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## 6th WEEK SPECIALS

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Ladies' low quarters Velyet, Suede, Patent and Vici Straps, Patent and Vice Laces.

\$2.00 low quarter slippers ..... 1.50  
 \$2.50 low quarter slippers ..... 2.00  
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\$1.00 child's slippers ..... 65c  
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Men's and Boys' Patent and Gun Metal, Button Patent, Gun Metal, Vici and Tan Lace.

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1st week—Powders and Soaps.  
 2nd week—Embroideries and Laces.  
 3rd week—Wash Pants and Caps  
 4th week—Lawn, Linen, Gingham, Percales and Calicoes.  
 5th week—Men's and Boys' hats.

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 "The House of Quality"  
 GRAPELAND, TEXAS

### Reply To D. A. Nunn Jr.

Editor Messenger:— We notice the statement of D. A. Nunn Jr., published in the Messenger of June 29, wherein he says that the statement he made before Judge Gardner at the contest hearing in Crockett on June 16 is false. In reply to that we beg to say that we were present at such hearing and understood Mr. Nunn to use the language he is quoted with, and we heard others commenting on same. However, we are willing to give Mr. Nunn the benefit of the doubt and it may be that we misunderstood him, as he talked in a rather low tone. We do not wish to misrepresent anyone in this matter.

Yours truly,  
 B R EAVES,  
 R B EDENS,  
 J E BEAN,  
 E W DAVIS,  
 W P TRAYLOR.

### Who Julius Is.

Hays Spring, June 3—In last week's issue of the Grapeland Messenger under the name of Julius, I wrote an article headed "The Road Law," and I wish to state right here that I wrote the article after a fair consideration of the question that has been before the people of Houston County for several weeks and I wrote the article just as I saw the situation, so I have no back water to take or any crawling to do. But I was indeed sorry to hear of any innocent parties being accused of writing the article, and I can say that the commissioners' court or any member of it, are not at all responsible for the writing of that piece, and if I am due any apologies to anyone it is to the innocent—the one who was wrongfully accused. I am willing to make apologies to whom I think such is due. Of course I wrote a plain letter, as I try to be plain in everything, but I did not call any one's name at all and if my idea of the situation is wrong, and can be proven so I will then come with all the apologies that are due, but if my ideas are wrong then why should anyone be offended at any statement that I made? If anyone is not guilty of the charge why should anyone get offended? I write this because I feel it my duty to clear any innocent party or parties who have been accused of having anything to do with the writing of that article. I take the responsibility all on myself.

Respectfully,  
 W. T. Warner.

### How to Vote.

Remember the election Saturday, July 8, to determine whether or not the office of Superintendent of Roads and Bridges shall be discontinued and abolished. Every man who is entitled to a vote should come to the polls and cast it. The form of the ballot will be as follows:

For the abolishment of the office of superintendent of roads and bridges.

Against the abolishment of the office of superintendent of roads and bridges.

If you want a county superintendent of roads and bridges scratch the top proposition; if you do not want the superintendent scratch the bottom proposition.

### Births.

A girl to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Spence.

A boy to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bridges.

Watson's Fly-Proof Healer for Barb Wire Cuts, Saddle and Collar sores. Heals quickly and leaves no scar. Does not irritate. 50c and \$1.00, guaranteed. Sold by A. S. Porter.

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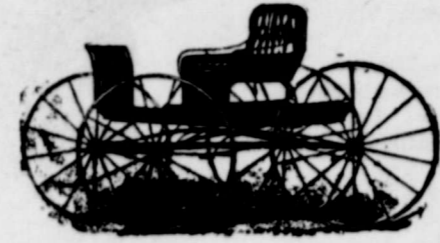
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### Card of Thanks.

I desire to make public my appreciation and thanks to the people of Grapeland for their kindness to me in my sad bereavement on account of the sudden death of my son, Lucius. I am also thankful to those who worked so faithfully to restore life to his dead body. May the God of the universe deal with a kind hand toward all of you.

L. Q. BROWNING.

### Administrator's Notice

The undersigned, whose post-office address is Grapeland, Tex., was on the 12 day of May, 1911, appointed administratrix of the estate of Franklin C. Woodard, deceased, and has qualified as such. All persons having claims against said estate will present them to me within the time prescribed by the law. June 26th 1911.

Mrs. Maud Woodard.

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At **REDUCED PRICES!**

A big range of choice Worsteds in correct styles and patterns, representing high-class tailoring.

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Men's Straw Hats, stiff sailor brims

\$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00

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FEELS LIKE A BOY.

Since Doan's Kidney Pills Cured Him of Terrible Kidney Trouble.

Sheldon Smith, Prop. Arlington House, Woodland, Cal., says: "Three years I was almost helpless. Kidney secretions scalded terribly and obliged me to arise ten to twelve times a night. My left limb became so stiff and sore I could hardly walk — just hobbled around with a cane. I had almost every complaint that diseased kidneys produce, and Doan's Kidney Pills removed them all. At the age of 76 I feel like a boy and enjoy health and comfort. Can anyone wonder at my gratitude?"

Remember the name—Doan's. For sale by druggists and general storekeepers everywhere. Price 50c. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Heathen Nations Invent Nothing. Bishop Thoburn, who has been a missionary in India for fifty years, and knows India better than any other living American, says: "If you visit the patent office at Washington, you will see six hundred improvements on the plow. India has not invented one improvement on the toothpick in two thousand years. The nations without God have no inventive faculty. They are almost universally the savage, unenlightened nations of the earth."

Some Aviation Records. Czar Ferdinand of Bulgaria is the first crowned head who has made an aeroplane flight. The aviator who took him up is the first man who ever was knighted in midair. Prince Henry of Prussia is the first professional aviator of royal rank. Mr. Roosevelt is the first prominent statesman to have made an ascension in an aeroplane. Arthur J. Balfour is the second.



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Most useful in stirring up lazy livers, sluggish bowels and kidneys, weak stomachs. Its effects are quick, safe, sure and permanent.

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—a bottle proves.

The specific for Malaria, Chills and Fever and all diseases due to disorders of liver, stomach, bowels and kidneys.

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**Thompson's Eye Water**  
Give quick relief to eye irritations caused by dust, sea or wind.

For the Little Miss



THE little miss has a much wider choice in hats than she had a few years ago. Since it became the fashion to copy shapes made for grown-ups, in small sizes, for young heads, children's millinery has become much more interesting to the purchaser and much less taxing in its demands on the milliner. The variety in shapes makes it possible, also, to suit the child's individual style.

Two good designs are shown here, suitable for girls from about 8 to 16 years old. They are made on the familiar bell and helmet shapes and only differ from these shapes made for grown people, in the matter of size. The bell-shaped hat appears to be covered with silk, but would be just as effective in a braid. It is covered with rows of fine-meshed lace, alternating with motifs in flower forms made of braid. The petals of each motif is filled with a figured net.

A wreath of small ribbon roses, set in millinery foliage and showing more buds than blossoms, is divided and placed part on the upper right brim and the under left brim. The design is particularly good for girls who wear curls. White is the color chosen in this model, but any pale tint is pretty.

GRACEFUL GOWN.



This is of soft satin draped with Ninon-de-soie of the same color, and trimmed with lace and satin bands. The hat is of legal straw trimmed with roses.

A light blue braid of straw covers the helmet shape, shown in the second picture. A band of rose petals, made of ribbon in a slightly darker shade of blue, is laid about the base of the crown, finished with a flat rosette at the front, made of the same petals.

A short, fluffy, "made" quill in dark and iridescent feathers is posed at the left front of the hat, and may be dispensed with when the hat is made for a very young girl. The same design is pretty with small flowers set in the ribbon band at intervals or with four rosettes like that at the front, dividing the band into four lengths.

These little shapes stay on well and provide some shade for the eyes. Wide-brimmed Leghorns and other straws are never out of fashion and probably never will be. Lace bonnets with simple outlines and fluffy lace hats are worn every year. The lingerie hats made of embroideries and of flowered fabrics like dimity and cretonne are ideal for misses, made in simple, youthful fashion. The time has gone by when it was hard to choose a hat for the little girl or young miss. She is sure to be pleased among the many styles that the designers of millinery have this season made for her.

GOWNS FOR THE SUMMER

Wide Choice of Colors is Allowed for the Costumes of the Prevailing Season.

Gowns of liberty satin are practical as well as effective, and quite as many colored as black ones are made, while the same can be said of the soft-finished taffeta silks. Many of these gowns have jackets to match, but there is always a waist to match the skirt, fashioned in such manner that the appearance is given of a one-piece gown. This style is perfectly possible on warm days as well as cool, for yoke and sleeves may be of transparent material.

Extremely practical, also, are the coat-and-skirt costumes for cool days. In plain color, with trimmings of striped black and white, there is quite a new model with which is worn a lace waist of white over the color of the gown. It is of flit and Irish lace combined. It is not necessary that real lace be used to carry out the model satisfactorily, for there never was a time when so many effective imitation laces could be bought at such low prices.—Harper's Bazar.

Restoring Faded Flowers. One may freshen faded artificial flowers by retinting them with water colors. After they are tinted, curl the petals again with the blunt side of a case knife.

Notice how the petals curl back before tinting them and then curl in a similar manner and do not apply the paints too wet or it will be impossible to obtain good results.

This is the best home method of restoring flowers that have become faded.

FRIENDLY TOWARD INVESTORS

MEXICO NOT ANTAGONISTIC TO FOREIGN CAPITAL.

Optimistic Messages As Regards Peace Conditions Arrive Daily at President's Office.

Mexico City.—No legislation calculated to antagonize foreign capital will be enacted by the provisional government of Mexico and if the counsel of the more conservative men who will be close to the Madero regime prevails this will be the policy of the succeeding administration. "I wish to say to the foreign world," said President de la Barra Wednesday to friends, "that so long as I am at the head of the government it will be friendly toward foreign investors. This country needs capital for development and this administration will welcome it as did the former."

The president's remarks followed a negative answer relative to the reported dissolution of the pulque trust by the government.

Ernesto Madero, the minister of finance, has expressed the same opinion. Such investigations of the conduct of corporations in Mexico as have been inaugurated are entirely unofficial in character.

Both President de la Barra and Francisco I. Madero are working diligently on the peace problem and both are confident that by the end of another week at the latest every revolutionist would be mustered out or installed in the regular service of the army.

At the president's office messages of an optimistic character are arriving in large numbers daily and Wednesday he received one from Calexico in which the Mexican colony sent him from the California half of the town their thanks for the measures he had taken to restore peace to the district.

De la Barra proposes to send a commission to Lower California to study conditions with a view to colonizing the territory.

Recognizing the fact that the percentage of unemployed in the capital is somewhat greater than usual, Emilio Vasquez Gomez, the minister of the interior, stated that he proposed to inaugurate at once certain public works which would give employment to thousands. In the work outlined is the repairing of automobile roads extending from the capital to Cuernavaca, Pachuca and Toluca.

\$75,000 Good Roads Bond Voted.

Rosenberg, Tex.—The election held recently to vote on the issuance of good roads bonds to the amount of \$75,000 carried by a safe majority. This movement was started with the organization of the Gulf Coast Good Roads association, and the roads to be constructed in Fort Bend county are a part of the system of good roads to connect all points along the gulf coast of Texas.

Hunting Rebels.

Tijuana, L. C.—Mexican troops Monday were scattered in all directions for many miles from Tijuana hunting down rebels who escaped the slaughter Thursday. It is now believed that a total of nearly sixty rebels were killed. There are barely ninety prisoners at Fort Rosecrans, San Diego, and the rest of seventy or eighty men believed to have been engaged Thursday are missing.

Rice Shipment.

Beaumont, Tex.—The Southern Rice Growers' association loaded the steamship Logician at Port Arthur with 4,000 tons of unmilled rice, a part of the 250,000 bags recently sold in Germany. On July 15 the remainder of the order will be loaded on a vessel at Galveston, and with this shipment the market will be practically clear of the old rice crop.

Charge Election Frauds.

Waukegan, Ill.—Overseer Wilbur Glenn Voliva and 189 other officers and members of the Christian Catholic church in Zion were indicted at Zion City Monday, charged with perpetrating election frauds at the Zion City elections, April 5 and 18, involving in part control of the church founded by the late John Alexander Dowie.

Railroad Men Organize.

Houston, Tex.—A thousand railroad men Tuesday gathered at the city auditorium to listen to addresses on the objects and aims of the American Railroad Employees and Investors' association, and to perfect the organization of the Houston branch, which already has an enrollment of 2,600.

Browne Suicides.

New Orleans.—D. H. Browne, one of the oldest lawyers in New Orleans and father of Arthur E. Browne, United States commissioner for the Eastern district of Louisiana, committed suicide Tuesday by leaping from a ferryboat in the middle of the Mississippi river.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Cures all blood humors, all eruptions, clears the complexion, creates an appetite, aids digestion, relieves that tired feeling, gives vigor and vim. Get it today in usual liquid form or chocolate tablets called Sarsatabs.

GRANDMA'S TEA

is a pleasant vegetable laxative that children will take readily. Hence it is invaluable as a household remedy and should be in every home. It acts promptly, yet gently and does not grip nor gripe. It

Cures

all forms of stomach trouble and immediately relieves headache, indigestion, etc., by removing the cause. A cup of Grandma's Tea taken each night before retiring will in two weeks rid you of the worst case of

Constipation

In Golf.

"Is this your ball over here?"  
"Is it in a hole?"  
"Yes."  
"A deep hole?"  
"Yes."  
"With slightly overhanging banks, so you can't possibly get at it?"  
"Yes."  
"Then it's my ball, all right."

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*. In Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

In Eden.

The Serpent—What's Adam so grouchy about today?  
The Ape—Oh, he says that the arrival of woman means that all his plans for universal peace have been knocked in the head for good.—Puck.

*Libby's*

When you want the best there is, ask your grocer for

**Libby's Pickles and Olives**

Libby, McNeill & Libby



## WILL REDUCE EXPRESS RATES

Reduction is Voluntary by Express Companies—Will Go into Effect August 1.

Washington.—New express tariffs received by the interstate commerce commission from the express companies of the country indicate that on August 1 there will be substantial reductions in express rates, particularly on long distance hauls.

Under the law railroad and express companies are compelled to give thirty days' notice in changes to rates unless especially excused from doing so by the commission. The tariffs received by the commission Saturday are to become effective August 1. As the tariffs were filed with the commission without any preliminary notice there has been but little opportunity for anything as yet but a very hasty checking. However, it appears that in the case of long hauls of express packages to noncompetitive points the reduction in some instances amounts to as much as 90 per cent.

The checking so far made also indicates that the express companies have abolished what is known as the graduate systems where more than one company participated in the movement. Each charged apparently what it pleased.

Officials of the interstate commerce commission say it is not clear just what induced the express companies to thus voluntarily reduce rates unless it is the general criticism which has been made of the high tariffs of these transportation lines.

## DANISH PRINCESS' CLOSE CALL

High Sea Wrecks the Royal Yacht Containing Crown Princess Alexandrine.

Copenhagen.—Crown Princess Alexandrine of Denmark had a narrow escape from drowning Wednesday, when, in the absence of her husband at the coronation festivities in London, she was sailing in the royal yacht with her little son, Knud. A boat belonging to the government marine service was engaged in some work on the sound when those on board saw in the distance a half-capsized yacht with broken masts and sails dragging in the water. A relief boat was at once sent out and the rescuers on reaching the yacht found it helpless with a high sea running. At the rudder were a young woman and a little boy, who were not recognized until the former introduced herself as Crown Princess Alexandrine.

## Mob Lynch Two Negroes.

Monroe, Ga.—Two negroes were lynched Tuesday. Tom Allen, accused of attacking a white woman several weeks ago, was taken from a train at Social Circle, tied to a telephone pole and shot to death. He was in charge of three officers, who were overpowered by members of the mob. Nearly twelve hours later men who are thought to have composed the first mob stormed the jail, secured Joe Watts, another negro, held for acting suspiciously around the home of Bud Haw, and put him to death.

## \$500,000 School Bond Issue.

Houston, Tex.—An ordinance authorizing the issuance of school bonds in the sum of \$500,000 was passed under the emergency clause at the meeting of the Houston city council Monday. This bond issue was authorized by the taxpayers at a bond election several weeks ago.

## To Vote on Bond Issue.

Richmond, Tex.—The half million dollar bond issue in road district No. 2, covering about one-third of the county, and west of the Brazos, has been abandoned and instead a \$75,000 bond issue within a much less restricted area was proposed and will be voted on.

## Sixty-five Bushels of Oats Per Acre.

Temple, Tex.—By cultivating his oats crop according to methods recommended by the United States agricultural department, O. W. Clark, a farmer residing east of Temple, has gathered a crop from fifteen acres of land that averages sixty-five bushels to the acre.

## Negro Woman Dies, Aged 111.

Yoakum, Tex.—Eliza Ford, an old colored woman, died near Edgar Wednesday at the reputed age of 111 years. Eliza came to Texas from North Carolina several years ago, where she was a slave and where she was at one time sold for \$600.

## Hempstead Melon Shipments.

Hempstead, Tex.—One hundred and twenty-one cars of melons have been billed out of Hempstead up to Wednesday. The dry, hot weather is rushing the melons to the market. The highest price paid for a car of melons on the track was \$200.

## ECZEMA TORTURES INSTANTLY RELIEVED

Cured by an External Treatment

You are remarkably fortunate if you are without some skin trouble. It may be only pimples or blackheads, or chapped hands, or the accidental sore, cut, scald, burn or boil, or the carbuncle or felon, or perhaps the more serious diseases of eczema, herpes, erythema, seborrhoea, or psoriasis, or inflamed piles, or some common irritation of the skin. There is one standard sovereign remedy within your ready reach, and which you can purchase at any druggist's. It is Resinol Ointment, put up in screw-top opal containers, selling at fifty cents and a dollar, according to size. It is ever ready for use, and as easy to apply as cold cream or vaseline. Thousands of physicians enthusiastically prescribe Resinol Ointment, and hundreds of thousands of families depend upon it, and are never without it. Resinol Soap is a chemically pure toilet soap of the highest grade. It contains in a modified form the same medication as Resinol Ointment, and is recognized as a preventive for many skin troubles, including blackheads, chapped hands and pimples. There is nothing better for the cleansing of the scalp and shampooing. It prevents the falling out of the hair. It is the infant's soap, par excellence, keeping the skin sweet and healthy and preventing many of the troubles which so often attack the delicate skin of the child. You will find the Resinol Ointment and Soap at all druggists.

Resinol Chemical Co., Baltimore, Md.

## DID THE BEST HE COULD.



Mr. Bugg—Why, I expected this message two days ago.

Small Messenger—It's not my fault, the company only gave it to me a week ago.

## BABY'S HAIR ALL CAME OUT

"When my first baby was six months old he broke out on his head with little bumps. They would dry up and leave a scale. Then it would break out again and it spread all over his head. All the hair came out and his head was scaly all over. Then his face broke out all over in red bumps and it kept spreading until it was on his hands and arms. I bought several boxes of ointment, gave him blood medicine, and had two doctors to treat him, but he got worse all the time. He had it about six months when a friend told me about Cuticura. I sent and got a bottle of Cuticura Resolvent, a cake of Cuticura Soap and a box of Cuticura Ointment. In three days after using them he began to improve. He began to take long naps and to stop scratching his head. After taking two bottles of Resolvent, two boxes of Ointment and three cakes of Soap he was sound and well, and never had any breaking out of any kind. His hair came out in little curls all over his head. I don't think anything else would have cured him except Cuticura.

"I have bought Cuticura Ointment and Soap several times since to use for cuts and sores and have never known them to fail to cure what I put them on. I think Cuticura is a great remedy and would advise any one to use it. Cuticura Soap is the best that I have ever used for toilet purposes." (Signed) Mrs. F. E. Harmon, R. F. D. 2, Atoka, Tenn., Sept. 10, 1910.

## In the Future.

"How did you get your start in life?"  
"I got a flying start; I was born in an airship."

**TO DRIVE OUT MALARIA AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM**  
Take the Old Standard GROVES' PAINLESS CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form. The Quinine drives out the malaria and the Iron builds up the system. Sold by all dealers for 30 years. Price 50 cents.

The great question is not so much what money you have in your pocket as what you will buy with it.—Ruskin.

## PUTTING IT RATHER NEATLY

Piece of Humor That Lifted Diffident Professor to the Highest Summits of Joy.

It is told that after Professor Aytoun had made proposals of marriage to Miss Emily Jane Wilson, daughter of Christopher North, he was, as a matter of course, referred to her father. As the professor was uncommonly diffident, he said to her: "Emily, my dear, you must speak to him for me. I could not summon courage to speak to the professor on this subject."

"Papa is in the library," said the lady.

"Then you had better go to him," said the professor, "and I will wait here."

There being apparently no help for it, the lady proceeded to the library.

"Papa's answer is pinned to the back of my dress," said Miss Wilson, as she re-entered the room.

Turning around, the delighted suitor read these words:

"With the author's compliments."—Success.

## FOR BETTER, SCALY FACE ERUPTION

Use **Tetterine**. It is also an absolute cure for Eczema, Ringworm, Erysipelas, Infant's Sore Head and all other itching cutaneous diseases. It gives instant relief and effects permanent cures.

"After thirty years experience in the drug business, I can truthfully say that I have never seen a remedy equal to **Tetterine** for Skin diseases. A few applications have made a complete cure of Tetter on hands, which I had almost despaired of ever curing. I also find it unequalled for chapped and rough skin." Roland B. Hall, Druggist, Macon, Ga.

**Tetterine**, 50 cents at druggists or by mail from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

## Thackeray's Kindness of Heart.

Thackeray was the gentlest satirist that ever lived. As editor of the Cornhill he could hardly bring himself to reject a MS. for fear of hurting his would-be contributors. The story of his actually paying for contributions that he never printed, in order to conceal the fact that he had rejected them, may be true or false. We do not remember exactly how the evidence points. But even if it be a story, such stories are not told of men made of the stern stuff of the Thackeray commonly misknown.

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## Lead in Salt Industry.

The six leading states in the salt industry are Michigan, New York, Ohio, Kansas, Louisiana and California, and in 1909 these six states produced salt valued at \$7,714,567. The salt from these states is obtained from rock salt, sea water and natural brine—in other words, from all the known sources of salt.

## Their Favorite Alibi.

Cook—How do you get out of it when the missis scolds you for not answering the bell?  
Waitress—I always tell her I was making mayonnaise.—Harper's Bazar.

## A POOR APPETITE

QUICKLY REGULATED

Loss of Appetite always means—stomach weakness—and this requires

## Hostetter's Stomach Bitters

immediately. It tones, strengthens and invigorates the entire digestive system. Try it and see for yourself.

YOU'LL FIND IT EXCELLENT

"Familiarity breeds contempt" is one of the rules that work both ways.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c a bottle.

None are so blind as those who are visionary.

## OWES HER HEALTH

## To Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Scottville, Mich.—"I want to tell you how much good Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Sanative Wash have done me. I live on a farm and have worked very hard. I am forty-five years old, and am the mother of thirteen children. Many people think it strange that I am not broken down with hard work and the care of my family, but I tell them of my good friend, your Vegetable Compound, and that there will be no backache and bearing down pains for them if they will take it as I have. I am scarcely ever without it in the house.

"I will say also that I think there is no better medicine to be found for young girls to build them up and make them strong and well. My eldest daughter has taken Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for painful periods and irregularity, and it has always helped her.

"I am always ready and willing to speak a good word for the Lydia E. Pinkham's Remedies. I tell every one I meet that I owe my health and happiness to these wonderful medicines."

—Mrs. J. G. JOHNSON, Scottville, Mich., R.F.D. 3.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from native roots and herbs, contains no narcotics or harmful drugs, and to-day holds the record for the largest number of actual cures of female diseases.

## Make the Liver Do its Duty

Nine times in ten when the liver is right the stomach and bowels are right. **CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS** gently but firmly compel a lazy liver to do its duty.

Cures Constipation, Indigestion, Sick Headache, and Distress After Eating. SMALL PILL, SMALL DOSE, SMALL PRICE. Genuine must bear Signature

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### Comments and Observations

By George Louis Payne

The foundation of a republican government is the ballot box. When the purity of the ballot box is endangered, the republic is likewise endangered. A corrupted ballot means corrupt officials and general corruption in high places. A clean ballot means clean and honest officials and a clean government. And the most notorious modern ways of corrupting the ballot are the influencing of votes directly or indirectly through financial considerations, and the direct purchasing of votes. A momentous question will soon be voted on by the people of Texas; the result of this vote will determine whether or not the saloon is to remain in that State.

The prohibitionists are fighting to remove the saloon that it may no longer menace civilization; the saloon is fighting for its life. But if the saloon wins, will such a result be the honest verdict of an enlightened electorate, or will it be—well, what? And therein lies the proposition.

Several years ago, it seemed that the whole South would go dry, and right in the midst of this dry wave, the high priests of the liquorites met in a great council. At that meeting a plan was mapped out to arrest the advance of prohibition. And since that meeting not one state has gone dry, no, not one. How the antis managed to turn the tide, of course we do not know; we can only guess. According to newspaper reports, only about a year ago the National Liquor Dealers and Brewers Association raised a political fund of fifty million dollars. Wherever an effort is made to vote prohibition, whether it be precinct wide, county wide, or state wide, a great sum of money is expended by the antis. Prohibitionists have repeatedly charged, and are now charging, that every drink shop is assessed by the anti committee and forced to contribute its share of the fund. They have also charged that houses of social evil are made to pay their part. Of course, these institutions never exist except where there are saloons; they and the saloons go hand in hand. Prohibitionists charge that something like two million dollars has been brought and is being brought into Texas to help save the State for the saloons. The antis never even seriously deny these charges much less try to prove that they are untrue. Chairman Ball of the Statewide Committee has repeatedly offered to throw his books open to inspection. But will Wolters do it? No, a thousand times no. If he were to do so, an enraged citizenship would immediately drive the liquor traffic from the nation, for though some good citizens might be influenced by the demagogism and wiles of corrupt politics, still to arouse them from their slumbers and to open their eyes to conditions is not an impossibility.

On the other hand, the prohibition campaign committee has not expended a dollar to any newspaper for advertising, nor to any speaker. Not sufficient money, Chairman Ball says, has been collected by the prohibitionists to send out two issues of "Facts." Every prohibition speaker is paying his own expenses and is working without pay; it is the same with the writers. It is a fight upon an institution that is an enemy to home, to wife, to the children, to sister, to father and to mother, and every prohibition worker is actuated by that common tie that causes monetary considerations to sink into oblivion.

The prohibition campaign fund

is made up of the honest earnings of honest men, of the small savings of the laboring people, of the widow's mite, and of the pennies of school children. The anti-prohibition campaign fund is made up of the fat checks given by multi-millionaire brewers and wholesale liquor dealers, of collections from the retail rum seller, of contributions from bartenders, of the dive keeper's filthy lucre, and of the harlot's unholy gain. The former is given with the prayer that it may be instrumental in winning a righteous cause; the latter is given with the hope that it may cause the perpetuation of an institution that feeds upon every virtue of mankind. And the latter, honest conscientious, Christian voter, is the fund that sends you "Facts," the fund that buys the purchasable newspapers, that maintains an army of traveling men, that maintains a multitude of politicians, that pays the princely salaries of such gentlemen as "Cousin Chawles", that buys up the "floating vote", that floods the mail with liquor literature, and that, in most every conceivable way, glitters a most alluring temptation in the face of honest officials. These influences are brought to bear upon you in an effort to get you to vote the anti ticket. You love your home, you say, your friends, the best interest of all people are dear to you, your devotion for your country is unalloyed, you stand for purity, honesty, peace and the well being of society. Then will you permit this great corruption fund to influence you—will you lend succor to a colossal demon that survives upon the heart blood of mankind?

Good citizen, defend the ballot box as you would strike at an invading foe, for the safety of the republic lies in the safety of the ballot box; the purity of the government and the purity of homes within the government are so essential to each other.

The fact that the haughty Knights of Rest could not engage in such debasing work as making a crop of watermelons is not deterring them from rendering whatever assistance they can in the harvesting of that crop, which assistance they are willing to render any time when the landlord is not around, but they generally work between the hours of 8 o'clock p m and 4 o'clock a m.

Some of the antis are trying to make merry over Col. T. N. Jones letter. That is all that is left for them to do, since they can not answer Col. Jones argument.

Those Austin ladies possessed admirable courage in holding prayer meeting in the governor's office. As a general proposition sinners never get so far gone that we are not willing to help them, but this would certainly have been an exceptional case.

A Galvestonian pawned his cork leg to get a drink. This man may think that he has turned our Knights of Rest green with envy, but he is not aware that one beloved Knight steals his wife's chicken and egg money and his children's candy money to buy tobacco with.

A correspondent wants to know which is the most appropriate and serviceable gift for a farmer boy, a set of Shakespeare or a horse. A horse, by all means. Then to that horse gift we make the following suggestions: Give the young man a pistol, with instructions to always carry it with him, and give him a bottle of local self government, and let him associate with every low-down yagabond that can be found. Then if he does not disgrace himself so that a disreputable donkey would not call him brother, it will not be because preparations to that end have been neglected.

We have never seen the devil and hope we never shall, but if such were ever to happen we know that he would look like a saint compared to the appearance of depredating barbarians who steal their neighbor's watermelons.

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### Who Can Vote.

Section 32 of the Houston County road law defines a qualified voter, and reads in part this way: "No person shall vote at said election unless he is otherwise qualified to vote in the general election of said county, and is also the owner of real estate in said county assessed for taxation, and the taxes thereon paid up to January 1st next preceding date of the election." In the election to be held Saturday, July 8, no one but a tax payer on real estate in Houston county can vote.

If your brain won't work right and you miss the snap, vim and energy that was once yours, you should take Prickley Ash Bitters. It cleanses the system and invigorates both body and brain.  
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### Be Sure To Vote.

We hope Grapeland will roll up the "usual majority" to abolish the office of Superintendent of Roads and Bridges in the election to be held next Saturday.

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### Notice K. Of Ps.

The members of Grapeland Lodge, their families and friends they desire to invite, are invited to spend the day of July 12 (Wednesday) on my farm 7 miles west of town picnicing and having a good time in general. You are not required to furnish anything. The dinner will be furnished exclusively by me, which will consist of squirrels, barbecue, etc., supplemented with cake and cream.  
GEO. CALHOUN.

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The dance at the Kandy Kitchen Tuesday night was carried out in nice order. A large crowd was out and enjoyed the evening immensely. Several couples from Augusta and Percilla were present.

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Remember that Senator W. J. Townsend will speak here Saturday evening in the interest of statewide prohibition. Senator Townsend will speak on the same question at Percilla Saturday night.

**FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS**  
FOR RHEUMATISM, KIDNEYS AND BLADDER



# TO THE VOTERS

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# HOUSTON COUNTY:

In a speech delivered at Crockett on July 4th, Mr. J. W. Young stated that a circular was being prepared for distribution setting forth that every qualified voter under the Terrel Election Law would be allowed to vote in the election next Saturday, July 8, to determine whether or not the office of Superintendent of Roads and Bridges shall be abolished.

We desire to call attention to the fact that the election held on May 20 on this question was contested by Crockett parties on this ground--that illegal votes were cast at Grapeland and enough in the county to total 173. It is a plain violation of the law as set forth in Section 32 of the Houston County Road Law, introduced by Dr. J. B. Smith and passed by the last session of the Legislature, and for which Crockett's mass meeting claims to be responsible for, for persons who are not resident real estate owners, and otherwise qualified to vote in the general election, to vote in the election next Saturday. To support this we herewith submit a written opinion from the Attorney General's Department, quoting Section 32 of the road law.

We are making a fight for a clean ballot in the coming election so there will be no grounds for a second contest, but if the election of May 20 was contested on the grounds of illegal votes, could not the coming election be contested on the same grounds if the above is carried out? Respectfully,

**The Citizens of Grapeland**

Austin, Texas, June 29, 1911.

Mr. M. E. Bean, Grapeland, Texas.

Dear Sir: Your favor of the 25th inst. addressed this department has been referred to me for reply. I find from an inspection of the special road law for Houston county, enacted by the Thirty-second Legislature, that Section 32 thereof provides that in any election held for the purpose of abolishing the office of Road Superintendent, "no person shall vote at said election unless he is otherwise qualified to vote in the general election of said county and is also the owner of real estate in said county assessed for taxation, and the taxes thereon paid up to January 1st next preceding the date of the election."

The Legislature has in plain and unmistakable language placed this limitation upon the right of suffrage in this election, and since it is the law of the land the officers have no right to disregard it, and it would be a violation of law and subject one to a severe penalty if he should vote in said election when he knows that he does not possess the qualifications required of voters in said election.

If the people of Houston county do not desire to have a law thus limiting the right of suffrage in such matters, they should have the Legislature correct same, but so long as the law remains as it is there is nothing left for the officers and voters to do except comply with its requirements.

Yours very truly,

C. E. MEAD, Assistant Attorney General



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### An Appeal to Patriotism

With an abiding faith in the integrity and justice of the general citizenship of Houston county, and in justice to that citizenship residing within seven miles of the city of Crockett, we desire to issue the following statement for the consideration and information of the voters of Houston county:

It has been charged that those residing within said seven miles of the city of Crockett, and particularly those within the corporate limits of Crockett have an ulterior and sinister motive in advocating the county Supt. and suggesting that Crockett wants such county superintendent to use him on the special road district at the expense of the entire county, and further that Crockett expects to get more than her just proportion of the county road and bridge fund expended on the roads leading to it.

In regard to these statements, we wish to say that the taxpayers living within said seven-mile district have unselfishly voted upon themselves a bond issue to the extent of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and that every citizen of Houston county living outside of this district who has business at the county seat will derive great benefit from the good roads leading to the county seat without the expenditure of one cent; that we have no other intention in advocating a county superintendent of roads than the betterment of all of the roads in the county, irrespective of their location, fully realizing the fact that anything that is to the benefit of the entire county must necessarily benefit every town within its limits.

With the funds at hand, the implements now owned by the county, and the work of those subject to road duty, a county road superintendent could improve materially on the present conditions, and that without any raise in taxes.

At present we have a ten per cent tax rate on the \$100 valuation of property, which brings to the road and bridge fund about eight thousand dollars per annum. If the commissioners' court should see fit to raise this it would be limited under the law to fifteen cents. This amount of money, placed in the hands of a competent and bonded officer, should certainly improve the road conditions of Houston county.

Those in charge of the bond issue for the road district extending seven miles from Crockett have already applied to the commissioners' court, as indicated in Section 27a of the Houston County Road Law, requesting the court to appoint a special road superintendent will be paid out of the \$150,000.00 bond issue, and he will have the absolute supervision and control over the roads within seven miles of the city of Crockett; thus leaving the county road superintendent to spend his time, during the construction of these roads, on other roads in the county; and we hereby pledge ourselves to have this special road superintendent appointed over the road district surrounding Crockett, thus leaving the county road superintendent to look after the roads and bridges in other parts of the county, while the said bond issue is being expended.

We appeal to your fairness to weigh this matter in the light of good citizenship, and permit nothing to cause you to cast your vote against the best interest of your county. Respectfully submitted.

J S Sturgis, Rev. S F Tenney, W V Berry, J W Madden, J B Ellis, J S Cook, Col. D A Nunn, C M Ellis, Jno. E Monk, A B Burton, W A Norris, T W Thompson, F H Hill, T C LeMay, W H Kent, R H Wooters, H Durst Jr. Jno. R Sheridan, Col. Earle Adams, J W Young, J. H. Smith, Joe Adams, Jno. C Millar, Jas. S Shivers, John LeGory, H W Moore, J S Wooters, Dan McLean, W H Denney, Dr B S Elliott, W B Page, J W Hall, J V Collins, I A Daniel, D A Nunn, Jr. A A Aldrich, Thos. Self, E

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D. N. LEAVERTON.

Call up W. H. Lively, phone No. 14, for anything you want in the dry goods or grocery line and he will send it up at once.

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Under certain conditions. The right medicine must be taken before the disease has progressed too far. Perry A Pitman, Dale, Tex., says: I was down in bed for four months with kidney and bladder trouble and gall stones. One bottle of Foley's Kidney Remedy cured me well and sound. Ask for it.

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Try Protositos, 85 per cent corn chops and 15 per cent cotton seed meal.

Sold by J. W. Howard.

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Miss Ella D. Hatchell of Palacios is here visiting her brother, Richard Hatchell.

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Oscar Dennis of Percilla left Monday for Dallas to attend the state convention of the M. B. A. Mr. Dennis went as a delegate from Percilla lodge.

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## LOCAL NEWS

Lively sells good shoes.

Boys' suits at T. S. Kent's.

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Salt in 100 lb. sacks at Kent's.

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Miss Ima Davis has gone to Livingston to visit relatives.

LOST—K. of P. button on the streets of Grapeland; liberal reward offered. M. L. CLEWIS.

Try a Grape Juice Special, the finest in town at the KANDY KITCHEN.

5 or 6 doses of "666" will cure any case of Chills and Fever. Price 25c.

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Try a sack SOUTHERN BEAUTY flour. It's fine. W. H. LIVELY.

Me for the KANDY KITCHEN. They make their own cream. My, the coke is so good there.

John R. Owens, who has been living in Palestine for several months, has returned to Grapeland and accepted a position with the Messenger.

We have all sizes of packers for delivering ice cream to private families. KANDY KITCHEN.

Octa Hollingsworth and wife of Kingsville are in Grapeland visiting relatives and friends.

Wade L. Smith of Prosper is in the city mingling with his many friends.

### FOR SALE

Butler gin at Waneta, in good running order and good machinery, and in good location. For price and terms, see C. W. Butler, Percilla, Route 1.

### LOST IN GRAPELAND

Ladies gold watch with fob, the word "Bula" engraved in back. Liberal reward to finder if left at the Messenger office. MRS. BULA LONG.

We are requested to announce that Rev. J. E. Morgan will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday morning. Bro. Morgan was formerly pastor of the church here and would be glad to meet all of his old friends.

### Round Up Sale.

Positively this will be our last sale at such values, and while the goods last the prices will be as follows:

10 quart Milk Pail, worth 20c at.....10c  
12 quart gray Enamel Water Pails, worth 60c.....35c  
8 quart gray Enamel Stew Kettles, worth 40c.....25c  
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All Vases worth 15 and 20c.....10c  
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THE ARK.

## A Reply to The Houston County Times

The Houston County Times published an article last week that places the Messenger in a false light before the people of Houston County. We have not the space to reproduce the Times' article and will have to reply to it by paragraphs.

The Times makes a false statement in the outset. Here it is: "Some weeks ago the Grapeland Messenger, as we reproduced in the Times, published an attack on County Clerk O. C. Goodwin, charging him with criminally breaking into the ballot boxes of the recent election or allowing them to be broken into and incidentally charging the people of Crockett with having "ulterior or sinister" motives in so ardently advocating a County Superintendent of Roads." Now, no such thing was said, and if the Times wants to be so "fair" why did it not refer to our editorial of June 1 and tell the truth about it? No where in that article, or in any previous article, have we accused Mr. Goodwin of anything criminal. We were not striking at Mr. Goodwin, and anybody that thoroughly understands the situation knows that. We were striking at a "chosen few" who have of their own accord assumed the role of dictator to take in to their own hands the affairs of Houston County. Neither did the Messenger accuse the people of Crockett of improper motives, but here is what was said: "We DO NOT CHARGE that the people of Crockett had in mind such a scheme (working the superintendent within the seven mile limit) but as above stated, their actions are causing the people to open their eyes and wonder why." Is that an accusation, or merely pointing out that the people are suspicious?

Here is another: "The editor of the Messenger, who made the groundless charges that made an explanation necessary, instead of doing all in his power to right the wrong he had done, which any fair minded man would have done, said nothing himself and made Mr. Goodwin pay for publishing his answer to the charges." In other words the Times would have you believe we literally "held up" Mr. Goodwin. We have no apologies to offer for charging Mr. Goodwin for publishing his article. It was a legitimate piece of advertising, and we always charge for that kind. Had the publication of the article been made necessary by a personal attack on Mr. Goodwin, then we would have given the space free. The other papers in the county charged for it EXCEPT THE TIMES, or at least it was not marked "Advertisement" and we believe that the law requires for articles of that nature be thus marked before pay can be accepted for them. Then why was the Times so generous?

Listen to this: "Two weeks after the publication of the charges" the Messenger did publish a few lines that read like they had been literally wrung from the editor's throat, and which were in no wise meant for an effort to right the wrong done Mr. Goodwin." The truth is twisted so badly in that statement that you couldn't possibly recognize it if you met it in the middle of the road. Here is what we said: "But since Mr. Goodwin enters such a vigorous denial of any wrong done, we are perfectly willing to exonerate him and pass the matter up. All we want is that the people get justice in the contest now pending." It seems to us that this should satisfy anyone. What more does the Times want?

The Times concludes its monstrous misstatement of facts with this: "We are getting tired of hearing the citizenship of one of the largest and best little cities in East Texas charged with base and criminal practices without the charges being substantiated by the offering of at least some evidence." Well, what are you going to do about it? The best thing to do is to so conduct yourselves that you will be above suspicion.

In conclusion we wish to say that we bear no ill will toward the people of Crockett; some of the editor's best friends reside there and in whom we have the utmost confidence. But we also wish to say that lots and lots of people have "got it in" for Crockett because there are a few there who always try to "rule or ruin," always butting into something and always being turned down on every proposition they advocate. The people are getting a little sore. If these few leaders (?) could be corralled, the prejudice against Crockett could be overcome.

### Are Singing Schools Tacky?

We are frequently asked why singing schools are unpopular in certain places. Quite recently I was asked why they were unpopular in Grapeland. One reason, I suppose, is because some of our people regard them as being "tacky," or at least I have been creditably informed that some of the Grapeland folk so regard them.

I am not sure just what they mean by "tacky," but suppose they think singing schools are not worth while. I am certain, however, that as long as we need good singers in church and Sunday school we will need singing schools, for there is no better way to train people to be good, efficient singers than in the singing school. So thought David, for we are told in 1st Chronicles, 25th Chapter, that he selected his best musicians, collected 288 of the people and had them "instructed in the songs of the Lord." And they must have made the song service of Jehovah grand, judging from the number of beautiful songs (Psalms) David wrote. The early christians saw the need of improving their song service, and a few centuries after Christ we find Pope Sylvester having singing schools taught all over his realm. We are told in musical history that out of those singing schools developed the system of music used in this country and Europe, known as the "European System," the best in the world today. So much for the history of music.

Some folk may regard the solfa "tacky," but people who go very far in the study of music find them useful in other branches of musical education. If the student of music reaches Harmony, which is the grammar of music, he will soon be told that do, re and sol make up the tonic chord. Yes, the solfa syllables, do, re, me, etc., are very useful and are used in all harmony books. But someone may ask, "How do the do, re, me, etc., help the singer?" They are useful in teaching tonality, or the individuality of each member of the scale. Each member of the tone family produce a different mental effect, or tone color that must be learned by the pupil to enable him to think music. Tonality Rhythm mastered—both taught in "Tacky" singing schools, and the singer can think just how a piece of music sounds by looking at the notes, and can read music.

The singing school is an excellent place for instrumental pupils, as this develops the musical consciousness, develops their sense of tune and rhythm. To sustain this statement we quote such instrumental teachers and critics as Dr. W. S. B. Matthews, Chas. Landon and a great many others we could mention. Theodore Thomas, America's great orchestral leader, was once asked how to commence the musical education of a child and his reply was "Let the child learn to sing as a starter."

I wish to say to all who are interested in the musical education of their children and think that the singing school is the place to learn to sing that I would be pleased to have them in our school to begin at the School House, July 24.

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# THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER

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GRAPELAND, TEXAS

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

NEWS THAT IS NEWS, WHEN IT IS NEWS, FOR ALL.

## DOINGS OF DAY AND WEEK

Happenings the Wide World Over of Important Events Condensed to Good Reading.

### WASHINGTON.

When the government's fiscal year of 1911 closed Saturday the federal treasury held a cash surplus of at least \$33,000,000 and showed an excess of all receipts over all disbursements for the first time since 1907.

The Canadian reciprocity situation cleared to a marked degree Saturday and a canvass of the situation in the senate was in every way assuring to the friends of the measure. With not more than a dozen set speeches in prospect and with eight-hour sessions of the senate on the program to hasten action, many of the senators count upon a vote before the end of July, and Senator Smoot holds to his original prediction that an adjournment of congress will be taken by that time.

The name of the president of the United States again figured in the testimony of Edward Hines, official of the lumber trust, before the Lorimer investigation committee Saturday. Hines declared that Mr. Taft desired the election of Mr. Lorimer to the senate. Senator Aldrich, he said, told him of this wish of the president, and he, at the request of Senator Aldrich, communicated it to both Governor Deneen and Mr. Lorimer at Springfield. The information was used freely in the Illinois capital to influence votes.

Senator Bristow is showing an accommodating spirit in the matter of his amendment to the resolution for the popular election of United States senators, and it is therefore probable the resolution, which is now in conference between the two houses, will finally go through shorn of the amendment.

Wearied of the refusal of the senate committee on foreign relations to take action on his resolution for the abrogation of the treaty of 1832 with Russia, Senator Culberson Friday sharply criticized that committee and threatened to move to discharge it. He called attention to the fact that the committee has had since early April to report on his resolution asking for information why the administration had not yet recognized the Portugal republic; that the committee would not act on the resolution and that meanwhile the state department has bestowed tardy recognition on Portugal. He said his resolution for the abrogation of the treaty of 1832 with Russia has met "with the same inaction and inattention" since April 10.

George H. Earle, Jr., of Philadelphia renewed his attack upon former President Theodore Roosevelt Friday before the house sugar trust investigating committee. He was especially denunciatory of Mr. Roosevelt's alleged failure to institute criminal prosecution of the American Sugar Refining company officials after the Pennsylvania refinery deal was exposed in 1906. Mr. Earle spoke with such emphasis that he offered to apologize if the committee thought Mr. Roosevelt's inaction was not reprehensible.

### DOMESTIC.

Standing of Texas League teams:

Teams—	Played.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Waco	76	41	35	.539
Fort Worth	76	40	36	.526
Houston	78	41	37	.526
San Antonio	79	41	38	.519
Oklahoma City	78	40	38	.513
Austin	76	38	38	.500
Dallas	79	38	41	.481
Galveston	77	30	47	.390

Standing of Southwest Texas teams:

Teams—	Played.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Beeville	7	5	2	.714
Bay City	8	5	3	.625
Corpus Christi	8	4	4	.500
Brownsville	7	3	4	.429
Laredo	8	3	5	.375
Victoria	8	3	5	.375

Admiral Peary has recently deposited in the United States National Museum at Washington four pieces of silver, a notable addition to the Peary collection which has for some months past been on exhibition in the museum. The new pieces consist of a replica of the type of ship used by Hudson, Davis and Baffin in their exploration of the Northwest passage, and three loving cups presented to Admiral Peary in recognition of his discovery of the North Pole.

Customs officers at San Antonio report an exceptionally large movement of cattle from Mexico through Texas to Northern markets since the cessation of hostilities. Thousands of head are coming through Brownsville, Laredo, Eagle Pass and El Paso. The new quarantine regulations permit these cattle to enter the United States either above or below the quarantine line, and the Mexican producers are taking advantage of it.

After electing officers for the ensuing twelve months, paying the Gulf of Mexico one farewell visit on the steamship Pilot Boy, passing the final resolutions and listening to an instructive address by J. W. Carson, superintendent of feed control at College Station, the seventeenth annual convention of the Texas Cotton Seed Crushers' association on Friday adjourned at Galveston until another year rolls around.

Gifts to the amount of \$1,200,000 received by Harvard university during the last year were announced by President Lowell to the 2,000 or more Harvard students gathered for the alumni meeting Wednesday. Almost simultaneously with this announcement Wm. C. Boyden of Chicago handed to President Lowell a check for \$100,000 as the gift of the class of 1886 to the university to be invested in the college funds and only the income to be used.

The Whited-Whelless saw mill, property of the Frost-Johnson Lumber company of Shreveport, La., and located at Aldenbridge, Bossier parish, twenty miles north of Shreveport, was totally destroyed by fire Tuesday, entailing a loss of approximately \$40,000.

The first wedding to take place at Hotel Galvez was celebrated Wednesday in the suite on the third floor of the new million-dollar establishment. The bride was Miss Cecile A. Broussard of Double Bayou, Tex., and the groom Mr. Harry C. Warner of Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Laura Alsop's contest of the will of E. J. (Lucky) Baldwin, alleging that he was her father, and asking a daughter's share of his \$11,000,000 estate, was dismissed Tuesday at Los Angeles.

### FOREIGN.

Festivities in connection with the coronation of King George, so far as the metropolis is concerned, ended Saturday with his majesty's treat at Crystal palace to 100,000 of London's poorest children. The king and queen personally attended the festival.

Ranson Jones, an 18-year-old boy of Treynor, Iowa, Friday while watching a balloon ascension, was caught in the guide ropes and carried aloft. He managed to hold onto the ropes and descended with the balloon, three miles from Treynor. He was uninjured.

The supreme court of Louisiana handed down a decision in the case of J. V. Spring et al vs. John G. Gray, involving practically all of the Vinton oil field. The court decided the case in favor of Gray, thereby confirming the title of the operators who have leased from Gray.

Generally fair weather prevails in the middle and western cotton belt and in the Central and Northeastern States, but it is unsettled and showery in the eastern cotton belt and throughout the Northwest. In the South temperature changes have been slight, but it is warmer in North-Central States and cooler in the far West.

The state treasurer Saturday reported to the controller that the land sale and lease deposits in Texas during the month ended Saturday amounted to \$94,749.95. This does not include all of the land receipts, for the law requires that 20 per cent of the amount collected be retained for making refunds where title or possession did not pass where a sale or lease was attempted.

Envious of their comrades who were captured with General Navarro at Juarez and who were released by the revolutionists without being forced back into arms, 400 men deserted in a body from the command of General Gordillo Esrudero in Chihuahua, according to official advices received at the war department Friday. Fired upon when attempting to escape, they stopped the pursuit by returning the fire, and made good their escape with their arms.

To continue the investigation of the killing of Chinese during the revolution and to meet Admiral Chen Pein Kwong, who arrives from England, Chang Ying Fang, Chinese minister to the United States and Mexico, arrived at Mexico City Friday. It is expected China will ask a heavy indemnity for the 303 Chinese killed at Torreón.

Because the management would not accede to their demand for an increase in wages, 2,000 men employed at the smelter of the Penoles Mining company at Mipimi, Mexico, have gone out on a strike. The smelter is shut down. A force of former revolutionists is guarding the works to prevent disorder.

## TEXAS NEWS HAPPENINGS

The three-story home of the Citizens' National Bank of Lubbock is nearing completion.

Midland is to have a grand Fourth of July barbecue and celebration, being joined by neighboring towns and villages.

A recent count of Brownwood's population shows it to be 10,375. This count was taken by a city directory bureau.

Five new stores, modern in style and construction, just completed at Garland, completes covering all the ground around the public square.

On July 15 Henrietta will vote on a proposed bond issue of \$18,000 for the purpose of damming the Little Wichita for a city water supply.

After several months of water from the Trinity mixed with some artesian water Fort Worth has completed arrangements for an all artesian water supply.

The removal of a piece of the skull of Harry Wiltse of New Haven, Conn., which was pressing on the brain, restored speech lost six months previously.

The Dallas Humane Society is raising a fund for installing an electric executioner for dogs doomed to death. Formerly a lethal chamber was used, but lately they have been killed by shooting.

The city commission, the mayor, the state senator and representatives from Dallas all unite in asking the Governor to raise the bond limit of Dallas from \$5,000,000 to \$8,000,000. This limit is arbitrarily fixed at present.

Plans for a new Katy station at Temple presented by the company are not considered elaborate enough or extensive enough for the demands of the situation by the city organizations, and new plans have been urged upon the railway management.

Every common railway carrier will be required after July 1 to report to the Interstate Commerce Commission by telegraph "any collision, derailment or other accident" resulting in the death of one or more persons.

Wool buyers in New Mexico have been ordered to cease buying, on account of proposed tariff changes.

Galveston received her first bale of 1911 cotton Saturday. It came from Hidalgo county.

Dublin will hold an election on August 5 to vote on issuing bonds amounting to \$45,000 for the purpose of erecting a new high school building. In the event of a favorable vote, it is intended to use the present high school building for a ward school.

F. A. Pines, the Dallas aeroplaneist, who has made several successful flights, has made an engagement to fly at Texarkana on July 3 and 4. His machine is one of the most powerful in existence, the engine being a 100-125 horse power plant.

Hon. Martin W. Littleton, formerly of Dallas, now Democratic Congressman from the Oyster Bay District, New York, has accepted an invitation of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce to be the guest of honor at a reception there, and, according to present plans, the event will be arranged for the night of July 6.

Order for 50,000 tons of structural and railway steel placed last week indicate an activity and strength that bodes well for increased industrial activity.

Saturday Governor Colquitt commuted death sentences against two negroes, who were to hang in Waco on the 29th, to life sentences in the penitentiary.

Mount Pleasant, taking the cue from Paris, has arranged to erect a city abattoir for the municipal slaughter of all animals killed for food in the city. The Mackey Telegraph Company opened offices in Dallas Saturday. This company enters the field fully prepared to handle an East bound business and has a capacity for some forty operators in the Dallas office.

Wiltonville and Little Plock in Bell County have voted \$2,000 and \$3,000 respectively for school houses.

Preparations are being made for the Baptist encampment at Sutherland Springs, a resort near San Antonio. The camping ground consists of twenty-five acres on the Cibolo river, and has an abundance of shade and mineral water. The dates are July 4-14.

To avoid the Kansas law against the marriage of first cousins T. G. Holliday and Miss Eva Cora Taylor of Augusta, Kan., were married at Dabhart Wednesday morning.

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and at the same time send your orders for job printing out of town. Your home printer can do your work just as good, and in nine cases out of ten he can beat the city man's prices, because he pays much less for running expenses. By sending your next printing order to this office you'll be better satisfied all around, and you'll be keeping the money at home.

## YOUR DOLLAR

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## SYNOPSIS.

Count di Rosini, the Italian ambassador, is at dinner with diplomats in the national capital when a messenger brings a note directing him to come to the embassy at once. Here a beautiful young woman asks that she be given a ticket to the embassy ball. The ticket is made out in the name of Miss Isabel Thorne. Chief Campbell of the secret service, and Mr. Grimm, his head detective, are warned that a plot of the Latin races against the English speaking races is brewing in Washington, and Grimm goes to the state ball for information. In a conservatory his attention is called to Miss Isabel Thorne, who with her companion, soon disappears. A revolver shot is heard and Campbell and Grimm hasten down the hall to find that Senor Alvarez of the Mexican legation, has been shot. A woman did it, and Grimm is assured it was Miss Thorne. He visits her, demanding knowledge of the affair, and there arrests a man named Pietro Petrozinni. Miss Thorne visits an old man, Luigi, apparently a bomb maker, and they speak of a wonderful experiment.

## CHAPTER VIII.—(Continued.)

Simultaneously the front door of the house on the corner, where Hastings had been hiding, and the front door of the house near the corner, where Blair had been hiding, opened and two heads peered out. As the car approached Hastings' hiding-place he withdrew into the hallway; but Blair came out and hurried past the legation in the direction of the rapidly disappearing motor. Hastings joined him; they spoke together, then turned the corner.

It was about ten o'clock that night when Hastings reported to Mr. Campbell at his home.

"We followed the car in a rented automobile from the time it turned the corner, out through Alexandria, and along the old Baltimore Road into the city of Baltimore," he explained. "It was dark by the time we reached Alexandria, but we stuck to the car ahead, running without lights until we came in sight of Druid Hill Park, and then we had to show lights or be held up. We covered those forty miles going in less than two hours.

"After the car passed Druid Hill it slowed up a little, and ran off the turnpike into North Avenue, then into North Charles Street, and slowly along that as if they were looking for a number. At last it stopped and Miss Thorne got out and entered a house. She was gone for more than half an hour, leaving Mr. Cadwallader with the car. While she was gone I made some inquiries and learned that the house was occupied by a Mr. Thomas Q. Griswold. I don't know anything else about him; Blair may have learned something.

"Now comes the curious part of it," and Hastings looked a little sheepish. "When Miss Thorne came out of the house she was not Miss Thorne at all—she was Senorita Inez Rodriguez, daughter of the Venezuelan minister. She wore the same clothing Miss Thorne had worn going, but her veil was lifted. Veiled and all muffled up one would have taken oath it was the same woman. She and Cadwallader are back in Washington now, or are coming. That's all, except Blair is still in Baltimore, awaiting orders. I caught the train from the Charles Street station and came back. Johnson, you know—"

"Yes, I've seen Johnson," interrupted Campbell. "Are you absolutely positive that the woman you saw get into the automobile with Mr. Cadwallader was Miss Thorne?"

"Absolutely," replied Hastings without hesitation. "I saw her in her own room with her wraps on, then saw her come down and get into the car."

"That's all," said the chief. "Good-night."

For an hour or more he sat in a great, comfortable chair in the smoking-room of his own home, the guileless blue eyes vacant, staring, and spidery lines in the benevolent forehead.

On the morning of the second day following, Senor Rodriguez, the minister from Venezuela, reported to the Secret Service Bureau the disappearance of fifty thousand dollars in gold from a safe in his private office at the legation.

## CHAPTER IX.

### Fifty Thousand Dollars.

Mr. Campbell was talking. "For several months past," he said, "the International Investment Company, through its representative, Mr. Cressy, has been secretly negotiating with Senor Rodriguez for certain asphalt properties in Venezuela. Three days ago these negotiations were successfully concluded, and yesterday afternoon Mr. Cressy, in secret, paid to Senor Rodriguez, fifty thousand dol-

lars in American gold, the first of four payments of similar sums. This gold was to have been shipped to Philadelphia by express to-day to catch a steamer for Venezuela."

Mr. Grimm nodded. "The fact that this gold was in Senor Rodriguez's possession could not have been known to more than half a dozen persons, as the negotiations throughout have been in strict secrecy," and Mr. Campbell smiled benignly. "So much! Now, Senor Rodriguez has just telephoned asking that I send a man to the legation at once. The gold was kept there over night or perhaps I should say that the senator intended to keep it there over night." Mr. Campbell stared at Mr. Grimm for a moment, then: "Miss Thorne, you know, is a guest at the legation, that is why I am referring the matter to you."

"I understand," said Mr. Grimm. And ten minutes later Mr. Grimm presented himself to Senor Rodriguez. "Senor," he inquired placidly, "fifty thousand dollars in gold would weigh



"No One, Not a Soul in This House, Except Myself, Knew It Was Here."

nearly two hundred pounds, wouldn't it?"

Senor Rodriguez stared at him blankly. "Si, Senor," he agreed absently. And then, in English: "Yes, I should imagine so."

"Well, was all of it stolen, or only a part of it?" Mr. Grimm went on.

The minister gazed into the listless eyes for a time, then, apparently bewildered, walked forth and back across the room again. Finally he sat down.

"All of it," he admitted. "I can't understand it. No one, not a soul in this house, except myself, knew it was here."

"In addition to this weight of, say two hundred pounds, fifty thousand dollars would make considerable bulk," mused Mr. Grimm. "Very well! Therefore it would appear that the person, or persons, who got it must have gone away from here heavily laden?"

Senor Rodriguez nodded. "And now, Senor," Mr. Grimm continued, "if you will kindly state the circumstances immediately preceding and following the theft?"

A slight frown which had been growing upon the smooth brow of the diplomatist was instantly dissipated. "The money—fifty thousand dollars in gold coin—was paid to me yesterday afternoon about four o'clock," he began slowly, in explanation.

"By Mr. Cressy of the International Investment Company," supplemented Mr. Grimm. "Yes, Go on."

The diplomatist favored the young

man with one sharp, inquiring glance, and continued:

"The gentleman who paid the money remained here from four until nine o'clock while I, personally, counted it. As I counted it I placed it in canvas bags and when he had gone I took these bags from this room into that," he indicated a closed door to his right, "and personally stowed them away in the safe. I closed and locked the door of the safe myself; I know that it was locked. And that's all, except this morning the money was gone."

"Safe blown?" inquired Mr. Grimm. "No, Senor!" exclaimed the diplomatist with sudden violence. "No, the safe was not blown! It was closed and locked, exactly as I had left it!"

Mr. Grimm was idly twisting the seal ring on his little finger.

"Just as I left it!" Senor Rodriguez repeated excitedly. "Last night after I locked the safe door I tried it to make certain that it was locked. I happened to notice then that the pointer on the dial had stopped precisely at number forty-five. This morning, when I unlocked the safe—and, of course, I didn't know then that the money had been taken—the pointer was still at number forty-five."

He paused with one hand in the air; Mr. Grimm continued to twist the seal ring.

"It was all like—like some trick on the stage," the minister went on, "like the magician's disappearing lady, or—or! It was as though I had not put the money into the safe at all!"

"Did you?" inquired Mr. Grimm amiably.

"Did I?" blazed Senor Rodriguez. "Why, Senor—I did!" he concluded meekly.

Mr. Grimm believed him.

taken out of the safe without it being unlocked. This last would have been a miracle, and this is not the day of miracles, therefore—"

Mr. Grimm's well modulated voice trailed off into silence. Senor Rodriguez came to his feet with a blaze of anger in his eyes; Mr. Grimm was watching him curiously.

"I understand, Senor," said the minister deliberately, "that you believe that I—"

"I believe that you have told the truth," interrupted Mr. Grimm placidly, "that is the truth so far as you know it. But you have stated one thing in error. Somebody besides yourself does know the combination.

Senor Rodriguez drew a deep breath of relief. The implied accusation had been withdrawn as pleasantly and frankly as it had been put forward.

"I ran across a chap in New York once, for instance," Mr. Grimm took the trouble to explain, "who could unlock any safe—that is, any safe of the kind used at that time—twelve or fourteen years ago. So you see, I doubt if he would be so successful with the new models, with all their improvements, but then—! You know he would have made an ideal burglar, that chap. Now, Senor, who lives here in the legation with you?"

"My secretary, Senor Diaz, my daughter Inez, and just at the moment, a Miss Thorne—Miss Isabel Thorne," the senator informed him. "Also four servants—two men and two women."

"I've had the pleasure of meeting your daughter and Miss Thorne," Mr. Grimm informed him. "Now, suppose we take a look at the safe?"

"Certainly."

Senor Rodriguez started toward the closed door just as there came a timid knock from the hall. He glanced at Mr. Grimm, who nodded, then he called:

"Come in!"

The door opened, and Miss Thorne entered. She was clad in some filmy, gossamer-like morning gown with her radiant hair caught upon her white neck. At sight of Mr. Grimm the blue-gray eyes opened as if in surprise, and she paused irresolutely.

"I beg your pardon, Senor," she said, addressing the diplomatist. "I did not know you were engaged. And Mr. Grimm!" She extended a slim, white hand, and the young man bowed low over it. "We are old friends," she explained, smilingly, to the minister. Then: "I think I must have dropped my handkerchief when I was in here yesterday with Inez. Perhaps you found it?"

"Si, Senorita," replied Senor Rodriguez gallantly. "It is on my desk in here. Just a moment."

He opened the door and passed into the adjoining room. Mr. Grimm's eyes met those of Miss Isabel Thorne, and there was no listlessness in them now, only interest. She smiled at him tauntingly and lowered her lids. Senor Rodriguez appeared from the other room with the handkerchief.

"Mil gracias, Senor," she thanked him.

"No hay de que, Senorita," he returned, as he opened the door for her.

"Monsieur Grimm, au revoir!" She dropped a little curtsy, and still smiling, went out.

"She is charming, Senor," the diplomatist assured him enthusiastically, albeit irrelevantly. "Such vivacity, such personality, such—such—she is charming."

"The safe, please," Mr. Grimm reminded him.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

### "Pins and Needles."

After being for a long time in a constrained attitude a peculiar numbness and pricking is often felt in the arm, leg or foot. This is caused by some interruption to the circulation and can usually be removed by rubbing or exercise.

The reason of the sensation, which is decidedly uncomfortable while it lasts, is that pressure for a certain length of time deadens the sensibility of a nerve. When this pressure is suddenly removed (as straightening out the leg after sitting with it doubled underneath the body) sensibility gradually returns to the nerve, and as each nerve-fiber composing the trunk regains its normal condition of sensibility a pricking sensation is felt, and these successive prickings from the successive awakenings of the numerous fibers have not inaptly been called "pins and needles."—From the Family Doctor.

### Ruins in Yucatan.

There is in Yucatan a chain of ruins 300 miles long, where once stood buildings richly decorated and erected with a vast amount of architectural knowledge. The buildings belonged to the stone age, when the remarkable figures in stone were carved with pieces of flint. The people of this age had not the use of either bronze or iron.

### On the Eligible List.

"So you think that Baron Fucash is likely to propose to me?" said the beautiful heiress. "Yes," replied Mrs. Cumrox. "I think there is a probability. You see, his creditors are pressing him and he's got to propose to somebody."

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**IN BUGGVILLE.**

Willie Fly—Heavens! I'm caught in a cyclone!

**A New Sensation.**  
Little Jean had visited one of the large summer amusement parks for the first time, and with the courage possessed only by those girls whose playmates are boys and girls older than themselves, she had not hesitated, when invited, to take a ride on one of the "thrillers" that abound in such places.  
To her mother, on her return from the park, she confided the emotions she had experienced as she swept round the curves of the "figure eight" with her elder brothers.  
"Mamma," she said, "when I went round those awful turns so fast I felt just as if I had freckles on my stomach!"—Youth's Companion.

**HEART RIGHT.**  
When He Quit Coffee.

Life Insurance Companies will not insure a man suffering from heart trouble.  
The reason is obvious. This is a serious matter to the husband or father who is solicitous for the future of his dear ones. Often the heart trouble is caused by an unexpected thing and can be corrected if taken in time and properly treated. A man in Colorado writes:  
"I was a great coffee drinker for many years, and was not aware of the injurious effects of the habit till I became a practical invalid, suffering from heart trouble, indigestion and nervousness to an extent that made me wretchedly miserable myself and a nuisance to those who witnessed my sufferings.  
"I continued to drink coffee, however, not suspecting that it was the cause of my ill-health, till on applying for life insurance I was rejected on account of the trouble with my heart. Then I became alarmed. I found that leaving off coffee helped me quickly, so I quit it altogether and having been attracted by the advertisements of Postum I began its use.  
"The change in my condition was remarkable. All my ailments vanished. My digestion was completely restored, my nervousness disappeared, and, most important of all, my heart steadied down and became normal, and on a second examination I was accepted by the Life Insurance Co. Quitting coffee and using Postum worked the change." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.  
"There's a reason," and it is explained in the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.  
Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.



## The Steam Engine

The record of civilization is accurately written in the progress of the steam engine. The use of steam has enlarged the purposes of the human race, built up civilization and developed mankind. Of all the potential energies, it is the most useful and it renders a service to every living creature.

The steam engine has been in more political brawls than any other force in nature and the politicians have been trying title with the owners ever since it became a factor in transportation. This mighty force of nature has often been handicapped by having boards and commissions placed over it who have neither knowledge or experience in the business and free railroads have become as popular a campaign issue as free trade.



Railroad mileage is the yard stick of progress. We have in Texas 14,000 miles of railroad and rank first of all states in the Union in mileage. In miles per area, we rank fortieth, having 1.15 miles of railroad per 100 square miles of territory. In mileage per population, we rank nineteenth, having 38.43 miles of railroad per 10,000 people.

The comparative test of railroad facilities is in miles per area. If we had the mileage per area that the state of Illinois has we would have 55,500 miles; that Indiana has 54,000 miles and that Iowa has 46,000 miles. We have only 14,000 miles.

According to the last Interstate commerce commission report, compiled June 30, 1909, we constructed 273 miles during the previous year and ranked fourth in the list of states in the Union in construction during the year. We are more in need of railroad construction than any other state in the Union. The railroad development of Texas has not kept pace with the development of other lines of industry. Our railroad mileage during the past ten years has increased 35 per cent; the value of manufactured products has increased 92 per cent; the value of farm lands 157 per cent and the development of all lines of industry has been retarded for want of railroad facilities.

Texas is the most important field in railroad construction of any state in the Union. According to the 1910 comptroller's report, we have forty-seven counties in Texas without railroad facilities and we have approximately 40,000,000 acres of territory that is a distance of ten miles and over from a railroad.

## The Texas Hen

The Texas hen is the queen of the barnyard. Her cackle sounds as musical to the farmer as the clink of gold dollars and her flesh is the daintiest of food. We ship live and dressed poultry to the Northern and Eastern markets and give the nation its Sunday dinner.

The hen is the patron of mechanics, science and art and is further advanced in civilization than any other animal. She is a splendid advertiser, a good money maker and she uses no many labor-saving devices that she lives a life of ease and luxury. The incubator relieves her of the necessity of hatching her young; her nest is built by master mechanics; glass eggs take the place of the home-made product for decoy purposes and she roosts on automobiles. She is progressive, practical and happy and merrily sings as she lays 5,000,000 eggs per day.



The egg is the only animal product that is good for food and will produce

its specie. It is the only product known to creation that has a dual commercial value and it finds its way to every table in the universe.

The poultry business in Texas has reached mammoth proportions. During the past year the total production, including eggs and young poultry, approximated \$25,000,000. The egg output was worth \$18,000,000. The Texas hen lays three times her value per annum. We have approximately 25,000,000 domestic fowls. We have more turkeys and geese than any other state in the Union.

Poultry farming in Texas is one of the most profitable of investments. Our natural conditions are adapted to the propagation of domestic fowls and their products and it is one of the many industrial fields in Texas, which present large opportunities to small investors.

## Statewide Prohibition and the Bailey Issue

"Statewide prohibition and the Bailey question are now the paramount issues in Texas, and it is the privilege of every citizen to vote his convictions on these questions, but when they are finally settled we submit a few subjects for the consideration of the public," says the Texas Commercial Secretaries' Association.

### New Campaign Issues.

There are 137,000,000 acres of land in Texas that have never been plowed; we have 40,000,000 acres of land that is located ten miles and over—some of it 150 miles—from a railroad. The Texas farmers ship \$1,200,000 worth of raw material to the foreign factory daily; we have vast beds of mineral wealth stored beneath the surface which have never been touched and the list could be extended indefinitely. We would like to place these subjects in the box for those who draw campaign issues to select from. The building of an empire is a question about which there can be difference of opinion sufficiently wide to give spice and vigor to a campaign and if, after the campaign is over we could get our orators and writers to discuss Texas development for a few months and present the merits of the plow and hammer, we would awaken to vigorous activity the wealth, talent and enterprise of the people and make Texas the greatest state in the Union.

### The Purpose of Government.

Settle the prohibition and the Bailey issue either way and we have not brought another acre of land under cultivation; have not constructed another mile of railroad, built another factory, opened up another mine or given additional employment to labor. In this life, first of all things, we must have bread and making it easy for the bread winner is the first duty of government. Agriculture, commerce and industry are the cornerstones of government and we cannot induce men and money to come to Texas and develop our resources by merely wishing for them as a child yearns for the moon, but we must go about it with the zeal and enterprise that a business man undertakes to increase his business or a farmer improves his farm.

### Texas Growing.

When the government completes the Panama canal and the plans for the improvement of the Texas harbors are fully consummated, our industrial horizon will be greatly widened and we will be brought face to face with conditions which will force us to enlarge our ideals of the commercial destiny of Texas. Faith is a good thing in government, but work is better and we should prepare to meet conditions as they unfold to us like the ten wise virgins of the Scripture—with our lamps trimmed and burning.

God, the government and outside capital have done everything possible for Texas, and if we will only meet them half way we will soon build up a civilization that surpasses anything on the globe.

## Texas Fuel

It was the discovery of fire that raised man into the rulership of the world and gave civilization its most useful element in progress. It melts the mineral rock, turns the wheels of commerce, warms the human race and broadens the horizon of human endeavor.

Geologists tell us that Texas is one of the latest additions to the western hemisphere, and the Ruler of the Universe, in creating Texas, gave us an abundant supply of everything on hand and was especially generous with us

in minerals.

We have been supplied with a variety and an abundance of fuel. We have wood, coal, oil and gas in commercial quantities and after supplying home consumption, ship large quantities throughout the United States.

### Coal.

Our coal fields have never been fully explored; government geologists have examined a portion of our territory and report a deposit of 81,000,000,000 tons, of which 8,000,000,000 is bituminous and 23,000,000,000 lignite. We mined last year 1,595,377 tons and employed 4,400 laborers in the mines. The coal taken from the mines was valued at \$3,419,481; to get all the coal out of the ground at the present rate of mining would require 17,000 years.

It is estimated that four and a half tons of coal used in making steam will produce one horse power one year ten hours per day. The latent forces we have stored beneath the ground surpass human comprehension.

### Oil.

Texas oil illuminates the national fire-side, lubricates the wheels of commerce and runs our factories. We have \$100,000,000 invested in the oil industry in Texas and we have taken 15,000,000 barrels of petroleum from the ground. We have 1,250 miles of pipe line and oil from Oklahoma fields is brought to Texas.

### Gas.

Natural gas from the Henrietta field is piped to adjoining towns and then used for light and fuel, and the manufactured product is used extensively in the larger cities. We have 700 miles of main pipe line and approximately 50,000,000 invested in the gas industry.

Nature has solved the fuel problem in Texas for centuries to come and laid the foundation for a great manufacturing country.

### Pipe Lines.

Pipe lines are primarily city buffers. The pipe line brings the oil field to the refinery and the gas well to the city and to the factory, reducing the cost of transportation, as well as providing a feasible method of distributing the products of the oil and gas wells throughout the state. All enterprising cities should be connected with a pipe line.

### Farm and Factory.

The farm and factory go hand in hand and the prosperity of either is dependent upon the other. By bringing the factory to the farm we adjust economic conditions and the increase in value of live stock goes to the producer without increasing the price of meat to the consumer. By building factories in Texas we can greatly decrease the high cost of living.

### Rural Telephones.

The scientist in giving the farmer improved varieties of products and the inventor in giving us machinery that reduces the cost of production, has performed a great service to the farmer. But the telephone, born from the creative mind of the inventive genius is destined to companion in utility and convenience all human accomplishments for the intelligent promotion of agriculture. The telephone is the improved public highway of information and is as valuable to the farmer in selling his products as good roads are in hauling his goods to the market.

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