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All the News from Reynard Community

Reynard, Texas, August 14.—The first of last week we had a few days of extreme heat, but Friday we had a right good shower—enough to lay the dust and cool off the atmosphere, and yesterday evening had another; enough to make the moisture meet and everything is cool and pleasant.

We think cotton is doing all right just now. The early is beginning to open and every boll that opens relieves the weed of that much resonsibility, thereby enabling it to put on others, which it will do when it has not got all it can carry.

Beazley Bros. are ready to gin the first bale and the Bank farm has one ready to gin so we have been informed, and there is a bale very near out on Jack and Oscar Beazley's farm.

We are expecting to have a protracted meeting beginning the fourth Sunday. It will be conducted by Bro. Craven and some lay help, provided we get it. Let all praying folk pray for a great time.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Keen spent Friday and Saturday with their relatives here. They were accompanied by Mrs. Joe Darsey and daughter of Grapeland.

Mr. Oran Rials and Miss Lizzie Edens were married last Thursday night. They are two of our most popular young people, and we wish for them a long and happy married life.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Sumnar Rials, August 11, a fine baby boy. Sumnar says he is backstop No. 2 for the Aligator ball team.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. West returned Friday from their Louisiana trip.

Mrs. Chas. Taylor and little W. D. are spending the week in Grapeland.

Claude Roquemore of Oakwood has accepted a position with Beazley Bros. at the gin.

Several young men from Grapeland spent a few days here last week hunting and fishing.

Pledger Chiles and Tom and Charlie Kent went to Grapeland Saturday night.

Miss Gertrude Meriwether has been having a time with the fever, but glad to report her up.

We are sorry to hear that Nugent Beazley has black jaundice. Hope he will soon be well.

Don't think anyone is blue over the cotton outlook.

The Bank farm has changed hands, but we are not well enough posted to give the particulars. Think a company purchased it. Hope they will be a help to us in other ways than money. ZACK.

Col. Nunn Dead

Crockett, Texas, Aug. 14.—Col. D. A. Nunn, one of the eminent attorneys of Texas, died of congestion at his home in Crockett Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the age of 75 years. He came from Mississippi in 1859 and located here, where he has resided ever since. He commanded a company of volunteers made up of Crockett young men during the civil war, and after the cessation of hostilities between the North and the South he resumed the practice of law here. He was a member of the Texas constitutional convention in 1874, and at the time of his death was an honorary member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. He is survived by his wife and two children, Mrs. Corinne N. Corry and Hon. D. A. Nunn Jr. and a grandson, Robert Reed Nunn all of whom were present at his deathbed.

First Bale

George Calhoun has the honor of bringing in the first bale of cotton, bringing it in Monday. The bale weighed 572, ginned by Spence Bros., weighed by C. E. Lively and bought by Kennedy Bros. for 12c per pound.

The second bale was brought in Wednesday morning by Harvey Johnson, colored.

TO THE PUBLIC

At the beginning of another cotton seed season I wish to extend my sincere thanks to the people of the Grapeland country for their most liberal patronage. I will be in the cotton seed market again this fall and will at all times pay you the top price for your seed. I promise a square deal to everyone and you will always find me on the job

Yours truly,
J. W. HOWARD.

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NEWS AS IT HAPPENS

NATIONAL, STATE, FOREIGN, OF INTEREST TO READERS.

THE WHOLE WEEK'S DOINGS

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

WASHINGTON.

As soon as congress adjourns, which senate and house leaders declare will take place this week, all of the members of the Texas delegation will pack their grips and start for home. A few may loiter a day or two en route, but the majority have declared that they are anxious to get back to Texas.

In the house Saturday Representative Garner's bill was passed providing for the transfer of Fort Clark military reserve to the State of Texas for use as a tuberculosis sanitarium. The bill was amended to comprise 640 acres and the buildings, instead of 500 acres.

Senator Bailey Friday resigned from the monetary commission because he believed that the senate is about to pass the Cummins resolution requiring the commission to make its final report by December 4.

The house bill, for the revision of the cotton schedule of the present tariff law, was reported adversely to the senate Friday from the finance committee. Objection was made by Senator Overman of North Carolina to Senator Smoot's requirement that the bill be made the unfinished business of the senate.

An indication that the insurgents are not in a death struggle over the pending tariff bills is the optimistic feeling among house leaders that adjournment of congress will come this week. The wool and the free list bills out of the way, there will remain only the attempt to pass these bills over the president's veto, and the attempt to likewise pass the statehood resolution, or, failing in that, to pass a new statehood resolution, the democrats still being determined to admit Arizone as well as New Mexico at this session of congress.

Because the house democrats do not want to take any chance on failing to override the proposed president's vetoes on tariff and statehood measures, the plan is now under consideration to cancel all pairs between democrats and republicans in the house.

Organized labor won a signal victory Saturday at Washington when Controller of the Treasury Tracewell construed the last naval appropriation act to mean that "every" employe in a shipyard where government ships are building built must be given an eight-hour day.

George W. Perkins escaped being hauled before the bar of the house and a jail sentence by a compromise by which he answered in part the questions put to him in regard to campaign contributions and Mr. Lindabury, counsel for the United States Steel Corporation, pledged himself to furnish the Stanley committee all the evidence he could find in the archives of the company in regard to campaign contributions, all the campaigns from 1904 on.

DOMESTIC.

Result of Sunday's games in Texas league: Oklahoma City 6, Waco 1; Fort Worth 10, Dallas 2; Austin 3-2, Galveston 2-0; Houston 5, San Antonio 0.

Result of Sunday's games in Southwest Texas league: Laredo 4-5, Bay City 1-1; Beeville 11, Corpus Christi 6.

An optimistic note regarding business conditions is sounded in the current bulletin of the American Railway Association relative to car surpluses and shortages which shows that there are fewer idle cars throughout the country at present than there have been since the beginning of the year.

Beaumont citizens Saturday voted a series of bonds for municipal improvements aggregating $200,000.

Two steamers, the Calaberia and Venezia, arrived in New York Friday from Naples and Palermo and were held at quarantine. Every one of the 373 passengers on the Calaberia is well. The Venezia reported that Salvian Inicola, aged 36 years, died on August 7 of cholera and his body was buried at sea.

Attempting to escape an order sending him to jail for shooting a man, Martin Shadowen shot the judge who had ordered him held, the marshal and deputies who had arrested him and while trying to fight his way out of the crowded court room at Christopher, Ill., Friday, the prisoner was shot to death.

Blowing steadily for nearly an hour at the rate of eighty miles an hour, a southeastern storm held Pensacola, Fla., in its throes Friday.

The United States government shortly will come into full possession of four islands—Naos, Flamenco, Perico and Culebra—in Panama bay at the Pacific entrance to the Panama canal.

Plans for the construction of a new union railway station for Chicago to cost $20,000,000 and be used by the Pennsylvania lines, the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy road and the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railway were announced Saturday.

Mrs. Ella Reese, the woman prisoner who has been ordered to work out her fine in bloomers on the streets of Iola, Kan., was pardoned Saturday by Mayor C. O. Bollinger. Judge Smeltzer had sentenced the woman to the rock pile because he saw no reason why a distinction should be made between violators of the law simply because of sex.

Colonel J. M. Foster of Newark, N. J., filed claims Saturday with the state department against the Mexican government for the death of his foster son, Dr. Arthur M. Foster of Los Angeles. It is charged that Dr. Foster was killed by Mexican soldiers in Alamo, Mexico, last June, while giving medical attention to wounded insurgents.

The South Texas Gardeners' Association convened at Brownsville this week.

General George W. Gordon died at Memphis. He was a soldier, lawyer and statesman.

Dallas was selected as the place of meeting for the 1912 session of the Grand Lodge of the Knights and Ladies of Honor, which closed its sessions in Houston Wednesday.

Advices received in Houston Wednesday from Austin are to the effect that the general offices of the International and Great Northern, under the new company, will be moved from Palestine to Houston.

The San Saba fair opened its ninth annual meet Tuesday with fully 8,000 people in attendance.

The great steel viaduct at the southern city limits of Houston for the use of the Houston and Galveston interurban line is practically completed.

FOREIGN.

More than 500 lives were lost and great devastation ashore and afloat resulting from a typhoon and tidal wave which swept over Japan July 26, according to advices brought to Victoria, B. C., Sunday, by the Empress of Japan. The fishing fleets from Shidzaoka suffered severely. More than 200 fishermen were drowned.

General Victoriano Huerta, in command of the federal troops in Cuernavaca, has received orders from President de la Barra to proceed with all activity and not to cease operations until the forces of General Emilliano Zapata, which have risen against the Mexican government, are forced to unconditional surrender and the laying down of their arms.

Without his consent having been obtained, Francisco de la Barra was Monday nominated for the presidency of Mexico by a group of men representing the "liberal-radical" party. General Bernardo Reyes was selected as the candidate for the vice presidency. They did not secure the consent of this candidate either. The general is an independent candidate for the presidency.

Fire on the Queensland docks at Antwerp, where much cotton is stored, did damage Friday amounting to $1,000,000. Immense amounts of saltpeter were destroyed.

The report of the court martial which investigated the recent revolt on the Spanish battleship Numancia in Moroccan waters shows that the mutineers had planned to seize the warship and sail for Malaga to foment a revolution. Letters and documents which give evidence of a widespread republican plot are said to have been found on other Spanish warships.

There was rioting in the streets of Barcelona following a procession and demonstration in sympathy with the mutineers who were put to death on board the battleship Numancia Friday. There was some shooting and several persons were wounded. The troops had to be called out to restore order.

London's dock neighborhood was under mob rule Friday, with the result that there was such a dwindling of food supplies that the metropolis experienced something akin to what might happen if a hostile foreign force should succeed in interrupting the empire's trade routes.

King George of England is to open the grouse shooting season this year with Lord and Lady Ripon at Studley Royal, when he will have two days' shooting over the celebrated Dalowgill moors, in Niddersdale. These moors always yield very heavy bags at the beginning of the season, and it has not been the custom to shoot over them for more than three or four days in the year.

The entire Oriental province of the Congo Free State is in revolt. The natives are said to have carried off a Belgian magistrate and are holding him as a hostage.

JOHN W. GATES DEAD

DIED IN ARMS OF WIFE AND SON IN PARIS.

HAD A REMARKABLE CAREER

The End Was Peaceful and It Seemed As Though He Was Falling Asleep.

Paris.—John W. Gates, the American financier, died Wednesday in the arms of his wife and son, Charles G. Gates.

The end was peaceful and it seemed as though he was falling asleep. The usual restoratives failed in the last crisis.

Others present at the bedside, beside the members of the family, were Drs. Gros and Reeves.

His iron constitution and courageous resistance, backed by every resource of medical science, failed to save Mr. Gates. He had battled heroically for weeks with a disease of the kidneys and when it was believed that he was almost sure to recover, contracted pneumonia.

Several Times Near Death.

Several times he was reported to be at the point of death, but rallied with the aid of powerful stimulants. The pneumonia and kidney troubles had ameliorated somewhat on Monday, but early Tuesday morning there was a recurrence of the congestion of the kidneys, which was followed by a further attack Tuesday noon.

JOHN W. GATES.

Mr. Gates Tuesday night suffered a general relapse. The inflammation of the lungs and the action of the heart and kidneys all grew worse, while a new complication in the nature of a disorder of the intestines aggravated the weakness of the patient.

Lived on Oxygen.

For a week Mr. Gates had practically lived on oxygen, inhaled through a tube, which was constantly fastened to his robe beneath his mouth. When the heart failed oxygen was administered more freely through a tunnel from a bag. In addition to this caffeine, strychnine and oil of camphor were used to give artifical force and the kidneys were frequently drained.

Mr. Gates has lost fifty pounds since he became ill.

The remarkable fight to save the life of the financier in which some of the leading physicians of France, England and the United States had participated, attracted the attention of the medical world.

Warmly Loved; Fiercely Hated.

Genial, swashbuckling, warmly loved and fiercely hated, who never accepted defeat, gave and took hard blows and always laughed; who followed many courses in his indefatigable chase for wealth, made and lost many millions, but more often won than lost, John W. Gates lived to forgive and then attend the funerals of most of his enemies and died a successful and wealthy man.

Mr. Gates virtually began his career in St. Louis and there achieved his first and most characteristic victories. Born on an Illinois farm, he went to Chicago like most of the enterprising young men of his age. "The cards came up wrong for me in Chicago," he used to say, so he moved to St. Louis, carrying no excess baggage in the way of money, opened an office as a broker in the iron and steel business and began to spy out the land.

The barbed wire business was just then beginning. Ranchmen were fencing in the great West and Southwest and they required the new material by the trainload. A Massachusetts firm, Washburn & Moen, owned all the patents and had a virtual monopoly of the business until Mr. Gates decided to enter the field. The young broker hired a building in Soulard street, hastily improvised a plant and began to sell barbed wire.

At the time of his death he was interested in the development of Port Arthur, Texas.

ELUSIVE ISABEL

by JACQUES FUTRELLE

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SYNOPSIS.

Count di Rosini, the Italian ambassador, is at dinner with diplomats when a messenger summons him to the embassy, where a beautiful young woman asks for 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 is brewing in Washington, and Grimm goes to the state ball for information. His attention is called to Miss Isabel Thorne, who with her companion, disappears. A shot is heard and Senor Alvarez of the Mexican legation, is found wounded. Grimm is assured Miss Thorne did it; he visits her, demanding knowledge of the affair, and arrests Pietro Petrozinni. Miss Thorne visits an old bomb-maker, and they discuss a wonderful experiment. Fifty thousand dollars is stolen from the office of Senor Rodriguez, the minister from Venezuela, and while detectives are investigating the robbery Miss Thorne appears as a guest of the legation. Grimm accuses her of the theft; the money is restored, but a new mystery occurs in the disappearance of Monsieur Boissegur the French ambassador. Elusive Miss Thorne reappears, bearing a letter which states that the ambassador has been kidnaped and demanding ransom. The ambassador returns and again strangely disappears. Later he is rescued from an old house in the suburbs.

CHAPTER XVI.

Letters From Jail.

For two weeks Signor Pietro Petrozinni, known to the Secret Service as an unaccredited agent of the Italian government, and the self-confessed assailant of Senor Alvarez of the Mexican legation, had been taking his ease in a cell. He had been formally arraigned and committed without bail to await the result of the bullet wound which had been inflicted upon the diplomatist from Mexico at the German Embassy Ball, and, since then, undisturbed and apparently careless of the outcome, he had spent his time in reading and smoking. He had answered questions with only a curt yes or no when he deigned to answer them at all; and there had been no callers or inquiries for him. He had abruptly declined a suggestion of counsel.

Twice each day, morning and night, he had asked a question of the jailer who brought his simple meals.

"How is Senor Alvarez?"

"He is still in a critical condition." The answer was always the same.

Whereupon the secret agent would return to his reading with not a shadow of uneasiness or concern on his face.

Occasionally there came a courteous little note from Miss Thorne, which he read without emotion, afterward casting them aside or tearing them up. He never answered them. And then one day there came another note which, for no apparent reason, seemed to stir him from his lethargy. Outwardly it was like all the others, but when Senor Petrozinni scanned the sheet his eyes lighted strangely, and he stood staring down at it as though to hide a sudden change of expression in his face. His gaze was concentrated on two small splotches of ink where, it seemed, the pen had scratched as Miss Thorne had signed her name.

The guard stood at the barred door for a moment, then started to turn away. The prisoner stopped him with a quick gesture.

"Oh, Guard, may I have a glass of milk, please?" he asked. "No ice. I prefer it tepid."

He thrust a small coin between the bars; the guard accepted it and passed on. Then, still standing at the door, the prisoner read the note again:

"My Dear Friend:

"I understand, from an indirect source, that there has been a marked improvement in Senor Alvarez's condition, and I am hastening to send you the good news. There is every hope that within a short while, if he continues to improve, we can arrange a bail bond, and you will be free until the time of trial, anyway.

"Might it not be well for you to consult an attorney at once? Drop me a line to let me know you received this.

Sincerely,
"ISABEL THORNE."

Finally the prisoner tossed the note on a tiny table in a corner of his cell, and resumed his reading. After a time the guard returned with the milk.

"Would it be against the rules for me to write an answer to this?" queried Signor Petrozinni, and he indicated the note.

"Certainly not," was the reply.

"If I might trouble you, then, for pen and ink and paper?" suggested the signor and he smiled a little. "Believe me, I would prefer to get them for myself."

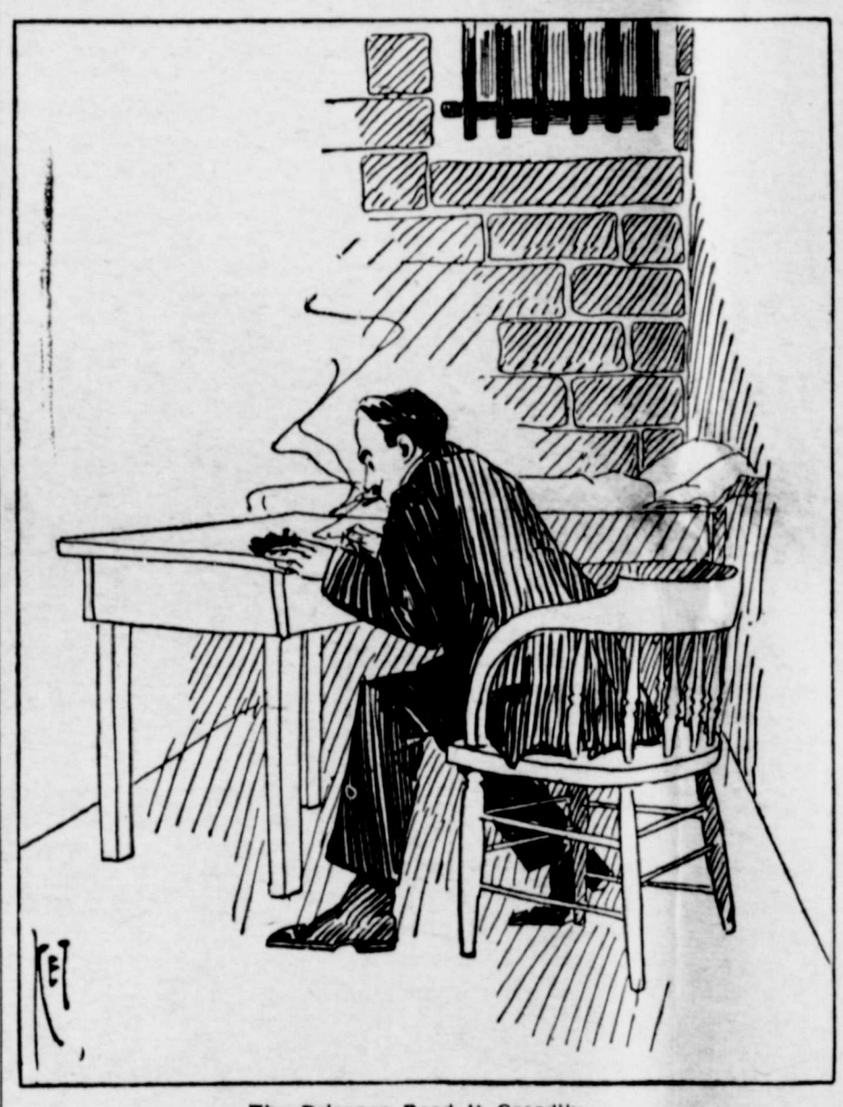
"I guess that's right," the guard grinned good-naturedly.

Again he went away and the prisoner sat thoughtfully sipping the milk. He took half of it, then lighted a cigarette, puffed it once or twice and permitted the light to die. After a little there came again the clatter of the guard's feet on the cement pavement, and the writing materials were thrust through the bars.

"Thank you," said the prisoner.

The guard went on, with a nod, and a moment later the signor heard the clangor of a steel door down the corridor as it was closed and locked. He leaned forward in his chair with half-closed eyes, listening for a long time, then rose and noiselessly approached the cell door. Again he listened intently, after which he resumed his seat. He tossed away the cigarette he had and lighted a fresh one, afterward holding the note over the flame of the match. Here and there, where the paper charred in the heat, a letter or word stood out from the bare whitness of the paper, and finally a message complete appeared between the innocuous ink-written lines. The prisoner read it greedily:

"Am privately informed there is little chance of Alvarez's recovery. Shall I arrange escape for you, or have ambassador intercede? Would advise former, as the other might take months, and meeting to sign treaty alliance would be dangerously delayed."



The Prisoner Read It Greedily.

Signor Petrozinni permitted the sputtering flame to ignite the paper, and thoughtfully watched the blaze destroy it. The last tiny scrap dropped on the floor, burned out, and he crushed the ashes under his heel. Then he began to write:

"My Dear Miss Thorne:

"Many thanks for your courteous little note. I am delighted to know of the improvement in Senor Alvarez's condition. I had hoped that my impulsive act in shooting him would not end in a tragedy. Please keep me informed of any further change in his condition. As yet I do not see the necessity of consulting an attorney, but later I may be compelled to do so.

"Respectfully,
"PIETRO PETROZINNI."

This done the secret agent carefully cleaned the ink from the pen, wiping it dry with his handkerchief, then thrust it into the half empty glass of milk. The fluid clung to the steel nib thinly; he went on writing with it, between the lines of ink:

"I am in no danger. I hold credentials to United States, which, when presented, will make me responsible only to the Italian government as special envoy, according to international law. Arrange escape for one week from tonight; use any money necessary. Make careful arrangements for the test and signing of compact for two nights after."

Again the prisoner cleaned the steel nib, after which he put it back in the bottle of ink, leaving it there. He waved the sheet of paper back and forth to dry it, and at last scrutinized it minutely, standing under the light from the high-up window of his cell. Letter by letter the milk evaporated, leaving the sheet perfectly clean and white except for the ink-written message. This sheet he folded, placed in an envelope, and addressed.

Later the guard passed along the corridor, and Signor Petrozinni thrust the letter out to him.

"Be good enough to post that, please," he requested. "It isn't sealed. I don't know if your prison rules require you to read the letters that go out. If so, read it, or have it read, then seal it."

For answer the guard dampened the flap of the envelope, sealed it, thrust it into his pocket and passed on. The secret agent sat down again, and sipped his milk meditatively.

One hour later Mr. Grimm, accompanied by Johnson, came out of a photographer's dark room in Pennsylvania Avenue with a developed negative which he sat on a rack to dry. At the end of another hour he was sitting at his desk studying, under a magnifying glass, a finished print of the negative. Word by word he was writing on a slip of paper what his magnifying glass gave him and so, curiously enough, it came to pass that Miss Thorne and Chief Campbell of the Secret Service were reading the hidden, milk-written message at almost the identical moment.

"Johnson got Petrozinni's letter from the postman," Mr. Grimm was explaining. "I opened it, photographed it, sealed it again and remailed it. There was not more than half an hour's delay; and Miss Thorne can not possibly know of it." He paused a moment. "It's an odd thing that writing such as that is absolutely invisible to the naked eye, and yet when photographed becomes decipherable in the negative."

"What do you make of it?" Mr. Campbell asked. The guileless blue eyes were alive with eagerness.

"Well, he's right, of course, about not being in danger," said Mr. Grimm. "If he came with credentials as special envoy this government must respect them, even if Senor Alvarez dies, and leave it to his own government to punish him. If we were officially aware that he has such credentials I doubt if we would have the right to keep him confined; we would merely have to hand him over to the Italian embassy and demand his punishment. And, of course, all that makes him more dangerous than ever."

"Yes, I know that," said the chief a little impatiently. "But who is this man?"

"Who is this man?" Mr. Grimm repeated as if surprised at the question. "I was looking for Prince Benedetto d'Abruzzi, of Italy. I have found him."

Mr. Campbell's clock-like brain ticked over the situation in detail.

"It's like this," Mr. Grimm elucidated. "He has credentials which he knows will free him if he is forced to present them, but I imagine they were given him more for protection in an emergency like this than for introducing him to our government. As the matter stands he can't afford to discover himself by using those credentials, and yet, if the Latin compact is signed, he must be free. Remember, too, that he is accredited from three countries—Italy, France and Spain." He was silent for a moment. "Naturally his escape from prison would preserve his incognito, and at the same time permit him to sign the compact."

There was silence for a long time.

"I believe the situation is without precedent," said Mr. Campbell slowly. "The special envoy of three great powers held for attempted—!"

"Officially we are not aware of his purpose, or his identity," Mr. Grimm reminded him. "If he escaped it would clarify the situation tremendously."

"If he escaped!" repeated Mr. Campbell musingly.

"But, of course, the compact would not be signed, at least in this country," Mr. Grimm went on tentatively.

Mr. Campbell gazed straight into the listless eyes of the young man for a minute or more and gradually full understanding came home to him. Finally he nodded his head.

"Use your own judgment, Mr. Grimm," he directed.

CHAPTER XVII.

A Call on the Warden.

The restful silence of night lay over the great prison. Here and there in the grim corridors a guard dozed in the glare of an electric light; and in the office, too, a desk light glimmered where the warden sat at his desk, poring over a report. Once he glanced up at the clock—it was five minutes of eleven—and then he went on with his reading.

After a little the silence was broken by the whir of the clock and the first sharp stroke of the hour; and at just that moment the door from the street opened and a man entered. He was rather tall and slender, and a sinister black mask hid his face from the quickly raised eyes of the warden. For a bare fraction of a second the two men stared at each other, then, instinctively, the warden's right hand moved toward the open drawer of his desk where a revolver lay, and his left toward several electrically connected levers. The intruder noted both gestures, and, unarmed himself, stood silent. The warden was first to speak.

"Well, what is it?"

"You have a prisoner here, Pietro Petrozinni," was the reply, in a pleasant voice. "I have come to demand his release."

The warden's right hand was raised above the desk top, and the revolver in it clicked warningly.

"You have come to demand his release, eh?" he queried. He still sat motionless, with his eyes fixed on the black mask. "How did you pass the outside guard?"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

EVIL OF SCANT MEASURES

Lowers Moral Tone of Trade, Increases Cost of Living and Adds to Hardships of Needy.

If "a false balance is abomination to the Lord," as we are told in the Proverbs, scant measures of every sort are equally abominable to mankind, lowering the moral tone of trade, increasing the cost of living and adding to the hardships of the needy. It is rather curious, therefore, that a fact so obvious, having occupied the attention of society for as long a period as the written record runs, should at the present day have no recognition in the laws or the ordinances of the state or city. Pennsylvania is without official standards of weights or measure except of the most casual sort, and Philadelphia has worried along for upward of a quarter of a century trusting solely to the honor of its tradesmen to give pound for pound and quart for quart, not to mention the scores of other measures of weight, volume and bulk by which commodities are exchanged for value in the markets. How public confidence has been misplaced is now shown in dramatic fashion by the bureau of municipal research, after a thorough investigation, by the actual purchase and test of a large variety of articles constituting the necessaries of average daily life.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Ignoble George IV.

Then there was the precious regent. What a creature! Good men and bad men unite in saying that he was absolutely without a virtue; the shrewd, calculating Greville described him in words that burn; the great duke, his chief subject, uses language of dry scorn. "The king could only act the part of a gentleman for ten minutes at a time;" and we find the commonest satellites of the court despised the wicked fribble who wore the crown of England. Faithless to women, faithless to men, a coward, a liar, a mean and groveling cheat, Georve IV. nevertheless clung to a belief in his own virtues; and, if we study the account of his farcical progress through Scotland, we find that he imagined himself to be a useful and genuinely kingly personage. No man, except, perhaps Philippe Egalite, was ever so contemned and hated; and until his death he imagined himself to be a good man.—Runciman, "Sidelights."

Modern Romance.

"Yes, I was fascinated by a golden curl."

"And did you marry the owner?"

"Oh, no. I found I could buy one like it for a dollar."

SURE.

Man in the Big Hat—I've always made money out of politics.

Man in Small Hat—Are you a political orator?

Man in Big Hat—No; I'm the leader of a brass band. The musicians always get paid, but the orators are expected to talk for nothing.

A Complication.

Bessie found getting well much more tiresome than being sick. She was becoming very impatient about staying indoors and eating soups.

When her aunt asked her how she felt she replied that she was much worse; that the doctor had found something else the matter with her.

"Why, what is it?" asked her aunt.

"I think the doctor said 'convalescence.'"

Crafty.

"What does the veterinary surgeon next door advises for your pet lap dog's sickness?"

"He forbids my playing the piano."—Fliegende Blaetter.

Take every possible chance to be kind, because, some day, there may be no more chances.—Margaret Deland.

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Legislative News Letter from Austin

Austin, Texas, August 14.—Our solons have been working as industriously as a lot of boll weevils and if they keep at it they will be able to migrate August 31. Considerable progress has been made on the Appropriation Bill and the House put a few spokes in the wheel of progress by making more liberal appropriations for the support of the A. & M. College Agricultural Department. The Senate has passed the Appropriation Bill and it will be ready for a free conference committee within a few days.

One of our solons was evidently born a century ahead of his day when he suggested that a new mansion be built for the governor, but the prospect of an increase in the tax rate rose up like a sheeted ghost and frightened the members away. Our Legislators may build mansions in the skies, but they will never build anything on earth unless they quit quibbling and get down to business.

The committee from the house and senate appointed to investigate the recent election has been examining the leaders on both sides of the issue and some flossy words have passed between the witnesses, but many of the antis refused to recognize the jurisdiction of the committee and the matter is to be tested in the courts.

The pros have had their inning and sprung some correspondence alleged to have been taken from the files of the anti leaders, which, according to the interpretation of the committee, pointed toward a legislative jackpot, but a searching investigatiou of all members of the legislature failed to reveal this much talked of utensil.

The Colquitt-Lightfoot controversy broke out afresh in the house and senate when the item in the Appropriation Bill was reached providing for the maintenance of the attorney general's department. An amendment was offered which, in effect, prevented the governor from vetoing any section of the item. The amendment passed the house on a vote of 68 to 38. The measure also passed the senate.

The governor made it clear to the legislators that he would sanction no legislation until the subjects regularly submitted were disposed of and he returned the resolution favoring legislation for the stricter regulation of the liquor traffic; endorsing San Francisco for the Panama Canal exposition; inviting the Advertising Clubs of America to hold their 1912 convention in Dallas and inviting President Taft to visit Texas. The legislature now has before it the Appropriation Bill, the re-districting of the state, the repeal of the Automatic Tax Law and fixing of the state ad valorem tax rate. The Appropriation Bill is the only measure submitted that has received serious consideration.

Politicians are as thick as blackberries in a fence corner and some of them are buzzing around like bumble bees in the summer time, while others float about like snowflakes in winter. Many of the big fellows who have for years been lounging around the porch of greatness are frequenting the storm center in order to give the lightening a chance to strike them, but so far no casualties have been reported.

Watson's Liniment relieves aches and pains in man or beast. 25c and $1.00, guaranteed. Sold by A. S. Porter.

Do your trading at Wherry's, the profit sharing grocer and general merchant.

Daly's News

August 14.—Talk of the hot waves at Coney Island N. Y. and different places, but I think it has stuck here, and decided to stay. For two weeks or more, we have had the hottest weather we have ever had before.

The health of our immediate neighborhood is remarkably good, though our doctor is busy all the time attending those in other places.

The Baptist church house here is nearing completion and when finished will be something to be proud of. Guess it will be finished by our next preaching day.

A surprise marriage in our midst this week, the contracting parties being Miss Lizzie Edens and Mr. Oran Rials. Both are well known here. May theirs be a bright future.

Mr. J. B. Laseter will take his family to western Texas Monday, where he will locate. We regret to lose these good young people and hope when the "western fever" cools off they will return to make their home among us.

A nice rain here seems to be needed. It would refresh everything and cool the atmosphere, but as the old adage goes "everything comes to those who wait," suppose we should wait and murmer not.

Mrs. C. C. Hill returned home Wednesday after a visit to relatives in Crockett.

The cemetery here has been nicely cleaned off and placed in a better condition than for sometime before, which goes to speak of respect held for the dead to look after and care for their last resting place.

There is now an up-to-date phone line from here to Grapeland; also connecting us with Reynard. A few more moves and we will feel like we are on a boom.

Cotton picking will be the next issue, as it is opening very fast. Should a rainy spell come there would be some loss by the cotton being knocked out of the bolls.

CHARLOTTA.

TO THE PUBLIC

I am better prepared than ever to weigh and sample your cotton. Prompt attention and quick delivery of all cotton turned over to me for shipment. Your patronage will be appreciated.

E. W. DAVIS.

If you need shoes that will wear well, it will pay you to see us for prices, we handle the guaranteed line of Friedman-Shelby all leather shoes.

W. H. LIVELY.

Do not allow your kidney and bladder trouble to develop beyond the reach of medicine. Take Foley Kidney Pills. They give quick results and stop irregularities with surprising promptness. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

T. S. Kent has just received a complete line of double and single buggy harness, collars, bridles, lines, breast straps, breeching, tie straps, hames, collar pads, saddles and saddle blankets.

Oscar and Herman Beazley of Reynard were in town Tuesday getting some supplies for their gin. They reported two bales of cotton ginned Monday from the Bank farm.

When you need anything in the way Crockeryware or Enamelwvre, come to us for it, for we have just received a large assortment of useful articles. The price is right, too.

W. H. LIVELY.

At the morning service last Sunday Bro. Harris raised about $200.00 to be expended in finishing the Baptist church. Carpenters are now at work.

Rev. W. N. Warlick of Grapeland passed through to his home from west Texas where he has been holding a series of meetings. —Palestine Advocate.

Pack Traylor has returned to Grapeland from New Waverly and is back at his old job with Mistrot Bros. We are glad to have him with us again.

Hay Fever, Asthma and Summer Colds

Must be relieved quickly and Foley's Honey and Tar Compound will do it. E. M. Stewart 1035 Wolfram St., Chicago, writes; "I have been greatly troubled during the hot summer months with Hay Fever and find that by using Foley's Honey and Tar Compound I get great relief." Many others who suffer similarly will be glad to benefit by Mr. Stwart's experience. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

G. W. Marshall of Route No. 3 died at his home Monday morning, having been sick for quite a while. He was buried Tuesday in the family burying ground near Latexo. Deceased leaves a wife and several children.

Many a Suffering Woman

Drags herself painfully thru her daily tasks, suffering from backache, headache, nervousness loss of appetite and poor sleep, not knowing her ills are due to kidney and bladder troubles. Foley Kidney Pills give quick relief from pain and misery and a prompt return to health and strength. No woman who so suffers can afford to overlook Foley Kidney Pills. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Miss Dora Leaverton has returned to Kaufman.

We can't help being enthusiastic about our shoes, for we know we have one of the best lines made. You'll think so too, if you try them. T. S. KENT.

Foley Kidney Pills will check the progress of your kidney and bladder trouble and heal by removing the cause. Try them. Sold by D. N. Leaverton.

Fortify the body to resist malarial germs by putting the system in perfect order. Prickly Ash Bitters is a wonderful system regulator. A. S. Porter Special Agent.

J. I. Campbell of Route 1 is reported to be quite sick.

Don't neglect the warnings of nature. If your appetite is poor breath bad, tongue coated, you will be sick unless you take steps to put your system in good condition. Prickly Ash Bitters is the remedy you need. It cleanses the entire system. A. S. Porter Special Agent.

Miss Eva Lou Faris entertained quite a number of her friends from 4 to 7 last Thursday afternoon, the occasion being her nineteenth anniversary. Progressive "42" was the game enjoyed out on the beautiful lawn where tables had been prepared. Miss Luna Frank Hollingsworth received a lovely jabot as the prize. Delicious sherbert, cream and cake were served as refreshments. Miss Eva Lou was the recipient of many pretty and dainty gifts, and many good wishes from her guests.

The celebrated Worth hats for sale at T. S. Kent's.

Graveyard Working

Everybody interested in the Parker graveyard are requested to meet there August 22 to clean off the yard.

J. N. PARKER.

A Messenger representative visited Elkhart last Friday and secured nice orders for job printing from O. E. Knox, proprietor of the City Market, Logan Hardware Co. and the American Exchange Bank.

Mrs. Hosea Anthony of Pecos, Texas, visited relatives here a few days this week, having stopped off on her way home from Beaumont, where she had been visiting her parents.

Charley Lively is enlarging his cotton weighing platform, getting ready for the approaching cotton season.

E. P. Lynch was up from Trinity Sunday, and Mrs. Lynch accompanied him home Monday morning.

Four Points To Be Considered

There are four points that should be considered in selecting a school to attend.

First: The school's financial standing, for the student does not want to attend a school today that will pass out of existence tomorrow. The Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, has a paid in capital and surplus of over $60,000.00. It is owned and operated by men who have proven themselves successful business men.

Second: The moral surroundings. Our teachers—26 in number—are ladies and gentlemen of the very highest character. We look after our students while in school; we encourage them in honesty and uprightness.

Third: The systems and methods used. We use the famous Byrne systems of Shorthand and bookkeeping, which enables us to turn out a better bookkeeper or stenographer in half the time and at half the cost of other schools teaching other systems. We have the exclusive control of these systems in this state. Therefore, the Byrne systems are a case of "sour grapes" to our competitors. The fact that we turn out better stenographers in three months than they can in six, should interest the prospective student. Read our catalog, see the indorsements from hundreds of students and business men.

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Write for free catalogue. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

J. H. Leaverton has sold his interest in the cotton platform to his partner, E. W. Davis, who will continue to weigh at the old stand.

Happenings in and Around Elkhart

Elkhart, Texas, August 14.—Elkhart people, and the community at large, are getting along alright. There is no sickness reported in town; Dr. Parks reports one case of pneumonia out of town.

The Baptist meeting, which has been in progress the past two weeks, closed last night. There were many confessions, and twenty or more to be baptized. As the good people here never tire of doing good, the Methodists begun Sunday; suppose the meeting will continue several days.

Miss Audry Hawthorne entertained Friday with a birthday dinner, it being her fourteenth anniversary.

Misses Etta and Fannie Pridgen of Daly's, who have been visiting relatives in Elkhart for several days, returned to their home Monday.

Grandpa Pate happened to bad luck the other day. He stumbled over a wire the children had stretched in playing, and sustained injuries which may cause him to be a cripple for life.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright Whitley are up from the farm today shopping and will spend the night with Mr. Ben Parker.

Mrs. Albert Warren and children are visiting in our city today.

A double wedding took place in Elkhart Saturday evening, which was quite a surprise to everybody. Mr. Lee Parks to Miss Judie Little and Mr. Cleburne Kennedy to Miss Ouida Parks, all residing in Elkhart. They have our very best wishes, as they deserve every good in life. They are now enjoying their honey-moon in Galveston.

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ever shown in so small a town as this and ask that you pay us a call and let us show you the great values offered in our different departments.

Don't fail to see the pretty line of

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at prices that were never given the public before. We have a very snappy line of

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We have bargain after bargain in each and every department that are money savers for you, but we are too crowded for space to price them.

Visit our store and let our salesmen show you the many bargains to be offered.

KENNEDY BROS.

LOCAL NEWS

Lively sells it for less.

For groceries, call at Howard's.

Trade at Wherry's and save money.

W. P. Traylor went to Galveston Saturday.

For anything in leather goods call at Howard's.

Mr. and Mrs. George Richards of Crockett spent Sunday here.

Go to Kent's for your flour. Every sack guaranteed.

Murdock and Spear Darsey went to Galveston Saturday.

Mills Horne who has been attending school through the summer months has returned home.

Chas. Faris, fireman on the I. & G. N., is spending a few days in Grapeland with relatives.

All ladies' low cut shoes to be sold at actual cost. See us for prices. W. H. LIVELY.

W. E. Allen of Route 2 called Saturday and had his name placed on our list.

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

Miss Orie Sue Howard has accepted a position with Mistrot Bros. & Co.

Buy the old reliable James & Graham wagon. Sold by KENNEDY BROS.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Colkin and baby returned to their home at Cleburne Sunday.

Miss Mae Fitchett of Percilla is spending a few days with her friend, Miss Vilna Haltom.

Madison Mixed paint, a high grade paint at a low price. KENNEDY BROS.

Chas. Parker called Saturday and renewed the subscription of his sister, Mrs. Coila White, Petty, Texas.

The high cost of living will not worry you if you trade at Wherry's because he shares his profits with you.

My fans are now in running order, and run every afternoon. Come over and keep cool. Kandy Kitchen.

Dr. L. Meriwether of Crockett came up Friday night and went out to see Mr. J. I. Campbell, who is right sick.

Watson's Purge Mix in (capsule,) the best purge for horses, mules and cattle. Results guaranteed. Sold by A. S. Porter.

Bring me your old hats and have them made new at a moderate cost. J. W. CASKEY.

Edgar and Tommie Brooks who have been working near Crockett for the past three months have returned home.

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Craven and baby have returned home from Overton where they spent a few days with relatives.

NOTICE

On and after this date all feed stuff will be strictly cash. J. W. HOWARD.

U. M. Brock was up from Livingston a day or two this week. In a few days Mr. Brock will return to remain permanently.

Miss Annie Scarborough and little brother of Palestine visited relatives in Grapeland this week.

Misses Cordie and Mamie Knight of Palestine were the guests of Miss Jesse Mae Jones Sunday.

There will be a free lecture by Hon. D. F. Southerland on the night of Aug. 23rd at the Methodist church. Mr. Southerland needs no introduction to many of our people. Hear him, a strong man for a noble cause, and one in which the public will feel interested.

BUSINESS CHANCES

LADIES—Clewis will clean and press your skirts. Satisfaction guaranteed.

NOTICE—No sale on but there's bargains at W. H. Lively's.

FOR SALE—Good, fresh groceries. Call at W. R. WHERRY'S.

FOR SALE—Some full blood Poland China Pigs. FRANK LEAVERTON.

FOR SALE—One house and lot, close in, goes cheap. Apply to GEORGE CHAFFIN.

WANTED—Chickens all sizes and colors. Top prices. KENNEDY BROS.

FOR SALE — Good bottom farm four miles south of town, 160 acres, all under wire fence. JOHN A. DAVIS.

PEA PICKERS WANTED—Will pay 40c per hundred. See B. R. EAVES.

A BARGAIN—For some one. My Kandy Kitchen for sale; will take some trade; will teach party to make candy, a fine trade to learn. CLAUDE SORY.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN! If sold in 30 days, one good 9 room house with 8 1-3 acres of land close in. Well improved with fine water. Apply at the KANDY KITCHEN

Trade with Lively.

Clewis—your tailor.

Lively sells good shoes.

T. S. Kent and Odell Faris are in Dallas buying fall goods.

If you want cotton scales call at Howard's.

Sam Howard went to Lovelady Sunday.

Howard is selling shoes, and can save you some money.

When you get ready to buy shingles see George Shaver.

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

Chas. Watkins and W. E. Gray of Elkhart are new names on our list.

For good, old reliable cleaning and pressing, call on Clewis—your tailor.

Engine oil, cylinder oil, all grades. KENNEDY BROS.

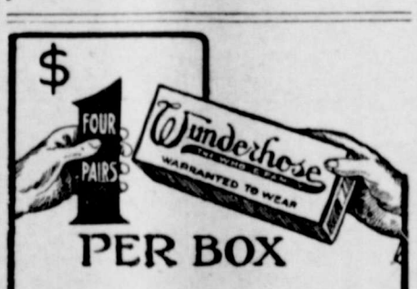
See Frank Denton before buying your Ice. Can save you money on your ice bills.

Watson's Colic Medico cures colic in horses and mules. Guaranteed. Sold by A. S. Porter.

Tall oaks grow from little acorns, so do little greasy spots grow in your clothes. Have Clewis to clean and press them.

Cotton Crop Over Estimated

Clewis' tailoring business is still growing. Have him to take your measure for a new fall suit



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"What is worth doing at all is worth doing right."

This is what we do, "feed you right" and charge you less.

Watson's Liquor Blister cures Spavin, Fistula and Bone Lameness in horses and mules. Guaranteed. Sold by A. S. Porter.

Saddle pads, blankets, collar pads, collars, whips, a nice line. See us for prices, we can save you money. W. H. LIVELY.

HE HAD THEM IN A CORNER

Clergyman's Rebuke to Thoughtless Youths at Once Neat and Disconcerting.

A well-known clergyman was one day in a barber's shop, when four or five young men walked in whom he knew by their voices, but who did not recognize the man in the chair, with lather all over his face. They proceeded to spend the time by telling stories and using expressions which, to say the least, were rather strong. When the barber pulled away the towel the clergyman, cleanly shaved, stood before them. So nonplussed were they that no one tried to take the vacant chair, and the barber called several times—"Next gentleman! Next gentleman!"

The clergyman smiled somewhat grimly as he said:

"It isn't a bit of use, John. There's not a man here who has the effrontery to answer to that name."

AS A RULE.

"What is an income tax, pa?"
"A wife, my son."

THE LEGISLATURE HAS AMPLE AUTHORITY

Texas Senate Proceedings.

Austin, Tex.—There was read in the senate Saturday a letter from Charles D. Hillis, secretary to the president, thanking the Texas legislature for its cordial invitation to President Taft to visit Texas, and especially Austin, on October 12, for Columbus Day celebration. The president says he may not be able to come, but will endeavor to come to Texas in the near future.

The senate finally passed the house bill giving the Confederate home $8000 for the support, maintenance and repair of said home. The $8,000 gives the home the maximum $100,000 annually allowed under the constitution.

Resuming consideration of the general appropriation bill the senate adopted a number of amendments offered by the finance committee.

Several substantial insertions were made for the Sam Houston normal.

The sum of $6,000 each year was inserted for the Confederate Women's home.

The pension department was given a stenographer at $900, in addition to a clerk.

Two additional teachers were given the juvenile training school. The salaries of the ten guards were increased to $420 for the second year from $360. The physician's salary was raised from $400 to $600 and the chaplain's from $400 to $720 per annum and the farm implements allowance was increased from $400 to $1,000 for the first year and $500 for the second year. Five hundred dollars each year was inserted for the purchase of band instruments and employment of instructor; the $20,000 for a new dormitory was raised to $30,000 and made available the first year.

An amendment signed by the pros was sent up striking out the $10,000 allowed the governor for the employment of auditors to investigate the books and records of state departments and institutions and state contracts. Without discussion the amendment was adopted, 12 ayes, 10 nays, two pair. The division was on pro and anti lines.

Senator Weinert for the finance committee offered an amendment lumping the salaries of the seven assistants in the attorney general's department at $15,500 each year, being three at $2,500 per year and four at $2,000 each year.

Senator Johnson and others offered a substitute lumping the entire attorney general's department in one sum, totaling $83,160, or $41,580 each year. It has the same limitations as the house provision not to be more than seven assistants and the present number of employes at their present salaries.

On motion of Senator Hume the previous question, cutting off debate, was ordered.

The substitute was adopted, 14 ayes, 10 noes, three pairs, being the pro and anti lineup.

The appropriation of $10,000 to purchase McArdle's painting in the senate, "Battle of San Jacinto," and "Dawn of the Alamo," was reduced to $4,000.

Eleven small refund items, totaling $3,053, were inserted in the miscellaneous items.

Senator Mayfield offered an amendment increasing from $6,000 to $17,500 each year the amount for conducting farmers' institute work by the department of agriculture. Adopted.

Senator Townsend offered an amendment requiring all department heads to keep a record of their absences from every cause and to incorporate same in their reports. It was adopted.

Senator Meachum presented an amendment inserting $2,000 for a monument over the grave of Governor George T. Wood, near Point Blank, San Jacinto county. Adopted.

Senator Hudspeth submitted an amendment refunding $92 to the Rio Grande and Eagle Pass Railway company, the same being 1 per cent gross receipts tax, which was afterward held unconstitutional.

Friday's Senate Doings.

Austin, Tex.—Resuming consideration of the general appropriation bill the senate raised the salary of the deputy pure food commissioner from $1,200 to $1,500; allowed an assistant chemist at $1,500 and increased traveling expenses from $1,800 to $3,000 for each year.

Under the head of A. and M. college the senate finance committee had a number of amendments adopted, as follows: Animal husbandry department raised from $1,000 to $2,000 per annum, physics department increased from $1,000 to $2,500 each year, entomological department from $1,200 to $2,000, inserted $1,500 each year for biological department and $500 for publicity department; also $2,500 each year for student labor fund. The $20,000 for new mess hall was reduced to $1,000 for a temporary mess shed; the $60,000 for a dormitory was increased to $74,000.

To proceed with Investigation, Says Attorney General---Senate and House Doings. : : :

Austin, Tex.—In a very lengthy opinion to Horace W. Vaughan, chairman of the senate investigating committee, Attorney General Jewell P. Lightfoot has held that the senate committee has full authority to conduct the investigation which it is now carrying on and that it may compel the attendance of witnesses if it desires. The opinion is based not on the original investigation resolution, but upon the substitute which was adopted Saturday by the pros. The opinion says that the proclamations of the governor for rewards for prosecuting offenders and his request for an increased appropriation to prosecute the charges after they have been brought give ample authority for the substitute resolution and the investigation.

There is one contingency to which the attorney general does not call attention. The senate has already finally passed the general appropriation bill and has allowed the governor that which he asked for enforcement of the law.

Synopsis of Opinion.

Each branch has the inherent power of judging of the election of its members. Each branch has the authority at any time to expel one of its members for unbecoming conduct. Each branch has authority to punish for contempt and maintain order and enforce decorum. These are all inherent powers of which neither branch can be divested at any time.

The members of the legislature are elected biennially. The legislature is in existence at all times and the members of the house and senate are a part of the legislature for the full term for which they are elected, and are as much a part of the legislature when no session is being held as they are during a session.

It is true that a regular session of the legislature is only provided for once in two years, but the legislature is subject to call of the chief executive at any time. The members of the legislature are clothed with the authority and it is made their duty to pass upon such laws as are necessary for the public welfare, and it is a strange doctrine that if it is deemed proper by the house or the senate, for the public welfare, to make investigations to properly enlighten the members thereof as to the needs of the people they should be prohibited from doing so simply because there had not been submitted to them for consideration the identical subjects which they were investigating.

However we have, after a thorough examination of the several messages and proclamations transmitted by the governor to this special session of the legislature, and of the resolutions passed by the senate, reached the conclusion that the resolutions in question call for an investigation of matters coming fairly within the terms of the several messages and proclamations of the governor, in which he has submitted subjects to this legislature for its consideration.

Submitted Subjects.

From an inspection of the legislative record we find that the governor has submitted the following subjects to this legislature and authorized it to legislate thereon, to-wit:

1. The subject of the general appropriation for the support of the State institutions for the two ensuing fiscal years.

2. The subject of the redistricting of the State into legislative and senatorial districts.

3. The subject of the fixing of the tax rate of ad valorem taxes for the ensuing year, and the subject of the repeal of what is known as the automatic tax law.

4. The subject of an increase of the appropriation to the executive department for the enforcement of the laws of this State, and in connection and as a part of the last named message, a proclamation by the governor offering a reward of $50 for the arrest and conviction of the person guilty of violating certain provisions of the election laws of this State.

It is well known that the subject of general and special appropriations for the support of the institutions of this State is one of the most important and difficult questions with which a legislative body has to deal and one calling for the most searching and full investigation, and the fullest and most complete information possible in order that there may be an economical administration of the government and, at the same time, safeguarding the institutions of the State and insuring the enforcement of the law. One of the largest items of expense in this State is that incident to the judiciary.

Texas House Proceedings.

Austin, Tex.—The house Saturday continued consideration of the general appropriation bill. Many votes were taken on mail items. The things of interest transpiring were:

Addition of item of $5,000 for Pasteur institute at the North Texas insane asylum.

The adoption, after a long debate, of the Gilmore amendment providing that all revenues of the State institution for the training of juveniles go into the general fund of the State, and not be available for the purchase of more land for the institution, as proposed by Mr. Cox of Rockwall.

In this connection Mr. Gilmore offered an amendment providing that the revenues or profits of all State institutions go into the general fund, excepting the penitentiary sytsem and such institutions as are governed in this respect by special enactment. The amendment was lost.

Mr. Caves moved to strike out the item appropriating $500 for a painting of former Governor Campbell, explaining that he was a friend of that gentleman, but was persuaded that this and similar appropriations were unconstitutional. The amendment was lost. Mr. Caves was thoroughly consistent, and moved to strike out every item where an appropriation was not based upon a pre-existing act of the legislature, he claiming that the constitution required this condition.

The appropriation of $10,000 for the two well-known paintings by McArdle hanging in the senate chamber was stricken out by an amendment offered by Mr. McNeal.

Mr. Shannon made his first speech, an eloquent appeal to the patriotic impulses of the members, seeking to have the item remain.

Upon motion of Mr. Gilmore the section making the Galveston quarantine fee fund available for the erection and equipment of buildings at Galveston for the detention and care of contagious and infectious diseases was stricken from the bill. This leaves the fund to go into the general revenue.

There was some opposition to the item appropriating $500 for the per diem and traveling expenses of the lieutenant governor in performing his duties as a member of the board locating experiment stations, but the item was retained.

A resolution was adopted, offered by Messrs. Davis, Hornby and others, requesting the governor to submit to the legislature the subject of simplification of court procedure.

Much surprise was occasioned by the introduction by Louis J. Wortham of two bills, one fixing an annual ad valorem school tax of 17c for 1911, and the other fixing an ad valorem tax for the general revenue of 16c for 1911, and 11c thereafter.

The enactment of such bills would nullify the automatic tax board, as is favored by Governor Colquitt.

Resolutions of respect to the memory of Benjamin S. Rogers of Washington county, a member of former legislatures and now deceased, was adopted.

Friday's House Doings.

Austin, Tex.—Adopting the Rogers of Wise amendment by the decisive vote of 64 ayes, 38 noes, the house Friday added another chapter to the Colquitt-Lightfoot controversy.

Mr. Cox of Rockwall, opposing the amendment, declared that it was drawn for political purposes anyhow.

Mr. Rogers of Wise, the introducer of the amendment, who has labored persistently upon this matter since last January, took exception to Mr. Cox's declaration that it was drawn for political purposes, and asked whether Mr. Cox intended to state that he (Rogers) and the other gentlemen whose names were signed to the amendment introduced it for political purposes.

"Oh, no," explained Mr. Cox. "I said drawn for political purposes. And the attorney general is the one who drew it."

Be "All" or "None."

The Rogers amendment, as explained, appropriates a lump sum to the attorney general's department. If the senate concurs and the general bill goes to Governor Colquitt in this shape, he must either approve the entire appropriation for the attorney general's department or veto it altogether, leaving the department "broke," and, moreover, the expenditures are left at the discretion of the attorney general, with no proviso for the approval of the chief executive.

The vote by which the amendment was adopted follows:

Ayes—Baker of Hood, Baker of Panola, Barrett, Bolin, Bonner, Broughton, Brown, Brownlee, Buffington, Burns, Cable, Cathey, Caves, Coffey, Cox of Eastland, Craven, Davis, Dotson, Fant, German, Gilmore, Graham, Gross, Hall, Hamilton of Childress, Hamilton of McCulloch, Haney, Henry, Highsmith, Hillyer, Hornby, Humphrey, Johnston, Lane, Lawson, Lee, Logan, Maddox, Mangum, Martin,

FROM HOSPITAL TO STAKE

WOUNDED NEGRO TAKEN FROM COT AND BURNED TO CRISP.

He Had Shot and Killed Policeman. When Overtaken by Posse Shoots Self in Mouth.

Coatesville, Pa.—Zachariah Walker, a negro desperado, was carried on a cot from the hospital Monday and burned to crisp by a frenzied mob of men and boys. The negro, who shot and killed Edward Rice, a special policeman of the Worth Iron Mills, was first dragged to the scene of the shooting, begging for mercy.

He had been arrested by a posse after a search which had stirred the countryside. The posse finally found him hiding in a cherry tree. The negro with the last bullet in his revolver shot himself in the mouth, falling from the tree. He was removed to the hospital and placed under guard.

A few minutes after a crowd numbering about 1,000 persons appeared at the hospital. The leaders were denied admission, but they quickly smashed the window frames and crawled through the corridor. When Walker was first taken to the hospital he was strapped down in order to prevent his escape. The mob, seeing this, gathered up the bed and placing it on the shoulders of four men, started for the country. When half a mile from the hospital they entered a field, and quickly gathering up a pile of dry grass and weeds, placed the bed containing their victim upon it.

A match was applied and the flames shot up quickly, entirely enshrouding the screaming victim. That not a vestige of the murderer be left, the mob tore down the fence along the road and piled the rails upon the burning negro.

Coatesville is a town of about 10,000 people and is located on the main line of the Pennsylvania railroad, about thirty miles west of Philadelphia.

MOB BURNED NEGRO'S BODY

Assaulted and Shot Oklahoma Woman, Who Later Identified the Negro's Body.

Durant, Okla.—A negro whose identity has not yet been ascertained, was shot and killed near Platter, southeast of Durant, Sunday morning after a running fight of more than two hours' duration with a posse led by Deputy Sheriff William McFattridge and Constable Jeff Easley.

The negro's body was literally riddled with bullets. None of the posse was injured. The body was brought to Durant, and after being identified by Mrs. L. R. Campbell as the body of the negro who outraged and shot her at her home north of town, it was taken by a mob of angry citizens and burned on a vacant lot near the business center of the city.

The officers were powerless to do anything with the mob, and it was only after considerable persuasion that they were induced to refrain from burning the body as soon as it arrived in town and before it had been viewed by Mrs. Campbell and others who saw the negro who assaulted the woman.

The body was immediately taken from the officers by a mob, which had thronged the streets all night with the avowed intention of burning the negro as soon as he was brought to the jail. Feeling was almost equally as intense at Caddo and other places in the county. After the mob had been persuaded not to immediately dispose of the body it was taken to the jail yard and there remained until about 9 o'clock, when it was taken before the stricken woman, who readily identified it. Then the mob again took up the cry, "Burn him, burn him," and with a rush made off for the nearest vacant lot, where the fire was quickly kindled.

The burning was witnessed by several thousand people, but after the first rush all seemed to be orderly and quiet.

The assault upon Mrs. Campbell stirred the county as nothing of the kind has ever aroused it before. It is estimated that fully 1,000 men joined in the chase after the black brute, and from the start his escape was regarded as an almost impossibility.

Fatal Railway Wreck.

Fort Wayne, Ind.—Four persons were killed and thirty injured when the Pennsylvania eighteen-hour train en route from Chicago to New York jumped the track on the western outskirts of Fort Wayne Sunday while going at the rate of fifty miles an hour.

In leaving the rails the two engines of the passenger train sideswiped a freight engine and the three piled up in a mass of bent and twisted iron.

The baggage car, smoker, buffet and two sleepers turned over in the ditch. Most of the injured were seated in the diner and smoker when the accident occurred.

The thirty or more injured are now in the hospitals and hotels, and it is believed at least four or five will die.

QUEER DISEASE IS IN UNITED STATES

Many Here Afflicted With Odd Ailment, Says Prof. Munyon.

GREWSOME CREATURES VERY COMMON, FINDS EXPERT.

Many people in the United States are afflicted with a queer disease, according to a statement yesterday by Professor James M. Munyon. He made the following remarkable and rather grewsome statement:

"Many persons who come and write to my headquarters at 53d and Jefferson sts., Philadelphia, Pa., think they are suffering from a simple stomach trouble, when in reality they are the victims of an entirely different disease—that of tape worm. These tape worms are huge internal parasites, which locate in the upper bowel and consume a large percentage of the nutriment in undigested food. They sometimes grow to a length of forty to sixty feet. One may have a tape worm for years and never know the cause of his or her ill health.

"Persons who are suffering from one of these creatures become nervous, weak and irritable, and tire at the least exertion. The tape worms rob one of ambition and vitality and strength, but they are rarely fatal.

"The victim of this disease is apt to believe that he is suffering from chronic stomach trouble, and doctors for years without relief. This is not the fault of the physicians he consults, for there is no absolute diagnosis that will tell positively that one is not a victim of tape worm.

"The most common symptom of this trouble is an abnormal appetite. At times the person is ravenously hungry and cannot get enough to eat. At other times the very sight of food is loathsome. There is a gnawing, faint sensation at the pit of the stomach, and the victim has headaches, fits of dizziness and nausea. He cannot sleep at night and often thinks he is suffering from nervous prostration.

"I have a treatment which has had wonderful success in eliminating these great creatures from the system. In the course of its regular action in aiding digestion, and ridding the blood, kidneys and liver of impurities it has proven fatal to these great worms. If one has a tape worm, this treatment will, in nine cases out of ten, stupefy and pass it away, but if not, the treatment will rebuild the run-down person, who is probably suffering from stomach trouble and a general anaemic condition. My doctors report marvelous success here with this treatment. Fully a dozen persons have passed these worms, but they are naturally reticent about discussing them, and of course we cannot violate their confidence by giving their names to the public."

Letters addressed to Professor James M. Munyon, 53d and Jefferson Streets, Philadelpha, Pa., will receive as careful attention as though the patient called in person. Medical advice and consultation absolutely free. Not a penny to pay.

Serenity.

"The true religious man, amid all the ills of time, keeps a serene forehead and entertains a peaceful heart. This, going out and coming in amid all the trials of the city, the agony of the plague, the horrors of the thirsty tyrants, the fierce democracy abroad, the fiercer ill at home—the saint, the sage of Athens, was still the same. Such a one can endure hardness; can stand alone and be content; a rock amid the waves—lonely, but not moved. Around him the few or many may scream, calumniate, blaspheme. What is all to him but the cawing of the seabird about that solitary, deep-rooted stone?"—Theodore Parker.

To Be a Good Cook.

"To be a good cook means the knowledge of all fruits, herbs, balms and spices; and of all that is healing and sweet in fields and groves, savory in meats; it means carefulness, inventiveness, watchfulness, willingness and readiness of appliance; it means the economy of your great-grandmothers and the science of modern chemists; it means much testing and no wasting; it means English thoroughness, French art and Arabian hospitality; it means, in fine, that you are to be perfectly and always ladies (loaf-givers), and you are to see that everybody has something nice to eat."—Ruskin.

Reason Enough.

"What's the trouble, old man?" asked the sympathetic friend.

"Well," answered the judge, "you see, my wife and I have never been able to get along very well. The relationship has become so unbearable that we both want a divorce."

"I see," answered the friend. "Then why don't you get one?"

"Because," answered the judge, sadly, "I have sent all the bogus divorce lawyers to the penitentiary."

Plenty of Stability.

A western mining prospector was paying his first visit to New York.

"What do you think of it?" asked the proud Gothamite as he pointed out the skyscrapers.

"Wall," replied the miner, "it looks like a permanent camp all right."—Success Magazine.

ALL OFF.

The Big Boy—What did yer girl give yer at Christmas, Bill?

The Little Boy—De mitten.

Family Enough.

Horace, five year old, has a brother, nine, and a sister, three, and with his father and mother, he deemed this family large enough. When, therefore, he was told by his aunt that a little baby was to be added to the family, he protested—

"I think papa and mama might better spend their money for more strawberries and powdered sugar for me," he observed, indignantly.

On a certain day a doctor came to the house and Horace thought he knew what that meant. His spirit of revolt nearly got the better of him, however, when a second doctor came.

A few hours later, after the doctors had departed, his Aunt Ella told him he had a new little brother. Horace brightened, and tiptoed to his mother's room. "It's all right, mamma," he assured her. "There's only one."

Cruel Disappointment.

Jugend tells this story: "In the lower court of a small town in Saxony William had served faithfully and well as attendant to the presiding judge for many years without ever having received any reward aside from his legal stipend. On the day of adjournment for the season, when visitors had retired, the judge, who was also about to leave, asked: 'William, do you smoke?' Seeing a square box under the judge's arm, he answered respectfully: 'Yes, your honor.' 'I knew it by the smell of your coat,' said the judge, as he walked out."

Better Go On, Boys.

Belshazzar saw the writing on the wall.

"It means your wife will be home on the 9:22 and you had better begin to wash up all the dishes," advised the interpreter.

Herewith a distinct gloom was cast over the banquet.

A Mystery.

He (during the spat)—Well, if you want to know it, I married you for your money.

She—I wish I could tell as easily what I married you for.—Boston Transcript.

His Way of Life.

"War is hell."

"You seem to believe that in times of peace one should prepare for war."

One strong thing I find there below—the just thing, the true thing.

The Wreck.

Mrs. Ronald H. Barlow, the eastern golf champion, was talking at the Cape May Golf club about the benefits of sea air. "To look at the cottagers and native of Cape May," she said, "speaks of these benefits more eloquently than I could do. How pale and wan seem city people beside these brown, supple, vigorous men and women! An excursionist from the city said to a fisherman on the beach the other morning:

"Do you have many wrecks here?"

"The fisherman looked contemptuously at the city man, who was in bathing dress. He looked contemptuously at his hollow chest and white, thin legs and arms, and then he replied: 'You're the fust I've saw this season.'"

In Seclusion.

"Is your mistress at home?"

"Are you the manicure lady?"

"No, indeed!"

"Then she ain't at home, mum."

The hero is he who is immovably centered.—Emerson.

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Comments and Observations

By George Louis Payne

Man, as a general proposition, is a negligent creature. His natural inclination seems to cause him to relax into a state of slothfulness, unprepared for the adversities of life. He gets off his guard. He drifts along with the tide, blind, it seems, to any danger, deaf to any warning that might be shouted, and indifferent to trouble into which he might be going. His dullness of observation does not penetrate the veil of deceit that his enemies throw around themselves until they openly betray him. He never sees that his children are going astray until one of his boys gets into jail. He does not see the necessity for preserving his health until disease makes its appearance. He does not observe the necessity for covering his house until the rainstorm comes. He never sees the need of a storm-house until the cyclone is upon him.

A wise and careful man might not make the same mistake twice, nor he might not happen to the same accident twice. A person who is not considered wise, and not very careful, might even do that. That is, with many people, even if they will learn in no school but the school of experience, one or two lessons along any particular line is enough. With many men, once a man has been robbed by burglars, he will no longer question the expediency of being prepared for them. Once a man, blundering around in the dark, runs into a hornet's nest, he will at least be a little more careful in the future about how he blunders around in the dark. The man that burns his house down thru carelessness will likely be particular with fire in the future.

But with many people one or two lessons in the school of experience is not enough. Sometimes we see cases of some person accidently shooting himself. If the victim survives the accident, he will be very careful about the use of fire arms for awhile. His neighbors will, too. Everybody that heard of the accident will. But when the accident is old and the impressions created by its occurence wear off, everybody will become as careless as ever. It often takes the drowning of some boy to make the parents of a community exercise the proper care toward their boys' going in swimming, and perhaps this will last only for a short time.

It seems from all this that to open some persons' eyes they must be run rather roughly thru the mill of experience, and sometimes dragged over their grave, so to speak. To bring the light of understanding to some persons' minds requires drastic measures. To stop some persons in their downward course, and to show them their exact condition in life, extraordinary measures are often necessary.

Of course, if everybody were careful enough, all accidents could be prevented. If everybody was good, as people ought to be, jails and penitentiaries would be empty. But so long as some people grope their way asleep, and so long as some other people are of human shape but possessed with the heart of a demon, the cloud of sorrow and misfortune will hover here and will hover there, to show the world who is good and who is bad on one hand, and to open the eyes of the sluggard and the unwary on the other.

We have in the United States quite a considerable number of high officials who know the sayings and doings of old-time statesmen by heart. They never tire in their extolling the wisdom of their forefather. Their chief delight is referring to the by-gone days, the good old days of long ago, and how happy everybody were in those days, and how the fullness of an elysium would again fill the hills, plains and valleys, if we would only preambulate in the path of the forefathers.

Indeed, it would call forth the ridicule of the forefathers, if not appeal to their humor, if they were now alive, to see the stunts that are cut by some officials in high places in manifesting their devotion for antiquated laws and customs. It is not to be supposed that the wisdom of our ancestors would have permitted them to think that what suited their day would suit a time one or two hundred years hence. It would be to challenge their wisdom to consider such a possibility. They were equal to their task in their day. It would not be reflecting upon the greatness and wisdom of the great Jefferson to say that what he advocated in his day might not suit modern complications. It would not be impinging the glory of the great Washington to make such a statement about him. The by-gone days are great, were glorious, and it is indeed the acme of bliss to bask in the sunshine of their memory. No one would detract from the glorious heritage bequeathed by the illustrious forefathers; but it will be handed down from generation to generation and cherished the more from time to time until the eternal morning. But if human government is to be a success, modern evils must be met and dealt with in a modern way.

It seems to be too much for the colossal minds of some statesmen, and too much for the minds of the people who vote for these statesmen, to admit the possibility of the change of time, conditions, and of the general complexion of civilization. Just as much as different classes of people need different laws, so do different stages of civilization necessitate changes in forms of government. And when effort is made to meet the complications of one generation with the laws of anotner, there often naturally ensues miscarriage of justice.

The sooner a progressive movement obtains in the way of meeting modern excentricities with statutes that will suppress crime in all its phases, the sooner latter day demagogues are driven from power and capable and conscientious officials elected in their stead, the sooner civilization will enjoy the blessings of a civilized government. This is a matter that deserves the thought and consideration of all good citizens. While we cherish the memory of our dlstinguished forefathers, and devotedly proud of it, let us not act in a way that they would be ashamed of us if they were living. Let us not mar their glorious names by our indiscretion.

A New Boston man fell out of a three-story window in Galveston to a brick side walk without it's hurting him. If we were so invulnerable, we would turn missionary and begin work in some particular heathenish place we know of, where missionaries are generally severely dealt with. And to find these places we would not have to go to Asia nor Africa either.

Our weather forecast is, that between now and the first of December a tropical gale will form somewhere in the Caribbean sea, or in the Gulf of Mexico, or either move along over the southern part of the Gulf States, or up the South Atlantic States or along the coast of Mexico, or Central America. Watch this forecast verified.

Our inquisitive correspondent wants to know what effect the legislative investigation is having on the leading antis. Our hygrometer shows that their hair is not exactly standing straight upon their heads, but that by the time F. F. Hill testifies one more time it will be standing as straight as Washington's monument.

One of the main delights in being in Grapeland is walking along the shaded honeysuckle adorned streets late of an afternoon and smelling the palatable suppers cooking in the kitchens.

It might be well to state for the convenience of all people who might want to call to see some Knight of Rest that those of the Knights that are farmers will not be in the field during the fall. They will stray at the house and take care of the babies while their commonplace wives will gather the corn and cotton.

Wives and husbands who have been quarreling and fussing can kiss and make up, for I have at last received that car of Mountain Peak flour. You know how good it is, so come and get a sack.

W. R. WHERRY.