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\$1. IN ADVANCE.

A LETTER FROM CHAIRMAN BELL.

Headquarters State Democratic Executive Committee, Ft. Worth, Texas, Oct. 27th, 1898.

Hon. Mason Maney,
Pearsall, Texas.

DEAR SIR—I have learned of the result of the Convention of the 36th Judicial District called by you on the 24th inst. In as much as my action in appointing you chairman of your District seems to have been called in question by the former chairman, I think proper to give publicity to the reasons which actuated me in so doing.

I was informed by Mr. Martin that a convention was not desired or deemed expedient in your district. I insisted in my correspondence with him that question could only be decided by the delegates in convention assembled, and that his duty was simply to call the convention and leave the delegates to decide as they saw proper on the subject. Mr. Martin having failed to convene the delegates in convention, in the exercise of the unquestioned authority of the State Chairman, I appointed you as his successor. The result of the vote being the question of the advisability of making a nomination, shows very clearly that the Democrats of the districts thought best to have nominations made.

This was done, as I understand, in perfectly regular way. The names of the nominees, of the 24th. are the regular nominees of our party, and are entitled to be regarded and supported as such.

I, of course, do not care to intermeddle with local affairs in any way. My only reason for removing Mr. Martin and appointing yourself was that I desired to secure to the Democrats of your district the privilege of deciding for themselves whether they would make nominations or not. This has been done, and for your assistance in seeing that it was done, I desire to return you my most sincere thanks.

Yours very truly,

C. K. BELL, Ch'man.

(Dictated.)

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BUCKOW.

Buckow, Texas, Nov. 1, 1898.—By permission of ye accommodating Editors I will tell you something more about our much prized school—more something this time than ever. I want to tell you of a part of our regular exercises, particularly the opening. At 8:15 a. m. the order is given "Get ready for school, children." Then there is a hurrying to wash hands, adjust contents of desks, and look innocent. At 8:30 there is another command, "Let school come to order," and everything is quiet, very quiet. "Now, give attention to the roll call, and respond with some good quotation with that promptness and 'ginger-snap-like' you know so well how," says our teacher. [I've heard it so often I know it by heart]

I will give you the quotations each are saying this week as their names are called.

CHARLIE WINTERS—Calls teacher; Charlie rises to his feet and says: "Gratitude is the least of virtues, but ingratitude the worst of vices."

ANNIE WINTERS—"Nor love thy life; but what thou livest, live well, how long or short, permit to heaven."

THOMAS BUCKOW—"He that soweth the good seed is the son of man."

CARL BUCKOW—I will keep my fealty good, with thy human brotherhood."

SAMUEL BROWN—One of the New York 69th, when asked if he had run at the battle of Bull Run, he made the following reply:

Others did on that famous occasion, replied: "Be jabbers, those that didn't run are there yet." (An Irishman, evidently.)

MARGARET CLARK—Content is the Philosopher's stone that turns all it touches into gold."

JESSIE CLARK—"Discontent arises from our desires oftener than from our wants."

HUGO CLARK—"A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches."

DANIEL CLARK—"Go to the ant thou sluggard learn her ways and be wise."

ILERIA REYNOLDS—"A half learned lesson slips from the mind like icicles from the hand."

NERVIE REYNOLDS—"Words that are fitly spoken are like apples of gold in pictures of silver."

THOMAS CLARK—"Experience without learning is better than learning without experience."

SARAH GOODWIN—"The wicked flee when no man pursueth, but the righteous are as bold as a lion."

ORIN GOODWIN—"A wag who thought to have a joke at the expense of an Irish provision dealer asked him for a yard of pork. 'Tom,' said the Irishman to his clerk, 'give this gentlemen three pigs feet.'"

WILLIAM GOODWIN—"The truth itself is not believed from one who often deceives."

ANNIE WHITE—"A soft answer turneth away wrath; but grievous words stir up anger."

HENRY WHITE—Honor thy father and thy mother."

MISS JENNIE CLARK.

"I live for those who love me, For those who know me true. For the heaven that smiles above me,

And awaits my spirit too; For the cause that lacks assistance,

For the wrong that needs resistance, For the future in the distance, And the good that I can do."

'Rise and repeat in concert the XXIII Psalm,' says the teacher. 'The Lord is my shepard, I shall

not want, etc, etc.' These quotations must be different every week and memorized. Once used they are permissible no more. This hunting new quotations every week keeps us busy Saturdays and Sundays looking up newspapers and poems; and the Bible is coming in for attention, particularly the book of Proverbs. The opening exercises over, a few words of caution and counsel from our teacher, the appointment of an orderly for the day, and then the recitations begin, each one having its special period. Mr. Dickson is very strict. He says he is not. He calls his strict methods by other names—"system and organization."

Anyhow, we rather like it, and look forward to each exercise with new pleasure. But especially do we look forward to the singing period—the last 20 minutes before noon; and the elocution period—the last 20 minutes before dismissal in the afternoon. Things occur during these two periods that are really laughable. I am glad to say, however, we find pleasure in our school work and not a monotonous routine of every day boresome life.

Buckow Union Sabbath School was largely attended last Sunday afternoon. The house was that time full of people. Mr. J. D. Dickson was elected Superintendent, and blushing assumed the great responsibility. Mrs. L. I. Mattis, Miss Della Clark, Mrs. William Buckow and Mrs. M. A. Goodwin were made teachers of the different classes. Robt Clark was elected Secretary. Miss An-

A committee consisting of Mr. Alex Clark, Mrs. Heady White, and Mrs. Iteia Reynolds was appointed to see what fund they could raise, and with it buy song books and literature. A subscription was taken and resulted in 95 cents cash and more in pledges. The school decided to purchase its literature from the American Baptist Publication Society at Dallas, Texas.

Prof. Owen, Principal of the Cotulla School is expected soon in this "neck of the woods," and when he comes he will meet a cordial welcome, a warm reception in the true sense of the word. Prof. J. D. Dickson attended the Sabbath School at Twohig at the Twohig School House last Sunday. Mr. M. L. Moody, the popular and efficient Post Master of Twohig, is Superintendent of the Sabbath School there.

Owin Goodwin killed a javelin last week, and Robert Clark killed a wild hog. Mess. Orin Winters, Alex Clark and Will Buckow each killed a deer. And we learn that Mr. Sam Anderson of Twohig killed a fine Buck one evening last week, he was so proud of his prize that he could not sleep that night.

Mr. J. W. Buckow spent several days last week assisting Mr. Jack Hill in building to his new house. Mr. John Winslow and Curtis Reynolds left Monday for the Armstrong Ranch.

Miss Betsy Ann Overstreet of Cotulla, who is on a visit to Mrs. Hedley White, was a visitor at the school room Friday and spent the day.

The only thing, Mr. Editor, that was worrying us as to a Post office out here with a Weekly, Semi, or tri-weekly Mail was what to call the Post office. We have it, now,—Buckow, La Salle County, Texas. NEXT.

School Girl.

NATIONAL COLUMN.

BY J. O. OWEN.

GRAMMAR QUESTIONS FOR THE SIXTH GRADE.

1. Nouns and pronouns are inflected to show what?
2. Give the use of the three cases.
3. He paid the men their wages.
4. Their friends came last night.
5. They called the emperor, father.
6. Define a substantive.
7. Parse the nouns.
8. Define a substantive.
9. Parse the sentences containing the following as substantives: God is, was, to walk.
10. Define the personal pronouns in singular and plural.
11. Name the classes of pronouns.
12. Write sentences containing examples of each class of pronouns.
13. Name the interrogative pronouns. (b) Name the demonstrative. (c) Decline who and that.
14. Distinguish between who and that.
15. Define a complex sentence.
16. Write the following sentence in the objective predicate to a substantive. They elected him

ANSWERS.

1. Nouns are inflected to show number and case.
2. Pronouns in the first and second person are inflected to show number, person and case.
3. Pronouns in the third person are inflected to show number, person, case and gender.
4. Who. (a) by address. (b) by exclamation.
5. Subject of a verb. (a) Nom. (b) Attributive comp. (c) Accusative Object. (d) Object as preposition. (e) Adverbial Objective. (f) Appositive predicate.

3. (a) Paid the men their wages D. O. ACC. O.

(b) Their friends came last night. Adv. obj.

(c) They called the emperor, Father. A. O.

4. (a) A Substantive is a word that is not properly a noun but is used for a noun.

(b) She loves the good. They waited till now. Was is a verb. To walk is an infinitive.

5. First Person.

Sing. Plu.

Nom. I we

Poss. my or (mine) our or (ours).

Obj. me us

Second Person.

Sing. Plu.

Nom. thou you or ye

Poss. thy or thine your or yours

Obj. thee you

Third Person.

Mas. Plu.

Nom. he they

Poss. his their

Obj. him them

Fem. Plu.

Nom. she they

Poss. her their

Obj. her them

6. Personal, Indefinite, Relative, Demonstrative, Interrogative.

7. Who is that? The man who stole the horse is gone.

8. [a] Who, which, what, whether.

[b] This and that.

[c] Sing. who who

Plu. who who

Obj. whom whom

9. Sing. Plu.

Obj. which which

10. Who is used for persons only. Which for animals and things.

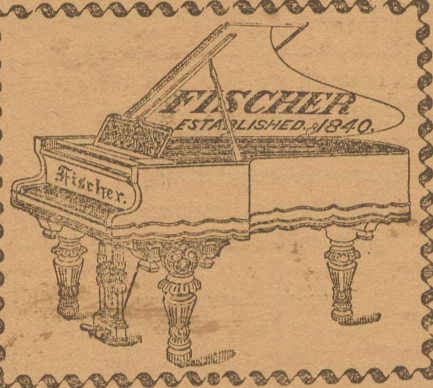
[a] A complex sentence is one that contains a clause modifier.

11. He was elected mayor by them.

Mamie Hughes.

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10:05 a. m. Lv.	Leon	Ar 6:38 p. m.
10:16 a. m. Lv.	Medina	Ar 6:36 p. m.
10:39 a. m. Lv.	Lytle	Ar 6:08 p. m.
1:00 a. m. Lv.	Devine	Ar 5:45 p. m.
11:50 a. m. Lv.	Moore	Ar 5:25 p. m.
11:40 a. m. Lv.	Edon	Ar 4:55 p. m.
12:08 p. m. Lv.	Pearsall	Ar 4:35 p. m.
12:37 p. m. Lv.	Derby	Ar 4:15 p. m.
12:43 p. m. Lv.	Dilley	Ar 4:00 p. m.
12:57 p. m. Lv.	Millett	Ar 3:47 p. m.
1:20 p. m. Lv.	COTULLA	Ar 3:25 p. m.
1:38 p. m. Lv.	Tuna	Ar 3:25 p. m.
1:40 p. m. Lv.	Twohig	Ar 2:57 p. m.
2:25 p. m. Lv.	Barro	Ar 2:37 p. m.
2:45 p. m. Lv.	Encinal	Ar 2:25 p. m.
3:03 p. m. Lv.	actus	Ar 2:05 p. m.
3:09 p. m. Lv.	Webb	Ar 1:47 p. m.
8:25 p. m. Lv.	Green	Ar 1:24 p. m.
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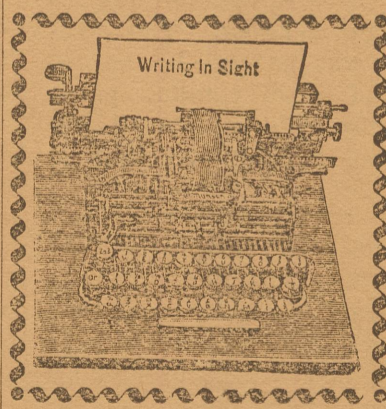
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LOCAL PERSONAL.

Dry Goods at Barlow's. Tuesday next is Election day. We need a new Flag for the Court House. V. G. Maltzberger returned Thursday from Encinal. If you want cookstoves go to Keck Bros.. S. T. Dowe made a business trip to Pearsall Tuesday. A. P. Blocker went up to San Antonio Thursday, on business. Ranchman Sam Johnson was in from his ranch Thursday. Keck Bros. sell the old reliable Studebaker wagon. Some men are born great and others have to be elected. For fancy candy and fruits, go to Simon Cotulla's. John Bode, of San Diego, was here during the week. Saddles and Harness at B. F. Claunch's. Cast your vote for the man who you think will make the best officer. J. y. Williams of Dimmitt county was in Cotulla one day this week. Mrs. Morgan Hester arrived Thursday on a visit to relatives here. Sam Poole, of Rosebud, Texas, is here on a visit to his cousin, T. H. Poole. Apples, Oranges and Bananas at Simon cotulla & co's. Miss Madie Daniel left yesterday evening to visit Mrs. D. W. McKey. J. W. Elkins, one of our Dimmitt county subscribers, was in our burg yesterday. W. H. Jacobs, of the upper Cibolo, was in town on business yesterday. Wm. Earnest is running for constable in the Millett precinct this election. For prices of ECLIPSE WIND MILLS call on Keck Bros. Jos. Cotulla shipped a train load of steers to the St Louis market yesterday. Mrs. A. Burk returned from a business trip to the Alamo City Thursday evening. No man ever carries a cane unless he is a cripple; if not physically, he is mentally. E. M. Pullin, the popular Book-keeper of the Dull Ranch, visited our city Saturday last. Mr. W. F. Jay called and had his name placed on the general ticket Thursday evening. Go to Keck Bros. for barb wire. Prices as low as the lowest. S. R. Walker, manager of the Dull Ranch, returned Saturday from the Indian Territory. J. T. Maltzberger, Hide and Animal Inspector, returned Thursday from San Antonio. Some men had rather be right than President—others are not so bloomin' particular. Go to Simon Cotulla & Co., for any old sweet thing. Judge S. T. Dowe moved his office Thursday to the building adjoining Copp's Saloon. Chas. Neal Esq. was a pleasant visitor at the RECORD office Thursday evening. Come again Charlie. Prof. D. M. Henry, Principal of the Encinal School, was in our city the latter part of the week. Sheriff Burwell arrested a Mexican for carrying a 'gun' at the polls in Twohig, Tuesday last. The Mexican store, first door South of the Isonomy Office, made an assignment yesterday. The greatest medicine for the Kidneys that has been discovered in modern times is Dr. Sawyer's Ukatine. The best proof is to give it a trial. J. M. Williams.

Indications of a change in the weather is in the air, we hope it will be for the better. Editor J. G. Smith, accompanied by Jas. Zimmerman, came down from San Antonio Wednesday. W. N. Young, the popular and efficient manager of the Cochina Ranch was in on business one day this week. Jno. Shull, the popular Postmaster of Millett, is candidate for the office of Justice of the Peace, in his precinct. The baker shop back of E. G. Garcia's store, 'quit baking bread and closed its doors' yesterday morning. Mr. J. W. English left yesterday for San Antonio to get better medical treatment than Cotulla affords. Mrs. Williamson, who has been visiting relatives here this week, returned to her home at Moore, Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Warden left yesterday for their home in Yoakum after spending a few days as guests at the Cotulla Ranch. The letters from some of our correspondents are failing to materialize as they should. Please continue to write, we will be glad to hear from you. One of Mr. J. B. Portis' little boys had the misfortune to turn a pot of boiling water over on himself Tuesday morning, scalding both of his feet very badly. You will never know how quick ly you can be cured of constipation, dyspepsia or liver complaint, until you have tried Dr. Sawyer's Little Wide Awake Pills. J. M. Williams. Miss Belle Hugo, one of Dilley's beautiful and accomplished young ladies returned home Monday, after a short visit to Miss Eva Stevens. Mr. Geo. Henrichson and wife returned Saturday from their bridal tour to Galveston, Palestine and other points of interest in Texas. Mr. P. A. Kerr and Miss Eva Stevens visited Miss Belle Hugo, at the Hugo Ranch near Dilley, last Sunday morning, returning the same evening. M. L. Moody, Twohig's popular merchant was kicked and seriously hurt by a horse last Wednesday evening, his injuries, though painful are not dangerous. Miss Nancy Reynolds, a charming young lady of Twohig, came up Saturday and spent a few days with friends in the city, returning home Tuesday. Jessie J. Campbell, who has been attending college at San Antonio, since Sept. 1st, passed through here Thursday enroute to his home, at Carrizo Springs. In many seemingly hopelessly cases, consumption has been averted, in stopping a hacking cough, by use of Dr. Sawyer's Wild Cherry and Tar. J. M. Williams. Rev. Jas. Hammond, of Laredo, who was for four years pastor of the Methodist church here, passed through Tuesday on his way to conference. Mrs. Gaddis and two granddaughters left for their home in North Texas Thursday, after spending about two weeks here visiting her son, L. W. Gaddis. J. W. Campbell, a prominent merchant of Carrizo Springs, and a candidate for Treasurer of Dimmitt county, was here on business yesterday. Mrs. Williams, mother of our leading Doctor, was prostrated by a paralytic stroke yesterday. All that medical skill can do will be done to relieve her, and we join her friends in wishing for a speedy recovery. A special train will pass through here next Wednesday morning, Nov. 9th, at 6 o'clock, for San Antonio, on account of Ringling Bros., circus. Only \$2. for round trip.

NOTICE TO VOTERS.

The report has been spread around and is gaining ground that I have withdrawn from the race for Treasurer. I wish to deny the report as utterly false. My intention is to run through, and I ask the support of all my friends. Respectfully, J A Landrum. NOTICE. Thereby notify the public generally and the Ranch Owners more especially, that I am the sole Agent for the counties of La Salle and Dimmitt, for the "Wonderful" Pump Jack, acknowledged to be the best Pump Jack on the market. I have also had twelve years experience in putting up of Wind Mills and all machinery generally required by Ranchmen in their business. I will be pleased to give estimates on work and respectfully ask a share of your patronage. Respectfully, E. L. CLARY, Cotulla, Texas. G. H. Knaggs is at Encinal at present, on business. L. P. Williams, of Puddin, was in our city yesterday. Mr. Frank James of Oakville, is visiting friends in the city. Sam ragland, a prominent cattleman of San Antonio was in our city yesterday. Alex Emms, one of dimmitt county's stockmen, was on our streets yesterday morning. Sheriff W. M. Burwell and sergeant J. H. Dubose left yesterday evening for Encinal on official business. Messrs. Young Sullivan and Monroe Hughes opened a restaurant in the rooms formerly occupied by Sam Saul over the Cotulla saloon, this week. We tell only what we positively know when we say "Dr. Sawyer's Arnica and witch hazel salve will radically cure skin diseases, eczema, piles, burns, scalds, cuts, or flesh wounds. J. M. Williams. Miss Sallie Harl, one of Moore's most popular and beautiful young ladies, passed through here Monday enroute to the "Trammel Settlement" in Dimmitt County where she will teach the school this winter. Ladies fall dress goods, wool cashmeres, worsteds, black and colored velveteens, ribbons, dress buttons, and ladies and childrens shoes will be sold out below cost, as we intend to discontinue said lines. Kerr & Wildenthal. Mr. W. H. Garnett will open a Confectionery Store within the next week in the building lately vacated by Judge Dowe, and will carry a complete line of candies, fruits, cigars, etc., Mr. Garnett is one of Cotulla's leading young business men and the RECORD wishes him much success. Jno. Robuck, who has been drilling a well on the farm of Mr. Jos. Cotulla, just north of town, struck Artesian water Thursday at a depth of about 450 feet. The flow is very weak yet, but Mr. Cotulla thinks by going a few feet deeper he can secure a good flow. We turned out work for the following parties during the past ten days: Armstrong & Swink, 2000 Note Heads. T. H. Poole, 500 Statements. S. Cotulla & Co. 500 Note Heads, 500 Envelopes. Candidates, Dimmitt county, 2-000 Election Tickets. McMulin county, 1,000; Jno. T. Bivens, 1,000; La Salle county, 3,000. When in need of anything in our line give us a call; we please others, and we can please you. The Cotulla Literary and Debating Society met at its usual hour in the Knights of Honor hall last Monday night, and carried out its regular program, which was:— Music by S. H. Massengale and Miss Phelps; Reading by Miss Lou McMains; Debate:— Resolved that the late war with Spain was for the freedom of the Cubans rather than to avenge the sinking of the Maine; Messers B. J. Yowell and C. E. Manly spoke for the affirmative and S. Cotulla and J. M. Daniel for the negative. After an argument of about half an hour the question was submitted to three impartial judges, who decided in favor of the negative, the vote being two to one in favor of that side.

SCHOOL NEWS.

Some new song books have been ordered and we are learning some new songs. Misses Nancy Reynolds and Lucy Manly paid our school a pleasant call Monday evening. The School board met Monday for the purpose of transacting some business. "I DON'T KNOW WHAT." We have been having examination in History and German this week, and we will sure be glad when it is over. Our Literary society met last night and carried out the programme that was selected last for last Friday night. Owen has been criticising some of the ladies' writing, but when the ladies quit writing for him and he has to do it himself, there will be MORE room for criticism. Monday was the first day of our new school month. The morning was very beautiful and encouraging to children to study, while all have done very well in the past two months, it is to be hoped they will better improve their time in the future than in the past. OLIVETTE. TWOHIG TOUCHES. Mr. Ed Robuck returned from Cotulla Friday. A Mexican was arrested here Tuesday for carrying a pistol. Judge Dowe of Cotulla, visited between trains Thursday. F. J. H. Belcher left on Thursday's North Bound train for San Antonio. W. Mc Innes left on Thursday's train to attend to some business affairs. Mr. W. T. Hill, who has been up the country for the past week returned home Sunday. Stella Butler of Cotulla, spent several days this week as the guest of Miss Edna Robuck. Henrichson's house near the depot where he will reside in the future. Mrs. Billingsly of Moore station, daughter of J. M. Ramsey came in on Wednesday's train, to spend a few days. J. D. Yarbrough, has leased M. L. Moody's residence. He will move in at once and send his Children to school here. Mr. J. D. Dickson, Principal of the Buckow school was in Sunday and attended our Sunday School and made quite a nice little talk to the young people. HEZIAKIAK. In more than half a million homes THE YOUTHS COMPANION comes every week, the welcome guest of young and old—read with equal interest by every member of the household. The best of fiction, poetry, sketches of travel, instructive articles, comment on current events and selected miscellany and anecdotes fill its columns from week to week and from year to year. The publishers promise that the volume for 1899 will surpass all former ones, in variety, interest and value. Among the two hundred distinguished contributors already engaged are Hon. Jno. D. Long, Secretary of the Navy, Edward Everett Hale, Henry M. Stanley, Sarah Orne Jewett, W. D. Howells, Poultney Bigelow, Herbert E. Hamblin, Hon. Carl Schurz, Rt. Hon. James Brice, John Burroughs, Robert Barr, Thomas Nelson Page, Bret Harte, William Black, Alfred Austin, Andrew Lang, and Dr. William A. Hammond. All subscribers to the 1899 volume will receive THE COMPANION'S new Calendar, exquisitely colored, with a border of stamped gold. The paper will be given free also from the time subscription is received until January 1, 1899, then a full year to January 1, 1900. A handsome illustrated announcement and sample copies will be sent free to any one addressing THE YOUTHS COMPANION, 221 Columbus Ave., Boston, Mass

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SHIPS' MASCOTS IN BATTLE.

The Detroit's Goat Particularly Distinguished Himself While Under Fire.

"Scared?" said an engineer of the Terror, speaking of San Juan. "Well, I guess I was. It was awfully hot below, and we couldn't see a thing, and the concussion of the guns and the knowledge that we were in a rain of shells were mighty unpleasant. The cat and I were very badly frightened. I guess the cat was worse than I. But, then, you know, the cat and I were the only folks on board that minded it."

He had evidently forgotten the celebrated goat, William Terror, who excited so much interest when the monitor was in New York last winter, says the Chicago Inter Ocean. Billy is very young. They call him an apprentice goat. It was his first time under fire, and he behaved very badly. When the action opened he was on the upper deck, and at the first broadside became panic-stricken. He tore about the deck. A sailor had to carry him below, and in the depth of the ship, alone and unaccompanied, he trembled and bleated till the last gun was silent.

The Detroit's goat was braver. He had a station on the gundeck, and while the firing was going on and the shells were whirling over him he remained absolutely quiet. But whenever there came a lull he capered madly about. There is a difference of opinion as to why he was so composed during all the confusion. His friends among the crew say he was interested, and was watching the battle with a critical eye, and that his subsequent capers were but an expression of satisfaction at its results. His detractors contend that he was paralyzed with fear, and that when the noise ceased the spell was broken, and he gave vent to his feelings of terror by his wild antics.

EMPRESS ELIZABETH.

The Ill-Fated Lady Positively Declined to Submit Herself to X-Ray Photography.

An interesting picture is drawn by Miss Emma Penner, a nurse who waited upon the ill-fated Elizabeth, empress of Austria, during the time when the victim of the assassin's knife was recuperating at Naheim. In a letter to the Frankfurter Finanz Herald she says among other things:

"To assist in making a proper diagnosis of the heart trouble of the royal lady, Dr. Schott, her attending physician, made an X-ray photograph of her. When a second attempt was made to use the X-rays her majesty said: 'No, no, professor; I'll not tolerate it again.' But, your majesty, it is absolutely necessary." "Perhaps for you and my brother, but not for me. I will not be dissected alive. Take a photograph of one of the peasant boys about here, and send it to my brother as a picture of my heart." To me the empress said afterwards: "I don't like to be photographed. Every time I have had by photograph taken some misfortune has happened to me." Otherwise the empress was a most obedient patient. Her nature was naturally refined. She scorned artificial means to add to her natural beauty. Her figure was faultless, and her beautiful hair lay like a crown upon her head. She never wore any jewels, and the only thing of value she carried was a watch with a Greek inscription. An active correspondence was kept up between her and the emperor during her sojourn at Naheim."

USE OF HASHEESH.

It is Said to Be the Cause of Much Insanity Among the Natives of India.

The reports of the asylum at Cairo, Egypt, as to the native patients there exhibiting the nature of the mental disturbance associated with the excessive use of hashesh are said to show some remarkable facts, it appearing that in 41 per cent. of all the male patients hashesh alone, or in combination with alcohol, caused the mental symptoms, while this was the case with only seven per cent. of the females. As to whether there is a special recognizable form of mental disturbance produced by hashesh, authorities conclude that in a considerable number of cases in Egypt the hashesh is the chief if not the only cause of such mental disease. The usual types of the disease are hashesh intoxication—that is, an elated and reckless swaggering state, with optical delusions and hallucinations. Acute mania is another form of hashesh insanity; incoherence and exhaustion; again, there is exhibited a weak-mindedness, the patients, though well behaved, being excitable about small things and unconcerned as to the future.

Five Dollars Postage for Letters. W. F. Bailey contributes an article to Century on "The Pony Express," from St. Joseph, Mo., to San Francisco. Mr. Bailey says: "The letters, before being placed in the pockets, were wrapped in oiled silk to preserve them from moisture. The maximum weight of any one mail was 20 pounds; but this was rarely reached. The charges were originally \$5 for each letter of one-half ounce or less; but afterward this was reduced to \$2.50 for each letter not exceeding one-half ounce, this being in addition to the regular United States postage. Specially made light-weight paper was generally used to reduce the expense. Special editions of the eastern newspapers were printed on tissue-paper to enable them to reach subscribers on the Pacific coast. This, however, was more an advertisement, there being little demand for them at their necessarily large price."

Watch Ticks.

If kept continuously running a watch will tick 180,144,000 times in a year.

USED HIS HAND FOR BAIT.

This Thrilling Yarn About a Diver and a Shark Comes from Diego Garcia.

An article about diving in St. Nicholas tells the following story about Lambert, a famous English diver.

The fish in some waters are a hindrance and are greatly disliked by the diver. Perhaps the diver's worst foe is the conger eel. This creature attacks in swarms and is most daring and exceedingly vicious. The congers bark like dogs, and never hesitate in the least to bite a man.

"At one time my right hand," said a diver to us, "was exposed for a moment while in the water, when one of these fierce creatures made a dash for it and took a large piece from the back of the hand. It bled freely and I was obliged to come up to the surface and get it dressed."

"But how about the sharks? Don't you find them troublesome?"

"Not very. You see, sharks are like rats; leave them alone, and they run away if they catch sight of you. Corner a shark and he will fight."

"But if you want a shark story, I can give you one of Lambert's; he once had a thrilling fight with one at the bottom of the Indian ocean. He had been sent to the island of Diego Garcia to fix copper sheets on a coal bunk that had been fouled by a steamer, and was annoyed during his operations by the same shark for nearly a week."

"The monster was temporarily scared away, however, every time Lambert opened the escape valve in his helmet and allowed some air to rush out. One day Lambert signalled to his attendants for a big sheath knife and a looped rope."

"Having these, Lambert used his bare hand as a bait and waited until the shark commenced to turn on its back, when he stabbed it repeatedly, passed the noose around its body and signalled for it to be drawn up. The diver brought home the shark's backbone as a trophy."

WHEN HER SOLDIERS RETURN.

The Internal Crisis in Spain Will Then Have Begun in Eliter Earnest.

The loss of our (Spanish) colonies means the absolute disappearance of all industry and commerce which the inhabitants of those islands were forced to support, says "A Spaniard" in Fortnightly Review. Factories, workshops, magazines—all must be closed, and thousands upon thousands of operative turned adrift on the world, homeless and helpless. A hundred thousand soldiers will come home to swell their ranks, sickly, mutilated men, no longer needed to fight their country's battles, and no longer able to carry on the struggle for existence under the ruins of the old order of things. The greater number of 20,000 military officers will be deprived of their command and placed on the reserve list, where the pay is such that a captain, who generally has a wife and family to support, receives about two shillings and four pence a day.

Agriculture, which is dying out, cannot support these legions of famishing men, women and children, nor are soldiers the kind of people who take kindly to the hard humdrum life of the fields. When these multitudes have felt the pinch of hunger, and see themselves thrown back upon the laws of nature to keep themselves and their loved ones from dying, then the internal crisis will have begun in very truth, and the tocsin of the revolution will have sounded. In that day the army will decide, by its attitude, whether Carlists or republicans shall triumph.

SPANISH MUSIC.

The National Character of Spain Is Very Well Defined by Its Harmonies.

It is interesting to note how a nation's favorite musical instrument is a key to the national character. Thus, for instance, England's musical instrument is the organ, Scotland's the bagpipe, Ireland's the harp, Italy's the violin, Spain's the guitar, Germany's the flute, the United States—the banjo and north the piano. Spain's affinity seems strongest, and, just now, is of especial public interest. The guitar is ubiquitous in Spain. Its tinkling, sweetish harmonies may be heard on the battlefield, in my lady's bower, in the mule cart, in the barber's shop, in saloon, hotel and the highways and byways. Spanish music is pretty rather than powerful; its boleros, rigaduros and fandangos gay rather than grand. It savors more of dagger and hatpin than bayonet and bomb. Glancing back in guitar history to the days of King David, when this instrument was known as a kinnor, one sees that while it was used to refresh Saul, it was also carried by depraved female minstrels, as evidenced by the Prophet Isaiah's ironical suggestion to them to "take a kinnor, go about the city, make sweet melody, sing many songs, that you may not be forgotten." The popular Spanish air of "El Serenito" is a capital illustration of the characteristics of Spanish music and Spain. Its pretty, thin strains remind one of the country of the muliteer and friar.

Birch Canoes for the Orient.

Bangor manufacturers are sending canoes of birch and canvas to Palestine, Japan, India and China. One recently sent to India was to the order of a British officer, and the cost of transportation was more than \$75. A canoe just ordered is intended for a trip up the river Jordan.

Railroads Needed in Brazil.

The facilities for inland transportation are so limited in Brazil that the inhabitants of the ports find it cheaper to import grain from North America than from their own farms.

MOSQUITO COMMISSIONER.

Is the Title of a New Official with Extraordinary Powers, in Mexico.

The following from the Venezuelan Herald will be of interest to Venezuelans:

"The Mexican Central Railway company is engaged in a new experiment, which, if it is all that is claimed for it, will be of inestimable value to the residents of this city. To show how earnest they are in the matter, they have created a new office—that of mosquito commissioner, and the portfolio was awarded to Capt. George C. Sperry, superintendent of telegraphs for the company."

"Experiments in different parts of the United States, and in New Jersey in particular, have demonstrated the fact that the extermination of the mosquito can be successfully accomplished."

An exchange, in discussing the matter, says:

"Scientific investigation has discovered the fact that a few grains of potassium of potash will destroy an embryo mosquito in a very large mosquito swamp. In a very large acre all the mosquitoes can be killed for a space of 30 days, and as the breeding time is but two months, four cents will assure protection for the entire year. This places it within the possibility of a state, and certainly a city, to entirely rid itself of a great nuisance."

April and May are the two months in which the mosquito breeds. They are purely local in their habits, and not migratory, as some suppose, and they seldom move more than a hundred feet from the place of their birth. Hence to exterminate the breed in a certain locality would rid that locality of the pest for that season at least, and the method of extermination is so inexpensive that an entire community may be rid of them at a very small expense.

MOTOR VEHICLES.

There is One Style Which is Intended for Gentlemen with Elibulous Tendencies.

A recent parade of about 100 motor cars in London exhibited all the latest and best devices in the line of horseless vehicles, and many new designs brought over from the continent were seen for the first time on English roads, reports the Baltimore Sun. Lighter modes of construction were especially noticeable, and some of the curious stand comparison with first-class victorias and broughams. One car in particular, which has earned for itself the sobriquet of the "drunkard's car," by reason of its adaptation for alcoholics, attracted not a little attention. It is steered by a bath chair handle, which is kept slightly pressed down when running; but if the pressure is relieved or the handle is jerked in wide and erratic fashion, the motor pressing pin and the motor automatically stops.

The motor bicycle was also represented in the procession—a neat little machine, hardly distinguishable from the ordinary safety bicycle, except by the addition of a tiny petroleum engine attached to the handle bars, which is joined up by an endless band to the front wheel, so that it is both a front driver and steerer. In ordinary use the pedals can be used as foot rests, but the petroleum can be switched off and the machine driven by pedal and chain the ordinary way at the rider's pleasure and the motive power retracted when a steep hill has to be overcome. Complete, this motor bicycle weighs about 65 pounds.

AN UNUSED TYPE.

Golden-Gray Eyes Have Been Neglected by Modern Novelists and Poets.

I might pile Ossa upon Pelion in the way of descriptions of gray eyes culled from fiction. There is, however, one type of gray eyes whose appearance in story I have not yet noted, says Nina R. Allen in Lippincott's.

We have had gray eyes which "resembled nothing so much as moss agates;" sea-gray eyes are not uncommon. Amelie Rives has bestowed upon Ilva, in "The Witness of the Sun," great violet-gray eyes, "like rain-washed amethysts;" while Mr. Paul Leicester Ford has recently introduced us to a pair of slate-colored eyes.

But, at the present writing, I have yet to meet with the golden-gray eyes in fiction. They are to be found, however, in nature, the most luminous of all eyes, I think, the iris about the edge a soft old-gold or golden brown, gradually melting toward the pupil into a warm gray. This lovely color I have seen in the eyes of dog and of a child—the eyes of the dog wistful, appealing, pathetic with unutterable things, the child's speaking of a soul as yet undarkened by shades of the prison house, and splendid with the light that never was on sea or land.

To the novelist desiring something new in eyes, I would respectfully recommend the golden-gray.

A Pitcher Is Not a Bottle.

Native wine is so cheap in San Francisco that many restaurant-keepers serve it with meals in lieu of tea or coffee, if their patrons prefer it. The clause in the war tax requiring a stamp to be affixed to each bottle of wine disturbed them seriously for awhile, until the plan was hit upon of serving it in pitchers instead. As the internal revenue department has ruled that a pitcher is not a bottle, these caterers get off free of the tax.

Warships to Be Well Furnished.

The furniture of the battleships Kearsarge and Kentucky, orders for the making of which have been received at the Portsmouth navy yard, is to cost nearly \$100,000.

DEEP SEA LIFE.

Submarine Animals Have Been Adjusted to the Pressure of the Water.

When marine life began to command notice, the question of the depth to which life could extend divided scientific thought into warring camps.

About 1840 it was generally believed that the bathymetrical limit was about 300 fathoms, and some strange ideas were current as to the physical condition of the water when under a pressure such as a depth of two miles would produce. It was thought that skeletons of drowned men or even heavy cannon and the "wedges of gold" that popular imagination places in the sea, floated at certain levels, beneath which its water so compressed as to be impervious. In fact, says the North American Review, water is almost incompressible, and the weight of a cubic inch of it at the depth of a mile is very little more than at the surface, but it was assumed that no living being could survive a pressure which at 1,000 fathoms is about a ton to the square inch. We ourselves live under a pressure of about 15 pounds to the square inch and are unaware of it. Indeed, we sometimes waken on a morning when the barometer has risen, say, half an inch during the night, and consequently find ourselves sustaining an increased pressure of several tons, not only without suffering, but with a positive feeling of buoyancy and good spirits. On the other hand, if the tremendous pressure under which we live be relieved as by a surgical "cup," severe injury may follow. Aeronauts suffer from this cause and marine animals dredged from great depth often reach the surface in a most lamentable condition, with eyes protruding and viscera distended.

DIFFERENCE EXPLAINED.

There is Considerable Difference Between the Gases from Anthracite and Bituminous Coal.

Prof. Hilseng, of the state college, Pennsylvania, gives an interesting explanation of the difference between anthracite and bituminous coal, so far as the gases are concerned, his opinion being based on the supposition of all that he is having been originally formed on a horizontal or flat bed. The anthracite beds, he assumes, were placed under enormous pressure, or side pressure, by the contraction of the earth's crust during the cooling stage, thus forming the coal basins as now seen at the foot of the mountains; such an enormous pressure resulted in forcing the explosive and other gases out of the anthracite beds to the seams and crevices of the veins and to the strata. This compression has been so great that gases in the anthracite region are sometimes found with the weight of 17,000 pounds to the square inch. On the other hand, the bituminous beds have not been subjected to such a disturbance and pressure, and the coal, therefore, retains the gases which it contained originally. White damp, Prof. Hilseng shows, is produced by imperfect combustion, while black damp is produced by perfect combustion, and destroys life by being devoid of sustaining elements.

AUCTIONS AT HOME.

How the Daughters of a Western Millionaire Sell Their Clothes to Each Other.

"In a family of my town," said a western woman to a New York friend, "there is a little custom which is often amusing, and which I think quite original. The father is a millionaire, and, unlike many rich fathers, he leaves his checks blank when he signs them, and never asks any questions. One result of this sometimes is thoughtless expenditure. I won't say extravagance, because the daughters would not willingly disregard their privilege. But when one makes a purchase which she afterward regrets, instead of returning it, as most women would do, an auction is held in the household, and the article is sold to the highest bidder. The auctioneer is the original purchaser."

"Sometimes the auction is very amusing, and the manner of the sale shows a woman's cunning. When I was there last a dress which cost \$300 was knocked down to one of the sisters for \$15. There were no other bidders. The 'auctioneer' was slightly disappointed, but she didn't know that the purchaser had entered into an agreement with her other sisters not to bid against them on other articles if they wouldn't bid against her on the dress."

GOT EVEN WITH THE HOUSE.

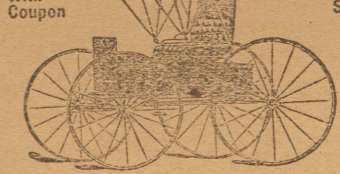
How a Saratoga Waiter Turned the Balance of a Damage Account.

With summer hotels closed and winter resorts in the south still suffering on account of the war, there are hundreds of waiters out of work, and they spend their days in the various offices and resorts where people are likely to go when they look for a colored man servant, says the New York Tribune.

There accounts of summer experiences are exchanged, and landlords and head waiters' good and bad qualities discussed.

"I got the best of our boss last summer," said one waiter who had served his term at Saratoga. "We had to pay 25 cents apiece for everything we broke, and one week I had three pieces to pay for, and every cent came hard because the horses didn't come right for that week. It didn't make any difference if the piece was a teacup or a teapot, it was 25 cents apiece, and on pay day I just dropped a big vegetable dish for luck. It made the 75 cents one dollar, but I got even with the boss."

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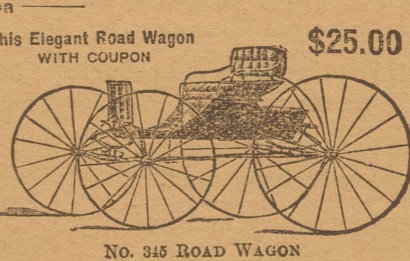
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