the night," it says, "Jesus came unto them walking on the sea." "He walketh upon the wings of the wind." Our first parents heard the voice of the Lord, walking in the garden in the cool of the day; but when a sinner starts for God the Father runs to meet him.

Oh! if a man ever wants help it is when he tries to become a Christian. The world says to him: "Back with you. Have more spirit. Don't be hampered with religion. Time enough yet. Wait until you get sick. Wait until you get old." Satan says: "Back with you; you are so bad that God will have nothing to do with you;" or, "You are good enough, and need no Redeemer. Take this ease, eat, drink and be merry." Ten thousand voices say: "Back with you. God is a hard master. The church is a collection of hypocrites. Back into your sins; back to your evil indulgences; back to your prayerless pillow. The silliest thing that a young man ever does is to come home after he has been wandering." Oh, how much help a man does want when he tries to become a Christian! Indeed, the prodigal cannot find his way home to his father's house alone. Unless some one comes to meet him he had better have stayed by the swine troughs.

When the tide comes in you might more easily with your broom sweep back the surges than you could drive back the ocean of your ungodly transgressions. What are we to do? Are we to fight the battle alone, and struggle on with no one to aid us, and no rock to shelter us, and no word of encouragement to cheer us up? No, no, we have in the text the announcement: "When he was yet a great way off his father ran." When the sinner starts for God, God starts for the sinner. God does not come out

with a slow and hesitating pace. The infinite spaces slip beneath his feet, and he takes worlds at a bound. "The father ran." Oh, wonderful meeting, when God and the soul come together. "The father ran." You start for God and God starts for you, and you meet; and, while the angels rejoice over the meeting, your long injured father falls upon your neck with attestations of compassion and pardon. Your poor, wandering, sinful, polluted soul and the loving, the eternal father have met.

I remark upon the father's kiss. "He fell on his neck," my text says, "and kissed him." It is not every father that would have done that way. Some would have scolded him, and said: "Here, you went off with beautiful clothes, but now you are all in tatters. You went off healthy, and came back sick and wasted with your dissipation." He did not say that. The son, all haggard and ragged and filthy and wretched, stood before his father. The father charged him with none of his wanderings. He just received him. He just kissed him. His wretchedness was a recommendation to that father's love. Oh, that father's kiss! How shall I describe the love of God—the ardor with which he receives a sinner back again? Give me a plumb with which I may fathom this sea. Give me a ladder with which I can scale this height. Give me words with which I can describe this love. The apostle says in one place, "unsearchable," in another, "past finding out." Height overtopping all height; depth plunging beneath all depth; breadth compassing all immensity.

Oh, this love! God so loved the world. He loves you. Don't you believe it? Has he not done everything to make you think so? He has given you life, health, friends, home—the use of your hand, the sight of your eye, the hearing of your ear. He has strewn your path with mercies. He has fed you, clothed you, sheltered you, defended you, loved you, impudently you all your life long. Don't you believe he loves you? Why, if now you should start up from the wilderness of your sin he would throw both arms around you. To make you believe that he loves you he stooped to manger and cross and sepulchre. With all the passions of his holy nature roused he stands before you today, and would coax you to happiness and heaven. Oh, this father's kiss! There is so much meaning and love and compassion in it; so much pardon in it; so much heaven in it. I proclaim him the Lord God, merciful, gracious and long suffering, abundant in goodness and truth. Lest you would not believe him, he goes up Golgotha, and while the rocks are rending, and the graves are opening, and the mobs are howling, and the sun is hiding, he dies for you. See him! See him on the Mount of Crucifixion, the sweat on his brow tinged with the blood exuding from his lacerated temples! See his eyes swimming in death! Hear the loud breathing of the sufferer as he pants with the world on his heart! Hark to the fall of the blood from brow and hand and foot on the rocks beneath—drop! drop! drop! Look at the nails! How wide the wounds are! Wider do they gape as his body comes down upon them. Oh, this crucifixion agony! Tears melting into tears. Blood flowing into blood. Darkness dropping on darkness. Hands of men joined with hands of devils to tear apart the quivering heart of the Son of God!

Oh, will he never speak again? Will that crimson face never light up again? He will speak again; while the blood is suffusing his brow, and reddening his cheek, and gathering on nostril and lip, and you think he is exhausted and cannot speak, he cries out until all the ages hear him: "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do!" Is there no emphasis in such a scene as that to make your dry eyes weep and your hard heart break? Will you turn your back upon it, and say by your actions what the Jews said by their words: "His blood be on us, and on our children!" What does it all mean, my brother, my sister! Why, it means that for our lost race there was a father's kiss. Love brought him down. Love opened the gates. Love led to the sacrifice. Love shattered the grave. Love lifted him up in resurrection. Sovereign love! Omnipotent love! Infinite love! Bleeding love! Everlasting love!

Oh, for this love let rocks and hills Their besting silence break; And all harmonious human tongues The Saviour's praises speak.

Now, will you accept that father's kiss? The Holy Spirit comes to you with his arousing, melting, alarming, inviting, vivifying influence. Hear, what creates in thee that unrest? It is the Holy Ghost. What influence now tells thee that it is time to fly, that tomorrow may be too late; that there is one door, one road, one cross, one sacrifice, one Jesus? It is the Holy Ghost.

My most urgent word is to those who, like the young man of my text, are on a great way off, and they will start for home, and they will get home. They will yet preach the gospel, and on communion days carry around the consecrated bread, acceptable to everybody because of their holy life and their consecrated behavior. The Lord is going to save you. Your home has got to be rebuilt. Your physical health has got to be restored. Your worldly business has got to be reconstructed. The Church of God is going to rejoice over your discipleship. You have not gospel hardened. You have not heard or read many sermons during the last few years. You do not weep, but the shower is not far off. You sigh, and you have noticed that there is always a sign in the wind before the rain falls. There are those who would give any

thing if they could find relief in tears. They say: "Oh, my wasted life! Oh, the bitter past! Oh, the graves over which I have stumbled! Whither shall I fly! Alas for the future! Everything is dark—so dark, so dark. God help me! God pity me!" Thank the Lord for that last utterance. You have begun to pray, and when a man begins to petition, that sets all heaven flying this way, and God steps in and beats back the hounds of temptation to their kennel, and around about the poor wounded soul puts the covers of his pardoning mercy. Hark! I hear something fall. What was that? It is the bars of the fence around the sheepfold. The shepherd lets them down, and the hunted sheep of the mountain bound in; some of them their fleeces torn with the brambles, some of them their feet lame with the dogs; but bounding in. Thank God! Saved for time, saved for eternity.

A Woodland Wooing.  
It was a breezy and glorious day. Greenwood cemetery looked like a beautiful piece of the Emerald Isle in its fresh spring raiment. The sunny slopes were jeweled with lovely flowers, and death was framed in marvelous forms of life. Birds sang in the trees and sported on the greensward, and if any one thinks that it is a lonely thing to be crumbling into dust he needed but a brief visit to this beautiful city of the dead to learn his mistake.

Wandering through the devious ways I came, in a far off corner, upon the spectacle of love's young dream. Sheltered behind a massive tomb that was covered over with the chaste chiselings of Italian genius I came upon a dusky pair of wooers from the land of the spaghetti.

They were very young and very happy. Spread out before them was a banquet. Real Italian bologna with the taste of the garlic in it, and dark lured bread; a small bottle of elianti, some young onion shoots and a wonderful store of macaroni I noticed, among the viands. His strong, young arms that erst turned the crank of the barrel organ, or perhaps wielded the broom of the street cleaning brigades, were around her supple waist, and as he whispered soft nothings into her shell like ear they ate macaroni together.

And the way of the eating was this: He would take up a long string of the same, and placing one end in her mouth and the other in his, they would eat toward each other until their warm lips met in a resounding kiss. It was a pretty sight, and I was glad to see that the store of macaroni was large.

And so he wooed and won her. Shocking! Not at all. Did the sleeping dust below sleep less soundly because this little onion scented pastoral was being enacted above it? I trow not, and when I saw a guardian of the place coming that way I considered it my duty to hasten to him and draw him away on the pretext of showing me the way to a certain place, lest his unsympathetic eyes might see the sight and drive them away from their blissful luncheon.—New York Herald.

The Bible Was Spoiled.  
There is such a thing as doing a piece of work too thoroughly, as the following incident shows: A Portland lady had a large family Bible that had belonged to her husband's mother and which both highly prized. For twenty years they traveled a great deal and always took this Bible with them. Each Sunday on returning from church the lady wrote in the margin of this Bible opposite the passage that had formed the preacher's text the name of the minister and of the town or city where the sermon was given, also brief comments. A few months ago the couple came to Portland, and as the Bible was coming from the binding it was taken to a bookbinder's to be repaired. It is difficult to imagine the owner's feelings when on again receiving the book she found that the bookbinder had not only cut down the previously wide margin fully one half, but had carefully gone through the book and erased nearly all the work of the lady's pen during all these years. The book looked better, no doubt, but to the owner it was irreparably spoiled.—Lewiston Journal.

Sunday Scenes in Central Park.  
Central park Sunday was crowded with gayly dressed people. Cappa has begun his open air concerts, and the mall was simply packed with men, women, children and baby carriages. Mingled with the strains of "Aida" rose the yells of squalling babies, whose limber mothers and nurses would push into the thick of the scramble. I witnessed a very amusing scene. A well dressed man rose, and courteously doffing his hat to a white haired lady offered his seat. As she bowed and started to take it a strong, healthy woman of middle age pushed her one side and plunked into the vacated seat. The man turning saw this bold theft, and his big, dark eyes snapped ominously. "I gave my seat to this lady," he said with a slight accent on the word "lady." "I don't care if you did," retorted the woman; "you can't dispose of the universe." I confess I was delighted when the man said contemptuously, "Shut up, you old bear," and another person at once rose and gave the delicate, white haired old lady a seat.—Civ. Chicago Herald.

He Has Had Enough.  
First Stranger—I can't see any use of so much talk about irrigation.  
Second Stranger—You are not from Colorado, I presume?  
First Stranger—No! I'm from Louisiana—Baskot.

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It must be a hard crowd indeed that swashbuckler Gibbs can't stay with.

It looks a little queer to see counties not within fifty miles of a railroad clamoring for a railroad commission.

Jim Hogg has made lots of speeches for Jim Hogg but none for Democracy. Rather singular is it not?

If you want to vote for a tried and true democrat and a friend of Western Texas vote for T. B. Wheeler.

OSCAR H. COOPER has withdrawn from the race for Superintendent of public instruction to accept a more lucrative position.

WHAT has Gen. Hogg accomplished by all his suits brought against the railroads? The Haskell Free Press has the floor.

The Republicans are still ousting Democratic members in congress. Reed has his boot in working order and he seems to like the fun.

GEN. JAMES has called a congressional convention for this the eleventh district to convene at Abilene Tuesday, July 22d 1890.

The Lone Star Weekly a paper started at Dallas to boom Hogg for governor raised the free pass question but it did not know the thing was loaded.

Col. Lanham will probably have a walk over for congress as no one seems to want to tackle him. Col. Sam Lanham is practically solid in this district.

The president of the Farmers Alliance of Georgia says the railroad commission in that state is a fraud and a farce so far as being any benefit to the farmers.

DALLAS proposes to dredge out the Trinity to deep water, and straight way Fort Worth proposes to dig a canal from Red river to where the panther laid down.

Is the Fort Worth Gazette in bold dead earnest when it warns outsiders to keep their hands out of Texas politics, or is it simply speaking to people of Buncombe county?

THE Fort Worth Gazette insists that the issue is between the people and the railroads in general, and Col Faulkner and the Houston and Texas Central railway in particular.

THE Fort Worth Gazette stands on its tip-toes and shakes its fists and yells "hands off, outsiders." My gracious! are we threatened with another Yankee invasion? Have General King to call out the militia at once!

Is Fort Worth, with the Gazette and Mail both in favor of Hogg and a commission, they could not get but five men to turn to a meeting called to organize a Hogg club. Has the Fort Worth papers lost their grip.

If you county paper oppose Mr. Hogg ask the editor if he has got a railroad pass.—Lone Star Weekly (Hogg organ). THE STAR can answer for one, the editor has no pass, but if he did he would use it just as Mr. Hogg is doing.

The Rayner Lasso wants to know what THE STAR thinks now since some western counties have instructed for Hogg. THE STAR thinks it strange indeed that people will favor a man, or rather a policy that is directly against their own interest.

The Fisher county Call says that THE STAR had better go slow as Callahan county will instruct for Hogg. If Callahan county instructs for Hogg the editor of the Call is hereby authorized to draw on THE STAR for the price of a good wool hat—course haired.

During the prohibition contest in Texas, Kansas was held up by the pros as a model prohibition state, and most of us actually believed the reports. Since then every one knows, who has taken the trouble to investigate the matter, that prohibition in Kansas is and always was a dead failure. Don't believe all you here about the commission in Georgia, it is likely to turn out as big a farce as prohibition in Kansas.

Callahan county gets the same rates on lumber as Dallas county. If the state creates a commission to govern the roads the people of this county will probably have to pay about five dollars per thousand more for lumber than they do now. Where did the commission idea originate? In Eastern Texas. Why? Because they thought Western Texas was getting freight too low. Yet some people in Western Texas whoop for Hogg and a commission.

TEXAS has a little foretaste of the commission theory in the state oil inspection law. Has this law ever been of any benefit to the people? It is a bonza to the inspector, but has it been of any benefit to the people at large?

THE Gazette threatened last year to get even with the railroads because they did not give reduced rates to the Spring Palace. Is the Gazette carrying out the threat by trying to deepen the prejudice that already exists against railroads in this state. It seems so.

BECAUSE THE STAR does not favor this newfangled commission idea is no reason it is an enemy of the people, some 2 x 4 politicians in this county to the contrary. THE STAR opposes a commission because it believes it will result only in injuring our own section without giving any relief to the people in other sections of the state.

Is it not a little strange that the leading commissionist in the state are so silent about the inter-state commission? Is it not a fact that the national commission is practically a failure. If it has ever been of any benefit to Texas, will some commissionist please inform us of the fact.

IMBODEN of the Cherokee Herald invites us to come in out of the wet, i.e. get into the Hogg column. Thanks for your kind invitation Wm., but we had rather stay out in the rain and take chances of being drowned and be in the right, than to hurrah with the crowd for a policy that our conscience tells us it is wrong.

THE railroad companies are catching its all along the line and everyone has over-looked the express companies. If anything on earth needs looking after it is the express companies. How does it happen that the express companies can charge what they please and no one makes a kick. THE STAR moves that express companies be looked after too. They certainly need it more than the railroads.

PROMISES AND PERFORMANCES. Texas has never had an official that filled an office with so much self satisfaction as the present Attorney General and the P. Me's and Mys in his speeches is the most blatant egotism ever displayed by any candidate for state honors. Indeed to read his utterances one would think him the greatest man that ever lived in his own estimation, unless his career was dispassionately analyzed and there it becomes apparent that his name should be "brag" instead of Hogg.

That Mr. Hogg's performances have been other than a sensational extravaganza no one can successfully deny. He has not reduced insurance rate one cent notwithstanding his bluster on that subject. His boast of breaking up the Texas railroad pool interpreted correctly means that it simply holds its meetings in another state where unfortunately at times it is totally inaccessible to Texas shippers who would otherwise receive rate concessions of great importance. He has not taken from the railroads and restored to the stock and acre public domain notwithstanding his vaunted suits in which the people have had to pay the costs. Indeed the only people who seem to obey his edicts are the farmers, for when he ordered them indicted under the "anti trust law" if they entered with an agreement not to use jute bagging they at once ceased all efforts in that direction, and taking their medicine without gaumbling proceeded to buy "trust" bagging at the regular advanced rates.

If we take his performance as Attorney General for a guide Mr. Hogg would make a phenomenal Governor. I am the great I am would be written in large letters over his door and the number of his proclamations in regard to state affairs would only be limited by the capacity of his office employees to get them out. Bluster and brag would characterize his entire administration yet nothing would be accomplished for the good of the state.

The promises of Mr. Hogg are eminently in keeping with his performance. If you will take any of his speeches and read them you will see that he makes promises that he can never fulfill, that he goes entirely outside the domain of a governors duties, promising the performance of things left to other departments of the state government and over which he has no control whatever. That he does this to prey upon the credulity of his hearers must be admitted or an amount of ignorance imputed to him that is incompatible with mediocrity.

We ask the most earnest supporters of Mr. Hogg to take his Dallas speech and read the closing sentence of what they must admit to be, a tirade of demagoguery and abuse, there they will find that he asserts in case of his election that he will put railroad managers in the penitentiary, and weak then can he do it? Every citizen of this state of ordinary intelligence who stops to think a moment knows full well the governor has no power in the world to put people in

the penitentiary, this is left to the courts and juries on whose functions no man can intrude. There is no one man power in this land and there never will be while a spark of American manhood is left. There can be no punishment without conviction without a trial, before an impartial jury, who stand as a representative of the people. If a railroad manager, or anybody else, violates the criminal statutes of the state there is a regular process by which they can be brought into court and tried for the same during which all the law points are decided by a judge and the prosecution conducted by an attorney who were elected by the people for the purpose while the guilt or innocence of the accused is determined by a jury. The governor if present could not vary the mode of procedure nor interfere at any step in the progress of the trial. In other words the governor is utterly powerless to put anybody in prison and Mr. Hogg, knowing this, was guilty of the worst species of cheap demagoguery when he made the assertion.—Terrell Register.

GOOD LOGIC.

A Workingman Gives His Views Upon the Commission Question.

To the Editor of The Post. Horstrox, Texas, June 10.—I have been watching the discussion in this campaign with a great deal of interest, and I beg that you will find place for a few remarks from one even so humble as myself. What I say will be said in plain manner, for I am not a writer, either by practice or inclination. I am simply a plain workingman, and have been in the employ of the railroads for nearly 27 years, not as an official at a high salary, but as an humble worker who earns his bread by the "sweat of his face."

I have tried to study this commission and anti-commission question, and have finally come to a conclusion on the subject. My conclusion may be called a selfish one, but those in my position ought to be excused for a little selfishness. Now suppose we have a commission in Texas, and Mr. Hogg's idea should be carried out, what will be the effect upon those laboring men situated like myself?

That is the point I have investigated, and, as I said, taking a selfish, self protecting view of the case, I do not want a commission. I figure it this way: The local or State business of the Texas roads is about 20 per cent of the whole. The other 80 per cent being interstate business would be beyond the control of a State commission, and therefore the reduction in rates advocated by Mr. Hogg would have to be made entirely upon the 20 per cent or local business. Suppose then, the State commission should cut the local rate down, say one-half, to make it conform to the interstate rate—what would be the result? Who would be hurt by it? Not the bondholder, because his rights are fixed so far as any interference by the State is concerned. Would it not be the local communities that would suffer? Would not the roads reduce expenses to offset reductions in earnings? Most assuredly, and where would the cut fall first? Not upon the heads of the high officials whom Mr. Hogg arraigns so severely, but from whom he seems disposed to accept "courtesies," but upon the humble wage-earner like myself, and when the wages were reduced, the number of situations reduced, would not the business men of the community feel it? Just think of the amount of money spent by railway employes with the business men, boarding house keeping, etc., of Houston, and in all conscience wages are low enough now, though not nearly so low, I am informed, as they are in Georgia, a commission State. It is as plain as A, B, C, to me, and although my position may be regarded as a selfish one, I submit that it is "a condition, not a theory," that confronts the workingmen of Houston and of Texas.

For these reasons alone, though I might find others, I am unalterably opposed to Mr. Hogg and a commission. Neither do I like Judge Cook. Of all the candidates whose speeches I have read, I believe I like Lieutenant Governor Wheeler the best. He seems to be conservative and would be safe as between the two extreme represented by Hogg and Cook.

I hope you will publish this. It may lead workingmen to think over and investigate the subject which I regard of such vital importance to themselves.

NUMBER TWENTY. Mrs. Canfield who, while enjoying the hospitality of the people of Memphis, wrote a letter to a friend at her home in Kansas, and among other mean things said about the Southern people, said she hoped some day to look down from some window in the sky and see the blacks with their feet upon white necks." She has just been defeated for school trustee by a negro woman, and doubtless a close inspection of black feet upon white neck does not afford that ecstatic joy that she so fondly anticipated.

Dry Goods, T. R. Powell.

To the Democrats of Callahan county: As a democrat who never faltered in fealty to the party, we feel it our duty to warn you not to surrender control of the party or permit persons heretofore your political enemies, to take part in your deliberations, or influence your actions in the primaries, unless you are well satisfied that such persons are converts in spirit and in truth, and are not seeking admission to your councils for the sole purpose of nominating a certain candidate for governor. Bar out no good man and true man, but bar the doors against all Judas Iscariots.

QUESTIONS FOR THINKING MEN.

If a railroad commission is inexpedient how is it that a majority of the states have such a commission, and that the number of commission states is steadily increasing? If a railroad commission will retard railroad building how is it that more miles of railroad were built last year in two commission states than in any three non-commissioned states? If such commission is undemocratic in principle how is it that a majority of the democratic states have railroad commissions? In deciding whether a railroad commission is democratic, is the opinion of Judge Clark, a salaried railroad attorney, entitled to as much weight as that of the old leaders and exponents of Democracy, Throckmorton, Reagan, and Coke? If the legislature needs the aid of a commission why should it not be allowed to provide one? The commission must derive its authority from the legislature, will be subject to legislative control, and the legislature will continue to be the body principally responsible. What, then, does this matter of a commission or no commission involve beyond a mere question of expediency in the manner and details of railway regulation? Is it not better to try the experiment of a commission for two years than to continue as for fourteen years past, to have practically no regulation, "C."

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The Gatesville Star says its no use trying to evade the question, this contest is between corporate power and the people.

This is pure and unadulterated buncombe and The Star knows it that is if it knows a shooting stick from a Krupp gun. If Hogg and the amendment both be defeated it would not indicate that the people of Texas had capitulated to corporate power. The Star does not try to argue the question whether it would be best for the state as a whole to control the railroads by a commission, but like most of the commissionist it appeals to the passions and prejudices of the people to carry its point.

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ESTRAY NOTICE.

Strayed by J. B. Cuthbert, before A. T. Young, J. P., Callahan county, May 7, 1890, one sorrel mare, 15 years old 14 1/2 hands high, branded block J and thus on left shoulder. One sorrel two-year-old filly, no brand. One sorrel year old colt, and one sucking colt. I. N. JACKSON, Co. Clerk. 26-4t.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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To The Democratic Party of Precinct Number One, Callahan County. In pursuance of the call of the county chairman, you are hereby notified to meet at the court house in Baird at twelve o'clock noon on Tuesday July first 1890, for the purpose of electing delegates to a democratic county convention called by the county chairman Tuesday July 15th 1890, and for the transaction of such other business as may be properly brought before such meeting. OTIS BOWYER, Chairman precinct No 1.

See change in McLauri, Jones & Deans ad. Window shades at Powell's. Texas Cartoon has gone back on Hogg. Sooy, French satine at Powell's. Mr. L. A. Hearne of Whitesboro is in town, and will remain until Sunday. Wedding suits at Powell's. Mrs. Harry Meyer and Louis Stillman went to Galveston this week. If you are opposed to Hogg and his policy, go to the primaries next Tuesday and vote for Texas and progress. Miss Bettie Richardson and Wyley Robertson returned home last Saturday from Baylor University to spend the summer vacation. George Slaughter and Philip Yost of Tecumseh were in town on business Monday. Carpets at Powell's. Mr. John Couch an interprising farmer in the Hubbard Timbers, sent THE STAR the first cotton bloom this season, last Wednesday, for which we return thanks. Spring clothing at Powell's. Prof. F. W. Chatfield and family of Los Vegas, New Mexico, are visiting Mrs. Chatfield's father, Dr. L. Gould of Baird. Prof. Chatfield expresses himself as well pleased with the far west. Clothing made to order at Powell's. Mr. W. D. Jopling our jeweler left last Sunday for Holland, Bell county where he will make his home for the present. He had to leave on account of his wife's health. She had gone on a visit to friends in Bell county and was unable to return. THE STAR hopes that Mrs. Jopling will ultimately recover and to see them return to Baird in the near future, for Mr. Jopling is a first class workman and a good citizen in any country.

Judge J. C. Lynch, wife, and daughter and Mrs. Will Lynch of Albany are in town. J. S. Burnham of Putnam paid us a pleasant visit this morning. J. E. McConnell is spending a few weeks at his old home, at Albany on business. Dr. G. O. Kuykendall, recently of Mineola Texas, but now located at Clyde, made THE STAR a brief call this week. Dr. Kuykendall is a young man of pleasing address and THE STAR takes pleasure in welcoming him this county. See his card in next week's STAR.

WEST TEXAS NORMAL.

West Texas Summer Normal begins July 7th, ends August 2, at Abilene. Col. Francis W. Parker author of Parker's Talks on Teaching and principal of Cook County Normal Chicago Ill, will be present and deliver nine lectures. Special rates to lectures, given by railroads.

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RESOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing between W. A. McLauri, W. L. Jones and T. J. Dean, under the firm name of McLauri, Jones and Dean in the town of Baird Texas, is this day dissolved by mutual consent W. A. McLauri and T. J. Dean having bought out W. L. Jones who retires from the firm, the business will hereafter be conducted under the firm name of McLauri & Dean who will assume all liabilities and collect all debts due said firm.

W. A. MCLAURY, W. L. JONES, T. J. DEAN.

PUBLIC INSTALLATION.

Baird Lodge No. 47 K. of P. will publicly install their officers at the Court House next Thursday night. The Uniform Rank will act as escort for the Grand officers. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Hamilton & Brown shoes. Powell. DEMOCRATIC PRIMARIES. The convention for this Precinct will convene at Caddo Peak school house July 1st at 2 p. m. JNO. W. AIKEN, Chm.

The convention for this Precinct will convene at Callahan school house July 1st at 2 p. m. R. J. HARRIS, Chm.

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GOVERNOR WHEELER.

On the 7th Governor Wheeler addressed the citizens of Paris. He discussed briefly the various questions of the campaign. Speaking of the advocates of the confiscation commission theory he said: 'I have been engaged in two hot state campaigns previous to this. Then I was a standard-bearer of the democracy and fighting her organized enemies. The Union labor party, the non-partisans, the Marion Martin people, we then fought have now disappeared. Where are they? Supporting General Hogg, clamoring for the front seats in the democratic conventions and primaries and dictating democratic politics and endeavoring to take charge of the democratic organization. Unless the real democrats awake to their danger, they may awake to find themselves bereft of a party. The danger is real and actual. Secret organization and masked workers are seeking to accomplish what a few failed to do.' The special correspondents from Paris, in speaking of the address, says: 'A few such open, straight and manly democratic talks made here early would have had a wonderful effect.—Dallas News.

AN exchange wants to know what has become of the Union Laborites. Why, they are claiming to be democrats now for the purpose of nominating Hogg. If Hogg does not get the nomination you will hear from them this fall. They are Democrats now for revenue only, i. e. to nominate Hogg.

THE TECUMSEH BARBECUE.

The editor and family went out to Tecumseh last Monday to be present at the barbecue and installation of the officers of Tecumseh Lodge, No. 552, A. F. & A. M., which took place on Tuesday the 24th inst. The Lodge meet at the hall at 11 a. m. and were formed in procession by the marshal, Prof. J. A. Kirksey, and marched to the school house, three hundred yards south of Windham's store, where the barbecue and installation were held. The following is a list of the officers installed:

- T. M. Slaughter, W. M. D. M. Thomas, S. W. H. Lindley, J. W. Philip Yost, Treas. G. W. Slaughter, Secy. J. F. Barton, S. D. T. W. Clark, J. D. S. W. Wilkinson, S. S. H. Windham, J. S. W. E. Avery, Tiler elect, was not present.

After the installation Judge E. E. Solomon was introduced and delivered an address appropriate to the occasion, after which dinner was announced. After dinner was over the members marched back to the hall and the Lodge was closed, which ended the ceremonies for the day, so far as the Masons were concerned.

There was some speaking in the evening. Hon. J. N. Rushing of Baird, spoke against a commission and for the Hon. T. B. Wheeler for governor, and Prof. J. A. Kirksey responded for Hon. Jas. Hogg for governor and the commission amendment. At night there was a dance at Henry Lambert's, and so passed away the 24th at Tecumseh, which was a very pleasant event. The people of Tecumseh have reason to congratulate themselves that everything passed off so pleasantly. Before closing we desire say that Prof. Kirksey deserves credit for the indefatigable manner in which he labored to make the event a success.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

John Oliver and B. W. (Uncle Jimmy) Smith each deserve a gold medal for the excellent manner in which the meat was cooked.

There was lots of "grub" on the ground and lots of people to eat it, "and they did eat and were all filled".

Many will long remember this day as one of the most pleasant of their lives, the writer will at least, for we had the pleasure of meeting many old friends. There does not exist a more generous or hospitable people than at Tecumseh and vicinity, if some of them are a little "Hogg wild" just at present.

HOGG DEMOCRATS, AWAKE.

To the Democrats of Callahan county:

We beg to remind you that your preference for state officers should be expressed in the primaries next Tuesday. It is your duty to see to this matter, learn the place and hour fixed for the meeting, and be there promptly. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty". That the vote of this county should not be cast for Jas. S. Hogg, who is the choice of two-thirds of the Democrats of the county, would be a lasting reproach upon us. Stand by the Democratic colors, and see that delegates are selected who will represent the wishes of the majority. [Signed]—R. G. Powell, B. R. Webb, W. W. Ogle, W. L. Jones, L. O. Oliver, J. F. Patterson, W. A. McLauri, T. J. Dean, W. H. Cliett, S. T. Fraser, R. Phillips, A. G. Webb, H. B. Price.

THE STAR is unavoidably late this week.

We will tell you about the Installation in the Chapter and the Good Samaritan supper, next week.

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Black Venecian lace lawns at Powell's, make the finest dresses in the land, Be sure and get one.

Don't forget that Ogle keeps the best line of pocket knives in town.

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Sticky fly paper. R. Phillips.

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Don't fail to see our new line of ladies and children's shoes. Foy & Richardson.

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Best assortment and cheapest brooms in town. S. L. Ogle.

J. N. Rushing made a talk on the issues of the day at Putnam last Saturday. Mr. A. A. Bell also delivered a lecture on his travels in the far South. A good sized crowd greeted the speakers, and every thing passed off nicely.

HOGG TWO YEARS AGO.

The following article comes from the McKinney Democrat of August 30, 1888, which paper was then and is now the accredited organ of the farmers Alliance of Collin county, and hence it may be taken as good authority as to what General Hogg was, at the time the speech was made, addressing a Democratic mass meeting, and it will be seen that he castigated the class to whom he now looks for promotion with a severity of language peculiar to his own vernacular:

JIM HOGG.

"The well fed scavenger who is employed by the people to run about the public crib at Austin, came out of his pen on the 24th and grunted a terrible rebuke to his employers in Collin county. He said he did not come to make a political speech, and then proceeded to rehash many of the infamous slanders and insults concocted by the court house crew. He deliberately characterized the opposition to ring power in this county as a set of midnight schemers, who were too cowardly to discuss their principles in day light. He also contributed a gratuitous insult to all Renters, by saying that they had no right to mutter a word of complaint against anyone, since they had the option of buying public lands at \$2 per acre on 40 years time. He did what was equivalent to saying if the Renter was not satisfied he could move out. If this overfed piece of public pomposity was turned out to rustle in the west on that cheap public land for about two dry years he would hardly make a shadow. In fact he would show his true stock by developing into a green brier, hazle-split razor back. It is generally a cold day for the average hireling who quits his work in order to go to the house to take part in the family quarrel. Take notice, Mr. Hogg, of your vote in Collin."

All parties are respectfully referred to the managers of the McKinney Democrat for the correctness and the truth of the above quotation.

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Sixty grain white wine vinegar at Coppins & Driskill's.

Call and examine our churns. S. L. Ogle.

Stone crocks, jars, churns and water coolers. Harry Meyer.

Just received an elegant line of silverware suitable for wedding presents, etc. Harry Meyer.

Ice cold beer at Bismarck Hall 5 cents a glass.

You can always find the very best Kentucky Whiskies at the Office saloon. Call and see for yourself.

Dry goods and notions at lowest prices. Moon & Crowder.

The best molasses and vinegar, very cheap, at J. L. Lea & Co's.

Just received a fresh supply of crockery, flower pots, etc. S. L. Ogle.

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Curtain poles to arrive this week. L. Gould.

Floor paint all colors at Baird Drug Co.

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New styles of window shades at Ph. Schwartz & Bro.

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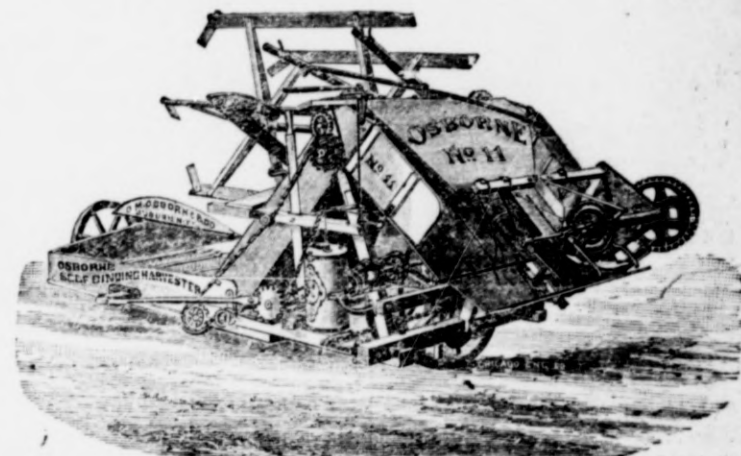


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Coppins & Driskill have first grade flour of all brands and will not be undersold.

A full line of undertaker's goods always kept on hand. We also have ladies' and gents' burial robes, metallic caskets, etc. Ph. Schwartz & Bro.

Don't forget that we are still in business, and as for goods, we have a full line of everything. Prices? Well we can certainly interest you without a doubt, for we sell low down as everyone can testify. Come to see us you will be convinced. Ph. Schwartz & Bro.

Soap, soap, lots of soap. Lenox soap, Linen soap, Olive soap and Monday Morning saxon soap at McLauri, Jones & Dean's.

Rubber boots, first class goods. Cheap. Ph. Schwartz & Bro.

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Our stock of clothing is complete and we are prepared to meet competition. J. D. Boydston.

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Large lot of extracts, jellies, preserves and pickles at Coppins & Driskill's.

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I have just received from California fine Old Port Angelica and Sherry wines. Office saloon. J. B. Maxwell, proprietor.

Get your White Rose and Clarette soaps at Coppins & Driskill's.

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George J. Little, engineer on the Handy Boy, when the steamer collided with the bridge at Saginaw and murdered seven persons.

A colored man drove a horse partly up the banks of the Alafia River at Peru, Fla., and left with the lines fastened to the wheel of the vehicle.

Miss Ethelyn Roe, of Senauet, Mass., had a lively encounter last Friday.

A "Wild East" has been brought to London, for an attempt similar to that of Buffalo Bill.

A Dutch retired captain named Tindal has presented to the chamber a memorial calling attention to the perilous position of the Hague in case of war.

The Portuguese government has ordered by a decree that saccharin, whether alone or mixed with any other product, shall be sold by chemists only on the prescription of a legally qualified medical man.

A new departure in the salmon trade is reported from the Pacific coast, where a German firm has contracted for forty carloads of salmon for shipment to Europe.

Those who find it difficult to keep polished hardwood floors spotless are advised to keep a number of broom covers handy.

A woman missionary on the Congo writes that the Sunday services lasts from two to three hours and the little children, getting tired, run outside to play, disturbing the worshippers and cultivating irreverence.

The Southern Chemical works, capital \$100,000, has been organized at Meridian, Miss.

Reports received in Washington state that a number of stockmen are invading the Cherokee strip of land.

The Presbyterian general assembly in session at Saratoga, New York has decided on a revision of the creed and a committee of fifteen ministers and six elders will be appointed to prosecute the work.

The proposition made in the general conference at St. Louis of the M. E. Church South to arrange for a mutual system of insurance for all the churches in the conference was rejected.

The recent reports of a filibustering expedition from the United States in Lower California has created intense excitement in Mexican officials.

The 15th anniversary of the Mechelen Declaration of Independence was celebrated at Charlotte, N. C.

Two new bishops of the M. E. church South, were consecrated by the general conference in St. Louis. The newly-elected prelates are Haygood, of Georgia, and Fitzgerald, of Tennessee.

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The Canadian labor unions have recommended the government to establish a scheme of compulsory insurance for the working classes.

A 5-year-old child in Lafayette, N. J., was so deeply affected by the death last week of his grandmother that he cried almost continually for four days, when he burst a blood vessel and died before medical assistance arrived.

The famous diamond cutting establishments at Amsterdam are closing one after another, owing to a rise in the price of raw diamonds.

The secretary of the English mission to Lepers in India intends visiting India shortly, with a view to promoting the establishment there of asylums for lepers, as well as of homes for the children of leprosy parents.

The most fashionable street of Berlin, the famous Unter den Linden, is said to be now the best lighted thoroughfare in the world.

To give vividness to 1,000,000 years, Darwin, in "Origin of Species," page 269, gives this: "Take a narrow strip of paper, 83 feet 4 inches in length, and stretch it along the wall of a large hall; then mark off at one end the tenth of an inch.

President Henry Rice of the United Hebrew Charities says that 25,000 Hebrews have come to this country annually for the last four or five years.

During the last three years the ancient and reliable rush light and candle made 391 fires in London, gas was responsible for 394 more, the kerosene lamp started 707 conflagrations and the dangerous, devastating electric wire caused just 3.

According to the results of an inquiry instituted by the French government, there are at present in France 2,000,000 households in which there has been no child; 2,500,000 in which there were one; 2,500,000 in which there were two; 2,500,000 in which there were three; 2,500,000 in which there were four; 2,500,000 in which there were five; 2,500,000 in which there were six; 2,500,000 in which there were seven or more.

An extraordinary outbreak of influenza is reported to have taken place at Downia and Merthy-Tydoil, Glamorganshire, among the ponies employed in the mines.

Standing near the yard at Jonathan Farmer's, in Oglethorpe county, Ga., is a red oak tree which measures twenty-seven feet in circumference two feet from the ground.

A depression has been discovered in the Egyptian desert which is all that remains of a reservoir constructed by the patriarch Joseph for irrigation purposes when he was Pharaoh's prime minister.

The domestic remedy for "sour stomach" is soda or saleratus. These agents are considered harmless, and often-times quite large doses are taken.

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