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### Rock Hill News.

July 18.—Everything in this community is now on a boom, having recently had a rain which is rendering the farmers a good chance to make corn, although most of the corn was too far gone with the dry weather to be improved very much. The cotton of this part of the country was all planted very late, and is therefore very small, but is growing very rapidly now.

Most everybody being up with their work, have been trying to enjoy their vacation with fishing trips. Several crowds from here have been to Trinity River and all of them report a good time and excellent luck.

Mr. L. T. Cook and family of Lone Star are down for a few days visiting relatives.

The health of this community is very good; although we have had several spells of sickness during the past week or two, all of which have recovered.

We have organized a prayer meeting at Rock Hill to meet every Friday night, in which everybody is taking great interest especially the young folks.

The Sunday School, which is progressing very nicely, has also drawn the attention of the young folks.

There was quite an able sermon preached at Antrim Sunday by our Baptist pastor, Rev. C. A. Campell. Quite a crowd attended. A large part of the Rock Hill people went and they report a nice time.

There is a music school to start at Antrim this morning by Prof. Will Woodard of Elkhart. Mr. Woodard is a fine teacher and I think he will have great success, as all the pupils attending are very anxious to learn music.

Rock Hill Youth.

### A FEW SHORT WEEKS

Mr. J. S. Bartell, Edwardsville, Ill., writes: "A few months ago my kidneys became congested. I had severe backache and pain across the kidneys and hips. Foley Kidney Pills promptly cured my backache and corrected the action of my kidneys. This was brought about after my using them for only a few short weeks and I can cheerfully recommend them." A. S. Porter.

### Popular Excursion To Galveston & Houston Via I. & G. N. Saturday July 23.

Excursion tickets will be sold for trains arriving Galveston and Houston Saturday afternoon July 23rd and Sunday morning July 24th. Limit returning leave Galveston or Houston Monday, July 25th.

For particulars see W. L. Holloway, Ticket Agent.

### "IS LIFE WORTH SAVING?"

Mrs. Mollie McRaney, Prentiss, Miss., writes that she had a severe case of kidney and bladder trouble, and that four bottles of Foley's Kidney Remedy cured her sound and well. She closes her letter by saying: "I heartily recommend Foley's Kidney Remedy to any sufferer of kidney disease. It saved my life." A. S. Porter.

Marshall Hollingsworth of Big Springs spent a few days here with relatives this week.

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### Precinct Convention Votes.

The voters of the different precincts throughout the county will hold their precinct conventions in the respective precincts on Saturday, July 23rd, 1910, at two o'clock P. M. for the purpose of selecting delegates to attend the County convention to be held in the town of Crockett on Saturday, July 30, 1910.

Each precinct will be entitled to one vote for each twenty five or major fractional part thereof cast for Governor at the last primary election, and the following is the vote as was cast for Governor at the last primary election.

Augusta cast 119 votes for Governor in 1908 and entitled to 5 votes.

Arbor cast 58; entitled to 2 votes.

Antioch cast 91; entitled to 4 votes.

Ash cast 31; entitled to 1 vote.

Crockett No. 1. cast 312, entitled to 12 votes.

Crockett No. 2 cast 232; entitled to 9 votes.

Creek cast 54; entitled to 2 votes.

Daniel cast 71; entitled to 3 votes.

Druso cast 13; entitled to 1 vote.

Dalys cast 26; entitled to 1 vote.

Freeman cast 26; entitled to 1 vote.

Grapeland cast 276; entitled to 11 votes.

Kennard cast 98; entitled to 4 votes.

Lovelady cast 164; entitled to 7 votes.

Percilla cast 59; entitled to 2 votes.

Porter Springs cast 50; entitled to 2 votes.

Ratcliff cast 168; entitled to 7 votes.

Patterson Lake cast 5; entitled to 1 vote.

Tadmor cast 31; entitled to 1 vote.

Weches cast 54; entitled to 2 votes.

Weldon cast 52; entitled to 2 votes.

Dodson cast 31; entitled to 1 vote.

Shiloh cast 32; entitled to 1 vote.

Holly cast 26; entitled to 1 vote.

Concord, new voting precinct, will be determined by the votes polled on July 23rd.

Tyers Store, new voting precinct, will be determined by votes polled on July 23rd.

E. B. Hale, Chairman.

### "FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS HAVE CURED ME."

The above is a quotation from a letter written by H. M. Winkler, Evansville, Ind. "I contracted a severe case of kidney trouble. My back gave out and pained me. I seemed to lose all strength and ambition; was bothered with dizzy spells, my head would swim and specks float before my eyes. I took Foley Kidney Pills regularly and am now perfectly well and feel like a new man. Foley Kidney Pills have cured me." A. S. Porter.

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### Percilla News.

Percilla, Texas, July 18.—Since the rains have begun and the weather has got hot cotton is growing nicely and a good many are still at work in their cotton. Prospects at this time and in this section are fine for a most bountiful yield. Corn is better than at one time it looked like it could be. Watermelons and peaches are plentiful.

Health isn't as good as we'd like, but is better than it has been.

Mr. W. W. Sullivan is right sick and has been for a week.

Have just heard of the death of Mrs. Jerrv Beeson. Congestion was the cause.

People are planning for the picnic Thursday. Hope it will be a success in every sense of the word.

Hope every one who is for prohibition, local option or submission will go to the polls and vote Saturday. (The anti will, sure). It is time those who are in favor of no whiskey to arise and assert themselves. If they don't vote against whiskey it will be the same as voting for it, I think. Please, friends of the cause of prohibition, let's work now if it is late.

The protracted meeting here began Sunday, July 3, and lasted a week with no visible results. The Baptist meeting was in progress at New Hope for some days last week and week before last. Also the singing school at this place. Mr. W. R. Campbell is conducting the school. There is a fairly good attendance.

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Meets every Saturday night in each month on or before the full moon.

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Mrs. Jas. Owens, Guardian.  
Mrs. Geo. Calhoun, Clerk.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Messenger is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the democratic primary:

- For Congress, Seventh District—C. C. STOKES.
- For County Attorney—B. F. DENT, C. M. (MARVIN) ELLIS.
- For County Superintendent—JOHN T. CROOK, J. M. MANGUM (Re-election).
- For County Clerk—O. C. GOODWIN, N. E. ALLBRIGHT (Re-election).
- For Tax Collector—A. L. (GUS) GOOLSBY (Re-election).
- For Representative—JOHN B. SMITH, J. R. LUCE (Re-election).
- For Sheriff—C. C. (BUCK) MORTIMER, A. W. PHILLIPS, O. B. (DEB) HALE.
- For District Clerk—JOE BROWN STANTON (Re-election), J. D. (JOE) SALLAS.
- For County Treasurer—W. H. BAYNE (Re-election), D. J. CATER.
- For County Judge—E. WINFREE (Re-election).
- For Tax Assessor—D. T. (DAVE) ADAIR, JOHN ELLIS (Re-election).
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 2—C. R. STEPHENSON, G. R. (ROSS) MURCHISON (Re-election), J. C. ESTES.
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 1—S. H. LIVELY (Re-election), R. T. KENT, J. D. HILL.
- For Constable Precinct No. 5—HENRY HALTOM, S. C. SPENCE (Re-election).
- For Justice Peace, Precinct No. 5—JNO. A. DAVIS (Re-election).

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## NEWS AS IT HAPPENS

NATIONAL, STATE, FOREIGN, OF INTEREST TO READERS.

### THE WHOLE WEEK'S DOINGS

Short Mention of Interesting Happenings From Day to Day Throughout the World.

#### DOMESTIC.

The bulletin of the state board of health for June reports that while the average death rate from tuberculosis in the registration area of the United States is 174 per 100,000 population, the present mortality reports of the state board of health show a death rate for Texas of 187 per 100,000 population.

Results of Sunday's games in Texas League: San Antonio 4, Galveston 3; Oklahoma City 2, Fort Worth 1 (10 innings); Houston 7, Waco 3; Shreveport 2, Dallas 1 (10 innings.)

Complete harmony prevails and there is a general disposition, especially friendly to the United States at the fourth Pan-American conference now in session at Buenos Ayres. This is the report to the state department from Henry White, chairman of the delegation from this country.

Results of Sunday's games in the Southwest Texas League: Beeville 4, Laredo 3; Corpus Christi 5, Bay City 4; Brownsville 2-0, Victoria 0-5.

Despite the fact that he was overcome by the heat while delivering a chautauqua address at Winfield, Kansas, Saturday, Joseph G. Cannon, speaker of the house of representatives, was feeling as vigorous as ever Sunday, and, despite the advice of friends, determined to begin a series of eighty speeches in the Fourth Kansas Congressional District.

During a storm at Pullman, Ill., Sunday, lightning struck the freight car shops of the Pullman Company, causing a fire that resulted in damage of more than \$100,000.

Eighteen white men were arrested in Houston charged with gaming early Sunday morning. The police recovered some money and poker chips. It was stated that a private game of poker was in progress when the police raided the place and the room did not appear to be fitted up as a regular gambling house.

In an effort to get New Orleans spot cotton to New York in time to fill July contracts, thus making a clear profit of \$4 per bale, special trains have been chartered from the Illinois Central and the New York Central railroads by local cotton interests. New York shorts nipped in the squeeze need 100,000 bales to meet demands.

President Taft was told Friday that the Ohio republican state platform, to be adopted at Columbus the latter part of this month, would contain a ringing indorsement of the entire Taft administration, including the Payne-Aldrich tariff law. It is proposed that the form of indorsement written into the Ohio platform shall serve as a model to other states that intend standing loyally by Mr. Taft.

Theodore Roosevelt gave out Thursday the itineraries of the two speaking tours he is soon to make, one into the West late in the summer, the other through the South in the early fall.

Acting Secretary Cable of the department of commerce and labor at Washington, has directed the admission to this country of forty-eight out of eighty-two Russian Hebrew immigrants, who, in company with others, came to this country by the steamer Hannover, which arrived at Galveston June 23, in response to advertisement of the Jewish immigration information bureau.

Mack Collins and John Casson, negroes, convicted of murder and sentenced to be hanged in the Nashville penitentiary Aug. 10, escaped from the Shelby County jail Friday. It is claimed that the prisoners had aid from the outside.

The Matagorda Bay congress of religion, education and social service, an interdenominational organization and outgrowth of the great laymen's movement which recently aroused churchmen all over the country was organized at Houston Thursday by a council of prominent laymen from various points in Texas.

Conforming with the report on Tuesday that every effort was being made by the Texas & New Orleans Railroad officials to supply an adequate number of refrigerator cars for the handling of the great quantities of Elberta peaches at Jacksonville, comes the notice Wednesday at the headquarters of the Sunset-Central lines that a large consignment of big fruit cars moving from New York to California had been ordered intercepted at El Paso and diverted back to Jacksonville.

Secretary Flower of the state live stock sanitary board has issued formal notice that the state of Texas has put into effect a quarantine against the shipment of live stock from points in Louisiana to Texas on account of the carbon cases which have developed in Louisiana.

President Taft Thursday withdrew more millions of acres of coal land in different states of the West, bringing the total of coal land withdrawals made by him up to the enormous total of 71,518,588 acres. Something like half of this amount are new withdrawals.

According to information garnered by members of the state fire rating board from several sources, but mainly from the local insurance agents at Austin, it appears that forty-one out of the one hundred and twenty-five insurance companies having permits in Texas will continue to write insurance following the order of the board calling for certain reductions.

Theodore Roosevelt and Charles E. Hughes, governor of New York, spent Tuesday at Sagamore Hill in their long-expected and much-heralded conference on New York state politics. No word of the result was allowed to become known beyond the fact that the entire political situation of the state was taken up.

Half a million dollars is to be expended by Charles P. Taft, brother of President Taft and a millionaire, in making Portland, on the gulf coast, a resort of the first magnitude. John G. Willacy, state senator, has signed a three-year contract with Mr. Taft to direct the work.

In approval of application of the International & Great Northern Railroad, authority is granted for the adoption of the charge of three-fourths of 1c per ton per mile for the transportation of ice in carloads, minimum weight 30,000 pounds per car, from San Antonio and Austin to Jacksonville and Troupe.

Admission that the shortage of August Ropke, defaulting assistant secretary of the Fidelity Trust Company of Louisville, Ky., is very large was made at the trust company office Tuesday. At the same time it was announced that the directors of the company have pledged themselves to an increase of \$1,000,000 in the capital stock if such contingency is necessary.

George Smith, a water carrier 23 years old, formerly of San Antonio, Tex., employed on the new Cotton Exchange building, nineteen stories, in course of construction at Memphis, Tenn., fell from the fourteenth floor through a light shaft to the second story Tuesday and was instantly killed.

#### FOREIGN.

The father of Oscar Erbsloeh, who was killed on July 13 in Prussia, when the benzine tank of the dirigible balloon Erbsloeh exploded, died from apoplexy Sunday at his son's funeral. The apoplectic stroke was brought on by the shock following the aeronaut's tragic death.

Notices of the termination of commercial treaties one year hence have been dispatched to European countries by Japan, including Great Britain.

Leon Morane, the French aviator, has been officially awarded the first prizes at the meeting just ended at Bournemouth, England, for speed, altitude, sea flight and general merit. J. Armstrong Drexel, son of Anthony Drexel, comes next as the highest prize winner, while Graham White, the English aviator, takes third place. Morane reached an altitude of 4,100 feet and covered the distance of eighteen miles around the Needles lighthouse and return in twenty-five minutes.

Another Central American revolution is imminent. This time Honduras is to be the battle ground and President Davila is to meet in combat his opponent, a former president of the republic, Manuel Bonilla.

Clara Ward, formerly Princess Chimay, has brought divorce proceedings against her husband, Peppino Roccardo at Paris. The court made the customary efforts to effect a reconciliation, but without success.

The police of London are without any clue as to the whereabouts of Dr. Hawley H. Croppen or Ethel Clara Levee, his typist, whom they are seeking in the belief that they may be able to clear up the mystery surrounding the body of a woman which was found, badly mutilated, in the cellar of the doctor's home in North London. The police and detectives of Scotland Yard are still of the belief that the dead woman was the wife of Dr. Croppen and that she was murdered and buried in the cellar in the hope of hiding the crime.

A waste of smoking ruins extending two miles and seven isolated buildings, represent the town of Campbellton, Canada, and the nearby village of Richardville, which were overwhelmed Tuesday by fire, driven by a gale. Two lives were lost during the ten hours the fire raged.

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Hews Was Content to Play a Waiting Game.

# AN HEIR TO MILLIONS

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## SYNOPSIS.

Andy Meleen, aged millionaire miner, is dying and orders a will drawn up, leaving all his property to the son of a sister of whom he has heard nothing for years, and whose married name he does not know. Meleen was married years before, but left his wife after a quarrel in which he struck her. He learned later that she and their daughter were dead. The scene shifts to New York, introducing Wilfrid Stennis, who is telling his fiancée, Eunice Trevecca, what he would do if he were the possessor of wealth. In the law office of Carboy, Passavant & Cozine, attorneys for the estate of Meleen, Roger Hews reports the result of his search for heirs of Meleen. He conceals the fact that he has discovered that Meleen's daughter is living. Wilfrid Stennis replies to an advertisement for information concerning his dead mother, Martha Meleen, and is told that he is the heir to Andy Meleen's millions. He wants to marry Eunice at once, but she resolutely demurs. He meets Clara Passavant, frivolous daughter of his attorney. Eunice becomes jealous of Wilfrid's attentions to Clara. He builds a yacht and starts on a trip abroad, the Passavants being included in the party.

## CHAPTER VI.

When Roger Hews was dispatched to Pennsylvania as the confidential agent of Carboy, Passavant & Cozine to verify the strange story told by Andrew Meleen on his deathbed he unearthed a far more curious and complicated series of episodes, so unusual and unexpected as to suggest to his fertile and not over-scrupulous mind a plot by which the knowledge thus gained might be turned to his own advantage in several ways. Briefly told, this is what he discovered after much painstaking piecing together of fact and inference:

When Minna Meleen found herself, as she supposed, deserted by her husband so soon after their marriage, unable to bear the taunts and gibes of the village women, she left the outskirts of Hazleton, then little more than a hamlet, and tramped across the mountains to Nanticoke. Here, being a complete stranger, she resumed her maiden name of Minna Tod, passing herself off as a widow, and making a living by sewing and doing chores. Here a daughter was born to her. A year and more had elapsed since leaving Hazleton, when seemingly authentic tidings reached her that her husband, Andrew Meleen, had been killed in battle. So to her the erstwhile fiction became a cruel and bitter fact.

Believing herself a free woman, and being still young and handsome, her scolding tongue and fiery temper somewhat cooled by her misfortunes, she permitted herself to be once more wooed and won, this time by an artisan named John Trevecca.

In less than a year she presented Trevecca also with a daughter, but this time she died during her accouchement, and the infant with her, and was buried in Nanticoke, exactly as Roger Hews reported. This event it must have been which reached the ears of Andrew Meleen, denuded of the one vital fact that Minna had

married again and that his own child still lived.

To the day of her death John Trevecca supposed she had been really a widow when she married him—as, of course, did Minna herself. The only deception she had practiced consisted in the concealment of her true name.

When Minna died, John Trevecca cherished her first-born, the little Eunice, as his own, bringing her up under his name, giving her a good education, even sending her to a country seminary for a couple of terms; then, in turn, he moved away, and no one in Nanticoke heard of him for many years.

So much of the past Roger Hews had discovered when he returned to San Francisco to report to Mr. Carboy. We have seen how he suppressed the essential facts, completely misleading the astute lawyer. When he went east for good it was with the idea of tracing John Trevecca and his stepdaughter. He hoped that the girl still lived, and that, fortified with proofs of the foregoing facts, he could eventually produce her as the rightful heir to the millions of old Andrew Meleen—for that she was his legitimate daughter, born in lawful wedlock, no one would be able to gainsay in the face of the evidence he could produce.

In one of two or three ways Hews proposed to turn this valuable secret to his own profit: If the girl were alive and unmarried and in humble circumstances, he would try to make her his wife and divulge the truth afterwards; in which case Roger Hews would have somewhat to say concerning the spending and scattering of old Andrew's hoarded wealth. If the girl were already wedded to another, then he hoped to find his account by selling her and her husband the story on the best terms possible. Thirdly, if neither of these things were the case, then he could find a market for his wares with Wilfrid Stennis, who might be expected to pay handsomely for the suppression of the secret, thus insuring to himself a clear title to the property.

It was a clear case of "Heads I win, tails you lose!" So far as he could see, only one contingency could defeat the major plot—the daughter of Minna and Andrew Meleen might be dead.

Meantime, he had no objection whatever to letting a wrongful heir enter into possession. The information he possessed would have a sure and certain market value in any case.

It took Roger Hews three or four months to trace the migrations of John Trevecca, covering, as they did, a period of ten or twelve years. But run him to earth at last he did, and found to his joy that Eunice was very much alive, and well worth winning for her own sake. But one other

thing was not so much to his liking—the discovery that Eunice and the man in possession had been friends for years, and were even then supposed to be engaged lovers. This was an adverse conjunction which the astutest mind could not have imagined or foreseen—indeed, it was of a piece with all the other strange factors in the case.

However, Roger Hews was content to play a waiting game. He was very careful to keep out of Wilfrid's way, but he lost no time in making the acquaintance of Eunice and her stepfather, and at the time of Wilfrid's departure for Europe Roger had been for some months on terms of easy acquaintance with both of them. He attended the same church as Eunice, he joined the ward club and the lodge to which Trevecca belonged, and among the decent denizens of Macdougall street passed as a writer, a character which was not belied by appearances, owing to his quiet, steady demeanor and his careful acting and dressing of the part.

Nor did it take Hews long to discover that there was a little rift in the lute between Eunice and Wilfrid. This exactly suited his book. Perhaps a less observant person could have foretold such an outcome of their odd romance. Anyway, this was Roger's opportunity. As Wilfrid's visits became fewer, and the coast more clear, the other took to dropping in of an evening, ostensibly to see John Trevecca; or he would contrive to meet Eunice at church and prayer-meeting and walk home with her. He even escorted her to the park, to the theater, and to some popular concerts.

Never by word or look or action did he hint of any knowledge of her acquaintance with Wilfrid Stennis. She, on her part, from motives of pride and delicacy forebore to allow Stennis' name to pass her lips; old John Trevecca was naturally close-mouthed about his own or his daughter's affairs. So it was a three-cornered game.

At no time is the average woman supposed to be more approachable to a determined wooer than when she has been deserted or deems herself forsaken by another man. In proportion as the wound is deep, so is the healing process possibly hastened if there be a sure and certain consolation at hand. But Eunice Trevecca was not an average woman; her heart did not always rule her head.

When nearly a year had passed without so much as a line from Wilfrid, Eunice deemed herself indeed forgotten. What she had feared and foreseen, she told herself, was come to pass; and "that woman," as she termed Clara Passavant in her thoughts, had probably won him away from his early affection by her wiles and her brilliant social attainments.

"I suppose we are not in his class any longer," she said to herself bitterly. "But she will never make him happy; all she cares about is the money."

She did not, nor would not, blame Wilfrid; it was all "that woman's" evil doings. Yet she tried her best to think of him as dead to her, and to face the fact that henceforth she must piece out her life alone. But it was a sorry attempt.

Eunice had not been a woman had she failed to see the drift of Master Roger's coming and goings. Hers was too sweet a nature not to feel honored by what she supposed was the unselfish admiration of a passably good man. He had apparently succeeded in ingratiating himself with her stepfather, and his companionship proved a rather welcome diversion in those dark days. But she knew his love-quest was hopeless, and discouraged his more marked attentions, for she told herself her heart was dead.

So when Roger Hews pressed his suit—he never made love to her as Wilfrid had done—she was ready with her answer.

"It cannot be, Mr. Hews," she said, as they stood in the dim old parlor. "I esteem and admire you as a friend, but I shall never marry."

"Perhaps I have been too hasty," said Roger suavely. "In time, possibly, you will like me better. Let me still be your friend and comrade. I will not recur to this without your permission, but some day I shall ask you again."

She shook her head in token that his was a forlorn hope, but she was too kind-hearted to inflict a hurt where she could avoid it.

"On those conditions, then," she said, "we may still be friends; but I shall never change my mind."

"Cursed upstart!" Hews muttered when he found himself on the wrong side of the door. "She loves him still! I wish he would get married himself; then, my lady, perhaps you'd sing another song!"

## CHAPTER VII.

Jaded and surfeited, ready to cry "Vanity of vanities, all is vanity," Wilfrid Stennis returned to his native land after two years of kaleidoscopic experiences in the chief capitals of the Old World. He had plunged into the vortex of "life," only to be flung out of the worry and whirl as a

spent swimmer is spewed out on the sand by some mad-rushing breaker.

Into those two years he greedily crowded together enough vicissitudes to last another and better-seasoned mind and body a decade at least. Perhaps his almost total lack of previous social training and preparation led the sooner to inevitable satiety; it was like a starveling gorging himself on a 12-course dinner of highly spiced and seasoned viands.

Certain it is that his one overmastering desire at last took the form of an acute nostalgia—a longing to get away from glittering generalities and sybaritic luxury and settle down somewhere to a life of plain and polished ease.

So he left the Kestrel to follow at leisure—the original yachting party was disbanded long since—and came home by the Oregon on one of the last trips of that doomed greyhound of the ocean.

In appearance Stennis was not much changed, save for a little more fullness of face and figure, a rather tired look about the eyes, and—what was more noticeable—just a suspicion of grayness in the hair around the temples. And this at 30! In manner he had certainly improved; you would have at once set him down as a well-trained and well-groomed man of the world.

An intense and overweening craving for simpler manners and homelier fare led his steps straight from the pier to the little house in Macdougall street, around which were clustered by far the pleasantest memories he had ever known.

Eunice was at home, and herself opened the door, so no retreat, no denial, was possible.

"Why!—Mr. Stennis!" she cried in genuinely astonished accents. In the total surprise of the moment it was all she could find to say.

As he stepped across the threshold his gaze sought hers, but in the act of shaking hands—apparently a merely perfunctory ceremony on the girl's part—her eyes were veiled, and the sole token of emotion she betrayed was a little tell-tale red signal-flag in her usually olive-pale cheeks.

"Have you no word of welcome for me, Eunice?" said Wilfrid reproachfully.

"Surely!" was the answer. "We—I—am glad to see you back safe and sound and looking so well. When did you arrive?"

"Scarcely an hour ago. I came straight here."

During the voyage across Wilfrid had in divers ways pictured to himself this meeting. There was to be a sort of killing of the fatted calf, although in no sense did he regard himself as enacting the role of the prodigal—he had been made too much of while abroad for that. And though he knew in his heart of hearts that he had probably forfeited all right thereto, in fancy he had dwelt with an inward glow over the glad greeting which Eunice was to extend; he had even pictured to himself in a hazy way her flinging herself into his arms and with tear-wet cheeks taking him to himself again. But this commonplace, everyday "How-de-do, Mr. Stennis?" and the total absence of emotion, grave or gay, cool or ardent, was like passing at one step from the hot sunshine of the plains of Lombardy to the ice-crowned steeps of the Alpine summits beyond.

## (TO BE CONTINUED.)

### Clerk Knew His Business.

Up to the night clerk's desk goes Abe Perlmutter, a Chicago traveling man, says Success Magazine. "I wonder," he says, "could you find me somebody to play a game of pinochle for an hour or two tonight?" "Why," says the clerk, "I guess so," and he runs his eye over the register. "Boy," he calls, "page Mr. Gutwillig." Before long Mr. Gutwillig is found and introduced to the pinochle-hungry Perlmutter, and a game is arranged. "How did you know I played pinochle?" Mr. Gutwillig asks the clerk. "Oh, I—," begins the clerk. Just then emerges from the bar a young man, triple plied with wine. He staggers up to the desk and says: "Shay, I wanna fight! D'ye hear? I'm lookin' fr a scrap!" Thus the clerk: "Boy, page Mr. Kelly and Mr. O'Brien."

### After the Rats.

As a country Germany has fewer rats than any other in the world. This is due to the interest taken by the government in their destruction. If a boy applies to the mayor of his town he is furnished with traps and paid half a cent for every skin he brings. In large towns there are 100 boys at work all the time. The cost of traps and bait makes each skin cost the government about a penny, but as every rat destroys five dollars worth a year, this makes a tremendous saving. The mice, though destructive, are not looked after by the government. It is expected that every household will protect itself. However, a reward of a penny is paid for every three skins.

### Another Idea.

"Charlie, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "I want you to stop at the market and get some egg plant." "But I don't like it." "No. But you like eggs. I want to feed it to the hens."

## WEAK KIDNEYS WEAKEN THE WHOLE BODY.

No chain is stronger than its weakest link. No man is stronger than his kidneys. Overwork, colds, strains, etc., weaken the kidneys and the whole body suffers. Don't neglect the slightest kidney ailment. Begin using



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## TOUGH LUCK.



"Why, what's the matter, my lad?" "Boo hoo! Ma sez I got to president when I grows up, an' I'd set my heart on bein' a prize fighter. Boo hoo!"

## Autoing and Optics.

"Is not auto driving terribly hard on the eyes?" we asked.

"Well, I guess not," replied the chauffeur, withering us with scorn. "Why, before I got to runnin' a car I was thinkin' o' gettin' specks, my eyesight was that poor I couldn't see the contribution box in church until it was so near past me it was too late to dig for any money. But I hadn't been runnin' that wagon two days till I could see a policeman's little fingers stickin' out from behind a tree four miles away. I could even see which way a copper's eyeballs were turned if he was standin' in the shade three miles off. Hard on the eyes! Well, not much! It's the best medicine for weak eyes that was ever invented, don't you forget it."

## Back to the Tall Timber.

Alfred—Are you going to pass your vacation at the seashore?

Gilbert—No, thank you. It's the woods for mine this year.

Alfred—Don't like the shore, eh?

Gilbert—Oh, I like it well enough, but it's too risky. I passed my vacation there last year and had several narrow escapes.

Alfred—From drowning?

Gilbert—No; summer girls. Seven of them proposed to me.

## HARD TO PLEASE

### Regarding the Morning Cup.

"Oh how hard it was to part with coffee, but the continued trouble with constipation and belching was such that I finally brought myself to leave it off."

"Then the question was, what should we use for the morning drink? Tea was worse for us than coffee; chocolate and cocoa were soon tired of; milk was not liked very well, and hot water we could not endure."

"About two years ago we struck upon Postum and have never been without it since."

"We have seven children. Our baby now eighteen months old would not take milk, so we tried Postum and found she liked it and it agreed with her perfectly. She is today, and has been, one of the healthiest babies in the State."

"I use about two-thirds Postum and one-third milk and a teaspoon of sugar, and put it into her bottle. If you could have seen her eyes sparkle and hear her say 'good' today when I gave it to her, you would believe me that she likes it."

"If I was matron of an infants' home, every child would be raised on Postum. Many of my friends say, 'You are looking so well!' I reply, 'I am well: I drink Postum. I have no more trouble with constipation, and know that I owe my good health to God and Postum.'"

"I am writing this letter because I want to tell you how much good Postum has done us, but if you knew how I shrink from publicity, you would not publish this letter, at least not over my name."

Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

# Grapeland Messenger

ALBERT H. LUKER, EDITOR.

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## GREGG INTERVIEWED

"There is a matter which I feel I should mention, as a matter of justice to myself. At Carmona Mr. Stokes asked me if I had not, during my campaign, been sending telegrams in the interests of my candidacy upon my telegram franks. I was very much outraged at the time—not at the question, but at the connection in which it was asked—and upon the spur of the moment did not remember any telegrams at all, sent in the interest of my candidacy, but did remember certain telegrams which had been recently sent, upon official business, on which I used my government frank, so I answered that I had sent some telegrams, but not upon my government frank.

"I have since recalled three telegrams sent by me, from Washington, some time before I left there, which were sent on a frank. There may be others, but I do not recall them. If I had remembered these at the time Mr. Stokes asked his question I would have mentioned them without hesitation. I had no desire to conceal anything; in fact, felt no incentive to conceal, because it is publicly known that members of congress generally use these franks, just as they and members of the State Legislature used railroad passes as long as it was legal to do so."—Galveston News, July 9.

We were present, with many others, when Mr. Stokes asked the question and it is strange indeed, that Mr. Gregg could not recall these telegrams at Carmona in the presence of his friends. Is there a man in Polk County who is silly enough to believe that Gregg did not remember these messages when the question was asked? It is bad enough to make the race at the expense of the government, and worse to make a flat denial of the truth and an insult to the intelligence of this section to offer such flimsy excuse for violations of confidence intrusted by the people. How long will it take Mr. Gregg to remember the other 97 he sent at our expense? How long?—Corrigan Index.

Not only does Mr. Gregg use his telegram franks to further his candidacy, but he works his government mail franking privilege over time. Almost every day at this post-office, and we are sure it is the same at every postoffice in the district, great sacks of Gregg's literature is unloaded. YOU AND I ARE PAYING FOR THIS. Just such as this is what runs the post-office into debt several million dollars every year. Mr. Gregg is TOO POOR to place his name before the people in the local papers, but prefers to conduct his campaign in a way that will be the least expense to him, and YOU AND I PAY FOR IT. Gregg stands for grab-it-all. That's why he employs his wife as private secretary.

There will be 47000 thrills to the square inch in every patriot's soul that swats Gregg on July 23rd.

We are sure the man who voted against the school corporation is mean enough to vote for Colquitt and Gregg.

The assessed wealth of Texas is \$2,350,000,000, and the ad valorem tax rate is 4c. This is an increase of \$50,000,000 and a reduction in the tax rate of 1c.

It only took Stokes one week to knock Mr. Gregg out, and since that time Mr. Stokes has not been able to get the said gentleman in a joint discussion. We wonder why.

## DRINK.

(A poem for boys to read. Was composed by a man in the penitentiary, put in for forging a check while intoxicated.)

A bar to heaven; a door to hell; Whoever named it named it well; A bar to manliness and wealth, A door to want and broken health;

A bar to honor, pride and fame, A door to sin and grief and shame;

A bar to hope, a bar to prayer, A door to darkness and despair;

A bar to honored useful life, A door to brawling senseless strife;

A bar to all true and brave, A door to every drunkard's grave;

A bar to joy that home imparts, A door to tears and breaking hearts;

A bar to heaven a door to hell, Whoever named it, named it well,

Sam Jones said the saloon is the Devil's recruiting station.

The man who composed the above poem is Curtis Johnson, Jeffersonville, Ind.—Ex.

We do not know whether Curtis is any kin to Cone or not, but one thing sure: he and Cone have the same idea about the infernal whiskey traffic. Vote for Johnson and the protection of the home.

The Congressional Record stops soon after congress adjourns, one of the many blessings of the vacation season.—Houston Chronicle.

But it does not keep Gregg from flooding his "speeches" over the district on his franking privilege.

Gregg was finally chased down and agreed to joint discussion with Mr. Stokes at Elkhart last Saturday. Mr. Stokes pulled the record of Gregg and rubbed salt and pepper on, and Mr. Gregg hung his head with shame and did not answer. Put one in for Stokes—the people's candidate.

The A. & M. College should be completely separated from the University of Texas and each institution permitted to work its own problems in harmony with its aspirations and traditions. The two institutions have been separate and distinct in administration, and only as a technical construction of constitutional law has the A. & M. College been a branch of the University. Let the constitution be amended so as to recognize the actual fact of administrative separateness. This is the only permanent solution of a difficult question, and the sooner it is settled the better it will be for the cause of higher education.

We met State Senator C. C. Stokes during our convention in Galveston in April, and he advised us that he was a candidate for Congress from the 7th, (shoe string) district. Mr. Stokes while in the state senate proved an honest and consistent friend to labor wants, and fully deserves the honest consideration of the laboring men in his district. The Journal man always followed the policy of remembering the friends in legislative bodies, and were we in Senator Stokes' district, we would surely cast our ballot for his nomination to the national congress.—Texas Railway Journal.

Senator Stokes is a true and tried friend of the working man, and we believe they will send him to congress, and right here, let us say they will never regret it. He has the opposition of the "interests" and this alone should tell the common man how to vote.—Corrigan Index.

A few months ago the post-office department was seriously considering raising the postage rate on newspapers and magazines, thinking this would be the best means to wipe out the postal deficit, which runs into the millions every year. This would have practically caused every small country paper to suspend publication. You have an idea what effect that would have on the country. Now, it seems to

us, that it would be a move in the right direction for the government to throw restrictions around the franking privilege—for instances to stop members of congress from using the franking privilege in conducting their campaigns. It costs money and lots of it for the government to handle this kind of stuff and nobody derives any benefit from it except the one who enjoys the privilege. Yes, it would help stop the postal deficit to regulate the franking privilege.

## Election Managers.

Augusta: Jake Sherdian, Robert Earle.

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Ash: J B Ash, Jake Wedemeyer.

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Crockett No. 2: Charley Long, Walter Bennett.

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Dalys: W C Laseter, Hamp Huff.

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Freeman: H M Bradley, Charley Arnold.

Grapeland: E W Davis, L Q Browning.

Holly: J J Hammond, Ezra Driskell.

Kennard: W H Spinks, Joe E Monk.

Lovelady: W F Dent, W B Cochran.

Percilla: Oscar Dennis, John Brumley.

Arbor: R K Smith, H H Hallmark.

Porter Springs: A B Mulligan, J H Burton.

Shiloh: Joe Bitner, L D Knox.

Patterson Lake: L D Rodgers, Boss Coward.

Tadmor: W P Conner, Will Saxon.

Weches: J M Lovell, W L Vaught.

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Weldon: Burton Goodrum, B F Gardner.

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E. B. Hale, Chairman.

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If you are bilious, languid, constipated, suffer from indigestion, sour belching, bloated feeling, bad breath, headache, wind in the bowels, dizziness, you need

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Grapeland, Texas

### LOCAL NEWS.

Lively sells good shoes.

Aubrey Lively is home from Shephard to see his parents.

Trade with Lively and save money.

Boys! Base Ball shoes, all sizes, at W. R. Wherry's.

Fresh car of flour just in at F. A. Faris & Son's.

Mrs. Frank Leaverton and children have returned from Edom.

Horse collars, breast straps, wagon lines and blind bridles at F. A. Faris & Son's.

Mrs. W. D. Granbury has returned from a visit to relatives in Arkansas.

All our \$4.00 men's patent leather pumps now \$3.50 at F. A. Faris & Son.

Do your trading at Wherry's. He will share his profits with you.

The prettiest line of men's fancy hats, all styles and colors, at F. A. Faris & Son's.

Cool and Comfortable. Light weight pants, all sizes, all colors at Kennedy Bros.

Prettiest line of men's hats in all the leading colors and shapes at F. A. Faris & Son's.

Fresh car of flour, new wheat, better than the best, extra low price, come and see. Kennedy Bros.

Reginald Davidson, a former Grapeland boy, was in Grapeland Sunday shaking hands with old friends.

Why should you buy a cheap grade of stoves when you can get the Charter Oak from Kennedy Bros.

All ladies' and men's straw-hats going at very low prices. Get one before they are all gone. W. H. Lively

Plenty of low cut shoes to select from. They must go, we will cut the price to suit you. Kennedy Bros.

In warm weather PRICKLY ASH BITTERS helps your staying qualities. Workers who use it occasionally stand the heat better and are less fatigued at night. A. S. Porter Special Agent.

You can get a bargain in men's pants at W. H. Lively's. Several stylish patterns to select from.

Keep your system in perfect order and you will have health, even in the most sickly seasons. The occasional use of PRICKLY ASH BITTERS will insure vigor and regularity in all the vital organs. A. S. Porter Special Agent.

Buy your flour from F. A. Faris & Son and save money.

**A MILLIONAIRE'S BABY.** attended by the highest priced baby specialist could not be cured of stomach or bowel trouble any quicker or surer than your baby if you give it McGee's Baby Elixir. Cures diarrhoea, dysentery and all derangements of the stomach or bowels. Price 25cents and 50 cents. Sold by A. S. Porter.

### Trade with Lively.

Lively sells it for less.

We are closing out all our low cut shoes. F. A. Faris & Son.

See those \$5.00 W. L. Douglass shoes at the F. A. Faris & Son's.

Bill Johnson was down from Palestine Sunday.

Halters, whips and ball top hames at F. A. Faris & Son's.

Mr. S. E. Miller was down from Palestine Sunday.

Buy your low quarter shoes and slippers from F. A. Faris & Son.

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Electric axle grease, superior to any on the market at F. A. Faris & Son's.

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All our \$3.50 mens tan oxfords for \$2.95. These are good-year welts, and a mighty good shoe. F. A. Faris & Son.

All men's and ladies oxfords at reduced prices. W. H. Lively.

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Tires on wheels of old hickory wagons are welded by electricity and put on by hydraulic pressure. They cant get loose. We handle the old hickory. Kennedy Bros.

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Soreness of the muscles, whether induced by violent exercise or injury, is quickly relieved by the free application of Chamberlain's Liniment. This liniment is equally valuable for muscular rheumatism and always affords quick relief. Sold by all druggists.

Mr. N. W. Ritchey of the New Prospect community, was a caller at the Messenger office Friday. Mr. Ritchey informed us that they had recently had two good rains and that the crops in his community were fine, especially cotton. He has just completed his new residence and moved in Thursday. Mr. Ritchey says he left nothing undone to make it a convenient and modern home in every home.

### TERRIBLY SCALDED.

is something we hear or read about every day of our lives. Burns and scalds either slight or serious are bound to happen in your family, be prepared by having a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment handy. It relieves the pain instantly and quickly heals the burn. Sold by A. S. Porter.

### Mashed to Death.

"Red" White, a brakeman on the local, lost his life at Lovelady Saturday about 11:30 o'clock by being caught between the cars and was mashed to death while doing some switching in the yards. A special train passed through here at 2:30 carrying his remains to Palestine.

The candidates speaking and basket picnic will be pulled off Friday and an invitation is extended to everyone to come. Hon. J. W. Fitzgerald of Tyler will speak in the interest of Cone Johnson, and an effort has been made to get speakers for the other candidates.

### Letter to A. Pelham,

Grapeland, Texas.

Dear Sir: Clear pine and pine full of knots are two different things; they are both called pine.

Clear paint and paint adulterated with whitening, china-clay, ground stone, barytes, benzine and water, are different things; they are both called "paint."

It takes less labor to work clear pine than pine knots, and costs less money.

It takes less labor to paint clear paint than half whitening or half china-clay or half ground stone or half barytes. These mixtures make more gallons, not more paint. There's no more milk in two quarts of milk-and-water than in one quart of milk. If you paint two gallons for one you pay double for labor; and labor cost more than paint.

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## DOINGS OF A GREAT STATE

The \$50,000 flour mill at San Angelo will commence regular operations this week.

Col. T. O. Moore, a pioneer and a foremost citizen of Comanche, fell dead at the Old Settlers' reunion at Comanche just as he was opening the evening program.

Sunday was the hottest day of the year in New York. Three people went mad with the heat and ten others died of it. The list of prostrations was long.

Practically every question connected with the transfer of the location of the Texas Christian University from Waco to Fort Worth has been settled at a meeting of the trustees in Fort Worth.

Capt. Samuel Lyon of the Twenty-Fifth Infantry, recently tried at Fort Meyer for alleged irregularities growing out of the Brownsville, Tex., matter, was found not guilty and honorably discharged by the court.

Work on the Presbyterian College west of Durant, Okla., is progressing rapidly. Carpenters commenced putting on the interior finish this week. It is expected the building will be completed by Aug. 15.

A heavy hailstorm and downpour of rain did immense damage at Lobos, down the Rio Grande Valley from El Paso. All crops in the path of the hailstorm were beaten into the ground and the land was covered with water. To the cattlemen, however, the rain brought joy.

The vote on the \$30,000 bond issue to construct and maintain good roads within a district nine miles square with Colorado, Texas, practically in the center carried by a vote of 74 to 184.

Announcement was made in El Paso that the fall meet of the Juarez Jockey Club at Ciudad Juarez, Mex., will open Nov. 25, and continue for 100 days. The purses will exceed \$300,000.

The Census Bureau announced the population of Deaf Smith County as 3,942. Ten years ago the population of the county was 843, making a gain of nearly 570 per cent.

Bids for the sale of sites to the Government for the erection of public buildings in various towns and cities in Texas will be opened by Supervising Architect Taylor in Washington on August 3.

R. T. Wiley, a wealthy resident of Mineral Wells, Tex., walked off a Pullman car while asleep near Rameyville, Colo., on the Colorado and Southern Railway and was killed. His body was found by a searching party.

The production of vegetables, melons and fruit in this State this year is the largest ever known. As a result the movement of groceries to the country is very light, the produce houses are having an off season, and the market is abundantly stocked with homegrown stuff.

The two small children of Joe Magee, aged 4 and 6 years, were fatally burned by a kerosene explosion at their home near the Rockdale Coal Company's mines south of Rockdale. The children in some manner procured the kerosene and ignited it, causing the explosion. Both children died a few hours after the accident.

The Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington granted reparation to the Texas Seed and Floral Company and the David Hardie Seed Company against the Texas and Pacific Railroad Company for two shipments of onion sets from Lemar, Cal., to Dallas, Tex., in the sum of \$123 and \$304.50, respectively.

John D. Rockefeller celebrated his seventy-first anniversary Friday in the same way he spends practically every other day this summer, at Forest Hill, Cleveland, Ohio.

The school house building bonds recently issued by the Mount Calm Independent School District, amounting to \$10,000, were recently sold to the State School Board for the permanent school fund, and the money is on deposit in a Mount Calm bank. The old school building of the district has been torn down and the trustees are preparing to have the work of erecting the new building commenced.

Drilling machinery for the development of oil is being placed in the Snyder fields.

Gainesville was visited by a water-spout and a terrific electrical storm this week, the waterfall being five inches in two hours. The electrical display was the most vivid ever seen here, the lightning playing close to the ground and rolling over the city like great balls of fire. More than half a dozen residences were set on fire by the lightning. The only real damage done was the killing of several head of mules.

## EXCELLENT BUTTER CAKES

Instructions That Will Enable the Cook to Prepare These the Most Appetizing Way.

Sift together three cups of flour, four and a half level teaspoonfuls of baking powder and three-quarters of a level teaspoonful of salt. Rub into this two tablespoonfuls of butter until the flour looks and feels mealy, then add one and one-half ounces of milk, and beat for a moment to a smooth dough. Have a coarse linen or canvas cover for your molding board and a woven cover for the rolling pin. Turn the dough out on a well-floured cloth and toss into a ball with a knife. Slip the cover over the pin and rub it full of flour, then roll out the dough with light pats.

This should be moist, so it will stick to anything but the well-floured canvas. It must not be touched with the hands except when the cakes are laid on the griddle. Roll the dough out into an even sheet, about three-quarters of an inch thick, cut out with a biscuit cutter and bake on a granite griddle, leaving them far enough apart so they will not stick. The fire should not be too hot.

When the cakes puff up to double their size, turn and bake on the other side. Have a second batch baking while the first is being eaten, like griddle cakes. Serve hot, so the butter will melt at once when the cakes are split and the butter is spread between them.

### Ice Cream Cake.

Whites of five eggs, one and one-half cups fine granulated sugar, one-half cup of butter, one cup sweet milk, one teaspoon cream of tartar, one-half teaspoon soda, three cups sifted flour. Color one-half of the mixture pink with strawberry coloring and flavor with vanilla. Flavor the white part with lemon. Bake slowly in a brick loaf tin, putting the white dough in first and the pink dough on top. Forty minutes is about the right time. Try with a straw and take out as soon as done or the colors will not keep their color otherwise. Turn on a board and frost with a white icing. Color one-half of it pink. Spread the pink icing on the white part and then the white icing on the pink part and cover with a chocolate glaze made by melting one and one-half squares unsweetened chocolate. Do not stir, and when melted spread over frosting.

### Escalloped Corn.

Butter a baking dish, and in the bottom of the dish put a layer of rolled cracker crumbs, a little salt, pepper, and dots of butter; then a layer of canned corn, salt, pepper and butter; then, cracker crumbs, salt, pepper and butter, and so on. Have cracker crumbs for last layer, salt, pepper and butter; then over all pour plenty of rich milk, as the crumbs absorb a good deal. Bake three-quarters of an hour in a moderately hot oven; until a light brown. This is a delicious dish, and one can of corn will serve ten people.

### Green Pea Salad.

Boil green peas until tender; when done, drain on a sieve and let them get cold. Rub a salad bowl with a clove of garlic, arrange the peas with some cooked beans neatly in the bowl, and garnish with rings of hard boiled eggs, rounds of cooked sliced beets, and parsley. If the flavor of onion is liked, one finely chopped shallot may be mixed with this salad. Serve with French dressing.

### Oatmeal Cakes.

Cupful of butter or one-half lard and one-half butter, one cupful of sugar, one teaspoonful of cinnamon, one cupful of sour milk, one level teaspoonful of soda, one egg, one cupful of raisins and mixed currants, two cupfuls of cracked oats, two cupfuls of flour. Drop on pans about size of walnut an inch apart. If sweet milk is used use two teaspoonfuls of baking powder. These have a nutty flavor.

### Omelet With Calf's Brains.

Es serving an omelet with calf's brains parboil the latter in salted water, adding a clove, slice of onion and a bay leaf. Chill, cut into dice, dip in egg and crumbs, fry in deep fat and serve round the omelet.

### Cheese Balls.

Beat the whites of two eggs stiff. Have ready one-half cupful of finely grated cheese. Mix cheese and beaten eggs quickly, mold into balls with floured hands, and fry in hot fat. Serve while hot.

### Dulness of Country Life.

Owing to the general decay of the old English country fairs and feasts, of which the dates were for centuries as familiar as those of Lady day or Michaelmas, life in many country districts has probably been duller during the past half century than it ever was before.

### Robbed of Toxic Qualities.

A process has been discovered by which tea and coffee are robbed of their toxic qualities without interfering with the flavor.

## What Ails You?

Do you feel weak, tired, despondent, have frequent headaches, coated tongue, bitter or bad taste in morning, "heart-burn," belching of gas, acid risings in throat after eating, stomach gnaw or burn, foul breath, dizzy spells, poor or variable appetite, nausea at times and kindred symptoms?

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## IT WAS ONCE HIS.



"You don't remember me, do you?"  
"No; but that umbrella has a familiar look."

She Lives in Bingville. A South Missouri paper is carrying this ad: "Attractive woman, not a day over thirty, would be pleased to correspond with eligible man. Not absolutely necessary that he should be young. Would prefer one with property, but one with a good paying position would be satisfactory. The young lady is of medium height, has brown hair and gray eyes, not fat, although, most decidedly, she is not skinny. Her friends say she is a fine looking woman. Object matrimony. Reason for this advertisement, the young woman lives in a little dinky town, where the best catches are the boys behind the counters in the dry goods and clothing stores, and every one of them is spoken for by the time he is out of his short pants. Address Hazel Eyes, Box 23, Bingville, Mo."—Kansas City Star.

### Incorruptible.

The lady of the house hesitated. "Are my answers all right?" she asked. "Yes, madam," replied the census man. "Didn't bother you a bit, did it?" "No, madam." "Feel under some obligations to me, don't you?" "Yes, madam." "Then, perhaps, you won't mind telling me how old the woman next door claims to be?" "Good day, madam," said the census man.

### Novelty.

"I thought you told me you had something original in this libretto," said the manager, scornfully. "Here at the very outset you have a lot of merry villagers singing, 'We are happy and gay.'" "You don't catch the idea at all," replied the poet, wearily. "The 'g' is soft. It should be pronounced 'happy and jay.'"

## A Dream of Ease—Post Toasties

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## LEGISLATORS ARRIVING

MANY MEMBERS WANT PROHIBITION BILL SETTLED.

## MAY PETITION THE GOVERNOR

Legislators Declare That Their Constituents Desire an Early Settlement of the Problem.

Austin, Tex.—The several additions to the legislative throng assembled for Tuesday's special session have revived the agitation relative to the governor submitting the matter of a constitutional convention to propose an amended constitution carrying the prohibition amendment. It has been generally accepted that if the primaries Saturday should result in the nomination of a candidate opposed to submission the governor would probably send the constitutional convention matter to the special session. In fact, many prohibitionists have signified their intention of petitioning the governor in the event of such nomination.

The members in Austin now, for the most part, have called upon the governor; they usually do immediately upon arrival. The members desire to pay their respects to the chief executive, and it has long been customary, regardless of factional or party affiliation. But Monday prohibition was discussed, it is understood. The members recognize the insurance problem as an expedient, a means to the end, as it were, but that other and important matters will come before the legislature, if Monday's indications amount to anything.

But the notable thing in connection with Monday's visits were the expressions from visitors concerning the reported purposes entertained by the governor. Of those who called upon him nearly all expressed sympathy for the proposed constitutional convention, it is said. They declared themselves to be heartily in favor of any means at hand by which the prevailing agitation can be settled and the state allowed once more to assume its customary level of progress, unhampered by extreme issues that retard the normal advancement of the state's commerce and industry.

Monday night there were in Austin forty-five representatives and nine senators for the special session, which will convene Tuesday afternoon. Telegrams have been received showing that thirty-five additional members of the house of representatives will arrive Tuesday morning, while from members of the senate advice has been received to the effect that nine others will arrive Wednesday.

### RANGER FIRED UPON.

Adjutant General Newton Believes That a Bank Robbery Was Attempted.

Austin, Tex.—Adjutant General Newton Monday received a telegram from E. L. Avirett, one of the State Rangers, dated at Navasota, in which the Ranger advises the adjutant general's department that he was fired upon by some unidentified person or persons and that he returned the fire and hit one of the parties. From what can be learned, it is believed a bank robbery was attempted at Navasota and that two persons were implicated, but made their escape.

### Mosquitos Troublesome.

Orange, Tex.—Two boatloads of watermelons were brought to Orange Monday from Johnson's Bayou, where it is said the mosquitos are so bad that melons are rotting in the fields because the people are unable to get them.

### Bonds Registered.

Austin, Tex.—The attorney general's department Monday approved for registration the following bonds: City of Fort Worth school building bonds, \$100,000, twenty-forties at 4 1/2 per cent; Eastland independent school district schoolhouse bonds, \$20,000, twenty-forties at 5 per cent; Fisher County common school district No. 45 schoolhouse bonds, \$1,000, twenties at 5 per cent; Fisher County common school district No. 3 schoolhouse bonds, \$1,500, ten-twenties at 5 per cent.

### Bonds Received.

Richmond, Tex.—Monday County Judge Baker received the \$150,000 issue of road bonds and the \$3,000 issue of school bonds which had been approved and registered by the attorney general. A schoolhouse at Needville costing \$1,000, and one at Pendleton costing \$2,000 will be completed before the next scholastic year begins. And the \$170,000 will be spent on good roads.

### HE'D GET THE APPLE.



Eddie—Say, mom, give Jessie an apple.

Mamma—Then you'll want one, too.  
Eddie—No. Just give it to Jessie. We are going to play Adam and Eve, and she is going to tempt me.

### SOFT, WHITE HANDS

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For preserving the hands as well as for preventing redness, roughness, and chapping, and imparting that velvety softness and whiteness much desired by women Cuticura Soap, assisted by Cuticura Ointment, is believed to be superior to all other skin soaps. For those who work in corrosive liquids, or at occupations which tend to injure the hands, it is invaluable.

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### Aims and the Man.

"Sure Father Flaherty was a good man," Mr. Murphy said of the deceased parish priest. "He hated sin but he loved th' sinner, an' he was all compassion an' patience an' wisdom. There never was another loike 'im fr holdin' up hope to th' poor battered man that had anny desire fr good.

"Faith," said he to Con Meehan, th' toime th' bh'y was down an' out, 'faith, this solde av paradise 'tist all beginnin' again, over an' over, an' 'tis toime over!

"An' that keen," continued Mr. Murphy, "'twas niver worth whole to keep back part av th' price av th' land! Wid a twinkle in his eye he'd see clean through anny Ananias that iver walked.

"An' gin'rous!" Mr. Murphy's voice dropped to a lower key and his eyes were wet as he added, "His hand was always in his pocket, an' whin they prepared him fr burial they found his right arm longer than his left wid stretchin' it out to th' poor."—Youth's Companion.

### The Stomach Hold.

Colonel H. N. Renouf, of the "Old Guard" banquet at Delmonico's, emphasized the importance to an army of a good commissariat.

"You have perhaps heard," he said, "of the company of privates that a patriotic lady entertained one Memorial day to dinner.

"It was a good dinner, and at its end a pretty maid-servant entered with a superb dessert.

"'Dessert, sergeant?" she said to the stalwart young soldier at the head of the table.

"'Desert?' the sergeant answered. 'When I can get eats like this for nothin' Nixie! Not me!'"

### Old Advice.

Manager—You never get this scene right. Your business with the sweet peas is all wrong and you forget when you are to speak—you get your lines all mixed up.

Actress—All right, sir, I'll be more attentive and fix the sweet peas and try to get my lines in the right place.

Manager—Your course is very simple. Just mind your peas and cues.—Baltimore American.

### Refinement of Assurance.

Busy Business Man (drately)—Sir I didn't ask you to sit down!

Persistent Salesman (settling back comfortably)—That's all right—no apology is necessary. I knew it was only an oversight.—Harper's Weekly.

### HE RECOGNIZED THE VOICE

And From Remark Made, Also Knew the Party Was Not Engaged in Prayer.

Confidential friends of Louis B. Shields are telling this story about that eminent Republican: A state convention at Columbus had just adjourned and the Cuyahoga county delegates were all back home when somebody suggested a friendly game of poker. The game was going along right merrily at 3 a. m.

At that hour an officious attendant called up Mr. Shields' residence, which happened to be almost next door.

"This is long distance," said the servant with no warrant of authority whatever. "We are all here in Columbus and can't get home until morning."

"That's all right," came back the reply, but if that voice I hear in the apartment house next door saying 'that's good' isn't Mr. Shields' then I can't recognize a voice when I hear it at night."

And that is the end of the story, for the voice saying "that's good" was indeed that of Mr. Shields, and it was so near home, so the narrator relates, that there was no use in offering a denial.—Cleveland Leader.

### Didn't Care for Expenses.

They were seated at the breakfast table.

"John, dear," said the young wife, "this is my birthday."

"I'm glad you mentioned it, darling," rejoined her husband. "I'll buy you a present the first thing when I get downtown."

"Well," she said, "I hope you won't get any cheap 98-cent affair."

"Of course I won't," he replied. "Why, I would be ashamed to present you with anything that cost less than a dollar."

### How She Conciliated Them.

Filmer—How did it happen that those five men who were so angry with the woman in the nickelodeon for not taking off her hat became so friendly with her afterward?

Screeners—It was raining like fury when the show was over and she invited them to take shelter with her under her hat.

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## Sketches on The Philippines.

By A. W. CAIN

Editor Messenger:

Did you see the comet? I did, and it was a beauty. At its best the tail reached from the horizon to the zenith, thus spanning ninety degrees of the heavens. It is probable that such a magnificent phenomenon never before visited the earth. Of course the same comet has many times called on old earth, but on previous visits it did not appear so large. Maybe it was only a boy comet when it was here before; or possibly it is just putting on air this time in order to keep the earth getting ahead of it. On its preceding visit Abe Lincoln was conducting his first sockless courtship and Andrew Jackson was in the White House eating with a knife and picking his teeth with a fork. John D. Rockefeller had not yet been born. Probably the comet had its head set on monopolizing the heavens before John D. gets the earth.

There was, of course, great war talk in the Philippines. Many an old fellow sadly shook his gray head and said that comets always bring wars. The government sent out circulars and bulletins to allay the fears of the people, and the good priests at the head of the observatory published charts and diagrams and had them explained in all the churches, showing that there is no more danger in a comet than there is in a lightning bug. Had it not been for the efforts of the government, the learned members of the catholic church, and the present wave of prosperity, I have no doubt that many a life would have been lost at the point of the bolo.

To some the comet had a religious significance. One old religious fanatic and outlaw on whose head there is a five thousand dollar reward came forth from his hiding place and preached that the second coming of Christ was at hand, and that the comet was the torch with which he would burn up all the wickedness in the world, which included all the people except the followers of the said fanatic. Then he and his band were to possess the earth alone. This looked pretty good to many an ignoramus; so a great throng assembled on the top of a mountain and prepared to meet their Christ in the air. But strange to say, they could not fast forty days and nights and then look as fat and slick as a mole; and stranger still, no manna fell in that wilderness, no ravens came with baskets of

sweet-bread and tarts, and no spring of ice-water burst forth from the jawbone of an ass. Christ did not come, the comet got no hotter, hunger continued to rage, and he who went forth to meet the bridegroom remembered that there was plenty of rice in lowlands. So he shook the dust from his feet, the "prophet" retired to his lair in the mountains, the comet past, and nobody was hurt.

I have just completed another trip to the mountains where I renewed my acquaintance with my old friends, the Igorots. As I told you in a previous letter, the Igorots are head-hunters. The Indians used to take peoples scalps, but the Igorot takes the whole business. Our party learned from inquiry and observation that the head-hunters place their victims in rude coffins hewn out in the shapes of animals and set these coffins under a large cliff on a wild mountain side. After a time the occupant of the coffin is thrown out and a fresh victim put in his place. We decided to take our lives in our hands and explore that unique burying ground. So we equipped ourselves with bolos, ropes, and scaling ladders and set out early in the morning. At two o'clock in the afternoon we dragged our weary feet into the little city of the dead. I never before saw anything like it. There sat half a dozen coffins carved in honor of animal-gods while all around us lay heaps of human bones. I shall never forget the awful contrast between this picturesque cavern of nature and the ghastly white skulls grinning out from every nook and corner.

The scene must have been somewhat like that of old Ezekiel in the valley of dry bones. However, we did not carry the joke quite as far as did Zeke. You remember that he preached to the bones and immediately there was a great earthquake which shook every bone into its proper place and made sinews, muscle and skin grow upon them; but they were still dead. Then he preached again and every fellow sprang to his feet and blew his nose to show that he had plenty of breath in him. We didn't preach any. In the first place, we had a pretty good idea that the bones wouldn't get up if we did preach; and in the second place, we didn't want them raised. Think what a foolhardy trick it would be to resurrect that



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Games and sports among Igorot boys and girls are very simple. In fact, I have seen only one game for girls and two for boys. The girl game is called "sissiski". It is played as follows: About sundown from six to twenty girls assemble on a grass plot and make ready for a romp. The

preparation consists in laying aside their blankets, which leaves them clad as were Adam and Eve, minus the fig leaves. Then they line up in two rows about fifteen feet apart. All yell "sissiski" and the girls of each side try to catch those of the opposite side by the ankles and drag them over a "dead line". It is easy enough to upset one of the girls and start towards the line with her, but about that time some partner of the prostrate girl seizes the ankle of the dragger and makes off towards the line with her. Thus the game continues until each brown carcass is dragged many times over the carpet of green. This is a new

kind of lawn party; but I fear you will never participate in it, Mr. Editor, as it is for girls only.

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