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Have You Heard The Latest?

It Has Just Arrived!

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A Letter From Manila P.I.

MANILA, P. I. May 6, 1899.

REV. G. S. HARDY,
Clarendon, Tex.,

DEAR BRO. HARDY:

Your letter of Mar. 27 received by last mail. I was indeed glad to hear from you.

We are so far from home, away over here on the opposite side of the world, that letters from friends are appreciated very much. I have been in the army eleven months and have six battles to my credit and in some of them the bullets flew pretty fast; fast enough for any one who has only a moderate appetite for lead.

You wanted me to tell you all about the people and country, now that would be enough to fill a book so I can only give a little here, for everything is different from that in America. In the first place the people are very different from anything that I ever saw in America. They are small and of a dark brown color. The average man is less than five feet high with a broad face and flat nose. They have quite an abundance of coarse, straight, black hair. The men never wear shoes and the women never wear hats. The men's clothing consists of a pair of trousers made of thin cloth and a white shirt that is allowed to hang loose on the outside of the trousers and the most of them wear some kind of a hat. Their houses are made of bamboo and the leaves of cocoanut trees. So

to gather this fruit as we are busy chasing natives.

Army life is pretty tough during an active campaign such as we have had since the trouble with the natives began. The first battle that I was in was on the night of Aug. 5, 1898. The Spaniards tried to break our lines but were driven back. It had been rumored all day that an attack was expected, but everything was quiet till about seven o'clock when we heard our outposts fire. You cannot imagine my feelings when our captain shouted "Men get to your places." About that time the enemy began shelling us with a mortar battery that was located directly in front of Co. E of the 23rd. So we got the full benefit of its fire. When the shells would explode in the air over us they would make more noise than a thunder storm. Both sides kept up a heavy fire for about two hours then the Spanish withdrew. From the amount of firing that was done I thought that there had certainly been several hundred of our men killed, and I did not believe it when it was reported that only five or six had been killed. Some of the best war experience that I ever had was while fighting the Filipinos. We had been kept in readiness several days but had begun to think we would not be called out when just at noon on March 25 we heard the bugle call "to arms". We were at once started on a force march for a distance of eleven miles. About an hour after the march

write. I am expecting my discharge now at any time and if it does come I will not send the relics, but will bring them with me as I can carry more than I could send by mail.

This is a great country with a future for a great people. The climate here cannot be beaten anywhere. The forenoon is a little warm but the afternoon and nights are cool and pleasant.

Yours Truly,

E. H. DENNY,

Co. E, 23rd Reg.

OUR WORST ENEMY.

A Touching Story.

Many sad things have been said about the evils of intemperance, but seldom is the story told in such pathetic language as in the following extract from a speech by J. J. Talbot, who had once been a minister of the gospel and also a member of congress from Kentucky:

"But now that the struggle is over, I can survey the field and measure the losses. I had a position high and holy. This demon tore from around me the robes of my sacred office and sent me forth churchless and Godless, a hissing by-word among men. Afterwards I had a business, large and lucrative, and my voice in the large courts was heard pleading for justice and mercy. But the dust gathered on my unopen books and no footfall crossed the threshold of the drunkard's door."

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Clarendon, Texas, June 15, 1899.

We can put up with shams in every other line better than in religion.

THE AGITATOR hits the hypocrite hard, no wonder some folks are down on the paper.

So far 12 men have been arrested and jailed charged with lynching the three Humphreys in Henderson county.

We would be glad all, that could, would attend the services of the district conference. There will be preaching twice a day, 11 a. m. and at night.

To SING in the quire and take a prominent place in the church, one's every-day life should be above reproach. It always did disgust us to see a man that frequents the saloon, and who every one knows is a hypocrite, taking a prominent place in the church and posing as a leader. Of course they will continue to do so in spite of this notice.

THE AGITATOR AGAIN.

In spite of the popularity of this paper there is here in Clarendon an occasional doleful howl heard on the other side, and we have carefully inquired, and so far as we have heard without an exception,

FOR THE AGITATOR:

The question of sanitation is one of vital importance to every citizen in the town of Clarendon. The town is rapidly improving but our citizenship seems to have overlooked this most important matter. Filth is a prolific breeder of all manner of disease, and while, there is perhaps—not a more healthful place on earth than the Panhandle, still unless some system is inaugurated by which the town is to be kept clean we may sooner or later expect disease of all kinds. The average number of deaths for the rural districts of the United States is 14.99 in a year out of every 1000 persons, while the average for our cities is 23.58. If we would reduce these figures say about one third for this section of country and say the death rate is 10 in one thousand in the country and 15 in the towns—then if proper sanitation could reduce the death rate in the towns to that which obtains in the country, we would—assuming that we have 1500 people in the town of Clarendon—thereby save seven to eight lives annually. And as we are told that there are about twenty eight cases of sickness which do not prove fatal, to one which does, we would save about 210 cases of sickness. It has been demonstrated that scientific sanitation greatly reduces the death rate. In Bradford, England, the death-rate was in twenty years reduced, by sanitary reform, from 27 to 17. In Birmingham, the average for ten years, ending in 1874 was 26.8; in 1892 it had been reduced to 20. For three years the average rate in a portion of the city was 53. Sanitary reform reduced it to 21. Before the reform in Glasgow the death rate was 40. Now it is 23. The results of intelligent and conscientious care of the public health are shown by the records

Family Standards.

No stream can flow higher than its source. The combined honesty of any family will not be higher than the laws governing its training.

The individual who was born and trained in a family where strict integrity and truth were unknown has that much harder battle to fight in over coming the tendencies of his nature. It is this that makes the training of young children such a tremendous responsibility.

Is there a sadder sight than the puzzled expression in a child's face when the mother whom it loves with the whole strength of its being utters a social falsehood in its presence? and yet it is not so rare a sight as it should be. Can there be a standard of truth in a family where the daily life of the family is an untruth, where the effort to appear is far greater than the effort to be? To give a child the right standards there must be harmony in his life and there can be no harmony without truth. The small boy in an infant class struck the very foundation of life when he exclaimed to a little girl covered with shame and confusion because her cap had been knocked off, revealing a smoothly cropped head and the row of curls sewed fast to the ruches of the cap on the floor, "Ha! ye needn't be so 'shamed if ye hadn't made believe!" It is the "make believe" that causes the mortification. The man whose house is built on the rock truth has a sure foundation; he commands respect without question, and need fear no man's comment. "Electricity cannot follow a broken wire, nor success a lying life."

A Backslider.

A minister's little girl and her playmate were talking about serious things. "Do you know what a back-

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RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

Baptist, 2d, 3d and 4th Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—Rev. L. Tomme, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night. Sunbeams 4 p. m. every Sunday.

M. E. South, services every Sunday—Rev. J. R. Henson, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Junior Epworth League at 3 p. m. Epworth League at 4 p. m. every Sunday.

Christian, — Elder F. T. Denson, pastor. Services 3rd Sunday and Saturday and Friday night before. Society of Christian Endeavor every Sunday at 5 p. m. Sunday school 10 a. m.

Catholic, 3d—Rev. J. A. Lenert, priest in charge.

SOCIETIES.

I. O. O. F.—Clarendon Lodge No. 331, meets every Thursday evening in their hall in 3rd story of courthouse. Visiting brothers made welcome. W. T. JONES, N. G.

JOHN McKILLOP, Sec'y.
EVENING STAR ENCAMPMENT No. 143 I. O. O. F. meets 1st Tuesday night in each month. JOHN LAUGHLIN, C. P.

FRANK WARD, scribe.
A. F. & A. M.—Clarendon Lodge No. 700. meets 2nd Saturday night in each month over the Bank of Clarendon. GEO. MORGAN, W. M. W. H. COOKE, Sec.

CLARENDON CHAPTER, No. 216 R. A. M.—Meets the first Friday night in each month at 8:30 o'clock. Visiting companions cordially invited. J. K. PALMER, H. P.

G. F. Morgan, Sec.
W. O. W., Woodbine Camp No. 476—Meets in Odd Fellows Hall 2d and 4th Friday evenings. Visiting choppers invited. W. T. JONES, C. C.

W. R. SILVEY, Clerk.
CLARENDON CHAPTER, ORDER EASTERN STAR.—Meets every third Friday of each month at 7:30 o'clock in Masonic Hall over Bank of Clarendon. MRS. MARY ANDERSON, W. M. MRS. LIDA BLANKENSHIP, Sec.

LOCAL NEWS.

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Builder's material at Anderson's.

There have been lots of strangers about town this week.

H. C. Patton has been right sick this week. We hope he will be up soon.

Mrs. J. M. Clower, who was very sick last week, is reported much improved.

Miss Traweck, of Memphis, is visiting the family of A. C. Traweck this week.

Jim Patman is sick this week with threatened pneumonia.

Mrs. J. R. Henson has been very sick all this week, but is some better at this time.

Some real estate deals have been made the past week that have not gone to record yet.

Prof. Blankenship has been sick all this week, likewise his baby boy has the measles.

W. R. Cale has opened a boot and shoe repair shop in the room next to John Townsend's meat market.

W. W. Scott has been sick for quite awhile and is still confined to his bed being real sick, so reports Dr. Morris.

Mrs. Dr. Morris is enjoying a visit from her mother and sister, Mrs. E. C. and Miss Dollie Puckett, of Midland, Texas.

Rev. J. B. Cope, of Hall county, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. George Bugbee. He has sold his lands in Hall county and will settle in Donley county.

B. J. Valentine, of Bedford, Tarrant Co., father-in-law of Hugh Brown and Marion Williams, is here looking with the view of locating in Donley county.

A good many of the delegates and visitors to the district conference are already in town up to this time, Wednesday evening. The others who attend will likely all be in tomorrow.

J. W. F. Smith, of Gray county, was brought here last Thursday very sick. He has been very sick all the week, but is reported some better now. He and family are staying at B. T. Lane's.

Ed Hall, son of Rev. R. A. Hall, of Memphis, won the scholarship Clarendon College last

Miss Anna Nicholson will be instructor of primary teaching in the Normal.

Dr. G. M. Boynton, of Nacogdoches, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. John Hoffer, and will spend a few weeks here. He and Dr. Morris are old friends, having known each other for many years.

Editor Erwin, of the Banner, spent last week at Fort Worth as a delegate to the Christian Endeavor Convention. His wife and little son accompanied him and they spent a day or two at their old home in Denton before returning.

I like a courageous man even if he be a saloon-keeper. But I have a contempt for a man who will walk into a pulpit and is afraid to speak out against any form of wickedness.—The Junior Preacher.

Alcohol is the one evil genius, whether in wine or ale or whiskey, and is killing the race of men. Stay the ravages of this one poison alcohol, the king of poisons, the mightiest weapon of the devil—and the millenium will soon dawn.—Willard Parker, M. D.

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Bananas at the Globe.

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"Lend A Hand."

When? Where?
 To-day, to-morrow, every day, just where you are.
 You have heard of the girl who sat down and sighed the morning hours away longing to be a missionary and help somebody, while her mother was toiling in the kitchen and looking after three little children at the same time. Perhaps your mother has servants in the kitchen, but you can lend her a hand all the same. You can find a place to help brother or sister or friend, and you can help everybody in the house by your patient, kind, obliging the house spirit, "in honor preferring one another," self-forgetful, and mindful of others.
 It seems a very little thing to "lend a hand" in these quiet home ways, but if you could see the record that the angels make of such a day, you would see that it was a very great thing.

Boys, girls, watch eagerly your chance. Don't be cheated out of your happy privilege. It is a great, noble, blessed thing to be able to "help a little," no matter how little it may be.—Selected.

Business is exchange of values. When a man spends his money for whiskey he gets no value in exchange.—The Junior Preacher.

Mother Knows Best.

"May I go too? O mother, may I go to drive with you?" Ethel had seen the horses come prancing up to the door, and she ran in from the garden to ask if she might go with the others to drive.
 "Not to-day, dear," said her mother. "We are going to take grand-mamma and grandpapa to see some old friends of theirs, and it will not be best for you to go."

Ethel wanted to cry, she felt so sorry not to go. And yet she did not quite cry, for she knew that her mother always knew best, and that she loved to make her little girl hap-

Never Before Seen On That Fashion.

Here is a quaint story that comes from Formosa. In a fire that broke out in one of their villages two houses were set on fire. One, belonging to a heathen, was saved; but the other, belonging to a Christian, was burned. The heathen friends of the unfortunate man ridiculed him greatly, pointing to his loss as evidence of the failure and usefulness of his religion. Their merrymaking, however, was turned to amazed chagrin a few days later when they saw a company of men approaching the village, laden with wood, tools, and furniture. They were Christians belonging to the church of the burned-out man, and they had come to rebuild his house. No such deed of kindness was ever known in that village before.—Selected.

Life's Stream.

Life bears us on the stream of a mighty river. Our boat glides down the narrow channel—thro' the playful murmuring of the little brook and the winding of its grassy borders. The trees shed their blossoms over our young heads, the flowers on the brink seem to offer themselves to our young hands, we are happy in hope and grasp eagerly at the beauties around us; but the stream hurries us on, and still our hands are empty. Our course in youth and manhood is along a wider flood, amid objects more striking and magnificent. We are animated at the moving pictures of enjoyment and industry passing us; we are excited at some short-lived disappointment. The stream bears us on, and our joys and griefs are alike left behind us. We may be shipwrecked; we cannot be delayed. Whether rough or smooth, the river hastens to its home, till the roar of the ocean is in our ears, and the tossing of the waves beneath our feet, and the land less-

Clarendon District, 3rd Round.

Clarendon circuit	June	10-11
Clarendon station,	"	14
Higgins at Lipscomb,	"	24-25
Canadian City at Cataline	"	27
Plainview	July	1-2
Childress cir. at Carey	"	8-9
Channing at Hartley	"	15-16
Silverton	"	22-23
Canyon City	"	29-30
Floydada at Pierce S H	August	5-6
Emma	"	12-13
Matador at Paducah	"	19-20
Wellington at Clifford	"	26-27
G. S. HARDY, P. E.		

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A splendid section of land 18 miles from town. Two room house, 40 acres fenced with growing crop. An abundance of running water with lots of timber. This section can be had for \$1 bonus per acre. It is \$1 land.

A 4 room house with two lots, good well of water, all fenced, with shade and fruit trees. In northeast part of town. Good garden spot. Splendid neighborhood. Price \$500 one-half cash, balance on easy payments.

An unimproved section of \$1.00 per acre school land about 13 miles from Clarendon. Time lived out. Price 50c per acre bonus.

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