

TERRY COUNTY VOICE.

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GOMEZ, TERRY COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, FEB. 12, 1904.

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A Letter From Yoakum.

Sligo, Texas.

Sligo is on the boom, it has as good a post office as there are in the west, it furnishes all kinds of writing material of a first-class quality. It also has a fine belt of grazing and agriculture land around it. This is one of the finest cattle, hog and sheep countries in the west; and some day will be a fine cotton and small grain country when it is tried. We expect to see some cotton growing here in the spring, and abundance of dwarf, maize and kaffir corn. The principal business around here now is the cow and hog business. Cattle are in a fine condition now and are expected to winter fine.

The people of Sligo are all well and doing well, and are in need of a first-class dry goods and grocery store.

For further information about Sligo, watch the columns of Terry County Voice.

The Lad.

Come again "Lad."

Keep Your Money at Home.

Those who send away for what they can get from their home merchants generally get bit and they ought to get bumped and bumped hard. Every dollar circulated in the channels of home trade is like money kept in the home circle of a family. The farmer, the merchant, the butcher, the baker, and in fact, men of all avocations are dependent one upon the other, and every dime unnecessarily taken from the channels of trade is like taking money from your own pockets. Patronize home. Keep your money going around in the home channels and add to it by getting all the money you can from abroad.—Seguin Gazette.

It Is Ever So.

We never gaze upon a full page advertisement but it reminds us that the advertiser is a hustler. No man will invest in a full page advertisement for the sake of giving the printers a boom—not on your life. He means business and those who observe find that he gets it. These are fast days and the business man who fills his store with goods and then sit down and fans himself will find both dust and cobwebs on his goods before they are disposed of. Nor is the well known man in it. Being well known will not get business while hustling strangers are covering the country with advertising and filling the local papers of the advantages he has for customers. Those old foggy days have fled and the man who undertakes to do business on that plan in the field of sharp competition is a back number in its fullest sense.—San Antonio Light.

A tramp rang a doctor's door bell, and asked the pretty woman who opened the door, if she would be so kind as to ask the doctor if he had an old pair of trousers he would kindly give away. "I'm the doctor," said the smiling young lady, and the tramp fainted.—Ex.

To Whom It May Concern.

On the 8th day of December 1903 the firm of Ware & Wolf doing a general merchandise business at Gomez, Texas, which firm is composed of H. L. Ware and Will Wolf, executed a deed of general assignment conveying to me as Trustee for the benefit of their creditors, all their property, both in individual and partnership property, real and personal.

All parties indebted to said firm or the individual members of said firm are hereby notified that said indebtedness must be paid to me whether said indebtedness be rendered by open account, notes or otherwise, and any person so indebted who shall settle any such indebtedness with said firm with either of the members of said firm or with any other person to whom said notes have been transferred does so at their risk and will have to pay the same again to me.

Respectfully,
J. J. Lane.

Meeting of Citizens.

By call of the citizens of Terry County, met at Gomez Jan. 30 '04, for the purpose of discussing and acting if necessary, on the question of organizing Terry County.

House was called to order. The object of the meeting J. T. Gainer, after whom the body elected, W. H. Gist chairman, and W. P. Flores secretary.

Speeches on the subject of organization were made by J. T. Gainer, W. H. Gist and W. P. Flores, to the effect that it would be to the county's advantage to organize at an early date.

A motion was made that the sense of the body be taken on question of organizing Terry County about the 1st of June, resulted in 42 favoring and 18 opposing.

A lot of young fellows in an Ohio town had a good time with a tramp last week. They took him into a shed; gave him a good bath, shaved him and cut his hair. They then bought him a new suit of clothes, white and stand up collar and dressed him out complete. But when they attempted to burn his hobo clothes he objected and fought for them with such desperation their suspicions were aroused and upon searching they found \$1400 sewed up in his coat.—Ex.

Unappreciated Truth.

All papers have many faults; they make blunders, and leave undone many important works. Yet after you follow the average country paper month after month you are convinced of the loyalty with which they stand by their communities, and the constancy with which they preach the doctrine of citizenship and fair play in all things.—Ex.

Meters.

There are meters of accent and meters of tone, But, the best of all meters, is to meet'er alone. There are letters of accent and letters of tone, But, the best of all letters, is to let'er alone.—Ex.

CORYELL COUNTY LAND.

NO. 37. 1270 Acres in Coryell County 500 acres in cultivation balance in pasture. This is one of the best improved farms and ranches in the county. A fine grade of black land located within one mile of a cotton gin 10 miles from a good railroad town. This land can be had for \$12 per acre or will trade for western land and cattle.

No. 38. 860 Acres in Coryell county; 75 acres in cultivation; balance under fence. A good five room house, plenty of water; a fine little farm and ranch, and can be bought at \$10 per acre or will trade for western land.

No. 39. 1500 Acres, 300 in cultivation; balance in pasture. Good water and good improvements. Price 5.00 per acre or will trade for western land.

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A weekly newspaper devoted to the upbuilding of Gomez and the developing of Terry County

A. W. Long, Proprietor.
G. W. Long, Editor.

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Six months50
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Friday, Feb. 12, 1904.

Cattle ranches is being cut up into farms for raising cotton in the Panhandle country.

The tunnel through Kirpa Pass, Manchuria, will not be completed for another year. Many thousand chinese are employed.

Try a page ad in the Voice next week. It will bring you good results. Advertise what you have to sell, and let the people know where to go to get a bargain. It will always pay you to advertise your goods.

There are a few persons around town who are thoughtful enough to give us the news items when they get them and we gratefully appreciate their kindness, but the majority seem to forget. Apparently they do not realize that to have a good local paper, the people must be thoughtful and aid the reporter in the collection of news by promptly turning in all news items that comes under their observation. We ask you to give us the news when you hear it, and you need not wait for a railroad train to run into Gomez to get an item. Every conversation is about something and you can get items simply by noting what is said around you. So far we have had but little help but the future is before you and you have a chance to redeem yourself by reporting to us all the news you hear.

Stories of Justice Gray.

The respect of the late Justice Gray of the United States supreme court for the ancient dignity of the court was great, and in small things as in large he sought with strict purpose to maintain it. When chief justice of Massachusetts, all through the county seats of the state he sought to continue what he called "the old regime," the solemn state of court. Now and then he encountered members of the bar able to turn the tables on him, but not often. Henry W. Payne was one and Sydney Bartlett, both leaders at the Suffolk bar. "Mr. Bartlett," said Chief Justice Gray, leaning back in his chair, "that is not law and it never was law." To this the lawyer promptly and pleasingly replied: "It was law, your honor, until your honor just spoke." "If your honor please," said Payne one day, beginning a motion. "Sit down, sir; don't you see I am talking with another justice," thundered the then chief justice. Mr. Payne took his hat and walked out of the court room. A half hour afterward a messenger reached his office with a note saying that Justice Gray was willing to hear him. "I am not willing to be heard," answered the old lawyer, "until Mr. Gray apologizes." The apology was made.

Letter From J. R. B. Hall

Weatherford, Texas, Feb. 6, 1904.
Terry County Voice,
Gomez, Texas.

Gentlemen:—I written to you while I was at Oglesby, to send your paper on to me and I would pay you a little later, but you cut me off for some weeks, and I thought you had turned me away. I like your paper very much. I think it gives the news that we need now in the heat of the battle. I wish it long continued success, and don't want to miss a copy.

I herewith enclose the price, \$1, and hope that your success may even be greater.

I remain yours truly,
J. R. B. Hall.

P. S.—I have just received some copies this morning, which reminded me that you had not forgotten me.

J. R. B. H.

Thank you J. R. B. H. for what you have said in behalf of the Voice, and also for the check that came with your letter.

T. C. V.

Letter From Mr. Smith.

Fellow citizen of Terry County, lets make the Voice a success. We can do this by paying our subscriptions in advance, and placing ads in it's columns. We have never been in the newspaper business, but we know by observation that the great struggle of a newspaper is in its infancy. Admitting that money is scarce, crops short and cattle low, but nevertheless we should give a liberal support to the only paper published in the county; for it is the medium by which immigration is turned this way. Bonus men especially should strengthen the Voice and thereby increase their value.

Now that the people are coming rain or shine, and we will be forced to organize. Let us with all candor and conservatism, consider this great problem, and be united by June the 1st, and save the immense cold cash that will be cast to our county's welfare by procrastination. There are plenty of good honest men scattered over our county that will make us judicial officers. As a citizen of Terry County and of the town of Gomez, I for one am not out for any office, neither are we encouraging any of our townsmen to run for office. But as our lot has been cast in the town of Gomez, it is natural for us to want the county site. We hope in your wise and liberal consideration you will favor Gomez.

Don't forget to patronize the Voice.

Yours for Prosperity,
J. N. Smith.

Changed Hands.

Just before going to press we learn from the Lynn County News, that, Mr. Otis Lilly, publisher of said paper, has sold the plant to J. M. and H. M. Boyd. Mr. J. M. Boyd is a good newspaper man, and we wish them great success in the newspaper work.

The Arabic Day.

The Arabic day begins at sunset, and the particular one which begins any month is that on which the new moon is first seen after sunset. Apart from the cloudiness of the sky there may be and generally is considerable difficulty in seeing the crescent, lost as it must always be in the radiance of the set sun, and consequently there is always uncertainty for some time after sunset whether the day that has just begun is to be reckoned with the last month or as the first of a new month.

To The Homeseeker.

We are offering in Terry and adjoining counties some of the best Bargains in Real Estate that has ever been offered by any real estate firm in Texas. In fact, we can sell a man a home in almost any county in the State. Below we will give a few of our many bargains.

No. 1 3 sections in block D 14. This is good land, and can be bought for \$2.00 per acre; 280 cash. Balance 6 annual payments at 8 per cent.

No. 2 4 sections in block D 11. This is fine land and can be had for \$2.50 per acre on long time.

No. 3 2 sections in block T. Fine land \$3.00 per acre. \$160 Cash per section. Balance in 11 annual payments, 8 per cent.

No. 4 2 sections in block T. At \$1.50 per acre. \$500 Cash, balance in 5 annual payments, 6 per cent. This is a bargain, a snap.

No. 5 6 sections all fenced. A ranch house, a small farm, fine well and wind mill. This is the best bargain in Terry county, at 2.00 per acre. 1.50 Cash, balance in 4 annual payments, 6 per cent.

No. 6 160 acres in block D14 section 11. Can be bought for \$2 per acre cash.

No. 7 4 sections A ranch house well and windmill small farm a good bargain price \$2 per acre.

No. 8 4 sections \$1.50 school land A good 5-room house, farm a fine well and windmill This is a well improved place and one of the cheapest Bonus in Terry county at 3.00

No. 9 4 sections solid body \$1.50 school land a small farm a dug out Bonus \$3500

No. 12 1 section \$1.50 school land and lease on one section all for \$600

No. 13 1 section patented land 5 miles from Gomez this is a fine section and a bargain at \$2.25 per acre.

LYNN COUNTY.

No. 14 1 section in west side of the county fine section of land and I can sell you this land for \$1.50 per acre \$500 cash balance 1, 2 and 3 years time at 7 per cent

No. 15 3 sections 2 miles south of Tahoka this land can be had for \$2 per acre with one-fourth cash balance in 1, 2 or 3 years with 8 per cent interest

No. 16 2 1-2 sections 7 miles northeast from Tahoka this is good land and a bargain at \$2 per acre 1-4th cash balance at 1, 2 and 3 years at 8 per cent.

No. 17 1 section southeast from Tahoka ten or twelve miles This is as fine section of land as Lynn county has and can be bought for \$2 per acre 1-4th cash balance 1, 2 and 3 years time this is a bargain

No. 18 2 sections 14 miles east from Tahoka fine land in good watered belt this land is \$2 per acre 1-4th cash balance 1, 2 and 3 years at 8 per cent.

No. 19 One section in south west corner of the county this is \$2 land on easy terms

No. 20 2 sections \$1.50 school land this is as good land as can be found on the plains Bonus price \$1200 will take some trade.

No. 21 1 section \$1.50 school land this section has a good dug out and as fine land as can be found in Lynn county and we want to say Lynn county has as fine land as can be found on the plains

COCHRAN COUNTY.

No. 22 53 sections of patented land in Cochran county all fenced this ranch is known as the Harrison & Brown survey and is located in the southwest corner of the county This is a fine ranch well improved good house, farm, plenty of good water, this ranch is a bargain at \$1.75 per acre 1-2 cash balance to suit purchaser. This ranch has 1000 head of stock for sale also 1200 head of steers will sell these cattle with ranch or ranch with out cattle.

No. 23 25 sections solid body. This is as fine as can be found on the plains. Well watered, well improved. Can be had for 3.00 per acre on easy terms.

YOAKUM COUNTY.

No. 24 104 Sections of patented land in Yoakum county. This

land is as fine as there is in the county. This land is well located and can be bought for \$1.25 per acre. We can sell from one to as many sections as you want with 1-4 cash, balance in 4 annual payments at 8 per cent.

No. 25 9 Sections patented in Yoakum county. Good land at 75 cts per acre, 1-4 cash balance in 4 annual payments at 8 per cent. This 9 sections are subject to 5 years lease.

No. 26 1 section, \$1.00 school land, fine land. Bonus price 500.00. Also 1 section leased will sell lease for 100.00. This is the best bargain in the county.

No. 27 4 sections, 1.50 school land. Bonus price 2500.00.

HOWARD COUNTY.

No. 29 1 section one dollar school land 7 miles from Big Springs, a very good house, a good well and wind mill, 125 acres in cultivation, this is a fine little farm and ranch, and can be had for 5.00 per acre or will trade for unimproved land in Terry or Yoakum counties

No. 30 2 sections 1.00 school land, time lived out, 2 sections patented land leased, a good 4 room house, well and wind mill 40 acres in cultivation, this place is 12 miles from Big Springs and can be had for 3200

LAMPASSAS COUNTY.

No. 42 Here comes the bargain of bargains, 450 acres in Lampassas County; 225 acres in cultivation of rich level valley land; balance broken, good for grazing, plenty of wood, water and protection, and within one mile of a live railroad village with good school and churches. This farm is located in the artistic belt where plenty of flowing water can be had. This is a well improved place will sell for \$20 per acre or will trade for plains land.

Now my friends after looking over this list should you fail to find what you want write us for we have for sale other lands that are not on this list.

Respectfully,
Long & Glover,
Gomez, Terry county, Texas.

J. N. Haney,
Attorney-at-Law.
Will practice in courts at Gomez.
Tahoka, Texas

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Gomez

The Capital of Terry County, Texas.

Gomez had nothing but coyotes and antelopes eleven months ago---now contains fourteen business houses and twenty-six residences, the best school in the west, and two Church organizations.

Business lots on the square can be bought for \$75, corner lots \$200, other business lots from ten to thirty dollars according to location. Residence lots will be four blocks of the square, S E corner \$30, N W corner \$20, others \$25. All residence lots 140 ft square.

Fifty resident blocks containing from 5 to 8 acres each at \$12 per acre. All of these blocks are in less than half mile of public square. Lots or blocks can be bought for 1-3 cash, balance one and two years, or all lots purchased and built on at once, the house containing two or more well finished rooms, one year given and nothing paid down. For information as to Gomez write or see W. P. Florence or Sam P. Ford, at Gomez, Terry County, Texas. All deeds made by Sam P. Ford, J P and Notary Public for Terry county.

Gomez is one mile west of the center of Terry County.

LOCAL and PERSONAL.

Your attention is called to the new ad of L. P. Schooler, Siam, Texas.

Lawson Bess left Monday last to Big Springs after freight.

We failed last week to have our paper here on time, therefore failed to be on hands with the Voice.

Notice the new card of Dr. J. H. McCoy, of Tahoka, Texas.

Bruce Gainer, Lee Tow and Ennis Ware, left last week for Hale County, after feed stuff.

We regret to report Mrs. J. M. Lane and Mrs. H. L. Ware on the sick list this week.

W. E. Bradshaw, got in this week from the railroad with a load of groceries for J. J. Lane.

Mr W. A. Pyaett, returned last week from a business trip to Midland.

We are sorry to report Mr. D. Shazo on the sick list this week.

D. Price and H. Davis, of Gail, were here this week looking after business interests.

W. R. Dixon and Lence Price, are drilling a well for W. M. Branch this week.

W. T. Dixon, W. A. Shepard and I. H. Hudson, moved the south wind mill on the Shepard section to the Turner place last week.

E. F. Davis and J. S. Chaddick of Guerer County, Oklahoma, returned to their home last week. They have been here visiting our worthy townsman, Mr. G. W. Garrison, and also looking out a location. They think Terry County is the best county on the plains, and will probably locate here.

Mr. J. T. Gainer has been breaking up ground this week for a garden.

A good 1 inch rain fell at Gomez last Friday night. It began about six o'clock and lasted for 3 or 4 hours. It was reported to be a general rain all over the county.

Our young postmaster, Amos Blankenship, thinking a day off in the country away from the 'noisy city' would be a pleasure, tried his hand on branding cattle last Monday.

The hard blowing wind that made its appearance in Gomez last Saturday, blew Mr. Nelson's barn over and tore up several tints. No great damage was done.

The singing at the school house last Sunday night was an enjoyable affair.

Messrs Price & Phenix, our blacksmiths, have been working old plows over this week for the farmers to turn the soil with for a 1904 cotton crop.

J. H. Davis, who has been sick for two weeks past, we are glad to report is again on the streets.

Jim Smith, from north Terry, was in town last Sunday and Monday. He says he "lives at the same old place, 13 miles from Gomez". That's all.

Mr. T. J. Braidfoot, from southeast Terry, gave the Voice office a call last Monday and had us to place the name of O. G. Braidfoot, of Silverton, Texas, on our subscription list. Mr. Braidfoot says everybody in his section of country are making ready since the rain for a big cotton crop.

Quarterly Court was here last Saturday.

H. L. Ware, drove the Gomez and Chicago mail hack Monday and Tuesday last.

W. R. Glover and Jno Mauldin, returned Tuesday night from Hale County with feed stuff.

D. K. Taylor and wife attended church here last Sunday.

The Gomez Public School will be out next Thursday.

Last Week's Locals.

Mr. Colwell, of Brownwood, is visiting D. K. Taylor this week.

T. S. Jackson and wife, of Meadow, were in town last Saturday.

Elzie Groves, from East Terry, was here last Sunday.

Mr. Wallace Head, from south Terry, was here this week, visiting his cousin, W. J. Head.

Will Ware, from the Cone ranch was in town last Sunday and Monday.

Charlie Boston returned Monday last from Lubbock County.

Messrs E. F. Davis and J. S. Chaddick, of Greer County, Oklahoma, are here this week visiting G. W. Garrison.

Mr. W. P. Windsor, of Yoakum County, passed through our city last Monday enroute to Hale County.

Messrs Josh King and J. C. King, of Hale County, passed through Gomez this week enroute for their home at Hale Center. They have been out prospecting.

A fine boy arrived at the home of W. H. Long's in north-east Terry last Tuesday week. We are informed that Mr. Long now thinks that he will plant 10 acres more in cotton.

Mr. J. A. Long, from north-east Terry, was in town last Monday and while here came in and had us to add the names of R. A. Long and W. R. Killian of Morgan Mill, Texas to our subscription list.

Messrs W. R. Glover and Jno. Mauldin went up about Hale Center after feed stuff this week.

Mr. Henry Yeager, who was here looking after business interests a few days last week, left last Monday for the railroad.

Last Sunday was Bro. Lane's day to preach to the Gomez people, but he was sick and therefore failed to fill his appointment. A hort prayer service was conducted by Bro. Roberts at that hour.

J. W. Craig and family, formerly, of Dickens City, moved in our town last Saturday, and is occupying the Wolf residence.

L. P. Schooler, Siam, Texas,
Represents the Austin Nursery Can sell you any kind of nursery stock. Forest or shade trees, vines etc. at prices as low as any reliable nursery. All goods delivered at Siam at catalogue prices

According to The Big Springs News, J. M. Boyd, who has been with the News for a month passed, has accepted a position on the Lynn County News.

J. E. Reeves returned this week from the railroad with a load of freight for our merchants.

Obituary.

On last Tuesday, at 12 o'clock, Mrs. Irne Adams departed this life. She was the wife of Mr. Will Adams, who lives 7 miles south of town. Her remains were taken to Brownwood cemetery for burial. The Voice extends sympathy to the bereaved husband and relatives.

W. J. Head, Barber.

Remember when you need a haircut, shave or shampoo, come to my shop and you will receive first-class attention.

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 gold, tons of gold
 millions wealth untold,
 Every paper you unfold,
 There it is in letters bold,
 Big gold find in Mexico
 Strong hold of Geromimo.

Every man I've heard in Terry
 Talking of it, tells it skeery,
 Says they're digging up grate
 hunks,
 Shoveling out great yellow
 chunks.
 Yes, sir! gold at Tupencary's
 Thickem ch ps out on the prairie.
 Bob cats and all the varmint
 there,
 Have scads of gold dust in their
 hair.
 The fish have 18 karat gills,
 Wild ducks and geese have gold-
 en bills;
 Even the little birds that sing,
 Hev rolled gold tails and plated
 wings.

If sum wun axes you ef Josh
 Hez gone thar, tellum no b'gosh,
 Hit keeps him half hiz time er
 trottin'
 A clearin' greun' fur plantin'
 cettin.
 You bet yer sox this yer old
 rooster
 Don't go snip huntin' like he
 uater—
 En that thar pesky gold dust
 liar
 Don't work ther jints uv
 your's.

[Josier.]

Attended Mass Meeting.

Siam, Texas,
 Jan. 31, 1904.

Terry County Voice.
 I send in a short communica-
 tion as per request. I attended the
 mass meeting at the school house
 and heard some interesting talks
 made on the subject of the early
 organization of Terry County.
 Now while I may differ from
 those parties who spoke in
 favor of same. Yet it is with ut-
 most deference to their opinions,
 and as I simply attended to hear
 the people that were in favor of
 such action express themselves
 on the subject. I was contented
 to be silent and listen to what was
 said, and I certainly gave those
 parties credit for a fair presenta-
 tion of the question as they see it,
 and the only point on which as I
 see it, they are particularly in
 error, is that the affairs of the
 newly organized county could or
 would be run in such a way as
 to not necessarily increase the
 burden of taxation, and on this
 point I am obliged from past ex-
 perience to differ. This being the
 only lamp by which I think we
 can safely be guided. I have
 been a resident of what has been
 termed western Texas for more
 than 30 years with the exception
 of three years that I was snow
 bound in Montana and South
 Dakota, and have witnessed the
 first settlement and organization
 of several counties in the interv-
 ining time, and so far have never
 known of no intance where the
 increase spoken of was abviated,
 and don't flatter myself, that this
 instance will be an acception.
 However, if there are 150 legal
 voters, who think that the con-
 ditions are auspices for such a
 move, of course I shall acquiesce
 as I am a staunch believer in the
 majority rule. Let every one
 give this matter due consideration
 after which he can decide intelli-
 gently, and then be governed by
 his own judgement in the prem-
 ises and not another's.

With best wishes for the Voice
 and speedy return of prosperity
 to the people of the great west
 generally.
 I am Fraternaly Yours,
 E. S. McNairy.

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 For Democratic Texas.

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 North Texas has been sup-
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 and Democratic besides, is
 a daily and a semi-weekly
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 The Houston Post.

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 Tuesday, Oct. 27, sample
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Roses After Rain.
 Hear your heart up, sweet, my honey,
 Dask on hill and plain;
 At the west, all soon be sunny—
 Roses after rain!

Some where sweet the bells are ringing
 Joy to earth again;
 In the breeze the birds are singing:
 "Roses after rain!"

In your eye the bright tears glisten—
 Tears are only pain;
 All the world is singing—listen:
 "Roses after rain!"
 —F. S. Stanton.

Harvest Work.
 The harvest of wheat alone engages
 about 1,000,000 men and 50,000 teams
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 vest of other crops employ less men,
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 and aid in the harvest.

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 The Fort Worth Record:**

During the first few weeks of
 the "Record", that is, during the
 latter part of October and Novem-
 ber, we had a great deal of
 trouble in our Mailing Depart-
 ment, with the result that many
 names were incorrectly entered,
 especially on our Semi-Weekly
 list. As far as complaint has
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 been corrected, but we want to be
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 Arrives 7 p. m.
 Leaves from Chicago to Gomez
 Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.

Leaves Chicago 7 a. m.
 Arrives at Gomez 7 p. m.

Wind and Snow.
 When sleep had closed the lattices
 Along the village street,
 I heard the clang of iron mail,
 The ring of steel-shod feet,
 I pulled the muslin curtain by,
 Between it peering forth,
 And lo! beheld a wild gray knight
 Come riding from the north.

The frost was in his streaming hair,
 The ice was on his beard,
 He shouted shilly as he passed,
 His cry was long and weird,
 He stuck the boughs that barred his way
 And broke them in his flight,
 Across his saddle-bow he bore
 A maiden veiled in white.

My breath was frozen on the pane,
 My lips were blue with cold,
 When far away his strident voice
 Died out upon the wind,
 And when the clouded morning dawned,
 All colorless and pale,
 Before my door lay soft and white
 The maiden's snowy veil.
 —Mirna living in Lippincott's

June and December.
 That youth of mine,
 My love, I do remember,
 Though thy blue eyes no longer shine
 With June's delight, and pale December
 Hath heaped her snows upon thee;
 Yet still thou dost remember
 The gentleness that won me.

Thou art the same
 As when I first beheld thee,
 For youth, forsooth, is but a name;
 And all the graces that impelled thee
 Have so exalted duty
 That youth hath ne'er excelled thee
 In perfectness of beauty.
 Louise Morgan Still in Harper's Weekly.

Easy Reading for Infants.
 He proposed, conjointly with his
 father and brother, to blast the stone
 as the most expeditious mode of gain-
 ing access to her arcana, and this in
 the open daylight, in order that any
 tutelary protection she might be dis-
 posed to extend to her favorite haunt
 at night, as she was a thing of darkness
 and night, be effectually countervailed.
 —Extract from a Child's Fairy Book.

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