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THE MAD RUSH FOR LAND.
Why don't the people come to the Panhandle where land is cheap and where they do not have to expend large sums of money in the courts to protect their title? And, too, the Panhandle land is better for farming and stock raising than the greater part of that section of Oklahoma in which they are having so many land contests. As an instance of the mad rush for land we give the following from the Henrietta Review:

The registrar of the United States land office at Lawton, Oklahoma, has lately given out the following statistics of his office, facts shown from its opening, Aug. 6, 1901, to date: In the Lawton district there are 6,500 homesteads. Of this number something like 500 were located in the Wichita mountains and in the sand bottoms of Red river and no entries have ever been made of them. To this date there have been 11,829 filings or nearly twice as many as there are homesteads. The number of final proofs to date is 4,384, or a little more than half of

the number of homesteaders. The number of applications for final proof is 4,600. The number of contests to date is 33,013, or nearly five times as many as there were homestead entries.

TREE PLANTING.
It would add very much to the value and the attractiveness of our plains country if every settler would plant trees. Nothing makes a country more beautiful than groves of thrifty trees. When Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, southern Minnesota and central Illinois were first settled they were as bare as our own plains country is now. But today most of these prairie states look as though they had been timbered countries. Groves of trees surround most of the farm dwellings. Nearly ever farmer has his timber lot and the towns and villages abound in shaded streets and wooded parks.

What has been accomplished there is as possible here. Tree growing on the plains is no longer an experiment. The success of timber and shade tree growing has been abundantly demonstrated and now the time is ripe for every settler to surround his home with groves. He can, if he will, soon grow his own posts and part of his fuel if he will plant trees. It will add not only to his comfort but to the value of his land and to the value of all the land surrounding him.

Black locusts grow here on the plains almost as well as our native cottonwood does along the water courses. Here on Willow Springs we have hundreds of black locusts trees six years old from seedlings, which are now large enough for posts. We have seven-year-old mulberry trees five inches in diameter, and around the water tanks groves of cottonwood. White willow, soft maple, elm and white ash are also making thrifty growth.

There is not much expense attached to the starting of a grove of black locusts. Yearling trees can be purchased for about two dollars per thousand. Thirty-five hundred will set a little over five acres, setting them eight feet apart each way. To what better use can five acres of our land be put to than to grow a five timber lot? The land should have been well cultivated for a year or two before setting out the trees. The trees should be pruned for the first two or three years, after that they will shade the ground and care for themselves. At six or eight years old such a lot would furnish all the posts and some of the fuel for an ordinary section farm, and that without depletion. Black locusts is a good fuel and makes as good a post as bois'd arc. It is a proved tree for the plains. There is no risk wherever in planting it.

Can you not imagine how much such groves would add to the beauty of the plains country? When the town of Channings was started by the Capitol Syndicate, a few years ago, Mr. Boyce, the enterprising and progressive manager of that ranch, took the initiative in stimulating tree planting.

The idea of having a grove town on the plains was taken up by the inhabitants and now no prettier village is to be seen along the Denver road, with each house in its grove of trees. As years go by it will grow more beautiful.

I think the Herald can do no better service for the country than to encourage tree planting.—W. S. Marshall.

Can You Eat?
J. B. Taylor, a prominent merchant of Christman, Texas, says: "I could not eat because of a weak stomach. I lost all strength and ran down in weight. All that money could do was done, but all hope of recovery vanished. Hearing of some wonderful cures effected by use of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure, I concluded to try it. The first bottle benefited me, and after taking four bottles, I am fully restored to my usual strength, weight and health." Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat and cures. Sold by Central Drug Store.

Miss Helen Gould is to make an inspection tour of the Young Men's Christian associations on the lines of the Gould roads. These are usually located where the roads have their shops and divisions, and most of them were built by Miss Gould.

High water did \$100,000 damage at Roswell.

The Herald is advocating a brick yard for Amarillo.

They are picking cotton by moonlight in Georgia.

Cyclone Davis is listed to speak at Clarendon Oct. 11.

Twenty people lost their lives in the floods of New Mexico.

The contract has been let for a Christian church at Canyon City.

Last Saturday Brisco County voted to exterminate the prairie dog.

The Amarillo public school opened last Monday with an attendance of 625.

Federal authorities will check the influx of undesirable immigrants from Mexico.

The banks of Japan have made a third domestic war loan of forty million dollars.

Postmaster General Payne died at Washington Tuesday. Geo. C. Cortelyou succeeds to the office.

A report from Tokio says Japan will ultimately make the total war strength of the army exceed 1,000,000 men.

The people of Texas paid sixteen and a half millions in insurance premiums during the last twelve months.

New York capitalists have purchased the volcano Popocatepetl in Mexico and will work its immense sulphur deposits.

The Texas school for the blind now occupies a new building at Austin worth \$50,000. There are 260 in attendance.

Judge Terrell, author of the reform election law, will present to the next legislature a State civil service reform bill.

In North Carolina a mob hanged a white man for killing another white man. Thus the spirit of mob violence increases.

Bartholdi, the sculptor who designed the Statue of Liberty in New York harbor, died of tuberculosis at his home at Paris, France, Tuesday.

Owing to the rapid deaths among old Confederates, the pension apportionment in this State will be increased the next quarter to \$9.25 each.

At Wilkesbarre, Pa., three tramps were put in a tub and made to scrub each other clean with brooms. Thus the accumulations of a lifetime were swept away.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs died at Dallas Tuesday morning, in the 53rd year of his age. He was lieutenant governor during John Ireland's administration, elected in 1884.

Texas are in great demand just now in the national campaign. Senators Culbertson and Bailey and representatives Burleson, Buggess and Cooper have been asked to make speeches in various of the doubtful states.

One night last week a lone robber made an unsuccessful attempt to rob the Wells-Fargo express office at Dalhart. The robber threw his gun down on the night operator but a like action on the part of the operator frightened him and he fled.

Report comes from Manchester, England, that between 40,000 and 50,000 people in the poorer parts of the city were practically on the verge of starvation because of the depression in the cotton industry. Similar conditions prevail in London and other large cities of the United Kingdom. Yet it is said money is a drudge on the market even at a low rate of interest. A shameful condition in a Christian nation.

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Peter Sells died at his home at Columbus, Ohio, on Wednesday, aged 55 years. Lewis Sells is the only one now living of the four Sells brothers that started in the show business in 1872.

Among the most sensational events recently reported is three deliberate attempts to wreck the battleship Connecticut just prior to her launching. It seems an insoluble mystery why any man should desire to destroy such a vessel. It is to be hoped that the scoundrel will be found and get punishment to fit the crime.

Several hundred life-preservers, sold to the United States government by a Camden, N. J., firm, have been found to contain an iron bar six inches long in each, concealed within the compressed cork block. This, of course, because iron is cheaper per pound than cork. Avarice seems to have touched bottom in such tampering with human life and there should be a law that such miscreants should be hanged. How many load-life preservers are on our steamboats?

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There are sixty Japanese employed in the repair shops at the navy yards at Cavite, Philippine Islands. They get \$1.50 a day. Every one of them sends fifty cents each day to the Japanese treasurer at home to help pay the expenses of the war. That is a kind of patriotism not known in any other nation in the world.—Ex.

"There is a dignity in honest toil which belongs not to the display of wealth or the luxury of fashion. The man who drives the plow, or swings his axe in the forest, or with cunning fingers plies the tools of his craft, is as truly the servant of his country as the statesman in the senate, or the soldier in battle. The safety of a nation depends not alone on the wisdom of the statesman, or the bravery of its generals. The tongue of the statesman never saved a nation tottering to its fall; the sword of a warrior never stayed its destruction. Would you see the image of true national glory, I would show you villages where the crown and glory of the people are in common schools, where the voice of prayer goes heavenward, where the people have that most priceless gift, faith in God."—Bishop Whipple.

Pill Pleasure.
If you ever took DeWitt's Little Early Risers for biliousness or constipation you know what pill pleasure is. These famous little pills cleanse the liver and rid the system of all bile without producing unpleasant effects. They do not grip, sicken or weaken, but pleasantly give tone and strength to the tissues and organs of the stomach, liver and bowels. Sold by Central Drug Store.

In the Southern States there are 27,000,000 people, and 17,000,000 of them are living under absolute Prohibition.—Ram's Horn.

Director of the Mint at Washington has just completed his calculation of the production of gold and silver in the United States and in the world for the calendar year of 1903. The figures for the United States show the total production of gold to be worth \$73,591,700 and of silver to be worth \$29,322,000. The total gold production of the world for the calendar year 1903 is valued at \$325,527,200 and the value of silver is given as \$92,039,600.

"When Egypt fell, 3 per cent of the people owned all the wealth. When Persia fell 2 per cent owned all the wealth. Greece fell when 1 1/2 per cent of her people had all the wealth. Rome fell when all the wealth of the civilized world was owned by 2,000 people, and the world is now on the verge of another similar epoch—the centralization of wealth into the hands of a few being only too evident as the dial hands point to a near crisis."

The Treasury Department says that about nine million of silver dollars have been withdrawn from the Treasury to pay cotton pickers in the South. It seems to be coming the South's way about this time, and it will not be many years before it will be coming the South's way all the year. For diversification has set in good and hard.—Dallas News.

Best Remedy for Constipation.
"The finest remedy for constipation I ever used is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets," says Mr. Eli Butler, of Frankville, N. Y. "They act gently and without any unpleasant effect, and leave the bowels in a perfectly natural condition." Sold by the Central Drug Store.

Col. Isaac W. Brown, "the bird and bee man," states that had there been a normal supply of insect eating birds in Mexico for the past fifty years there would not be a single boll weevil in Texas today. Whether Col. Brown is correct or not, it is an established fact that birds do much to help the farmers get rid of insect pests. See that the game law is strictly enforced on your land.—Farm & Ranch.

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THE MAKING OF GEMS.

interesting Case Before the Board of General Appraisers at New York. Customs officials of the government are learning something every day about artificial gems and how they are made.

The rubies in question were involved as "reconstructed rubies." They were consigned to a firm in St. Louis, which took an appeal from the decision of the surveyor of the port in that city that they were dutiable at 29 per cent ad valorem.

The process of manufacture of artificial rubies has been known for a quarter of a century to certain scientists in Europe, and for many years was preserved as a secret by the French Academy of Sciences.

This distinction is very difficult of detection. So far as material, texture, and uses are concerned, the articles are identical. The value of the artificial ruby is about one-tenth of the natural.

It appears from the record that the degree of heat which would be necessary to weld pieces of genuine rubies would melt them into a volatile substance which would escape, and for that reason the process of manufacture contained for it is impossible, though pieces of ruby may be cemented with glass as stated.

LIGHTS UP CURVES.

Locomotive Headlight Contrived That Illuminates Curved Track. In recent years the locomotive and trolley headlights have undergone a great many improvements, but probably the most startling novelty in headlight construction is that projecting a vertical beam as well as a horizontal one.

Devices for swinging the light in such a way as to illuminate curves have been invented, but their use is not generally resorted to. The most recent thing in the way of headlight improvement is a method of diverting the rays to either side for the purpose of lighting up curves in the track as they are being rounded.

The thing consists of a glass or other highly polished surface, mounted in a frame and placed in a vertical position in front of the headlight of the usual type. It is held normally in a position of non-interference with the light rays as they are shot from the lamp, but when it is desired to divert the light to one side or other the position of the auxiliary reflector is changed at the will of the engineer, who operates it by means of a cord, which results that one-half of the light is directed just where it is wanted.

Ludicrous Position Into Which It Led a Railroad Official. A few of us on the professor's porch were talking of the power of habit and the foolish things it sometimes makes us do.

"I once had an experience," said the railroad official, "which I am almost afraid to tell. It is so absurd that it sounds like fiction, and very poor fiction at that."

The professor said that he had the best possible indication of its truthfulness, and begged him to tell it. "Well, it is true, every word of it," the railroad man went on. "I had been an officer of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad in Illinois for many years, and, of course, had annual passes over all the important railroads in the country. My duties took me to Springfield, the state capital, very often, and, as I almost always went by the Chicago, Alton & St. Paul road, the conductors on that line knew me so well that they never asked me to see my pass.

"One winter a gang of blood suckers in the legislature were bent on extorting money from the railroads by means of several bills which they threatened to pass if we did not buy them off; so I spent considerable time at the capital, watching our interests. In fact, I was there so much that I retained a room in the Leland hotel by the month. One day I received a telegram summoning me to meet one of the officers of our company at Aurora the next morning. I had only a short time in which to catch the train from Springfield to Chicago, and in my haste went away, leaving my book of passes in my bureau drawer. I did not find this out until I reached Chicago and was about to take the last train for Aurora that night. Then I saw that the conductor, a man brought over from the Iowa division, was a stranger to me, and the fact that I should need a pass reminded me that I did not have it.

"I told the conductor the situation, but he said he could not carry me or my mere representation that I had a pass. "Why, man," said I, "I am an officer of the company, going to Aurora on company business, and this is the last train that will get me there in time you must take me."

FUTURE OF THE PHONOGRAPH.

Tom Edison Dreams a Few More Dreams Calculated to Scare. Since the phonograph was first introduced Mr. Edison has often said that it did not fully realize his expectations, and he has more than once undertaken to improve it. Another task would temporarily divert his attention—magnetic ore separation, cement manufacture, his storage battery or something else—but at length he would find a chance to give fresh thought to the imperfections of the earlier invention. He now thinks that he has overcome some of these which interfered with the satisfactory employment of the instrument for reporting court proceedings and public speeches. For the present, however, he seems disinclined to push the sale of the apparatus. Herein he betrays benevolence and good sense. A fear that he is about to injure stenographers by furnishing a mechanical substitute is excited by his announcement, and hence he proposes to go slowly. In time, whatever be the merits of the improved phonograph, they will surely be recognized. The inventor ought not to wait long for his reward.

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