

# The Weekly Recorder

VOL. 1.

COLORADO, MITCHELL COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1906.

## Mrs. Haskell's Reading.

No more cultured audience ever assembled in the opera house than the one who greeted Mrs. Benetta Sargent Haskell on Monday evening when she made her second appearance in our city under the auspices of the Hesperian club.

A compliment was paid her, first in the large attendance, the seating capacity of the building being taxed to the utmost to accommodate the people, secondly in the enthusiasm of the audience, whom she carried at will from laughter to tears.

The president of the club, Mrs. Brooks Bell, introduced Mrs. Haskell with an eloquent little speech, in her own captivating manner.

From the very first reading, a bible selection, until the close, a bit of fun, from a funny story, the interest of the audience never wavered, they realizing she was an artist of superior ability, whom they justly appreciated.

Her power of expression is wonderful.

From tales of sorrow which bring tears to all eyes, she drifted into childish prattle in the story of red riding hood, her face beaming and eyes aglow as in a wee maid of four, repeating a fairy story.

Then on to the ridiculous when her audience was convulsed with laughter.

The Hesperian quartette rendered a choice selection which received such a hearty encore, they responded gracefully and won for themselves still greater laurels. Blandford's orchestra furnished the music which was a most enjoyable feature of the evenings entertainment.

Nearly fifty dollars was realized from the entertainment which the Hesperians generously contributed to the public school.

## Poultry Show.

The Kindergarten Association held their regular monthly meeting with Mrs. Merritt Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Eugene Pond, secretary of the association resigned and Mrs. G. B. Root was appointed to take her place.

The ladies decided to hold a poultry show the second week in March. Every one, having fine chickens or other fowls are invited to enter. Prizes will be given and fowls sold on commission.

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## Went Off Ten-Foot Dump

At about 6:30 Saturday morning the eastbound Texas and Pacific passenger train No. 4, engine No. 227, Engineer Young and Fireman Bird, running at about thirty-five miles an hour, struck a broken rail two miles west of Odessa and the Pullman, tourist and chair car were hurled violently off a ten-foot dump and capsized, injuring about twenty people, one fatally. The defective rail was struck about 200 feet before running over a small bridge, the chair car being hurled off at this point.

Conductor McCloud sustained severe bruises and cuts on the head and left shoulder was severely wrenched.

Medical assistance was immediately secured at Odessa and Midland, and a wrecking crew sent out from Big Springs. Traffic was resumed after nine hours' delay.

## Kindergarten Social Meeting.

The first of a series of meetings of the Kindergarten Association was held at the court house last Saturday afternoon by Misses Palm and Morrison. Sixteen ladies were present and reported a most enjoyable time.

After the regular Kindergarten work was gone through with by the mothers, delicious cake and tea was served by Mrs. Landers.

These meetings will be held the first Saturday in each month from three to four o'clock. Every one interested in the work is invited to come and bring a dime, the money to go to having the piano tuned. Mesdames Benson and Meritt will furnish the refreshments at the March meeting.

Rev. H. Nichols was called on Wednesday to Sweetwater to conduct a funeral at that place.

## Stag Euchre Party.

Quite a number of gentlemen of our city experienced a treat in the stag euchre party on last Friday evening given by Mr. R. H. Waldo to his friend and former partner, Mr. Authur Wells, and Mr. Frost, also a former resident and well known cattle man, though now residing in Connecticut.

There were four tables around which the guests gathered and strenuously fought for points and lone hands.

F. E. McKenzie secured the royal prize, a fountain pen.

Gus Bertner the lone hand prize, a pearl handle pocket knife, while the booby, a rubber doll fell to Joe Stokes.

Upon the card tables a delicious luncheon was spread consisting of scalloped oysters, wafers, nut salad, cake and hot coffee.

All pronounce Mr. Waldo an ideal host, and are grateful to him for a most enjoyable evening.

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Farmers Co-Operative

Washington, Nov. Bureau yesterday placing the amount to Nov. 14, at 7.49 the product of the 14 was 9,786,646 bales. The total 451,337 bales. In 1903 the cotton harvest and in 1903 and the cotton production year by year 942,918; 56,612; tory, 1 na, 28 souri, Texa

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### LOCALS

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has. Sparks has been quite this week.

Don't forget the place--Bob's restaurant.

Harry Ratliff has been quite sick this week.

Hot coffee and chilli at Vincent's.

Hebert Hazzard was quite sick the past week.

Remember L. L. Franks the float man and coal dealer when in need of any thing in his line.

The Music Club will meet next Thursday with Miss Henry.

If you want the best, buy a Case planter or cultivator of C. A. Goodwin.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. [Name] has been quite sick this week.

Misses Lillie Turner and Mable [Name] spent Sunday in West.

Mrs. T. A. Morrison and Miss [Name] anticipate leaving next week for New Orleans to attend March Gras, and visit Mrs. Morrison's brother in that city.

Lee Jones has accepted a position as bookkeeper for C. M. Adams.

Miss Jo Dry is home again after a delightful trip to the Byrne ranch.

Adams and Warren are having an addition built to their store building.

For wood and coal phone 254 Wheelers wood yard, or 257 the residence.

Mrs. Shackelford of St. Louis is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. J. C. Prude.

Gus Bertner left this week for Grand Falls to look after his farming interests.

Hunter Looney has been in from Arlington, spending a few days at home this week.

Master Edward J. Hamner came in from Stanton Saturday to spend Sunday at home.

Leave your laundry at Jones Bros. barber shop. H. M. Hazzard.

A splendid rain fell Sunday night, which was very general and will be of vast benefit.

Rev. J.S. Vaughan made a trip to Stamford this week to unite in marriage a young couple of his acquaintance.

### Notice.

All dry goods, clothing, hats, shoes, etc., will be sold at actual cost until all is gone.

WILL DAVIS.  
Loraine, Texas.

PONY WANTED--A good gentle young saddle pony, that will work in harness. Apply at this office.

J. M. Radford was in from Abilene Monday looking after business interests in this city.

Mrs. W. A. Holloway of Lamessa has been in the city this week the guest of Mrs. L. L. Franks.

F. E. McKenzie has purchased the A. R. Earnest place which he will remodel into a palatial home.

Q. Z. Anderson assisted Aurey Kindred at the express office during the absence of Mr. Hensley.

Jim Scott of Portales, N. M., a former resident of our city, has been mingling with old friends here this week.

The new home of H. B. Smoot is being enclosed by a neat iron fence, as is also the residence of B. S. Van Tuyl.

A. J. Payne leaves tomorrow night for Eastern markets to purchase a spring stock of goods for his popular establishment.

Judge Thurmond purchased the pretty bay horse the property of Earl Morrison, and shipped him to Ft. Worth, a present to his daughter. Mr. Morrison bought the fine black traveler of Judge Thurmond.

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### Loraine Opening.

On Wednesday and Thursday most all of Colorado joined in the big celebration at Loraine in honor of the opening of this plucky little city. The Weatherford Concert Band furnished fine music and on yesterday the big barbecue was the feature of the day.

The crowd was great and visitors and lot purchasers from a distance expressed themselves as pleased with the new town and its prospects, as well as the country.

Parties having purchased lots selected ten committee men to take entire charge and conduct the drawing. This committee was composed of W. W. and A. J. Chunn of Garner, D. P. Ranken, Mineral Wells, Dr. A. W. Tompson, Mineral Wells, M. L. Jones, Mineral Wells, C. R. Outlaw, Mineral Wells, L. J. Tackett, Weatherford, Tom Moore, Midlothian, J. B. Wilson and C. G. Bumgarner, Garner, Texas.

Every body at the conclusion was well pleased with the manner in which the drawing was conducted and with their purchase, some disposing of their lots at great profit.

Walter Barrett of Garner, Tex., was the fortunate winner of the two-story house, two lots, well, windmill, etc., with which he was delighted.

Suffice to say the opening was a great success and a big advertisement for the Texas & Pacific Development Company and West Texas.

Mr. D. C. Byrne was in from the ranch today.

W. H. Boyd shipped two cars of cattle to Ft. Worth 20th and Mr. Scrivner one car 22nd.

1300 bales of cotton have been shipped from this place to date, and 1515 from Westbrook and Signal Mount.

Imported embroidered silks waisting, pongee silks in great varieties, silk shirt waist suiting just received at C. M. Adams.

Homer L. Hutchinson has just added undertaking supplies to his furniture stock, and has also received a nice new stock of wall paper.

Whipkey Bros. have arrived, and are busily engaged in installing their new printing machinery in the Record's new home, the old post office building.

The number of fine hogs and chickens being gotten in by the express company, also ornamental and fruit trees, for this section of the country proves our people full of the spirit of progress and enterprise.

### Quietly Wedded.

At 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents at Union Miss Genie McCreless and Mr. Reese Bedford were quietly united in marriage, only the relatives and a few friends being present.

Rev. Griswold performed the ceremony in his usual impressive manner.

The bride looked pretty indeed in a gown of white aeolin, with lace trimmings, the groom in conventional black.

After the ceremony a bountiful wedding supper was served.

The young couple yesterday repaired to the home of the groom's parents, three miles east of town, where they will remain until the completion of their new home.

The Record joins their hosts of friends in wishing them a happy and prosperous wedded life.

Hundreds of people have eaten at my restaurant and are well satisfied. I can satisfy all who come.

Jake Maurer.

### Weather Report.

Editor Weekly Record:

For publication in your paper I furnish herewith record of meteorological observations taken by the undersigned as a cooperative observer of the Weather Bureau of the U. S. Department of Agriculture during the week ending Feb. 22, 1906, at Colorado.

Date.	Temperature		Rain fall in inches and hundredths	Character of Day
	Highest	Lowest		
16	68	32	.00	Clear
17	63	32	.00	P. Cloudy
18	75	39	.00	P. Cloudy
19	74	49	.00	P. Cloudy
20	71	42	.00	Clear
21	76	30	.00	Clear
22	81	51	.00	P. Cloudy

The instrumental readings are from Government standard instruments exposed in the manner recommended by the Chief of the Weather Bureau.

Very Respectfully,  
B. STRADLEY.

Cooperative Observer.  
Feb. 22, 1906.

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**Union Items.**

Our Congressman, Hon. W. R. Smith, has made the farmers glad by sending them vegetable seed and books on irrigation.

Mr. Lee Bradford and Miss Jennie McCreless were married at Union Chapel Wednesday night. They have our best wishes.

Mr. Young, a stockman and farmer from the east, is looking for a one-section farm.

Bro. Phelan preached here last Sunday.

James McCreless has a new buggy.

Mrs. Plaster has a large piece of land cleared and grubbed for a new farm.

The Sterling and Westbrook lane will now run to the corner south of the new school house.

BRO. VICTOR.

**Fine Performance Last Night.**

The Columbia Stock Co., opened their engagement last evening at the Carlsbad Opera House at which time they presented the great Southern comedy drama, *Passion's Slave*. The company is the best seen in our city in many months, each and every one of the individuals being especially adapted to the part assigned to them. The company carry their own car, filled to the top with all the requisite stage settings and electrical effects to produce their splendid productions in metropolitan style. The specialties were all of the best being seen in all the large cities in the best vaudeville houses.

There was a large crowd out to greet the company on their initial performance, and if applause is a signal of appreciation the company have won the hearts of all our theatre goers from the start. For tonight's bill they will present "*Hooligan's Troubles*." In witnessing this play you do nothing but laugh from start to finish. New scenery will be used and an entirely new line of specialties will be seen for our approval, and after last night's entertainment one would judge from public sentiment that a packed house will be on hand to greet them.—Carlsbad News.

In Colorado March 8, 9 and 10.

**To the Public.**

The holiday rush is now over, and I am prepared to give my personal care and attention to all dresses entrusted to me, guaranteeing satisfaction.

I appreciate the trade extended me in the past, and respectfully solicit a continuance of same during the new year.

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Income - - - - -	31,854,194	102,630,864	70,776,670
Dividends of Year to Policy-holders -	1,260,340	5,147,984	3,887,644
Total Payments of year to Policy-holders	12,671,491	40,262,049	27,590,549
Number of Policies in Force - - -	182,803	1,001,263	818,466
Insurance in Force, premiums paid,	\$575,689,649	\$2,061,593,886	\$1,485,904,237

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## THE WEEKLY RECORD

COLORADO . . . . . TEXAS

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1906.

Mark Twain will not deny that Col. Mulberry was one of the original best Sellers.

It must be fine to be a lawyer and rake in a \$23,000 fee every little now and then.

Even the pessimist may hope for the best, but it takes an optimist to really expect it.

When a man says to you: "Guess what I paid for it," double what you really think, and please him.

Cornering the tomato supply will not of necessity have any effect on the supply of vivid red catchup.

New York's Chinatown now joins in the general occidentalizing movement among the race by having street riots.

With a lot of returned soldiers who are looking for jobs, Japan is finding that peace hath problems no less than war.

Prof. Bell thinks that flying is merely a matter of time. Others are inclined to think that it is a matter of eternity.

It is really no more than might be expected that the Chinese minister at Washington is such a glib talker. His name is Tung.

Says Judge Grosscup, "God never intended there should be a leisured class." But, judge, was not that his original intention?

In France the election of a president of the republic appears to be fully as important a function as the opening of a new opera house.

Berlin must be much elated over a reduction of the French forces reported at the German capital. Two deserters have arrived near Metz.

A hot potato, passed across the dinner table, figures in a divorce case just begun. It was supposed only cold potatoes furnished incentive to divorce.

Sir Christopher Furness was the first man to be elected to the new British parliament. Judging from his name he must have conducted a hot campaign.

And another thing we are not going to do this year: We are not going to tell people if they will look at their troubles in the right light the troubles will disappear.

France will "take its time" in obtaining satisfaction from Venezuela. Recent history suggests that it will take a lot more time than it has any thought of taking.

Thrice and four times fortunate the Frenchman whose grandfather was a blacksmith. Such humble antecedents have furnished three Presidents of the republic up to date.

Bachelors in Corea, according to a correspondent, cannot buy liquor. Seems harsh, that, but really the former bachelors are the men who need it.—New York Herald.

The will as a means of prolonging life is ably discussed by a learned magazine essayist. Will he tell us how to use the will as a means of pocketbook expansion?

If Morocco is anything like other oriental countries you can't blame the powers for insisting upon the open door. The more fresh air that can be got into it the better.

### FIGHTING THE CATTLE TICK.

Southern Members and College Men Hold Conference.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Southern members of congress and the directors of a number of agricultural and mechanical colleges and of experiment stations in that section held a conference Wednesday afternoon in the minority room at the Capitol to agree on a plan of procedure, having for its purpose the procurement of a large appropriation to enable the Agricultural Department to combat the cattle fever tick.

The conference was called by congressman Ransdell of Louisiana at the suggestion of a number of Southern congressmen, who think that the loss occasioned by the cattle tick has become of such magnitude as to make it necessary to solicit the aid of the Federal Government in exterminating a parasite, which, according to estimates made by the Department of Agriculture, cause a loss of \$150,000,000 a year.

Most of the Southern Representatives were there as well as a number of senators from that section, and in addition veterinarians and agricultural scientists who have spent years in the effort to combat the pest.

Mr. Burleson of Texas was chosen chairman. Mr. Ransdell of Louisiana explained briefly the purpose of the conference and afterward a number of scientists, including Mr. Melvin, chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, made statements.

All of these statements, most of which were the recitals of actual experience, showed that the situation is a most serious one, in that not only is the prosperity of the livestock industry menaced, but of the agricultural industry as well. Mr. Ransdell, for example, remarked that because of the ravages of the boll weevil as well as because of the need of diversifying the crops that the fertility of soil should be preserved it was necessary that farmers should engage largely in stock raising. But, he declared, the presence of the tick which produced splenic or Texas fever made stock raising unprofitable.

It was admitted by every one who spoke that no quarantine against cattle subject to Texas fever was warranted, but the fact that the Government instituted a quarantine, it was held was a sufficient reason why the Government should at least co-operate with the State governments in an effort to exterminate these ticks. As to the practicability of exterminating these ticks, all were in agreement that it could be done. It was shown by the veterinarians and scientists that the ticks could live only on the bodies of animals, that when they dropped to the ground they soon starved to death. The remedy, therefore, or at least one remedy, was to move cattle from one pasture to another.

### Cleans Cotton Seed.

Washington: A gin which makes a cotton seed as bald as a billiard ball is on exhibition and is attracting a great deal of attention, especially among those from Texas. This gin gets about 200 pounds of lint from a ton of seed turned out of the regular gin and the advantage of it not only is the greater amount of lint cotton obtained in this way, but in the fact that seed thus cleaned is worth more than when it comes from an ordinary gin.

Hugh R. Stevens, of Lannius, aged 83, and a Confederate soldier, who came to Texas 60 years ago, died in Fort Worth Monday.

### Three Killed in a Wreck.

Fort Scott, Kan.: St. Louis and San Francisco passenger train, No. 118 north bound, was wrecked at Columbus, Kan., Wednesday. Harry Roundtree, of Fort Scott, express messenger, one of the passengers, and a newsboy, names unknown, were burned to death. George Woods, the engineer, was badly hurt, and W. H. Runyan, fireman, sustained a broken leg. The baggage and express car was telescoped over the mail car and both soon caught fire.

The flames from the forward cars caught the coach and the chair car and all four were consumed. The Pullman was saved. Several members of the crew were pinned beneath the burning express and mail cars. The passengers made strenuous efforts to save Roundtree and the newsboy, but were driven back by the flames. An unknown passenger is reported among the dead.

### Mineral Wells After New Road.

Mineral Wells: The Commercial Club has authorized C. W. Wilson, its secretary, to correspond with officials of the Texas, New Mexico and Pacific with a view to securing the road. At a recent meeting held at Palo Pinto \$10,000 was pledged and right of way to the Brazos River and Western County line, provided Mineral Wells would give \$20,000 and right of way to the east county line.

The old fight between the old and new town of La Porte for the postoffice has been renewed.

Tuesday night unknown parties waylaid William Ramsey, a highly respected negro, living near Cushing, and shot and killed him. Sheriff Buckner was notified of the tragedy and left at once for the scene of the trouble.

Commander-in-Chief Thomas M. Owen has announced that he had appointed John P. Logan of Sylvan Springs, Ark., as commander of the Arkansas division of the United Sons of Confederate Veterans.

The International and Great Northern railroad company will use the Texas and Pacific passenger station at Fort Worth as a model for the new station to be created at San Antonio.

Mrs. Mary E. Holmes, founder of the Mary E. Holmes Seminary at West Point, Miss., an industrial school for colored girls, and prominent as a scientist, is dead.

"Dead in his cell" is the entry after the name of Edward Parker, a negro, who was serving a sentence of ten days for vagrancy in the city jail at El Paso. Parker was found dead by the jailer.

J. B. Kimmel and Lorena Harris of Laredo were married in San Antonio by a local justice, just five minutes before a telegram arrived from the bride's father forbidding the marriage.

### An Aged Preacher Dies.

Corsicana: Rev. Andrew Davis died here Wednesday after an illness of three weeks. The wife of the deceased, to whom he had been married sixty years, was buried here three weeks ago. Mr. Davis was born in the territory now comprising the county of Red River, March 9, 1827, and lived in Texas under four flags. He was licensed to preach by the Methodist church when seventeen years old.

In all the diamond cutting and polishing factories a higher standard of wages is to be granted and for the first time in ten years apprentices will be received, under the terms of a year's agreement just signed.

### DEATH SEEMED NEAR.

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It is always better to take things as they come than to attempt to catch them as they go.

### Minister's Terrible Oath.

A New York clergyman some few weeks ago was playing golf on the links of the Mount Airy Club, near Philadelphia. In the course of the game he drove into a bunker, whereupon his partner heard him exclaim: "Croton!" The latter did not understand, but said nothing. Shortly afterward, upon slicing his ball into the long grass, the clergyman again ejaculated: "Croton!" "What do you mean by that word, 'Croton,' Mr. R.?" inquired his partner. "It sounds like an exorcism." "No," said the reverend gentleman, "but it expresses my feelings exactly." "How so?" "Why, it represents the biggest dam in the world."

### Gold All One Color.

The general idea of the color of gold is that it varies according to the locality in which it is found. This is now said by experts to be incorrect. Pure gold is of one unvarying, unchanging color. Few people, however, see such gold. All the gold of commerce used either as money or for jewelry has alloy in it. Mexican gold, for instance, is redder than that of California. This red-tinge is caused by the presence of copper, and the paler tinge by silver, and in the mints of different countries the amount and kinds of alloy used differ sufficiently to give different tints to the money.

### A BOY'S BREAKFAST

There's a Natural Food That Makes Its Own Way.

There's a boy up in Hoosick Falls, N. Y., who is growing into sturdy manhood on Grape-Nuts breakfasts. It might have been different with him, as his mother explains:

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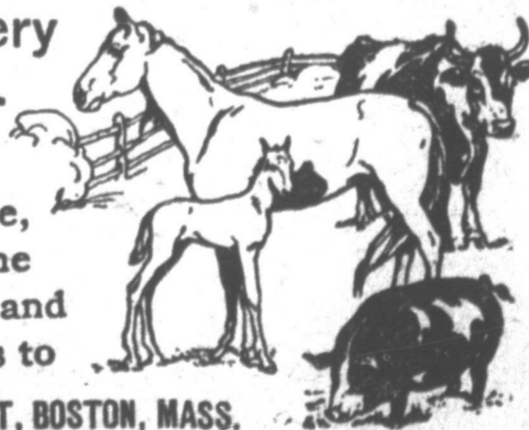
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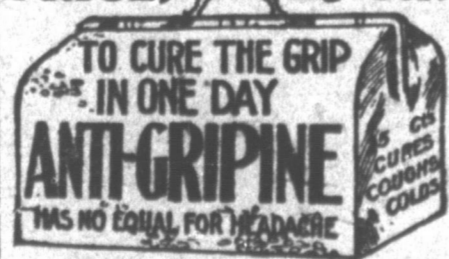
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### ONE SMALL POINT OVERLOOKED.

#### Amateur Carpenter Had Forgotten to Provide Door.

Capt. Alexander Hutchins of Ellsworth, Me., although a sea captain of ability, has always been noted for absent-mindedness. On one occasion, while at home between trips, he decided to have a spare chamber in his house lathed and plastered. Being somewhat of a carpenter, he undertook this part of it himself and labored at it industriously for a day or two.

It was finally lathed according to his



Not Made for a Carpenter.

ideas, and as he drove the last nail and surveyed his work, not without pride, he called his wife to see what a good job he had done.

She climbed the stairs and then paused, somewhat perplexed, and, after looking in vain for an entrance, said: "Why, Alex, where's the door?"

"By thunder!" exclaimed the captain, in amazement, "I forgot all about it." He had actually lathed himself into the room.

#### Deer Fought with Motor Car.

An extraordinary battle between a motor car and a deer recently occurred outside Perth, Scotland. A gentleman and his friends were traveling in their car by night along the high road. They were going along slowly, when they saw what seemed to be two green balls of fire suspended in the air about five feet above the road. The driver recognized the eyes of a deer, and, approaching the animal, he turned the powerful headlight on it, and sounded the horn. The combination of light and noise seemed to madden the animal, which was a large buck, and it charged the motor-car. The headlight was demolished at the first charge. In the second the deer cut one of the tires with his hoof. The motorists felt themselves defeated, and tried to escape, but in the excitement of the moment the driver ran the machine into a tree, and the buck renewed his attack. Finally, one of the men succeeded in getting a rifle from beneath the seat and shot the animal.

#### Oldest Watch.

The oldest existing watch in the world is shown in the accompanying illustration. It was made in France in the sixteenth century and, despite



its age, is still considered a very artistic product. It is nearly twice the size of an ordinary watch of to-day, and, according to modern standards, has a very crude mechanism. The habit of elaborate decoration, common to its period, is very evident.

### KEEPS IN GOOD HEALTH AT 105.

#### New England Woman Has Lived in Three Centuries.

Aunt Lorica Cox celebrated her 106th birthday on Saturday at her home with her daughter, Mrs. Louisa Ann Shaw, in West Harrington, says a dispatch from Bangor, Maine. It is said that she is the only woman in New England who has lived in three centuries.

In spite of her years she eats three meals a day with relish, and neither pain nor restlessness ever disturb her slumbers.

Mrs. Cox has vivid recollections of all the wars the United States has engaged in since its independence as a nation was acknowledged by England, for she has lived through them all. Her husband, James Cox, died in the civil war, he having enlisted in Company D, Twenty-second Maine Volunteers.

Mrs. Cox is a living witness against the theory that tobacco prevents longevity, for she is an inveterate smoker, having acquired the habit in childhood by lighting her mother's pipe.

#### Mourns Lost Pet Frog.

After keeping a frog for ten years, simply as a question of ascertaining how long it would live, James Spence of this place has lost it and is inconsolable.

Ten years ago the frog, then a small one, escaped into a cellar through a rat hole, rapidly increased in size and was permitted to make the place its home, "being fed and cared for every day."

It became a great favorite with patrons of the restaurant, and at a well known whistle would come to the hole for food or to be seen, but it was unable to leave the place.—West Chester Correspondence of the Philadelphia Record.

#### Why He Didn't Introduce Her.

A prominent Jewish merchant who lived in Salem, Mass., went away on



How Could He?

a pleasure trip with his wife. Arriving at the station in New York, with a valise in each hand, he met a friend from his town and had quite a lengthy conversation with him. After the friend departed his wife, who was standing close by, asked why he had not introduced her.

"How could I, when I had a valise in each hand?" he replied.

#### Maternal Instinct Strong.

While George R. Howe of Norwalk, Me., was hunting for aqua marine gems in the Stoneham, same state, a salamander appeared from among the rocks and Mr. Howe promptly threw her some sixty feet away over a ledge. A moment later he found four tiny salamanders in the refuse. After a time he felt something at his feet and looking down saw the salamander which he had thrown away. She had returned in search of her young.

#### Heifer Ran Amuck.

A heifer broke away from a herd which was passing through Sutton, Kan., and was at large two weeks. During that time two men were seriously injured by the creature. "It was finally shot."

### AMPLE PROOF OF ASSERTION.

#### "Ike" Recognized Old Friend as Boat Struck Rock.

The Baptist society of Alton, Me., had arranged for its great and glorious annual picnic, which was to take place about seven miles up the river. The river was swift and rocky, and, as the expedition was to be made in boats, it was necessary to have experienced river men to conduct it, and in this respect "Ike" Leavitt was exceeded by none. "Ike" was therefore



He Knew Every Rock.

given the most responsible position, which consisted in managing a boat-load of "Sunday school ma'ams."

They started out on the appointed day, but in spite of the well known prowess of their guide there was still much fear of the hidden rocks, as was evidenced by a chorus of shrieks at every unusual motion of the boat.

"Ike" endeavored to allay their fears by the assurance, "Be calm, ladies; be calm. I know every rock in this river." But just then there came a dull thud, followed by a shivering of the whole craft. It was entirely unlooked for by "Ike," but he was not to be taken unawares. "There," he said, in a tone of happy surprise at an assertion unexpectedly proven, "there's one of 'em now."

#### Record of a Marrying Parson.

The Rev. F. K. Hunsicker, pastor of St. Peter's Church of Molltown, holds Berks county's record for the number of weddings conducted in 1905. During the year 1,608 marriage licenses were granted in the county, and Pastor Hunsicker married 115 couples, being 8 per cent of the number of licenses granted, but a decrease of twenty-three couples from 1904. This deficiency was due to Mr. Hunsicker being abroad five weeks.

It is no unusual event for this minister to perform five or six marriage ceremonies on a Saturday night, and in one day the past year he married eight couples.

During the thirty-six years of his ministry he has married 2,515 couples, conducted 3,168 funerals, baptized 6,408 persons and confirmed 3,550 persons.

#### To Climb Mountains.



A contrivance has been invented to make mountain climbing much easier. The foot is held with the aid of leather straps in a clamp. The heel is made in two parts; one is shaped like the boot, and the other, T, is screwed in the first, thus raising the heel on a level with the toe. These contrivances can be fastened on to the toe of the foot when the climber is descending.

### PERSIANS FOND OF ATHLETICS.

#### Peculiar Methods of Training Seem to Produce Good Results.

Amusements are scarce in Persia, according to an explorer who reports that there are no theaters there.

The Persians, however, delight in athletic sports, and their athletes are men of superb physique.

Their method of training for feats of strength would, nevertheless, hardly commend itself to western trainers. Before giving their displays in public Persian athletes lie in bed for several days to store up their strength. Queer as the custom is, however, there is no question that the Persian Sandows and Samsons show enormous strength and endurance.

In the arenas in which they perform, they will go through their exercise in the way of swinging heavy clubs to the accompaniment of music for two hours at a time. In fact, there is a club swinging competition, the athlete who holds out the longest winning the prize.

In wrestling, too, they perform extraordinary feats, cases having been known of Persian champions who have wrestled with and overcome more than twenty powerful antagonists during a single athletic display. Such performances are as popular in Persia as are bull-fights in Spain.—Montreal Herald.

#### New and Simple Barometer.

Dr. Eydam, a noted German meteorologist, has discovered a new and extremely simple kind of barometer. It consists of the telegraph wire which is strung from pole to pole along the roadsides.

Dr. Eydam declares that by listening closely to the sound made by the wind blowing across the wires anyone can tell exactly what the weather is likely to be several days in advance. If the wires emit a deep, mellow and sustained note, like that of an organ, it means that the weather will be showery, with possible gales. A sharp, high note foretells cold, stormy weather, with, in winter, snow and sleet.—Electricity.

#### Tiny Auto.



This little automobile, although capable of a speed of fifteen miles an hour, is but forty inches high and four feet and a half long. It is owned in Columbus, Ohio.

#### The Mule Marched Past.

The "Derby dog" was in evidence, as usual, at the great manoeuvres at Rawal Pindi, only, to use an Irishism, it was another animal this time.

The cavalry were marching past the royal station in brilliant succession when there occurred an episode which was too much for everybody's risible faculties. Following the Ninth Queen's Royal Lancers was a stray, mangy mule, walking with comical gravity, and quite undisturbed by either oburgations from behind or the shouts of laughter from the spectators.—India Times.

#### Value of Aged Liquors.

Age makes a wonderful difference in the price of liquors. When the cellar of Cronier, the unfortunate French banker, was sold recently in Paris, three bottles of cognac, certified to date back to 1789, brought \$84. Three bottles of the same goods dated 1822 brought but \$24.

## Farmers' Co-Operative Union of America.

### THE BOY WHO LIVES NEXT DOOR.

The boy who lives next door  
Has freckles on his face;  
His ears are red and hang  
Away out into space.  
And when I hear a dog ki-yi  
And see it flee in terror I  
Can quickly guess the cause—  
'Tis merely that one more  
Poor little victim knows  
A boy resides next door!  
I've nursed with jealous care,  
And in the summer-time  
Knocks down the flowers there!  
It seems to give him pure delight  
To yell around with all his might  
And every week or so  
A pebble finds its way  
Against a light of glass  
For which I have to pay!  
The little child whose love  
Is all to me, one day  
Was stricken suddenly  
When I was far away—  
The boy who lives next door forgot  
To yell around, but ran and brought  
The doctor to the bed,  
And when I came, at last,  
Shrank from me with a look  
Of pity as I passed!  
The boy who lives next door  
Brought in his tops and gun,  
And pockets full of trash,  
To please our little one;  
He played beside my darling's bed,  
Turned cartwheels and stood on his  
head.  
And God was good to me—  
Let's wait awhile before  
We utterly condemn  
"The boy who lives next door!"  
—Chicago Times-Herald.

### HOW A YANKEE WOMAN LOOKS UPON FARMING IN TEXAS.

Farming here is like a man who is educated to be a mechanic up North. He knows naught else but mechanism. Hence, when he gets out of a job with no money or friends, he turns his back on the locality of his misfortune and starts to the land of Dixie, where the warm hospitable skies will shelter him from the biting sleets and snows. This is not all. The Yankee is a thrifty industrious man, who will not tolerate idleness and so Mr. Tramp is put out on a rock pile to work for the wherewith to keep soul and body together. As soon as he gets an opportunity he marches on to Dixie. It should be the purpose of every free man to own a house. If he is not able to own a stately mansion he can own at least ten acres of soil and erect thereon an humble cottage and have a morning glory across one corner of it, a few old-fashioned hollyhocks, flags and buttercups and daisies in one corner of the yard. This is a start toward liberty. The reason why farmers fail here in Texas is they live beyond their means. They want to go, as it were, in King's attire in the field, and the consequences are, in debt in the fall, and with no money to pay what obligations they contracted.

I can conceive of no nobler calling than to cultivate the soil, and the sensible farmer will look to his cellar and find first if it is empty. If so, what are the best family staples to put in it? After finding out what the best things are to support one's family, put vim and energy in these things and a rich reward will crown your efforts. It should be the aim of every farmer to have a nice young orchard, for the luscious fruits, sunkissed with red gold, are not only health-giving, but are certainly gems from the skies to bless and gratify the long-felt wants of mankind. The man who does not love to see the plum tree in full bloom, the odor of the peach bloom; the man who does not like to see the butterfly with burnished wings, the bee sipping the nectar from the orchard, is a man of very coarse nature indeed.

I will start this important subject with a healthy young orchard of peach plum pear grape apple and blackberry. These are luxuries that

every family can have for the planting.

Texas has a varied climate—as whistling cold as Kansas, as temperate as balmy Italy and as torrid as Brazil. Fruits from the hardier kind to the big apricot and orange of the South. Her people are in most part broad-gauged and liberty-loving. Her resources are as vast and as rich as the lower valley of the Nile, and the officers of Texas are so vigilant and watchful that crooks and suspects day and night are made so everlastingly hot that they do not shelter themselves very long 'neath her hospitable skies.

There is plenty of land lying idle in our State wherein lie buried untold treasures. This land lies in smiling peace inviting the husbandman to come and bring ax pick and plow and a multitude of blessings will bless his labors.

We can keep onions beans peas, cabbage, collards, turnips, cucumbers, and above all, every farmer should raise corn enough to fatten hogs for his own family use. Sorghum makes a fine syrup, some people think it almost a disgrace to have sorghum molasses, but it is healthy, and the starch that is in the molasses made from sorghum will fatten hogs or children. Watermelons, canteloups, broom corn and a great many other things can be raised to get a living off the farm. I do not say for a man not to raise any cotton at all, but say "Diversify your crops so as to get a living off the farm, then what cotton you raise will be clear money."

Try to get you some Berkshire and Poland China hogs, Jersey cows and Plymouth Rock chickens. Give these careful attention and you can always have something to sell. A man is not a good citizen until he owns a small home anyway.

The best way for the farmer to do and the only way for him to free himself from the shackles of bondage, is to stay at home. Diversify your crop, work from Monday morning until Saturday night and do not waste your sweetness on the desert air, in envying the man whom nature has endowed with a better power of economy. Learn the wisdom of the ant and the sluggard, and clear out the weeds and thistles and plant good seeds, and you will be blessed. Buy a home, raise sorghum, corn, beans, peas, cabbage, potatoes, turnips, and try to always have something to sell; no Kansas corn, Missouri bacon, Louisiana molasses or California fruit for us.—Mrs. K. A. Britt in Home and Farm.

For the season of 1904 there were about thirteen and a half million bales of cotton produced in the United States, and it sold at an average price of about 9 cents. For the season of 1905 there were about ten million bales produced, and it has nearly all been sold at a price but little above that of the preceding season. And why is this thus? Because the farmers sold the big crop of 1904 slowly, the buyers from towns having to go to the farms and hunt up the cotton, while the farmers have nearly broken their necks getting to town and hunting up the buyers to get rid of the little crop of 1905. But each was afraid of the others, and the mission of the Farmers Union is to make farmers believe in one another.—Farmers Journal.

### TEXAS CORN GROWERS MEET AND ORGANIZE.

#### Much Enthusiasm Is Developed at Meeting.

Dallas, Feb. 17.—With much show of interest in the proceedings and a very good attendance, farmers engaged in the culture of corn in Texas met yesterday and effected a permanent organization. Several addresses were delivered by farmers and by experts in culture of corn, a constitution was drafted and adopted, officers were elected and committees appointed and the convention adjourned. Many samples of fine corn were shown and there was practical demonstrations of methods of selecting and of growing the grain to the best advantage.

Capt. W. H. Gaston and Capt. Sydney Smith of the Texas State Fair Association appeared before the body and Capt. Gaston made a short address as head of the agricultural department of the fair. He said that it is the intention of the association to erect an agricultural building before the opening of the next entertainment; that the money is in hand for the purpose and that he wishes the farmers to advise with him as to the most suitable form and kind of building. The statements were applauded and the executive committee empowered to act for the association in this matter.

Officers of the Texas Corn Growers' Association were elected by acclamation. They are: President, Thomas A. McGilliard, Denton; vice-president, John H. Garrett, Forney; secretary-treasurer, A. M. Ferguson of the State University, Austin.

### INDIAN MINERAL LANDS.

#### The Disposition of These Causes Much Worry and Discussion.

Washington: The Senate Committee on Indian affairs has found the matter of providing for the disposition of the mineral lands in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations such a complex problem that the plan of reporting the bill to the senate last week was abandoned Thursday. It may be that the bill will not be ready even next week. This section of the bill is now being discussed informally and privately by various members of the committee, and an agreement may result which will enable rapid progress next week. Most of the members of the committee feel that unless great care shall be exercised in providing for the sale of this immense amount of property not only will great injustice be done the Indians, but that, at the cost of a song comparatively, a gigantic coal monopoly will be established and perpetuated in the Southwest.

What the solution of the problem will be no one will venture to predict, but it is not believed that a majority of the committee will favor the appropriation to give the lessees a preferential right to buy the lands at a price to be fixed by three appraisers, one of whom is to be named by themselves.

### Man With a Roll Disappears.

Austin: Local police circles are much exercised over the disappearance of a hack driver who came here a month ago and suddenly disappeared after having exhibited \$1,000. He had been foreman of a livery stable in small Texas town and said he owned 160 acres of land in Missouri, which he sold for \$9,000. He claimed the \$1,000 was the first payment on the land. He was last seen Wednesday, and left town. His personal effects are still at his late boarding house.

### JENNY LIND'S GREAT TRIUMPH.

#### Won Jealous Rival by Sweetness of Simple Song.

A beautiful little incident is told concerning Jenny Lind and Grisi, when they were rivals for popular favor in London. Both were invited to sing the same night at a court concert before the queen. Jenny Lind, being the younger, sang first, and was so disturbed by the fierce, scornful look of Grisi that she was at the point of failure, when suddenly an inspiration came to her. The accompanist was striking his final chords. She asked him to rise and took the vacant seat. Her fingers wandered over the keys in a loving prelude, and then she sang a little prayer which she had loved as a child. She hadn't sung it for years. As she sang she was no longer in the presence of royalty, but singing to loving friends in her fatherland.

Softly at first the plaintive notes floated on the air, swelling louder and richer every moment. The singer seemed to throw her whole soul into that weird, thrilling, plaintive "prayer." Gradually the song died away and ended in a sob. There was silence—the silence of admiring wonder. The audience sat spell-bound. Jenny Lind lifted her sweet eyes to look into the scornful face that had so disconcerted her. There was no fierce expression now; instead, a tear-drop glistened on the long, black lashes, and after a moment, with the impulsiveness of a child of the tropics, Grisi crossed to Jenny Lind's side, placed her arms about her, and kissed her, utterly regardless of the audience.—Exchange.

#### Familiar.

Six-year-old Marie is a minister's daughter, and Christmas, 1904, found half a dozen dolls under the Christmas tree. There they stood during Christmas week, when, realizing that six or seven dolls in addition to other toys was too much of a good thing, mother, who had the look-ahead temperament, resolved to kidnap one of the family and put it by for the next year.

To all appearances the scheme was carried through successfully, as no inquiries were made. So, on Christmas, 1905, the last year's baby reappeared under the new tree. Next morning Marie, accompanied by the usual number of grown-ups, was taken to view the tree. Fixing her eyes on the absentee and holding her dimpled chin with a chubby hand, after a period of deep thought she remarked, in a puzzled tone:

"Where the dickens have I seen that face before?"

#### Bound to Win Yet.

There is a song that no one else has writ,  
I know, but can not fashion it—  
Not yet—perhaps, some time,  
I'll get the rhyme  
And quit.

I've started it a hundred times, I think,  
Grandly—and then, ere one could wink,  
The inspiration's gone—  
The song is on  
The blink!

How many things start well, but somehow miss  
Connections—like a girl's first kiss—  
Start with a mighty shout,  
Then peter out  
Like this!

Ten syllables, a sonnet to begin;  
Eight in the next—a metric sin,  
Then six—who would have known  
It could have grown  
So thin?

But, say!  
One of these times  
I'm going to switch the rhymes  
Around, by George, the other way  
Start little and end big—I will, some day!

—Cleveland Leader.

#### Proof Against Everything.

A lad who was visiting at a relative's house was unused to the form of saying grace before meals. He began to eat at the dinner table without waiting or watching to see what the rest did.

"John," ventured his uncle, hesitatingly, "we usually say a little something before we eat."

"Say all you want, say all you want," replied John, cheerfully. "You can't hurt my appetite!"—Weekly Scotsman.