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SUSIE'S SECRET.

BY MARIAN FORD.

It's enough to drive a man crazy! Today, too, when I'm due at the matinee in half an hour, I can't tie this confounded cravat."

Handsome Harry Maynard, the talented young editor of the "Home Circle," dropped his hands helplessly; for fifteen minutes he had been vainly trying to adjust the ends of a white necktie to suit his somewhat fastidious taste.

"Deuce take it! The perversity of inanimate things is amazing. And there's no remedy. What's the use of energy, endurance, an iron will? I can learn to speak Chinese or translate Sanskrit, but not to make both ends of a cravat the same length."

"Here, Ned," he cried, suddenly interrupting his soliloquy and opening a door leading into an adjoining room, "come in."

"With the greatest of pleasure." The curly head of a young printer appeared.

"What can I do for you?"

"Can you tie a cravat?"

"Don't know, but I rather think so."

"Then try."

Wiping his hands on his blue apron, Ned approached his employer, and gravely set about the important task.

"Is that right, sir?" he asked at last, while his compressed lips relaxed into a broad grin. A glance into the looking-glass showed Maynard that the ends drooped as forlornly as before, one end being moreover embellished with a black spot, the print of the young man's thumb.

"How can any one be such a clumsy blockhead?" he furiously exclaimed.

"Yes, that's just what I thought when you called me in. It's incomprehensible. Shall I try again?"

A very unequivocal movement of Maynard's right hand induced him to beat a hasty retreat.

The young editor was again alone. Angrily jerking off the obnoxious tie, he took from his pocket a satin bow, minus the elastic, pinned it on, and then glanced at the clock.

"Too late," he muttered. "No matter, I'll look over the pile of MSS.; the morning is spoiled at any rate." So saying, armed with pencil and note-book, he sat down at his desk.

"Nothing but women's scrawls, of course!" he growled, scanning the dainty chirography on the envelopes. Nowadays, there are always thirty authoresses to one author. If a man only needn't go through all the letters," he continued sulkily, "but one can never be quite sure of not finding a prize. Well, what can't be cured must be endured." He set to work.

Poor would-be authoresses, who, with hearts throbbing anxiously, dispatched the violet-scented pages, appealing with such eloquent words to the editor, did no warn-

ing voice tell you the hour you had chosen was most unpropitious? Most enviable were those who to-day obtained only the neatly-printed formula, expressing the editor's regret that he could make no use of the proffered article. Finally Maynard held in his hands the last letter, post-marked Boston.

"A firm clear hand—but another unknown writer," he added, glancing at the signature: Sincerely yours incognita." He read:

"I am perfectly aware that the crime of being an authoress will be greatly enhanced, in an editor's eyes, by the circumstance that—as I honestly confess—I am still unknown in the literary world. I should therefore be all the more grateful if you would kindly inform me of any method by which I can begin at once with the hundredth article instead of the first I am, etc."

"Rather more cleverly worded than such letters usually are," observed Maynard, "but I've no inclination"—here the pin in his tie pricked him sharply—"to read the accompanying MS. I've enough of such things to last a long time. So—I regret to be compelled to return the article as not adapted to the wants of the 'Home Circle.'"

A few days after, Maynard was again sitting at his desk, examining manuscripts. An excellent breakfast had put him in an amiable mood, and consequently the waste-paper basket stood in less dangerous proximity, and the remarks addressed to contributors were of a more conciliatory character.

Where three days ago he had written, "We have consigned your valuable production to the waste-paper basket," he now observed, "Not without talent, but not yet sufficiently mature." Suddenly, among the pile of envelopes he noticed one addressed in the same firm, clear hand, that had recently attracted his attention. "Aha, the young lady in Boston, who is probably an old maid, seems to have a stock of MSS. on hand. 'Dear Sir—the remarkable promptness with which I received my contribu-

tion, inclosed in an ominous yellow envelope, convinces me that I can venture send the same MS. again; for—put your hand on your heart—it's on the left of my dear sir—and confess that you have read the story. If so, allow me to entreat you to light a cigar—one of the numerous rejected poems will serve for a torch; choose a comfortable sofa corner, think of something pleasant, and then begin my article. It will certainly please you. Does that sound too presumptuous? You can my dear sir, in my opinion, there are the literary firmament stars of the first, second, third, and even fourth magnitude. True, I haven't the vanity to enroll myself among them, but there are moments in life when the tiniest ray of light is dearer than all the stars in the world, and such a moment would be mine, if I could secure the next number of your paper the title of my story in the list of accepted contributions." "Impertinent little monkey," related Maynard, "it's no use, I must next read the story. H'm, not badly written, in give her the satisfaction of acknowledging it, but a thing doesn't get into print as quickly as she supposes." He wrote:

"Your story is bright and cleverly told. Whether the incidents would occur in reality, or a young lady endure the trials played upon her so good-humoredly by your heroine does, is questionable. A number of accepted articles compels me to decline your contribution, but I should be glad to hear from you again."—*Democrat Monthly*.

(To be continued.)

The New York Express says: "One of the Republican papers informs the public that the democratic factions in this country are fighting worse than ever. This will be news to the Democrats, who are more united than they have been for years, and are coming together as fast as can be reasonably expected.

Cleanliness is next to godliness.—Korinthians

Wants Damages.

Joseph Pedrahita, an American citizen of Cuban birth, who arrived by the steamer City of Washington, from Havana, has just begun suit in New York for damages against the Spanish Government for alleged damages, resulting from arrest, false imprisonment and other outrages committed upon him by the government authorities of Cuba. Pedrahita thinks Captain Curtis and Mr. McKeheer did not sustain the honor of the American flag in permitting the arrest to be made on board the steamer. Pedrahita complains that he suffered very much during his imprisonment, as he could neither eat nor sleep and he was compelled to pay exorbitant prices for the necessaries of life during his imprisonment. For all this, Pedrahita claims a damage of \$200,000. He was about starting in an extensive enterprise, and he claims that his arrest interfered to such an extent with his business as to damage him in the sum named.

Notorious Desperado Shot and Killed.

A special to the Dallas Herald from Montague Aug. 3. says: "On Sunday morning, Aug. 1st, Deputy Sheriff W. W. Taylor, of this county, attempted, with the aid of a posse, to arrest one Martin L. Mynett, at his residence near Red River, in this county, Mynett being a notorious desperado. Taylor cautiously managed to get the drop on him, and he agreed to surrender. At a subsequent moment Mynett's wife slipped a large pistol into his hands, and quick as thought, he put the pistol in Taylor's face and fired, but did no harm. Taylor returned the fire by three rapid shots, each of which would have been fatal. Mynett died instantly. Taylor was trying to arrest him under two warrants, one from Johnson county for cattle stealing, and the other from Erath county for assault to murder. Mynett leaves a wife and two children. An inquest was held and the jury rendered a verdict that the deceased came to his death from pistol shots fired

by W. W. Taylor, in the lawful discharge of his official duty as deputy sheriff.

The San Antonio Express has the following antidote for the bite of the rattle snake: Dr. J. H. Johnson, of Center Point, Kerr county, sends us the following antidote for the bite of the poisonous rattle-snake: Potasium iodii, 4 grains; hydrargyri, chloridi corrosivi, 2 grains; bromidi, 5 drachms. The doctor says: "Ten drops of this mixture, taken with a tablespoonful of brandy or wine, constitutes a dose, to be repeated, if necessary—which means, should any swelling return in the space of an hour, there should be a repetition of the dose." Dr. Johnson says further: "With this antidote and spirits of ammonia applied externally, I should have no apprehension in doing the same as Dr. Bibron did in his experiments before the academy of sciences of Paris. He allowed a rattle-snake to bite him on the lips and cheeks, and then by taking the antidote discovered by him, prevented all alarming symptoms, and, in fact, suffered no inconvenience therefrom. Dr. William A. Hammond, United States army, and I believe now residing in Philadelphia, was stationed at Fort Riley, in 1857. He made many experiments with Bibron's antidote on animals, and with complete success, which he reported in the Medico-Chirurgial Review of March, 1858. One case I will give as stated by Dr Hammond: "Heinrich Brandt, hospital steward, was bit on the second of July, 1857, on the index finger of the right hand by a large rattle-snake, which he was in the act of putting in a jar for preservation. The snake inflicted a very deep wound, and hung by his fangs to the finger until detached. I administered ten drops of Bibron's antidote. Forty minutes after giving the first, the pain and swelling returned, attended with considerable throbbing. I repeated the medicine, and in less than five minutes the finger had regained its natural appearance, and all pain and swelling had vanished. He remained cured."

New York Republican National Committee.

New York, Aug. 6.—The Republican national executive committee met again this morning in the Fifth Avenue hotel. The meeting was held with closed doors, but at the conclusion it was stated that a long discussion was had over the question of sending money and speakers to the southern states. The views were heard of representatives from Florida, North Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia. It was also stated that a decision was arrived at to send speakers to Florida. No conclusion, it was stated, was arrived at in the cases of the other southern states.

Destructive Fires.

St. Louis, August 6.—The freight houses of the Indianapolis & St. Louis railroad, 200 feet of platform, track, etc., also fifty cars, most of them loaded with merchandize, burned last night in the freight house. The house had considerable cotton, grain and other valuable commodities in it awaiting shipments, all of which was destroyed. The loss of the railroad property and freight is \$100,000. The value of the merchandize in the freight house is not known.

Galveston News.

The Democratic party is in no danger of defeat at the coming election, either for national or state nominees; yet but few are aware of the strength or efforts of the Texas Greenbackers. They are making a vigorous, though helpless, canvass, and are doubtless making some converts among the people as well as the papers, a number of which have "flopped" from the Democratic ranks on the eve of battle, when triumph was sure.

Georgia State Convention.

Atlanta, Ga., August 6.—In the Democratic state convention, fifteen ballots have thus far been taken for governor, and the nomination ballots showed very little change from yesterday.

On the ninth ballot the vote stood as follows: Colquett, 211; Lester, 58; Harman, 51; Gastrell, 15; and Warner 13. Necessary number of votes to secure nomination, 234. Adjourned till tomorrow.

Michigan Republican State Convention

Detroit, Aug. 6.—The Republican state convention met at Jackson yesterday. David H. Jerome, of Saginaw, was nominated for governor; M. S. Crosbey for lieutenant-governor; William Jenny, secretary of state, and Benjamin L. Pritchard, treasurer. Candidates for the other state offices were also nominated.

The Iron and Steel Workers.

Pittsburg August 6.—The Amalgamated Association of iron and steel workers of the United States, in session here, decided this morning, to exclude the press, so that no report of the proceedings will be given them.

New York Democrats United.

New York, Aug. 6.—The committee from Tammany yesterday waited on the Democratic executive committee. It was finally resolved to heal all family differences and unite in the coming campaign.

Railroad Accident.

Norwich, Conn., Aug. 5.—The 1 o'clock passenger train from New London to Norwich, while stopping at Thame's Grove this evening, was run into by a freight train coming up behind. The boiler of the freight engine was stove in by the shock and a number of passengers in the rear of the passenger train were severely scalped by escaping steam. Ten persons were injured, most of them slightly.

The next "new thing" is likely to be glass type for news paper printing! Experiments have just been made in Paris with glass type, and the result is said to have been very successful. The type preserves its cleanness almost indefinitely; it is said to wear better than metal, and to maintain its sharpness of outline longer.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

London, Aug. 7.—In the house of commons yesterday, Mr. Arther Arnold, liberal, member for Staford, moved his resolution, that the compulsory slaughter at ports of landing of fat steers from the United States, restricts the supply and increases the cost of food and having a regard to the freedom from disease of the cattle producing states recommends a modification or removal of the restrictions.

Mr. James Howard, liberal, member for Bedfordshire, moved the following amendment: "That it is inexpedient to alter existing regulations in respect to the importation of livestock from the United States, until that government shall have adopted an efficient means to prevent the spread of of contageous epizootic diseases, and until the privy sea department has evidence of the United States being as free from contagious diseases as to warrant the importation of live stock without present restriction.

Mr. Arnold's motion was rejected by a vote of 194 to 20. The government opposed the motion.

In debate on Mr. Arnold's resolution Mr. Jacob Bright, advanced liberal, member for Manchester, said the supply of meat to the great towns of this country has been greatly decreased by existing restrictions.

Right Hon. Anthony R. Nundell, vice-president of the council, said that according to the best authority the foot and mouth disease had been stamped out in this country, and to relax the existing restrictions might introduce it. Nothing would give him greater pleasure, he said, than to see the regulations relaxed, but America herself had done nothing to warrant such a step. He complained of the United States government and authorities having done nothing to prevent the spread of disease, since it would not only be to the interest of England, but America also, to relax restrictions. He had only to-day received a telegram announcing that five

animals of Chicago cattle, just received at Berkenhead from Boston, were infected with Texas fever, and that forty-two had been destroyed on the passage; also that orders have been given to destroy the entire cargo.

Mr. Arnold declared that on the highest scientific authority the Texas fever is not contagious.

Right Honorable Forester, chief secretary for Ireland, said he should be glad if negotiations could be entered into with the United States to isolate the districts where the disease existed, that, there might be importation of cattle from the rest of the country.

Egypt.

Carro, Aug. 4.—The river Nile is rising well. Accounts of cotton crops are favorable, although it is expected the yield will be somewhat smaller than in 1879.

Russia and China want Peace.

A Berlin dispatch to the Times says negotiations between the Russian government and Marquis Tseng, Chinese ambassador, have been opened, and the Russian press expresses the hope that they will be successful. The Berg, of St. Petersburg, says it believes peace will be maintained

Madrid, Aug. 4.—The Liberal publishes a rumor that Don Carlos will shortly publish a manifesto declaring that he will never renounce his claim to the Spanish throne.

The dispatches this morning tell us that the Empress Eugenie will shortly leave Chiselhurst, England, and that she will take the body of the Prince Imperial with her. Where is she going? Has the discussion in parliament and the opposition to a monument in Westminster to the prince forced her to leave England to seek refuge in her grief and desolation on some more hospitable shore? The prince lost his life for England and he ought certainly to be entitled to peaceful repose on English soil.—*Dallas Herald.*

Dallas, Monday Afternoon. }
 August 9, 1880. }

The city bore a lively appearance to-day and was gaily decorated from center to outside. It was well filled with people in attendance upon the Democratic convention, and to-morrow they will be here by the thousand from every division of the state. But political crowds differ from ordinary ones, in that aside from a few personal articles there is no trade in them. They are here upon "affairs of state," not to purchase plantation supplies. Still, it will be a glorious week for business with many merchants who always get a say at even the delegates, while people from the country will come in to see how they make a governor, and after that, buy something to take home.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

met at Dallas Aug. 10th—The only news we have—Thursday Aug. 12 is—Gov. O. M. Roberts nominated on first Ballot—receiving 415 votes.

Going After the Benders.

Oswego, Kas., Aug. 6.—At the request of Governor St. John, of this state, Sheriff Bender of this county, starts for Nebraska to-night to bring the Benders, the old man and Kate, here, where they made a graveyard of travelers, several years ago. These are said to be genuine Benders.

Fremont, Neb., Aug. 9.—Sheriff Bender, of Labette county, Kansas, arrived here Friday night with a requisition for the return of the supposed Benders here in custody. He is confident from his conversation with the old man and admissions of the old woman, and from his close resemblance to descriptions, that he is the original John Bender. The sheriff started with the pair this afternoon. The old man declares he will not be taken to Kansas alive. No news has been received here in regard to the gang. Old Bender has made a confession, believing that the old woman

has escaped. His story tallies with wife's exactly. He relates his story of whole family and their crimes.

The Hudson River Tunnel Disaster.

Jersey City, Aug. 9.—It was found day that the bodies of men embanked the Hudson river tunnel disaster could be reached by means of a coffer dam, an immediate construction of a caisson was decided upon by the officers and engineers in charge. It is now thought bodies cannot be recovered in less than four weeks. About \$30,000 has thus been spent in the attempt.

Heavy Freshets.

Willington, N. C. Aug. 9—Continuing rains have produced heavy freshets Cape Fear river. Advices from Fayetteville report a rise of thirty-two feet the river still rising at the rate of two feet per hour. Low lands are overflowed, resulting in immense damage to corn and cotton crops. At some points the water is over the top of the corn.

Bark Burned.

New York, Aug. 9.—The bark No. Scotia, loaded with 3,300 barrels of naphtha lying at Williamsburg, burned last night. The loss is said to be \$45,000. The flames extended to the barks Antoinette and clone which were loaded with naphtha causing \$1,000 damage to each.

A Boom in the Medina River.

Houston, Aug. 9.—A Post special from Castroville says: "This afternoon at 6 o'clock the Medina river took a sudden rise. In fifteen minutes it could not be crossed. It rose rapidly for more than 24 hours. Large stumps and logs were carried down. The flood must have been caused by heavy rains in the upper counties. A stage from the west arrived too late to cross, but sent the mail over in boats.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

[Candidates names announced as below for \$2.50.)
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We are authorized to make the following announcements of CANDIDATES.—
 Election, November, 2nd 1880.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE,
 T. M. JONES.
 L. P. Adamson.

FOR DISTRICT AND COUNTY CLERK.
 D. B. Mizell
 Ed. Wolffarth,

FOR SHERIFF OF JACK COUNTY,
 Henry Stradley.
 William Harrell,

FOR ASSESSOR OF JACK COUNTY,
 Mason Oldham.
 A. H. Anderson

FOR COUNTY COM.
 H. H. McConnell Prct. No. 2
 J. W. GRAY for Prct. No. 3

Full notice, full price.

ISRAEL STODDARD
 is a candidate

for the Office of County Judge; He pledges himself, if elected to serve the entire term, for "better or worse."

The following from the Waco Examiner, will give our readers an idea of the condition of the

DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

The state convention meets at Dallas on Tuesday next [last] with a probability that Governor Roberts will be re-nominated. As this paper is practically out of the fight, owing to the withdrawal of Colonel Lang, we are enabled to give an accurate summary of the situation, untempered by any

partisan heat. It is due to our readers that we point out certain peculiarities of this campaign, and certain dangers which menace the party. The beginning of this administration split the Democratic party of this state, and every month of this administration has widened the split till at this present moment the party is divided into two parts with an irrepressible conflict between them, since the division is not on person, but on principles. The split admits of no compromise being on principle, and the Roberts men have before them only one resource in preserving the ascendancy of their party, and that is by crushing the minority. We are not advising but relating. If Governor Roberts, to whose support this paper is in a measure pledged, is to be nominated, let it be done with eyes open. The minority must be treated as a faction, and whipped in to the traces or turned out of the party. There is no room for two Democratic parties in one state. This minority cannot be whipped unless they are recreants and times servers, because they object to Roberts on principle, and principles are not to be put on and off at pleasure. Now mark what a dilemma the party is in. The Roberts party is represented by the county conventions and all the politicians of the state. Every politician is a Roberts man. How many of the people are, no man can tell. That Roberts party is the machine majority, at least. Now what is the minority? It consists of a large number of persons in all parts of the state, number unknown, and nearly every daily paper in the state, with some of the weeklies. These persons and those papers, the Houston Telegram, the Galveston News, the San Antonio Express, the Brenham Banner and Sentinel, the Dallas Herald, the Fort Worth Advance, the Sherman Chronicle, the Denison News, the Tri Weekly Marshall Herald, with other weeklies oppose Governor Roberts' party policy because they say it is undemocratic, and because it is an injury to the state. Now let the convention re-nominate Governor Roberts, and what must be the re-

sult? These men, if they support Governor Roberts, must stultify themselves, and urge the election of an administration which is not Democratic, and an injury to the state. Will they do it? Can they do it, and thus consent to self-stultification? If we insist on the nomination of Roberts they must be forced to do this, or they must be read out of the party. If the Roberts party is the Texas Democracy, these men and papers are not, and no party can harbor with safety a faction in its midst. Some of the Roberts papers are already, in the arrogance and contempt of their assumed machine majority, exulting over the crow these men and papers will be called upon to eat. They are but smatterers. This position in which the minority is placed is one that will test the strength of the party machine to bring these men into ranks. Can the machine do it? Will those papers and men bolt? These are the questions staring the party in the face. Colonel Bower, chairman of the state executive committee, declares that the re-nomination of Roberts will cost the party forty thousand votes. The DALLAS HERALD is the most cautious paper in the state. Such is the situation. The re-nomination of Governor Roberts will be made at the hazard of the party. Let us fairly understand that, so that if it prove disastrous the responsibility may be placed where it belongs.

LOCALS.

Commissioner's Court was in session during the early part of the week, but nothing of importance transacted, with the exception of routine business, auditing officer's accounts and approving bills and claims.

A petition was circulated and numerous-ly signed on Monday, praying the County court to order an election for the purpose of establishing the moral standing of the quadruped known as the Goat. In regard to said animal, Josh Billings is the only man who ever wrote up his natural history and did justice to his various traits, amusing

and otherwise.

Landreth's turnip seed—crop of 1880 for sale at McConnell's Drug store.

Peaches are taking the place of water melons on the streets, and are both plentiful and of unusually good quality.

On last Sabbath the whole population nearly, went to Carroll Creek to attend the protracted meeting. It would be an interesting subject for inquiry to ascertain why the average person who never goes to church at home, will always go for a team to attend church five miles from town, and go, rain or shine.

McConnell has a large lot of picture frames, and will mount your chromos at Dallas prices.

When "Jimpson" weed flourishes in the streets of a town, and the wicked youth attaches empty tin cans to the tail of an unprotected dog, it may be said to be so what dull in that town, and such a state of affairs does now exist in Jacksboro.

Our colored brethren baptized the persons in the creek on Sunday afternoon last, and we are glad to state that the ceremony was performed in a creditable manner—that is, it was witnessed by a number of persons, but the utmost decorum was observed.

The Rural Citizen is rapidly becoming an institution of the county, and will soon find its way into every household. We rejoice thereat.

Your reporter would suggest a step-ladder for "Tommy" the enterprising errand boy of the Citizen, or else a shorter horse.

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Tommie will doubtless grow taller; he doesn't belong to Dr Tanner's school [E]

Col. Bessett and Charles Adair (uncle Charlie) have bought several carloads of steers this week, at fair prices for both seller and buyer.

Go to J. C. Price at Spring Dale. to get your Blacksmithing. He shoes a horse round for \$1.00; other work at corresponding prices.

MATTERS BY LETTER.

KEECHI.

Correspondence of the Citizen.

Keechi Aug. 2nd 1880.

The desired rain has come, falling on the just and unjust, reviving vegetation, and delighting the heart of the farmer. We all know how to appreciate rain in Texas; yet but few of us I fear, are sufficiently grateful to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, for the "rain and fruitful season."—Crops, and particularly cotton crops are unusually good. We feel safe to estimate one half bale per acre on an average.—

Corn, millet, sweetpotatoes etc., are also good.—Home-seekers, or Prospectors as we generally call them are visiting our beautiful valley now as "crops are laid by," and of course are well pleased. We anticipate a heavy immigration this fall, and I would say to those who live at a distance, in behalf of Keechi valley; that I know of no section in Western Texas, where a person desiring to farm and keep a small stock, and at the same time have the advantage of churches, Sunday and day-schools could do better. And with no disparagement to other localities I would predict that the time is not far distant when this will be one of the most thriving and populous sections in western Texas.

JACKSBORO.

Correspondence of the Citizen.

Jacksboro, Texas, July 31, 1880.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the immense gathering of people to the Sabbath School Association was beyond the most sanguine expectations, and the civility and good behavior on the part of such a large concourse of people, and under such unfavorable circumstances is deserving of credit. This is a move in the right direction, yet much can be said in the way of advice to make such an affair of interest and that it may be looked forward to with eager expectation annually. Great care should be taken in arranging a

programme so that no dissatisfaction can take place in regard to the respective schools present. And a report should be given by the superintendent of each school present, giving the condition of the school, and whether it lacks the necessary books or other means of making the school a success; and short addresses on the best methods of imparting the S. S. lessons to the children, with choice S. S. hymns. We trust that the next Association will be an improvement on the first one, and trust the christian element will make the Association an institution worthy of a name.

NORTH OF TOWN.

Correspondence of the Citizen.

North of Town, Aug. 7th 1880.

The calm cool days since the rain is certainly a foretaste of autumn. But rather too cool perhaps for cotton, however the prospect for this years crop, of this great southern staple, is unusually good in this part of the county, and if the festive grasshopper does not pay us an early visit we are pretty sure of at least half a bale per acre. The usual salutation of "how's your crops" is not heard so frequently now as as some time back, from the fact that "crops" are done made, and farmers are resting from their labors, and eating water mellons; except those who are engaged harvesting their millet, which crop is making a fine yield. Sorgum is reaching the altitude of ten and twelve feet, and as cane crushers, and evaporating furnaces are set up; the small boy, (of granger persuasion,) who has become satisfied with eating water mellow and musk mellow, is living in anticipation of a sweet time coming.—The prospect for Post Oak mast, was perhaps never better in this country who would not like to live in a country where pork fattens in the woods and plenty of woods too for extensive hog range? The grass is much better than at this time last year and cattle are in fine order.—It seems to me that men living in the country, should see that the splinters are care-

fully shaved off the top rails of their yard fences, near the gate, so that they may sit comfortably while talking to candidates.—The camp meeting on Big Cleaveland is to commence on the 13th of this month; I believe every body is expected to be there, and take part in the exercises: I mean the table exercises.

“North of Town” is to indefinite; we prefer the locality of our correspondent to be more definitely located. [Ed.]

How is it that Dan. Brown can sell goods as cheap and pay as much for cotton as is done at Weatherford?—He buys his goods at head quarters and pays cash for them.—He sells his cotton directly to the manufacturer.—No middle man or speculator in his trade.

We announce this week the name of A. H. Anderson as a candidate for assessor of Taxes of Jack Co.

Dr. Tanner

has completed his fast and is eating watermelon and beef stake. When remonstrated with, he asked to be left alone, saying, “No my lord, I am running this now.”

Dr. Tanner upon being asked why he had selected the period of forty days for his fast, replied that it had reference to the period of the Savior’s fast in the wilderness. He says he had asserted that the Savior did, really, in his judgement, fast that long, and that he would prove it, and did indeed prove it by fasting forty-two days himself. He insists that his experiment now is in the interest of scientific principles, which the fast involves. In politics, Dr. Tanner is a Republican and a strong Garfield man. In religion, he is a Christian, but says he believes in christianity, though not churchianity. On being asked a couple of days ago if he lost desire for food shortly after his fast begun, he said that he had such desire for several days, but conquered it, as also that for drink by his will power.

It is alarming the number of marine disasters that are occurring this year. Nearly every day the associated press dispatches tell us of some calamity of this nature. The latest is the loss of the ship Edith T. She has been out from New Orleans, where her crew was shipped, one hundred and one days. She was seen off Cape Hatteras three months ago, and since then no tidings have been had of her.

MARKETS AUG. 9

New York.—Cotton quiet; sales, 4 bales. Middling upland, 11 9-16; Middling Orleans: 11 11-16.

New Orleans.—Middling 11 5-8.

St. Louis.—Hogs active and higher. Receipts 1,000; shipments, 640.

Cattle dull and drooping; supply almost entirely of common and medium, which are not much wanted; transfers slow; receipts, 200; shipments, 6,500

Chicago.—The Drovers’ Journal reports cattle receipts, 250; shipments, 1,000; market steady; corn-fed natives, 4 20 to common to good grassers, 3 30 to 4 00.

Sheep receipts, 300; shipments,—; market strong; common to choice, 3 50 to 4 25.

ESTRAY NOTICE!

Taken up by T. J. Padgett and estrayed before Thos. W. Williams J. P. Precinct 1 Jack Co. Tex. One bay horse 4 years old branded ∞ $\frac{3}{8}$ about 14 hands high, hind foot white also, one dark bay

JO

10 years old branded JO on left shoulder LBP on left side, \hat{A} on right shoulder S on back part of left thigh and approx at \$50.00.

August 5th 1880.
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HIX

branded HIX on left thigh EW on left shoulder and T on right thigh.

One sorrel mare and colt 3 or 4 years old 14 hands high branded T on right thigh. Aug. 4th 1880. Ed. Wolffarth Clerk. aug 6 3t

Taken up by Jno. Lutterall, and estrayed before Thos. W. Williams, J. P. Pret. No. 1, Jack Co. Tex. One black horse 7 years old 15 2-1 hands high, branded with a heart point downward on left shoulder, left front and left hind feet white, collar marks, shod all around, had on a leather halter. One sorrel mare 14 1-2 hands high 4 years old branded S (the S crossed in the middle) on right shoulder and thigh and thus A on left hip. One bay two year old stallion, left front foot white, blaze face, glass eye, no brand and appraised at one hundred and thirty dollars.

Aug. 2nd 1880. Ed. Wolffath, Clk. Co. Court Jack Co. aug. 6 3t

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