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NOVEMBER'S METEORS.

The Youth's Companion says that calculations indicate that a splendid meteoric shower may be expected in the early morning of November 16th, probably visible on both sides of the Atlantic. The earth will then encounter a swarm of meteors which travel in a long orbit around the sun, making their circuit in thirty-three and one-fourth years.

In 1833 the nucleus of the swarm was struck, and the display was simply magnificent; in 1866 and 1867 the phenomenon was less impressive, but still remarkable. Just how fine it will be this year cannot be certainly predicted, because the meteoric procession is so long and irregular that the disturbing action of the planets cannot be very precisely computed. It is slightly disquieting also that the "pilot comet," which in 1866 preceded by some months the main body of the meteors, traveling in the same orbit, has not been seen this season.

But, if we are fortunate, then, from about one o'clock in the morning until sunrise, the heavens will be full of swift, long-trained meteors, mostly small, but some brilliant with a greenish light, all having their motion directed from a "radiant" point in the "sickle" of the constellation Leo. The radiant simply a perspective effect—the so-called "vanishing point" of the (nearly) parallel lines in which they all travel.

Their light and heat are caused by the resistance of our atmosphere to their enormous velocity of more than thirty miles per second. Luckily they are so small probably averaging less than an ounce in weight, that they are wholly consumed in the upper air; not a single fragment of their countless millions is known to have reached the surface of the earth nor has any sound been heard from them. Were they as large as those from which aerolites descend, the consequences of such a bombardment might be serious indeed.

A second meteoric shower, from the Andromedid swarm which folks in the track of Biela's lost comet, may possibly—not probably—occur on the evening of November 23rd or 24th.

A Missouri editor gives some advice to the girls of his town through the columns of his paper, which runs about as follows:

"Don't hang around the depot unless you are going away or there to meet friends. Don't go to church and take a back seat with your escort and then whisper and giggle through the services. Don't be loud, boisterous and slangy. Stand on your dignity; don't form acquaintances quickly. Don't carry your heart on your sleeve, and throw yourself into the arms of every good-looking drummer or well-dressed stranger who comes to town. Be womanly, be modest, be thoughtful and serious at all times. Don't unsex yourself and thus lose woman's sweetest charm. Don't regard your long-legged brother as a nuisance; don't turn up your nose at your old-fashioned father and his poor grammar; and above all, don't play 'A Hot Time' on the piano while your good old mother is having a 'hot time' at the wash tub with your dirty duds—it's too suggestive."

What's Happened?

A horse attached to a cart got gay Tuesday afternoon in the lower part of town and started up Front street at a 2:40 gait. Mr. Woodlief Thomas ran up along side of the run-a-way animal on his horse and succeeded in catching the bridle and stopping him before any damage was done, excitement raised, or any of the boys yelled "Whoa-aa!"

Messrs. W. E. English and J. E. O'meara, accompanied by their families came in from Carrizo Springs Monday evening and registered at the Buckelow Hotel. They left next morning for San Antonio where they spent a few days sight seeing at the Fair grounds.

Among the crowd that went up on opening day of the Fair, were: Mesdames Andy Guinn, H. Riley and W. B. Kerr. Misses Louise and Mary Cotulla, and Madie Daniel. Messrs. Andy Dowdell, John Hall, H. Riley, W. H. Garnett, J. M. and Walter Daniel.

Mr. Thos. Salmon, formerly of this county, but now ranching in Duval, came up in the early part of the week to attend to some business. He says they have been blessed with good rains all the year, consequently grass is fine, cattle are fat and the people all in good spirits.

W. T. Hill, a prosperous stockman of Twohig, accompanied by his wife and little child, arrived on Monday morning and spent several days in the city as guests of Mr. G. H. Knaggs and family.

Mr. W. H. Steele returned from San Antonio Sunday. He says he was present at the opening of the Fair and everything was very favorable, large crowds and everyone in high spirits.

Mr. W. T. Young, the popular manager of the Cochita ranch, in company with his wife boarded Tuesday's Fullman for San Antonio, where they spent several days visiting the fair.

Dull Bros., slipped this week to one of their ranches near Dryden, Texas, 29 cars of stock cattle. The stock was moved on account of the scarcity of grass in their pastures here.

Mr. Dred Saul of Pearsall, arrived here Sunday last and took charge of the A. Armstrong, Jr. ranch, which will be conducted under his management in the future.

S. C. Roberts, the clever Association Inspector, came down on an early morning freight Tuesday to inspect the Dull cattle. He returned home same day on No. 4.

Mr. W. B. Stanfield has been absent from his Confectionery store the greater part of this week. He went over to Tilden to take a piano drummer.

Capt. J. A. Brooks of Ranger Co. E. stationed at Alice came up from Laredo Tuesday morning on official business, and to attend to some ranch interests.

Mr. E. Tarver, of Rosebud, Texas, arrived on Sunday evening's train to visit his mother and brothers, Messrs. Jas. and Mug Tarver.

Mrs. P. C. Tumlinson, (nee Miss Carrie May Moody) spent several days in the city this week visiting her sister, Mrs. J. A. Smith.

The passenger has been crowded every day this week with throngs of people enroute to San Antonio.

Goggan's Piano man was in town this week.

"Chub" Poole and Rey Smith made a trip to the Matthews ranch during the early part of the week, hunting pasturage for cattle.

Tuesday reminded one of the cattle shipping season, from the noise the trains made switching back and forth in the yards.

Miss Jesse Harl, teacher of the school at Covey's Chapel, was in the city Saturday and Sunday, visiting Miss Vina Roberts.

Mr. W. L. Hargus, a wealthy cowman of La Salle, with his family, went up to San Antonio Tuesday to see the big fair.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Kerr are the proud and happy parents of a seven pound baby girl, born Saturday, 28th, ult.

The river has been on a big rise this week, as a consequence of the heavy rains all over the country last week.

Mr. Chas. Sullivan returned to his ranch Tuesday morning after spending several days in the city with his family.

Capt. J. H. Rogers is the possessor of a brand new saddle, which he received from San Antonio last week.

Dr. W. B. Kerr, came down Sunday from Flatonia, and spent a day with his brothers, L. A. and J. B. Kerr.

Mr. Fred Benkley, manager of the Earnest Ranch, near Millet was down one day this week on business.

Mr. J. P. Hill, a stockman of Twohig passed up Monday morning with his little son, enroute to the Fair.

Mr. Eugene M. Irvin and his accomplished sister, Miss Grace, went up to attend the fair Tuesday.

George E. Tarver of the House Ranch was a visitor to our city one day during the early part of the week.

Attorney Chas. Mayfield has been on the sick list this week, but understand he is much better now.

Don't lay in a stock of Dry Goods when you go to San Antonio. You can buy as cheap here.

Whit Neal Esq. had charge of the Feed Yard during the absence of Mr. Garnett at the Fair.

Mr. Young has resigned his position on the Tilden mail line and returned to Pearsall.

Our two large Dry Goods houses have been doing a rushing business this week.

G. W. Henrichson & Co., received another carload of corn Monday morning.

Mr. Wm. McCarty paid our office a short, but appreciated call Saturday afternoon.

W. G. Johnson was in town shaking hands with the stockmen Tuesday.

The weather this week has been quite chilly during the early mornings.

Chas. Gilmer went down to Encinal Tuesday evening to visit his brother.

W. P. May, wife and mother, all returned from Laredo Sunday morning.

Len English Esq. of Carrizo Springs was here a day or two this week.

J. P. Williams was in from the Dull ranch with a herd of cattle Tuesday.

"Uncle" Bob Hall went up Monday to take in the San Antonio Fair.

Mr. C. Herring was in town Tuesday evening from the Puddin.

Miss Nancy Reynolds is up from a recent spell of sickness.

From a reliable source it is estimated that there are over 90,000,000 matches used in the United States every year. These indispensable little articles were first used in this country less than seventy years ago, and at that time a box containing twenty-five was sold for 25 cents. Imagine, if you please, matches at one cent apiece! Today we buy 1,000 for 5 cents, and a machine has been invented that will, no doubt, put them on the market at half the price, very soon.

I. & G. N. R. R.

Between San Antonio and Laredo

TIME TABLE.

South Passenger Train.		North Passenger Train.	
10:30 a. m.	LY. SAN ANTONIO.	Ar. 12:30 p. m.	LY. SAN ANTONIO.
10:45 a. m.	LY. Leon.	Ar. 12:45 p. m.	LY. Leon.
10:55 a. m.	LY. Medina.	Ar. 1:00 p. m.	LY. Medina.
11:05 a. m.	LY. Lytle.	Ar. 1:10 p. m.	LY. Lytle.
11:15 a. m.	LY. Devina.	Ar. 1:20 p. m.	LY. Devina.
11:25 a. m.	LY. Moore.	Ar. 1:30 p. m.	LY. Moore.
11:35 a. m.	LY. Eden.	Ar. 1:40 p. m.	LY. Eden.
11:45 a. m.	LY. Pearsall.	Ar. 1:50 p. m.	LY. Pearsall.
11:55 a. m.	LY. Derby.	Ar. 2:00 p. m.	LY. Derby.
12:05 p. m.	LY. Dilby.	Ar. 2:10 p. m.	LY. Dilby.
12:15 p. m.	LY. Millett.	Ar. 2:20 p. m.	LY. Millett.
12:25 p. m.	LY. COTULLA.	Ar. 2:30 p. m.	LY. COTULLA.
12:35 p. m.	LY. Tuna.	Ar. 2:40 p. m.	LY. Tuna.
12:45 p. m.	LY. Twohig.	Ar. 2:50 p. m.	LY. Twohig.
12:55 p. m.	LY. Burro.	Ar. 3:00 p. m.	LY. Burro.
1:05 p. m.	LY. Encinal.	Ar. 3:10 p. m.	LY. Encinal.
1:15 p. m.	LY. Cactus.	Ar. 3:20 p. m.	LY. Cactus.
1:25 p. m.	LY. Webb.	Ar. 3:30 p. m.	LY. Webb.
1:35 p. m.	LY. Green.	Ar. 3:40 p. m.	LY. Green.
1:45 p. m.	LY. Sanchez.	Ar. 3:50 p. m.	LY. Sanchez.
1:55 p. m.	LY. LAREDO.	Ar. 4:00 p. m.	LY. LAREDO.

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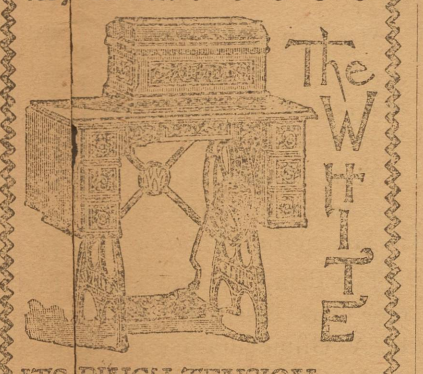
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SATURDAY, NOV. 4 1899.

In the International Fair at San Antonio we notice that Cotulla has two exhibits. Uncle Robert Hall, the famous old Indian fighter and one of our early pioneers, a veteran of two wars, is on exhibition in his unique suit made from the skins of animals killed by himself.

Some of our exchanges seem to think, judging by the way they rear up and fall over when the subject is mentioned, that it is a crime to oppose the re-election of Hon. Rudolph Kleberg to congress from the 11th district.

The Advance evidently thinks for itself in matters political and has come out strong against Kleberg. We are not personally acquainted with any other eligible candidate and therefore, at this early date, cannot commit ourselves. We propose, however, to support what we believe to be an honest man, one who will vote his honest convictions, even though he may lose the election.

We hear that Mr. F. H. Burmeister, Geo. Martin, T. M. West, and a man named Young, of another county, are among the prosecuting candidates for the office of District Attorney.

Hold on brother, not quite so fast, you are rushing us into politics too soon, we have yet to wait twelve months before we may say who is to be our next officers and in that time a few more candidates will be in the field.

The printers are now thoroughly appreciating the benefits and beauties of the trusts, says an exchange. Every type they use, every sheet of paper and envelope they buy, has advanced in prices from 10 to 60 per cent in the last few months.

The well-known private boarding house on 303 Soledad Street, San Antonio, formerly under the management of Mrs. S. M. Barrett, is now in charge of Mrs. M. T. Clark, as will be seen by the card in this paper.

and have raised prices a few verses to keep themselves out of the "poor house"—Brenham Banner.

Laredo, Texas, Nov. 3rd. EDS. COTULLA, RECORD:

Please announce in tomorrow's issue that I will not be able to fill my appointment Wednesday and Thursday evening's at Cotulla, on account of an adjourned meeting of the Presbytery of Western Texas, at Laredo Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

Yours truly, S. J. McMurry.

Major W. C. Irvin, the jolly, free-hearted cow king from over on the Frio was in town Wednesday, wearing a broad smile and apparently in high spirits over the recent rains, which means no feed to buy this winter, no great expense for extra hire, but plenty of fat cattle.

The well-known private boarding house on 303 Soledad Street, San Antonio, formerly under the management of Mrs. S. M. Barrett, is now in charge of Mrs. M. T. Clark, as will be seen by the card in this paper.

All who attend the Fair this week will find no better house to stop at while in the city. It has telephone connections free for all its occupants. Look up ad in another column and get rates, then call on them and be convinced.

NOTICE.

All parties owing me accounts for professional services will please pay same to S. T. Phelps, Attorney, as I have placed them in his hands for collection.

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NEWS FROM OTHER PLACES.

ENCINAL.

S. J. Mosser and family of Alice Texas are visiting Breeding and family.

I. A. Walker and wife boarded the north bound train for Cotulla Wednesday.

R. G. Scott road master of the I. & G. N. Railroad spent Tuesday night in the city.

E. James our general blacksmith returned Wednesday on a trip overland to Beeville.

J. M. Shaw is back from the Territory and after visiting his ranches near here is wearing a broad smile on account of glass and water being so plentiful.

Rev. Bruce Roberts preached an able sermon Sunday night to a large and appreciative audience.

Encinal now boasts of a new neat market run by I. A. Walker.

C. H. Skidmore and wife returned Monday from Calizo Springs where they spent several days visiting.

Among those who visited the International Fair at San Antonio this week are: Mrs. J. F. Hillard, C. H. Skidmore and wife, Misses Emma and Ida McMillin, Alice Hillard, Messrs E. L. Breeding, A. G. Hyden, Hugh Morrison, Joseph and John Green, R. A. Robinson and others. Those who have returned report a good time and say it is money well spent.

Overcoats and wraps are in demand and the wood piles are decreasing to some extent.

What might have been a serious blow to this city, Thursday terminated in our school building being only very slightly damaged. During the night a fire started in the flue and stoves were put up failed to get it out. The fire was started and ere long chunks of fire began to fall down on the stove also out of the shingles on fire. Prof. I. M. Henry and the school boys were equal to the emergency and in a short time ladders were procured and the fire extinguished.

Pandemonium reigned among the little folks for a while but after the excitement was over they were soon at their studies hard at work.

Chas. Gilmer of Cotulla is spending several days in our city and perhaps here permanently. A. Richardson spent Sunday on our streets returning to Laredo on evening train where he has been attending court.

S. J. Jordan and N. J. Buckley left in buggy Monday for Twobigh and Cotulla on business.

Mrs. R. A. Gilmer returned Thursday morning from the Tiendas where she spent several days visiting.

J. F. Green & Co. have purchased Breeding Bros. ranch one half mile from town and will feed cattle for the market. About 75 cars of feed stuff will be used and it will begin to arrive inside of 15 days.

Mitchell and Nance of Kyle arrived in our city Wednesday to receive 15 cars of feeders which they will ship out today.

T. J. Buckley is busy rounding up some nice cattle for delivery to Mitchell and Nance of Kyle.

The firm of Matthews and Gilmer has dissolved partnership, R. A. Gilmer having bought W. A. Matthews interest and will be glad to see his many friends. Mr. Matthews will devote his entire time to his large cattle interests.

The I. & G. N. Pile driver has been making some much needed repairs near here this past week. Prof. D. M. Henry went to San

Antonio this morning to take in the "Fair" sights.

J. A. Rodriguez was among the sights seen at the Fair this week.

"Helen"

PUDDIN.

Messrs. Peter Gardner and Charlie Frazier of Big Foot, Frio county, were out last week after some stock horses that belonged to Mr. Gardner.

Sunday school is progressing nicely under management of our efficient superintendent, Mr. L. P. Williams.

Messrs J. M. Williams, B. Vesper, and Misses Minnie McMains and Mamie Vesper went up to the Alamo City this week to attend the Fair.

Mr. D. T. Williams made a flying trip to Cotulla Tuesday.

Miss Carrie Cavender of Dilley is a welcome visitor here this week. She is staying with Miss Lola Williams.

Mr. G. W. Wright went to Cotulla Saturday eve with a bunch of fat cows and stayed in town Sunday. He reported having a nice time while there.

A heavy rain fell here recently and the Nueces is on a boom. We suppose the frogs would be singing their favorite song if the weather wasn't so cold.

Mr. Turner Williams killed a big buck recently. It was extra fat and the meat was delicious.

The Puddin' school is progressing nicely under the management of our efficient teacher, Mr. Will Palmer.

REPORTER.

Those of the young folks of Cotulla who wish to organize a literary society are requested to meet in Simon Cotulla's Ice Cream Parlors next Monday night at 7:30 o'clock.

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DISTRICT.

Congressman Rudolph Kleberg. State Senator A. B. Davidson. Representative Jno. N. Garner. District Judge M. F. Lowe. District Attorney C. A. Davies.

COUNTY.

District & County Clerk George H. Knaggs. Sheriff & Tax Collector W. M. Burwell. County Judge S. T. Dowe. County Attorney C. C. Thomas. Assessor W. E. Campbell. Surveyor J. M. Daniel. Treasurer L. A. Kerr. Hide & Animal Inspector V. G. Maltzberger.

PRECINCT.

Commissioner precinct No. 1 Geo. Copp. " " " 2 S. J. Jordan. " " " 3 W. A. Kerr. " " " 4 D. W. McKee. Justice precinct No. 1 J. A. Smith. " " " 2 None. " " " 3 W. S. Cobb. " " " 4 Jno. Shull. " " " 5 A. J. Anglin. Constable precinct No. 1 Warner Petty. " " " 2 Wm. Earnest.

CHURCHES.

Baptist Church.—Rev. Bruce Roberts, Pastor.—Services—1st Sunday morning at 11 a. m. and 5:45 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 9:45 a. m. R. J. D. M. Williams, Superintendent. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:45 p. m. Every body cordially invited to attend all these services.

Methodist Church.—Rev. M. T. Allen Pastor.—Services—3rd and 4th Sunday in each month at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 9:45 a. m. R. J. D. M. Williams, Superintendent. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:45 p. m. Every body cordially invited to attend all these services.

Presbyterian Church.—Rev. S. J. McMurry, Pastor.—Services—On each 1st Sunday, 11 a. m. at 7:30 p. m., and on Wednesday preceding each 1st Sunday at 7:30 p. m. Sunday School every Sunday, 10 a. m. Every body cordially invited.

SOCIETIES.

Knights of Honor.—Cotulla Lodge, No. 3166. Meet 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights in each month, in their hall, over Keck Bros. T. R. Keck, Dictator.

G. Philippe, Reporter. Woodmen of World.—La Salle Lodge, No. 125. Meet 1st and 3rd Friday in each month, in the hall over Keck Bros. Dr. J. W. Williams, C. C.

G. Philippe, Clerk. Home Forum Benefit Order.—Cotulla Lodge No. 1829. Meet at call of President. H. B. Miller, President. G. Philippe, Secretary.

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Jas. Smith was in town Wednesday from Millett.

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Overcoats were in demand Thursday morning.

Fires were very comfortable Thursday morning.

A rain of about an hour's duration fell Wednesday.

J. H. Buckelew has returned from the Cross S ranch.

If you want to keep warm get a Heating Stove from Keck Bros.

Jno. Dillard was up from his ranch near Twohig Wednesday.

A cold norther blew up about ten o'clock Wednesday night.

Mr. A. J. Poteet and family are in San Antonio visiting.

Keck Bros. had our office print 200 postal receipt cards this week.

A. D. Clark Esq. was here from the Buckow community one day this week.

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George Evetts Esq. dropped in at our office a few minutes Thursday evening.

J. W. Buckow's beaming countenance was seen on our streets Monday evening.

Today is A. & M. College and Traveling Men's day at the San Antonio Fair.

Messrs. J. L. Tobin and P. A. Kerr went up Thursday to help the Fair out during the bad weather.

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Buy your jewelry from the Bell Jewelry Co., 327 W. Commerce St. San Antonio.

A. Walker and wife were in the city this week from their ranch near Lucinda.

Atty C. C. Thomas is in the Alamo City with the rest of the boys, takin' in everything.

Mr. Martin Wilkins and wife were down from their ranch in Dimmitt county.

Rev. Bruce Roberts will preach at the Baptist Church tomorrow morning and at night.

Joe Yarbrough, Twohig's saloon man, was doing business in our city Thursday.

Mr. W. A. Tarver, of Jones Prairie Texas, is in town visiting his mother and brothers.

With regret we chronicle the illness of Miss Vina Roberts. May she soon recover.

W. H. Garnett, the Cotulla Feed Yard proprietor, is back from a five days visit to the fair.

Capt. J. H. Rogers went up to the metropolis Thursday morning where he will remain until Monday.

'Bob' Roberson, formerly a resident of this place, passed up the road Tuesday enroute to San Antonio.

J. M. Williams, a stockman of Dimmitt county came in and took the train for San Antonio Wednesday.

Jos. F. Green, owner of the Catarina ranch was a passenger of Wednesday's train going North.

G. W. Wright, one of our esteemed subscribers from the Puddin was down and spent Sunday in the city.

Mrs. A. Armstrong and little son, Otto, were passengers on yesterday's train, bound for the fair.

W. P. May and wife returned Wednesday from the San Antonio Fair. They report a very pleasant trip.

Mr. J. B. Davenport handed us a dollar one day this week and told us to keep on sending the RECORD. Sure, we will. Thanks.

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Miss Minnie McMains is in city visiting Miss Nettie Neal.

Miss Nettie Neal paid us a very pleasant call yesterday evening.

W. J. Barker, postmaster at Carrizo Springs, has been in Cotulla several days this week.

Mrs. Doc Neatherlin and daughter, Miss Essie, of the Cibola country are spending a few days with the Roberts family.

Mr. Geo. Copp, our rustling irrigation man spent several days this week in the Metropolis taking in the sights at the Fair.

Misses Carrie and Elvira Ramsey, two of Twohig's foremost young ladies were up shopping, Wednesday.

Mr. J. E. Miller and wife returned yesterday from San Antonio, where Mrs. Miller has been under treatment of a physician.

Mrs. L. A. Kerr and children are spending a few days in San Marcos visiting Mrs. Kerr's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lake.

Misses Emma and Ida McMullin, and Alma Jordan, three of Encinal's charming young ladies passed up the road recently enroute to the fair.

When you go to the San Antonio Fair don't forget that the Bell Jewelry Co., 327 W Commerce St., are the people for jewelry, watches, etc.

Mr. Pete Judd, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Annie, arrived here yesterday, and went out to the Vesper ranch to spend a few days.

G. W. Henrichson & Co. received this week, 1 carload of corn, 1 flour, 1 oats and 1 of hay. That looks like Cotulla was doing a rushing business, doesn't it?

Mr. W. A. Garnett, a conductor on the Southern Pacific Railroad, arrived here Wednesday evening with his brother, W. H. Garnett, and will spend several days in the city as the guest of Banker M. J. Barlow and family.

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Mr. A. Wadgyar, a business man of Carrizo Springs, was in town first part of the week visiting his sister, Mrs. B. Wildenthal. From here Mr. Wadgyar went up to the San Antonio Fair.

Mr. Ed McCoy, the open hearted ranchman from the Riecos was shaking hands on the streets Thursday. He paid our office a brief call while here and left a brand new wheel for his subscription, which was gladly placed to his credit.

W. C. Johnson, one of our prosperous as well as prominent stock men was among the throng of pleasure seekers that boarded Wednesday's train for the Fair. He was accompanied by his wife and Miss Katie Stanfield, and are expected back to day.

State Ranger A. Y. Old, returned yesterday after an absence of several months. Mr. Old left Cotulla in July, and has since been on duty at Orange, Austin, Columbus, and other places in North and East Texas.

You can talk about lights for general purposes but our townsman, Mr. Frank Boyd, has for sale a burner to fit your lamp that will discount any other burner made. Come to our office and see for yourself. Mr. Boyd sells them at 50c and 75c.

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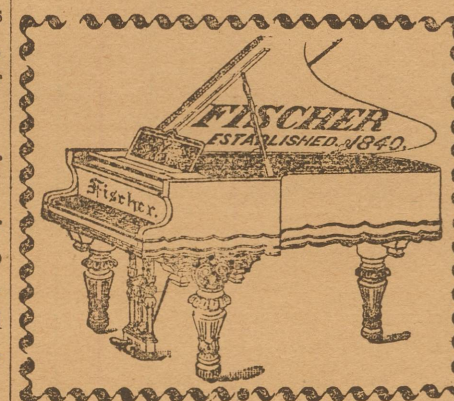
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A DOG TELEGRAPHER

The old-time operator, who long ago lost his arm, but who, with many of his kind, exists pleasantly on no apparent income and in an altogether mysterious way that ought to give the rest of the world unbounded faith in Providence, leaned against the desk in the branch telegraph office and lazily took on a blank form a message that was being ticked off in the next room. He got as far as "I will be home" and then a repeater nearer him began to chatter with a market report going across the continent and drowned out the clicking that told of some one's homecoming.

"That market report going west," remarked the old-time operator to no one in particular, "reminds me of a good story an old partner who worked out there, told me."

"What was it?"

The messenger quieted and drew closer. Being thus encouraged, the old-timer continued:

"Billy was working for some rusty rail road, and there were only two stations on the line, beside the terminals. Billy was the whole thing at one of these stations, and a young fellow whose call over the wire was 'B' was operator at the other. The way Billy told it he didn't see very many hurrahs beings in a month, and anything out of the usual that turned up was a theater to him. Well, he was standing in the door of the station one hot afternoon waiting for someone to happen, and suddenly a little yellow cur appeared around the curve to the east and came trotting toward the station. Billy said that the dog seemed to have a smile on its face. It squatted on the platform and looked up at Billy. Billy spoke to it, and it seemed that the dog had the most nervous tail he had ever seen a dog wear. As Billy was about to talk to the cur the tail became more rigid, and here's where the story comes in. Billy caught the rapping of the dog's tail on the planks. The raps made four dots, dot, long dash, five dots, over and over again—I suppose you boys have learned the code," said the story-teller, turning to the messengers, "and know that that spells the word 'help'!"

Some of the boys nodded and some only looked skeptical.

"When the dog's tail," he continued, "kept on pounding out that word 'help,' Billy realized that the cur was a wonder, and he called it into the office. A dog telegraph operator, even if he can only make one word, isn't to be run across every day. The little cur was desperately hungry and gobbled up a big chunk of meat that Billy gave him. Then it jumped on the desk and lay down, as if he were used to no other bed."

"The road that Billy worked for was principally a carrier for silver lullion from mines and smelters at one terminal to a trunk line at the other terminal. Of course, there was considerable attraction for train robbers, but there hadn't been a hold-up since Billy had been employed on the road. Just at this time, however, a gang of desperadoes came—and they weren't hard to find in the west those days—had determined to have a try at the lullion train. The trains had to stop up on the curve just east of Billy's station, and this point was chosen by the robbers as the right place for them to operate. Accordingly, one night after Billy had adapted a rough contraption, he

on his mouth, and an equally rough voice told him to keep his head shut. Billy was dazed, of course, but he realized what was going on, particularly when one of the men in the office took down the red lantern from the wall and lighted it.

"The gangster that Billy must be tied, and he was seen fastened good and tight to his narrow bed with a long piece of rope. The gang then went outside. Billy was sort of dizzy with excitement, but when he turned his head and saw the little yellow cur squatting on the table near the key and sounder, a feeling that he had a pal came over him. He spoke softly to the dog, and that started the nervous tail. The tail hit the key, and Billy could tell by the sound that by some chance it was open. The dog sent that one word 'help' over and over."

"Billy kept on talking to the dog, and wondering what the effect of the nervous tail would be in D's office. By stretching his neck he could see through the window, for the moon was up, that the desperadoes were at the curve. They were too far away to hear the instrument. The train would be there in an hour, Billy calculated. The minutes dragged on, and the dog curled up and went to sleep. Just then the sounder began. B. had been awakened by the rapping of the instrument. He asked what was the matter again and again, and all Billy could do was to lie there and swear, and presently the sounder shut down. Billy could not make himself believe that the good luck would happen that the other operator would stop the train and warn the crew. He didn't know what a bright young fellow B. was.

"It seemed hours to Billy before he heard the distant rattle of the coming train. Pretty soon the track began to sing, and the train was only a short distance the other side of the curve. The suspense must have been something terrible. The train stopped, obeying the signal of the red lantern, and crossing the track. In a moment more Billy heard a volley of shots. A bullet tore through the thin planking of Billy's little office. The little dog yelped, and next Billy heard a sound of men yelling. Then some one threw the door of Billy's office open, and the trainmen came in. Billy was released and explanations were made. The other operator had warned the trainmen that something was wrong at Billy's station, and everyone was ready with rifles and revolvers. The gang that had intended to loot the lullion train was surprised and had fled. That was all Billy wanted of working there, and he soon came east, bringing the dog with him."

The story was done. The boys had been intensely interested. The new kid, who had stood through it all with his mouth partly open, suddenly came to and asked:

"What come by the dog, mister?"

The old-time operator looked down at him seriously.

"You want to know what became of the dog, do you?" he said. "Well, let me see. Oh, yes; I remember, I got a letter from Billy afterward, saying a neighbor had poisoned the dog because he had been chasing his chickens. Say (this to the clerk), let me see you a minute." And the two drew aside.

The new kid was musing. The other boys grinned cynically. "Wonder what kind of dope he burns?" said one.

A quarter changed from the clerk's pocket to the old-time operator's. "I had expected a letter," he explained, confidentially. "But it didn't come, and I am a little hard pushed. I think I can do some work here this week."

The clerk was somewhat dubious, but there was such a soft glow of comradeship about the old-time operator that it seemed fairly to part the quarter out of the clerk's pocket.—N. Y. Sun.



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DOG WAS A SURPRISE.
 Though the deerhound is under the ban of the law in Michigan, and most justly so, old-time lovers of the chase cannot but keep him in memory as one of the gamest, most intelligent and most loyal of friends. He has the courage and endurance of the tiger without his instinctive savagery. He will keep a trail as long as it can be found, regardless of the pangs of hunger and thirst, and either finds his quarry or surrenders to exhaustion. He is gentleness itself to his master and yet as tenacious as a hungry wolf when following his prey.
 The old hunters never tire of telling of the prowess of their favorite deerhounds in the days before the law placed a ban on them, and many of the most exciting stories of the woods have these noble dogs for central figures.
 I admit the responsibility of having introduced a new and better strain into many of the deerhounds in northern Michigan. Their occupation is gone, but like an impoverished nobility, they still retain their pride and the evidences of good breeding. I brought this sire from the east to the Alpena district in 1834. He was a bloodhound, fresh from the kennel, and a very uncertain quantity in the minds of sportsmen who passed judgment. He was a handsome specimen of his kind, tall, strong-limbed, with fine coating and with ears that measured 20 inches from tip to tip.
 It was the unanimous view of the local hunters that I had made a foolish investment. They took-poached the idea of a man-chaser being a deer-chaser. There were more specific objections, such as that he was too young, he was tender-footed, he was too finely bred, and a lot of other exceptions to my dog, such as are always to be encountered when a radical innovation is proposed.
 However, had faith in Ranger and was determined to give him a trial. But I decided that it should be a secret trial, so that the skeptics should not triumph over me in the event of failure. I started early on the first day of October with my old Chippewa friend, Neswassaola, our means of transportation being a range horse that could make good time over our sandy route, and a buckboard, the best light vehicle for such roads as we had to travel. We drove straight for the hermitage of a retired lake captain whose command on the inland seas had been a sailing vessel devoted largely to coastwise trade. He was then a hunter and trapper, his cabin in a little clearing hemmed by vast depths of unbroken forest. The old salt was not at home, but we knew the laws of hospitality in that part of the world. Neswassaola entered through a window with the owners of a burglar, opened the door from within, and by the time the salt returned there was a cheerful fire glowing, while we were regaling ourselves from his larder.
 "Hello, my hearties!" was the cheerful announcement of his return. "Glad to see you. That's right, make the harbor snug, and don't neglect the rations." After us the captain at once noticed our dog. "Whew!" he exclaimed, "big fellow, huh? Regular three decker." I wonder if he'll run, if you put him on a course? Where did you get him?
 I proudly produced the dog's pedigree, a most imposing document, but even it failed to convince the crafty captain that the dog was what he wanted. He was to be given the best of a fair trial, for the captain knew all about the runways and was glad to give us the benefit of his knowledge. I was surprised at the Indian after we had been discussing the dog for some time. He pulled Ranger to him by the ears, took his paw in his hands and whispered something that was all the more mysterious because it was the Chippewa tongue. I am sure that it was some sort of a "low-wow," for Neswassaola turned to us with a solemn air of conviction and said: "Heep good dog. Him never leave trail. Him certain swiftest deer and him never get tired."
 I have never been charged with superstition, but the assurance of the Indian gave me a great deal of confidence and I was afterwards inclined to believe that Neswassaola knew all about the bloodhound and the glories that were to come to his progeny.
 The next morning we had our breakfast and the captain had given us five places on the runway by the coming of daylight. My stand was just by the edge of a sashing, and from it I could see back towards the hills for half a mile, while before me was the water for which the deer would make it so hard pressed that he could not shake the dog off. It is the last resort. I had scarcely seated myself on a log and filled my pipe when I heard Ranger give tongue. O, what a voice! clear and musical as a bell. He was a point in his favor, but would he stick? I lit the pipe, confident that there would be a long run before the deer would be forced to the water. The bay of the hound told that he was coming nearer, and coming like the wind. I felt sure that but for the gray mist of the morning I could see the dog and his game.
 A shot rang out from the upper end of the sashing. There was a brief silence, then the powerful voice of the hound. My pipe tumbled from my mouth and Winchester went to my shoulder in response to an instinctive impulse. Not eight rods away from me there went bounding by one of the largest does I ever saw. She seemed a flash propelled by springs of steel, and it was plain that she was so hard pushed that she was seeking the shortest way to safety.
 "Bang! bang!" Yes, I have her. She's down, but up again. Twice more the Winchester speaks and the quarry is mine. I have just time to do the blood trail remaining in such a case, and step behind a tree, when Ranger rushes from the sashing, his nose close to the ground, and a ring of triumph in his voice. He passes within reach of my hand, but pays no more heed to me than to the tree against which I leaned. Commiserate the deer he set down with a puzzled look that made me laugh. I went to him, told him how nobly he had done and patted him on a trick. Then he looked this deer all over, as if he knew that some hounds have never offering to taste of the tempting meat. It seemed the act of a generous winner in a magnificent race.
 The captain and Neswassaola were soon with me, and both were full of praise for a new dog that could so quickly force a big, strong deer to the water. The Indian could not refrain from saying: "Me said so. Him mighty dog." As we returned to the captain's hut, I carrying the doe's saddle on my shoulders and Ranger trotting at my side, the two old men continued their praise, and it was not misplaced. He was one of the first dogs in this season and he was the sire of some of the greatest hounds that ever tracked deer through the north woods of the state. I left Ranger with my old Indian friend for weeks at a time, and he has been bested that the bloodhound had no more fear of a wolf or a bear than of a deer.—Herman Zenas Titousen, in Detroit Free Press.

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