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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

### Congress.

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Regular correspondent.

Washington D. C. April 1, 93—  
This has been a week of the wildest excitement in Congress. Every day has furnished its share. For a time it looked as though the President, the Speaker of the House, and all other opposition would be pushed aside and that Congress would take the bit between its teeth, so to speak, and declare war against Spain. A score or more war-like resolutions have been introduced in the House and Senate. By the use and persuasion and promises on the part of the President and the Speaker this action has been staved off until next week. The President has asked that Congress wait until Spain decides whether it will adopt the last chance to peaceably give up Cuba by allowing the insurgents to buy it, before declaring war, or for forcible intervention, which would be the same thing, but he has been candidly informed that Spain will have to decide quick or it will be too late, as Congress is overwhelmingly for immediate war, and is becoming more war-like the more it studies the testimony which accompanied the report of the Naval Court of Inquiry saying that the Maine was blown up by a submarine mine; and is liable to act at any time. Many of those

Davis, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, and to have been declined by him and to ex-Senator Edmonds, of Vt., who has the offer under consideration.

Capt. C. D. Sigsbee, who was in command of the battleship Maine when it was blown up in Havana harbor, and whose conduct upon that memorable occasion earned the admiration, not only of every American, but of every person who admires the display of a cool head and calm nerves under exciting conditions, returned to his Washington home this week, and is being given a right royal welcome, not only by his wife and children but by all who meet him. He has been thanked in person by the President and by the Secretary of the Navy, for the example he has set for the United States Naval officers; and the National Geographic Society, of which Capt. Sigsbee has long been a distinguished member, is arranging for a monster public reception in his honor, in order that the people of Washington can all have an opportunity to meet the brave officer and to tender their esteem and admiration to him in person.

The populists in Congress, with a desire to put themselves on record on the subject, held a joint caucus and agreed upon the resolution which was offered in the Senate by Senator Allen, and in the House by Representative Bell. The resolution provides for recognition of the independence of Cuba, forcible intervention to bring about peace, and the appropriation of \$500,000 for relief

## IMPORTANT CROPS.

### Drouth Resisting Crops for West Texas.

There are three important crops capable of such long resistance to arid conditions that they will probably supplant to a great extent the ordinary field crops in that portion of Texas where insufficiency of rainfall often makes conditions hard for the farmer. These are Kafir corn and soja or soy beans as grain and forage feeds and alfalfa as a forage.

In some of its recent issues The Journal has given some attention both to the red Kafir corn, which is more nutritious than the white, and to alfalfa. As shown by the report of feeding tests in Kansas given some months ago the red Kafir corn has a feeding value in its grain nearly equal to corn, and supplies much more and a better quality of forage. When corn is destroyed by long drouth or by the hot winds that often in summer sweep over the West, the Kafir corn simply stops growing to start again, however, into vigorous

Kafir Agricultural College showed that eight pounds of Kafir corn and twenty pounds of alfalfa make a perfect dairy ration and one so cheap that a pound of excellent butter can be made at a cost in feed of only 4 cents.

The soja or soy bean has long been known in Japan and its value in bringing it into prominence in this country. It is a black bean, there being fewer beans in the pod than in those of the vicia type. The yield of the crop is being fewer beans in the time of planting and the mode of cultivation are the same in both. The dwarf variety bears more seed, the mammoth being mostly to vine. The Kafir is a harder plant than the cow pea and aids much to the fertility of the soil. The bean has a very great feeding value and is one that improves the bacon quality of the hog. The best value of the Kafir is in combination with Kafir corn or Indian corn. In a feeding test pigs fed Kafir corn made a daily gain of .50 of a pound; fed Indian corn meal the gain was .80 of a pound. With a mixture of two-thirds Kafir corn

answer me "Nay;"  
"Would be so convenient, when going out shopping;  
"Would hold my small purchases coming from town.  
And always my purse or my kerchief I'm dropping—  
Oh, me! for the pocket that hung in my gown,  
The old-fashioned pocket that obsolete pocket,  
The praiseworthy pocket that hung in my gown.

A gown with a pocket! How fondly I'd guard it!  
Each day ere I'd don it, I'd brush it with care;  
Not a full Paris costume could make me discard it,  
Though trimmed with the laces an Empress might wear.  
But I have no hopes, for the fashion is banished;  
The tear of regret will my fond visions drown;  
As fancy reverts to the days that have vanished,  
I sigh for the pocket that hung in my gown,  
The old-fashioned pocket, the obsolete pocket,  
The praiseworthy pocket that hung in my gown.  
—Carloyn Wells.

### Embossed in Gold.

To buy and reproduce famous paintings involves an expenditure that could hardly be borne unless, as in the case of The Youth's Companion, the enterprising publisher by the approval of the artist, has secured a hundred thousand dollars.

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who are using their influence to hold Congress in check until the President is satisfied that peace is impossible believe in the sincerity of Spain in the present negotiations, and those who wish to start the fighting at once do not hesitate to express the belief that Spain is merely playing for time, in order that her warships now on the way may get across the Atlantic and be in a position to attack our seacoast cities before the opening of hostilities. The latter say that we should declare war and send our warships out to meet those of Spain in the middle of the ocean, and that we should pen those up in Havana harbor which are already there. Such action would make the war short and decisive, but the President thinks we should not go to war if everything we demand can be had peaceably. There seems to be grounds for the last report that Secretary Sherman is shortly to retire from the Cabinet. It has been an open secret in Washington that Secretary Sherman has not directed any of the important matters with which the Department of State has had to deal under the present administration. Some have said it was because Secretary Sherman lacked the physical strength, owing to his age and delicate health, to assume any great burden; others that it was because his mental faculties were no longer what they were. In any case, he has been Secretary of State only in name. The duties of Secretary of State have been performed by Judge Sherman, Assistant Secretary, but the President has been Secretary of State. Extraordinary complications and those like to arise out of them are said to have caused the President to realize the necessity for a secretary of State of wider diplomatic experience than either himself or his friend, and lieutenant, Judge Day has had, and the portfolio is said to have been offered to Senator

The republicans of the House are determined that the democrats shall not get the credit for originating any war legislation that may be passed by that body. They show this by voting solidly to sustain the speaker when he decided that Representative Bailey's attempt to offer a resolution declaring Cuba independent as a personal privilege was out of order, and they showed it again at a caucus held for the purpose of discussing and deciding what they should do. The caucus decided to wait until the first of next week for the President to give Spain a last chance to agree to get out of Cuba peaceably, and the Senate "steering" committee has done the same. It was a close call for war, and Spain must now decide whether it shall be peace or war.

### The Two Streets.

Two streets, there are—in many towns—

A foul one and a fair;  
In one the sweetest peace abounds  
In one a dark despair.  
In one the light of love is shed,  
In one grief's bitter tear;  
The name of one of these is Bread,  
The name of one is "Beer."

In Bread street there are busy men  
And happy homes and wives;  
In Bread street Plenty sings her song,  
And Labor chants his rhyme;  
In Beer street want is joined with wrong  
And idleness with crime.

O, men and mothers, strive to do  
The most you can to make  
The children shun the ones who brew.  
But love the ones who bake.  
There is a street their feet should tread,  
And one their feet should fear  
The name of one of these is Bread.  
The name of one is "Beer."  
—Nixon Waterman, in the Voice

growth as soon as rain falls upon it. It has been known to produce thirty to forty bushels per acre where corn in the vicinity was utterly destroyed. It has more fodder than corn and the fodder remains green some time after the seed has ripened. The grain is hard to grind, its grit makes it require more time to fatten a steer than when corn in the grain used a larger proportion of the Kafir corn passing through the system without being digested, but when hogs are kept with the steers, the aggregate cost of fattening both with Kafir corn is less than with Indian corn.

The Journal has given articles on alfalfa in its issues of Jan. 19 and Feb. 9, and little more need be said. In Western Kansas and Nebraska it is the most remunerative of all the ordinary crops. It is the very best pasturage to build up the frame, the bone and muscle of a growing animal. It makes the best mutton sheep or lambs that go from the West to market. It resists drouth and hail. Fields that have been riddled by hail have within a few weeks been covered again with a fine crop. It does not become thoroughly established until the third year, and after that it will last, practically, through all time, making from three to five crops each year. In a recent article in Harper's Weekly it is stated that there are alfalfa fields near the City of Mexico more than 300 years old. Experiments at the

and one-third soy beans the gain was 1.44 pounds per day; with Indian corn meal (two-thirds) and soy beans (one-third) the gain was 1.46 pounds. The beans ripen late in September, but if the plant is raised for forage it should be cut in August. It is said that Northern seed produce a plant with less vine than Southern seed. —Stock and Farm Journal.

### Woman's Sigh for a Pocket.

How dear to this heart are the old-fashioned dresses,  
When fond recollections present them to view;  
In fancy I see the old wardrobes and presses,  
Which held the loved gowns that in girlhood I knew;

The widespreading mohair, the silk that hung by it;  
The straw-clothed satins, with trimmings of brown;  
The ruffled foulard, the pink organ die nigh it;  
—But, oh! for the pocket that hung in each gown,

The old-fashioned pocket, the obsolete pocket,  
The praiseworthy pocket that hung in each gown.  
That dear, roomy pocket I'd hail as a treasure.  
Could I but behold it in gowns of today,  
I'd find it the source of an exquisite pleasure,  
And all my modistes eternally

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### This and That.

—There are nearly 35,000 gypsies in England.

—It is estimated that of the whole population of the globe about 90,000 die every day.

—In the Bank of England there are many silver ingots which have lain untouched for nearly 200 years.

—The duke of Westminster estimates that his London property, if realized, would be worth over twelve millions.

—In New York there is a dog restaurant where people can take their canine favorites to be fed. Upwards of 100 dogs dine there every day.

—In 1821, Great Britain had 3,572,000 houses, whose rental value was £20,000,000; now there are more than 7,100,000 houses, of the rental value of £135,000,000.

—The houses of parliament are partly lighted by 40,000 electric lamps, which number is being constantly increased. Fifty experienced electricians are employed to keep the system in order.

—There is a school-teacher in Kansas who writes to her county superintendent that she is 74 years of age, and wishes to pass the examination for a state certificate, and also to enter for a year at the normal school to study new methods.

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"The situation is quite as warlike now as it has been at any time since the relations between the United States and Spain became strained and notwithstanding the efforts made by representatives of the great European powers toward mediation.

The reply of President McKinley to the representatives of the powers who waited on him with a tender of good offices was dignified, but it gave no encouragement for any hope that he would recede in the least from the stand which he had fully decided upon when his message was prepared, and which he now considers as a closed document, unless there should be some unexpected radical change in the situation.

For the rest the situation may be summed up in a few words. It was given out that Gen. Lee is getting the Americans out of Cuba with the utmost dispatch and that he may be able to leave there by today.

Meanwhile, however, influences are at work to persuade Spain to yield to the inevitable and these may yet prove successful. The only mediation possible is at Madrid and between Spain and Cuba.

The army uniforms ordered by Gen. Miles, are of a gray brown color, and will cause many an old "confed" to think of the suit he wore during the late war between the States.

Those "chronic kickers" and financial "cranks" you met, on every corner a year ago, have either forgotten their piece, gone to the Klondike, or are getting ready to make a raid on Spain.

Miss Clara Barton says the Red Cross society makes no distinction between friend and foe, in its efforts to alleviate suffering. She has gone back to Cuba to superintend the distribution of relief for the suffering Cubans.

Spain circulated the report that the Pope's proposed mediation was at the suggestion of President McKinley, but later admitted its error and expressed regret that the misunderstanding occurred. Rats. Yes, big rats.

Looking out for Slights. "There are people who go about the world looking out for slights; and they are necessarily miserable for they find them at every turn;—imaginary ones! One has the same pity for such people as for the very poor. They are the morally illiterate. They have had no real education, for they have never learned how to live."—Henry Drummond.

A Fortunate Accident. I was scorching down the street yesterday and my bicycle struck a rock and I went over forward striking squarely on my head, when—She. Oh! how fortunate! He, Fortunate? In what way? She, that you should strike on something soft. They never ask as they pass now.

OUR EXCHANGE TABLE.

Views and Comments on Our Exchanges.

A wise editor says: "Pity the poor young man who parts his hair in the middle; he has to do it to prevent his mind from becoming unbalanced."—Ex.

Instead of war excitement being the cause of McKinley's brain weakening, it probably may be sympathy with his backbone which, as is well known, has been weak for some time.—Liberty (Mo.) Advance.

You may be right brother, but we were of the opinion that the weak spot was in his future Presidential aspirations.

Mr. McKinley says he would rather see his party annihilated than engage in "an unholy war." Come to think of it, we would like to see it annihilated anyhow, war or no war.—Atlanta Constitution.

Yes, McKinley had rather see the American people insulted by a lot of blood thirsty cut-throats than to offend Cardinal Gibbons & Co.

With the killing of Brann one of the most unique characters of the present era passes off the stage of action. A man of giant intellect and a sarcastic pen keener than any sword; he set himself up ostensibly as an iconoclast, and incidentally as judge, jury and executioner of the reputation of men.—Sherman Register.

And like Puck we can only say: "What fools these mortals be."

If we had

market for cotton. There is still time left for planting grain and getting ready to increase the hay and beef output. The farmer would as well prepare, not only to sell to the army of peace, but to the army of war. He will be on the safe side in either event by following this policy. This is the year for meat, hay and grain.—Southern Mercury.

The people who live in Southwest Texas do not have to worry about the cotton markets. They are in the swim with plenty of fat cattle selling at good prices, war or no war.

A newspaper man with a large vein of humor in his make up guys the missing word racket for increasing newspaper subscriptions in this style: He announces that a certain man in his neighborhood sat down on a carpet tack. The man, who is represented as a deacon in the Baptist church, at once sprang up but only said two words. The last one was "it." The editor gives out that any one guessing the first word and sending in one dollar cash will be entitled to a year's subscription without further expense.—Ex.

The above is very unique and we commend the editor on his originality, for it must have been original, if not successful, more so than many things we see in sheets of the present day.

An Elopement.

Miss Ollie Harkness and Mr. Jim Hazlerigg, both prominent young people of Pearsall, were quietly married here on April 5th in the parlors of the Burke Hotel. Rev. M. T. Allen of the Methodist church officiating. They left the same day for Monterey and other points of interest. The RECORD extends congratulations wishing the happy couple many long and unclouded years of wedded life.

Stand up for...

And one of the ways to stand up for it is to make it in every way desirable for it worthy. You can stand up for it by trying to keep down immorality and every one can offend the best people by standing up for it by trying to elevate the citizens intellectually as well as morally. You can stand up for it by removing filth, and all the filth of the eye the ear and the nose.

You can stand up for it by keeping your house and grounds neat and tasty. It pays in many offices, to keep all the roof and all, well painted and adds greatly to appearances. Paint covers a multitude of defects.

When a stranger visits a town, if he sees the streets unpainted, the streets dirty, the houses neat and tasty, he will say, here is a good town. If he sees old buildings and the streets dilapidated, if the streets are neglected, the walks out of town he says this town is on a hill. Every citizen of his town, to his neighborhood, family to try to keep his property and premises in as good a condition as possible.

Stand up for your town. A stranger always judges by its local paper. Sabe?

Too Much for the Monkey.

The following story is by a preacher and therefore more or less true: "The proprietor of a cigar store in Illinois town set up a brass monkey with a cigarette in its mouth. The monkey when it would puff at the cigar all the joy and abandon of a young man who is just about to be

an autopsy, it was found that his been completely fogged by the deposits from the cigarette smoke." The preacher expected this moral from the story "If cigarette smoke will stop the works of a brass monkey, what will it do for you?"—Ex.

The Buttermilk Cow.

An exchange says: "The Nauvoo girl who expresses so much sympathy for the poor farmer because of his cold job in harvesting his winter wheat is equal in agricultural knowledge to the one who expresses a desire to see a field of tobacco when it was just plugging out. But the Carthage damsel who asked which cow gave the buttermilk, is entitled to the whole bakery. But a Dallas City girl, who on her return from a visit to the country, was asked if she ever saw anybody milk a cow, replied: 'Oh, yes, indeed I have. It tickles me to death to see uncle jerk two of the cow's feet at the same time.'—Ex.

His Last Joke.

The proverbial dull wit of the English people was never made more apparent, than does the following. A lawyer whose name was Strange was about to die, and after making his will was giving his wife instructions concerning his epitaph. "All I wish said he" is the simple inscription: Here lies an honest lawyer," and when his wife asked if he did not want his name engraved upon the stone, he replied with a smile like a man who was cracking his last joke, "No my dear, anyone reading the inscription would naturally remark, why that's Strange."

An Englishman relating the joke to some friends finished in this manner, "Any one would be likely to read the inscription like this, Here lies an honest lawyer"—why that's funny.—York's Southland.

GENERAL NEWS. Separated From the Chaff for Busy Readers.

Attorney General Crane spoke at Pearsall on Monday night.

Great Britain has refused to take part in the mediation between the United States and Spain.

Lone Star Steamship Company have withdrawn from Southern waters on account of war crisis.

Up to last Saturday seventeen counties had adopted the strict test and fifty-eight the liberal test.

The President has postponed his message until Monday, at the request of Consul General Lee in order to give him time to remove all Americans from Havana.

Sam Cobb, a deputy sheriff, and his brother, Felipe Cobb, a constable, were shot and killed by Carlos Guillen, at a city election in Brownsville on the 5 inst.

Millet Chaff.

Mrs. J. W. McCombs and Mrs. Lawrence were called to Bigfoot Thursday by the serious illness of their sister, Mrs. Whitley. Their host of friends here wish for her a speedy recovery.

Chas. Brooks was in from Dullis ranch Wednesday.

Rodgers & Jennings shipped a train load of cattle to the Territory Tuesday.

Miss Mary Hale of Devine is visiting in Millet this week.

Miss Nancy Reynolds returned home Sunday from Cotulla, where she has been visiting her many friends.

W. McCombs of Cibola paid

D. W. McKey was here on last Wednesday.

Ed. Whitley and wife left this week for Bigfoot to spend some time with their parents.

Will Johnson was in from his ranch Monday.

H. W. Earnest went up to San Antonio one day this week on business.

Dock Lawrence has a candy and fruit stand. Cold drinks in connection.

J. L. Rowland after a few days illness, we are glad to say is improving gradually.

C. O. Harris and C. C. Ellis of Cibola were here last Monday on business.

THE BIG THREE.

KILLED IN A WRECK.

A railroad wreck is a horrible thing, but it is not always without amusing incidents. A fearful wreck occurred near Montgomery some time ago and on the fated train was a young physician who often visits Nashville.

"The cars were piled up in confusion," he said, "and the wounded people were crying out with horror and pain. We picked up the engineer and carried him to a convenient spot away from the wreck. His face and neck were scalded and the flesh was dropping off in large pieces. The fireman was knocked senseless. We then went toward the rear of the train to look after the passengers. Standing near the sleeper were two ladies. A good-looking woman of perhaps 30 was upbreeding the other woman. She had a bundle hugged up fondly in her arms.

"You have killed it," she screamed, "you have killed it; you wretch. Shame on you, you heartless creature!" "Let me see it, madam, I'm a physician, perhaps it is not too late."

"She clasped the bundle to her breast and continued to rage at the woman standing near her.

"Perhaps I can do some good; let me see it."

"What do you think she did? She unrolled the bundle and handed me a spotted pup! She had five in a basket on the train and one of them had rolled out on the floor and the other woman had stepped on it and crushed it to death."—Nashville American.

As Between Nations.

"How is war declared?" some one asked a statesman. "Usually by a cannon shot," was the reply. "This country did go to war once by adopting a resolution. Most of the fighting has begun without legislative preliminaries. The civil war opened with the firing on Fort Sumter.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Largest House in the World.

The largest house in the world is in Wieden, a suburb of Vienna. In this domicile there are 1,400 rooms, divided into 400 suites of from three to six rooms each, and they at present shelter 2,112 persons, who pay an annual rental of over 100,000 florins.

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VENTRILOQUIST IN JAIL. Took Liberties with a Fellow Prisoner's Imagination. Monte La Crofte, who is lingering for a few days behind the bars of the city prison, is an all-round phenomenon. His greatest feat is ventriloquism. This business he has developed to an astonishing degree. Last night a drunkard was put behind the grating in the same room with La Crofte. La Crofte pulled his cot up close to the drunkard's. All at once there was a most unearthly screaming and yawning in the dark ceiling of the room. The drunkard became excited. Then

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Albinos Prized by Sultans. One of the most curious conditions of the hair is that known as albinism. The perfect albino has hair of a dull milky or pearly white color, usually very soft and silky. The pupil of the eye is of a bright red color, and the iris is generally pink. Albinism is really due to want of pigment in these various structures, the red of the eye being simply due to the blood circulating at the back of the eyeball. True albinism may be regarded hereditary. Thus many families and have been for many generations albinos in Crete, a province of Russia. For this reason Crete slaves were highly prized by the sultans; and in their markets Turkish Pashas were obliged to give over the albino women for the harems.

A Boy Among Boys.

For a year past, Ed Hubbard, aged 35, has been attending public school at Stamford, Ky. He intends to become a preacher. He plays with the younger pupils, and the teacher occasionally finds it necessary to "keep him in" to induce him to pay more attention to his studies.

# THE HEART OF THE WORLD.

By H. Rider Haggard.

A Strange Story, Taken From a Manuscript Bequeathed by an Old Mexican Indian to His Friend and Comrade, an Englishman Named Jones.

...lent, she took me by the hand and...  
...length she whispered:  
"Be cautious, now, for we come to...  
...place whence you drop into the...  
...cave, and there is a stairway to your...  
...ght."

"What are we to do with these men?"...  
"Kill them as they would have killed...  
...answered Molas; "or, if you fear...  
...task, cut loose the old man yonder...  
...let him avenge his and his daughter's...  
...wrongs."

"What say you, Ignatio?"...  
"I seek no man's blood, but for our...  
...own safety it is well that these wretches...  
...should die. Away with them!"

Now Don Pedro began to beat in...  
...rationately in his terror, and that hero...  
...Jose, burst into tears and pleaded for...  
...his life, writhing with pain the while...  
...for the point of the sword scorched...  
...him.

"You are an English gentleman," he...  
...groaned; "you cannot butcher a help...  
...less man as though he were an ox."

"As you tried to butcher us in the...  
...chamber yonder, us who saved your...  
...life," answered the senior. "You are...  
...right. I cannot do it, because, as you...  
...say, I am a gentleman. Molas, loose...  
...this dog, and if he tries to run put a...  
...knife through him. Jose Moreno, you...  
...have a sword by your side, and I have...  
...one in my hand; I will not murder you...  
...but we have a quarrel and we will set...  
...tle it here now."

"You are mad, senior," I said, "to risk...  
...your life thus. I myself will kill him...  
...rather than it should be so."

"Will you fight if I loose you, Jose...  
...Moreno?" he said, making me no an...  
...swer, "or will you be killed where you...  
...stand?"

"I will fight," he replied.  
"Good. Let him free, Molas, and be...  
...ready with your knife."

"I command you," I began, but al...  
...ready the man was loose and the senior...  
...stood waiting for him, his back to the...  
...door and the Indian machete handled...  
...the golden woman in his hand.

From the moment that I saw them...  
...fronting each other, my fears for the...  
...issue vanished. Victory was written on...  
...the calm features of the senior, while...  
...the face of Jose told only of baffled...  
...struggling with bottomless despair.

Still it was he who struck first, for...  
...stepping forward, he aimed a desperate...  
...blow at the senior's head, who, spring...  
...ing aside, avoided it, and in return ran...  
...him through the left arm. With a cry...  
...of pain, the Mexican sprang back, fol...  
...lowed by the senior, at whom he cut...  
...from time to time, but without result...  
...for every blow was parried.

Now they were within the altar rails...  
...and now his back was against one of the...  
...carved pillars of sapote wood, that to...  
...which the girl was tied.

Then the end came, for the senior...  
...who was watching his chance, drew...  
...suddenly within reach, only to step...  
...back so that the furious blow aimed at...  
...his head struck with a ringing sound...  
...upon the marble floor. Before I could...  
...Jose could lift the sword again, the...  
...senior thrust with all his strength and...  
...his machete pierced the Mexican...  
...through the heart.

And now I must tell of my own...  
...folly that went near to bringing us all...  
...to death. You will remember that I was...  
...holding Don Pedro, and in my joy and...  
...agitation I slacked my grip, so that...  
...with a sudden twist he was able to tear...  
...himself from my hands, and in the...  
...twinkling of an eye was gone.

I bounded after him, but too late, for...  
...as I reached the door it slammed in my...  
...face, nor could I open it, for on the...  
...chapel side was neither key nor handle.

"Fly," I cried, rushing back to the...  
...altar; "he has escaped, and will pres...  
...ently be here with the rest."

The senior had seen, and already was...  
...engaged in severing with his sword the...  
...rope that bound the girl, while Molas...  
...cut loose her father. Now I leaped...  
...up from the altar, and springing to the...  
...stonework of the broken window, made...  
...shift to pull myself up with the help of...  
...Molas pushing from below. Scated...  
...upon the window ledge I leaned down...  
...and, catching the Indian Zibbalby by...  
...the wrists, with great effort I dragged...  
...him to me and bade him drop without...  
...fear to the ground, which was not more...  
...than ten feet below us. Next came his...  
...daughter, then the senior, and last of...  
...all Molas, so that within three minutes...  
...from the escape of Don Pedro we stood...  
...quiet on the outside of the chapel among...  
...the bushes of a garden.

the darkness, till the dawn broke in the...  
...east and the shoutings of our pursuers...  
...died away.

## CHAPTER X. HOW MOLAS DIED.

For some few minutes we rested to...  
...recover our breath, then we started...  
...forward again. In front went the girl...  
...Maya, our guide, whom the senior led...  
...by the hand, while behind followed...  
...Zibbalby, supported by Molas and myself...  
...I first these two had run...  
...quickly as the rest of us, but now...  
...the fatigues and terrors that they had...  
...undergone took hold of them, so that...  
...from time to time they were forced...  
...to stop and rest, which is little to be...  
...wondered at, seeing that for five da...  
...they had had no solid food, for it...  
...was Don Pedro's purpose to starve them...  
...out of them.

Slowly and with much toil we forced...  
...a path through the tropical forests.

This forest that seemed so destitute...  
...of life was peopled by millions of in...  
...sects, all of them venomous. Gnat...  
...as, tiny gray flies, wood wasps, an...  
...ants black and red, tormented us with...  
...their bites and stings, till we groaned...  
...aloud in our misery, then remembering...  
...our danger pushed on again.

Thus two hours and more passed th...  
...reaching a little stream that ran...  
...through a ravine in the forest, we...  
...paused to drink, and cool our fevered...  
...feet and hands. Zibbalby sank ex...  
...hausted upon the bank, where I...  
...brought him water in my sombrero...  
...while his daughter sat herself down...  
...at a stone in the stream, suffering fr...  
...flow over her feet and ankles that...  
...now were swollen with ant bites and...  
...bleeding from cuts of thorns and...  
...grasses.

Presently she looked up and seeing...  
...the senior standing on the bank talk...  
...to me, invited him with a motion of h...  
...er hand to seat himself beside her.

"What is your name, white man?"...  
...she asked.

"James Strickland," she repeat...  
...with some difficulty. "I thank you...  
...James Strickland, for rescuing m...  
...father from a splendid temple, but to-day...  
...sult, and because of that deed I, Ma...  
...of the Heart, whom many have serv...  
...am your servant forever."

"You should thank my friend, Don...  
...Ignatio," he said, pointing to me.

"For a few moments she looked at m...  
...searchingly, then repeated:

"I thank him also, but I thank yo...  
...the most, for your hand rid me of th...  
...hateful man and saved us."

## A Revolutionary Relic.

A priceless relic of revolutionary...  
...days has just been placed in the state...  
...house at Columbia, S. C., for safe-...  
...keeping. It is the sword which Tarle...  
...ton used in leading the British troo...  
...pers at the battle of Cowpens, that...  
...state, against the patriots under Mor...  
...gan, Pickens, Sumter and Marion.

The sword is the property of Col...  
...T. E. Dickson, and has been placed...  
...with the sword of Marion and other...  
...revolutionary relics in the possession...  
...of the state.

Tarleton lost the sword at the bat...  
...tle of Cowpens, where the patriots...  
...won such a signal victory, a victory...  
...which put fresh heart in their breth...  
...ren throughout the colonies, and hast...  
...ened the coming of the triumphant...  
...end of the war at Yorktown.

Col. William Washington, the gall...  
...ant leader of the American cavalry...  
...pressed Tarleton so closely in his...  
...fight as to be able to have one ex...  
...change of saber blows with the Brit...  
...ish leader. Washington's sword cut...  
...Tarleton's finger, and the British...  
...colonel dropped his sword, spurred...  
...his steed, and obtained safety by...  
...flight.

William Scott, the father of Col...  
...Dickson's mother, was an American...  
...soldier in the battle of Cowpens. He...  
...saw the fight between Washington and...  
...Tarleton, and picked up the latter's...  
...sword when he dropped it. The...  
...sword has ever since been preserved...  
...in the family as a priceless trophy...  
...of ancestral prowess in the revolution...  
...ary war.

The sword—or saber, for the blade...  
...curves back, so as to give greater...  
...force to its blows—is long and heavy.

The blade is a yard in length, while...  
...the hilt is slightly over six inches...  
...long, with an iron guard. There is...  
...a long scratch on the guard and a cut...  
...in the iron knob at the end of the...  
...hilt, which are believed to have been...  
...made by the blow of Washington's...  
...sword, which forced Tarleton to drop...  
...his weapon, or which knocked it out...  
...of his hand.

The iron shank of the hilt is cas...  
...ed in wood, which was covered with...  
...leather, much of which has been worn...  
...away.

Upon the blade, close to the hilt...  
...is engraved the word "Potter," prob...  
...ably the name of its maker.

There are many notches in the...  
...blade, and some rust upon it—pos...  
...sibly made by the blood of patriots...  
...who had felt its edge.

In this connection it will not be...  
...amiss to repeat two anecdotes about...  
...Tarleton and Washington.

The patriot ladies of the revolution...  
...times had keen wits. On one oc...  
...casion Tarleton, in a bragging mood...  
...was telling a patriot lady how he...  
...wished he could meet "their boasted...  
...Col. Washington." Her prompt re...  
...ply was: "If you had looked behind...  
...you when running away from Cow...  
...pens, your wish would have been...  
...gratified."

On another occasion Tarleton was...  
...speaking contemptuously of Col. Wil...  
...lam Washington to a patriotic lady.

"Why," said Tarleton, "they tell me...  
...he is so ignorant that he cannot write...  
...his name." With a meaning glance...  
...at Tarleton's right hand, which Wash...  
...ington had wounded, the lady re...  
...plied: "But nobody is better aware...  
...than you, Col. Tarleton, that Col...  
...Washington knows how to make his...  
...mark."—Philadelphia Press.

## Brevities of Lu.

Post—"Well, how did you like the...  
...picnic?" Yost—"I was so glad to get...  
...home again that I was glad I went."—  
...Up-to-Date.

"I believe your young college class...  
...mate is attracting much attention in...  
...art circles here." "By his talents?"...  
..."No; by his shickels."—Harvard...  
...Lampoon.

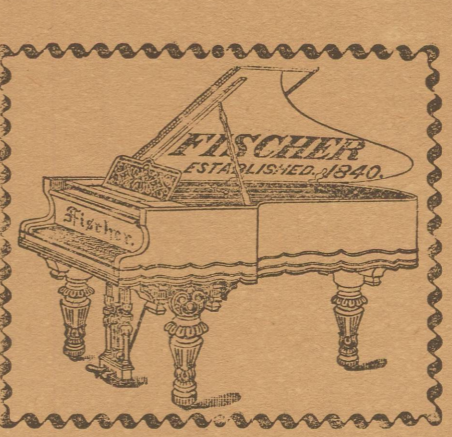
A boy being asked to describe a kit...  
...ten said: "A kitchen is remarkable for...  
...rushing like mad at nothing whatever...  
...and stopping before it gets there."...  
...It must have been the same boy who...  
...thus defined scandal: "It is when no...  
...body ain't done nothing, and some...  
...body goes and tells."—London Tit...  
...Bits.

"For 12 long years," roared Sparta...  
...cus, "I have met every form of man or...  
...beast the broad empire of Rome could...  
...furnish. The Numidian lion—" A...  
...Voice—"How about the Welsh rabbit...  
...bit?" Cheers and cat-calls and much...  
...confusion in the rear of the arena.—  
...Puck.

Mistress—"Your name is Meginin...  
...is, you say. But what is your first...  
...name?" Maid—"Mem?" Mistress...  
—"What is your first name? Mary...  
...Bridget?" Maid—"It's me second...  
...name y'd be after. That is Mary. I...  
...was a Maginnin before I was Mary...  
...don't ye mind?"—Boston Tran...  
...script.

A Mild Request.—Ethel—"O...  
...Clarence! Do you really mean what...  
...you say—that you will do anything I...  
...ask of you?" Clarence Sophomore—  
..."Darling!—you have heard me swear...  
...it." Ethel—"Then, dearest, please...  
...rush, get yourself appointed center...  
...punch on the Yale football team next...  
...year."—Puck.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

What is the matter with the candidates?

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You want a cookstove go to Keck Bros..

C. Thomas, made a flying visit to the Alamo city this week.

Hams 10 cts. per pound. S. A. Morgan.

of Dimmit county was on Monday on business.

order your shirts. See our samples, Landrum & Co.

T. C. Nye, of Laredo, passed through here Tuesday en-route to Matagorda county.

Keck Bros. sell the old reliable Studebaker wagon.

We return thanks to Mr. Geo. Copp for 2500 impressions of job work.

For prices of ECLIPSE WIND MILLS call on Keck Bros.

Owing to high waters, caused by the late rains, Tilden mail has been late this week.

Try a pair of our Buck-skin breeches, \$1. Landrum & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hicks went up to the Alamo City, wednesday last.

Copying or typewriting, E. C. Stevens at S. T. Dowe's office.

Robert Häzlerigg of Pearsall, paid us a pleasant visit one day this week.

If you want a good family paper at \$1.00 a year, the Record is the paper.

of Pudding was here

Mrs. Geo. Tarver visited the city this week, from the Echart ranch.

Mrs. Capt. Brooks was in town last Wednesday, the guest of Mrs. Burwell.

Ask Mr. Randall Keck about my papering. WARNOCK.

We are sorry to state that Miss. Minnie Devereux is suffering from a sore throat this week.

Call on S. A. Morgan for prices before buying elsewhere.

Mrs. S. V. Edwards, from the Edward's ranch, was visiting relatives in town this week.

"If at first you don't succeed," try advertising in the Record.

W. J. Bowen visited the Alamo city in the early part of this week.

Samuel Sloan, of San Antonio who formerly resided here, is in the city, visiting friends.

Go to Keck Bros. for Barb Wire. Prices as low as the lowest.

Mrs. W. K. Beasley is on the sick list, this week. May she soon recover.

W. P. Mulholland arrived here Wednesday, and left on Thursday for Laredo.

Altha Thomas, who has been teaching school at San Marcos, returned home for the vacation.

Typing and typewriting done, E. C. Stevens, at S. T. Dowe's office.

S. Mace Frazier of Carrizo Springs, came over this week with cattle for the Withers ranch.

If you expect to wear clothes this summer go to Landrum & Co. See their new ad.

J. C. Owen and little son, Luther, of Carrizo Springs were visitors here the first of this week.

J. Guy Smith the Isonomy man has put up a telephone between his residence and office.

T. D. Morgan our wide awake Front street grocer went up to San Antonio the first of the week on business.

Oranges, Lemons, Bananas, Apples, cheaper than the cheapest. S. A. Morgan.

We regret very much to hear of Mrs. S. F. Brooks being ill, and trust she may soon regain her former health.

I do typewriting and copying E. C. Stevens, at S. T. Dowe's office.

We are confident we can please YOU. We satisfied 38 others in the past two weeks with Tailor made garments. Landrum & Co.

Messrs. Abe Blocker, W. F. Jay, and Jas. Hicks, all of Arkansas neighborhood, were in town the first of the week.

Well, how about it? Do you feel able to have that old, dirty room repapered or repainted? WARNOCK.

E. L. Cleary has purchased the "Sharp" residence from W. J. Bowen, agent, and will move his family here very soon.

Subscribe for the RECORD the only all home print country paper in South-west Texas, only \$1.00 per year.

Joe Dunham (bruin) seems to be enjoying this cool weather from his antics. He is quite a favorite and enjoys many romps with the boys.

Mrs. Alice Brown left on Wednesday's North bound train for her Matonia home, after a short visit to friends and relatives here.

John Evetts, who was painfully hurt by his horse falling on him a short time ago, we are pleased to state is fast recovering.

For sale—Thorough-bred Maltese Jack. Or will make the season for \$10. at my place, 3 miles west of Co-tulla. J. W. ELKINS.

Messrs. W. K. Beezley and Geo. Evetts having completed their tank contract, near Millett, returned home this week.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. G. Ed. Johns, on Monday night, a girl. Ed. is smiling and happy and the mother and child are doing well.

Go to Simon Cotulla's for oranges, bananas, lemons, figs, fancy candies and all kinds of nuts. His goods are fresh. Call and see. He will treat you white.

Uncle Jack Hargus called Monday and deposited \$1.00 with us for a year's subscription to the RECORD.

Made well, fit better, wear the best—those tailor made pants. Cost no more than hand-made ones. New line in this week. Landrum & Co.

Rev. M. T. Allen preached to a large and attentive congregation at the Methodist church on last Sunday morning and evening.

W. P. and H. S. May were in from the ranch this week. The boys were smiling perhaps in anticipation of the fat cattle they will soon have.

R. Hullighan, formerly of this place, but now a resident of Live Oak county, was in the city this week, shaking hands with his old friends. He reports fine rains and flourishing crops.

W. P. Mulholland, of Tilden called Friday and subscribed for the RECORD.

J. Manley Daniel went down to the Edmiston ranch this week to do some surveying.

Rev. A. F. Starratt, arrived here Friday and will hold services at the Baptist church Sunday morning and evening.

Messrs. A. Armstrong Jr. and Jas. Davenport, were in from the ranch this week. They looked smiling and happy, caused no doubt by the late rains.

Tom Salmon was in the bur on Wednesday from the famous Edwards ranch. He reports everything in a flourishing condition.

Miss Jodie Manly left for her home in Jackson county, after quite a lengthy visit to relatives here. She will stop a few days in San Antonio.

Enameled ware; 6qt milk pans 25c. 7qt tea kettle 75c. large steel pan 25c. 6 qt coffee pot 45c. 12 qt bucket 35c. steel fry pans 10c. side crank sifter 15c. Landrum & Co.

Rev. Kimbal, who has charge of Baptist Mexican mission work at Nueva Laredo, arrived here Monday, with his family, and left Tuesday morning, over-land for Tilden.

Mrs. L. J. Terry came up from Encinal Wednesday, where she has been visiting her daughter Mrs. F. M. Shaw. She took the stage here for Carrizo Springs, and from there will go to Eagle Pass.

Capt. J. A. Brooks, of the Rangers, went to Laredo on Monday in answer to a call for protection during the late city election. Sargt. W. A. Evetts, Lonnie Livingston and Jim Evetts accompanied him.

March, April, May.

Those are the months in which to purify your blood. The blood is impure and depleted in quality, hence that tired languid feeling. Boils, pimples, eruptions which make their appearance now indicate the impure state of the blood.

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ANIMALS ON THE STAGE.

The number of animals who make a living on the theatrical stage is very large indeed. Just now eight English fox terriers are delighting all Paris with the part they take in "La Jeunesse de Louis XIV." and there is no doubt that they are the "men of the moment." Dogs, it seems, are the best animal actors, and cats are the worst. Only last year a St. Bernard died for whom an American theatrical manager paid \$6,250, solely because he was "so splendid in melodrama."

Lions, bears and elephants have done well on the stage; lizards and serpents (vide Mme. Sarah Bernhardt!) have also been covered with stage glory, and mice have come to the fore with great credit to themselves and their trainer.

But while so many "dumb things" have been excellent actors, one of their number at least has been immortalized through failure. Moliere himself was the actor who brought about the unrehearsed scene between himself and his ass. The play was "Don Quixote," and Moliere played Sancho. Some minutes before he had to appear on the stage he was waiting in the wings, mounted on his ass. But the latter suddenly forgot his part and insisted on appearing upon the scene without delay. Nor was it of any avail that half a dozen assistants hung around his head and clung desperately to his tail. The ass, with Moliere on his back, dashed wildly among the actors on the scene, and the fiasco would have been complete had not Moliere saved the situation by shouting to the audience while jogging along: "Pardon, gentlemen! Pardon, ladies! But this confounded beast has come on against my wishes." The public responded at once with roars of laughter and applause, but Moliere never again mounted an ass.—Westminster Gazette.

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### STUDIOUS HABITS.

Keep Up the Habit of Learning—A Suggestion or Two.

One of the gravest mistakes of life is the idea which is ordinarily carried into practice that when the school days are over then training ceases.

There is no reason why the studious habits acquired during the school days should not be continued indefinitely. Surely, as the mind matures and becomes able to grasp facts more clearly, the acquiring of knowledge ought to become easier. Instead of feeling that graduation is simply emancipation from drudgery, young people should be taught that this occasion is just a way mark in the path of education. It proves the existence of capacity for learning and ought to be regarded in no other light.

It would be time well spent if the farmers and artisans of country districts could spend two evenings a week at the schoolhouse reciting lessons in farm economy or public affairs, or listening to lectures or watching demonstrations of ways to make one acre of land produce as much as is now gleaned from two. The clerk and the bookkeeper, instead of frittering away a great portion of their time, could with profit attend evening school and familiarize themselves with problems with which they may hopelessly struggle when they start out in business for themselves. The immeasurable advantage to women and girls of classes in household duties, health cultivation and the care of a family ought to be apparent to the shillest mind. But as soon as the youngster leaves school the books are thrown aside, tossed in the attic, perhaps, never to be opened again; the hours are spent in idleness or amusements, and the only partially developed powers of mind and body are turned in directions where not the slightest benefit can be derived. There is not sufficient time in the ordinary school course for the child to acquire the knowledge necessary to a successful career. How important, then, to supplement this by the regular and systematic study of subjects that are sure to come up in one's everyday pursuits and to the working out of problems familiarity with which will make all of one's after life more smooth and render the achievement of success easy and more brilliant than is ordinarily the lot of the prosperous business man.

It is easy enough to devote an hour or two each day to the acquirement of a language or the investigation of some popular subject, but to do this most satisfactorily the studious habits formed during school days should never be given up. Instructors are somewhat to blame for the fact that pupils consider themselves to an extent finished when they leave school. It would be far better if the fact could be kept steadily before their minds that not only are the schoolhouse and graduation day not the end of the student's career, but that they are in very truth nothing more nor less than the beginning.—N. Y. Ledger.

### VALUABLE ALMANACS.

One Is Three Thousand Years Old—Other Notable Specimens.

The most remarkable almanac ever made is that now in the British museum, which is priceless. It is believed to be at least 3,000 years old. The days are written in red ink on papyrus, in colors, and under each is a figure, followed by three characters signifying the probable state of the weather for that day. The most elaborate almanac in the world is that issued by the Chinese government in 12 thick volumes, which gives full information as to lucky times and places for performing the acts of everyday life, which is considered an essential of success by every good Chinaman. The Nautical Almanac costs the British nation \$3,942 a year. At its office, No. 3 Verulam buildings, Gray's Inn, London, the superintendent, A. M. W. Downing, doctor of science and fellow of the Royal society, receives \$600. Edward Roberts, fellow of the Royal Astronomical and Statistical societies, the chief assistant, receives \$450, and there are 11 other assistants, several of whom are graduates of universities or members of learned societies, who are paid from \$100 to \$300 each. The most curious calendar at present in use is that of the natives of Central America, where the months are only 20 days, and these are named after animals. Among most modern European ones the "Almanac de Gotha" has been longest in continuous circulation, upward of 135 years.—Boston Transcript.

### In Drumshtochty.

Donald (seven a. m.)—Come and hae a wee drop o' whisky, Dugald. Dugald—Na, mon, it's over soon for drinkin', besides I've had twa already.—The Dialectician.

### A Professional Habit.

In 1,000 cases of the morphine habit, collected from all parts of the world, the medical profession constituted 40 per cent. of the number.

A good many men are sized up by the money they do not spend.—Washington Democrat.