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"Paradise."

Editor and writers: Here I come with a few lines this week. I have been very busy picking cotton and havnt had time to learn much news.

I believe every one is doing nicely except Mr. Chess Atchison, who has a very bad case of the "blues". Is he sick, did you say? Oh! no, just grieving over the simple fact, that a pretty little girl down East whom he had given his heart, got married to the other fellow.

The young people enjoyed a singing at Mr. Woody's Sunday night.

Mrs. Will Brunson visited Mrs. T. R. Price Tuesday.

George Price and Verge Hammit have been helping Mr. Woody pick cotton the past week.

I have forgotten to tell you good people our school house is looking very clean and neat under a smiling coat of white paint.

Bro. Bradshaw will preach for us the second Sunday in each month. Now dont forget the date, people, but remember and come.

Joe Powell says he'd be awfully glad to see some of those Stanton girls and boys come out on a visit providing they bring their cotton sack.

Mr. Haben Shipman, who after spending several months here with his father and other relatives left for the Phillippiens the 19th.

Mr. John Shipman who has been visiting relatives left for Big Springs Monday, where he has a position in the auto shops.

T. R. Price and son, George made a flying trip to Midland on business Saturday.

Mr. Irvin Terry says he thinks all these girls have forgotten this "Leap year," cause they wont propose worth a hardly.

Oliver Greenwood says he certainly appreciates an invite to

dine with his girl on Sunday, as his mother is off visiting and it saves him from cooking.

A pretty little girl has come to live at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Eaker.

Our kind editor seems to think we correspondents have all forgotten how to write, but hopo he will soon have cause to think otherwise.

Mr. R. H. Kelley, received a letter Monday stating that his brother-in-law, Charlie Russel, of Big Springs was dead.

A pretty little baby boy has come to make his home with Mr. and Mrs. L. Brunson.

Mr. Roone's brother from Missouri is visiting him and he seems to like West Texas fine and will probably locate with us.

We are told those Missouri people all make good neighbors, if such is the case and we believe it is we will be glad to welcome Mr. Boone into our midst.

Since we started this letter we learn Mr. Spencer Price has been quite ill, but is most able to up, at this writing, his big brother George says he was only heart broken because he didnt get to see that girl Sunday.

Our Literary meets next Saturday night the 24. We are still extending an invitation to every one to come.

Uncle Rip, what are you doing these days that you cant find time to write? We would enjoy reading a letter from you once more, also Edna Earl, Jolly School Girl, Roamer and all the rest.

Mr. Walter Atchison has a very good prospect for son-in-law we think from the looks of things.

We send in a few names to the editor for sample copies, as he so kindly requested of us.

Aunt Sarah.

G. W. Wolf & Co., handle a complete line of groceries, at the Racket Store stand.

A Word to Advertisers.

Our press days are Thursday and Friday, in other words, we begin printing Thursday and finish up on Friday and invariably these are very busy days. Those wishing advertising space, or wish to change their old ad, will do themselves a favor to get all copy in the office not later than Wednesday noon as it gives us more time to properly set and display your ad and it guarantees you a better or more conspicuous position. When copy is brought in late it cannot get the attention it would otherwise.

Masons to Lay

Corner Stone.

Next Saturday evening the corner stone of the court house will be placed into position by the Masonic order of this place and if you wish to see something nice and impressive you should be on hand.

Who is this Absent Minded Fellow?

The following little note was picked up on the street and its unusual contents has had us in the very heights of expectations ever since. It reads this way: "Washpan, black pepper, see The Reporter, sure, get hair cut and don't forget The Reporter." Momentarily, ever since that note was found our eye has been on the front door, expecting that man to come in and subscribe for we are confident this bit of memoranda was given him for that purpose. We do hope he will think of it anyway, and come on.

More Arkansawyers to Move Here.

J. P. Copeland informs us that he is in receipt of a letter from Tom Alford and Lee Watkins of Arkansas the two gentlemen who visited this country a short while back, which says that they are coming to Stanton, Martin county Texas, or bust, or words to that effect. These men are in the mercantile business there and have placed everything they have on the market at a selling price, and will come. Not only these two, but three more of their neighbors will come also, and all on account of some of Martin county farm products which Messrs. Alford and Watkins took back with them.

A Few Hundred Dollars Very Easily Saved.

In as much as we are receiving letters nearly every week from men abroad who are making inquiries of this country, it may pay some of you who wish to sell your land or town property to sell it yourself by placing a small ad in this paper and thereby save the commission. This is merely a suggestion to those who had not thought how easily a trade could be made this way.

Mules and Horses for Sale.

I have a bunch of good mules and ponies which are for sale cheap.

H. B. Cox.

PIERCE PETITION DENIED BY COURT.

Highest U. S. Tribunal Takes Action on Case of St. Louis Oil Magnate.

Washington, Oct. 16. — Henry Clay Pierce, head of the Waters-Pierce-Oil Company, will have to go to Texas to answer the indictment of the Travis county Grand Jury charging him with false swearing in connection with the readmittance of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company into Texas in 1900. The ouster and penalty cases against his company are now pending in the Supreme Court of the United States.

"There is no way by which Mr. Pierce can escape being taken back to Texas," said Attorney General Davidson of Texas tonight. "That is, I do not see how a way can be found to delay longer the trial on the indictment found by the Grand Jury of Travis County."

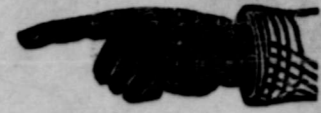
The Supreme Court decided after hearing argument of eminent counsel last spring that Pierce must be surrendered to the Texas authorities by the authorities of St. Louis, his home. Motion to rehear the case was made at that term of court, and pending a decision. Pierce was allowed to renew his bail bond of \$40,000 for his appearance when wanted.

His bondsmen will now surrender him to the Sheriff in St. Louis on demand, and the latter will hold him prisoner for the Texas authorities.

We are under lasting obligations to Edna Earl and Aunt Sarah for a batch of "sample copy" names which they have sent us. Now if any of you "strangers" get a paper with "sample copy" marked on it you can take it for granted that its a hint to subscribe, for just what it is and we are not at all backward in telling you about it.

Mrs. H. C. Walker we hear, is sick again.

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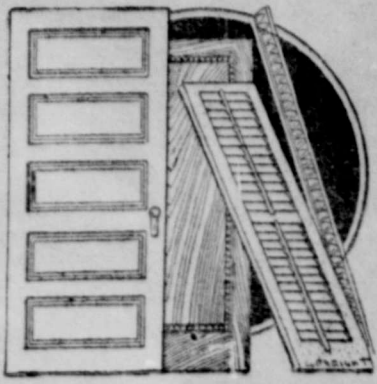
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Indorsements of the Pending Constitutional Amendment.

"The Democratic party believes that ignorance is a misfortune and that education is a blessing, and we, therefore, favor a wise and liberal financial support of our public schools and all our State educational institutions. We favor the adoption of the pending amendment to Section 3, Article VII, State Constitution, relating to public free schools and commend the support of said amendment to the voters of Texas."—State Democratic Convention, August 12, 1908.

"We favor the adoption by the people of the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the State Constitution relating to free schools. This amendment, if adopted, will give the people of the country districts the right by law to provide for the erection and equipment of good school houses, for the lengthening of the school term where practicable, and for the employment of better qualified and more capable teachers. The Texas Farmers' Congress urges every patriotic farmer in Texas and all other citizens to work for and vote for this amendment."—Texas Farmers' College Station, July 9, 1908.

"Whereas, The country public schools of Texas are in great need of improvement, the latest report from the State Department of Education showing that there were 87,332 country children of scholastic age not enrolled in the schools; that the average daily absence from the

country schools was 262,946 children; that 47 of every 100 children were out of the schools all of the time the schools were in session, and that the average school term in Texas was only 116 days; and

"Whereas, The Thirtieth Legislature has submitted an amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the State Constitution, relating to public free schools, to be voted on in the next general election, which amendment, if adopted, will authorize local self-government to be exercised by the people of the respective school districts of the State in providing better schoolhouses, in securing better teachers, and in lengthening the school term; and will abolish the two-thirds rule and substitute therefor the majority rule by the people, and make possible equal educational opportunities for the white children of Texas; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the Texas Press Association hereby indorses said proposed Constitutional amendment, relating to public free schools and commends it to the favorable consideration of the citizenship of Texas, believing that its adoption will mark an educational epoch in the history of our State."—Texas Press Association, Mineral Wells, Texas, May 23, 1908.

"The pending Constitutional amendment, relating to public free schools, if adopted in the November, 1908, election, will authorize the Legislature to enact a law giving force and effect to the principle of local self-government in providing good

public free schools in both urban and country districts. Surely no right-minded person will question the wisdom and the justice of permitting the people to provide, with their own means, for the support of their own schools in which to educate their own children. The adoption of this amendment will limit the rate of taxation for school purposes in the country school districts, and in the towns and villages incorporated for free school purposes only, to fifty cents on each one hundred dollars valuation of property. Before any tax whatever could be levied it would have to be authorized by a majority vote of the property tax-paying voters.

"Texas needs longer school terms, better schoolhouses, country high schools, a larger number of thoroughly qualified and capable teachers. The adoption of this amendment, will contribute to the attainment of all of these desirable ends. We, therefore, appeal to the people of Texas for the support of the pending Constitutional amendment, relating to public free schools, in the November, 1908, election, and ask the religious and secular press of the State to assist us in placing this matter properly before the people."

L. S. Vance on the Stanton Country.

L. S. Vance of Mt. Oral, Brown county, Ohio, has been touring Kansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and the Panhandle of Texas, looking for a good place to locate a real estate affair. But he dropped down three hundred miles south of Dalhart to Stanton. He says this is the finest country he has seen. Says to take the climate the water and the soil all in consideration he thinks the country around Stanton the best he ever saw, for farming and stock raising combined. Mr. Vance is a man who has traveled over 38 states and has for several years made a study of the soil and thinks that the country around Stanton for 50 miles is the coming garden spot of Texas. The soil will produce all the crops that grow in the northern and eastern states, and the soil here produces fine cotton. Hundreds of acres of cotton has been grown around Stanton this year, and the feed crop for feeding stock here is simply immense.

Stanton is the county site of Martin county, 286 miles west of Ft. Worth, on the Texas and Pacific railroad, Stanton is a town of about twelve hundred population and has doubled its population in the last year, they are now building a court house that will cost \$40,000. Two banks, electric light plant, three hotels, school houses six churches three lumber yards, cotton gin and stores of all kinds. New houses going up every day. Stanton is destined to be a town of 5 or 6 thousand people in the

near future.

Mr. Vance has been looking at a corn field that was planted in June and never had any cultivation, only one hoeing, that will make 20 bushels to the acre.

The price of land around Stanton is from 10 to 20 dollars a acre according to the distance from town, and it won't be long till the price will be from \$25 to \$50 a acre. There will soon be another rail road to Stanton, running north to connect the roads running to Denver and Kansas City, Mo., 50 miles of the road is graded and work is going on.

The best of all is that the people here are the best people in the world. If you want to know anything about Stanton or the surrounding country, just write to,

L. S. Vance,
Stanton, Texas.

Expecting a Crash.

Mrs. Green—I overheard Nora talking to herself as she brushed off the fancy china. She said so much of it was nothing short of monotonous.

Mr. Green—Don't worry, my dear; it won't be long before she breaks the monotonous.—Chicago News.

Prospects.

Milkman—You're up early this morning, sir. Out for a little fresh air, I suppose?

Poppy—Can't tell whether it's a fresh heir or helress yet; just been for the doctor.—Catholic Standard and Times.

Unheard Names.

"Did you say your new doctor's name was Steed?"

"Yes; Dr. Steed."

"My! I'd be afraid to engage him. Sounds as if he were a great charger."—Philadelphia Press.

The Effect of Mental Training.

"A man can train himself in time to believe almost anything."

"That's true. For instance, I understand that little Willes actually considers his wife handsome."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

In Zoo Society.

"I don't like the porcupine for anything," remarked the lynx.

"Why not?" asked the zebra.

"Because he bristles up at the least little thing."—Baltimore American.

Of Course.

"Is anything equal to more than the sum of its parts?"

"Yes."

"What is?"

"A head of hair."—Cleveland Leader.

Dr. Womack, dentist, over Home National Bank. Phone, 85

A Girl Queen's Tact.

When Queen Victoria ascended the throne it was considered no reproach for men to drink themselves senseless after dinner. Noblemen of the highest rank joining the ladies after dinner in a state of semi-intoxication apparently created no disgust, and the habit of heavy drinking continued. Frank Hird in "Victoria, the Woman," says that the queen herself ended it, at least as far as the court was concerned.

Girl though she was, Victoria set her face against the practice the moment she became her own mistress and expressed her disapprobation with great tact and skill.

When she went to the drawing room with the ladies after dinner, she remained standing until the gentlemen came into the room. The knowledge that her majesty was standing until the gentlemen left the table made it impossible for them to stay behind longer than the few minutes necessary for the drinking of coffee.

This quiet but significant action of the girl queen had a most beneficial result, and by the time she married society was already beginning to look askance at "one bottle" and "two bottle" men.

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Special Notice: When your subscription for the time paid for has expired, the paper will be discontinued. If this notice is pencil marked, it is to notify you of such expiration and that you are cordially invited to renew.

All news, such as local and neighborhood news items, thankfully received, if accompanied by senders real name, not necessarily for publication but for verification.

Who said anything about a Commercial Club in Anson? He had lots of nerve whosoever he may be, and that's no joke.—Anson Western-Reporter.

Please explain. If Anson has no Commercial Club, then it is easier to understand why everyone thinks of Stamford when Jones county is mentioned. The man who preaches for a Commercial Club for Anson may have nerve, but it sometimes takes nerve to be a patriot. Washington had nerve. Patrick Henry had nerve. Gen. Putnam had nerve. And Anson may profit by their example. The town that is not willing to declare thru an organized medium that there is a reason for its being on the map is the town that sooner or later will shrink on the map. Let Anson make another effort to get a Commercial Club. Work hard and all pull together. Then if failure again prevails, take your ripvan-winkling promptly, for the car of progress will surely not stop

to accomodate anyone.—Fort Worth Telegram.

Anson has no Commercial Club — "ay, there's the rub."

If we could get a Patrick Henry nerve tonic injected into the cerebellum of our civic corpus it might revitalize our patriotism and impel us to cry out; "Give me liberty or give me death."—Anson Western Reporter.

And when a town has a Commercial Club which doesn't amount to but a very small hill of small potatoes, what do you do then. Of course we don't know of any such place unless it be away out in the barren sand hills of the remote west, but just wanted to know for curiosity.

Black Locust the Tree for West Texas

There is no tree in Oklahoma that will do so well in any and all soils and under all conditions as the black locust. Trees five years old from seed are large enough for fence posts and at ten or fifteen years large enough for telephone poles. Fence posts sell here at ten cents each, telephone poles sell for one dollar each.

Four years ago last April I sent to a seed house and received several pounds of black locust seed, broke the ground, harrowed down level, laid out in rows four feet apart, planted the seeds in the rows, covered about one inch deep. But before planting I soaked them by pouring hot water over them once every day for four or five days. By that time the seeds were swollen and some had tiny sprouts on them. I planted them while they were still moist. (Have the water as hot as you can bear your hand in). I cultivated several times the first year, after that they were almost too large to cultivate. I got them too thick as I find where they are the thinnest the trees are larger and thriftier. The largest one measured twenty inches in circumference one foot above the ground, making it over six inches in diameter. Others are taller, many of them twenty-five feet high and nearly straight. Were I to plant again

I would lay off the ground about seven feet apart each way, and plant several seeds in each hill and thin out to two in a hill. They could be cultivated both ways for several years.

One tree seven feet each way would be about nine hundred to the acre, and one dollar each is \$900 for ten years; it would be ninety dollars per year for the use of the land. If you had to wait twenty years for the first crop it would make more than planted in anything else. Once planted you can never get rid of them, nor would you want to. The second crop would come on much quicker than the first, as they would be rooted. It is a native of this section as it can be found most anywhere. There isn't a prettier tree, its foliage is such a beautiful green. And if pruned properly it is an ornament to any lawn. A great many but not all, sprout, and some sprout very little. Break some ground this fall and disc up in spring and plant. So many farms would be improved in appearance by having a grove on them.—Oklahoma Farm Journal.

Slaughter Roundups.

Comming to the front once more, but not much news to tell, but can say we have had a big hail since the last letter I wrote. It was a hail—none to be dragged about. It seemed to me that it hailed an hour, but I guess it wasn't because there wasn't so much of it to fall. It tore up two crops considerably. It did not extend much in width or in length either, but what little there was it did enough. I dont like to think too much about that awful hail. It makes me think there might be another one just like it.

Well every body seems to be very busy picking cotton at present and we are sure having some fine weather for gathering crops, but dont know how long it will continue this way.

Mr. W. B. Walden has moved into his new house, so we have discovered and he seems like a new man.

Miss Mary Brummett and brother, Master S. H. Brummett of Midland were pleasant visitors around about Slaughter last week. They spent two days with Miss Alice Walden.

There was singing at Mr. Waldens Sunday evening and a nice crowd came out from Slaughter and also Midland. Everyone had a nice time.

Mr. S. S. Frazier of Merkel was a pleasant visitor of C. B. Waldens last Friday, returning home Wednesday. Miss Alice Walden accompanied by Mr. Frazier made a flying trip to Midland Monday.

Mrs. A. J. Brightes gave all the young folks a pound supper Wednesday night. There was a large crowd out and plenty of supper for all, and a nice time.

When on your way to Midland from Stanton stop at Slaughter and spend your money with Mr. A. J. Brights and sons, they keep every thing in the line of something good to eat, all kinds of can goods, candies, apples and the very best of flour.

Dont you Stanton People get excited if you happen to hear the wedding bells ring in Slaughter.

Say, Jolly School girl, what is the matter that you are neglecting your duty? Come on with your pen and paper. Say, I believe you tell stories, my little girl. You promised to come to see me two weeks ago and have not come yet. Isn't she a fine

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neighbor writer?

There will be Sunday school in the new school house Sunday evening. Now I want to see if all of you young people and old ones too attend regular as you were afraid to come while we were in the old saloon.

Mr. C. B. Walden spent Saturday night with the bachelor Mr. Robert Bright and also Sunday, up till 12 o'clock.

Mr. Editor I would like to send you a big melon but the hail came and got them all, now I would like for some one to send me one.

Miss Lola Macabee of Courtney was in Slaughter one day last week shopping.

Mr. Vann Engle is talking of batching next year, guess he cant find a wife.

I feel sorry for that correspondent of ours, as the way his last letter read he must have been jilted in his past years, but I can tell him if he were over here in our neighborhood he would not be trifeled with, as there is but a few girls here and they all mean business.

Aunt Sarah what have you got to say about it, and all of you other good correspondents?

Well, I will bring this awful letter to a close and wait for some more news.

Edna Earl.

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Gossip of Stanton

The Colorado Laundry Basket will leave the Palace Hotel every Tuesday. Leave us your bundles. Best work guaranteed. 2t-35.

B. S. Cox was at Hamilton and other points between here and there last week and says the cotton crop is good.

W. X. Barnes who is now with the West Texas News at Colorado was in Stanton Tues ay.

J. H. Medlin and C. Tom have opened up a meat market in the building formerly occupied by Wilhite & Nichols.

The Shafter Lake Herald says the sick folks at the home of L. B. Elam are improving.

H. L. Wynne, formerly a Stanton druggist but now of Eldorado, Okla., was in the city the last of last week.

K. A. Patterson, wife and children of Garden City were in Stanton last week the guests of Mrs. Pattersons parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stamps.

J. A. Faulkner of Whitney, Hill county is spending a few days in Stanton this week, prospecting for a business location and Madam rumor says he may build a two story stone building. He went out Monday to visit at the home of his old friend, Z. T. Joyner.

Joe Hadden left Saturday for Coahoma.

New clothing at,
Pegues Mercantile Co.

Stanton Country real estate has been changing around right sharply the past few days but there is no cash in the transactions so far as we can see—in fact its hard to see anything but the real estate.

Elder J. W. Bradshaw preaches at the Church of Christ, 1st, Sunday in each month.

The report of the reception to mothers, last week stated that Mr. and Mrs. Long entertained. When it should have said the teachers of the public school and the music teacher, Miss Bryan, entertained the mothers.

The teachers are anxious to hear from the mothers about organizing a Mothers Club. This is one of the best methods of bringing about the relation that should exist between patrons and teachers.

K. H. Hall, a carpenter of Toyah has located here to help build up Stanton.

The ladies of the Christian church will give a bazaar and serve lunch on general election day at the old racket store stand.

From all indications turkey will go down about the 26th, of next month.

The partnership heretofore existing between me and Mr. Seidaman has been dissolved and all blacksmithing accounts which occurred during that partnership are due and payable to me.

A. L. Franklin.

Our calicoes will be sold at 5c per yard until all our present stock is sold out and we intend adding new stock from time to time, which will still be sold at 5 cents.

Pegues Mercantile Co.,
The Big Store.

G. W. Walton, a seventy-six year old ex-confederate of the soldiers home at Austin, is here on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Fatheree. We had the pleasure of meeting this old soldier while he was here last year and are pleased to note that he is still hale and hearty for one of his age.

Do not impose upon your watch. Now is a good time to send us your watch for repairs or cleaning. We have one of the best watch makers in the state, working for us. Send us your watch and jewelry repairing now—same will be returned promptly in first class condition.

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Stanton pays a higher price for cotton than any town in West Texas. Who wants to call it?

A. D. Pagan of Scurry county is in Stanton for his health, prospecting and renewing acquaintance with his old friend, L. P. Jones.

F. W. Flanagan was in Abilene Friday and Saturday, taking his son, Lester, to put in school there. Mr. Flanagan says Abilene is moving right along and that Saturday evening a contract was signed by the city by which they are to give \$30,000 for an extension of the Abilene & Northern rail road to connect with Winters and Ballinger.

Look Out.

We have moved our lumber yard in town, immediately in front of Higginbotham-Harris & Co. We are prepared to furnish building material and build any kind of a house, from a crib up to a fine residence, furnishing all the material and do the work. Come and figure with us and we will save you 20 per cent on lumber or building.

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Ginning Notice.

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School Notes.

FOR WEEK ENDING OCT. 16, 1908.

New pupils are entering the school every week, and we are always glad to have those who are beneficial to the school.

Mr. Houston, Mrs. B. Good and Miss Willie Pearson were pleasant visitors this week.

We are glad to have Mr. Jim Grisham as a pupil in the high school.

Misses Ina Mae Kyle, Ethel Crowder and Ray Robertson and Mr. Odessa Kaderli were absent a part of this week.

The boys and a few of the girls are getting to be fine debaters.

The debate: Resolved that our country is in more danger from foes internal than external, was decided in favor of the negative.

Willie Harris and Walter Franklin were given the honor of being the most diligent and orderly this week.

The interest and deportment of the school is improving.

HONOR ROLL.

EIGHTH GRADE

Marshall Wilson.
Bessie Bivins.

NINTH GRADE.

Willie Harris.
Ida Jones.
Paul Robason.
Mattie Clinch.

TENTH GRADE.

Della Shaw.
Estha Hadden.
Era Haynie.
Blanche Kelly.
Walter Franklin.
Bertha Hardin.

THE FAIR.

When the pippins, golden yellow, in the orchards tempt a fellow
And the corn is cut for fodder and the pumpkins ripe and round,
Then a man with possum traps comes along the fences blinding
And the town lot, long neglected, soon becomes enchanted ground.
In the weedy, dusty clearing, snowy canvas tents appearing
Send a wave of expectation like a wireless on the air,
And the boys begin to muster and the place is in a flutter
And a hurry and worry, getting ready for the fair.

Granny, cousin, aunt and mother, father, uncle, little brother,
It's a marvel how the wagon manages to hold them all,
Cracking walps and jokes together to the crack of harness leather,
While old Bess is like a filly newly taken from the stall.
Other loaded turnouts meeting, friends and neighbors loudly greeting,
Everybody stretched and ironed in a way to make you stare,
Hoping with a thrill of rapture that your folks a prize will capture,
That's the way you always journey when you're going to the fair.

There are cakes and cream and candy and a sweetly smiling dandy
Who will sell a diamond scarf pin, such a sparkler for a dime,
And the wooden horses flying and the people who are trying
To beat the simple shell game, but are losers every time.
Bands are blaring, fakirs calling, parachutes and pennies falling,
You are dizzy with the effort to be looking everywhere,
And you find that fortune's tickle and she always gets your nickel,
But it is not very often that you go to see a fair.

Homeward in the sunset glory we rehearse the wondrous story
Of how mother scooped the honors with her jelly and her bread,
And with bashful tremors shaken show the tintype we had taken
In the shabby tent erected near the noisy poultry shed.
In our dreams again we're gazing at the rows and rows amazing
Of the pigs and sows and horses and the things to eat and wear,
And we count the snows and roses till again the gate uncloses
On the rattle-dazzle racket of the annual county fair.
—Minna Irving in New York Press.

Cornered.

Pa—Edith, how often do you practice on the piano when I'm away?
Edith—Every day, pa.
Pa—How long did you practice yesterday?
Edith—Four hours.
Pa—And today?
Edith—About the same.
Pa—Well, I'm glad to hear you're so regular. The next time you practice, however, be sure to unlock the piano. I locked it last week, and I've been carrying the key in my pocket ever since. Here it is!—Judge.

An old gentleman walked up to the pretty girl attendant at the counting room of a daily

newspaper office a few days ago and said:

"Miss, I would like to get copies of your paper for a week back."

"You had better get a porous plaster," she abstractedly replied. "You get them just across the street."—Exchange.



Kenneth the Youthful (much interested in papa's unexpected catch)—Easy, pa. Don't waggle your leg about so much or you'll lose him.

Rather Near It.

Friend—Well, folks, did you have an exciting trip in your new automobile?
Mr. Rapid—Very. We ran down three men, two boys, a baby and ten dogs.
Mrs. Rapid—Yes, we had a perfectly killing time.—Baltimore American.

Some people miss opportunity when it knocks because they havn't push enough to get a door open.—The Business World.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For State Senator
W. J. BRYAN (of Abilene)
For District Judge, 32nd Judicial District,
JAMES L. SHEPHERD
(Re-election)
For District Attorney:
R. N. GRISHAM
For District and County Clerk,
H. HAMILTON
For County Judge,
BAILEY ANDERSON
For County Attorney
T S GRISHAM
For Tax Assessor
J. E. HENSON
For Sheriff and Tax Collector,
J R ARNETT
For County Treasurer;
J. R. SALE
For County Surveyor,
RAY BACHMAN.
For Commissioner, Precinct No. One
T S CROWDER
J E MILLHOLLON
For Commissioner, Precinct No. Two:
W. J. MATHIS
For Hide and Animal Inspector
GUS ROBERTS

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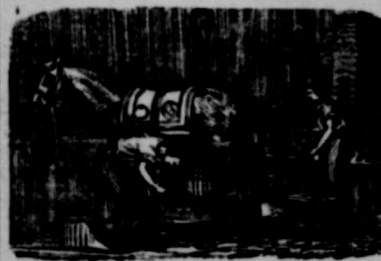
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Ransoming Fancy.

By CARL WILLIAMS.

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"Love me, love my dog," was a sentiment of which Miss Thayer entirely approved, though she had no reason to lust that Paul Nisbit follow the rule, for he loved Ida Thayer, dogs in general, his own brindle bull in particular and Miss Thayer's Boston terrier but little less.

Fancy, the terrier, had been his first gift to Ida, and Paul believed that it constituted the strongest tie between them, for in dogs they had found a common bond of sympathy.

This Nisbit had industriously sought to strengthen, with no small results, though he had not yet dared to put his fate to the test and possibly lose through precipitancy all he had gained.

That Ida Thayer liked the friendly, clean cut young man was evident, but



A GOOGLED FIGURE CAUGHT UP THE DOOMED FEEL.

friendliness is not love, so Paul waited for the opportunity that should show him more clearly where he stood.

And a dog it was that again tightened the bonds. The hydrophobia scare struck Wellington, and the edict went forth that all dogs must be muzzled, while the local papers dilated on the danger that threatened and called upon all broad minded citizens to destroy their pets before the town should gain an unpleasant notoriety through an epidemic of rabies.

Nisbit, coming up the walk to the Thayer home with the latest diatribe in his pocket, found Ida dissolved in tears.

"Take that horrid paper away," she cried as she saw what he carried. "I wouldn't mind muzzling Fancy, but the idea of killing her! And father believes that horrid stuff, and he's—he's going to have Fancy chloroformed tomorrow."

"Poor little Fancy!" said Paul as he stooped to pat the dog's head and wished instead that he might rest his hand upon the golden strands which crowned the shapely head of Fancy's mistress.

"Of course," he continued. "If we are threatened with an epidemic of rabies it is well to take every precaution, at the same time to kill all dogs because one of them might go mad is as absurd as to want to kill all human beings because some men are afflicted with a mania for murder. I am going to take Sir Herbert out to the Oaks this evening. What do you say to an abduction?"

"Mr. Nisbit!" Ida's voice startled him. He had never heard her speak in that tone before. Anger and surprise were mingled in her voice, and with a sinking heart Paul realized that she had misunderstood him.

"I didn't mean to abduct you," he cried. "It was Fancy I was thinking of. If Fancy should be sitting on the lawn this evening and a long, low, rakish car should happen along and if, after the dust died down, it should be found that she had disappeared, don't you think that would be better than chloroform? Out at the farm there will be no stray curs to carry infection, and she and Sir Herbert could have a glorious time with the run of the grounds under Chester's watchful eye. He loves dogs as well as I do."

In her eagerness to atone for her misunderstanding Ida caught Paul's hand impulsively.

"You are so good!" she cried. Then she realized that she was holding his hand and reddened as her fingers clasped their grip. "I am so worried I don't think I know what I am doing today," she continued. "I could think of no way of saving poor Fancy, and it seemed so wicked to kill the poor little thing."

"Then it is settled!" he cried. "The practical auto will be along after supper. Don't you want to go, too, and see what fine quarters she will have? It's a splendid run, and there will be a moon tonight. Of course if you don't want to turn kidnaper—"

"But I do," cried Ida, "when it is Fancy who is being kidnaped. I know that when this absurd scare is over father will be only too glad to find that Fancy is still alive. He liked her until the papers commenced to print these horrid things. I don't suppose that it is really thwarting father's wishes."

"You're merely assistant kidnaper," explained Paul. "The principal is responsible for the acts of his agents. The responsibility is all mine."

As the summer twilight faded into dusk Paul's racing car puffed noisily into the Thayer driveway, and a go-

gled figure sprang up the steps and caught up the doomed pet. Then he gave Ida the leaders of the two dogs, and the car recommenced its noisy puffing. In a flash they were in the street again.

It was a delightful run out to the farm, which was Paul's hobby, and when Ida saw the two new kennels that had been built in compliance with Paul's telephone message to his superintendant she went into ecstasies.

They were side by side fronting a great lawn, in the center of which was an artificial lake fed by a brook. It was an ideal place for a summer play ground, and it was not long before Fancy was chasing Sir Herbert over the grass and making herself at home generally.

"The gate is always closed," explained the superintendant. "There is no chance of a visit from a rabid cur, and the grass and water will do them a world of good."

"I wish I could stay here, too," exclaimed Ida, with a sigh, as she gave Fancy a final petting and prepared to follow Paul to the car.

"I'll bring you out whenever you want to see Fancy," he promised. "We'll come every day if you wish."

"I should like to come tomorrow," assented Ida, "to see how our victims are getting along. Our abduction is successfully accomplished."

"That shows you how much of a novice you are," retorted Paul as the car started. "The abduction is not a success until the victim is restored to an anxious family and the ransom has been paid. This is only the first chapter."

"And the second is the homecoming," "That's the third," corrected Paul. "The second has to do with the ransom."

"And does Fancy have to be ransomed?"

"Why else should we abduct her?" demanded the head of the expedition. "Of course she must be ransomed. It's a very heavy ransom, too," he added. "I am half afraid that it will be regarded as too much."

Ida's eyes fell beneath his ardent gaze.

"I value Fancy very highly," she said softly. "When is the ransom to be made? I want to know the terms."

"We should wait until the craze dies down," said Paul uncertainly. "That would be the proper way, but the scare will not be over until cold weather, and I thought perhaps I might collect in advance. It is a little unusual; but then, this is an unusual abduction, and I don't want to be sending one of Fancy's ears to the owner as a warning to be prompt."

"Please don't," cried Ida, with a little shudder. "Name your ransom."

For reply Paul caught the little hand that rested on the arm of the seat. There was just a momentary resistance. Then it rested quietly in his own. The ransom had been paid.

She Saw.

When the Lawtons had lived in Willow Park about a month they were invited to a succession of little dinners at the houses of their new neighbors. Mr. Lawton was on a dyspeptic's diet, and Mrs. Lawton was endeavoring to reduce her weight. "I suppose we will have to eat all sorts of things we don't wish or else seem rude," said Mrs. Lawton mournfully as they set out for the first dinner. To their growing surprise the bills of fare placed before them at the dinners, although not remarkably varied, were all composed of such dishes as they could both enjoy. "I don't see how you all hit on just the right things when Mr. Lawton and I really are such difficult guests," said Mrs. Lawton in a burst of confidence one afternoon when the neighbors were taking tea with her. The ladies looked at each other, says Youth's Companion, and then one of them spoke: "You know Mary Sloan, who comes to wash for you Tuesday mornings?" she said. "Well, I have her Mondays, and Mrs. Green has her Wednesdays, and she irons for Mrs. Porter Thursdays and scrubs for Miss Comer Fridays, so you see"— Her voice trailed off into silence. But Mrs. Lawton no longer wondered. She "saw."

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Dear Editor and correspondents. Here I come with a pocket full of news from this community.

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Mr. George Price was in Midland last week and bought a nice carpet and when asked what he wanted with a carpet he looked out of the corner of his eye and said, "Well, sir maybe I will be lucky enough to marry some day and my old woman will get her feet cold without a carpet on the floor."

J. W. Price, A. M. Cobb and son Calvin, have just returned from a prospecting trip to Andrews county.

Thomas Carr, a well known young man of Midland county has joined hands with a smiling lassie.

J. W. Price and wife and baby spent Saturday and Sunday with their father T. R. Price.

Some of you sweet girls who think Uncle Snort has had his share of this worlds troubles, come and spend the night with us and listen to Uncle sing "Rock-o-bye-o-baby" a while and see if you think he could flirt with any mothers darling girl.

Come on all you good writers and give us the news.

Uncle Snort.

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Gossip of Stanton

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Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Williams are attending the Dallas Fair this week, leaving Thursday.

Surveyor Bachman who has been looking at Andrews county through the compass, the last week or more is at home for a few days.

For Rent: A four room cottage suitable for photographer. E. O. Suppiger.

T. W. Brown whose home is in Mart, McLellan county is here paying a visit to his sister, Mrs. S. D. McWhorter and also mother, who has been here a month or more.

Our efficient correspondent from "Paradise" was a pleasant caller at this office Thursday morning and reported a heavy rain in that community Wednesday night.

Mrs. E. C. Pegues is reported quite sick this week, we are sorry to learn.

Mrs. M. J. Odom returned from Roswell, N. M. last week, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Manning, who is a relative of Mrs. Odom, accompanied her and will visit in Dallas before returning.

We don't try to keep groceries, graniteware, glassware, tinware, or anything else. It's all for sale. Wolf & Co.

Don't put off buying that stove another day. Just drop in and let us show you how cheap we are selling them. Hamilton, O'Brien & Epley.

The friends of Mrs. Norma Roberts are congratulating her upon her marriage this week to Mr. McKenzie of Ft. Worth, where we understand she will reside in the future.

H. Garrison of San Antonio was in the city this week to see his cousin, Mrs. A. G. Odom. He is an all round restaurant man and was thinking some of buying a restaurant at Big Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Deits have gone to Alpine, Texas.

Santa Claus is getting nearer every day.

Stanton is not on a boom at all but she's picking up where she quit off last fall and is building up like sixty.

Mrs. Joe Bell Jr., took the west bound train Tuesday and will stop off in Pecos county to visit with her father.

Mrs. W. N. Odom went to Midland Wednesday.

Those high sided wagons are looking good to us, so many of them.

Mrs. J. F. Young left Thursday for a month or six weeks stay in Mineral Wells for the benefit of J. F.'s health.

Prospectors are getting quite numerous again and many of them are buying.

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Uncle John Good is reported sick.

We are pleased to note that Lee Kirkpatrick is doing quite nicely with his music lessons, as we are told he learned the first lesson several weeks before he took up the study.

A gentleman by the name of Wood, who recently moved here from Glascock county is having a house built on a four acre tract in Stanton Heights and intends going into the truck business.

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