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WANTS INFORMATION

FROM MR. CARLISLE REGARDING THE DUTY ON WOOL.

Bill Passes the Senate "Opening the Forest Reservations of Colorado for the Locating of Mining Claims"—Senator Allen's Address on the Davis Resolution.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—In the senate yesterday, after Senator Frye was unanimously elected president pro tem., a resolution offered by Mr. Stewart was agreed to calling on the secretary of the treasury for information as to the increase of revenue if the pending tariff bill becomes a law, and what the duty on wool per pound would be under the law based on the present market price of wool.

Mr. Wolcott (Rep.) of Colorado, secured the passage of a bill opening the forest reservations of Colorado for the locating of mining claims.

"Does that contemplate the mining of gold in Colorado?" asked Mr. Hill facetiously.

"It does," responded Mr. Wolcott, "and will doubtless be satisfactory for that reason to the constituents of the senator from New York, who are concerned with gold."

Mr. Allen then addressed the senate on the resolution known as the Davis resolution relative to the Monroe doctrine. He contended that the Monroe doctrine was simply one of national self-preservation and said that if the invasion of the South American republics by Great Britain will endanger the welfare or menace the safety of this government in any way we should apply this doctrine and resent her action with all the strength and resources of a mighty nation. We must be the exclusive judges of when the doctrine is to be applied.

We cannot, he maintained, permit Great Britain or any foreign power to determine when and to what extent the acquisition of territory on this hemisphere will imperil our government. He thought, however, that it would be ample time to act when the Venezuelan commission shall have reported, and said: "If we shall then determine that the action of Great Britain in acquiring territory in Venezuela will imperil our government by imperilling the rights of Venezuela it will become our duty to marshal all the resources of our people to resist the threatening or actual invasion. If, on the other hand, we shall determine after due investigation and deliberation that our interests will not be imperilled it will be our duty to abstain from any interference with the action of Great Britain. I feel confident, however, that the dispute over the boundary line between Venezuela and British Guiana is not for the primary purpose of obtaining territory, but for the purpose of gaining control of the Orinoco river, which leads into one of the richest portions of South America. If this be true it will be our duty to repel the aggressive action of that nation."

He warned the Venezuelans against becoming over-elated at the attitude of this country and deprecated the idea of plunging England and the United States into a deadly conflict, though England should be given to understand in a manner that can not be mistaken that the honor and interests of our country will be preserved at all hazards and under all circumstances, even though it may take every man and exhaust the resources of this nation to defend them. Continuing in this connection he said:

"The threatened demolition of England and the English institutions that we have heard in this chamber is not real. There is no danger from foes without. We have simply been indulging in the harmless pastime of twisting the caudal appendage of the British lion to arouse a war spirit in the breasts of our people and thus induce them to forget their grievances and their wrongs."

"We mistake the temper of the American people. They know full well that there is no danger of our becoming involved in a war with England or with any foreign power. They do not seek war, and I cannot condemn in too severe terms the lack of confidence in the sober judgment, the intelligence and patriotism of the American people that has led at least one senator in this chamber to assert that a portion of them would welcome war and bloodshed as a relief from their present conditions."

"Much eloquent denunciation of England and the English system of forcible colonization has been indulged in in this chamber within the last few weeks, but they are as 'sounding brass and tinkling cymbals—full of sound, signifying nothing. Florid language

has been used and a willingness to die for the country has been expressed when there is not the slightest likelihood of being called upon to make the sacrifice, but these will not meet the situation nor solve the problem. We must meet this question in the serene and pure atmosphere of a cold philosophy that rises high above the dust and smoke and clouds of mere contending words. If, after we have tried this, the sky line is not visible; if the clouds of war should still gather and threaten to deluge our beloved country with blood, then let our eloquence speak from 1000 battleships that skim the seas and 10,000 cannon will wake the echoes of the world. If, unhappily, the time shall come, which God grant it may not, that American valor must again be displayed on the field of battle in defense of American institutions and against foreign greed and aggrandizement we may confidently expect the sons of America to march under the flag of the free, consecrated by the blood of 100 years, to permanent and glorious victory. Then for every Grant there will be a Lee, for every Sherman a Johnston, for every Thomas a Jackson, for every Sherman a Stuart, and Manson and Dixon's line will be blotted from the map of the United States and true Americans, north and south, welded by the blood of the revolution, the war of 1812 and the war with Mexico, renewed by the estrangement of 1861, as lovers renew and intensify their affection by estrangement, soothed and sustained by a united and splendid American womanhood, will give to the world a lesson in valor that it has never before known."

Alabama Investigation. WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The senate elections committee yesterday considered the resolution introduced by Senator Allen providing for the appointment of a senate committee to investigate the Alabama elections.

The resolution, among other instructions, contains one for an inquiry as to whether a republican form of government exists in Alabama. To this the Democrats on the elections committee took special exception, contending that there is no doubt that such a form of government does exist there, and asserting that it was puerile to go into it.

The Republicans said, on the other hand, that the matter should be further investigated and asked for the appointment of a subcommittee for this purpose.

This request was acceded to and Messrs. Chandler, Burrows and Gray were appointed as such subcommittee. The subcommittee will only take up the legal question of the right of the senate to make the investigation and will report at the next meeting of the full committee.

The Allen resolution is directed especially at the election of Senator Morgan and if the investigation should be ordered would revive the contest made against him in 1893 by Mr. Reese.

A Day of Speechmaking. WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The debate on the free silver substitute for the bond bill proceeded steadily in the house yesterday. The house met at 10:30 o'clock with less than thirty members present and only a few stragglers in the gallery.

Mr. Newlands of Nevada awoke the empty echoes of the vast hall with a vigorous argument in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of silver. He asserted that not a single debtor nation in the world had maintained the gold standard except the United States and we had done so at the price of continued bond issues.

He was followed by several speakers for and against the measure, the day being spent in speechmaking.

Too Much Morphine.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Harry Eversfield, 30 years old, an actor who played the part of Algonon St. Albans in "The Artist's Model" at the Broadway theater, died Thursday night at the Warwick from morphine poisoning. Eversfield had been suffering from insomnia for several weeks and his physician had prescribed morphine. A large bottle of the drug was found beside the actor. It was almost empty. This fact led many to believe that the actor had accidentally taken an overdose of the drug. His wife and two children live in England. Mrs. Eversfield was notified by cable of her husband's death.

Suicide of Shea.

Washington dispatch: John Shea, a first class clerk in the record and pension division of the war department and a veteran of the late war, committed suicide in a closet at the department by shooting himself in the head, causing almost instant death. He evidently was unbalanced mentally from a wound received during the war.

A HORRIBLE AFFAIR.

A WHOLE FAMILY IS MURDERED AT CHICAGO.

Richard Klattke, a Carpenter, Kills His Father, Mother, Wife and Three Children and Then Sends His Own Soul Into Eternity—It Was All Premeditated.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—An entire family of six—father, mother, wife and three children—were murdered Tuesday night by Richard Klattke, a Lakeview carpenter, who then completed his work by killing himself. The dead are: Richard Klattke, 38 years. Kate Klattke, his wife. John Klattke, his father, aged 73. Mina Klattke, his mother, aged 71. Mina Klattke, daughter, aged 9. Anna Klattke, daughter, aged 8. Emma Klattke, daughter, aged 7.

The bodies of the dead were found early yesterday morning in their little cottage, 273 Berscan avenue, two blocks from Cuyler Station, a suburb, on the Chicago and Northwestern railroad. The discovery was made by Matthew Brown, a saloonkeeper, who, wishing some work done, called at the Klattke residence to secure the services of the carpenter. He rapped on the door, but there was no response. Knowing the Klattkes were early risers, he became suspicious, called the neighbors and they broke in and found the seven corpses. Each had a bullet wound in the head. In each case the ball had penetrated the brain and death evidently had been instantaneous. Beside the body of Richard Klattke,

had been sharpened to the keen edge of a razor. It was evident that Klattke had prepared for a possible failure of his revolver and had arranged for a sure substitute if needed.

Legislature Still Locked.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 6.—For thirty minutes before the clock in the house chamber indicated the noon hour yesterday the lobbies and galleries of the house were crowded to their utmost capacity. Everybody was talking about the senatorial race and feeling as to the outcome of the ballot was intense. The qualification of Beckham and Ogilvie's appearance in the senate chamber had awakened both parties to a realization of the struggle ahead. There were 134 members present, and when the voting began Senator Hayward caused the first break in the anti-Blackburn column by voting for Blackburn. Senator Holloway followed up the break by voting for Blackburn. Each vote was loudly cheered. Slage caused great applause from the Republicans by voting for Hunter, and Weisinger received an ovation when he voted for Carlisle. Carroll voted for Carlisle amid applause. Edrington (Pop.) voted for Blackburn. Poore (Pop.) voted for Bate, Speight for McCreary and Violet for Carlisle. The ballot resulted: Hunter, 66; Blackburn, 62; Carlisle, 3; McCreary, 2; Bate, 1.

Anti-Prize Fight Bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The full text of the anti-prize fighting bill, which passed the house yesterday is as follows: That any person who in any part of the territories or in the District of Columbia shall voluntarily engage in

SUSAN B. ANTHONY.

Presiding Officer of the National Woman's Suffrage Association in Session at Washington.



lay a revolver and empty cartridge-shells scattered about the room. One peculiar feature was the lack of any indication of a struggle on the part of any of the victims, and heavy odor like that of chloroform pervaded the house. From this it was surmised Richard had first chloroformed the entire family and then at his leisure taken deliberate aim and put a bullet into the brain of each.

Klattke was despondent and his family were cold and hungry. Since Christmas he has been out of work and he ended his troubles just as relief was in sight.

An examination of the remains showed one of the victims alone had any warning of her fate. This was his wife. She had struggled with her husband before the fatal shot was fired. Her hands were scratched and her clothing torn. She had evidently been overpowered and thrown on the bed beside the dead body of her little 7-year-old daughter.

On a chair in the room lay a whetstone and two knives, each of which

a pugilist encounter between man and man and a fight between a man and a bull or any other animal for money or for things of value or for any championship or upon the result of which any money or anything of value is bet or wagered or to see which admission is charged either directly or indirectly shall be deemed guilty of a felony, and upon conviction shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than one year nor more than five years.

By the term "pugilistic encounter" as used in this bill is meant any voluntary fight by blows, by means of fists or otherwise, whether with or without gloves, between two or more men for money or for a prize of any character or for anything of value, or for any championship, or upon the result of which any money or anything of value is bet or wagered, or to see which admission is charged, either directly or indirectly.

Assistant Secretary of State Uhl is mentioned as Ambassador to Germany since Rungton deceased.

TEXAS NEWS NOTES.

Strawberries in abundance all along the coast.

Kennedy, Karnes county, has a coal net band.

The Salvation Army is very active at Sherman.

An abundance of rain in the Panhandle country.

Seguin, the city of live caks, is steadily improving.

Austinites are worried by a class known as sneak thieves.

The Brazos river is "full," even running over the low lands.

Generally speaking the farmers are well advanced with their work.

The governor has appointed R. Carey branch pilot at Sabine Pass.

M. L. LaFrance has been jailed at Hillsboro on a charge of forgery.

The teachers of Dallas county recently held a very interesting institute.

A stranger was robbed of \$10 at the junction at Longview the other night.

T. S. Gilson, dealer in dry goods at Farmersville, Collin county, has failed.

Tom Jackson, colored, in jail at McKinney, attempted suicide by hanging.

Luling has a lyceum and a splendid program are rendered by local talent.

There are many new farms being opened in Calhoun, Matagorda and Wharton counties.

The retranchers of the Dallas city government propose to lop off \$37,000 of annual expenses.

A man at Hearne, less than 23 years of age, says he has read the Bible through eight times.

Jim Oakes, a negro, was shot in the head the other evening, at LaGrange, by Deputy Sheriff Will Loessin while resisting arrest. Loessin stated that he was compelled to do it. Oakes is not expected to live.

Something over 600 head of hogs have been shipped from Hutto, Williamson county, to Fort Worth this season. They averaged 300 pounds. Hog raising is receiving a great deal of attention in that county.

The following letter from Land Commissioner Baker to State Treasurer Wortham, explains itself: You are respectfully advised that all state school lands sold under the act of 1887 and acts amendatory thereof and reported by you to this department as delinquent in interest for the year ending August 1, 1894, have been forfeited as required by law, except such claims on which you have since accepted interest payments and filed receipts in this office.

A Sister of Charity connected with the Texas and Pacific hospital at the Marshall hospital, by the name of Sister St. John, forsook the order to become a wife. She was married a few days since in Palestine to H. A. Nunnally, who was the druggist at the hospital. Sister St. John quietly slipped away from the hospital at night. She was assisted in her escape by Mr. Nunnally's brother, who took her to Palestine, where she was followed the next day by Druggist Nunnally and the marriage ceremony followed.

The state treasurer reports land sales for the month of January: Lease public school lands, interest, \$14,104.31; sale public school lands, interest, \$23,226.92; sale public school lands, principal, 24,905.51; lease university lands, interest, \$211.26; sale university lands, interest, \$113.78; sale university lands, principal, 50c; sale deaf and dumb asylum lands, interest, \$596.68; sale deaf and dumb asylum lands, principal, \$504.35; sale lunatic asylum lands, interest, \$99.50; sale lunatic asylum lands, principal, \$321.75; sale orphan asylum lands, interest, \$91.73; sale orphan asylum lands, principal, \$24; sale blind asylum lands, interest, \$119.68; sale blind asylum lands, principal, \$47; sale public domain, act July 14, 1879, \$9.20; sale public domain, act March 29, 1887, \$691.98. Total, \$64,976.50.

At Dallas a few days since Will Peters and Albert Krugie, young wheelmen 18 and 20 years old, fatally stabbed an Italian. They were arrested.

At Nacogdoches the epidemic of measles continues to create great distress and no little consternation among the people. Several deaths in the country have occurred, but none in town.

Near Victoria, recently, E. L. Dunlap's hay meadow took fire and burned off 800 acres of uncut hay and about 300 bales of cured hay, two presses and all other implements on the premises.

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The senate and house have taken up the game of see-saw on the financial question, the senate for silver and the house against it.

Colorado City Man Killed.

Fort Stockton, Texas., Jan. 29.—Joe Brutinet of Colorado City, become involved in a shooting scrape here today with J. A. Livingston shortly after noon in which the former was instantly killed by a bullet through the body and one through head.

Notice To Teachers.

Austin, Tex. Jan. 31, 1890.
To County Superintendents:—
You will please give notice that in connection with the next regular county examination applicants for permanent certificates will be examined. The program of the entire examination will be as follows:

On Thursday, February 20th, applicants will be examined on the following permanent certificate subject: History, English Literature, American Literature, Chemistry, Solid Geometry, Plane Trigonometry, and Bookkeeping.
On Friday, February 21st, applicants for first and second grade certificates will be examined upon subjects usually set for Friday, to wit: Mental science, Composition Algebra, United States History, Physical Geography, Civil Government, Geometry, Physics.

On Saturday, February 22nd, applicants will be examined upon the following third grade subjects to wit: Arithmetic, Writing, Geo-

graphy, Texas History, Spelling, Grammar, Methods and Management, Physiology.

As only three examinations for permanent certificates are held during the year, I hope you will give as wide notice as possible of the approaching February examination.

Most Respectfully,
J. M. Carlisle,
State Superintendent.
Mexican Import Duty.

Under the McKinley tariff act the duty on Mexican cattle was \$10 a head. The reduction to present figures was made under the tariff act of 1894, whereby it was reduced to 20 per cent ad valorem.

A person desiring to import Mexican to the United States must make an invoice of same in Mexican money, and present it to the Mexican government consul which invoice, after being recorded, is sent to the port of entry at which the cattle are to be entered. The valuation is then reduced to the duty on the valuation in United States money. (If the valuation is not satisfactory to the United States collector of customs they are valued by custom house officials.) Accordingly a steer valued in Mexico at say \$25, Mexican money, would be in United States money (54 cents to the Mexican \$1) worth \$13.50. Twenty per cent of \$13.50 would make the duty \$2.70 on a steer.—San Angelo Standard.

Here is the way an exchange understands the new game law: Book agents may be killed from August 1; spring poets from March to July; scandal mongers from July 2 to December 31, inclusive; umbrella borowers from February 1 to November 1. Open seasons all the year round on life insurance agents and fellows who borrow their neighbors paper—Ex.

A great many Texas cattlemen are considerably agitated over quarantine regulations contemplated by secretary Morton, which will prevent many of the Panhandle cattle being moved to Kansas and Northern territories. Some claim that such regulations would seriously depreciate the price of cattle all over the state and would depreciate those of the Panhandle as much as \$5 on the head.

Cheap Metropolitan Papers.

There is no excuse nowadays for a citizen failing to subscribe for a great metropolitan newspaper in addition to taking his own county paper. The "twice-a-week" Republic of St. Louis, which is credited with the large circulation of any weekly paper, is only \$1 a year, for this sum it sends two papers a week, or 104 papers in a year—less than one cent each. The weekly contains the best and brightest news condensed from the daily paper, together with a well assorted collection of reading matter and useful information. A popular feature in its columns next year will be the speeches of prominent men in the presidential campaign. These will be given almost in full. A reader of the "Twice-a-Week" Republic will always be abreast of the times, for no paper has greater news gathering facilities.

The Daily and Sunday Republic can now be had by mail for a little more than one cent and a half a day, or \$6 a year, when paid in advance. Though this paper has greatly reduced its price, it has increased its value twofold by adding many valuable features.

\$7680 Land Deal in Coke County.

R. E. Tankersley, the gentlemanly representative of the land department of the H. & T. C. Ry. Co. with headquarters at San Angelo returned a few days ago from the Bronte neighborhood, in Coke county, where he sold land at \$4 per acre to the following farmers: John Rodgers, 320 acres; James Yates, 160 acres; W. J. H. Rodgers, 160 acres; A. J. Pettitt, 160 acres; D. E. Scott, 160 acres.

Mr. Tankersley also sold to the following parties, at the same terms, but the trade is not finally closed, but will be in a few days: To R. M. Cumbie, 160 acres; Dock Fletcher, 160 acres; G. W. Warner 160 acres; T. C. Baldwin, 160 acres; John Stuart, 160 acres; J. L. Robinson, 160 acres.—S. A. Standard.

Cotton Receipts.

L. Schwartz & Co. bought the following cotton on the 27th inst. T. H. Higgenbotham, 2 bales; W. H. Sewell 2 bales; L. H. Spencer 2 bales; all of Bronte, Coke county Texas.

B. L. Vaughn, 6 bales; L. H. McDorman, 13 bales; C. J. Hutto, 2 bales; W. G. Hutto, 1 bale; Coke county.

J. T. Cole, 2 bales; W. R. Presler, 2 bales; W. H. Campbell, 2 bales; W. Scarborough 1 bale; Sam Crockett, 3 bales; Wm. Eyrd, 2 bales, Sanco, Coke county.

Sam King 1 bale; J. H. Briggs, 2 bales; W. C. Benson 2 bales; W. T. Benson 1 bale; J. E. Byman, 1 bale; Edith, Coke county.

C. C. Woulard, 1 bale; Tom Williams 1 bale; J. N. Hutchinson 1 bale. Bronte Texas.
Stewart & Harrison, 3 bales; Robert Lee, Texas.—San Angelo Standard.

The prohibitionists will have a full state ticket in the field for next election.

Congressman William H. Crain died at Washington, of pneumonia on the 10th inst.

The Democratic state executive committee has pledged itself to submit the financial question to a vote of the democrats of the state in their primaries.

A Voice From Washington.

Special telegram to the Enterprise. Washington, Feb. 10.—Have strong hopes of favorable committee report on establishment of federal court at San Angelo. Congressman Crain died today. Inside advices are that the tariff bill will pass the senate in time, with some chance of becoming a law, and that Allison is sure winner in case McKinley and Reed lock convention.

Runnels county will soon try an irrigation scheme on a large scale. A dam is to be built in the Colorado river about the western line of the county and ditches taken out on both sides of the river all the way cross the county. The contract for preliminary survey has already been consummated, work to begin at once. This will irrigate at least 100,000 acres of fine rich valley lands in this county.—Ballinger correspondence Houston Post.

The government quarantine regulations just promulgated prohibit the sale of cattle from all parts of Texas, into Kansas, Missouri, Colorado, New Mexico, Montana and Idaho. These new regulations deal a severe blow to the interests of Texas.—Abilene Reporter.

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LOCAL CHIPS.

County court meets Monday.

H. A. Chapman has been on Sil-buying yealings this week.

Mr. Colier, the Edith merchant was in town Thursday.

W. L. McAuley, of Maverick, was in the city yesterday.

Put up your hogs.

Attend the school concert at the court house to-night.

Mrs D T Averitt gave the young folks a leap year party last night.

Commissioners court adjourned yesterday.

Bro Bates went to Ballinger Monday and got back Thursday.

T. C. Baldwin, of Ft. Chadbourne, attended conference here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Irby photographed the school Thursday.

The next issue of the Rustler will contain a candidates announcement for office—ask no questions

A young gentleman friend writes us that he wants a position as son-in-law in some private family—good references given.

When you want the people to know that you are sure enough in it for office, that you mean to run through and fight to a finish: put your announcement in the RUSTLER.

Notice!

To the tax payers of Coke county: All who have not paid their taxes for 1895 will please come forward and settle same and save costs.

Respectfully,

L. B. Murray,
Tax Collector.

March Bros. warehouse with its contents was almost destroyed by fire, at San Angelo, not long since.

The court of criminal appeals at Dallas refused to lower John H. Fitzpatrick's bond and it will remain at \$7000.

Misses Maggie Koas and Lulu Douglas, of Ft. Chadbourne, were in town Saturday and Sunday.

J. R. Purcell has submitted a proposition to the town to put in a system of water works at the cost \$1500.

Ben Acery, of Hayrick, was in town Wednesday. Ben is feeding about 300 muttons for the market.

Mr. Chapman bought 20 head of stock cattle of Mrs J. E. Gouldman at \$11.50 per head.

Capt Hutchinson was doing some fruit tree business in town Thursday.

Read Findlater's new ad in this issue.

Justice Davis held court yesterday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

RATES FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OFFICE.

The RUSTLER will charge the following prices for announcing candidates for office.
Announcement Fees Always in Advance.

All District Officers.....\$7.50
County Officers.....5.00
Precinct Officers.....2.50

Quarterly Conference of the M. E. Church South, met at the court house here on Friday the 7th. The presiding elder, Brother Shelton, was present and preached a series of very interesting and able sermons. After the sermon Sunday morning Brother Shelton asked if there were three men in the audience who would subscribe \$25 each for the erection of a church here, he proposing to make the fourth one to subscribe that amount. H. H. Hayley, J. W. Reed, J. H. Burroughs, E. C. Good, and Brother Shelton subscribed \$25 each. There was \$222.50 subscribed by the audience. In all there has been over \$350 subscribed for the church building, besides the \$250 given by the general board.

Brother Shelton says he thinks the conference board will give \$200 more for the building, which will enable us to erect a good substantial house at a cost of about \$1000.

J. D. Sloan, of Sweetwater is in town this week representing the Security Mutual Life Insurance company.

F. B. Perry and family and Mrs. J. L. Barron made a trip to Sweetwater this week.

Owing to the fact that the mail carrier lost the paper last week, we missed an issue, so there will be a part of last week's news contained in this issue.

Dr. Latham, Judge Perryman, E. C. Good, Jess Buchanan, Jim Burroughs, Brother Bates, Ed M. Mobley and W. C. Merchant have thanks for job work given this office recently.

School Land.

I have just received from the General Land Office, a list of school lands in Coke county, which have been forfeited for non-payment of interest for the year ending August 1st, 1894.

The original purchasers or their assigners have a prior right for a period of ninety days from the 7th day of this month, to purchase these lands under the prior right provision of the new law, which provides that, by paying the interest due on the forfeited contract up to the day same was declared forfeited, they have a right to compute the time the land was occupied under the old contract, or, in other words, if the land has been occupied for three consecutive years under the old contract, he may buy without the condition of settlement and the land will be appraised without reference to the improvements thereon.

After the expiration of the prior right period, the original purchaser or his assignee has an equal chance with every one else to purchase the land as though it had never been bought from the state. To purchase under the prior right provision is not to redeem or reinstate the old contract.

The back interest paid is as per the terms of the old contract, and the purchaser enters into a new contract which provides that the interest at the rate of three per cent on all unpaid principal together with one fourth of the original principal shall be paid to the State on or before the 1st day of November of each year.

The appraisal is \$2 per acre on all lands classed as agricultural lands and \$1 per acre on all lands classed as Grazing lands, and the Land Commissioner has ruled that, under the new law, there can be no change in the classification of any land that has been classified under any former laws.

Ed M. Mobley,
County Clerk, Coke Co.

Old Brother Sparks, of Pecan, was in town yesterday and bought one of those fine Chancellor buggies of Burroughs & Co.

Mr Finch, the Ballinger mail carrier failed to go through on account of high water in cow creek Tuesday.

H. M. Bennick and W. C. Hayley returned from a trip to Colman Tuesday.

Have Jim Hamilton to carry your notes—only 5 cents to the receiver of the note.

Jim Hamilton's mother and his younger brother Sam, of Healdton, I. T. are here on a visit.

Clay Williamson and John Christian, of Bug Skuffle, are in town.

No sir!—don't want water works either, last night showed that.

From Sweetwater Review.

Will McGaughey, of Decker, was in town Monday. It is said he will make the race for sheriff.

Mr Boozer, of Coke county, was in town Saturday.

C. W. Odom and G. D. Cole, of Olga, were in town trading this week.

WINE FOR WOMEN!

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TOOK HER OWN LIFE.

THE SECRET OF MISS PEARL BRYAN'S DEATH.

Miss Lulu May Hollingsworth, a friend of Miss Bryan, Tells a Startling Story which Would Tend to Show that the Young Woman Killed Herself.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 10.—The Fort Thomas murder mystery is now nearer a solution than it has been since the headless body of Pearl Bryan was found.

Miss Lulu May Hollingsworth, one of Pearl Bryan's girl friends, who has been boarding at No. 1 Henry street, knows a deal about the tragedy. Miss Hollingsworth's knowledge of the case was brought to light last night through a letter written to Marshal W. E. Starr of Green Castle. The man who wrote the letter is H. E. Ratcliffe, a traveling salesman from Baltimore. He advised Marshall Starr to investigate the matter and the marshal came here yesterday afternoon. Detective Frank Wilson was detailed to assist the marshal. They called on Miss Hollingsworth. She was not inclined to be communicative at first. They then decided to take her to police headquarters and have her questioned by Superintendent Colbert.

Miss Hollingsworth says that on the afternoon of Jan. 28 she was at the union station and met Miss Bryan. She had visited in Green Castle and had become acquainted with Miss Bryan there. After the usual greetings were over Miss Bryan told her she was in deep trouble. She explained its nature and said that Jackson was responsible for her condition. She said it would never do for her people to hear of her disgrace and she was going to Cincinnati to have an abortion performed. She asked Miss Hollingsworth the nature of drugs used in such cases and Miss Hollingsworth told her what she had heard was good.

"I am positive that Pearl was not murdered," she said.

"Well, how do you know?"

"I know," replied the girl, "but I do not propose to tell."

"Why not?"

"Simply because I do not propose to incriminate myself. There was an occurrence between Jackson, Pearl Bryan and myself that were I to tell of would clear up the mystery surrounding her death."

"Why don't you tell it and set the minds of her folks at rest?"

"For this reason: It would incriminate me. However, I do not propose to see those boys hang, and when the last hope is gone I will tell what I know in order to save their necks. They did not kill Pearl."

"How do you know they did not kill her?"

"Because she died by her own hand. I have a theory. Pearl took the medicine herself. She was in Jackson's room at the time. It had a different effect from what she expected and she grew so bad that Jackson saw she was going to die. He knew that it would never do to have her die in the house, so he hired a hack and, assisted by Walling, took her across the river. She may have died on the way and may have been dead before they got her out of the room, and their object in taking her there was to hide the crime. When near Fort Thomas they cut off her head and disposed of it to avoid identification. See if it don't come out that way."

Later last night Miss Hollingsworth told the police all she knew. She said she bought for Pearl Bryan three kinds of drugs here and instructed her to buy another drug after she reached Cincinnati, but to be careful of it, as it was deadly poison and would kill her if not used correctly.

Miss Hollingsworth says that Pearl Bryan then said to her:

"I will go to Cincinnati and take the stuff, and if it kills me I will be near Jackson and he will have to swing for it."

Miss Hollingsworth further says that Pearl was very bitter toward Jackson, who was responsible for her condition.

Japanese in Hawaii.

Port Townsend dispatch: According to advices received from Honolulu on the bark Matilda, the leaders of the Japanese colony have given notice that they propose next month to demand of the legislature the enactment of a law permitting Japanese merchants to become Hawaiian subjects. They will also demand that the tariff on certain wares manufactured in Japan, and which do not come in competition with American goods, be abolished. Many conservative citizens believe if these concessions are granted, only a short time will elapse before the same people will be demanding the franchise for all Japanese subjects, who are so numerous that they may soon develop sufficient strength to secure a law acceptable to Japanese importers.

Three Lives Lost.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Feb. 10.—The three-masted schooner Allancia, which left New York last Sunday, went ashore on Plum Island last night and was stove to fragments, four of the crew being saved and three drowned. The schooner had 300 tons of coal for St. John, N. B., and was commanded by Capt. Mellons. She sailed from New York and reached Edgartown, where she rode out Friday and made Cape Cod yesterday afternoon.

Brothers Fight a Duel.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 10.—Carl Dahlke and Herman Dahlke, brothers, fought a duel to the death with knives last night in the rear of 208 Blackhawk street, the home of their sister, Mrs. William Stuy.

There had been a family gathering for the christening of a baby when the brothers quarreled. They adjourned to the back yard to fight. After it was over Herman was picked up, head and face cut into ribbons. He was conveyed to the Alexian Brothers hospital dying. Carl made his escape. Before getting into the yard they had been drinking and quarreling, but had been separated by their wives, who clung frightened to their husbands.

Carl and Herman Dahlke are middle aged, each having a large family. Carl is a laborer. Herman is a night watchman.

"Get out your knife," cried Herman, "and come into the yard."

Pushing the women away, the two men sprang down the steps to the yard in the rear of the house. Each had a keen-bladed pocketknife in his hand, and with screams of anger jumped at one another like tigers. In a moment they were slashing and cutting in fury. Suddenly Herman gave a scream of agony. Carl's knife had shown under the window light for an instant and then was buried almost to the hilt in Herman's head, entering at the left eye. The unfortunate man fell to the ground, writhing in agony. In the meantime the whole neighborhood had been aroused by the wailing of the women and the children's cries for fear. Men and women were ranged about the fence, watching the deadly duel between the brothers, but no one had the temerity to attempt to interfere.

Policeman McGonough arrived just too late to catch Carl red-handed with his brother's blood. A child had run to the corner and informed him, but after Herman had fallen Carl jumped over the fence and made his escape.

When Herman was brought to the hospital his face and head were slashed in a dozen different directions, and the left eye hung from its socket. One cut extended from the crown of the head to a point below the left eye, and another cut had torn almost half the scalp off. Up to a late hour the fugitive brother had not been captured.

What Chamberlain says.

London dispatch: A communication from the secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, of February 4 to the governor of Cape Colony, Sir Hercules Robinson has been made public. It reviews the history of the events in the Transvaal since 1891 and points out that the mining interests, the mainstay of the country, are mainly in the hands of the Uitlanders, who are debarred by legislation from the rights of citizenship, and states that the whole direction of affairs and the right of taxation remain a monopoly in the hands of a decreasing minority of the population engaged in agriculture, while the majority, who raised the revenue from £75,000 to £2,000,000, are denied any voice in the government of the Transvaal and are unable to obtain redress for the formidable grievances, hampering and injuring them incessantly.

Mr. Chamberlain states the position of Great Britain and her claims toward the Transvaal, saying: "Since the convention of 1884 Great Britain has recognized Transvaal as independent internally, but its external relations are subject to the control of Great Britain. There is no reason to anticipate that a foreign state will dispute our rights, but it is necessary to state clearly that the government intends to maintain them in their integrity. Internally Great Britain is justified in the interest of South Africa as a whole and for the peace and stability of the Transvaal to tender friendly counsel regarding the newcomers, many English subjects."

Going to England.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—President Kruger of Transvaal has accepted the invitation extended to him by Colonial Secretary Chamberlain to come to England, accompanied by some members of the Transvaal executive, to act as commission. Probably a special session of the Volksraad will be called to draft a formal sanction and to nominate a commission. Hon. Cecil Rhodes's sister sailed for Cape Town from Southampton on Saturday. Mr. Rhodes came from London to bid her farewell. It was reported that Cecil Rhodes had at the last moment engaged a cabin. Great excitement was caused by this announcement, but he was not seen on board the steamship.

Germany and Bimetallism.

BERLIN, Feb. 8.—The imperial chancellor, Prince Hohenlohe, in the reichstag Saturday stated that he saw no means of raising the price of silver except by international agreement, and the government had no present intention of proposing an international conference on the subject.

More Troops for Africa.

ROME, Feb. 10.—It is stated that Gen. Baraterra has asked for the immediate dispatch of twelve battalions of infantry, six mounted batteries and 2500 mules to Erithea. The cabinet discussed the demand and Premier Crispi had a long interview with King Humbert.

THE COMMITTEE'S SAY

THE TWO CONVENTION IDEA PREVAILED.

The Same Delegates Will Attend Both Democratic Conventions, and the Primaries Will Settle the Silver Issue Within the Party.

AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 7.—The State Democratic executive committee adopted the following resolutions, yesterday and adjourned:

Section 1. The Democratic voters of each county shall also at said primary election and at the same time said question is submitted vote for and elect their delegates to represent their respective counties in the Democratic state convention and when so elected they shall be the delegates from their respective counties to all state conventions held in this state in 1896, except judicial, and delegates shall be considered as instructed by the Democracy of their respective counties for or against the question submitted as the majority vote of the Democracy of their respective counties at said primary election shall determine and provided that the Democracy of any county may also, at said primary election, instruct their delegates for candidates for state officers. The candidate or candidates receiving the largest number of votes at said primary in any county shall be entitled to the instruction from such county.

Adopted by a vote of 18 to 13.

Sec. 2. In holding said primary election all persons shall be permitted to participate who possess the general qualifications of a voter under the constitution and laws of this state who are residents of the county and voting precinct in which they propose to vote, as required by the laws of this state and who are Democrats.

Adopted by a vote of 18 to 13.

Mr. Linn's amendment added to section 2 the words, "and will abide by the result, and support the nominee," was adopted by a vote of 19 to 12.

Sec. 3. The Democratic executive committee in each county shall see that judges and election officers are appointed in their respective counties to hold said primary election, and when requested it shall be their duty to see that both sides of the question submitted are fairly represented in the appointment of such judges and election officers.

Adopted by a vote of 19 to 12.

Sec. 4. The vote at said primary election shall be by ballot and each side of the question submitted shall prepare and use a separate ballot. All ballots shall be written or printed on plain white paper of any description without anything thereon except the writing or printing in black ink or black pencil, the following: "For bimetallism, that is for free coinage of both gold and silver into standard money without any discrimination against either metal or charge for mintage upon the same terms and subject to like limitations as to the right of coinage and legal tender qualities at the established ratio of 16 to 1." With the names of persons put up for as delegate; or "Against bimetallism and for the single gold standard, that is against the free coinage of silver into money without discrimination against or charge for mintage upon the same terms and subject only to like limitations as to right of coinage and legal tender qualities as is given at the ratio of 16 to 1," with the names of the persons put up by the gold men to be voted for as delegates, provided that if the Democracy of any county shall desire to instruct for candidates for any state or district office the name or names of such candidate may be placed upon said ballots.

Adopted by a vote of 18 to 13.

The remaining sections were adopted by a viva voce vote:

Sec. 5. The returns of said primary election for the respective counties shall be sealed up and delivered by the presiding officer at each box to the chairman of the Democratic executive for such county, and on the Saturday following after said primary election the Democratic executive of each county shall meet at the county seat of their respective counties and open the returns and declare the result of said election, and the chairman or acting chairman shall certify the result and deliver the poll to the delegates elected; provided, that the failure of the Democratic executive committee or its chairman thereof or any judge or any officer of election in any county or precinct to perform his or their duty in the conduct or return of said election shall not affect the validity thereof if the Democracy of such county or precinct has made a fair expression and the result can be established.

Sec. 6. There shall be held in the city of Fort Worth, on the 18th day of August, 1896, a judicial convention to nominate one supreme judge and judges for the court of civil and criminal appeals, but to be held separate from the state convention.

Sec. 7. There shall be held in the city of Austin on Tuesday, the 23d day of June, 1896, a Democratic state convention for the purpose of selecting delegates to the national Democratic convention, which convenes in Chicago

on July 9, 1896, and for the election of presidential electors, and there shall be held in the city of Fort Worth on Tuesday, the 18th of August, 1896, a Democratic state convention to nominate candidates for the various state offices.

The basis of representation in all state conventions held in this state in 1896 shall be one vote for every 300 or fraction thereof above 150 votes cast in the county for C. A. Culberson for governor at the last general election, provided that each organized county in this state shall be entitled to at least one vote.

Sec. 9. It shall be the duty of the members of this committee to see that these resolutions are promulgated in their respective districts and faithfully carried out."

Sec. 10. It is the sense of this committee that the result of the primary election herein provided for shall be regarded and accepted as a conclusive and a final expression of the state Democracy of Texas upon the financial issue until revoked by the expressed edict of a state primary election or convention.

Hill moved to adopt the resolutions as a whole, and after many speeches the motion prevailed by a vote of 17 to 13.

MADE A GRAVE MISTAKE.

Congressman Stallings Thought Bingham Was a Long-Distance Fighter.

From the Washington Post.—Here is a story which Stallings of Alabama tells a himself:

"It happened in the fifty-second congress, when I was a new man in the house, not so experienced as I am now. Bingham of Pennsylvania was making a bloody-shirt speech on some subject or other. Near me sat old Judge Culberson. He listened awhile and then beckoned to me.

"Say, Stallings," said he in his slow and lazy way, "git up and answer that fellow. The idea of his abusing the southern cavaliers like that! He never smelt gunpowder. He never was in the war. He skulked while we were out fighting Yankees."

"I didn't know Bingham," continued Stallings. "I felt flattered that Culberson should call on me to speak for our side, and got the floor as soon as I could when Bingham had concluded.

"Well, sir, I lit into Bingham. I threw all the eloquence of my tongue into that effort to annihilate him. I pictured the northern soldier shouldering his musket and kissing his wife and children farewell at the front gate. I pictured the battlefield where he fought and bled for the Union. I pictured the southern soldier departing from his hatched cottage home, where dwelt his loved one, going out to fight for what he believed his right, and his return to find the house in ashes and the dear ones dead or scattered. And then I denounced the skulking stay-at-homes in the north, men like the gentleman who had just preceded me, who had never seen a battlefield, never smelt gunpowder except on the Fourth of July or at a ratification meeting, and who, thirty years after, would get up in congress and denounce the southern men who had gone out to lay down their lives for their cause, right or wrong.

"To my surprise," said Stallings, "Bingham took it in the best of humor. He even laughed. Some of the Republicans smiled and looked in an amused way at Bingham and then at me. And next thing I knew some on our side were smiling, and when I turned about there was old Culberson doubled up in his seat, laughing to himself as though he had a fit. It began to dawn on me about this time that Culberson had just put up a job on me. I wasn't through with my remarks, but I cut off short and sat down.

"Presently Bingham walked over to me, holding out his hand in a pleasant sort of way, and said:

"This is Mr. Stallings, I believe? I'm sure you have been made the victim of a practical joke. I was in the Union army and was wounded at Gettysburg, Spottsylvania and Farmville, and was mustered out as a brigadier general. It's all right; only I hate to see a young man like you imposed upon."

Pulp Business in Maine.

Few people realize the extent of the pulp business in Penobscot county, Maine. Some little idea may be formed from the fact that the mills of Great works, Howland and Montague furnish a train load of pulp a day. This consists of from seventeen to twenty cars. Penobscot county also has mills at Orono, Brewer, Basin Mills and Lincoln, in addition to the three included in sending the amount of pulp mentioned. Still there are croakers who instead of counting how many are helped by this enterprise, sigh: "Tha' cuts off just so many large logs in the future."

Hogs at the South.

Farmers all over the south are busy hog killing now and there is strong competition for the honor of having raised the biggest pig. A Kentucky farmer of Scottville seems to have the record so far, with a hog weighing 800 pounds and measuring 6 feet 6 inches from nose to tail, 3 feet in height and 2 feet across the shoulders. Hogs weighing from 600 to almost 800 pounds are not at all uncommon this year.

Costs of Kisses is one of the most difficult things in the world to determine. The value is very irregular and fluctuating, and it all depends upon the person and the kisser. Men have been known to declare that they would give the world for a kiss; but this was probably when they were dealing in futures, and did not expect to be called upon to make their margin good. Occasionally a jury has to decide in cold blood what a kiss was worth to another person. Such a case has just been tried in St. Paul. A prominent society man kissed a lady, and her husband brought suit for damages. It was proven in the trial that he had kissed her 2,000 times, and the jury, upon reflection and after taking into consideration the appearance of the lady, decided that the kisses were worth 75c apiece, and so assessed them to the defendant. It seemed cheap enough. A kiss that isn't worth that much should be given away, or put on a bargain counter at cut rates. At any rate, with the new woman running things, it is not clear that the husband had a right to profit through this appropriation of community property by a moral party.

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Don't demand your own way; that is what men and women have in picking out their partners for life and look at the result!

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From U.S. Journal of Medicine.
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Fits Cured

Unanimous Choice
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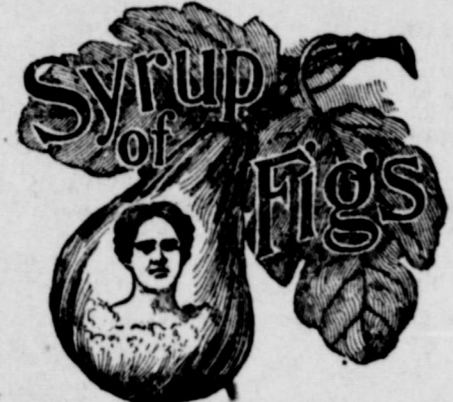
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A SINGULAR FEUD.

Brothers Who Fell Out About a Matrimonial Arrangement.

"The queerest feud I ever heard of," said M. C. Allen, the well-known sportsman, to a Minneapolis Journal man, "is one that I encountered while hunting in southern Humboldt county. I noticed our guide carried a repeating rifle, a big revolver and a knife half as long as his leg. He proceeded with the greatest caution and appeared to be on guard continually. I knew there were no hostile Indians in that country and my curiosity was aroused. Finally I asked him what the trouble was."

"Oh, I yoost look out for some fellow," he replied in his Swedish dialect. "What's the trouble, anyway?" I inquired.

"O nuttin' much. Maybe a big man mit a goon watch me pretty close, too."

"Who is he?"

"Oh, he is my brudder. Las' time I fix him plenty, you bet. He come back now und maybe he fix me."

"Inquiry developed the fact that the brothers had settled in Humboldt some years ago and our guide, who was married had left a pretty sister-in-law in Sweden. The brothers talked the matter over and finally agreed that the married one should send for the girl, and when she reached this country he would give his old wife to his brother and take his sister-in-law."

"The girl arrived in due time, but she was so much prettier than the unmarried brother had expected that he was loath to accept his brother's cast-off wife. Finally he married the girl and then refused to compromise the breach of contract by paying what his brother had expended in getting her to this coast. A quarrel followed and the guide pinked his brother in the shoulder with a rifle ball and landed him in the hospital for three months. The other vowed vengeance and they do little now but watch the mountain trails, fully prepared to renew hostilities at a second's notice."

LIFE NOT WORTH TEN CENTS.

Small Value Put Upon It by a Man Who Was Saved from Drowning.

From the San Francisco Post: A fat man carrying a gun and leading a dog made a dash down Market street for the Oakland ferryboat. He could have caught it if he had walked quietly along, but he became excited, and old Time commenced having fun with him. The dog would run on the wrong side of the telegraph poles and hydrants and tangle up his chain in the legs of pedestrians. By the time spent in apologizing and untangling the dog he was delayed until the little gate closed in his face. Then he ran around to the big gate, dodged around a mail wagon, and made a run for the boat. The deck hands raised the apron and the boat moved slowly out, but he was determined to catch it, and, gripping his gun and dog chain a little tighter, made a run and sprang into the air. The boat was only six feet away, but the dog balked the apron. The hunter stopped in the middle of his leap, his feet flew out toward the steamer, and he dropped into the bay like a load of hay. A small boy who was fishing from the wharf dropped his pole, splashed into the water and towed the fat man to a pile, where he clung till a boatman pulled him out.

"My boy, you saved my life," he exclaimed enthusiastically, as he kicked the dog and tried to wring the water out of his shotgun. "Let me reward you."

He thrust his hand into his clammy pocket, and fished out a wet 10-cent piece. "There, my boy, take that; but don't spend it foolishly."

"No, sir; I can't take it, sir." The boy pushed the generous hand aside. "I didn't earn it."

"Why, you saved my life, boy."

"Yes, I know it, sir, but it ain't worth 10 cents."

The Wholesale Poisoners of London.

The wholesale attempts that are continually being made to poison the Londoners are well shown in the annual report of Dr. Saunders, the medical officer of health for the city. Stockraisers sent up last year no less than 430 tons of diseased meat; that is, excluding Sundays, as the hospital points out, about a ton and a half for every working day of the year. Now, a ton and a half of diseased and putrid meat reduced to pounds, consists of 3,360, and as each pound is amply sufficient to poison its man, woman or child it follows that our cousins in the country are willing to poison Londoners to the tune of 3,260 per diem, or, excluding Sundays, at the rate of 1,051,680 per annum. In other words, if all the diseased meat which is received would be eaten it would not take more than four or five years to accomplish the poisoning of every man, woman and child in London!

Napoleon's Art Project.

The grandest attempt ever made to raise the arts to a pinnacle of perfection was Napoleon's project to assemble all the scattered masterpieces of painting and sculpture in one collection. This he actually effected, and for ten or twelve years the Napoleon museum in the Louvre at Paris was the wonder and admiration of the world.

Keep Them to Yourself.

When you tell a man a secret, and say to him, "Don't say anything about it," you simply give him notice that he knows something to tell.

The D. V. Shoes Investment & Mining Co., of Cripple Creek, Col., can furnish you strictly reliable information concerning mining properties in the Cripple Creek district. We always have options on some choice properties that are bargains and handle no others. Local and eastern bank references given on application. Correspondence solicited.

His Opinion.

A Rochester preacher says that Mrs. Lot was turned to salt in an entirely natural manner "to point a moral and adorn a tale."

No place for Rings.

The city of Paris taxes bicycles \$2.50 a year and gets a revenue of \$40,000 from them. She also makes the gas companies light her public buildings and streets at their own expense and in addition to this gets about \$4,000,000 a year in cash out of them from the profits they make. Paris also has water and paved streets, which are kept clean by companies which pay for the privilege of taking away, to be used as fertilizing matter, all sweepings.

EGYPT COMES TO OUR RELIEF.

She sends us Teosinte, the greatest fodder producing plant in the world. On her fertile soil it yields 600,000 lbs. green food per acre. We grow all our seed in America, so it is acclimated. It's marvelously wonderful! And Salzer's Sand Vetch and American Sacaline, Giant Spurry and Giant Incarinate Clover, Silver King Barley, 116 bu. per acre, Silver Mine oats, 201 1-3 bu. and a great many other rarities are offered in our mammoth seed catalogue. 35 packages earliest vegetables \$1.00.

If you will cut this out and send it with 14c. postage to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., you will receive their mammoth catalogue and ten packages grain and grasses, including Teosinte, free. Catalogue alone 5c. postage. W. N.

Many a man has started out to reform the world, stopping at the first house.

How to Buy a Carriage.

The great need of the times is a condition whereby the producer and consumer may deal with each other without the intervention of the middle man. The common carrier should be the only middle man. The Elkhart Carriage and Harness Co., of Elkhart, Ind., deals directly with the consumer. Their goods are shipped anywhere for examination before sale. Every carriage, every set of harness, every article sold, warranted. One hundred styles of carriages, ninety styles of harness and forty-one styles of riding saddles. Send for their 112 page catalogue. This concern does an extensive business throughout the United States.

The fame that comes to most people is in the shape of an expose.

If Troubled With Sore Eyes Jackson's Indian Eye Salve will positively cure them. 25c at all drug stores.

Don't treat a man like a dog, and expect him to be your friend.

HIGH PRICE FOR POTATOES.

The John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., pay high prices for new things. They recently paid \$300 for a yellow rind watermelon, \$1,000 for 30 bu. new oats, \$300 for 100 lbs. of potatoes, etc., etc. Well, prices for potatoes will be high next fall. Plant a plenty, Mr. Wideawake! You'll make money. Salzer's Earliest are fit to eat in 28 days after planting. His Champion of the World is the greatest yielder on earth and we challenge you to produce its equal.

If you will send 14 cents in stamps to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., you will get, free, ten packages grains and grasses, including Teosinte, Spurry, Giant Incarinate Clover, etc., and our mammoth catalogue. Catalogue 5c. for mailing. W. N.

A frog knows when to croak and when to quit—more than people know.

FITZ—All Fits stopped free by Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. No Fits after the first day's use. Permanent cure. Treatise and \$2.00 bottle free by mail. Send to Dr. Kline, 381 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

Every woman gives the idea that her social obligations run her to death.

BRONCHITIS. Sudden changes of the weather cause Bronchial Troubles. "Brown's Bronchial Troches" will give effective relief.

One of the hardest things to forgive is a difference in creed.

Two bottles of Piso's Cure for Consumption cured me of a bad lung trouble.—Mrs. J. Nichols, Princeton, Ind., Mar. 26, 1895.

The man who serves the devil has to begin his day's work early.

FERRY'S SEEDS. Perfect seeds grow paying crops. Perfect seeds are not grown by chance. Nothing is ever left to chance in growing Ferry's Seeds. Dealers sell them everywhere. Write for FERRY'S SEED ANNUAL for 1896. Brimful of valuable information about best and newest seeds. Free by mail. D. M. FERRY & CO., Detroit, Mich.

A Good Digestion follows the use of BROWN'S IRON BITTERS. Indigestion is caused by the stomach's lack of tone. BROWN'S IRON BITTERS supplies the tone. Not a beverage—an alterative tonic—simple, curative, certain, pure. GUARANTEE: Brown's Iron Bitters taken as directed fail to benefit any person suffering with Dyspepsia, Malaria, Chills and Fever, Kidney and Liver Troubles, Biliousness, Female Infirmities, Impure Blood, Weakness, Nervous Troubles, Chronic Headache, or Neuralgia. BROWN CHEMICAL CO., Baltimore, Md.



"Your BATTLE AX or your life!" "Must have it!"

BattleAx PLUG

The largest piece of good tobacco ever sold for 10 cents and The 5 cent piece is nearly as large as you get of other high grades for 10 cents

Grid for field and hog fence wire.

FIELD AND HOG FENCE WIRE. 20, 24, 32, 40, 50, or 58 inches high. Quality and workmanship the best. Nothing on the market to compare with it. Write for full information. UNION FENCE COMPANY, DE KALE, ILL.

Rattlesnakes, Butterflies, and...? Washington Irving said, he supposed a certain hill was called "Rattlesnake Hill" because it was founded in butterflies. The "rule of contrary" governs other names. Some bottles are, supposedly, labeled "Sarsaparilla" because they are full of... well, we don't know what they are full of, but we know it's not sarsaparilla; except, perhaps, enough for a flavor. There's only one make of sarsaparilla that can be relied on to do all it claims. It's Ayer's. It has no secret to keep. Its formula is open to all physicians. This formula was examined by the Medical Committee at the World's Fair with the result that while every other make of sarsaparilla was excluded from the Fair, Ayer's Sarsaparilla was admitted and honored by awards. It was admitted because it was the best sarsaparilla. It received the medal as the best. No other sarsaparilla has been so tested or so honored. Good motto for the family as well as the Fair: Admit the best, exclude the rest. Any doubt about it? Send for the "Purebook." It kills doubts and cures doubters. Address: J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

W. W. JOHNSON & CO. CINCINNATI, OHIO. DON'T be persuaded to buy anything else in place of our Reliable PIKE'S MAGNOLIA. If your dealer does not keep it, write us and we will inform you how to get it. Acknowledged to be THE BEST. W. W. JOHNSON & CO. CINCINNATI, OHIO. Successors to E. F. FEE, SOLE DISTILLERS. WE HAVE NO AGENTS. but will direct to the consumer at wholesale prices. Ship anywhere for examination before sale. Everything warranted. 100 styles of Carriages, 60 styles of Harness, 41 styles of Riding Saddles. Write for catalogue. ELKHART Carriage & Harness Mfg Co. Elkhart, Ind. OPIUM Morphine Habit Cured in 14 to 20 days. No pay till cured. DR. J. S. FINE, Lebanon, Ohio. RODS For tracing and locating Gold or Silver lodes hot or cold. Successors, M. D. FOWLER, Box 337, Southington, Conn. PISO'S CURE FOR GOUTS WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. One in Time. Sold by Druggists. CONSUMPTION W. N. U. DALLAS, TEXAS. 7-96 When Answering Advertisements Mention this Paper.

We still have a few of those Hacks and Bugles which we bought so low from the stock of...

Just the thing for a family, as it can be converted from a one seat ranch road buggy to a two seated family buggy. Former price of same \$125.

1 Ranch Road Buggy, full rubber top side curtains, apron, pole brake etc., a splendid ranchman's buggy only \$125.

1 Ranch Road Buggy, full rubber top, side curtains, apron, pole, brake etc., same style as above but lighter, only \$95.

Former price of same, 125.

We also have a carload, just received, of Milburn standard and light Buggies, Hacks, Milk and Light Spring Road Wagons at very reasonable prices. We give a full guarantee on these lines of goods.

One 100-piece Royal Porcelain Dinner set, handsomely decorated and gold stenciled, regular retail price \$15.00, now by set \$12.75.

One 50-piece dinner set, same as above regular price \$7.25, by set 6.00.

One 48 piece dinner set, same as above, regular price \$5.75 by set 5.00.

One 93-piece combination dinner and Tea set, Carlsbad China, daintily decorated and gold stenciled. Very handsome only 26.00.

One 55-piece dinner set, pure Carlsbad China, of a very handsome and fastidious decoration and catches pattern nothing better in the store \$12.75.

One 36-piece delicate plain China dinner set, regular \$6.75 only 6.00. We still have only about 40 or 50 of these 4 piece sets left, at 50 cents per set.

Pure white Ironstone cups and saucers, handled and full size, warranted, at only 40c per set.

Plates of same grade same price. Full size pitchers and bowls of same grade for only 75 cents. Handled Water Glasses, 20 size, at 35 cents per dozen. With close them out.

CHAS. ADDECO. HAGESTEN. San Angelo, Texas.

LAST WEEK

LOCAL CHIPS.

Arkansaw Smith is the red-hot cash man of San Angelo.

Cool weather again. Fine crop prospects. Grass is starting up. Farmers are jubilant.

A fine rain at Angelo last Tuesday night.

County court convenes Monday week, the 17th inst.

Commissioners court meets Monday.

Mr. G. W. Webb, the Davis hotel man says they have kept him busy this week.

The only cash house in Angelo is Arkansaw Smith's.

Cash talks at Arkansaw Smiths San Angelo.

Mr. J. A. Allen of Ft. Chadbourne was in town one day this week.

Wm. Yardley went to Hylton Monday.

M. V. Brownfield, of Hylton was in the city several days this week.

We ask as a personal favor that when you have a visitor from out of town to report the same to us.

Messrs E. Meinelle and Ed Allen of Mr Meinelles ranch were seen on the streets Thursday.

Ed Rollins was in town Monday and reported the Kickapoo country in good shape.

G. C. Arnett was in town Monday.

B. Bardwell and Bud Frits, two Nolan county stock men, are in town.

W. R. McDonald killed a hog this week that weighed 345 pounds.

Arkansaw Smith, the cash grocery man, of San Angelo, has moved seven doors down the street to the Mays building.

Mrs. Ada Trimble and Miss Trimble went to San Angelo on a shopping expedition this week.

BARGAINS for only 15 days at Bennick, Stewart & Co's.

J. A. Caldwell, of San Angelo, is closing out his groceries at cost-read his adv. in this issue.

D. D. Swain, the Kickapoo sheep man, spent a part of the week in Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Shepherd, of Bronte, were in San Angelo Wednesday and Thursday.

Lee J. Good, the Maverick cow man, was in town Thursday night on his way to San Angelo.

W. C. Barron delivered to Billy Collins this week 250 1s, 2s and cows, at \$10, \$14 and \$12, 50 respectively.

Mr. I. J. Good, of Pecan, was in town Thursday night.

Toi Cawley, of Dry Creek, received a car load of cattle and a car of goats at Angelo this week from somewhere down the railroad, for which he had traded horses.

Dr. J. F. Riggs invites the Coke county people to go to see him when in need of Dental work. He gives you the advantage of twenty two years experience. Office at his residence, corner Oaks and College Streets, San Angelo, Texas.

The following is a list of the Pettitt Jurors for February term of county Court, which convenes February 17th.

H A Chapman, T H Higginbotham, J P Breedlove, F. C Ainsworth, J. L. Durham, P W Hudman, G W Tabb, M C Brister, I N Coulson, G C Arnett, H M Bennick, W R Boykin, D H Allen, and J W Jackson.

When you go to Ballinger—After fine Christmas presents see Oscar Pearson the Jeweler. He sells nothing but fine goods and if they dont wear all right you can take them back and get new goods.

W. S. Mabry, a lease and sales agent for the H. & T. C. railroad land, was at the Davis hotel several days this week; and R. E. Tankersley came over from San Angelo yesterday to meet him.

W. L. Lowe and R. Y. Haggerton were in the city one day this week. Bob is thinking of moving to his farm.

The readers attention is called to the special 'ad' of Bennick Stuart & Co in this issue — they offer you genuine bargains.

Mr. E. C. Good is putting up a wind mill at the J. W. Barnett well, and will put in piping to run the water to his residence.

W. K. Townsend has been in town several days looking after the lands in this county owned by Security Mortgage & Trust Co., of Dallas; The land will be put on the market and Mr. Townsend will advise the Company to give the people all needed information in regard to the land through the RUSTLER. Mr. Townsend represents several large bodies of very fine land.

F. B. Perry and family returned from Fredonia, Mason county, yesterday, where they had been visiting for some time.

Unless providentially prevented there will be a public entertainment given by the Robert Lee school on night of the 15th.

J. R. Purcell was here this week representing the Texas Co-operative Investment Company, of Ft. Worth.

Asball Dancer is located in the barber shop in the Runkles building, at San Angelo, and invites his Coke county friends to come to see him there.

Messrs. J. W. Fristoe and W. W. Sumeral, of Olga were in the city Wednesday looking after some official business.

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hayley, on Jan. 31st, a son.

S. W. Lynch has gone to Kyle to attend the funeral of his brother. He has the sympathy of our people.—Sweetwater Review.

WHY NOT

Have the Picture of your Ranch and all, while the Photo man is here.

CHEAP GROCERIES! CHEAP GRAIN AND FREE WAGON YARD!

By doing business on a strict cash basis this year I will be able to sell groceries and grain at a very small profit. I have greatly improved my wagon yard and now have good water and good roomy stalls in the same, which my patrons are invited to use free of charge.

Respectfully, John Barron.

District Conference, of the M. E. Church South, meets here today. Brother Shelton, the Presiding Elder, is here, and all are invited to attend services tonight, tomorrow and tomorrow night.

Bud Fritz bought of W. P. Walling, this week, one hundred head of stock horses at \$12.50 per head; they were the O C horses.

Can get more Groceries for less money than any place in San Angelo at Arkansaw Smiths'.

Sanco Happenings.

Sanco, Texas, Feb. 1, 1896. ED. RUSTLER:—

Sanco is on a "boom." At least there is a preacher moving into our midst, (and we need him).

Rev. Jay, the Protestant Methodist preacher of this circuit is moving into Mr. Padgett's house about a mile north of Sanco.

Mr. John Garrison, of Calafornia is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. H Campbell, of this neighborhood.

Elton Durham, who has for two weeks been sick with La Grippe is beginning to improve. Mr. J. L. Durham has also had an attack, but is improving a little.

Last Wednesday night there was a sociable at Mr. Will Murrays, which despite the rain, was attended by quite a number of the Sanco young people. The party was given in honor of Miss Minnie Boyd, Mrs. Murrays sister who is visiting in the neighborhood.

Sanco has literary society which meets every Friday night at the school-house. Singing and debating are interesting features in each program.

The Sanco school has a good attendance, with an enrollment of fifty one pupils.

Bro. Bates preached here last Sunday, to a full house and again Sunday night. In the afternoon there was a singing at Mr. Greens every body and his children were there, and all had a good time.

Mr. A. P. Stone, of Bronte, Mr. John R. Kess, of Hayrick and also Messrs Smith Bird and Charlie Scarborough of Itayick were in Sanco Sunday.

E. M.

Mias Mollie Cook, of Decker, and Bruce DeGarmo; of Colorado, were married at Colorado a few days since. The Rustler extends good wishes to the happy couple.

To The Peoples' Party of Coke Co.

You are hereby called to meet in mass meeting at the court house in Robert Lee on Saturday February 29th 1896 at 10 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of re organizing the party, electing new officers and transacting such other business as may be necessary.

It is hoped that the different parts of the county will be represented.

Respectfully, D. T. AVERITT Co. Chairman,

As we go to press there are three corporation land agents in town; the reason they are here is, that Coke county land is worth looking after and the present influx of immigration demands that the lands of the county be put on the market.

For a nice, quiet room with home comforts, go to the OAKS. Use of bath rooms free of charge. Mrs. Carr kindly solicits your patronage. San Angelo, Texas.

Mr. M. H. Havens of the Valley View neighborhood was seen on our streets one day this week, and reports everything getting along nicely in the Valley View neighborhood.

Talk is cheap, but when you want Boots and Shoes call on N. P. Jones the Champion Shoe Agent of the west. I am here to Stay and not to be undersold. Call and see me and be convinced that the half has never been told. Baalinger, Texas.

I Pay the Highest cash Prices for Hides, Furs and Pecans and sell you goods as cheap or cheaper than the cheapest. One price to all.

I. O. WOODEN, Ballinger, Texas.

To The Ex-Confederates.

You are hereby called to meet at the Court house in Robert Lee, on Saturday February 22nd 1896 at 10 o'clock for the purpose of transacting some important business.

Wm. Scarborough, Captain. I. M. Bennick, Adjutant.

Mr. S. J. Webb of the Edith neighborhood was in town Tuesday and gave the RUSTLER office a pleasant call.

Prof. Thomas made a mistake in saying in last weeks issue that the free school would be out on the 8th of this month as it will not be out until the 15th.

Come Now

To Robert Lee, a fine picture of your baby or whole family Guaranteed.

If you want a bargain in dry goods, go to Bennick, Stuart, Co during the next fifteen days.

Sheriff Snield left last Tuesday for Waco with J. E. Lester, alias Wild Bill, sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for burglary, and George McCulloch, sentenced in Coke county to five years for horse stealing. A penitentiary warden will meet Sheriff Shields at Waco and take charge of the prisoners.—S. A. Enterprise.

Edith Catchalls.

Edith, Tex. February 6 1896. Ed. Rustler:—since writing to you last I have been studying a great deal. I no v proceed to give the news of the county since my last. The dance given at W. F. Benson's was carried on in proper style and every body enjoyed themselves.

J. D. Collier, our city merchant is improving his place by having a dwelling house erected. A school of 32 scholars is now under headway at Pecan school house, B. U. Smith teacher. H. S. Scott, the blacksmith, says plowpoints are coming in every day; seems like farmers mean business. A man named Pacett was seen moving from Tarrent county to Mrs Stewarts place this week. Coke county seems to be in the lead. Mr Brister and wife were in town trading Monday. Business is rushing. Miss S. E. Benson is on the sick list this week. Another rain fell Tuesday night followed by a norther. Prepare for winter, it is coming is my prophecy.

Ottie.

Fine Cotton.

Valley Mammoth is mixed. From four to twelve locks to the boil and is on sale until March the 1st by T. B. Andrews.

R. C. Phillips, sold his ranch and cattle near Meadow Mountain last week to Mr. H. G. Beason of Burnett county. Mr. Beason is a relative of G. C. Arnett. Consideration \$1500. Mr. Phillips has no notion of leaving the county.

F. K. Nance.

Is The Shoe man of San Angelo, and the people are finding it out' the more other merchants talk of Nance shoe stock the better advertised it is. All I want is for people to come see and price and the trade is made for people can buy from me cheaper than shoes can made in any city. Remember Nance Shoe Store is the friend to those who want a little money to go along ways.

F. K. NANCE.

The State Democratic Executive committee met at Austin on last Thursday.

Taylor County has a new jail

THE NEW
HARDWARE STORE

has just added a complete and well selected stock of

**Queensware
AND
Glassware**

to the already immense stock of General Hardware.
Call and examine.

**Ideal Steel Wind Mills,
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Gives satisfaction in every instance.

Diamond barb WIRE.
Best and cheapest in the market.

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the best plow manufactured.

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Stoves, Rope, Oils, Pipe, etc., at Lowest Prices.

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San Angelo, Texas.**

Polk Livery Stable.

I have bought the POLK LIVERY STABLE and every
Buggy, Hack and Harness
is new and first class, with the very best TEAMS. In connection
with the Stable I run the only Wagon Yard.
Coke county patronage is most respectfully solicited.

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SWEETWATER TEXAS.

J. T. Hamilton

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DRUGGISTS AND STATIONERS,
Robert Lee, Texas,

Cheap Sales every Day!

AT
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The variety Being too Numerous to Mention Prices.
We use no Leaders, No Baits, No Street Drummers,
And do a Strictly Honest Business. Come see our Stock.
San Angelo, Texas.

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Alvin Campbell, San Angelo, Texas.
All Kinds of Feed. The Best Water. The Best Stalls. A Good
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to Customers. The best Accommodations
For The Least Money. We
Appreciate Your
Trade.
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Geo. D. Williams,

AGENT FOR
MATHUSHEK, HALLET & DAVIS, McCOMMON, and other leading
High-Grade Pianos.
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Mr. Q. Loe, at the old Nickel
Store in San Angelo is now fully
prepared to meet the demands of
the eating and sleeping public.
Meals or beds 25 cents. Good
rates by the week or month. Call
there, try him once and you will
go again.

The City Hotel

Is the place to stop. Everything
is home like; nice, clean and com-
fortable. Good grub, pleasant
rooms, and beds that you can
sleep in. Only Hotel in Sweet-
water. Fare \$1.00 per day.
A. J. Roy, Proprietor.

**Wagon Yard Chang-
ed Hands.**

We desire to notify the public
that we now own and operate the
Wagon Yard formerly owned by
W. E. Eskridge on Hutching Ave
and will take the utmost pains
to see that all customers are giv-
en every accommodation. Good
camp houses and other conven-
ences; also feed kept for sale.
The Coke county people are cor-
dially invited to give us a trial,
and you are our customers.

CURRIN Bros.
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come in and settle up at once.

Respectfully, F. B. Perry

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First class house, Good
nice, clean beds, a specialty.
**FARE \$1. PER
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Patronage of the PUBLIC
Solicited.

G. W. WEBB,
Proprietor

The Coke county people are
invited, when in Ballinger to stop
at the Pearce Hotel, only \$1.00
per day to them. All trains met
by porter. Free feed yard to
patrons.

H. D. PEARCE, Proprietor.
LOOK OUT!

GOING GONE.

Mr. Irby, the photographer,
wishes to remind the good people
of the county and town that his
time in Robert Lee is drawing to
a close and if you want a good pic-
ture taken, come at once.

**Burns & Bell,
DRY-GOODS, CLOTHING,
GROCERIES AND MER-
CHANT TAYLORING.**

When in COLORADO give us a trial.

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Will make new and repair old wagons and carriages.
Knife Blades of all kind made to order.
PLOW WORK A SPECIALTY
Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed to be first class.
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Good Horses, Hacks and fast time a Specialty.
Orders left at E. E. HARRIS & Bro. San Angelo, or J. T.
HAMILTON'S, Robert Lee will receive prompt attention.
Reasonable charges on all packages or freight.

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SOMETHING NEW.

My goods have now arrived.
I have in stock a full line of

HARDWARE, QUEENSWARE, STOVES,

CARTRIDGES, WAGONS AND BUGGIES.

COFFINS AND UNDERTAKERS GOODS.
All Kinds of Tin Work Done To Order.
We most Respectfully solicit your continued patronage.
ED BROUGH'S & CO.
South West Corner Of Square
ROBERT LEE - - - TEXAS

They Don't Eh?

The notion that women only propose during leap year, is a mistake. Every woman who is married, had a great deal to do in bringing it about. The men are great chumps with women: a smart woman can marry any man who will call on her.

Foreclosed.

About 13,129 miles of railroad, belonging to 53 companies, and representing a capital and bonded investment of \$775,776,000, were sold by foreclosure in the United States last year.

His Ambition.

Justice Field is ambitious to outlast John Marshall's term of service on the supreme bench, which is said to be the reason why, in spite of his age and infirmities, he declines to retire. He lacks yet a year and a half of the necessary time and is 80 years old.

A Crazy Engineer.

An engineer went crazy the other day while running a passenger train on the New York and New Jersey railway, and the fireman and other trainmen only managed to avert a frightful accident after a furious struggle with the maniac.

A Good Idea.

The medical society of Berne, Switzerland, proposes a law to prohibit the publication of accounts of suicides, on the ground that they suggest the crime to morbid people.

A Thoroughbred.

The worst thing you can say of a man is that he is a thoroughbred: it means that he will stay up when he wants to go to bed, and drink whisky when he does not want it.

Only a Joke.

A Buffalo woman snapped a loaded pistol at her husband, "just for a joke," but he took it very seriously, indeed, though he may recover.

Ice Houses.

Montreal is hard at work erecting the ice buildings for its winter carnival. One of them is to be a spiral tower of ice 130 feet in height.

The Cheapest Way.

Mayor Lynde of Greenfield, Mo., had himself brought to trial and fined \$1 for violating a city ordinance. It was the cheapest way to get out of it.

Try, Anyhow.

It is a common saying that it is better to try, and fail, than never to try, but did you ever know a man to try that he did not succeed.

Lookout.

Never permit yourself to reach that stage where your entire happiness depends upon one person, for the goblines will get you when it does.

She's Popular.

The elevator girl has made her advent in Philadelphia and is said to meet with decided popular favor.

SCIATIC RHEUMATISM AND ITS CURE.

From the Gazette, Burlington, Iowa. The story of Mr. Tabor's nearly fatal attack of sciatic rheumatism is familiar to his large circle of acquaintances, but for the benefit of others and those similarly afflicted The Gazette has investigated the matter for publication. Mr. Tabor is Secretary and Treasurer for the Commercial Printing Company, with offices in the Hedgie Block, and resides at 417 Basset Street, Burlington, Iowa. A Gazette man sought an interview with Mr. Tabor at his place of business to-day, and although he was busily engaged with imperative duties, he talked freely and feelingly on the subject of his recent severe sickness and subsequent wonderful cure.

"Yes," said Mr. Tabor, "I can safely say that I am a well man, that is, my old trouble with rheumatism has entirely disappeared, but I am still taking Pink Pills and will keep on taking them as long as I continue to grow stronger and healthier, as I have been every day since I began to use them. You will not wonder at my profound faith in the merits of Pink Pills after you have heard what I have to tell you. About one year ago I was stricken suddenly with sciatic rheumatism and was confined to my bed. It grew worse and rapidly assumed the form of inflammatory rheumatism. I suffered constant and acute pains and all the tortures which that horrible disease is capable of inflicting. At length under the constant care of a local physician I was enabled to return to my work, but only at intervals. Severe attacks would appear regularly in my back and descend into my leg and foot, and threatened to make me a permanent cripple. I tried various remedies for rheumatism, but without any beneficial results. I grew pale, weak and haggard, and my family grew alarmed at my condition.

"About eight weeks ago my mother induced me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and you know the result. Before I had used one box I felt greatly relieved and much stronger. I continued their use and improved rapidly. I have now taken eight boxes and feel like a new man and completely cured.

"In reply to inquiries Mr. Henry, a druggist, stated that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills were having a large sale, that it was particularly gratifying to him to know that the customers themselves were highly pleased with the benefits they had derived from their use; that many of them stated that the pills were the only medium that had done them good; that they not only gave a quick relief but permanent benefit. That the pills do sell and that the cure is a certainty.

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WERE FRIENDS ONLY.



HE had just graduated at Wellesley and he had left with a bachelor's degree some three years ago one of our leading universities. They were both young.

Perhaps she had still some of the girl's romantic nature in her and perhaps he was not entirely free of a boy's hopefulness and enthusiasm for life. But each had a strong foundation of good common sense and earnest, upright purpose.

Both Alice Hartwell and Ned Morgan intended to accomplish something in life and with each other they were in no wise reticent as to what they should demand of the world.

They had been friends from youth and when the girl's return renewed that friendship in all its intensity the gossips had much to say of a long settled matrimonial understanding.

But the young people laughed the idea to scorn.

It was the subject of conversation one August afternoon as they sat together in the cooling shade of the vines of the Hartwell porch.

"The very idea," laughed Ned; "these old people here haven't any idea beyond marrying and dying; can't they understand that there are some other contingencies of existence beside these?"

"Of course not," answered Alice, also laughing, "and they would deem it rank heresy to hear you say so. You must remember that Blanktown has its code of rules and proprieties, as changeless as the laws of the Medes and Persians."

"There is only one thing for a young man to do when he likes a girl."

"There is only one thing for a girl to do because she is a girl," laughed Alice.

"The very idea of you and me being lovers," went on Ned, "when we have been playmates, chums, companions, from the mud pie period."

"The idea," echoed Alice; "why, there couldn't possibly be any romance about such a thing."

"Familiarity kills romance, you know." He said it as if he were uttering one of the foundation truths of the ages. And she acquiesced with: "Of course."

"These people here," he continued in an oracular tone, "cannot appreciate the beauty of a perfect friendship existing between man and woman; they can only conceive of such friendly relation degenerating into an affair of kisses, tears and sentiment."

"But we shall give them an example of something different, shall we not, Ned?"

"Yes, of a perfect friendship, where sex shall not be considered, where one shall be the confidant, the critic and the inspiration of the other."

"How glorious it will be, Ned; what a help we may be to each other. We shall be such friends as Hannah More

and Dr. Johnson, or Chateaubriand and Mme. Recamier, Paula and Jerome."

And so they talked and planned, while the old people said: "What an example of beautiful devotion that is; there can't be any mistake there; they have known each other from childhood."

Well, Ned went to work and Alice went to work, Ned plugging away at the law and she entering the schools as a teacher, for neither was rich.

And their friendship did prove helpful to each other, for he was an ardent student and she was a stern critic. And they were confidants. They could be so frank with each other, because their friendship was secure on account of the perfect understanding between them. It was because of the perfection and ease of this understanding that he came to her when his heart first began to lean toward Mary Mason.

"I know that you will talk to me with perfect honesty, Alice," he said. "I don't believe I really love Mary Mason as the world looks on love, but then she is a good, sensible girl; the match would be a good one and helpful in a worldly sense, and as for love, well, love will come with association."

"Of course," said Alice; "of course, but, Ned, do you think that just her particular cast of mind would suit you? She seems so terribly practical, you know, Ned. She doesn't seem to have those soft, womanly qualities that it seems to me a man would, like. I wouldn't discourage you for an instant, Ned, and yet I'm talking only

for your own good, as a real friend would talk, but do you think you would be really happy with her, Ned?"

"Well, that is it," said Ned, stroking his bare chin; that's it; for the life of me I don't know."

"Well, Ned," said Alice, "if I were you I wouldn't do anything rash. You might regret it all your life and your friends would feel for you, too."

"A man's got to be mighty careful," said Ned; "mighty careful."

"Yes, he has," said Alice, and then for some unaccountable reason she went home and cried herself to sleep. But that's just like a woman, you know.

Nothing came after this to interrupt the smoothness of their relations until one day in the vacation period, when Alice came to Ned for advice.

"I have found teaching hard and tiresome, Ned," she said. "And, after all, the little home trials that a woman overcomes are her best conquests. I have no desire to go back to the school-room, and I have a chance to make a home for myself. Henry Armstrong has asked me to marry him. You know he is a kind-hearted man, Ned, and he is settled and well fixed. His store is paying him well and his wife ought to be a happy woman; don't you think so? He can give me so many pleasures that it would be so hard for me to earn by my own efforts. Tell me what do you think about it, Ned?"

"Why, Alice," said the young man, "I had no idea that you were so mercenary."

"I'm not, Ned—"

"You're not, the idea!"

"But, Ned—"

"Oh, don't talk to me. Henry Armstrong, indeed! But marry him; marry him, by all means."

"Why, you're not angry, are you Ned?"

"Angry? Oh, no; what have I got to be angry at? It's nothing to me."

"But we are friends, and we were to advise each other, you know."

"Well, isn't that what I'm going to do? What I mean is that I don't think that Henry Armstrong is half good enough for you; and I don't believe you love him, either."

"I don't know that I do, but you didn't love Mary Mason, either—at least, you said so."

"Oh, that's right, throw that folly into my face."

"Why, don't you think a person ought ever to marry?"

"Of course, but you want to marry some person who is congenial."

"Well, I thought—"

"Yes, you thought. A woman like you, Alice, needs somebody to think for her," and this lord of creation stalked away in high dudgeon.

As he went into the gate at home that night, and Rover came frisking to meet him, he gave him a kick that sent the dog howling away—just like a man, you know.

He wrote a letter that night, and posted it and Alice received it by the first mail next morning.

It ran thus: "Miss Hartwell: Your actions are entirely beyond explanation. The heart of a man is not to be played with. But I hope you will marry Henry Armstrong and be happy. It doesn't matter what becomes of me. Your neglected lover, Ned."

Alice read it and laughed and cried in turns over the words.

Two hours after its receipt Ned followed it in person, with a highly injured air.

And she, because she was a very soft little person, ran to meet him with a glad face.

"Oh, Ned," she cried, "I never did want to marry Henry Armstrong, at all. But you said we could only be friends, and mutual critics, and—Ned, a girl wants to be loved."

For the moment he forgot his fine ideas and he cried with a tremulous voice: "If you'll just stick to me, Alice, I'll love you well enough."

"Then, Ned, our friendship is all past."

"Can't a man and his wife be friends?"

She laughed. "And for a critic?"

"Oh, after all," he said, "a man's best critic is his wife."

And the wisecracker said: "Wasn't it beautiful? Knew each other from childhood, and not a break, not a ripple in their love."

An Unusual Occurrence. A fox and a hunter together stalked a partridge near Tyson, Vt., the other day, but each unknown to the other. The bird alighted in an apple tree behind a barn and the hunter tiptoed around one side of the barn and brought the bird down. But as the bird dropped, the fox, coming around the other side of the barn, seized it and was off with his dinner before the hunter could appreciate what had happened.

A Valuable Coin. Fred T. McDonald, a druggist of Kennett square, Philadelphia, has just sold an old copper coin for \$200. The coin is very rare. It is of the date of 1783, and on one side has the bust of Washington and the words "Washington and Liberty" and on the other "One Cent." He took the coin in trade at his store for its face value, one cent.

The Japanese believe in banishing from the bedroom everything which is not really necessary to that department. All things useful they make as decorative as possible; but for more ornament's sake little or nothing is added, unless it be a vase containing flowers arranged in their own inimitable way, or something else equally simple. Their custom will bear consideration by the housewives of our western world, for by this Japanese method the utmost neatness, simplicity and repose is possible. Add beauty and daintiness, and little else is left to be desired. Bedrooms so appointed may be easily kept in order and free from dust—that foe to comfort and health.—Womankind.

A deeper spot in the ocean than any yet known was found recently by the surveying ship Penguin, in latitude 23 degrees 40 minutes south, longitude 175 degrees 10 minutes west. A fault in the wire caused it to break when 4900 fathoms, or a little over five miles, had been run out without touching the bottom.

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