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## FROM HIGHLAND TO LOWLAND.

The Editor Junkets Over Various Portions of Eastern Texas and Views and Reviews Things in His Way.

### OLD HOME PLACE.

It goes without saying that there are, to me, in Corinth Vicinity, many sacred spots; but there is one that predominates all others. It is the old-home place, where I had my being for about eight years during an important part of my life—from the age of eight to the age of sixteen. This old place was settled by my mother's parents at about the time Texas was made a State in the Union. On this place my mother was born and reared to womanhood. My grandfather's grave is near the old home. It was in obedience to his request that his remains were interred at this place.

I now look back to the years I spent on this old place as the most pleasant and profitable—forgetting the hardships that beset me ever and anon. It is a happy faculty that permits us to forget those things that come up in life to mar our pleasures, whilst we recall with the utmost satisfaction the blissful events of the irrevocable past.

At the old home I performed all sorts of farm work, which I am now proud to acknowledge. My experiences on the farm redounded to my welfare and to the formation of character as much as my work in school. I learned to place a higher value on the quality and have been reared elsewhere. It is sometimes the case among the town-raised or the factory-raised to look upon the farm as a place for the ill-bred, ignorant, vicious elements of the social body. It is because they do not understand the true status of the farmer. They do not consider the fact that about three-eighths of the world's population and about three-fifths of that of the Southern States are engaged in farming; that the farmers are the real and almost exclusive producers of wealth; that those engaged in agricultural pursuits earn by the sweat of their own brows their own living and that of those who pursue many other occupations; that the brain and the brawn of the world are produced by the great arming masses; that the world's most eminent writers, greatest orators, most proficient artists, wisest statesmen, profoundest scientists, and most learned divines have their beginning on the farm; and that if our farms were destroyed our cities would soon crumble into ruins and our commerce would be paralyzed. The farms could exist without the cities, and the railroads and the factories; but could the cities, the railroads, and the factories exist without the farms? Those institutions that manipulate the world's wealth can not be prosperous unless the farms are being successfully and profitably operated. Any species of legislation that interfere with the prosperity of the farmers do the country as a whole an incalculable injury. Those in politics who demand legislation that confers special privileges on certain corporation interests are as contracted in their views as their demands are vicious. But it is not so much my purpose, at this time, to impart and impress moral truths and sound political principles as it is to expatiate on the old home place and its fond recollections.

At the old home place I delighted in acknowledging my hobbies and in musings over them as I do now as the editor of THE HESPERIAN. From the time I was ten years of age—the time that I learned to read—I

took special interest in political news and views of the daily press and in forming my notions on issues and candidates in Sulphur Springs Gazette and Louisville Courier Journal were text-books on State and National politics. I am a sort of politician—this, an enthusiast on vital issues before the public—because I have a natural inclination. I can not help it. I have my hobbies, because heartily believe in their worth and virtue.

### THE COUNTRY SCHOOL.

Another sacred spot in Corinth Vicinity is the old Country School, where I attended school from the time I was nine years of age until I became one among Floyd County's population. I attended eight different schools and was under the tutelage of eight different teachers. I was something of a problem and a monstrosity for my teachers. I was something of a curiosity, as well to my teachers, as I could not pronounce my words plainly and clearly. All words containing the letters "th" could not be pronounced by me, and every effort on my part was followed with "stutters" on the part of my fellow pupils, while the teacher endangered the safety of those blood vessels by suppressing the laughter within. In reciting my reading lessons, where I might read paragraphs containing as few words spelled with "th," as possible, I was always glad to avoid a laugh at my own cost.

Monteith's geography, McGuffey's readers Webster's blue-back and Lippincott's spellers, Ray's arithmetics, Butler's grammars, Barnes's histories, and other old-time text-books were the books I studied, or attempted to study. I had an aversion to language studies, as I had the idea that it was equivalent to pitting on "high faluten ways" and sickening palaver. I liked the study of arithmetic, but met with what I deemed an unsurmountable obstacle in the field of learning when I reached long division. I persuaded myself into believing that I would never have any use for long division in my business affairs, but my teachers took a contrary view, and I yielded reluctantly. After mastering long division I was philosophical enough to see the folly of becoming discouraged at any difficulty that came in my way. That experience has been of much value to me since then. Philosophical theories are better when lived up to than when merely enunciated. My theory, or hobby, is to live up to my theories, or hobbies.

Such a thing as a written examination in school I never heard of in the Corinth School. "Choosing up and spelling" was a favorite past time for closing the week's work of Friday afternoons.

Town ball, sky ball, knock ball, knock-up, bull-pen, cantero, sweet-smelling base, stink base, and Anthony over were among the numerous games played in school. I found it much less difficult to master the details and intricacies of the play-ground amusements than to prepare my text-book lessons.

I was always fortunate in escaping punishment—I had to "stay in at recess" a few times, but I felt that I was fortunate, in as much as I never failed to have company. It is human nature for us, when in a pickle, to seek consolation in musings over the fact that there are others likewise situated. Indeed "misery

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We are presenting the Public some Rare Bargains in our lines of

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Our prices are as low as the lowest and we are always pleased to have you inspect our stock and to quote you our prices.

### CHOICE FENCE POSTS!

We have a lot of Fence and Gate Posts at customary prices.

ROBBINS & CAMBLE, Floydada.

loves company." But I can not defend the practice on moral grounds.

I do not deem it boasting when I assert that I was not what would be termed a "bad boy." It is true that I would sometimes go out of the path of rectitude, but it was never a hard task for my teachers to turn me back to the realm of law and order. One time I remember engaging with a girl school-mate in time of books in throwing an old dirty rag back and forth. The exercise, or the "game," was quite amusing to the eyes of the class until the teacher engaged were bidden to "stand up on the floor" beside one another. The amusement was suddenly changed. The entire school was highly amused at the spectacle upon the floor, whilst the urchins thus being punished were quite repentant. But the punishment in school was not as humiliating as the jesting that followed. The rag-throwing was denominated "throwing love." It nearly killed the bashful boy and the modest girl wished a thousand times for the matter to be dropped.

I am not only fair-minded at the present time, but I have always been so. As an evidence of my fair-mindedness when a small boy I will relate one incident that will corroborate my claim. Once upon a time in school, whilst a seat-mate was reciting a reading lesson, it occurred to me that I could play a prank on him, as such is a common practice now-a-days among Floydadaians. I picked up his blue-back speller, opening it about the place where his next lesson was assigned and spat thereon a mouthful of saliva, and then closed the book and placed it back where it belonged. My seat-mate returned and found what had been done to his book. I acknowledged myself the perpetrator of the prank, whereupon he reported to the teacher. The teacher put on an indignant appearance and began a stern lecture. I felt sorry for having played the prank and resolved to atone for it by offering what seemed, to me, to be fair. I assured the teacher thusly: "He can spit in my book if he wants to." I was of the opinion that my seat-mate would be content with retaliating and that the teacher would feel that then had done thons duty so far as it was necessary. I was astounded when the teacher reported that then did not want my seat-mate to do unto my book as I had done unto his. I had never heard of the Golden Rule, but I had formed an impression that something like the following should be the rule: "Do unto others as they do unto you." Since my mind has been broadened by years of study and meditation I have become a believer

in the Golden Rule.

I have visited the old school house play-grounds, but I find everything so changed. The old school house has been torn down and replaced by another building. The campus has been reduced in its limits by the opening of new farms. I thought of the lines, "Forty Years Ago," in which an old man who visited the school house play-ground of forty years before relates to his friend Tom his thrills of joy and sorrow:

"I've wandered to the village, Tom, I've sat beneath the tree;

"NOT RIGHT BRIGHT."

During my visit in Corinth Vicinity I have rambled over fields, prairies, and woodlands as my time would permit me. I find that an editor has little time for rambling when engaged in preparing copy for his paper and in conversing with relatives and old-time friends. Much of my boyhood days I have recalled and much has been called to my attention so I have been, in a way, virtually living over the past. I can not be so unkind as to refer to it as the "defunct past," for indeed it has for me as much pleasure as the living present.

When a small boy I evinced an intense desire to accumulate some wealth when I became a man. The air-castles my combustible imaginations conceived were imposing and stupendous. At that time I had not learned that money is mere trash; that it is the root of all evil; that the possession of much of it has a tendency to make people "imps of hell unchained, banquetting in selfish glee on the heart's blood of the world;" that to "die rich is to die dishonored;" and that "It is easier for a camel to go thru the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God." When the foregoing truths were impressed on my mind I could see the folly of riches, and my ambition underwent a reformation. Instead of aspiring to be wealthy I now aspire to be useful, which is, in my judgment, the greatest source of happiness for myself and for those with whom I may be associated. Tergiversation is commendable and light, embraced when the change is reformatory and elevating.

While I was desirous of accumulating I saw much with which to find fault. When disappointments came I could not endure them with calmness and consideration. I now recall a time when numerous spring rains and floods came, washing away two crops of cotton. The second total loss was more than I could endure

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I am Making a Special Drive on My Stock of

# DRY GOODS AND NOTIONS

—MY RULES OF BUSINESS—

Are simple enough. First, I buy my goods where I can get them at the lowest dealers' prices; second, I mark my goods down so as to make a small but legitimate profit; third, I sell rapidly and keep new stocks of goods constantly coming in.

**JUST RECEIVED!**

My stock of Spring and Summer Goods are here and I want you to call and inspect them.

Of all the good things I have in it will pay you to see my extra fine shoes, worth \$3.50 marked down to only \$3.00.

Ladies' and gents' slippers for Sunday wear at the lowest prices. Nice dress goods—Lawns, Prints, Ginghams, and fine patterns. Don't fail to see my Misses' and Children's Hose.

**GEO. R. GRIGGS, -:- Floydada, -:- Texas.**

Cresylic R. C. Scott's  
Undertal in stock at  
C. Surgine  
100 gall grade house  
paint soon J. Scott's  
Remember C. Coer carries a  
complete stock of taker's goods.

This is the b... on earth  
for buggy n... you haven't one  
of those nice g... or two horse  
buggies C. Surgine in stock you  
should get one the present buggy-  
riding season. ha them in stock,  
for YOU.

Lincoln Dip lie, ticks, screw  
worms, mang... use flies, lice on  
chickens, and a disinfectant, at  
R. C. Scott's drug store.

**We Ca Tell A Lie**

When we say this no shaking of  
bottles, no lickin' spoons, no wry  
faces when Oberlain's Laxative  
Chill Tablets are used. 25c. No  
cure—no pay.

**Caesar Covered Britain.**

Malaria was cured by Simmons'  
Liver Purifier (box). Protected  
from moisture, dust and insects.  
Clears the colic, cures constipa-  
tion, aids and rect's action of the  
liver.

I am making special drive on my  
spring goods—cacos, lawns, domest-  
ics, ladies' and men's hose, shoes  
and summer footar, in fact every-  
thing—at the lowest cash prices of  
any firm in Floydada. I sell lower  
than any other buse in Floydada.  
Mark it down.—A. C. Bowers.

A convention of the Democracy of  
the 19th Representative District is  
hereby called to meet at Amarillo,  
Texas, on Saturday, July 26th, 1902,  
for the purpose of nominating a candi-  
date for Representative from said dis-  
trict, and for transacting such other  
business as may come before the con-  
vention.

**If A Man Lie to You.**

And say some... salve, ointment,  
thirty years of marvelous cures of  
piles, burns, boils, corns, felons, ulcers,  
cuts, scalds, bruises and skin eruptions  
prove it's the best and cheapest. 25c  
at R. C. Scott's drug store.

L. J. Pate and family and T. W.  
Copeland of Parker county are pros-  
pecting in Floyd county. Mr. Pate  
has sold his Parker county property  
and will buy land on the Plains. He  
will try to locate near Floydada.  
Mr. Copeland has not sold his land  
in Parker county but will sell as soon  
as possible and buy land on the  
Ballies.

Much rain has fallen over the  
State during the past few weeks  
which has indeed improved the gen-  
eral condition of things but it came  
too late to prevent the cry of hard  
times. "Hard times" seems to be  
more prevalent in some portions of  
the State than others, as will be seen  
by reading an extract from a letter  
from a person in Central Texas to  
a relative at this place, which reads  
as follows: "Times are so hard that  
we have to sit on cushions, and thep  
it is rather uncomfortable." Indeed  
times are hard.

**MARRIED**—On last Wednesday Mr.  
Lloyd Rampey and Miss Emma  
McDonald were united in the bonds  
of wedlock at the town Petersburg,  
W. H. Carr officiating. This event  
came as something of a surprise to  
the public as it was intended to be  
kept as a profound secret, but there  
is no sure method of "working" a  
country newspaper or of keeping it  
in darkness, hence the appearance of  
this news item. Mr. Rampey is an  
industrious young man and has won  
for himself many friends since he  
has become a citizen of this county.  
The bride is a granddaughter of  
L. T. Mizell of Starkey vicinity.  
She has grown to womanhood in  
Floyd county and is a young lady of  
splendid qualities of character. This  
paper extends congratulations and  
wishes them unlimited joy and  
success thru life.

**IF YOU ARE WANTING SOMETHING  
TO WEAR**



## That Will Fit

and will fit you right, and  
will fit you to the best advan-  
tage—show you off to the best  
advantage—, you can not do  
better at any place—as well at  
many places—than you can in  
selecting from my splendid stock  
of Men's and Boys' Clothing.

I have clothing for all sizes and ages—  
all occupations—and have bought them so that  
I can undersell others, quality considered. If  
you want to buy it will pay you to see me. It  
is always a pleasure to show my goods to you.

**A. C. BOWERS, Floydada.**

W. H. Martin and family moved to  
West Floydada this week.

H. C. Crie and family have moved  
into their new residence in West  
Floydada.

Grass is growing nicely and pros-  
pects good for a fair yield of feed-  
stuffs, since the rain.

If you want something good in the  
way of a pocket knife, R. C. Scott can  
please you at the drug store.

All persons desiring lumber for any  
or all purposes can be accommodated  
at the Floydada Lumber Yard.

Some one left a pair of eye glasses  
at the court house last week which  
the owner can get by calling at this  
office.

W. L. Boerner shipped his wool to  
the railroad one day last week but  
the price for which he sold it has  
not been learned.

The editor will return Saturday  
night if the road does not break in  
two, unless something else turns up  
to prevent his return.

G. R. Griggs never fails to under-  
sell on all lines of his dry goods and

Everything seasonable at R. C.  
Scott's drug store. Fresh insect  
powders, Paris Green, Moth Balls,  
Fly paper, Carbolic Acid, crude and  
pure.

Do not fail to try my brands of coffee  
and you will prefer no other. I handle  
the best grades in existence. I sell just  
as I do all other lines of goods—down as  
cheap as possible.—G. R. Griggs.

W. J. Fisher will leave tomorrow  
for his old home in Missouri, where  
he will visit relatives and old-time  
friends and attend to matters of busi-  
ness that demand his present atten-  
tion.

J. R. Montgomery has fallen a vic-  
tim to the improvement fever. He is  
turning up the sod in East Floydada  
and if his fever is not checked soon  
he may commit agriculture in the first  
degree.

Out this out and take it to R. C.  
Scott's drug store and get a box of  
Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tab-  
lets. The best physic. They also  
correct disorders of the stomach.  
Price 25 cents.

G. C. Pruitt has been employed to  
teach the Lone Star school, ten miles  
north of Lockney, the ensuing term.  
Mr. Pruitt has spent much time pre-  
paring and keeping prepared for the  
school work and will doubtless be  
able to render good service to the  
Lone Star community.

Base ball is the leading excitement  
at Floydada nowadays. One day  
last week a game was played be-  
tween Floydada's first and second  
nines in which the first nine was bad-  
ly snowed under. A game will be  
played today, the outcome of which  
will be reported next week.

Your trade is needed, because we  
have the goods. We can supply your  
wants because we have the goods. We  
have the goods because we are in  
business and mean business. We  
invite inspection; we invite comparison.  
We can please you because we have  
prepared to do so. A meritorious  
business never fails to win, hence we  
win the trade.—Snodgrass & Nelson.

Simmons' Stock powders at R. C.  
Scott's

J. B. Baker has purchased the Fish  
Hotel and will take possession soon.

All kinds of cold drinks at the O. K.  
parber shop and ice cream till you  
can't chin it. Ol also carries a nice  
line of candies and cigars.

Lost.—A light yellow dog left me  
at Floydada about one month ago.  
He is about two years old. Finder  
please inform C. L. Young, Floydada.

Lost.—A small pearl handle pen-  
knife with one blade in each end.  
Finder will be rewarded 25 cents by  
returning same to this office, or to  
G. C. Pruitt.

This paper has some more space  
for the candidates. Come on candi-  
dates, while it holds out. Your  
money is as good as any this paper  
ever handled.

**Swapping Lies**

Is practiced, but don't swap off Hunt's  
Lightning Oil for a worthless article.  
Ask your druggist or merchant for a  
free sample bottle.

**FOR SALE**—One story and a half  
house, main room 14x14, with side  
room 9x14, and one up-stairs room  
14x14. Call on me one mile north-  
east of Floydada.—Alfred Hill.

G. R. Griggs received some new  
goods this week. He invites you to  
call and inspect his stock. He  
makes it a point to advertise his  
business every time he sells an  
article large or small.

Messrs. English and English, of  
Brown county, passed thru Floydada  
last Wednesday on their way to  
Plainview. They will locate on the  
Plains if they can dispose of their  
property in Brown county.

**Need More Help.**

Often the over-taxed organs of  
digestion cry out for help by dispep-  
sia's pains, nausea, dizziness, headache  
liver complaints, bowel disorders.  
Such troubles call for prompt use of  
Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are  
gentle, thorough and guaranteed to  
cure. 25c at R. C. Scott's drug  
store.

**The Best Liniment for Strains.**

Mr. F. H. Wells, the merchant at  
Deer Park, Long Island, N. Y., says  
"I always recommend Chamberlain's  
Pain Balm as the best liniment for  
sprains. Used it last winter for a severe  
lameness in the side, resulting from a  
strain, and was greatly pleased with  
the quick relief and cure it effected."  
For sale by R. C. Scott.

This paper is authorized to place  
in the Announcement Column this  
week the name of S. B. McCleskey  
as a candidate for the office of Sheriff  
and Tax Collector. Mr. McCleskey  
has been a citizen of Floyd County  
for a number of years. During the  
past six years he has served the coun-  
ty as Treasurer. He is well known  
thruout the county and no recom-  
mendation from this paper is  
needed. He asks the voters of  
Floyd county to remember him at  
the coming November election.

Should you need anything in the  
undestaker's line call on C. Surginer.  
He can supply you.

Have you ever seen a sample copy  
of Mr. Bryan's paper, The Common-  
er? You can get one at the office of  
THE HESPERIAN.

**A Tripple Hanging**

Smith, Brown, and Jones hang their  
hopes of recovery upon Cheatham's  
Laxative Chill Tablets. They will be  
around soon shaking hands with  
friends 25cets. No cure—no  
pay.

"I am using a box of Chamberlain's  
Stomach and Liver Tablets and find  
them the best thing for my stomach I  
ever used," says T. W. Robinson, jus-  
tice of the peace, Loomis, Mich. These  
Tablets not only correct disorders of  
the stomach but regulate the liver and  
bowels. They are easy to take and  
pleasant in effect. Price 25 cents per  
box. For sale by R. G. Scott.

The demand for meat is increasing  
at Floydada, and do not forget that  
the public with the best fresh meat  
at the right prices. He also carries  
in stock most all sorts of cold drinks  
and has put in an ice chest. He  
is preparing to put in a line of con-  
fectioneries. When in need of any-  
thing in his line do not fail to call on  
Mr. Blair.

**Aunt Lucindy**

Always carries Hunt's Lightning Oil  
around with her, says it's fine for  
swellings, tooth-ache, colic, weak-back,  
back-ache, cuts, burus, neuralgia,  
catarrh. Aunt Lucindy has sixty-nine  
grandchildren and ought to know what  
she is talking about.

Competitors may blow that they do  
not sell on time, and, for that reason  
their customers do not have to pay  
other people's debts. I will state that  
I sell as few goods on time as any man  
in Floyd county, and what goods I do  
sell on time are the same as the spot  
cash, for I have been in Floyd county  
a long time and know whom to  
credit and whom not to credit  
and I never fail to collect from all  
of my customers whom I accommodate  
for a short time: I can always collect  
from them without having to dun them  
thru the columns of the newspapers.  
I am anxious for you to call and price  
my goods. My long experience in  
the mercantile business is an impor-  
tant item for the custom to consider.—  
A. C. Bowers.

We keep an eye on every detail of  
our business. We sell lots of goods,  
but we make it a point never to run  
short on any line. This week we have  
shelved some replenishing stocks so  
that our many customers will not fail  
to find everything they may want at  
our store. We start in with a full  
stock and we keep up a full stock.  
That's the way to run a business on  
business lines. Call and see us. No  
trouble to show goods.—Snodgrass  
& Nelson.

In next week's number of this  
paper will appear the editor's write-  
up of his trip to Galveston. Gal-  
veston is an interesting place to  
visit, and so is a Democratic State  
Convention. The editor will spare  
no pains to make it as interesting as  
he can.

We do not claim to be the only  
turtles in the tank, but we invite the  
readers of this paper to call at our  
store and inspect our large stock of  
Summer Goods; they will be able to  
judge the better of our comparative  
standing with other turtles. We are  
the only turtles if no others come up  
to our standard.—Snodgrass & Nelson.

**Heaven Help Us**

In our troubles, but use Hunt's cure  
for itch, tetter, ringworm, itching  
piles and eczema. Guaranteed.

Remember every Tuesday night is  
the time for the regular meetings of  
the Odd Fellows' Lodge at Floydada.  
A cordial invitation to attend is ex-  
tended to every person who can give  
the current and other pass words,  
signs, and go thru the entire catalog  
of capers peculiar to the chain-gang.  
Those who have been attending re-  
port thrilling and fascinating times.

**The Fair at Quanah.**

The meeting of the Northwest Texas  
August 19 22 1902... the  
history of the Association. Arrange-  
ments are already under way, and a  
number of new and interesting features  
will be introduced for the entertain-  
ment of the people. A splendid racing  
program has been prepared, there  
being four races daily with liberal  
purses. It is expected that the "Qua-  
nah Stake Race," for which a purse of  
\$400 will be hung up, will bring the  
cracks from all over the country. It  
is a running race, three-fourths of a  
mile. There is also a free-for-all pace  
or trot for a purse of \$350. All the  
purses are good. There will also be a  
novelty race each day, and a balloon  
ascension with a parachute descent.  
Some of the popular features of last  
year's meeting, the ladies' and boys'  
riding contests and the saddle and  
barness horse rings, will be retained.  
Liberal premiums will be given on all  
kinds of live stock.

It is desired to make this meeting  
in reality as well as in name a  
Northwest Texas institution, and it is  
hoped that all neighboring counties  
will take an interest. It was decided  
to hold the meeting earlier this year  
on account of it being more of an idle  
time than later on when fall work has  
begun.

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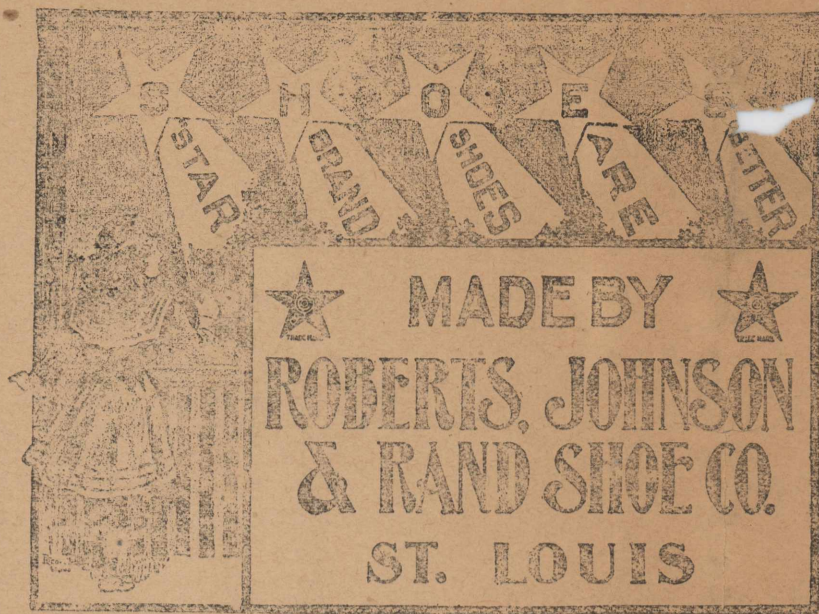
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with perfect composure. I began to give expression to the thoughts I was entertaining. My mother began to console me by admonishing me to "Trust in God." I responded: "Well, mother, I've been trusting God a good while, but He just keeps teasing me!"

It was a habit of mine when a small boy to "cut antics or monkey-shines." One time I was at a house where an elderly lady was visiting. The lady looked upon my "monkey-shines" with scorn and derision. After I took leave of the place she inquired, referring to me, "Who is that boy?" Upon being informed she remarked in a manner that indicated seriousness, "Why, he is not right bright, is he?" My monkey-shines were far more convincing to that lady than all the apologies and explanations to be made. Since that time I have endeavored to overcome the habit of "cutting monkey-shines," hence the reason I am so dignified and sanctimonious.

**SOME EXPERIENCES.**

In Hopkins County as well as in other places I have had some experiences. In my old home community I found an enthusiastic lot of Woodmen of the World. I attended one of the meetings ostensibly to see how other camps than Ploydada conduct their proceedings; but was urged to take the head man's station, which I reluctantly responded to.

I attended church at Corinth School House on Sunday. There I looked into the faces of many old-time friends. I had the pleasure of listening to a discourse delivered by Lawrence W. Scott, who bears the distinction of being a savant in religious learning. He has been a minister of the Gospel for the past quarter of a century. He is about fifty years of age and is unmarried. I have known of him as long as I have known of their being the Christian or New Testament religion. He possesses all the eccentricities that are necessary for a typical bachelor. He is highly educated in the living and defunct languages and in modern and ancient literatures as he is in the great Book of Books.

Mr. Scott has spent about twenty years of his special study on the Devil, his origin and overthrow. I did not feel that it would be right and proper for me to break a time-honored custom, so I bought one of Mr. Scott's booklets treating on the old monster. An on-looker upon observing me with the booklet remarked: "Mr. Editor, it occurs to me that a man of your calling is near enough the Devil without having to learn any more about him." I had to do something to offset the remark, so I spoke as tho the spirit gave me utterance as follows: "You know Socrates, the noted teacher and philosopher of Grecian history, admonished the student, 'Know thyself!' and I am merely heeding Socrates in buying the booklet." A sensitive editor would have felt that his dignity was insulted, but I am not a fawning, sensitive, sentimental being. I enjoy jesting at my own cost, and particularly when I am in a position to turn the tide without wounding the pride of some one else.

I carried in my coat pockets copies of "The Philistine," a monthly periodical of protest, after the order of Bran's Iconoclast or William Marion Reedy's Mirror. The Philistine is edited by Elbert Hubbard, who is one of the most characteristically original writers after whom I ever had the pleasure of reading. The copies I had in my pockets had been sent me by a gentleman whose acquaintance I formed whilst traveling from San Antonio to El Paso last May. From him I first learned of the existence of such a man as Elbert Hubbard and of his periodical, The Philistine. Whilst listening profoundly to an address by Louis J. Wortham at the Old Settlers' Reunion, a yearling baby boy of a relative, near whom I was sitting, found his way into my pockets and dealt destruction to the Philistines therein. It was so cute in that little fellow and I was desirous of tickling the vanity of his mother, so after hurriedly collecting my wits I gave the little prowler and Philistine destroyer the

appellation, "Samson," of whom we read in the Old Testament scriptures as a wonderfully strong man and who slew a thousand or more Philistines with a loud-looking implement of warfare. The appellation was well taken as it was fitting and appropriate for the little man.

I spent most of the time I visited at the home of an esteemed aunt near whom I lived for about eight years of my boyhood. There I tried to prepare matter for the amusement of the readers of THE HESPERIAN, but I found it indeed a task to leave off talking to first one and another long enough to make much headway.

My aunt's husband, who answered the summons of world-transference soon after I removed from Hopkins County, was a man of congenial manners, amiable character, and high moral principles. He took great interest in the political issues of each election. I was so peculiarly and eccentrically constructed that I found more real pleasure in my uncle's society than I did in that of young persons. He watched my advancement in studying the events of the day and my researches in the history of the country with the utmost admiration and greatest enthusiasm. He was a beacon light to me in my efforts when the elements were otherwise dark and uninviting.

**IN DELTA COUNTY.**

In Delta county I spent nearly two days. In Delta county I first saw the light, and, like the man from Arkansas, those who would laugh are permitted to do so. I will go further and say that I was born and partly reared in that portion of the county known as "Granny's Neck," which is not far from that erstwhile famous resort called "Jernigan's Thicket." It is said that there are not many who will acknowledge themselves hailing from either of these sections of Delta county; but I am like the boy with reference to having nits and lice in his hair, inasmuch as I do not know it is any disgrace to have had my abode at either or both of the two places. Anyone who hears my old-time friend, Dr. R. C. Andrews, play "Jernigan's Thicket" on the violin, will be compelled to chant: "Tis the old-time music of Jernigan's Thicket, that is good enough for me."

About the time before I was born "Granny's Neck" did not have the reputation of being an ideal community in which to rear a toy of my peculiar disposition and rare indisposition. My parents expected that in the course of human events a change would take place in the character of Granny's Neck's population; but they grew impatient of the slow process of reformation and took up their abode in Hopkins County, where my environments would be more favorable and more elevating to my thoughts. I would have fulfilled the most sanguine expectations of my parents had it not have been that I evinced a taste for reading the newspapers of the day and the histories of the past, whereby I found my greatest pleasure in studying the political questions of all times—past, present, and future.

Granny's Neck has redeemed herself, and Jernigan's Thicket has never fallen from grace since it has been in grace. The old place, where I was born and reared to the age of eight years of age has undergone marked changes. The old log cabin, which strikingly resembled the one in which Abraham Lincoln was born, is no more. I do not boast of having been born in a log cabin nor of having lived in a dugout, but I am not ashamed of either. It is far better for a boy or a girl to be born in a country log cabin or a dugout than in a city mansion or castle.

I spent Saturday in attending a Woodmen of the World picnic and I found Woodmen almost as numerous as the order deserves in that country. The steam flying jenny and the cold drink venders were as prominent as they were at the Old Settlers' Reunion at Sulphur Springs, but the return balls among the youngsters were conspicuous by their absence.

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