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### Mrs. Garrett Dead.

Mrs. M. I. Garrett died at her home in this city at 5:20 Monday morning after an illness of two weeks. She had been in failing health for several weeks before the fatal illness set in. She had been a resident of Big Springs a long time and the news of her death, although not unexpected, was received with sadness by her friends.

The funeral took place Tuesday afternoon, services being conducted by L. C. Birch, pastor of the Episcopal church, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Masonic Cemetery.

She leaves two children to mourn her loss, Mrs. J. B. Young and V. Van Gieson, both of whom reside at Toyah and to whom this paper extends sincere sympathy in the loss of their mother.

### Surveying Crew Begins Work.

The surveying crew on the road north began work Thursday morning with good prospects. The line will be run directly north for fifty miles being the route proposed by Mr. Soash in the contract with our people. Now that work has actually begun on the road, it is up to our people to finish up the remaining money liking in the bonus and carry this road on to a speedy completion.

The Merriek Mellon Co., have twenty acres of vines up and growing nicely and expect to make a big crop this year. They will ship them to different parts of the country as they did last year. The people composing this company are farmers and they believe in diversification.

### Burton-Lingo Co. Make Extensive Improvements.

The new concrete foundation sheds at the Burton-Lingo Lumber yards, certainly is a vast improvement over their present sheds. They are tearing away all the old sheds and putting in two extensive structures covering some 260 feet of ground.

While in conversation with the reporter of this paper a few days ago, Mr. Murphy said: "These sheds are an absolute necessity to accommodate our increasing business, and so we have decided that the best was none to good for our business."

Dr. S. C. Cain returned Friday from Kentucky, where he and Mrs. Cain were called about three weeks ago by the illness of his mother, who was some better when the doctor left her. Mrs. Cain will remain in Kentucky several weeks yet.

### I. O. O. F. Celebrate 90 Anniversary.

The meeting of the members of the Odd Fellows in the district court rooms, Monday night in commemoration of their 90th year, was indeed an enjoyable gathering. The house was called to order by the Noble Grand, Phil Caylor, after which Mrs. A. E. Pool rendered some fine pieces of music which was certainly fine and inspiring. Then three interesting talks by Messrs Phil C. Caylor, G. Y. Smith and Mr. Lowe, followed by a beautiful recitation by Miss Mary Johnson on the "Ghost." The members then went to Abram's Cafe where they were served to a nice supper, such as Mr. Abram always gives to his patrons.

Iron Tonic Pills, a great nerve tonic, at Ward's. 12-tf

### A. & M. College Summer Normal.

Col. R. T. Wilner, president of the A and M. College, has issued an address to the farmers and teachers of Texas in which he says he wants 500 farmers to attend the summer normal school at A. and M. College in June and July.

The information which that many farmers would receive at this college in that short time, coming as they would from all sections of the state, will be of inestimable value to the agricultural interests of Texas. Practical lessons by such instructors as Welborn, Alvord, Ness and McKnight on subjects which confront the farmer each day of his life will aid him to meet and overcome in a few weeks what would otherwise require a lifetime of hard experience. The instructors will court a thorough investigation of each subject, thus inviting from each student the most searching questions. While the best text books will be used, the course of lectures will take the widest range and every new and practical thought will be brought forth and fully elaborated and applied to the everyday affairs of the farm. Those who will want reliable information on domestic animals, such as cattle, horses, hogs, sheep and goats, will get it; the animals will be brought into the lecture room and there studied at sight. Those who desire information on feed will also have object lessons on the farm. Silos, and silage are on the college property and the farmers will be taught how to build silos and how to put up silage. The same practical benefits will be had as to dairying and the creamery.

The normal features of the summer school will be under the management of thoroughly trained instructors who have had many years experience in all lines of academic, as well as normal, work. Teachers who desire to know the best methods of teaching agriculture in the public schools will have the assistance of Prof. Welborn, author of the book which the law of the state requires to be taught in the common schools.

In short, this school offers the widest range to all teachers of our free schools, as it can be said without fear of contradiction that the A. & M. College has superior advantages along the lines of agriculture and and other sub-

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### State Mass Meeting.

Austin, Texas, April 27:—The Texas Commercial Secretaries Association has called a mass meeting in Dallas on Wednesday and Thursday May 19, and 20th of the agricultural, manufacturing, industrial and commercial interests of the state. The development and conservation of the resources of the state and cooperation between all lines of industry will be the theme for discussion and able speakers will be secured to handle all subjects given a place on the program. A complete program will be announced later. Special rates will be secured on all railroads leading into Dallas.

J. O. Gibson, the tailor, in the front basement of the Ward building, makes a specialty of cleaning and pressing clothing. 22-tf.

### Texas Mary Baldwin's Association.

The Texas Mary Baldwin's Association, with its headquarters in Dallas, wishing to interest and draw together all ex-students of Mary Baldwin's school now living in Texas, proposes a state meeting to be held in Dallas on Wednesday the 19th day of May 1909.

The Association invite all former students and Alumnae to be present. A luncheon to be served at the County Club will be a feature of the entertainment.

For detailed information address Mrs. T. W. Scott, No. 404 Gaston Ave, Dallas, Texas.

If you want to use some paint and have any doubts write the government and ask about Horse Shoe Brand of Mound City. It will pay to investigate.

### Barnes-Jeffries.

Among the surprises to happen last week was that of the marriage of Mr. J. W. Barnes, book keeper for Burton-Lingo Co., and Miss Bessie Jeffries, at Dallas. Mr. Barnes, stole a march on his many friends by going to Dallas, supposed on business and when he returned, brought with him, his bride, how ever we are all glad to extend best wishes and congratulation to the happy couple.

We have it: What? Anything you want. R. L. McCamant & Co.

W. W. Satterwhite of Monahans, spent Tuesday here greeting old friends. He is very much in favor of Big Springs getting the West Texas Normal school and brought a petition signed by the citizens of Ward county asking that the school be located here.

Try the Posey Music House for anything in Musical instruments. s22-tf.

Take Ward's Pink Blood and Liver Pills, best on earth. 12-tf

J. L. Atwood has returned from a visit to Georgia and Arkansas. He left Mrs. Atwood at Hot Springs, Ark., where she will spend some time.

A dog supposed to have hydrophobia or some other dangerous disease, was killed in front of Ward's drug store Monday morning. The dog had probably been poisoned.

Mrs. Addie Clark of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, came in Friday night on a visit to her brother, T. H. Johnson. This is their first meeting in over 20 years, and of course it was a happy meeting.

Jno. B. Slaughter was here the first of the week from his Garza county ranch and said the dry weather is having a bad effect on the cattle industry of that county.

Mrs. M. J. Dugan and children left the first of the week for Big Springs to join Mr. Dugan, who has been there for sometime. The Star regrets to see this estimable family leave Baird, but wishes them well in their new homes—Baird Star.

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## BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

Quarrels over street paving contracts will not help Baltimore to get rid of its cobblestones.

Here's a man sent to jail for biting his wife. People should learn to bite without taking the bark off.

Milwaukee is making less beer than formerly, but it is large enough now to be famous on its own account.

There is no other stealing so cruel as stealing children, and, unfortunately, none that seems to be less profitable.

All's not so serene on the Danube, at the very latest accounts, but Serbia still retains a fair stock of the instinct of self-preservation.

Speaking of woman's rights, the women are not compelled to wear these freak hats by any verdict of a mere man legislature.

If old man Satan ever finds it necessary to move his headquarters he may be expected to choose Pittsburg, without a moment's hesitation.

A South Carolina negro has been jailed for cruelty to animals because he twisted a mule's tail. He ought to have got a Carnegie medal.

A New York society girl has gone into the chorus to cure herself of nervous prostration. Is this transferring of diseases fair to the public?

Divorce reports go to show that the turning lightly to thoughts of love is no more acute in the spring than when the furnace has to be run to its full capacity.

A Chicago preacher says members of the clergy should always have a third party present when they are talking to a woman. Do they always need watching?

Great Britain wants now to build six big battle-ships a year. Peace hath its burdens as well as its victories, and as far as their expense is concerned, can compete creditably with those of war.

A movement has been started from Boston to unolise the teachers of the country. Will the educational strike be the next thing on the program of progress?

This college fraternity business must be looked into farther if it assumes to tell a fellow whom he may or may not marry. And then it's the wrong time of year to short-reef the sails of love.

The New Jersey minister who advised his congregation to keep a sharp eye on their coal scuttles to keep them from being stolen for spring hats may amuse his sex, but he will not stem the fashion.

In a test in New York oranges a thousand miles away are to be counted by auto-suggestion. It is not thought, however, that this mode of mathematics will ever soon displace adding machines in commercial life.

A baseball manager who doesn't threaten every winter to quit the game is not considered worth while. Only the first-class managers can resign without the fear that their resignations may be accepted.

An Indiana negro has been sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary for stealing four bottles of whisky. With the state going "dry," it was determined to furnish a good strong deterrent against stealing whisky in bulk.

A New York automobilist has hit upon a cure for "joy riding" by chauffeurs who make sneaks from garages with their employers' vehicles. It is a double gasoline tank, that can be locked by the owner when the machine is in the garage. This leaves only a small supply of gasoline available, not enough for a "joy ride" of any length. The New York automobilist's contrivance will doubtless win general adoption.

The latest cult has the "ultra violet ray" as its central feature. The soul responds to the ray, according to its believers. Nothing is impossible if you vibrate to its vibrations. "Just how to learn to vibrate is not made quite clear, but at any rate when you have learned everything is within reach. But it seems a pity to have to take up this fad after one has devoted himself painfully to some kind of "science" or "thought" which has promised the same thing.

When Rev. Dr. Aked of New York was asked whether, as a friend of woman suffrage, he favored the quiet methods of the "regular" suffragists, or the rampaging ones of the suffragettes, he replied that both were rebels against the law of men, and that no man had the right to dictate to them how they should rebel any more than the slaveholder in the old days had a right to dictate to his slaves how they should escape. All of which was rather clever of Mr. Aked.

The London Chronicle recalls a story of Disraeli's views on historical mysteries. Disraeli had spent a week-end in the country, and was asked by his host to give some advice to his two young sons. He said to the first: "Never ask who was the man in the Iron Mask," and to the second: "Never worry about who wrote the Letters of Junius." Were Lord Beaconsfield here today he would say: "Never ask who interviewed the Kaiser." The Kaiser is capable of interviewing himself.

## EVENTS BOILED DOWN

### DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN HAPPENINGS SERVED UP IN ATTRACTIVE STYLE.

## NOTHING GOOD GOT AWAY

Everything Important That Could Be Confined to a Small Space is Here Found.

### WASHINGTON NEWS.

The Senate Finance Committee in Washington has decided to provide for sessions of the proposed customs courts at Galveston.

Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture, in Washington, announces that the foot and mouth diseases having been entirely eradicated in this country, all quarantines on account of that disease will be raised April 24.

William M. Stewart, former Senator from Nevada, one of the most picturesque figures in American public life for more than a half century, died at Georgetown University Hospital Friday morning. He was 82 years old.

Cipriano Castro arrived in Paris, France, from St. Nazaire. He walked out of the station supported by two attendants and it was evident that he made his way with difficulty. He was greeted upon arriving by a dozen prominent Venezuelan residents in Paris.

The Secretary of the Treasury in Washington informed Representative Garner that the revenue cutter Windom, stationed at Galveston, will be sent to Corpus Christi to participate in the celebration in June, 9 to 10, in honor of the opening of Turtle Cove channel, between Aransas Pass and Corpus Christi.

### DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

The sessions of the Eminent Grand Commandry of Knights Templar of Texas opened Tuesday, in Masonic Temple in El Paso.

Visitors from Houston, Dallas, Comanche, Brownwood, San Angelo, Waxahatchie, Fort Worth and other cities attended the Southwestern University home-coming Wednesday, in Georgetown.

The famous old St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans was shaken Sunday afternoon by an explosion believed to have resulted from the placing of a bomb in the south tower of the building.

J. Mercer Carter of Dallas and J. H. Farr of Glen Rose, are shaping details so as to start the construction on the new interurban line, which is to run from Glen Rose to Fort Worth, via Godley.

The strike of the cotton mill operatives at Juanaacatin, State of Jalisco, Mexico, is growing. Two thousand men are now out. The workers of the Rio Grande factory joined the movement Thursday.

After burning fourteen days, the grass and timber fire in the Delaware Mountains, in El Paso county, has been extinguished. The big fire averaged about 10,000 acres per day. The total burned area covers approximately 130,000.

Eight people were lost and seven others on board experienced thrilling escapes from death when the towboat Eagle of the Louisiana Petroleum Company went down early Sunday in the Missouri River about forty miles south of New Orleans.

Texas hogs Friday took the highest price paid on the Ft. Worth market since February, 1907. This was in a load sent in by W. F. Smith from Hurst, seven miles east of Fort Worth, consisting of sixty-two head, averaging 298 pounds, which sold for \$7.15 per hundred pounds, netting Mr. Smith \$1,217.63.

The folding bed accident which used to be so common some years ago before the patent beds were as well constructed as now, caused the death of James F. Mayer, a feather currier, in Williamsburg, Monday.

Gov. Willson of Kentucky, Friday, cleared the Kentucky court record of all charges growing out of the murder in 1900 of Senator William Goebel, by granting pardons before trial of former Gov. W. S. Taylor and former Secretary of State Charles Finley, who have been fugitives in the State of Indiana for nine years.

A series of violent earthquakes occurred in Lisbon, Friday night and seismic disturbances, according to reports from various places, were felt throughout the whole of Portugal. For a time fears were entertained of a repetition of the great earthquake of 1773, which demolished the city. Thirty-eight lives were lost.

It is reliably reported that the Busch-Everett Company of St. Louis, with field headquarters at Shreveport, has contracted with McCann & Harper, well known operators, to drill fifty oil and gas wells in Caddo and Bossier Parishes.

About 10:45 Tuesday night a small cyclone coming from the southwest and going toward the northeast struck Richardson, destroying the Baptist church and blowing from the block and badly damaging the new Christian church just erected at a cost of \$1,500, and also the old Christian church, one of the land marks of the town.

The old historic town of Liberty that has withstood the ravages of fire and storm was for the third time in the same section of the city visited with a terrible fire Thursday. The total loss is about \$25,000.

The International Railroad has completed a large shed to be used in receiving and packing fruit in Tyler.

As the result of a political feud in Meadville, Franklin County, La., Monday, one man is dead and four wounded.

The Northwestern Texas Medical society convened at Mineral Wells in thirty-second semi-annual session Tuesday afternoon.

City mail delivery has been ordered established in Brownwood, Tex., with four carriers, two substitutes and thirty-one collection boxes.

The entire population of Kirikan, located between Alepho and Alexander, Asiatic Turkey, even to the last babe have been massacred.

The return of the Confederate battle flags captured by the Fourth Ohio Cavalry at Selma, Ala., will take place at Huntsville, Ala., on May 12.

It was authoritatively announced in Houston Tuesday that the Houston Oil Company will soon take over the Waters-Pierce Company's Texas property.

The street fair and carnival under the auspices of the Mount Pleasant Fremmen, closed Saturday, after a very successful week of amusement festivities.

Monday was a gala day for the club ladies of Orange, who are exhausting every means available for the entertainment of the visiting members of the fourth district Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

Three hundred and fifteen dollars was realized from the sale of tags in McKinney's first tag day, under the auspices of the City Federation of Women's Clubs. The proceeds will be used for city improvements.

Thousands of dollars in counterfeit currency, both of the United States and Italy, was seized by the police and Secret Service agents at New Rochelle, N. Y., Sunday in a house formerly occupied by three alleged counterfeiters.

Wednesday the Santa Fe handled a special train, filled with home-seekers en route to the coast country. Thursday the Trinity and Brazos Valley road brought in another special train. The latter was going to Corpus Christi and Brownsville.

A valuable cow belonging to J. G. Marshall of Paris, that had been ailing for some time, died from an unknown cause. A veterinary surgeon cut her open and found a piece of baling wire in her stomach that had been swallowed while eating hay.

The Temple Railway Y. M. C. A. building was closed Monday night and surrendered to workmen, who will make additions and improvements to the building at a cost of \$15,000, two-thirds of which was donated by the citizens of Temple. The building will not be ready for re-occupancy under ninety days.

One of the longest trains of race horses ever pulled through Texas arrived in Fort Worth Monday over the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway from San Antonio. It consisted of twenty-seven stable cars, containing seventy-five racers. In addition to this train nine cars arrived over the International and Great Northern Railway Tuesday morning.

Arrangements are being perfected for a large attendance at the annual meeting of the National Oil Mill Superintendents' association to be held in New Orleans June 2 to 4. Besides the superintendents it is expected that there will be many representatives from oil mill machinery houses and a large exhibit of machinery and supplies.

Wednesday John and Joe Henson, sons of W. M. Henson, residing at Spring Grove, near Gainesville, were hunting with a gun when it was accidentally discharged in the hands of John, 18 years old, and instantly killing Joe, his brother, 14 years old Thursday, within a few miles of the above accident, Vernon Bruce, 17 years of age, was accidentally shot and instantly killed by a younger brother of 10, while they were shooting birds near their home.

Celebrations were held generally over Western Oklahoma Thursday commemorating the opening of the Territory to settlement twenty years ago.

Sim Sexton, a merchant at Huntsville, Tenn., met instant death Saturday night, but nothing was known of the tragedy until Sunday morning, when his body was found in a street.

The nineteenth annual convention of the Travelers' Protective Association of America was called to order Thursday morning in Ft. Worth for a session which lasted until Saturday at noon. A special from Suffolk, Va., Tuesday reports the discovery of the robbery of a bank, which occurred probably during Saturday night, the burglars crawling beneath four buildings to the vault. It is said \$104,000 in securities and money was taken.

A new factor appeared in the situation in America Wednesday, when a call was issued for a mass meeting of all grain growers under the auspices of the Farmers' Union, at Springfield, Ill., May 12. The call was issued by C. S. Barrett, and asks that farmers not members of the union attend as well as the organization members.

A billion dollar corporation is the latest project from the brain of E. H. Harriman, planned by the Napoleon of the railroad world, with a view of consolidating and solidifying the vast rail road mileage represented by the New York Central lines.

Nineteen persons were drowned off Christians Friday night by the sinking of the Norwegian steamer Edith, after a collision with the British steamer Oxford. Those who went down with the Edith are: The captain and his wife, one passenger and sixteen members of her crew.

## DROUGHT IS BROKEN IN CENTRAL TEXAS

### FARMERS REJOICING BECAUSE OF GENEROUS RAINFALL IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

## LAND IS IN GOOD CONDITION

Having Time During Dry Season, Tillers of Soil Had Land Clean and Ready for Rainfall.

College Station, April 28.—The drought is broken in this vicinity and the long looked for rain has come. In this vicinity the rainfall has been a blessing.

It has been dry here all winter and this much of the spring. A visit to the Brazos River a few days ago showed that all that section was very dry.

The rain struck College Station about 11 o'clock Monday night, and it was hard for hours. It was accompanied by thunder and lightning.

Prof. W. C. Welborn, vice director of the Texas Experiment Station and agriculturalist, said: "This heavy rain is a blessing. While it is probable that in some places it has been so hard that it has washed the lands, yet it has done great good. Crops are all weeded out, the farmers having had lots of time for it during the dry spell, and the lands were in fine shape to receive the rainfall. I look for a ready response now from all sections where rain has fallen."

Nearly every section in Central Texas has received a good, heavy rain and farmers now feel sure of a good crop.

### PROBING LYNCHING AT ADA:

Special Grand Jury Convened and Attorney General West Will Examine the Witnesses.

Ada, Ok., April 28.—The special Grand Jury to investigate the lynching here April 19 of Miller, West, Allen and Burrell, cattlemen, for the murder of United States Deputy Marshal Bobbitt, convened here today.

Attorney General West will conduct the examination of witnesses. More than 200 witnesses have been summoned and every effort will, it is said, be made to obtain indictments against the leaders of the mob.

During the last twenty-four hours there has been talk of another lynching. This talk centered around the fact that Oscar Peller, Edward and David Johnson, all three of whom were taken to the Tecumseh jail for safe keeping several days ago, have been returned to Ada.

Peller, who is a young boy, is being held for alleged accessory to the murder of Bobbitt, and it was his confession that is believed to have been the primary cause of the lynching of the quartette of cattlemen. The Johnson brothers are charged with the brutal murder of I. H. Putnam at Allen last January, and up to this time there has been no trial in their cases.

### BOAT SINKS; EIGHT LIVES LOST.

Those Who Perished Were Asleep When Accident Occurred.

New Orleans, April 26.—Eight people were lost and seven others on board experienced thrilling escapes from death when the towboat Eagle of the Louisiana Petroleum Company went down early Sunday in the Mississippi River about forty miles south of New Orleans.

The occurrence was one of overwhelming suddenness. Without seeming reason the boat began to dip and take water and in an instant was going down, and within half an hour it sank. Without opportunity to give warning to their companions all survivors on deck found themselves thrown into the swift current of the deep channel. They succeeded in catching hold of boards, washing from the boat, and managed to stay afloat until they were rescued.

The accident occurred at 4:25 o'clock and all who perished were asleep.

### Government Fish at Tyler.

Tyler: Tuesday a big shipment from the Government hatcheries at San Marcos was received by members of the Country Club and placed in their lake three miles west of here. The shipment consisted of 6,500 bass, large quantities of the famous Georgia perch and hundreds of white perch.

### Boy Accidentally Shot.

Chicotah, Ok.: A 14-year-old son of Samuel Lee, living five miles east of Chicotah, was accidentally shot and killed by his baby sister. After shooting sparrows, the boy went to sleep on the porch with a 12-rifle beside him. The sister found the rifle and discharged it.

### Lightning Kills Aged Negro.

Hillsboro: During an electrical storm, accompanying the rain which fell here Tuesday, Sampson Richardson, a well-known colored man of between 80 and 85 years of age, was struck by lightning and instantly killed.

### Langview Votes School Bonds.

Langview: School election to issue \$40,000 worth of bonds to build a new school house and for a special tax was voted on here Tuesday, resulting 185 for and 9 against.

## It May Be Your Fate

To have your house burned down tonight. One can never tell what minute such a thing may happen. The question naturally arises, "ARE YOU INSURED?" If not, do you think it would be wise to have us issue a policy at once? It is most decidedly penny wise and pound foolish to be without insurance when the danger of fire is always present, when ruin may come at any time. Call on us at our

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## AGAIN READY FOR BUSINESS

Jones & McGowen have opened up for business in the building first door east of Coffee & Huckeba where they will be glad to meet their customers. They also wish to thank the people for the liberal patronage given them in the past and respectfully solicit a continuance of same at their new stand

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The Earle Addition adjoins the city on the west and Fairview Heights Addition adjoins the city on the south. Many homes have been built beyond both of these additions, and if you desire the very best location in the city for a home, do not fail to see this property. No grading, therefore no mud in yard. Prices are very reasonable, and your own terms. When our new railroad, our state normal school, our oil mill and our new depot are assured, prices in both of these additions will advance. We have a special proposition to 10 good men to build homes in each addition; six have already accepted this proposition. Buy it before the advance. Call at our home, have conveyance and can show you this property any evening after 6 p. m. Mr. Piner lives in Fairview Heights and he can show you that property during the day.

H. Clay and Earle Read.

### NOTICE!

I will stand the Registered German Coach Stallion at the big stall wagon yard, Big Springs, Texas, on May 3rd to May 8th, and those wishing to see him will please call there on these dates.

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Joe cream every day at Ward's. We want your trade. R. L. McCamant & Co. R. L. Meek of Lamesa was here Saturday. Our stock of drugs is complete. R. L. McCamant & Co. Dr. Mayes Miller of Lamesa was here Monday.

Ayers & Balls is head-quarters for good hosiery.

Mrs. J. E. Cokerell visited relatives at Lamesa this week.

Reagan's fountain continues to be the most popular one.

J. D. Higginbotham was among out of town visitors this week.

Nice line of cigars and tobaccos at Posey Music House. 21-1f

E. M. Riley and T. O. Berry have gone west on a looking trip.

Favorite Headache Tablets are the best, at Ward's. 12-1f

Will Simpson was among those in town shopping Saturday.

All ladies novelties and underwear now at Ayers & Balls.

Take Iron Tonic Pills, the great nerve tonic. At Ward's. 12-1f

Sand storm yesterday, the day before, and the day before that and—

We sell the celebrated Bush and Gerts pianos and organs.—Posey Music House. 21-1f

Will Fulewiler of Abilene, Texas, was in our city Monday on business.

A swell line of pants, the Flat Iron, and Sweet-Orr make at A. P. McDonald Co's.

Cris Shaffer, one of Glasscock county's most substantial citizens, was trading here Monday.

Jones & McGowen again ready for business first door east of Coffee & Huckeba.

Mrs. J. E. Millhollon of Stanton visited friends here the first of the week.

Lewis Armstrong is again able to be on the streets from a case of mumps.

The Parker fountain pens the best ones \$1.50 to \$7.00 at Reagan's.

Mrs. Henry Simpson has been quite sick for several days but is on the road to recovery now.

We handle the best makes, and largest variety of shirts. See them at A. P. McDonald & Co's.

J. M. Morgan returned Tuesday from a trip to Dallas in interest of contract for the new depot.

Patronize Ward's fountain for the latest things in cold drinks.

Let us write your cotton insurance. The cost is small and the protection is great.

Hartzog & Coffee.

The mumps seems to be the most talked of thing in town now, from the cases in the hands of our local physicians.

For headache take Favorite Headache Tablets. Sold at J. L. Ward's. 12-1f

D. H. Woods, and Miss Edna Bowser were married Monday by Rev. W. S. P. McCullough of the Methodist church.

Try a pair of those "Kady" suspenders at Ayers & Balls.

Quite an excitement was caused Thursday evening by fire originating in the sheds back of J. & W. Fisher's store, but was soon extinguished with little damage.

While around looking for news items Wednesday we stepped into the store of W. P. Bonner, and while in there Mr. Bonner showed us a diary he had been keeping of past events, and must say it was as complete a thing as we ever seen in this line.

Rev. Alonzo Monk of Morgan, Texas, will begin a protracted meeting at the Methodist church embracing the first Sunday in June and continuing over the second Sunday.

Go to Mrs. Mattie Gass for most up-to-date millinery at Berry & Devenport's store.

Married at the Baptist Parsonage, Monday evening April 25th, Mr. James L. Tucker and Miss Nettie Orr of this city, Rev. Wilson C. Rogers officiating. After Sunday they will be at home at their residence on north side.

Post cards at Ward's.

D. C. Riley of Coahoma was here Wednesday.

All kinds of muslin underwear at Ayers & Balls.

Dr. J. G. Wright is having the Sanitarium which was burned two years ago, rebuilt.

Elegant ladies skirts just received at Ayers & Balls.

Quite a lot of cotton sold here during the past week, at good prices.

Ayers & Balls is head-quarters for men and boys clothing.

Mrs. J. J. Andrews and children of Odessa came down Saturday on a few days visit to relatives.

All the latest cold drinks are served at Ward's fountain.

Our stock of jewelry is large and well selected. Prices are just right at Ward's.

Watches, diamonds and solid gold jewelry at Ward's.

C. L. Alderman was in Sweetwater looking after business interest a few days this week.

When your watch or jewelry needs repairing take it to Ward's.

Eugene Hayes of Gains county was here Saturday and loaded out several wagons with building material.

Meet me at Ward's fountain.

See H. B. Arnold for all kinds of job work in sheet metal. Satisfaction and right prices guaranteed. 20-1f

Fop pianos, organs, sheet music and all kinds of musical goods, call on the Posey Music House.

## R. L. McCAMANT & CO DRUGGISTS

Phone 418, Big Springs, Tex.

Prescriptions filled at all hours, day or night, by an expert Pharmacist. ... ..

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When you get ready to build anything anywhere at any time let me make your estimates. My reputation for low cost, perfect construction and prompt completion of work has earned for me most of the contracts in this section of the country

I Build Anything of Any Sort of Material

and it is ready for you on the time specified, too. Let me make your figures.... Call, telephone or write me

**L. B. WESTERMANN**  
Big Springs, Texas

## Our Busy Week

We are too busy this week to write an ad, but will find time to supply your wants in hardware, etc. if you will let us know them. In fact, we are always ready to show you through our immense stock and to quote you our prices, which are the very lowest in town

## The Western Windmill Co.

### Buy the best--Buy Eupion

Eupion Oil has stood the test and has been considered the highest standard grade of oil in Texas for over fifty-two years and still holds the lead in the oil field. It is the only non-explosive oil that is sold--barring none. .. ..

Ask your grocer for Eupion and take no other

PROOF FOR TWO CENTS.

If You Suffer with Your Kidneys and Back, Write to This Man.

G. W. Winney, Medina, N. Y., writes kidney sufferers to write to him.

To all who enclose postage he will reply, telling how Doan's Kidney Pills cured him after he had doctored and had been in two different hospitals for eighteen months, suffering intense pain in the back, lameness, twinges when stooping or lifting, languor, dizzy spells, and rheumatism.

"Before I used Doan's Kidney Pills," says Mr. Winney, "I weighed 143. After taking 10 or 12 boxes I weighed 162 and was completely cured."

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

COUNTRY IN MOVEMENT.

Meeting of National Association for Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis Will Be Largely Attended.

The fifth annual meeting of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis will be held in Washington, D. C., at the New Willard hotel, on May 13, 14 and 15.

UNPLEASANT OUTLOOK.



"I hope it don't rain; I'll take all de starch out of my dress."

"Yes, and if maw sees you in your best dress she'll take de starch out of you!"

Putting It Gently.

The sages of the general store were discussing the veracity of old Si Perkins when Uncle Bill Abbott ambled in.

"What do you think about it, Uncle Bill?" they asked him. "Would you call Si Perkins a liar?"

"Wall," answered Uncle Bill, slowly, as he thoughtfully studied the ceiling.

"I don't know as I go so far as to call him a liar exactly, but I do know this much: When feedin' times comes, in order to get any response from his dogs, he has to get somebody else to call 'em for him."

FOOD FACTS

What'an M. D. Learned.

A prominent Georgia physician went through a food experience which he makes public.

"It was my own experience that first led me to advocate Grape-Nuts food and I also know from having prescribed it to convalescents and other weak patients, that the food is a wonderful builder and restorer of nerve and brain tissue, as well as muscle.

"I was in such a low state that I had to give up my work entirely, and went to the mountains of this state, but two months there did not improve me; in fact I was not quite as well as when I left home.

"My food did not sustain me and it became plain that I must change. Then I began to use Grape-Nuts food and in two weeks I could walk a mile without fatigue, and in five weeks returned to my home and practice, taking up hard work again. Since that time I have felt as well and strong as I ever did in my life.

"As a physician who seeks to help all sufferers, I consider it a duty to make these facts public."

Trial 10 days on Grape-Nuts, when the regular food does not seem to sustain the body, will work miracles.

"There's a Reason." Look in pkgs. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville." Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

SULTAN DETHRONED BROTHER SUCCEEDS

ABDUL HAMID GIVES WAY TO MEHEMMED RASCHAD EFFENDI IN CAPITAL.

THE VICTORY IS CELEBRATED

Constantinople Residents Give Themselves Over to Festivities—Ceremonies Marked by Simplicity.

Constantinople, April 28.—The reign of Hamid II. ended today with his deposition and the accession of his brother, Mehemmed Raschad Effendi, as Mehemmed V., a variation of Mahomet, it being considered inappropriate to assume the precise name of the prophet.

The two houses of Parliament, meeting as a National Assembly in the forenoon, approved the decree of deposition, which was read by the Sheik-ul-Islam, Chief of the Ulama and Supreme Judge on ecclesiastical questions.

The Assembly chose Mehemmed Raschad Effendi as Sultan and appointed committees to notify the dethroned Sovereign and his successor of its action. The firing of 101 guns announced to the waiting people that a new Sultan had been proclaimed.

Constantinople, April 27.—The city quiet this morning and is gradually resuming its normal aspect. The declaration of martial law and the fact the Constitutionalists have full control promise for the maintenance of order.

Scheffer Pasha, commander of the Constitutional army, is the man of the hour. Leading civilian members of the committee on union and progress desire him to be grand vizier in succession to Tewfik Pasha.

A court martial Monday sentenced five men to death and they will be shot this afternoon. A major of the guard at the imperial palace at Yildiz confessed he was paid \$6,500 to act with the palace conspirators.

Constantinople, April 26.—The Young Turks army from Salonica entered the city at 4 o'clock yesterday morning. Contrary to expectations, however, this was not effected without resistance, and several thousand of the garrison were killed, wounded or missing.

The sound of heavy guns and rifle firing was heard from the direction of the Taxim and Chichli barracks at 4 o'clock. The firing died away at about 8. It was impossible, however, to move about the city, as all the principal points were held by troops of the San Stefano army.

No attack was made on Yildiz Kiosk, the principle fighting being at the Tache Kicthe, Taxim and Chichli barracks, which were bombarded with guns.

The fighting in the Stamboul quarter occurred at the Porte, where the garrison refused to surrender, but after a sharp fusillade, they were obliged to hoist the white flag.

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While this attack was preceding another corps of Salonica infantry encountered a sudden attack from the artillerymen in the Taxim barracks, but these were only supplied with rifles. Mukhtar Bey, commander of the Salonica force, fell dead, and many were killed or wounded in the first assault.

Tache Kicthe barracks are situated just south of Yildiz Kiosk. The invading forces concentrated heavy artillery on the building and under its fire the walls were smashed to pieces.

What disposition will be made of the ruler of the Empire is unknown to the Embassies, although the opinion is held in authoritative quarters that he will continue the nominal Constitutional executive, responsible with the officials of his household to the Cabinet, who in turn will be responsible to the Parliament. Tranquility prevails.

CONDENSED HAPPENINGS IN TEXAS

The directors of the Brady Fair Association have set the date for the fair this fall for October 6, 7 and 8.

The grass fire in El Paso County, which started more than a week ago, is still burning and can be seen plainly from Pecos, a distance of seventy-five miles.

Delegates to the numbers of more than 200 are in San Antonio for the convention of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, which opened Tuesday morning.

An automobile line has been established between Blue Ridge and Melissa, making several trips daily.

Rev. W. P. Kimball, 80 years old, for thirty years a preacher in the Methodist Church, was found dead Wednesday on the gallery of his boarding place in Paris.

Saturday was clean-up day at Pilot Point. The city authorities were aided by the women's clubs of Denton, and all indestructible rubbish was piled up and hauled beyond the city limits.

John B. Grass, a Katy brakeman, running on the north end lost his life in a fire which completely destroyed a rooming house in Denison at an early hour Sunday morning.

That Fort Worth will have another large factory before the close of the present year seems now well assured. The plant will be that which produces gasoline traction engines and farm implements generally.

Fisherman Tib Dobson caught with a hook Wednesday night on Elm River, three miles west of Aubrey, a catfish weighing seventy-four pounds, this being the largest caught in this community this season.

Franchise taxes of corporations are being paid into the Department of State at Austin, at the rate of \$15,000 a day. Taxes must be in by May 1, or a 25 per cent penalty attaches.

A movement is on foot among the Texas and Pacific Railway officials to establish a branch railway hospital in Bonham. Being a division point, the company employs a physician here.

Considerable damage resulted Tuesday, in Fort Worth, from the wind which preceded the rain. Trees were uprooted or blown down at a number of points, awnings and smokestacks were damaged.

Burglars broke into the Pastor's study at the Methodist Church Tuesday night in Waxahatchie, and stole a typewriter valued at about \$75 and \$14 worth of stamped envelopes.

The Concho Mill and Grain Company at San Angelo, is planning to start its flouring mill within ten days or two weeks, after which the citizens of San Angelo can partake of bread made from home-produced flour.

Some sunshiners, but more cloudiness and rain, made Thursday a day of cool weather, and the highest reading of temperature for the day was 74, against a rate of 85 for the same day one year before. The lowest run was 41 degrees.

The steel connection has been made between the Sherman-Dallas and Denison-Sherman Interurbans, but it is likely that it will require all of next week to allow the concrete to properly settle, and to replace the paving brick removed. The managements of the lines will be consolidated soon.

After adopting the resolution fixing the retail price of bread at 5c a loaf, the present price, and the wholesale price at 4c the Master Bakers' convention in San Antonio Thursday afternoon selected Houston as the next meeting place and adjourned finally.

A complete investigation of all the circumstances connected with the shooting up of Brownsville, Texas, on the night of Aug. 13-14, 1906, will be made by the court of inquiry, which will soon meet in pursuance of an act of Congress passed last winter.

The Texas Hardware Jobbers' Association has donated a magnificent iron gate for the entrance to the San Jacinto Battle Ground Park and it will be presented to the battle ground commissioners. The action was taken during the executive session Friday in Houston.

Beginning Tuesday morning and lasting throughout the greater part of the day, rain fell over the greater part of Northern, Central and Eastern Texas, with scattered general rains in portions of the Panhandle and Western Texas.

Saturday was tag day in Mount Pleasant. The day was set apart to the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal Church, under whose direction the work was carried out.

Two Erath County pioneers were buried Thursday. John Wilson, who was one of the best-known millers in this part of the country and had lived in Stephenville for about thirty-five or forty years, was buried with Masonic honors, and Frank Carr, who had reached the age of 80 and had lived in this county for forty or fifty years, was laid to rest at the Alford Cemetery.

Fire broke out Saturday night in Willsboro, completely destroying one block with most of the contents. The damage is estimated at \$20,000.

Chief Justice Rainey, in the Court of Civil Appeals of Texas Saturday morning, rendered a decision of State-wide interest. He held that the payment of the gross receipts tax does not exempt corporations from the payment of occupation taxes imposed by the act of 1897. There are, perhaps, several hundred cases in the Attorney General's office at Austin on this decision.

Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Union of America

Edited and Contributed by W. S. MORGAN, Springfield, Missouri.

The corn club plan is a good one to start the farmers on the way to a system of diversified farming.

The business men of the south will come to our support when they find that the union has come to stay.

Cotton is king but it will take corn to put it back on the throne.

Teach the boys that farming is the most scientific of all trades and it will increase their interest in farm work.

Child labor on the farm simply increases the output of cotton and thereby lowers its price.

Without co-operation among the farmers each one becomes a competitor against the other in selling and reducing the price of the products of the farm.

According to the United States report it costs 90 cents a bale to haul cotton from the farm to the railroad or other means of transportation.

The opinion seems to be unanimous that the cotton farmer is selling his cotton at less than the cost of production. Now let the cotton farmers make it equally unanimous that he is not going to do so any more.

The Farmers' union is no home for the politicians and they are being driven out of the order like drones from a bee-hive.

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TIME FOR AMERICA TO AWAKE

Too Long Rival Nations Have Prospered at the Expense of Our Cotton Growers.

We quote a few paragraphs from Daniel Sully's serial article on cotton. "It is inconceivable that other nations can go on at the expense of America, winning trade triumph with a commodity which they do not naturally possess, which they cannot obtain in sufficient quantities outside of the United States, and which they could not manufacture at a profit but for the fact that we sell the product near, and at times even below, the cost of production."

"We have been boasting of our borne cargoes that enriched our rivals far more than they did America."

"The foreign traffic of any of the industrial nations today exceeds in volume and value the total foreign trade of all foreign countries combined a hundred years ago. And this astounding increase in the trade of nations, creating virtually a new earth, is due in large measure to the volume of cotton manufacture and the world-wide sale of cotton goods."

"The wealth accumulated by the nations during the first 50 years of the nineteenth century equaled all that had been stored up by mankind in the preceding 1,800 years. Such a world with its consuming power is the market that confronts America, the country alone that possesses the commodity indispensable to the nation. This far we have neglected our stewardship."

"Cotton is the 'World's King,' but it sits on a British throne."

"That favorable balance of trade which has been the theme of so much patriotic speech all comes from the export of raw cotton from the south."

"The nations of the world must come to us for cotton as surely as Israel in the days of ancient famine went to Egypt for corn."

"In truth, the progress of mankind along material lines started with the dawn of cotton a hundred years ago."

"Now is the time for American statesmen and American genius to awaken. The dawn of the cotton century is here."

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ANOTHER EJRING QUESTION.



"I say, pa, is a man from Poland called a Pole?"

"Yes, my son."

"Then, pa, why isn't a man from Holland called a Hole?"

Certainty Convenience Economy Never has there been known a case where Mitchell's Eye Salva has not given notable relief. A pure harmless salve for application to the surface of the eye lids; the simplest of methods with wonderful results. The price 25 cents places it within reach of all. All druggists sell it.

His Daughter Played. Wife—I can't understand, John, why you always sit on the piano-stool when we have company. Everybody knows you can't play a note.

Husband—I'm well aware of it, dear. Neither can any one else when I'm sitting there.

For Headache Try Hicks' Capudina. Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the aches are speedily relieved by Capudina. It's Liquid-pleasant to take—Effects immediately. 25c and 50c at Drug Stores.

When Love is Young. Mabel—Who was the best man at your wedding?

Ethel—Why, my husband, of course.

Chases thirst! Brightens eyes! Sweetens breath! Helps digestion! WRIGHT'S SPEARMINT.

Two is company, three a soulless corporation.

DOCTOR ADVISED OPERATION

Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Paw Paw, Mich.—"I suffered terribly from female ill, including inflammation and congestion, for several years. My doctor said there was no hope for me but an operation. I began taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I can now say I am a well woman."

Another Operation Avoided. Chicago, Ill.—"I want women to know what that wonderful medicine, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, has done for me. Two of the best doctors in Chicago said I would die if I did not have an operation, and I never thought of seeing a well day again. I had a small tumor and female troubles so that I suffered day and night. A friend recommended Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it made me a well woman."

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has proved to be the most successful remedy for curing the worst forms of female ill, including displacements, inflammation, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, and nervous prostration. It costs but a trifle to try it, and the result has been worth millions to many suffering women.

Dr. May's Epsilothic Cure. It has cured thousands of cases of indigestion, flatulency, and other ailments. Sent free with directions. Express Prepaid. Guaranteed by May Medical Laboratory, under the National Food and Drug Act, June 15th, 1906. Guaranty No. 18971. Please give AGE and full address.

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PREVENT POTATO SCAB.

The plague so well known as potato scab is a fungus disease which may be prevented in the crop by simple treatment of the seed potato, if the crop is planted in soil that is free from the scab. The horticultural department of the college of agriculture University of Wisconsin suggests that when potatoes are grown on a limited scale, they may be treated by placing the seed potatoes in a burlap sack before cutting them and by soaking them for an hour and a half in a mixture consisting of one quart of 40 per cent formalin solution in 50 gallons of water.

A better method for treatment on a larger scale, it is suggested, is to crate the potatoes and expose them in a tightly closed room for 36 to 48 hours to the gas given off from 24 ounces of potassium permanganate in a large dish pan, over which has been poured four pints of 40 per cent formalin solution. The formaldehyde gas thus created kills the scab fungus without injury to the sprouting power of

# THE LION'S SHARE

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"Miss Smith"—Her Voice Sank Portentously—"Was a Trained Nurse."



She Answered After a Pause: "There Was Gen. Philemon Mercer, Confederate Army."

was afraid you'd catch on, sor. 'Tis a weight off me mind, sor."  
 "I dare say. You always have your way with me, you old mule. Now listen; I want you to be on the watch for two men"—thereupon the colonel described his men, laying special stress on the moles on the face of one, and the other's dimple.

Having set Haley his tasks, he went back to his car in better spirits. By this time the train was moving. He had seen his kinswoman and her party enter; and he found the object of Mrs. Melville's darksome warnings sitting with a slender lad in the main body of the car. Aunt Rebecca was in the drawing-room, her maid with her. Mrs. Melville, who had already revealed her presence, sat across the aisle. She presented the colonel at once.

Miss Smith did not look formidable; she looked "nice" thought the colonel. She was of medium height; she was obviously plump, although well proportioned; her presence had an effect of radiant cleanliness, her eyes were so luminous and her teeth so fine and her white shirt waist so immaculate. There was about her a certain soft illumination of cheerfulness, and at the same time a restful repose; she moved in a leisurely fashion and she sat perfectly still. "I never saw any one who looked less of an adventuress," Winter was thinking, as he bowed. Then swiftly his glance went to the lad, a pale young fellow with hazel eyes and a long, slim hand which felt cold.

The boy made a little inarticulate sound in his throat and blushed when Col. Winter addressed him. But he looked the brighter for the blush. It was not a plain face; rather an interesting one in spite of its listlessness and its sickly pallor; its oval was purely cut, the delicate mouth was closed firmly enough, and the hazel eyes with their long lashes would be beautiful were they not so veiled.

"He has the Winter mouth, at least," noted the colonel. He felt a throb at his heart. Had his own boy lived, the baby that died when it was born, he would be only a year older than Archie. At least, this boy was of his own blood. Without father or mother, but not alone in the world; and, if any danger menaced, not without defenders. The depression which had enveloped him lifted as mist before the sun, burned away by the mere thought of possible difficulties. "We will see if any one swindles you out of your share," said Rupert Winter, compressing the Winter mouth more firmly. "Or if those gentlemanly kidnapers mean you."

## CHAPTER II.

### Aunt Rebecca.

No sooner was Mrs. Melville ushered into her section than the colonel went through the train. He was not so suspicious as he told himself he might have been, with such a dovetailing of circumstances into his accidentally captured information; he couldn't yet read villainy on that college-lad's frank face. But no reason, therefore, to neglect precautions. "Hope the best of men and prepare for the worst," was the old campaigner's motto.

A walk through the cars showed him no signs of the two men. It was a tolerably complete inspection, too. There was only one drawing-room or stateroom of which he did not manage to get a glimpse—the closed room being the property of a very great financial magnate, whose private car was waiting for him in Denver. His door was fast, and the click of the typewriter announced the tireless industry of our rulers.

But if he did not find the college boy or the man with the moles he did get a surprise for his walk; namely, the sight of the family of Haley, and Haley himself beside their trig, battered luggage, in a section of the car next his own. Mrs. Haley turned a guilty red, while Haley essayed a stolid demeanor.

"What does this mean?" demanded the colonel.

"Haley felt he would have to go with you, colonel," replied Mrs. Haley, who had timid, wide, blue eyes and the voice of a bird, but a courage under her panic, as birds have, too, when their nests are in peril. "We've rented the house to a good man with grown-up children, and Haley can get a job if you won't want him."

"Yes, sor," mumbled Haley. He was standing at attention, as was his wife, the toddling Nora being held in the posture of respect on the plush seat.

"And I suppose you took the furniture money to buy tickets?"

"Yes, sor."

"And you're bound to go with me?"

"Yes, sor," said Haley.

"You ought to be ashamed of yourself, sergeant," said the colonel; but he was glad at the heart of him for this mutinous loyalty.

"Yes, sor," said Haley.

"Well, since you are here, I engage you from to-day, you understand."

"Yes, sor," said Haley. Mrs. Haley whimpered a blessing; but the only change in the soldier was that his military stolidity became natural and real instead of forced.

"Sit down on this seat over here with me and I'll tell you what I want. You fraud, letting me say good-by to you."

"I didn't want to take the liberty, sor, but you made me shake hands. I

grow older at my age! Sit down, I'm extremely glad to see you; I've a heap to talk to you about. Do you mind if I run this game through first?"

The colonel didn't mind. He raised the proffered hand to his lips; such homage seemed quite the most natural act in the world with Mrs. Winter. And he unobtrusively edged his own lean and wiry person into the vacant seat opposite her.

"How far are you going?" said she, after a few moves of the cards.

"My ticket says Los Angeles; but it had to say something, so I chose Los Angeles for luck; I'm an irresponsible tramp now, you know; and I may drop off almost anywhere. You are for southern California, aren't you?"

"Eventually; but we shall stop at San Francisco for two or three weeks."

"Do you mind if I stop off with you? I want to get acquainted with my ward," said the colonel.

"That's a good idea, Bertie." "He seems rather out of sorts; you aren't worried about—well, tuberculosis or that sort of thing?"

"I am worried about just that sort of thing; although the doctor says nothing organic at all is the matter with him; but he is too melancholy for a boy; he needs rousing; losing his father and mother in one year, you know, and he was devoted to them. I can't quite make him out, Bertie; he hasn't the Winter temperament. I suppose he has a legal right to his mother's nature; but it is very annoying. It makes him so much harder to understand—not that she wasn't a good woman who made Tom happy; but she wasn't a Winter. However, Janet has brightened him up considerably—you've seen Janet—Miss Smith? What do you think of her?"

Winter said honestly that she was very nice-looking and that she looked right capable; he fell into the idiom of his youth sometimes when with a southerner.

"She is," said Aunt Rebecca.

"Where did you find her?" asked the colonel carelessly, inspecting the cards.

Aunt Rebecca smiled. "I thought Millicent would have given you all the particulars. She was nurse, secretary, companion and diet cook to Cousin Angela Nelson; when she died I got her. Lucky for me."

"So I should judge," commented the colonel politely.

"I presume Millicent has told you that she is an adventuress and after my money and a heap more stuff. If she hasn't she will. Get a notion once in Millicent's head and a surgical operation is necessary to dislodge it! Janet is the only mortal person who could live with poor Cousin Angela, who had enough real diseases to kill her and enough imaginary ones to kill anybody who lived with her! Janet made her comfortable, would not stand everything on earth from her—though she did stand a heap—and really cared for her. When she died Cousin Angela left her some money; not very much, but a few thousands. She would have left her more, but Janet wouldn't let her. She left some to some old servants, who surely deserved it for living with her, some to charities and the rest to her sisters, who hadn't put a foot inside the house for 15 years, but naturally resented her not giving them everything. I reckon they filled Millicent up with their notions." She pushed the outspread cards together.

"You had several moves left," said the colonel.

"Four. But then, I was finished. Bertie, you play bridge, of course; and I used to hear of your whist triumphs; how did you happen to take to whist?"

"To fill up the time, I reckon. I began it years ago. Now a soldier's life is a great deal more varied, because a man will be shifted around and get a show of the different kinds of service. And there are the exams, and the Philippines—oh, plenty of diversions. But in the old days a man in the line was billed for an awfully stupid time. I didn't care to take to drink; and I couldn't read as you do if I'd had books, which I hadn't, so I took to playing cards. I played skat and poker and whist, and of late years I've played bridge. Millicent plays?"

"Millicent is a celebrated player. She was a great duplicate-whist player, you know. To see Millicent in her glory, one should play duplicate with her. I'm only a clump player, my sole object is to win tricks."

"What else should it be?"

Aunt Rebecca smiled upon him. "To give information to your partner. The main object of the celebrated American-leads system is signaling information to your partner. Incidentally, one tells the adversaries, as well as one's partner, which, however, doesn't count really as much as you might think; for most people don't notice what their partners play very much, and don't notice what their adversaries play at all. Millicent is always so busy indicating things to her partner and watching for his signals and his indications that you can run a cross ruff in on her without her sus-

pecting. She asked me once if she didn't play an intelligent game, and I told her she did; a babe in arms could understand it. She didn't seem quite pleased."

"How about Archie? Can he play a good game?"

"Very fair for a boy of 14; he was fond of whist until his troubles came," said Mrs. Winter, with a faint clouding of her keen gaze. "Since then he hasn't taken much interest in anything. Janet has brightened him up more than anyone; and when he heard you were coming that did rouse him. You are one of his heroes. He's that sort of a boy," she added, with a tinge of impatience in her soft southern voice. As if to divert her thoughts, she began deftly moving the cards before her. Her hands showed the blue veins more prominently than they show in young hands. This was their only surrender to time; they were shapely and white, and the slim fingers were as straight as when the beaux of Fairfax county would have ridden all day for a chance to kiss them.

The colonel watched the great ruby wink and glow. The ruby was a part of his memories of his aunt; she had always worn it. He remembered it, when she used to come and visit him at the hotel at West Point, dazzling impartially officers, professors, cadets and hotel waiters. Was that almost 40 years ago? Well, 34 anyhow! She had been very good, very generous to all the young Winters, then. Indeed, although she never quite forgave him for not marrying the wife of her selecting, she had always been kind and generous to Rupert; yet, somehow, while he had admired and found a humorous joy in his Aunt Rebecca, he wondered if he had ever loved her. She was both beautiful and brilliant when she was young, a southern belle, a northern society leader; her life was full of conquests; her footsteps, which had wandered over the world, had left it phosphorescent wake of admiration. She had always been a personage. She was a power in Washington after the war; they had found her uniquely delightful in royal courts long before Americans were the fashion; she had been of importance in New York, and they had loved her epigrams in Boston; now, in her old age, she held a veritable little court of her own in the provincial western city which had been her husband's home. He went to congress from Fairport; he had made a fortune there, and when he died, many years ago, in Egypt, back to his western home, with dogged determination and lavish expenditures of both money and wit, his widow had brought him to rest. The most intense and solemn experience of a woman she had missed, for no children had come to them, but her husband had been her lover so long as he lived, and she had loved him. She had known great men; she had lived through wonderful events; and often her hand had been on those

She had been in tragedies, if an invisible coolness of head, perhaps of heart, had shielded her from being of them. The husband of her youth, the nearest of her blood, the friends of her middle life—all had gone into the dark; yet here she sat, with her smooth skin and her still lustrous eyes and her fragrant hands, keenly smiling over her solitaire. The colonel wondered if he could ever reconcile himself with such philopropy to his own narrowed and emptied life; she was older than he, yet she could still find a zest in existence. All the great passions gone; all the big interests; and still her clever mind was working; happy, possibly, in its mere exercise, disdaining the stake, she who had had every success. What a vitality! He looked at her, puzzling. Her complexity bewildered him, he not being of a complex nature himself. As he looked, suddenly he found himself questioning why her face, in its revival of youthful smoothness and tint, recalled some other face, recently studied by him—a face that had worn an absolutely different expression; having the same delicate aquiline nose, the same oval contour, the same wide brows—who? who? queried the colonel. Then he nodded. Of course; it was the man with the moles, the brother. He looked enough like Mrs. Winter to be her kinsman. At once he put his guess to the test. "Aunt Becky," said he, "have you any kin I don't know about?"

"I reckon not. I'm an awfully knuckle old party," said she serenely. "I was a Winter, born as well as married, and so you and Mel and Archie are double kin to me. I was an only child, so I haven't anything closer than third or fourth cousins, down in Virginia and Boston."

"Have you, by chance, any cousin, near or far, named Mercer?"

Resting her finger-tips on the cards, Aunt Rebecca seemed to let her mind search amid Virginian and Massachusetts genealogical tables. "Why, certainly," she answered after a pause, "there was Gen. Philemon Mercer—confederate army, you know—and his son, Sam Nelson; Phil was my own cousin and Sam Nelson my second, and Sam Nelson's sons would be my third, wouldn't they? Phil and Sam are both dead, and Winnie Lee, the daughter, is dead, and poor Phil—the grandson, you know—poor boy, he shot himself while at Harvard; but his brother Cary is alive."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

**Sells Statue to France.**  
 Mme. Marcelle Tinayre, author of "La Rebelle" and "La Maison du Peche," is among the recently elected chevaliers of the Legion of Honor. Mme. Gabrielle Dumonnet's marble statue entitled "Triboulet d'Enfant" has been bought by the French nation and will be put in the Luxembourg. At present the works of only two women sculptors are represented in this museum.

## SYNOPSIS.

The story opens at Harvard where Col. Rupert Winter, U. S. A., visiting, saw the suicide of young Mercer. He met Cary Mercer, brother of the dead student. Three years later, in Chicago, in 1902, Col. Winter overheard Cary Mercer apparently planning to kidnap Archie, the colonel's ward, and to gain possession of Aunt Rebecca Winter's millions. A Miss Smith was mentioned, apparently as a conspirator. Winter unexpectedly met a relative, Mrs. Millicent Melville, who told him that his Aunt Rebecca, Archie and the latter's nurse, Miss Janet Smith, were to leave for the west with the colonel and Mrs. Melville.

## CHAPTER I.—Continued.

"We've been worried a good deal," pursued Mrs. Melville, "about the way Aunt Rebecca has acted. She wouldn't stay in Fairport, where we could have some influence over her. She was always going south or going to the seashore or going somewhere. Sometimes I suspect Miss Smith made her, to keep her away from us, you know."

"Well, as long as I have known Aunt Rebecca—anyhow, ever since Uncle Archibald died—she has been restless and flying about."

"Not as she is now. And then she only had her maid—"

"Oh, yes, Randall; she's faithful as they make 'em. What does she say about Miss Smith?"

"Bertie, she's won over Randall. Randall swears by her. Oh, she's deep!"

"Seems to be. But—excuse me—what's your game, Millicent? How do you mean to protect our aged kinswoman and, incidentally, of course, the Winter fortune?"

"I shall watch, Bertie; I shall be on my guard every waking hour. That deluded old woman is in more danger, perhaps, than you dream."

"As how?"

"Miss Smith"—her voice sank portentously—"was a trained nurse."

"What harm does that do—unless you think she would know too much about poisons?" The colonel laughed.

"It's no laughing matter, Bertie. Rebecca is so rich and this other woman is so poor, and in my estimation, so ambitious. I make no insinuations. I only say she needs watching."

"You may be right about that," said the colonel thoughtfully. "There is Haley and the boy for your bags!"

The boy picked up the big dress-suit case, the smaller dress-suit case and the hat case, he grabbed the bundle of cloaks, the case of umbrellas, and the lizard-skin bag. Dubiously he eyed the colonel's luggage, as he tried to disengage a finger.

"Never mind, young fellow," called Haley, peremptorily whisking away the nearest piece. "I'll help you a bit with yours. Instead, you've a load, sure!"

Mrs. Melville explained in an undertone: "I take all the hand-luggage I possibly can; the overweight charges are wicked!"

"Haley, they won't let you inside without a ticket," objected the colonel. But Haley, unheeding, strode on ahead of the staggering youth.

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#### Notice.

The meeting being held at the Presbyterian church on east 3rd street by Rev. H. F. Oliver, Evangelist for the church of Christ and M. D. Ussery, singer, will be moved to the Court House Sunday morning services at 10:45 a. m., 4 p. m., and 8 a. m. Every body cordially invited.

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### Legislative News Letter.

Special Correspondence.

Austin, Texas, April 28th. During the week the political pot has boiled and bubbled and brought forth an issue—State ownership of railroads. The proposition to extend the penitentiary railroad for a distance of 100 miles; said extension to be financed by the school fund was fiercely fought on the floor of the House. This bill was an administration measure and again these forces met their Waterloo. The 100 mile extension was defeated by a vote of 61 to 45. A bill authorizing the extension of the road from a point in the woods where it now ends to Palestine at an estimated cost of \$50,000 was passed on a vote of 90 to 13. In the latter bill the issue of state ownership was not involved, it being considered economy to make the Palestine connection in order to afford facilities for marketing the products of the iron works.

Representative Jennings of Navarro County introduced a resolution in the House which, in effect, called for consideration of the appropriation bill and adjournment, and he characterized the present special session as barren of results. The House voted against the measure and by so doing divided with the Governor the responsibility for the prolonged session.

Notwithstanding the Governor's attitude toward junketing, both the House and Senate spent San Jacinto Day in San Antonio and the Senate accepted the invitation of the Pittsburg Commercial Club to attend the organization of a district association of commercial clubs at Pittsburg on Wednesday April 28th. The Commercial Secretaries held a meeting at Fort Worth during the week and officially denied the character of lobbying and asked the Governor to specify instances or retract. It is not likely that the Governor will do either. In the meantime, the Governor is making a good press agent for the association.

The Bank Guarantee question which has smoldered in the committee room of the Senate during the week came out on a favorable report on the Senter-Hume bill and a minority report on other bills. The Banking Guarantee bill will likely occupy the Senate calendar during the greater portion of this week and this so-called "platform demand" will receive sundry interpretations. The Senate has been flooded with petitions for and against all bills and the administration has flourished the big stick with a vengeance in favor of the Love bill. The man from Missouri was brought before the Senate to testify concerning unbecoming activity in securing petitions in favor of his bills and acknowledged that he had used every effort to secure such petitions.

The Water-Pierce Oil Company's fine was paid over to the state treasurer Saturday, amount to \$1,718,000.14. The total fine was \$1,808,483.30 but \$90,474.16 went to the county attorney of Travis County, leaving the net balance as above indicated. One third of the attorney's fees goes to J. P. Gruet by contract for evidence furnished the state in the trial. Dr. Gruet's money has been garnished by one of his St. Louis creditors. This is the largest fine ever paid for violation of law in a single case in the history of the world.

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It pays to advertise. A lady who had rooms to rent telephoned an advertisement to this office and before we could get it in type she had rented the rooms.

J. D. Logan, of the firm of Logan & Barnett of Fort Worth, was in the city a few days this week. This was Mr. Logan's first visit out in the west and while here expressed himself as being well pleased with the prosperous condition of our town, and hinted he might put in a branch business here in the near future.

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# THE STATE LEGISLATURE

### APPROPRIATION BILL IS BEING PASSED AND GOING HOME STAGE MAY SOON BE REACHED.

### GOOD PROGRESS BEING MADE

#### Bill to Stop Building of State Railroad from Palestine.

Austin: At last the appropriation bill is being passed, and it may be that the going home stage may be reached about the time the present called session of the Legislature shall expire by Constitutional limitation. The appropriation bill was taken up in the House Monday, but was set aside now and then for the purpose of considering other measures. Very good progress was made upon it. Mr. Maddox is offering amendments to reduce the salaries of the negro porters in the various departments from \$480 to \$450, upon the plea of economy. These porters now get from \$260 to \$420 a year. They perform the duties of porter, messenger and filing clerk and are quite efficient. The appropriation committee decided to raise all of them to \$480 a year for the reason that they are underpaid, and the only way the heads of departments have been able to retain efficient help in these positions is by supplementing the pay from their own pockets. Mr. Maddox's amendments were voted down. The item which used up the most time was an amendment by Mr. Standifer to appropriate \$25,000 per annum for two years for beautifying San Jacinto battlefield. This brought forth some opposition, but upon the other hand a number of highly patriotic speeches. At length the House voted to appropriate \$15,000 a year for two years, and also to continue in effect the remainder of an appropriation made by the Thirtieth Legislature, \$23,389, making the total \$3,389 more than Col. Standifer asked for. It is probable, too, with the wave of patriotism which swept over the House, \$20,000 more could have been secured had it been insisted upon.

It is probable consideration of this bill will slip along faster from this time forward, as the legislators with economy amendments invariably become discouraged after being voted down for a day or two.

Austin: The Senter-Hume bank bond bill was Saturday afternoon reported favorably by Senate Committee on Insurance, Statistics and History and all other bank guarantee bills were reported adversely, with minority reports in each instance. This action is acceptable to the guarantee advocates. They knew that a majority of the committee was opposed to their proposition and what they wanted was prompt action in order that the bills might come before the Senate.

The action of the committee followed several events which bordered on the sensational. Senator Alexander had prepared a resolution reciting his unsuccessful action to get a meeting of the committee, and recalling the bills to the Senate for further action, but Senator Holey took the play away from him by introducing a resolution recalling the bills.

Following this incident, Senator Senter made his personal privilege talk, reading from a manuscript of 16,000 words, consuming two and a half hours in the operation. Complaining that Gov. Campbell had termed the Senter-Hume substitute a fraud and a sham, he proceeded to analyze the Cureton bill, which he denounced as a "monumental fraud and a monumental sham," and he declared that Gov. Campbell had deliberately and willfully

**Familiar With Measure.**  
During the debate of three days in the House on the State railroad measure, and which resulted in the House refusing to kill the measure, members of the Senate have been studiously listening to the discussion, consequently when this measure reaches the upper branch it is evident the members will be quite familiar with its purpose, scope and effect. However, it is expected that there will be a hot debate over the measure, and while its fate in the house was exceedingly close, it promises to be even closer in the Senate if it succeeds in passing at all, which is doubtful.

**Favors Early Adjournment.**  
The following resolutions introduced by Representative Jennings Thursday went over until Friday, as Mr. Mobley objected to a second reading.

**Resolved,** That the Legislature has been in session continuously for more than one hundred days and seems now disposed to continue several more days, judging from the amount of new matter being submitted by the Governor.

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Big, Painful Swellings Broke and Did Not Heal—Suffered 3 Years.  
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Relieved by Murine Eye Remedy. Compounded by Experienced Physicians. Murine Doesn't Smart; Soothes Eye Pain. Write Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago, for illustrated Eye Book. At Drugists.

# LEWIS' "SINGLE BINDER."

### A hand-made cigar fresh from the table, wrapped in foil, thus keeping fresh until smoked! A fresh cigar made of good tobacco is the ideal smoke. The old, well cured tobaccos used are so rich in quality that many who formerly smoked 30c cigars now smoke Lewis' Single Binder Straight 5c. Lewis' Single Binder comes the dealer some more than other 5c cigars, but the higher price enables this factory to use extra quality tobacco. There are many imitations; don't be fooled. There is no substitute! Tell the dealer you want a Lewis "Single Binder."

**A FACER.**  
He—You have looked on my face for the last time!  
She—Why? Are you going to grow a beard?

**How's This?**  
We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.  
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 18 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him.  
WALDING, KINNAN & MARTIN,  
Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.  
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle, sold by all Druggists.  
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

**Inside History.**  
Indignant Wife—What's the use of my saying anything to you, John? It goes in at one ear and out at the other!  
Provoking Husband—Not always, Maria. When you say anything worth minding I stop it on the way through.

**Important to Mothers.**  
Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA—a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Hooper* in Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

**No Escape.**  
"The smell of smoke certainly does make me ill."  
"Then why do you allow your husband to smoke so much in the house?"  
"I might as well. When my husband isn't smoking the chimney is."

**Shake Into Your Shoes**  
Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for your feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting, sweating feet. Makes new shoes easy. Sold by all Druggists and Shoe Stores. Don't accept any substitute. Sample FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

**The Subject's Nature.**  
"What kind of rates do they pay for balloons?"  
"I don't know, but they ought to be space rates."

**It's Pettit's Eye Salve,**  
that gives instant relief to eyes, irritated from dust, heat, sun or wind. 25c. All druggists or Howard Bros., Buffalo, N. Y.

There will be disappointment with the music of heaven unless mother's songs are sung there.

# WHAT COLORS SHALL I USE?

### This Question is Important in Painting a House or Other Building.

A proper color scheme is extremely important in painting a house. It makes all the difference between a really attractive home and one at which you wouldn't take a second glance. And it makes a big difference in the price the property will bring on the market.

As to the exterior, a good deal depends upon the size and architecture of the house, and upon its surroundings. For a good interior effect you must consider the size of the rooms, the light, etc.

You can avoid disappointment by studying the books of color schemes for both exterior and interior painting, which can be had free by writing National Lead Company, 1902 Trinity Building, New York, and asking for Houseowner's Painting Outfit No. 49. The outfit also includes specifications, and a simple instrument for testing the purity of paint materials. Pure White Lead which will stand the weather test. National Lead Company's famous Dutch Boy Painter trademark on the keg is a guarantee of that kind of white lead.

**A DOUBLE EVENT.**  
Mrs. Highfly—And has she really got two servants?  
Mrs. Flutter—Yes—one coming and one going.

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# Woman's Beauty

Some women retain their beauty to an advanced age. But women, who regularly endure pain, age rapidly, for suffering leaves its lasting marks on them.

Nearly all women suffer more or less with some form of female trouble. It should not be neglected. Avoid the pain—treat yourself at home by taking Cardui, as thousands of other women have done. Begin at once and give Cardui a fair trial.

## TAKE CARDUI

It Will Help You

Mrs. Katie Burlison, Goreville, Ill., tried Cardui and writes: "I suffered with female troubles, and was so sick I could not stand on my feet. Finally I began to take Cardui, and soon began to mend. Now I am able to do all my housework and am in much better health than I was before." Try it.

### AT ALL DRUG STORES

## Make Big Money

On an Investment of Only \$125.00

You can have a pleasant, permanent and profitable business of your own, that will give you at least \$100 a day. I will give you full detailed particulars and show you how you take no risk. Experience not necessary. Business can be conducted by either man or woman in any town where there is an electric lighting plant.

### Duntley Standard Vacuum Cleaners

will do the same work as costly wagon outfits, for cleaning residences, hotels, stores, opera houses, etc. Big profit on each job of cleaning. Big profit in renting cleaners to private homes. Only one representative wanted in each town. Write today for full information.

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### Hooper's Don't Scratch

(Tetterem) sold and guaranteed by druggists to be a satisfactory treatment for Dandruff and all Scalp Troubles, Tetter, Eczema, Itch, Ringworm, Chapped, Sunburned Face and Hands, Pimples, Itching Piles, Sore, Swollen, Blistered Feet, Cuts, and all Irritations of the Skin. Does not stain, grease or blister. Two Sizes, 50c and \$1 bottles. Trial Size 10c. Either mailed direct on receipt of price.

HOOPER MEDICINE CO., Dallas, Texas, and Jersey City, N. J.

### WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT

KNOWN SINCE 1836 AS RELIABLE TRADE MARK

### PLANTEN'S C & C OR BLACK CAPSULES

SUPERIOR REMEDY FOR URINARY DISCHARGES. DRUGGISTS OR BY MAIL ON RECEIPT FOR 50c. PLANTEN & SON, 23 HENRY ST. BROOKLYN, N. Y.

THE GILLETTE SAFETY RAZOR Used by More Than Two Million Men NO STROPPING NO HONING

DEFIANCE STARCH reads to work with and starches clothes alike.

### CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Heavy Eating. A perfect remedy for Bile, Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable. SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.

Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

# WHAT'S Your Health Worth?

You start sickness by mistreating nature and it generally shows first in the bowels and liver. A 10c box (week's treatment) of CASCARETS will help nature help you. They will do more—using them regularly as you need them—than any medicine on Earth. Get a box today; take a CASCARET tonight. Better in the morning. It's the result that makes millions take them.

CASCARETS are a box for a week's treatment. All druggists. Biggest seller in the world. Millions boxes a month.

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WRIGLEY TOBACCO CO. CHICAGO

### WRIGLEY'S TOILET ANTISEPTIC

NOTHING LIKE IT FOR THE TEETH. Pastine excels any dentifrice in cleaning, whitening and removing tartar from the teeth, besides destroying all germs of decay and disease which ordinary tooth preparations cannot do.

THE MOUTH. Pastine used as a mouth-wash disinfects the mouth and throat, purifies the breath, and kills the germs which collect in the mouth, causing sore throat, bad teeth, bad breath, grippe, and such sickness.

THE EYES. When inflamed, tired, ache and burn, may be instantly relieved and strengthened by Pastine.

CATARRH. Pastine will destroy the germs that cause catarrh, heal the inflammation and stop the discharge. It is a sure remedy for uterine catarrh.

Pastine is a harmless yet powerful germicide, disinfectant and deodorizer. Used in bathing it destroys odors and leaves the body antiseptically clean.

FOR SALE AT DRUG STORES, ETC. OR POSTPAID BY MAIL. LARGE SAMPLE FREE! THE PAXTON TOILET CO., BOSTON, MASS.

This Trade-mark Eliminates All Uncertainty in the purchase of paint materials. It is an absolute guarantee of purity and quality. For your own protection, see that it is on the side of every keg of white lead you buy.

NATIONAL LEAD COMPANY 1902 Trinity Building, New York

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# You Look Prematurely Old

Because of those ugly, grizzly, grey hairs. Use "LA CREOLE" HAIR RESTORER. PRICE, \$1.00, retail.

# GARY & BURNS COMPANY

IF IT'S NOT GOOD WE'LL MAKE IT GOOD

## YOUR SPRING SUIT

a serious question, but this season as usually we have been fortunate in securing the agency for one of the best lines of men's clothing. You can easily find a pattern that will please you, and the fit and quality are guaranteed. Prices range from \$15.00 to \$27.50.

## MEN'S OXFORD

We are agents for Edwin Clapp and R. J. & R. shoes for men. Our variety of styles insures you a perfect fit, and these well known makes never fail to give satisfactory service. Prices \$4 to \$7.

## MEN'S FURNISHINGS

Fancy hose, neckwear, vests, belts, collars, underwear and hats. We are showing the newest styles and colors.

BIG SPRINGS TEXAS MIDLAND

WHEN YOU WANT TO BUILD  
LET ME FIGURE WITH YOU

**J. M. MORGAN**  
CONTRACTOR

P.O. Box 615

Phone No. 379

Miss McPherson of Greenville, Kentucky, arrived here Wednesday on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Ira Ford.

Mrs. Erneine Wilson came in Wednesday nights train to visit her mother, Mrs. Pottsboro for a few days.

Fire, Lightning, Cyclone, Plate Glass, Automobile and Livestock Insurance. See R. T. Piner, Big Springs, Texas. 23-2t.

The post office, and hotel and several other buildings were destroyed at Odessa early yesterday morning by fire.

Work is progressing nicely on the new sanitarium building and at present rates of progress will be completed in a short time.

W. T. Ballard, veterinary surgeon, is now located in Big Springs, with an office at McCamant's drug store. Office phone 418 residence phone 347.

## BUSINESS IS GOOD AT THE CASH STORE



We sell Kant-be-Beat Clothing. You can't go wrong in style, in quality of material, in tailoring, in fit. There are no other clothes made that are so uniformly reliable in all the things a well dressed man looks for. Price \$8.75 to \$22.00, a saving to you of \$1.00 to \$5.00 on a suit.

Ladies' new pumps in the W. H. Crocker Shoe Co.'s fine shoes for ladies. \$2.50 ankle strap pumps in brown or patents, special this week \$2.00.

These with the fine La-France oxfords and pumps, we can supply the most fastidious at a saving in price of \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00.

**Berry & Devenport**

"The One Price Cash Store."

### B. and P. Class Program.

Sunday May 2, 1909.  
Song.  
Subject.—Paul's first missionary journey, Acts:ix 13-12.  
Leader.—Mrs. Kennon.  
Song.

Prayer.  
Teacher.—Mr. Duncan, (30 minutes discussion.)

Barnabas and Saul sent as missionaries.—By Miss Mable Powell.

Barnabas and Saul's journey through Cyprus.—By Mrs. R. E. Barker.

Barnabas and Saul meet favors and opposition.—By Miss Ina Wilkes.

Song.  
Benediction.

To be sure that your prescriptions will be filled correctly bring them to Reagan's.

### TIME TO ACT.

Don't Wait for the Fatal Stages of Kidney Illness. Profit By Big Springs People's Experiences.

Occasional attacks of backache, irregular urination, headaches and dizzy spells are common early symptoms of kidney disorders. It's an error to neglect these ills. The attacks may pass off for a time but return with greater intensity. If there are symptoms of dropsy—puffy swellings below the eyes, bloating of limbs and ankles, or any part of the body, don't delay a minute. Begin taking Doan's Kidney Pills, and keep up the treatment until the kidneys are well when your old time health and vigor will return. Cures in Big Springs prove the effectiveness of this great kidney remedy.

Frank Polacek, living in the eastern part of Big Springs, Texas, says: "It was two years ago that I first used Doan's Kidney Pills. I was then working in the shops and from a continual drinking of too much ice water my kidneys got out of order. The most severe kinds of pain would dart through my back, causing intense misery. The operations were very irregular and too frequent. I was unable to get anything to relieve me until I procured Doan's Kidney Pills. After taking the first few doses I felt great relief and the use of two boxes made me as well as ever. Whenever I feel the least symptoms of kidney ailment I take a few doses of Doan's Kidney Pills and am soon all right. My wife has used them on many occasions and has always found relief."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster—Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

### Notice.

I have four choice two year old registered Hereford bulls for sale write or phone me.

I. B. Cauble,  
Big Springs, Texas. 23-4w.

Mr. Abran has disposed of his cafe and will leave in a few days for new quarters.

J. Y. Wilson from out in the Center community was in town Thursday with a load of feed stuff.

If you want something reasonable and practical go to Mrs. Mattie Gass, at Berry & Devenport's store.

Complete line of men's Four-in-hand Bat Wing String, Scarf and bow ties, new colorings at A. P. McDonald & Co's.

### Furnished Rooms.

Two furnished rooms for rent. Apply to Mrs. A. R. Wylie, phone 127.

Mr. merchant and business man what are you doing toward the new railroad? Let's all get busy and not stop until we can hear the whistle of the locomotive from another quarter of the earth.

**FREE BOOK**

This 96-page book is Dr. Terrill's latest and best treatise on the Special and Feline Disease known as the *Black Head*, and it shows the cause of every case—young or old—in America. This book describes in a brief, simple way Dr. Terrill's original and exclusive method of treating Syphilis, Gonorrhea, Specific Head Pains, Nervous Debility, Sexual Excesses, Venereal Eruptions, Hereditary Syphilis of Bone, Scurvy, Strabismus, Epithelioma, Scrophulous, Pimp, Catarrh, Eczema, and all the other diseases of the Skin, Hair, Nails, and Mucous Membranes. This book will be sent absolutely free to any address, provided in a plain sealed envelope if you mention this paper. All correspondence confidential. Contributions and a \$10.00 donation in the form of a check or money order to the

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**FOR MEN**

### Baptist Church.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.  
Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.  
Morning subject, "The essential to a successful church."  
Evening subject, "The great physician."

Junior Union at 3 p. m. at Opera house.

Sunbeams 3 p. m. at Mrs. S. H. Morrison's.  
Senior Union 4:20 at Y. M. C. A. Chapel 4:30 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all, to come and worship with us, especially the unsaved.

Wilson C. Rogers, Pastor.

### Two Bargains in Homes.

South side. One, two room house, good lot, city water, price \$500.00. One 4 room house, good lot, well fenced, city water, price \$550.00 one third cash, balance on good terms.

R. T. Piner,  
Big Springs, Texas.

You will find the largest and best assortment of hats at Mrs. Mattie Gass' at Berry & Devenport's store.

Several of the young people of Big Springs went to the social at Soash Thursday evening, and all report a very pleasant time.

J. A. Baggett, ex-sheriff of this county, but who has been living in St. Joseph, Missouri, for the past few years, has returned to make this his home. The many friends of Mr. Baggett are glad to welcome him and his inestimable family back again.

### A Nice Little Home.

On East Third street, lot 70x150 three rooms, north front, city water, good neighborhood, price \$750.00, one third cash.

R. T. Piner,  
Big Springs, Texas.

### Must have \$3000.

Mayor Lee says that there must be \$3000 on deposit in one of the banks, to the credit of the fire engine fund before the city will assume the responsibility of paying the balance on the engine which is now under construction. All that have subscribed to the fund are requested to deposit their subscription in one of the banks immediately.

Soliciting Committee.

There is a man in Indiana who has made himself famous by the degree with which he excels his neighbors in the art of corn growing. He has made an acre produce 100 bushels, and when, under ordinary conditions, his neighbors get a yield of 40 bushels, his runs from 70 to 80. His, also, is the best corn—recognized as such in the markets. Wherefore, he was called the Corn Wizard until, having relish for a joke, he explained that his success came merely from planting his seed with care and then cultivating them hard. In other words, instead of being a wizard, possessed of some mysterious secret, he is only a hard and intelligent worker. Work has a magic potency, but no touch of wizardry; but all of us; and especially those who cultivate the soil; are prone to envy the successful man as having been endowed with luck or some mysterious talent, whereas he excels us merely in his willingness to work. What is needed by the average man who wants more acreage is more energy.—Galveston News.

The trouble with the Americans is that they don't take enough exercise. You are continually hearing of someone being sick. There is no need of there being so much sickness. Some people who are in business, work at their trade all day and at night go home and worry over the result of the day's work, and wonder what success they will have on the morrow. They never get out and take the exercise they should, and worry will kill any man. Take everything as it comes, and you will come nearer making good in this life than the fellow who does opposite.



## TALK IT OVER

with any friend who has worn the Crosset Shoe or Oxford. Certain things can be done to a Crosset shoe that makes it fully equal to the fancy priced \$7.00 and \$8.00 shoe. You will find these in our Crosset Bench Made lines.

The price is **\$4.00**  
Bench Made **5.00**

and \$7.00 or \$8.00 won't buy a better grade anywhere.

## EXTRA SPECIALS

in Ladies' \$3.50 and \$4.00 Oxfords for Saturday and all next week. \$4.00 Ladies' Patent and Oxblood Oxfords choice Saturday or any day next week **\$3.45**

## \$3.50 Red Cross Fine Oxfords

in a full range of new 1909 lasts and toes. We have them in Tans, Patents and Vici Kid. Picking Saturday or any day next week **\$2.95**

One lot men's Jno. B. Stetson Hats, odds of stock to close the line quick, choice **\$1.95**

When I cut a price I cut it deep. If "the price is the thing" then it will pay you to investigate.

## W. P. BONNER

One Price—The Lowest

BIG SPRINGS,

TEXAS

Local view post cards at Ward's send them to your friends.

J. O. Pratt was here this week from El Paso county.

Everything sold under a guarantee at Ayers & Balls.

C. E. Bell was here Monday from his home eight miles south of town.

Who sells the most paint and best paint? Reagan—The Horse Shoe Brand.

J. B. Williamson of San Angelo was in town a few days this week looking after business matters.

Watches, diamonds and solid gold jewelry at Ward's. The price is the thing.

That ladies suit at Ayers & Balls is a beauty and is only \$5.

Bring your formula or stock receipts to Reagan, who wants to fill them.

Jim Olenworth of Lampasas was in our city prospecting during the first of the week.

It is now an assured fact that we are to have an up-to-date oil mill in the near future added to our already vast number of worthy enterprises.

There is some talk of building an up-to-date hotel here by local capitalists in a short time. Now, we think this would be a wise move, as our town badly needs just such an enterprise.

## Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder

A pure grape cream of tartar powder. Its fame is world-wide. No alum, no phosphatic acid. There is never a question as to the absolute purity and healthfulness of the food it raises.