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## SOMETHING DOING

In Matrimonial Circles. Two Weddings Took Place Last Sunday.

Elkhart, Texas, March 22.—At the Methodist church at 9:30 o'clock Sunday morning Mr. John Guice of Grapeland and Miss Emma Brown were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. A large crowd was present to see the happy two made one. Some relatives from Palestine and Grapeland were present.

Miss Margerette Houston played the march for them, Bro. Houston officiating. The couple left on the morning train for Grapeland, which will be their future home. They were entertained with a dinner by their relatives and friends when they arrived home. The bride was one of Alabama's sweetest girls, as her home was formerly there, but we are glad to know that she will now make her home in Texas. She was dressed in a white silk gown neatly made and held a wreath of white flowers. The groom is one of Grapeland's foremost young business men, and numbers his friends by the score.

They received a good many nice presents.

We all wish them a long and happy life and may their pathway be strewn with the sweetest of flowers. A Cousin,

Bershaba Callaway.

Granbury—Richards.

Mr. W. E. Granbury and Miss Myrta Richards were married at the home of the bride's mother last Sunday afternoon, Rev. J. C. Cameron officiating. The contracting parties rank among the best people of our town, and their friends are legion. Mr. Granbury has lived here for some time, as a station agent for the I. & G. N. Miss Richards is conducting a millinery business and is very popular and favorably known.

The Messenger joins their numerous friends in wishing them all happiness and contentment through life.

Reynard News.

March 23.—We are having a wet time in our little town, but think the rain is over now. Most all corn is up to a good stand, and some is large enough to work out.

We did not have any preaching Saturday night, and only a few were present yesterday morning, the weather was so bad.

Hardin and Walter Pennington of Dalys, attended church here Sunday.

Mrs. T. F. Daily and little son Chas. Tom, spent Saturday night and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Kent.

Mrs. P. L. Fulgham and Mrs. T. S. Kent returned from Deer Point yesterday.

C. H. Beazley and two little sons, Jack, Oscar, Douglass and Homer Beazley, J. L. Chiles and G. B. Kent all visited your town Saturday.

Frank Taylor spent Saturday night with the home folks.

Not news much for this time so will ring off, and promise to do better next time.

Zack.

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George E. Darsey, Grapeland, Texas.

### COUNTY AFFAIRS.

Public Debt is Decreasing, and Things in Good Condition. County Sued.

Grapeland, Texas, March 23.—Health is good at present and prospects for the farmers are good at present. Most everybody has a good stand of corn, which means, if no disaster, plenty of hog and hominy.

There is not much news, so I will turn to politics. First I will say at the February term of commissioners' court we had the best official reports that I have seen since I have been in office. We found the treasurer's books as "straight as a shingle." It makes me feel proud when I have to check up any of the records and find them straight. I have not seen the report in print yet regarding the finance of the county but I believe it will come out in the future. I am prepared to tell the people something about the county's indebtedness. I think we have made the best showing of any one year's work in my recollection. Instead of the county's indebtedness increasing we have reduced it from \$47,553.84 to \$26,000.00. We have cash on hand \$19,060.56 up to March 12. We have in road and bridge funds \$2,138.47; last year at this time last year we had none. We had to issue scrip for road and bridge work. We have \$7,022.38 in courthouse and jail funds. We have paid the last bond against the courthouse and jail, and I think we can cut the tax rate 20 per cent from this one fund and that will leave 5 per cent on the one hundred dollars worth of property. Everything is in better shape than I have ever seen it in my life. We have had many things to confront us since I have been

in office that looked gloomy, but we have come out all right so far without getting any bones broken. Have you heard about the county being sued? It is sued for \$1,500. I don't know whether the rest of the officers will like it or not for me to tell it, but I cannot help that. We had to employ John I. Moore as counsel for the county at a cost of \$100. The suit could have been avoided the same as checking up Mr. Brightman's books if the commissioner's court in the past had acted according to law. Mr. Craddock is the man who has filed the suit. He affirms that the sewer pipe that runs from the jail and enters into a branch that runs through his pasture makes his milk and butter unfit for use, and we deny it, but that has got to be tested yet.

Will close by saying that I am sorry some of the officers have got their lips stuck out at me for letting the public know what we are doing. Yours to serve,  
S. H. Lively.

Miss Lillian Hanson is at home to stay, her school a few miles from town having closed.

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### NO DAMAGE DONE

Fruit Crop Was Not Been Injured by Recent Spell. Farming in Progress.

Lovelady, Texas, March 23.—We have had considerable rain during the past few days and it has been too cold for comfort, yet not enough so to do material harm to growing crops. The corn fields are looking well, the stand being pretty good and the plants in a thrifty condition. The crop is not all planted, but the major part of it is in the ground and some are plowing out the crop. Some have planted small fields of cotton, but this can be only experimental, as the plant is so easily affected by vicissitudes of weather it is liable to perish at any time, thus requiring replanting. There is a norther on today, and the probability is that it will be quite cold within twenty-four hours. The fruit has not yet been hurt. Gardens are doing pretty well and we will soon pass the "starving time."

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## PEACH CROP SHORT.

Bailey Question all Absorbing Topic. Local News of the Week.

Augusta, Texas, March 22.—The time for communicating with your paper is again at hand and we will meet our task as best as we can.

Since last Thursday the weather has been anything but desirable at this season of the year; however, we don't apprehend anything serious from this cold snap. It will of course retard the growth of gardens and will check corn, but a day or two of sunshine will make all well.

Farmers generally are well up with their work; good many of the farmers are enjoying themselves angling in the waters of San Pedro. They are generally awarded with a fine catch of cat fish and trout.

Dr. Ben Elliott reports but little sickness. Give us health and a few showers later on and we will make this portion of Houston county bloom like a great big tree.

We learn from Jas. Newman that Walter Newman, his son, leaves today for Jerome, Ariz. Walter was reared among us and we know that he is of the right material to succeed anywhere. His many friends wish him success in his far western home.

Your correspondent is informed that the Bailey meeting that was intended for yesterday at this place did not materialize.

The Bailey subject is getting to be rather warm in our town; it seems to be the all absorbing topic. Some of our brightest young lights are Bailey men and are hard hitters. The Anti-Bailey men are as solid as a stone wall and their determination to win in this contest is plainly shown on every anti's face. The call for a Bailey meeting Saturday at Crockett is an eye-opener and it is well enough for the anti's to keep themselves in fighting trim and be ready for the strife. Time evens up everything and so it will this.

We have made diligent inquiry in regard to the peach crop of this section and find that it will be very short. The present indications are that the pear crop will be very fine, if not too much rain; the berry crop will be immense which will greatly add to the luxuries of home.

Night is upon us and the dark clouds that hover so near is a good indication of another night's rain. As ever,

Old Gray.

This is So

We wish to state in as plain and vigorous way as words can express it, that Hunt's Cure will positively cure any form of itching skin disease known. One box is guaranteed to cure. One application affords relief.

Henry Richards and family of Troupe and George Richards attended the Grandbury-Richards wedding Sunday.

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## THE BUILDERS

By Willis George Emerson

Fred was shocked beyond measure at the terrible tragedy of a life that was told in this letter. A search was at once made and the body found near the old prospect shaft. A bullet wound in his temple and the weapon still clutched in the dead man's hand told of this maniac's suicide.

The people of Gold Valley fairly gaped at the rapidity with which events were occurring in the midst of their little community. The sheriff was missing, and his absence gave color to the statement in the letter Boast had written.

Casey and Gibbons, the multi-millionaires, were now the undisputed owners of the ePacock mine, and were entirely vindicated of any complicity in the murder of Rufus Grim by the suicide's letter. The citizens of Gold Valley suddenly remembered that Mr. Marc Casey and Mr. Gideon Gibbons were most excellent gentlemen. It was astonishing to find how many friends flocked around them to tender their congratulations.

"Gee whiz, Gideon," said Marc Casey, one evening, nudging him with his elbow, "the worst we are gettin' these days is certainly the best of it, as I may have said before."

A few evenings after the funeral of J. Arthur Boast, Fred was sitting in the Hilliard home with the members of the family.

They were talking over the success of the Shonbar mine, and Mr. Hilliard, in a subdued, yet satisfied way, thanked God that he had been permitted to live to see the fulfillment of his life's dream.

The door opened and Aunt Phoebe came in. "Good evenin', Mr. Rockwell," she said, with her rich Southern accent. "I think this is the happiest day of our lives."

"Res, indeed," replied Fred. "We owe your brother many apologies for our seeming lack of confidence in the Shonbar."

She looked at him in quick surprise over her glasses and then replied: "Lack of confidence, Mr. Rockwell? I would like to know who lacked confidence in my brother Benjamin's mine? For myself, I have believed from the first that Benjamin would strike it, if I could only keep him workin' rway long enough."

Fred was surprised into silence and was trying to think of a reply, when Mr. Hilliard interposed. "You see, suh," he said, with a knowing twinkle in his eye, "I have often observed to you that my sister is a most remarkable woman, suh; most remarkable. She has been a powerful support to me in my minin' efforts."

This seemed partially to pacify Aunt Phoebe, as she said: "I suspect, Mr. Rockwell, you are thinkin' of a conversation we had some months ago in regard to sinkin' the shaft. Of course, you don't know how much strategy I had to resort to, that I might keep Benjamin from growin' disheartened. I will not allow anyone to say anything against my brother, but personally I know he is the contrariest man livin' he is, indeed, suh! Time and again I have been forced to pretend that I was opposin' him, just to make him go on workin' and sinkin' that shaft, but that is all over with, and I have much to be thankful for that I was spared that I might keep on naggin' and spurrin' him on, until finally his efforts have been rewarded."

She did not wait for a reply or comments, and soon after, tenderly embracing Virginia and Ruth, retired.

When she had gone Mr. Hilliard looked up from the fire into which he had been gazing long and steadily. "I presume, Mr. Rockwell, that my sister, without question, is one of the greatest characters that ever lived. I'm discoverin', even to this day, new traits of superiority and strength in her. Indeed, suh, she is no ordinary woman! Though born in the South and possessin' in a very high degree the beautiful refinement peculiar to our Southern women, yet at the same time her diplomacy in accomplishin' great results equals the shrewdest Nawthern Yankee. She is indeed a most remarkable woman, suh; most remarkable!"

A little later Wilbur and Virginia retired, pleading weariness. "Do you know," said Mr. Hilliard, as they made ready to retire, "since our great discovery I want to do all my sleepin' in the mornin'?"

"Thinking over his good fortune keeps daddy so busy that retiring early is out of the question," explained Ruth. "But, my, how late he does sleep!"

"He has just earned the rest he claims," interposed Fred. "Indeed he has," said Ruth, approaching her father and pushing back his long white locks. "You are a dear daddy, and may sit up as late as you like, and sleep as long as you wish."

"I tell you, Mr. Rockwell," said Mr. Hilliard, rising and standing before the fire, "this little girl of mine is bound to spoil me. She always did humor me, ever since I can remember, and she's worse now than ever before. Well, you will have to excuse me until I have another pipe of tobacco."

His suit of black made a strange contrast, Fred thought, to the miner's garb he had worn so many years. He went into the room known as his "den" for a smoke, and Fred and Ruth were alone for the first time

since their momentary interview in the printing office.

A doubt came into Fred's mind, whether he was glad they had struck it in the Shonbar or not. He wondered if she remembered his sealed letter. Heretofore Ruth, whom he had loved so long, had, in a measure, been dependent upon his bounty, but now it was different—the last blast had made them, in a way, financial equals. He thought he detected a restraint in her conversation, and it was embarrassing and painful.

At his request for a song she went towards the piano, pausing at the table and opening a book from which she took a faded but still odoriferous boutonniere of violets. She looked at the souvenir only a moment, and then walked quickly to the instrument. No word was spoken—but he knew the seal of his letter had been broken.

She never sang with more feeling. Her heart was filled with a maiden's dearest happiness—a deep and abiding love for the man who was listening.

### A Song.

Hope once whispered to a heart,  
Worn with waiting, long and long;  
Lips that e'er had dwelt apart  
Then were wedded in a song.

Hope then whispered to a love  
Timid as a forest fawn;  
A white spirit from above,  
List'n'g, spoke, and fear was gone.

Hope then kissed Time's hand and prayed  
That upon this twain it rest,  
Gently as a rare rose laid  
On a maiden's happy breast.

With a woman's intuition she well knew that Fred's love belonged to her alone. She sang with the rapture of a wild bird of the Western hills, in notes rich, sweet and laden with melody.

Fred listened with bated breath. There are pleasures so keen they are painful. "I am not worthy," he thought with unselfish humility, "but happiness without her is impossible." She ceased playing and turned her radiant face towards him. A momentary silence followed.

"Ruth," said Fred, with a tremulous note in his voice, notwithstanding he tried to crush it into naturalness, "surely you know ere this that I love you."

He had risen and was walking slowly back and forth before the open grate, as if in his loyalty he refused to permit the physical to influence the judgment of this noble girl.

Please do not look away," he pleaded. "I know my unworthiness but do not—well, pretend you are unconscious of it tonight. I would rather love you, Ruth, even without hope, than to have the unselfish devotion of any other woman in all the world. Do not ask me why—I only know it is so."

For a moment she lifted her hands to her face, protectingly, as if fearful he would see the great happiness depicted there, and, yet—he must know—know of her love for him, or she would be miserable forever.

"What I have said," Fred went on, "may be nothing to you, but it seems either life or death to me. Life to love's pathway, or death to a cherished hope. Understand, I will not lose interest in the world, or go to the bad, or do any foolish sort of thing, even if you send me away from you. It is said that some men are willing to be entertained at vaudeville, when they are denied the opportunity of grand opera—I am not one of them. I hope—very much—that I make myself clear. All the world and all its people, men and women, hold less fascination for me than your own dear self."

"Tomorrow I shall leave Gold Valley forever, unless you wish me to remain, and, well—if you should ask me—not to go—I'll understand."

Fred stood before the fire, still and motionless. After a brief silence Ruth raised her eyes and saw his face pale with anxiety—he was standing on the boundary—at the parting of the ways, awaiting his commission. She rose from the piano—her cheeks flushed pink as roses, and came a step forward, then paused.

Her golden hair reflected the firelight and made a halo about her girlish face. Her full red lips parted with the tender smile of youth and happiness. She was thinking: "I am certain of his love, I am sure of my love for him, and I will give myself entirely, yes, wholly, into his keeping."

She held out her hands to Fred and said: "Please do not go!" Her voice was one of entreaty, yet low and musical.

In a moment he was by her side and pressed her hands passionately to his lips. In the ecstasy of love's triumph his arms stole quickly about her, while her head rested contentedly on his breast, her violet eyes, moistened with the dew of a great happiness, looked up into his, and two sincere souls were mingled by love's sacred kisses.

A moment later the curtains parted and Mr. Hilliard stood before them. His long white hair fell from his temples and there was a glorified look of gladness on his face. He lifted his hands upwards and in tones scarcely audible said: "Such tender and sacred things of earth are sanctified—in heaven."

The shuttle of fate had again woven into the web of destiny the better attributes of a manly man and the ennobling love of a gentle woman. (The End.)

## How the Latest Discoveries and Research in the Realm of Electricity Have Revolutionized Medical Practice.

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The great mechanical achievements of today have made it possible to perfect these great discoveries; and many more wonderful secrets of this great force have since been laid bare; their uses to combat human ills perfected and numberless fatal diseases of mankind, before which the Medical Profession heretofore stood helpless are now conquered and eradicated.

Our correspondent, to acquaint him self more fully with the uses of Electricity in modern medical practice, recently visited the local offices of Dr. J. H. Terrill, of the famous Terrill Medical Institute. Dr. Terrill, upon being apprised of the purpose of his visit, busy as he was at the time, laid aside the voluminous correspondence from the many sufferers and afflicted people throughout the Southwest who appeal to this great institution for their relief that they failed to get from their home doctors, and very graciously offered his time and knowledge regarding the many Electrical machines to be found in this, the largest Medical Institute in the Southwest.

The Doctor explained that the Terrill Medical Institute, of which he is the President, had spared no expense in equipping their institution with every known Electrical appliance; in fact, every mechanism that would be an aid to the skill and knowledge of their large staff of physicians.

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Our correspondent's attention was then called to the Helio-Therapeutic Arc Lamp, a wonderful apparatus of Photo-Therapy, used in the treatment of rheumatism, chronic, acute and inflammatory diseases, and is a wonderful aid in curing sexual disorders and diseases of men. This great Helio-Photo Lamp has affected more permanent cures of diseases of the lungs than any other known modern method. Numerous other Electrical apparatus, and their uses, were explained.

Then, last but not least, Dr. Terrill explained the use of Galvanic, Faradic, Sinusoidal electric currents, which are installed in this Institute. The Galvanic or constant current, is used with great success in Muscular and Nervous Troubles; the Faradic, or induced interrupted current, and the Sinusoidal, or high alternating current, are used for these same ailments, and as each has its field, the proper current is used to suit the nature of the disease being treated. These three forms of Electricity have been found highly efficacious for all forms of Chronic Female Troubles.

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(By Dr. DeGraff.)

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I have found it very unwise to breed from extremes in color as they are very liable to produce the mottled, mealy, chocolate necked birds that we used to see so many of in the early days of the breed. Experience teaches us that the females with the even color from head to tail and free from all meanness and shafting, make the best breeders, although they are not as dark as the desirable show color. The above mentioned females are especially desirable if their undercolor is rich and they have the black trimmings in wings and tail that the darker ones are more liable to be weak in.

The real dark males, while they will occasionally throw an extra fine cockerel, are not desirable as breeders as too large a percentage of their chicks mature into specimens that are off color. The long bodied, wide-legged, vigorous, gallant male, with that rich, brilliant bay, harmonizing from head to tail, and with an undercolor as near like surface color as possible, is the bird that makes the best breeder in the majority of cases and his progeny will average as many prize winning specimens as many of the older and better breeds. Personally, I prefer the rich, brilliant, even colored red specimens of either sex, even if they have a slight trace of smut to the light buff birds that are often represented as being Reds. Undercolor is out of sight and of secondary importance, while I think the future success of the breed demands that we breed from red, as it is a color when bred to perfection that cannot be described, and no color in the show room can compare with it.—Reliable Poultry Journal.

### PEACH CROP OUTLOOK

Prof. E. J. Kyle of the horticultural department of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, reports, after an extended trip through the peach belt of East Texas, that conditions now point to a peach crop, one-third or one-fourth the usual yield where the orchards have received proper care and attention. This yield, he claims, will be better than a full crop because the prices received will be higher and the quality better. Besides a full crop is always hard on the trees.

Orchards which were pruned heavily last year and well cultivated during the spring will yield good crops this year. The rest last year has helped the trees

that have been properly cared for. There is no further danger of frost, so that lovers of the luscious Elbertas may expect to eat the fruit as usual this summer, but they will have to pay a somewhat higher price than in former years.

Prof. Kyle advises all growers to prune their trees now and to cultivate thoroughly during August and throughout the summer. He suggests that each tree be given two pounds of a fertilizer composed of one part acid phosphate to one part of cotton seed meal. Conditions were never better for the peach grower to make money.

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Country poultry raisers depend much on the egg market and for a time every plan for new birds must stand aside until the merchant begins to tell his customers that eggs are down. Market eggs and market chickens are not so profitable as eggs for hatching and chicks for stock as sold by breeders with their fine houses and feeding; but a majority of those in the poultry trade sell eggs to the storeman and the chickens for shipment to the large cities.

### COTTONSEED MEAL FOR POULTRY.

The superiority of cottonseed meal as a food for cattle, either as a fat and flesh producer or for milk and butter has so long passed the experimental stage as to admit of no discussion. Its use as a most valuable hog feed, giving growth, flesh development

and fecundity is also established beyond controversy. That it is equally as valuable as a supplemental grain ration for horses and mules under all sorts of conditions, and especially so for brood mares and young colts, is also acknowledged by all who have given it fair trial.

So, too, its use as a most superior food for all kinds of fowls is being demonstrated in the yards of many poultrymen who have learned by experience and test to give it first place as an egg producer, and for fat, flesh and condition.

For, as will be at once seen, the same high albuminoid content which produces flesh and milk in cattle development and fecundity in hogs, bone, muscle and endurance in horses will give eggs, vigor and condition in fowls.

As in the other cases, it should always be fed to poultry as a supplemental ration only, and mixed always with some less highly concentrated food—corn chops, corn meal, wheat bran, shorts or small grain. Mixed in this way, about one-third to one-half cottonseed meal, it may be fed either dry or wet into a thin dough, and the result will be quickly shown in added vigor, rapid growth, glossier plumage and in increased egg production.

In fact as with hogs it seems to act almost entirely as a preventative of nearly all diseases, and instances are absolutely unknown where any epidemic prevailed in flocks having it as a habitual ration. On the contrary numerous cases can be cited where they have remained entirely immune and healthy while neighboring flocks not having it have been destroyed by cholera and kindred diseases.

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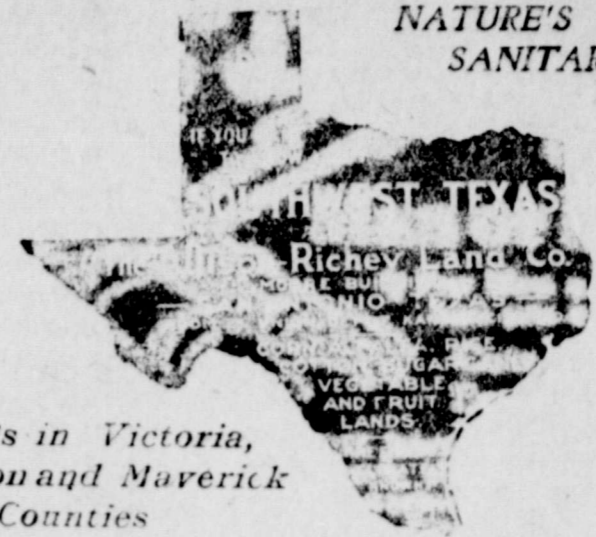
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ALBERT H. LUKER, EDITOR

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 THE MESSENGER.

## A GREAT CHESTNUT.

There is probably no man engaged in the newspaper business in this state, who is not acquainted with men whose excuse for discontinuing his subscription is that he already "has more papers than he can read." It is an excuse offered to ameliorate the editor's feelings.

It has no such effect, for in the first place the editor never worries over the loss of a subscriber except when he leaves the country without paying up arrears. But why not be truthful and say to an honest newspaper man just what you feel in your heart. Go into his den, ask him how much you owe, pay the delinquency and tell him frankly that you don't want his disreputable, blackguard sheet any longer. Say to him in a sorrowful tone of voice that you deeply regret his inability to publish a newspaper worthy the name and advise him to sell his plant to some man with a thimble full of brains and seek some occupation that does not require much wear or tear of mind. Do this and then you can go away with the comforting assurance that the editor respects you for your candor and will cherish no hard feelings because you choose to borrow his paper instead of buying it.

We think it is high time the young people of Grapeland were organizing an anti-matrimonial association.

The Lufkin News Publishing Co. announces that it will soon begin the publication of a magazine devoted to farming, trucking, poultry and fruit for East Texas. It will fill a long felt want and we predict its success.

A spirit of exceptional development seems to have seized upon this city, improvement is everywhere noticeable. Progress is the watchword. Enterprise and activity go hand in hand and are apparent on all sides.

In any town where a majority of the citizens are home owners, one will find pretty homes and happy satisfied people. They are always on the alert for the best interest of the town and its moral welfare. When this is not so such an interest is not displayed.

After a man has spent his whole life as the devil wished, it doesn't look reasonable to us that he can lie to the Lord on his death bed and go straight to heaven. In our opinion the talk of deathbed repentance has kept many from entering the pearly gates.

## WANT COLUMN

In the announcement column will be found the name of Jno C. Lacy as a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Houston county. Mr. Lacy is just completing his first term in this position and his record is before you. He has been diligent in the discharge of his duties and has shown no fear or favor. He is making the race subject to the action of the democratic primaries, and respectfully solicits your vote and influence.

John Spence announces in this weeks issue as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Judge of Houston County subject to the action of the democratic primaries. Judge Spence has only filled this position one term and the knowledge and experience he has gained only better qualify him for a second term, and according to the rule of democracy a faithful servant should be awarded a second term. His record and official acts are open for you to investigate. Give his cause due consideration at the polls.

By reference to our announcement column this week will be found the name of A. W. Phillips as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Houston county subject to the action of the Democratic party. Abb Phillips needs no introduction to the people of this county. He has served them as sheriff for one term, being defeated by a small vote two years ago. He made a faithful officer. He now asks your support for the office again, and we commend his claims to your consideration before casting your vote.

The poultry industry is an important factor today, and will bear much study, whether conducted as a side line or as an exclusive occupation.

Mrs. Harry K. Thaw is suing her husband for a divorce on the charge that he is insane. She asks for \$50,000 and a small annuity for spending money. If she had wanted any more we suppose she would have asked for it.

The price of eggs would hold up better and be much higher if the farmers would be more careful in sorting their eggs. When the dealer ships his eggs to the city he knows that each egg will be candled and all bad ones thrown out. This loss to gether with those he culls out before shipping cuts down his margin of profit so low that it would take a powerful glass to discover it. We believe that if only fresh eggs were marketed that the price of hen fruit would materially rise.

The thing is surely coming off. Those who are timid and backward had better hunt the tall uncut, or they stand a good chance to be run over in the melee. The state democratic executive committee in session at Ft. Worth Saturday ordered an election to determine who shall go as delegates to the national convention at Denver. The Bailey and Anti-Bailey people are busy and this campaign is going to be a sizzling affair. The Hogg-Clark affair will loom up like a huge iceberg in comparison.

## Announcements

The following announcements are made subject to the action of the democratic primary:

For District Judge, 3rd Judicial District:

J J Faulk, of Henderson County

B H Gardner of Anderson county

For Sheriff  
 A W Phillips  
 Jno C Lacy (Re-election)

For County Judge  
 John Spence (Re-election)

For Representative  
 W G Creath

For County Treasurer  
 D J Cater (Re election)

For District Clerk  
 B F Dent  
 Joe Brown Stanton  
 For re-election

For Tax Collector  
 A L Goolsby

For County Clerk  
 Nat E Allbright (for re-election)

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 1  
 S H Lively (re-election)

For Constable, Precinct No. 5  
 S C Spence (re-election)

## Elkhart Searchlight.

LEE PARKS, Editor

Elkhart, Texas, Mar., 23.—Mr Brown of Houston will establish a bank here in the next few days. He will occupy the DuPuy building across from the depot.

J. M. Lynn has purchased a lot from Isaac Parker, and will begin to erect a business house in the next few days. Mr. Lynn now has a car of James & Graham wagons in transit, and also a car of nails.

Wren Woodard and Miss Laura Parker were united in marriage Sunday March 15th

Mr. John Guice of Grapeland and Miss Emma Brown of this place were married Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at the Methodist church, Rev. Houston officiating. They left on the noon train for Grapeland where they will reside in the future.

Mr. John Montgomery of Salmon returned from Marquez Saturday at noon with his bride. They left on the noon train Sunday for Salmon.

Mr. Gun Selman and Miss Emma Coleman were married Thursday night.

Walter Thornhill who has been employed on Parker & Paxton's potato farm, left for Lufkin Sunday evening.

Walter McCracken and Elbert Owens were among the passengers to Palestine Sunday eve.

Mrs. Frank Rogers and children came in from Normangee Sunday, Mr. Rogers will follow in a few days. They will reside here in the future.

Rev. Tyler returned from Greenville Saturday night. He left Monday for Slocum where he will hold a series of meetings for the next three weeks.

Miss Ida Stubblefield was in from her school at Alder Branch Saturday.

The outlook for a good fruit crop throughout this section is very encouraging. It is not thought that the recent cold spell did any material damage.

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For description, literature, rates, ect. apply to any Agents, I. & G. N. R.R. or write D. J. Price G. P. & T. A., Palestine, Texas.

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When you want a pleasant physic give Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets a trial. They are mild and gentle in their action and always produce a pleasant cathartic effect. Call at—Guice & Son's drug store for a free sample.

When a man in search of a home or business location goes into a town and finds everybody full of hope and enthusiasm over the prospects of the place, he too, soon becomes imbued with the same spirit, drives down his stakes and goes to work with equal interest.

Mrs. Pritchard Miller returned to her home in Crockett Monday. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Corine Anthony.



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F. A. Faris sells the improved Guice Harrow.

M. L. Clewis has a full line of fishing tackle.

R. B. Edens had business at the hub Saturday.

Clewis pays cash for all kinds of hides.

Buy you mens ladies and Misses slippers at F. A. Faris'.

Let Odell Faris fix up your old clothes.

Chas. Lively went to Crockett Monday.

Five gallons of Eupeon oil for 85c at W. R. Wherry's.

Plenty of cane seed this week at F. A. Faris'.

Mrs. J. J. Blount of Palestine visited relatives in Grapeland Sunday and Monday.

The level best overalls at F. A. Faris', are the best on the market.

Miss Moselle Martin is home from Rusk and confined to her room with an attack of measles.

If you are not satisfied with your FLOUR, try RUTH at Howard's.

Dr. P. H. Stafford has moved into his new residence in north Grapeland.

An invitation is extended to you to attend the millinery opening of Richards Sisters. Read the announcement in this issue.

Just received a splendid line of men's, boys' and children's spring hats and boys' caps at F. A. Faris'.

### Cash for Your Produce.

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Take all your chickens, turkeys and eggs to F. A. Faris'.

B. E. Blount was down from Palestine Sunday

Let me clean your old suit and make it look new. Odell Faris.

The ladies report a successful day with their dinner Saturday.

Lee Sory is making some improvements on the Totty hotel.

Let us have your CHICKENS and EGGS at the BEST market prices at Howard's.

Olan Davis was down from Palestine Sunday to see his numerous friends.

Plenty of best grade pure corn chops and wheat bran at F. A. Faris'.

Try HOWARD for what you WANT at LIVE and LET LIVE PRICES!

F. A. Faris wants to buy all your peas he will pay you the top price

Spring underwear and shirts for gentlemen, new ties, ect., just received at Clewis'.

Knox Miller came in from Shreveport, La., Sunday night. Mrs. Miller will arrive in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kelley, of Houston, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sory, returned to their home Monday.

The Grand Fraternity lodge will be organized next Friday night in the Woodmen hall. All applicants take notice and be on hand.

It is a waste of time to ask the price of goods at Wherry's, just call for what you want, the price will be lower than the lowest. Come early and avoid the rush.

Don't allow your trousers to become baggy at the knees and look bum, but let me press them and make them look new.

Odell Faris.

The days when the hod carrier was compelled to climb a ladder with his burden are a thing of the past. A rope and pulley now fills the bill.

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F. A. Faris.

If there is a chance to boom business, boom it. Don't put on a long face and look as though you had a stomach-ache. Hold up your head, smile and look for better things. Hide your little hammer, and try to speak well of others, no matter how small you may know yourself to be.

The picnic season is now upon us with the usual accompaniments—fleas, mosquitoes, grass chiggers and gnats. But there is a bushel of fun in a day's outing, anyhow, and a few of our young people can testify to this fact, as they spent a day on the beautiful banks of old Elkhart last week.

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### Election Proclamation.

Crockett, Texas, March 12th.—By virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I, John Spence, County Judge of Houston County, Texas, do hereby order an election to be held on Saturday, April 4th 1908, at some suitable place in the hereinafter named and numbered School Districts, at the school house of the said Districts, for the purpose of electing school trustees to serve the hereinafter named and numbered districts for the period and length of time prescribed by law: reference is herewith made to the school laws of the State of Texas for information regarding the same. Names of the election managers that have been appointed by the Commissioners Court of Houston County for said Districts may be obtained from the County Clerk of Houston County, at his office in Crockett, Texas. The Districts referred to above, are named and numbered as follows;

- No. One..... Augusta.
- Two..... Center Hill.
- Three..... Creek.
- Four..... Douglass
- Five..... Ephesus
- Six..... Enterprise
- Seven..... Grounds
- Eight..... Hammond
- Nine..... Kennard Mills
- Ten..... Kennard City
- Eleven..... Latexo
- Twelve..... McElroy Springs
- Thirteen..... Rockland
- Fourteen..... Stubblefield
- Fifteen..... San Pedro
- Sixteen..... Union
- Seventeen..... Wesley Chapel
- Eighteen..... Walnut Creek

The election Managers of the respective districts will make returns of the said election in accordance with law, returns to be made to the Commissioners Court of Houston County, John Spence, (SEAL) County Judge, at his office in Crockett, Texas. Given under my hand and seal of office on day and date first above written.

John Spence, County Judge  
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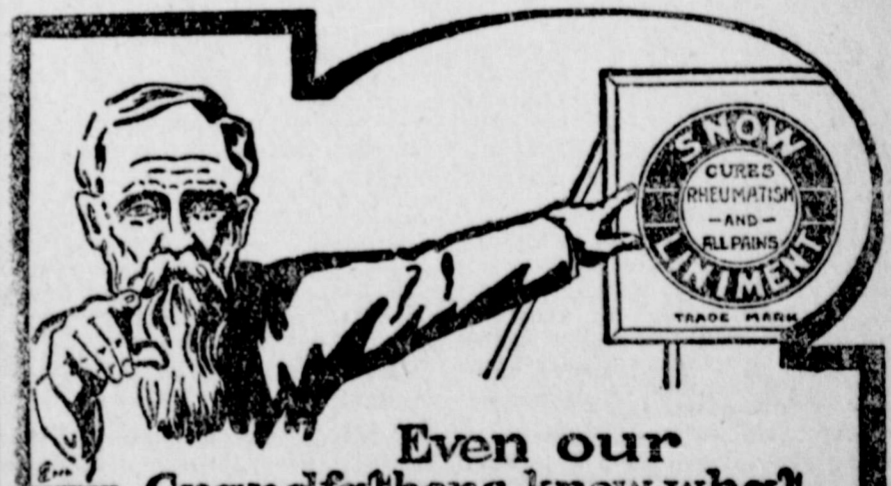
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**Houston**—The property of the Orange Lumber Company was sold to the National City Bank of Houston for \$2,250,000. The property transferred includes 50,000 acres of yellow pine land and a 50,000,000-foot capacity sawmill.

**Dallas**—The Texas Portland Cement Company, composed of St. Louis and Texas capitalists, purchased the property of the Iola Portland Cement Company, near Dallas. The transaction involved about \$3,000,000.

**Austin**—It is stated on good authority that the State Tax Board will lower the State ad valorem tax from 12½ cents to 7 cents on the \$100, owing to the increased value of the taxable property, due to full rendition.

**Brady**—Two seven-pointed bucks were found in a pasture with horns firmly locked, one dead and the other very weak. They were loosened by the finders, who marked the live buck for future identification and turned him loose.

**Austin**—Governor Campbell has honored a requisition warrant issued by the Governor of Oklahoma for Sam Dunn, charged with having robbed an Indian named Pink Bull. The prisoner is held at Cameron and is wanted at Paul's Valley, Okla.

**Fort Worth**—Bailley men will call a meeting for March 28 at Fort Worth to nominate delegates at large to the National Convention, if primary is ordered. They strongly urge the formation of clubs over the State.

**Austin**—In a close game of handball, played at the State University, George Blucher of Corpus Christi defeated Fred Ramsdell of Austin for the college championship and becomes the handball champion of the college.

**San Marcos**—A fire destroyed the Hays County Court House, leaving nothing but the blackened walls. A number of records were consumed, and the building will have to be rebuilt from the ground up.

**Falfurrias**—Mr. Donahoe has brought in the first string beans for shipment. They are the first of the season in Texas.

**Fort Worth**—The general passenger agents have declined to give lower rates to the Texas Baseball League than are given to other large bodies of travelers.

**Dallas**—State Chairman George A. Carden has called a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee, to be held at Fort Worth March 21, for the purpose of filling vacancies in the committee and to consider the ordering of a general State primary election for delegates at large to the National Convention.

**Austin**—Mrs. Rebecca J. Fisher, president of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, advises the chapters of the State that San Antonio has been selected as the next meeting place and that the convention will be held on April 19, 20 and 21.

**Kyle**—Residents of Kyle and vicinity intend to make a strong effort to have the county seat of Hays County removed from San Marcos to Kyle. San Marcos is situated in the extreme corner of the county, and since a new court house must be built, Kyle people will ask for an election to decide the matter. Twenty thousand dollars has been subscribed as a bonus.

**La Grange**—Charles Hyatt, a Katy bridgeman, 30 years old, fell from the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway bridge, striking the rocks fifty-six feet below, and was instantly killed. The remains were shipped to Sherman.

**Galveston**—Scottish Rite Masons are holding their fifteenth annual session in Galveston, which will last five days. One hundred and five prominent Masons from all over the State have filed their application for thirty-second degree membership.

**Fort Worth**—The greatest and best fat stock show ever held in Fort Worth has come to an end. Fully 50,000 people have visited Fort Worth and the exposition, and all were satisfied and delighted with what they saw.

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**Denver, Colo.**—Guiseppe Allo was found guilty of murder in the first degree for the killing of Father Leo. The verdict was rendered after a trial lasting three and a half days, and just eighteen days after the deed was committed.

**St. Paul, Minn.**—Governor Johnson of Minnesota is receiving good encouragement from the East in his Presidential race, and will soon open Presidential headquarters in Chicago, which may be extended to New York and Washington.

**Washington, D. C.**—It has been officially announced that the United States battleship fleet will make a tour of the world after leaving San Francisco. They will visit Hawaii, Samoa, Melbourne and Sidney, Australia, the Philippines and return to New York by way of the Suez canal.

**Chicago, Ill.**—John R. Walsh, former president of the Chicago National Bank, convicted of illegal use of the funds of that institution, has been sentenced to five years' imprisonment in the United States Penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

**Butte, Mont.**—Three-fourths of the town of Big Timber has been wiped out by a fire, rendering about 300 families homeless and entailing a loss estimated at \$400,000.

**Harrisburg, Pa.**—The jury in the case of the Capitol conspiracy case brought in a verdict of guilty as to every one of the four men on trial for the last seven weeks. The convicted are: John E. Sanderson, furniture contractor; William L. Mathress, State Treasurer; William P. Snyder, State Auditor, and James M. Shumaker, Superintendent of Public Buildings. They defrauded the State of about \$13,000,000.

**Washington, D. C.**—The House Committee on Foreign Affairs reports favorably on the Cullom bill, providing for the reorganization of the Consular Service. The bill proposes to discontinue eleven Consulates.

**Washington, D. C.**—Orders have been issued to change the headquarters of the Louisiana and Texas Post-office Inspection Division from New Orleans, La., to Austin. This will bring a number of officials to Austin and will be a saving to the Government, as the larger part of the business of the division is in Texas.

**Washington, D. C.**—Arrangements have been completed for the issuance of the new Springfield rifles, 30 caliber, 1903 model, fitted for 1906 ammunition, to all organized militia of the States and Territories.

**Washington, D. C.**—Eighty-eight new rural free delivery routes have been established in Texas since July 1 last, and eighty-one applications are pending.

**Spokane, Wash.**—A lone highwayman boarded a mail car on the west-bound Oriental Limited, bound the two mail clerks and robbed the mail and express cars.

**Oklahoma City, Okla.**—A Deputy United States Marshal and five possemen, who followed three bank robbers who robbed the bank at Tyro, Okla., were taken by surprise by the robbers, who compelled them to throw up their hands, and then disarmed them, broke their guns and pistols to pieces, and sent them back home.

**Washington, D. C.**—Among other bills, the House passed a bill for the restoration of the motto, "In God we trust," on American coins.

**San Diego, Cal.**—The United States training ship Buffalo arrived from Magdalena Bay, bringing the news that the target practice by the battleship fleet has already begun, and will be completed within three weeks.

**Baltimore, Md.**—United States Senator William Pinkney Whyte died at his home at the age of 84. He was Mayor of Baltimore, Governor of Maryland and has been in the United States Senate for several terms.

**Washington, D. C.**—Rear Admiral Charles S. Sperry will be commander in chief of the Atlantic Battleship fleet when it leaves San Francisco in July, in place of Rear Admiral Evans, who will retire at his own request, owing to bad health.

**Des Moines, Ia.**—The Republican State Convention elected four delegates at large to the National Convention and instructed them for William H. Taft.

**FOREIGN.**  
**London, England.**—The British cruisers Indefatigable and Cressy were ordered from the West Indian waters to Hayti for the protection of British interests.

**Liverpool.**—A new world's record has been made by the steamship Lusitania when she made 627 knots in twenty-four hours, breaking her own former record of 618 knots.

**Guadalajara, Mexico.**—Charles Allen, an American, who is the son-in-law of Governor Mercado of the State of Michoacan, has been appointed Prefect of Carrizal in order to rid the section of murderers and highway robbers, who were menacing the country, and within a few months succeeded in ridding the Carrizal district of the "bad" men.

**ment of officers and men.**  
**Tomsk, Siberia.**—An avalanche which came rolling down the mountain in the Dukharminsk District overwhelmed and carried away two homes and killed eighteen people who were inside and did not get time to escape.

**Bahia, Brazil.**—A great conflagration laid waste a large part of the business district of the city. The damage will exceed \$1,000,000. The city has a population of 200,000.

**Berlin, Germany.**—Emperor William expressed his regret that Ambassador Tower is to return to America, and expressed his appreciation of Mr. Tower's labors in Berlin. To the Vice Consul he said: "Tell your President that I am angry at him for accepting Mr. Tower's resignation."

**Sidney, Australia.**—Australians show great delight at the proposed visit of the American battleship fleet. Premier Alfred Deakin read the cablegram announcing the fleet would visit Sidney and Melbourne, which was greeted with deafening cheers.

**Tokio, Japan.**—A satisfactory settlement of the Tatsu Maru affair has been reached between China and Japan, the former conceding most of Japan's demands, but confiscating the arms.

**St. Petersburg, Russia.**—The Minister of Justice asked the Duma for \$1,000,000 for the enlargement of Russian prisons, the number of inmates of which have increased 111 per cent since 1906.

**Berlin, Germany.**—The German Admiralty, upon request, has ordered the cruiser Bremen, now at Caracas, to go to Port Au Prince, Hayti, where she will be at the disposition of the German Minister for the protection of German subjects and other foreigners.

**Havana, Cuba.**—Former Chief Engineer of the Panama Canal John F. Steves stated to an Associated Press representative that in his opinion the canal would be completed by 1914, and possibly two years sooner, and that the total cost would be under \$300,000,000; probably as low as \$250,000,000.

**Guadalajara, Mexico.**—The owner of a big ranch in the Composted district of Tepec committed suicide by having a wild bull to gore him to death. He invited some 300 friends and relatives to witness the spectacle, saying he would subdue the animal. He awaited the charge of the bull with folded arms and was gored to death before the astonished crowd could kill the bull.

**St. Petersburg.**—An American firm has been successful in competition with forty-six Russian and foreign competitors in offering the best cartridge and pack-carrying equipment for infantrymen.

**A SLAP AT MOTHER.**

Dinner was done, and the family was assembled in the sitting room. Mother had taken up the evening paper and was reading an account of how a highwayman had been operating in the suburbs. Father was down on his hands and knees trying to act like a horse while little Willie drove him around the floor.

"Papa," finally remarked the good lady, glancing toward her husband, "here is a story about another man who was waylaid. Do those holdups always stop you with a pistol and then go through your clothes?"

"Oh, no," grinfully replied father, arising from the floor. "Sometimes they wait until you hang your clothes over the back of a chair and go to sleep."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

At a dinner to Colonel George Harvey, in London, Theodore Watts-Dunton said:

"It isn't generally known that Turner, the painter, and Dr. Augustus Pritchard once lived together for a year in Cheyne row.

"The painter and the physician had a fine garden, and they took a good deal of pride in their flowers. But the garden gate did not work well, and one day Turner, because it wouldn't open, pettishly gave orders that it be nailed up.

"It was thought that this odd act would enrage Augustus Pritchard, but on being told of it, all he said was:

"Oh, well, I don't care what Turner does to the gate, so long as he doesn't paint it."

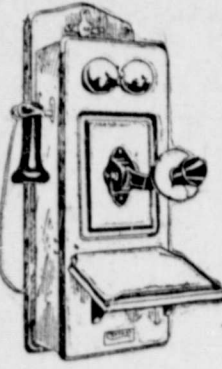
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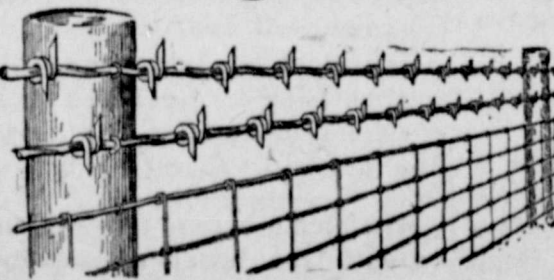
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**PAPER WALL VOICES.**

A little lesson in manners unconsciously given by a young Japanese girl a short time ago will not soon be forgotten by the roomful of American girls who heard it. The little lady from Japan, who is an alumnus of one of our woman's colleges, had been taken by a friend to call on some mutual acquaintances. During the conversation one of the hostesses leaned forward enthusiastically and said in loud tones:

"I shall certainly go back to Japan with you."  
The Japanese girl looked up and said quietly in her quaint English: "Then you will have to speak in lower voice."

Instantly realizing that this was, according to Du Maurier, "one of the things we would rather leave unsaid," she hastily added: "We have walls so thin in Japanese houses, you know. We make them of paper, and if you speak in that voice everybody in the house can hear you."

As a matter of fact the American voice has so long been the point of many a joke that we sometimes lose sight of the fact that not only is it often unlovely in itself, but it does not always carry the message one would wish it to.

A party of transatlantic passengers were watching the antics of a school of porpoises at play in the wake of their steamer on a recent voyage, when a girl in the group asked a passing officer what the huge fish were. He told her, and her reply, in a high nasal tone, was borne far down the deck:

"A porpoise, is it? I always thought a porpoise was a kind of turtle!"

A fellow passenger, passing just in time to hear the girl's reply, turned disgustedly to his companion: "May I never meet her in a European gallery!"

Among her charms, and the American girl has many, the tonal beauty of her voice is not conspicuous. No one is more clearly aware of that fact than the traveler in Europe, where the soft, rich voices of woman-kind are a constant joy.

It is not very pleasant to have the truth thrust upon us by members of an alien race to which at this moment we are sending missionaries and which looks to us for a higher civilization. And yet, though we smile at their paper architecture, we may safely cultivate their paper voices.—Selected.

**RHODE ISLAND REDS.**

This is one of the new standard breeds which has gained prominence as a general purpose fowl. They are of medium size, hardy, mature early, lay brown shelled eggs, and are good sitters and mothers. There are two varieties of this breed, the Single comb and the Rose comb, the only difference being in the shape of the comb.

The color of the plumage of the male should be a rich, brilliant red, except in the wings and tail, portions of which should be black. A harmonious blending of red is desirable, but in most specimens the color is accentuated on the wing bows and back. The plumage of the female should be lighter in color than that of the male. Portions of the hackle, wings and tail are black in color. The beak of both male and female should be reddish horn, the shanks yellow or reddish horn, and the toes reddish horn in color.

The standard weight of cocks is 2 1-2 pounds; hens, 6 1-2; cockerels, 7 1-2; pullets 5 pounds.

**DAYS THAT ARE NO MORE.**

Tears, idle tears, I know not what they mean,  
Tears from the depth of some divine despair  
Rise in the heart and gather to the eyes,  
In looking on the happy autumn fields,  
And thinking of the days that are no more.

Fresh as the first beam glitter-

ing on a sail  
That brings our friends up from the underworld,  
Sad as the last which reddens over one  
That sinks with all we love below the verge.  
So sad, so fresh, the days that are no more.

Ah, sad and strange as in dark summer dawns  
The earliest pipe of half-awaken'd birds  
To dying ears, when unto dying eyes  
The casement slowly grows a glimmering square.  
So sad, so strange, the days that are no more.

Dear as remember'd kisses after death,  
And sweet as those by hopeless fancy feign'd.  
On lips that are for others; deep as love,  
Deep as first love, and wild with all regret.  
Oh, death in life, the days that are no more.

—Tennyson.

**BUCKEYES.**

This breed was originated by Mrs. Metcalf of Ohio, and was produced by crosses of Plymouth Rocks, Buff Cochins, Black-breasted Red and Indian Games, but have more fluffy plumage. In color they should be dark, lustrous red, never buff or brick color. The unexposed flight feathers and the main tail feathers may be partially black. The color of the beak, shanks, and toes of the male is yellow, shaded with red horn, and of the female, yellow. Both the male and the female should have a small pea comb.

The standard weight of cocks is 9 pounds; hens, 6 pounds; cockerels, 8 pounds; pullets, 5 pounds.

**CLASS II.—ASIATIC. BRAHMAS.**

The leading variety of the Asiatic class is the Light Brahma. This fowl has a history that would fill many pages were it recorded. These are the fowls which caused the "hen fever" of the fifties, about which so much has been written in later years. Their early history is a matter of controversy, the best authorities differing as to their origin.

They were first known as "Brahma Pootras," "Gray Shanghais," "Chittagongs," "Cochin Chinas," and what not. The early breeder named them according to his fancy for high-sounding and sensational names in order to sell his stock. Fabulous prices were paid for them when the craze for fine poultry was at its height in the early days of the last half of the nineteenth century. They have stood high in popular favor since then without abatement. The vast number of breeders who are raising them fully attest their worth to the industry as a practical bird. The Brahma is unlike other breeds, and it should not be confounded in shape with the Cochin. In shape the body of the Brahma is rather long and deep, with full, broad, and round breast, carried well forward. The fulness is typical of the Brahma and is characteristic of prolific birds.

In plumage the Light Brahma male is white and black, white largely predominating. Any color but white and black is a fault in the standard bred bird. The hackle is white with a black stripe extending down the center of each feather and tapering to a point near the extremity. The tail feathers are black, and the sickle leathers are glossy greenish black. The shanks are well feathered with the feathering extending down the middle toe. The toe feathering may be white, or white sprinkled with black. A small pea comb, a broad crown projecting over the eyes, bright red face, wattles, and ear lobes are essential to a good head. The shanks and toes are bright yellow.

The Brahma female is much like the male in head qualities, having a broad crown, projecting well over the eyes, and a small pea comb. The head is

white; hackle, white striped with black, as in the male; tail, black, excepting the two highest main tail feathers, which may be edged with white; tail coverts—one or more rows, distinctly covering a part of both sides of the main tail, two rows being preferable—are black, edged with white.

When little John was nearly seven  
He went, by gasoline, to heaven,  
His mother knows he's gone up higher  
Because a burned child dreads the fire.  
—Cecilia A. Loizeaux in "Lippincott's."

Mrs. Justwed (at breakfast)  
—What a very little egg you've got. Isn't it cute?  
Mr. Justwed (after breakfast)—Cute! My dear, I should say it was "chic."—Bismarck (S. D.) Tribune.

When Robert Lowe married and said, "With all my worldly goods I thee endow," he grumbled to his wife afterward, "And at the time I hadn't a brass farthing."

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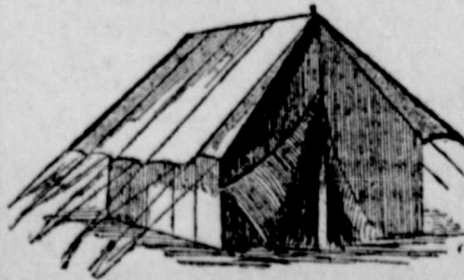
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