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## GENTLEMAN BOB.

"So you want me to tell you a story about a brave man, little people?" said Colonel Graylock, as his half dozen nephews and nieces, tired with their afternoon's play, gathered around his arm-chair by the fire. "Well, I've seen plenty of them in my time, but the bravest man I ever knew was a young ensign in our regiment, whom we used to call 'Gentleman Bob'—and right well he deserved his name, though not as we meant it.

'Gentleman Bob' was always quiet and sober and orderly, and instead of brawling and rioting like the rest of us, spent all of his spare time over dry scientific books that we knew nothing about, and read a chapter in the Bible every morning and evening. How we did laugh at him and make mock of him, to be sure!

But before long something made us ashamed of ourselves, and this was it. Our Colonel was in a great hurry one day to find out the location of a village that wasn't marked on his map, and none of us could help him, when, lo and behold! forward stepped 'Gentleman Bob,' with a neat little map of his own drawing, and there was the very place, just where it should be. The colonel looked at it and then at us, and said grimly, 'It's not often, gentlemen, that the youngest officer of a regiment is also the smartest, let this be a lesson to you.'

You may be sure that this report made us none the more merciful in talking against poor Bob; and perhaps we might have done something more than talk but for a thing that happened one night at mess. Our junior captain, a rough halving kind of a fellow, was going to empty a glass of wine over Bob's head, when the ensign grasped his wrist, and overturned the wine upon him instead, and the wrist was black and blue from the squeeze for many a day thereafter.

About a month after this, one of our men, who used to have fits of madness every now and then, from an old wound in his head, came flying along with a big knife in his hand, slashing at everything within reach. Some cried to shoot him but Bob said, quietly, 'A man's life is worth more than that.' And in a moment he had seized the fellow knife hand, and tripped him so cleverly that he was down before we could call out; and then some of them came up and secured him.

Of course we could say nothing against Bob's pluck after that; but all this was a trifle to what was coming. A few days later came one of the greatest battles of the war, and we were so hard pressed on the left, that at last there was nothing for it but to fall back. We formed again under cover of some thickets, but even there we had enough to do to hold our ground for the enemy had brought up several guns and were giving it to us pretty hot.

"Suddenly, one of our wounded, lying out on the open plain was seen to wave his hand feebly as if for help. It was one of our lieutenants, who had been hit by a bullet upon Gentleman Bob, and his chance was a poor one for it seemed certain death to try and reach him though such a pelt of shot while if a bullet didn't finish him, the scorching sun was pretty sure to do it.

"All at once a man was seen stepping out from a shelter thicket, and that man was 'Gentleman Bob.' He never looked to right or left but went straight to where his persecutor was lying helpless. At first the French banged away at him like fury, but when they saw what he was doing, several officers called out, 'Ne tirez pas enfant! (Don't fire, my boys,)' and raised their caps to him in salute. Bob lifted the wounded man gently in his arms, and shielding him with his own body brought him back into our lines; and such a cheer as went up then I never heard before or since."

"And did that horrid lieutenant die, uncle."

"Luckily not," answered the col-

onel, laughing. "For I'm sorry to say the horrid lieutenant was no other than myself."

"O uncle, were you over as naughty as that?" lisped a tiny voice, in tones of amazement.

"But what became of Gentleman Bob?" asked an impatient boy.

"He is now my respected brother-in-law, and your papa," said the colonel, exchanging a sly look with a fine-looking man on the other side of the room, who had been listening to the story with a quiet smile.—Exchange.

The smokeless powders when acting properly, produce higher velocities, while the pressure is not too high, and indeed gave in some cases lower pressure than the best black powder. Being made chiefly of high explosives they necessarily have possibility of character. One cannot but feel regarding them as one would toward a captured lion or tiger, which may have been apparently tamed. Subject to control under ordinary circumstances, the natural ferocity of the beast remains latent. At any instant it may break forth and destroy the tamer, who, the moment before appeared to be its master. Ordinary gunpowder alone appears to be worthy of full confidence. It is now used advantageously in a compressed form in small arms ammunition, giving velocities as high as 1,900 feet per second. Sufficient has been accomplished with smokeless powders to indicate that they may be used in small arms in future wars. Particularly will this be the case where the combatants assume that a war of long duration is out of the question and that serious deterioration before use is not possible. Smokeless powders are not however noiseless, as is so frequently stated. The noise is somewhat different from that of black powder being one higher key; but it can be distinguished constantly and as far as when the latter is used.—The North American Review.

## HOG KILLING TIME.

As this is hog killing time, it is also a good time to offer a few suggestions about saving meat.

An important matter, and one often overlooked, is the proper trimming of the pieces. These are certain portions, of the meat, as at first set apart, which if cured are not eaten, such as the tenderloin, insides, and thick fat behind it, the thin flanks attached to shoulders and all loose tags and sharp corners on any piece. These become hardened with salt and smoke and are clear waste. They should be closely trimmed off and placed in the sausage tubs, and are then clear gain over the loose method.

The large bones should be used first. If there are more of these than can be used when fresh, they may be kept in strong brine. Marrow bones being most difficult to keep, should be used first. Spare ribs may be salted, and smoked and will keep well.

Stuffed sausages should be made quite fat, as they keep better when thus made. The best way to keep sausage to prevent their becoming rancid is to immerse them in lard.

A fine article of breakfast bacon can be made by cutting medium sides in strips six or eight inches wide, packing in salt for three days and then hanging in a dense hard wood smoke for three days. After smoking, dip for one minute in boiling water, cover with any old cotton cloth, dip in a thin corn-mush, and dry. This excludes all insects and the meat will keep indefinitely, and to those who do not object to the smoke flavor it is delicious.—Farm and Ranch.

**Marvelous Cure of an Invalid in a Church.**

A dispatch from Anderson, Ind., says the excitement and interest which has prevailed here for some time past over the revival meetings of Mrs. Woodworth continues unabated. The church is packed at all the services.

The large audience was wrought up to the highest pitch of excitement yesterday by the alleged cure of a

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confirmed cripple. The person alleged to be cured is Mrs. Hiram Baxter. She is perhaps 65 years of age and has been afflicted for years with rheumatism. Two years ago while walking along the street she was run over by a careless bicyclist and badly injured. Since that time she has been unable to walk except with the aid of crutches. She is a member of the Church of God and has been a diligent worshiper attending worship every day she is hobbled to church.

On the evening of the 10th inst. she began to pray fervently for the Lord to remove her pangs and restore her health. For an hour she pleaded with the Lord and was joined by Mrs. Woodworth. During the prayer Mrs. Woodworth knelt by the afflicted woman and placing her hands upon her limbs stroked them gently, then rising to her feet held forth her hands over the prostrate form of Mrs. Baxter and in a loud voice exclaimed: "In the name of Jesus of Nazareth arise and walk."

No sooner had the words been pronounced than Mrs. Baxter, with a wild delirious shout of joy arose and leaped the railing surrounding the rostrum. She bounded through the aisles of the church singing and shouting her gratitude for the remarkable results that she firmly believes the Lord wrought for her. The utmost excitement prevailed in the audience. Mrs. Baxter was the center of attraction and she walked around the house apparently as sound in limbs as a maid the people marveled and gazed at her as she walked. They had seen her crippled and bent with disease enter the door walking upon crutches. At the conclusion of the services she walked home leaving her crutches in the church. Hundreds of people who witnessed the remarkable affair can testify to the truthfulness of it.

A local paper is a reflection of the life of the town in which it is published. When a paper goes into the outside world, the readers scan the advertising columns as well as the news columns; and if there is a generous representation of the business interests of the place a favorable impression is created. If the business men are so ultra-conservative as to refuse to invest a few dollars each year in advertising space in the local paper, the world forms the very sensible conclusion that such a town is a very good one to stay away from. So every dollar spent by merchants with his local paper not only brings him direct returns in sales, but contributes to the general prosperity of the town in which he does business.—Pleasanton Monitor.

**THE CAPITAL CITY.**

What is going on in Austin at this time. The Assembling Legislature—the Speaker's contest—Judge Willson's resignation—J. Armo Knox.

A Gossipy Letter from Texas' Capital. Special Correspondence to the News.

Austin, Texas, January 10, 1891.

The question of an appropriation to assist in making an exhibit of Texas vast and varied resources at the World's Fair in Chicago is coming in for its share of attention and discussion. Many express the opinion that it would be unconstitutional to make such an appropriation, while others combat the argument by citing the fact that an appropriation was made for exhibit at the New Orleans Exposition and that the State can appropriate for itself in this manner. The exhibit would be greater by far than from any advertisement of the State's resources ever contemplated. Many of the members of the Legislature are already here and they are arriving at this date on a train. The Speakership contest is on and the candidates and friends of candidates are busy. There are several members mentioned in this connection, but perhaps the most prominent are J. N. Brown, of the Pan Handle, and R. T. Miller, of Rusk County. The race between these two excellent men seems to be about an even break so far without any decided advantage on either side. They will probably go into the caucus neck and neck and the man who wins will draw his strength from some of the weaker candidates. There is of course the usual number of applicants for the other offices within the gift of both Houses and Senate and it is at this stage almost impossible to name the winners.

A slight tremor agitated the limbs of the law in the city a few days ago, occasioned by the resignation of Judge Sam. A. Willson from the Court of Appeals bench. Everyone knows Judge Willson and everybody acknowledges his great ability. Some were surprised at his action and others who knew of his intention to resign were not. Judge Willson's successor will probably be chosen from the Commercial club.

Army Knox of the Texas Siftings has been here for a few days, shaking hands with his old time friends and neighbors. Mr. Knox together with Alex E. Sweet, started the Texas Siftings here and made such a phenomenal success that a wider field became an absolute necessity and the paper was removed to New York. They are now publishing a London edition. Mr. Knox is a distinguished Irishman whom to know is to admire, and Austin feels a paternal pride in his success. Mr. Knox is doing a missionary work for Texas all the East every day, and never tires telling them of the splendid possibilities of this State. He says that the only thing necessary to secure capital is to advertise our resources and that every section should do this.

The Committee of Austin, organized for the purpose of advertising to the world the advantages natural and acquired of this city, has resolved itself into the Commercial Club of Austin and has employed Mr. Chas. A. Edward, formerly of the New Birmingham Times and later of the Times at Houston, as Secretary of the Club to take charge of the work. Austin intends to keep pace with progress now going on all over this magnificent State.

A special from Del Rio to the San Antonio Express of the 14th, says: The town was invaded Friday night by two armed and mounted counterfeiters who tried to pass their spurious coins upon Postmaster Brodbent. Failing in this they called at Harness Bros.' store on First street where they were found by officers fifteen minutes later. To a demand for surrender they began sending Winchester balls among the officers who returned the compliment. A general fusillade followed in which Officer Cunningham had his hat knocked off by a rifle ball. In the darkness and confusion the counterfeiters escaped and have not since been heard from. No one was hurt in the melee. The coin was the usual counterfeit of the silver dollar.

## HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

**FEVER DRINK:** Pour cold water on wheat bran; let boil half hour, strain and add sugar and lemon juice. Use cold.

To remove grease from broths for the sick, pass clean writing paper quickly over the top of the broth, using several pieces, till all grease is removed.

**CELERY SALAD:** Cut off the roots of four heads of celery. Separate the stalks and wipe each piece dry, then cut into pieces an inch long, put into a salad-bowl and pour over half a pint of mayonnaise dressing.

**GRUEL:** Add to three pints of boiling water two tablespoons full of corn meal, stirred up in a little cold water; add half a pinch of salt and cook twenty minutes. For convalescents, toast a piece of bread nicely, put into the gruel with one or two spoonfuls of sweet cream, a little sugar and nutmeg or cinnamon.

**MUFFINS:** Boil one quart of new milk. Let cool and stir in one quart of sifted flour, one teaspoon of salt with half a teaspoon of yeast. Beat well and add three eggs, well beaten. Set in a warm place to rise. When light, stir in one large tablespoon of melted butter and bake quickly in muffin rings.

**BEEF TEA:** Beef tea quite as nutritious as that made by the old fashioned slow process, may be made as follows: Cut a lean steak in very small pieces, place in a common bowl, add very little water, cover tightly with a saucer and place in a moderate oven, and when the juice is extracted from the meat strain and season with a very little salt. Serve either warm or cold.

**CABBAGE PUDDING:** Chop fine enough white cabbage to fill a large baking pan, when done, salted, let it boil until tender, then drain thoroughly through a colander. In two quarts of the cabbage stir half a pound of butter; salt and pepper to taste, one pint of sweet cream and four eggs beaten separately. Add also a pinch of cayenne pepper; put in a pan and bake for half an hour.

**CREAMED POTATOES:** Peel eight large potatoes, carefully removing all all eyes and specks, boil quickly in salted water until perfectly done. Remove at once from the water, put into the bowl with a quarter of a pound of good butter; salt and pepper, and a gill of cream, remove to hot dish and serve immediately.

**BAKED RICE:** Three pints of sweet milk, half cup of rice, a little salt. Bake the mixed ingredients in a buttered dish, closely covered with a plate, for one hour and a quarter in a slow oven. This seems like a very large quantity of milk in proportion to the rice, but it is none too much. Each kernel should lie in a creamy bed when served. Some prefer to add a little sugar and nutmeg, but it is really better with neither.

The Uvalde Reflector thus tells of the murder of Sands:

A boy living in Edwards county, about the first inst. It seems that a man by the name of Sands was ranching a bunch of sheep, 1,300 head, some seven miles from Rock Spring, and had employed a young boy, who gave his name as Una Holland, and his age at nineteen. Sands' wife who was desirous of ridding herself of her husband proposed to the lad that if he would kill the old man she would marry him and give him a half interest in the flock of sheep, and accordingly, while the old man was asleep, shot and killed him. The woman and lad came into Rock Spring and reported that the old man had been killed by Mexicans, but they were suspicious and arrested, and at the examining trial held before Justice Frank Harris, they both confessed and were committed to jail without bail. Constable Bailes and Mr. J. T. Mayes carried the two prisoners to Leakey, where they are now in jail.

Laredo is to have a \$50,000 federal building.

## NEWS NOTES.

Montezuma, Mexico, reports a very light fall of snow.

Disastrous freight wreck at Cayney, I. T. No lives lost.

Del Rio reports fight with counterfeiters; nobody hurt.

Unusually cold weather prevails over southeast Texas.

The contest over the Texas speakership promises to be lively.

Coahuila is exporting large quantities of fibre to Philadelphia.

Mexico's financial outlook is good. Silver has a rising tendency.

The hostiles have moved up to about five miles of the agency.

There is no change in the condition of affairs at Pine Ridge agency.

Susan Johnson is jailed at Paris charged with attempted murder.

The republicans in congress boldly oppose the southern claims bills.

A very heavy snow seriously affecting stock is reported at Washburn.

The vote on the financial bill in the senate is set down for Wednesday.

Victoria's legislative muddle will have to be settled by the legislature.

Parnell speaks at Limerick and makes a savage attack on Gladstone.

Quinn Texas reports all the wheat fields covered with six inches of snow.

Mexico holds her quarantine against Eagle Pass, but there is no smallpox there.

Pecos city reports six inches of snow, the heaviest fall ever known there.

Powderly seems very anxious for the establishment of a third political party.

The orange shipments from Sonora, to the United States are increasing.

Tarrant county bar wants two judicial districts made out of that county.

The Cairo short line commences its first run from St. Louis to New Orleans.

St. Louis runs a Sunday train to Chicago in eight hours and forty minutes.

The city council of Fort Worth is contemplating the erection of a city hall to cost \$125,000.

The Sunset Brick and Tile Company at Gonzales will soon commence work.

Beaville is to have waterworks.

An Italian from near Rome, will erect a cheese factory at Aransas Pass. He has purchased a large tract of land.

The government will erect a public building at Fort Worth.

Cochran of Dallas will offer a bill appropriation \$300,000 for a Texas exhibit at Chicago.

Corner stone of depot of Montezuma, with imposing ceremonies.

A movement is on foot to deepen Hudson river so that sea going vessels can go up to Troy.

The state prohibition convention of Mississippi did not have a score of representatives present.

The proposed constitution of Missouri is in violation of the laws of Missouri.

The murder of a sheepman named Saunders is reported from Edwards Co, his wife having instigated the deed.

Spain will invite United States and Portugal to join in celebrating the 400th anniversary of the discovery by Columbus.

Thieves enter Jas. Cambell's house, St. Louis, in broad daylight blind and gag his wife and get away with \$250 in cash.

Steamer Bear sunk in a collision and twelve men drowned in the Frith-of-Forth.

Gov. Tuttle, of New Hampshire, recommends the secret ballot in his message.

Pat Leonard is shot and killed in the Fort Worth stock yards by H. C. Pythress.

Hoar will try and bring up his election bill after the financial bill is disposed of.

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A GLIMPSE OF MEXICO AND ITS CAPITAL.

BY LINDSEY.

The fact that I have been in the city of Mexico, is still regarded by my surprised self as a very wonderful fact, and so long as the visit was still one of the unreliable promises of the future, I regard its fulfillment as even more uncertain, for I have never finished counting the "ravens of disaster" which keep pace with us on the journey of life.

But for my generous and accommodating friends, Mr. W. L. Valverde and his estimable wife, to whose great kindness and influence I am indebted for a pass to the city over the Mexican National, I should still think of that historic land as I now think of the Alps, the Rhine, the Rockies, or any part of the world I should like to visit, but which I certainly never expect to see.

THE CRUEL WAR (?)

The cruel war (?) seems over and probably the farce will end. The following telegram contains the latest news: Pine Ridge, Agency, S. Dak., Jan. 10. The Indians here are coming at this writing—noon. They bring along the west bank of White Clay creek for a distance of two miles. They are mounted, walking, riding in wagons and in fact advancing in every manner.

Some of them are entering the friendlies' camps, while others are pitching their tepees on the west bank of White Clay creek. These are Ogallalas. The Brules, however are carrying in the bottom around Red Clouds house a half mile from the agency. The number of Indians cannot be fewer than 3,500.

THE CRUEL WAR (?)

cold, we saw a number of vegetable gardens in which new peas, beans, lettuce, cabbage, carrots, turnips, etc., were growing. Fortunately, our hotel was comfortable, and kept by an American, but its style of architecture is not very common in the United States. It is a large one-story house, each partition of which encircles a large open court.

My one window was grated and the double door so heavy and massive and the key so big that I had much difficulty in locking myself in. We left at seven the next morning, and sped on our journey with many a change of scene. Long ranges of blue mountains, forests of palmetto trees, prairie dog villages, pretty valleys and dreary stretches of country and so on until we reached San Luis Potosi.

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13 LIFE WITH LIVING. Not if you go through the world a dyspeptic, Dr. Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets are a positive cure for the worst forms of Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Flatulency and Constipation. Guaranteed and sold by W. R. Partrick.

IF YOUR BACK ACHES. Or you are all worn out, really good for nothing, it is general debility. Try MELBEE'S WINE OF CARDUI. It will cure you, cleanse your liver, and give you a good appetite.

At F. W. Thomme's jewelry store has just been received a large and well selected stock of jewelry and silver ware that will be sold at prices that cannot be duplicated.

WE CAN AND DO. Guarantee Dr. Acker's Blood Elixir, it has been fully demonstrated to the people of this country that it is superior for all other preparations for blood diseases. It is a positive cure for syphilitic poisoning, Ulcers, Eruptions and Pimples. It purifies the whole system and thoroughly builds up the constitution. For sale by W. R. Partrick.

School books for sale cheap at H. J. Veltmann's.

THAT TERRIBLE COUGH. In the morning, hurried or difficult breathing, rising phlegm, tightness in the chest, quickened pulse, chilliness in the evening or sweats at night, all or any of these things are the first signs of consumption. Dr. Acker's English Cough Remedy will cure these fearful symptoms, and is sold under a positive guarantee by W. R. Partrick.

WINE OF CARDUI, a Tonic for Women.

An Interesting Letter.

I will give you a little sketch of my life. I lived in Kinney county fourteen years, and always paid my taxes. My father came to Texas in 1840; he lived always on the frontiers, killed the Indians and paid his taxes. Oh how hard it is to be refused often doses of medicine to save my life. In Erath county where Bean and his nigger, Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Riggs were killed by the Indians, Mr. Johnson and his little boy carried off. In Erath county on Green creek our old surveyor, Erath was surveying and he prayed to God to kill him in a second. Up jumped a rattlesnake and went to singing, and he prayed to God to hold the snake from under him, until Neil McClellan rolled him out from under him. One time there was a storm came that looked like it would blow us all away. My sister-in-law said: "Oh sister, what shall we do to save ourselves." I told her we must look to God, kneel down and pray for everything even the little sparrows. That was the night God saved Mr. Johnson's little boy, with his little frozen feet, under an old bell cow.

One time afterwards, I had been off to hire hands to shear my sheep. I came home, the girls had let the fire go out, it was raining and hailing and I told them if they wanted to be a Christian they would have to go out and stand the storm and pray to God for some way to make a fire. They looked very sad when they went out and stood. They prayed for some way to make a fire. When they came back they were laughing and their aprons full of hail, they looked like drawn rats. When the storm was over, the cowboys came in and brought plenty of matches, fat antelope and buffalo tongue. Oh, now you may say I had a happy time. I had! We had plenty of home-made cheese and drip clabber. Now I must bring my letter to a close, now I will tell you the last twenty years of my life I have seen nothing but hard times and trouble.

Earth to earth, and dust to dust. We must bear the evil and the just. "Amen and did my Saviour bleed." I often thought of the old song and the man who was cast into the den of lions and who never got scared of anything. I went on my knees and prayed to God and he is always up and in so on my way. MARY A. PAPE. Brackett, June 1st, 1890.

DO NOT SUFFER ANY LONGER. Knowing that a cough can be checked at once, and the first stages of consumption broken in a week, we hereby guarantee Dr. Acker's English Cough Remedy and will refund the money to all who buy and take it as per directions, and do not find our statement correct. Sold by W. R. Partrick.

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We give our readers an opportunity to express their sentiments in regard to their proposed new courthouse. Do not be bashful but come forward with your opinion. If you are a subscriber to the News it will cost you nothing and if you are not buy a paper. The fair sex is not barred out in the contest. What we want to get at is the ideas held by our citizens in the town and county upon this subject. Cut out the blank and mail or hand it to us. You will find it in this paper and also in a few more numbers.

People wonder when they find how rapidly health is restored by taking P. P. P. Prickley Ash, Poke Root and Potassium. The reason is simple as it is a powerful combination of the roots and herbs of the home woods sold by W. H. Quinn, Druggist.

That was quite an accident that happened to a certain cart when going up the hill near Mr. Stewart's but the horse was gentle, and no damage was done.

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Many letters are received by the P. P. P. Co. from patients, saying they had used such and such a blood purifier and sarsaparilla mentioning their names and stating they did not get well until P. P. P. (Prickley Ash, Poke Root and Potassium) was tried. These letters we started to publish, when the various manufacturers wrote us fearful letters, and we discontinued same, but P. P. P. (Prickley Ash, Poke Root and Potassium) is triumphant on every occasion and has made a host of friends in cures of Syphilis, Rheumatism, Scrofula, Blood Poison, Dyspepsia, Malaria and Female complaints. Sold by W. H. Quinn, Druggist.

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Our Neighbors.

Del Rio, Tex., Jan. 14. (Special. To S. A. Express B. Humphris, a cattleman from Alpine boarded No. 20 at San Antonio yesterday. He used pretty bad language to some passengers and devoted himself to emptying a whiskey flask. On nearing Uvalde he threw the empty bottle at Detective Long, of the Southern Pacific, striking him in the face. Long protested forcibly and a skirmish ensued in which Humphris pulled his gun and tried to use it, but was prevented by trainmen who had come to Long's assistance. The trainmen handled Humphris pretty roughly and on an arrival at Del Rio had him arrested on a charge of simple assault. He is out on bail.

Lon Tatum one of the Langtry's stockmen, recently ran his first through a window pane and severed an artery. It was patched up and seemed to be getting all right but this morning he came to town for medical attention. The wound had opened afresh and was bleeding profusely. Four-doctors have been working steadily all day without success to stop the blood. They seem unable to find the artery in the wrist and have cut into the muscular part of the arm in search of it. Tatum is now lying in a critical condition from loss of blood.

10 p. m.—bleeding stopped and Dr. Gallagher says the patient will recover.

[Uvalde News]

A difficulty occurred at the Old Stand saloon Friday between I. K. Stein and Andrew Brice, and in which Jack Bond, as deputy city marshal took a hand. The trouble arose over a check which Mr. Stein had drawn for fifty dollars, and which Brice had picked up. Stein drew a pistol and Bond stepped in and drew his hitting Brice with it. Brice went off and got his Winchester and came back, but was late disarmed, Monday the difficulty was renewed between Bond and Brice, and Winchester's strep brought into requisition, brass lire fortunately not used. It was used for the good of all parties concerned for the matter is now dropped.

The city council as usual, had a meeting last evening. Something was being very nicely having fifteen (15) scholars. Mamie Quintle, one of the most charming young ladies in the city, is visiting her sister Mrs. Nolan and her stay be a pleasant one.

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Repairing neatly done at Dawson's saddlery.

Beef buyers are getting in town more frequently than they have been in the habit of doing.

Mr. Furnish spent yesterday in town.

Mr. Sterling, manager of the Maurice ranch, was in town on Thursday. Hunting has been prohibited in the pasture of that ranch.

Read Mr. Flatow's advertisement in this issue. If you want cheap goods call on him immediately.

Tax Notice. My office is now open for the payment of all State and County taxes assessed on the rolls of 1890 and payable before the first day of January 1891. Respectfully, J. W. NOLAN, Collector. By J. S. MORIN, Deputy.

Buy a new set of harness hand made of Dawson.

The description of the young ladies' h p on Thursday is crowded out. It was delightful and an interesting description could be written of it.

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The Friedlander stock must be sold out quickly. It is clearly to your interest if you want to buy anything to first inspect that stock. If what you need you should first-you will certainly buy much below cost. I have also a good fresh stock of groceries which will be sold below the prices groceries are sold for in Brackett. Come and convince yourself. Times are hard-money scarce therefore look to your interest in buying where you can buy cheapest.

THOMAS FLATOW, in charge of Friedlander stock. Roll of Honor

Of the Brackett School for the week ending January, 18th:

ARITHMETIC—John Spear, 5th; Mary Dooley, 5th; James Cornell, 6th, 7th and 8th.

GEOGRAPHY—Clairborne, 6th, 7th and 8th.

READING—Mary Dooley, 5th.

GRAMMAR—Agnis Windus, 5th; Tom Holmes, 6th; Susie Cornell 7th and 8th.

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FOURTH GRADE—Victoriano Ramirez; Sarah Thore.

SECOND GRADE—Pearl Spear; Tommie Head.

FIRST GRADE—Charles Kulm, Jesus Aguilera.

From Turkey Creek.

EDITOR-BRACKETT NEWS. Dear Sir: Your paper I believe has never contained an article from this community and thinking that I might give a few notes which would interest your readers. I have decided to drop you a line or two.

Christmas and New Years were both most pleasantly passed by all. Among those who came out to spend the Holidays here, were Mr. Nolan from Brackett and Mr. Kissing from his ranch up near the West Prong of the Nueces River. Both of the above named gentlemen's families are living in community.

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infantry; Captain Robert F. Bates, Eighteenth infantry; Captain Carroll H. Potter, Eighteenth infantry judge advocate.

Other officers than those named cannot be assembled without manifest injury to the service. On adjournment of the court sine die, Captains Haskell, McLaughlin, Burack, Manning, Adams, Baldwin Bates and Potter will return to their proper stations. The travel enjoined is necessary for the public service.

This is not Captain Reynolds first appearance before a court martial. In October 1888, he was tried on the charge of drunkenness and sentenced to suspension for a year. This was remitted the January following and Captain Reynolds gave a pledge of sobriety. The specific charge now to be preferred arose at Comargo, at a ball, where he is said to have appeared in uniform and intoxicated.

THE NEWS is requested to find out the sentiment of our people in regard to building a new courthouse. If you are a taxpayer or have any interest in your town and county, cut out the following blank, fill out with a pencil, enclose in an envelope, seal and address to

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Write only ONE reason on a ticket; make it short and to the point. Vote as many times as you wish, but give different reason each time you vote for your favoring or opposing, as the case may be. The best reasons for as well as those against the erection of said building will appear in the NEWS, as well as a blank cut from this paper will be recognized.

You need not sign your name, unless you prefer to do so. Vote early in the week. Cut on this line.

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FROM THE FRENCH OF GAUTIER.

When I am dead upon my place, Before the coffin has me laid, A little red to light my face, A little black about the lid, For I desire on my close bed, As on that night he told the love, In rose eternal to appear, With both my soft blue eyes above.

AN OLD MAID'S STORY.

It was one of those cold, dark November afternoons when the daylight all goes soon after 5. A chilly kind of white mist was hanging about, and the trees in the square were shaking off their few remaining leaves, as though they were at last convinced that the poor, black, shriveled things were no ornament, but rather a disfiguration.

I was thinking, I remember perfectly, what a different thing it must be to feel old age creeping on if you had some one beside you who had been young with you and who grew sober and gray when you did, and if you had sons and daughters who revered and loved you as I loved my dear mother long ago.

Strange thoughts for a little old maid of 65; and thoughts too, that made the fire become obscured and then shoot out long needles, until I recollected that my pet was very fond of me, though there was no relationship between us.

She was all I had, for our family had dwindled and dwindled until there were only three representatives, and between me and those two others there was a long standing estrangement.

The old house was wonderfully quiet. Outside was the usual hum of the city traffic, distant nearly a quarter of a mile; inside, no sound but the purring of my cat and the flutter, flutter of a flame in the fire.

A loud, energetic ring at the bell started us both. "Why, auntie," said Mabel, "you are asleep."

"Who can it be?" I wondered. "It's not my day, so it is not likely to be a caller. If it is, we must have the gas." Directly after the room door was opened and a name was announced that took my breath away.

"Mr. Armitage," said the man who opened the stronger sex, with a erect, almost haughty carriage of the head. For a moment I thought it was my brother himself, as I rose to my feet, all trembling, but Mabel stirred the fire into a bright blaze, and I saw a dark eyed young man, not like my brother, but so like some one else I used to know, that I forgot I was a withered old woman, and almost unconsciously breathed the word, "Lionel."

"Yes," he answered, taking both my hands into his strong grasp. "Lionel Armitage; and this, then, is Aunt Dorothy. What a tiny little aunt it is!"

He bent down and kissed me, a proceeding that gave the speaker a sensation. I could not have spoken directly to save my life.

I was a little more than 40, there was a certain Miss Verdi, a poor seamstress, who did plain sewing for me. She had been my housemaid; she left me to marry a wretch who deserted her, and left her to support herself and her year-old baby. She fell ill, and I went to see her two or three times, and when she died, as there were no relatives, I brought the forlorn baby home till something could be done with it. The whole of it was, I determined to keep it altogether. That was why your father was so angry. And that child is Mabel Verdi.

Lionel whisked softly. "And was that all?" "That was all. We are an obstinate family, Lionel. The more your father objected to my bringing the child up, the more resolved I became."

"Hm! It was very good of you. The girl must have been no end of trouble. And so you have brought her up to be your maid or companion?" "She is my adopted niece," I said, rather stiffly, for his tone hurt me in some way. "I shall leave her everything I have."

He said no more. It seemed to me that he too thought I had lost caste by what I had done. "I was sorry, for I had taken a strange liking to the boy. Sooner or later he took his leave, promising to come on the following day and bring his traps." "No sooner was he gone than Mabel came back dressed for dinner."

"Auntie, do you know it is nearly 7, and you are not dressed?" "Never mind, love," I said, gathering up my knitting. "Dinner can wait for me for once. Mabel, the long family disagreement is at an end. That was my nephew Lionel."

"At an end?" Mabel cried. "Oh, Aunt Dorothy, I am glad of that! Now, perhaps, you will tell me what it was." "I shook my head and laughed, for that was a point on which, though she was very curious, I would never enlighten her. "Isn't he handsome, Mabel? What did you think of him?"

"I scarcely saw him," she answered indifferently. She laughed at me many times that evening for my absence of mind, told me that I took salt to my apple tart at dinner and never knew it, and that I smiled at my tea and at everything.

It may have been true, for I could think of nothing but the message of reconciliation after so many years. I wrote a long letter to Julius, that is my brother, that very night.

The next afternoon Lionel came. "I hope you're prepared to have me on your hands for at least a fortnight, aunt," said he, as we sat together chatting. "In fact, I shall very likely want to stay for good—you look so homelike and comfortable here."

"Armitage hall used always to be homelike and comfortable enough," I remarked, and then regretted the words, for a cloud came over his face. "Ah, yes, in my dear mother's time," he answered softly.

"It is all this sort of thing that does it, I think," he said, after a pause, picking up my knitting from a gypsy table and letting two of the needles slip out so that an endless number of stitches were instantly lost. "I hope I haven't done any damage," and he stuck the needles in again at random and laid the work down. "All these dainty womanly trifles!"

He looked at it meditatively, when turned his attention to the basket and its other contents. The little silver thimble he tried on his little finger, which would not go fairly into it, then looked up and I caught him smiling.

"Don't laugh at me, Aunt Dorothy. Somehow the sight of these brings back many things. 'This, for instance,' he said, still looking at the tiny thimble, 'is just the size of my mother's.'"

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