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J. B. Norris, Second Vice President.  
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### Killed by Imagination.

"In my opinion," remarked the college professor, who rose from the ranks during the last war to the position of colonel, according to the Washington Star, "the imagination of men does more injury to the cause of courage than all the appliances of war yet discovered. I had a remarkable case happen to me during the battles around Richmond. That is to say, it happened to another man, but I was part of it. It was on a skirmish line and I was lying behind a log with two other men—I was only a private then—one of whom was an inveterate joker, and the other was one of the imaginative kind of soldiers. In fact, he was so imaginative that he was almost scared out of his wits, and when bullets and shells began flying through the woods, cutting off saplings, clipping limbs all around us and harking the top of the log behind which we lay, I thought the fellow would burst a blood vessel, or go crazy, or do some other fool thing unbecoming a soldier. Tom, the joker, noticed the man's terror and called my attention to it.

"Then he reached out and dragged in a stick cut from the tree above us by a bullet, and fixing a pin in it, proceeded to have his fun. The man was at the far end of our log, ten feet from Tom, and I was just beyond Tom on the other side, and, I'm free to confess, was nervous enough to wonder at Tom's manner almost a time. However, I couldn't help watching his movements, and actually laughed to see him sliding the pin-pointed stick along toward the unsuspecting victim. Having got it at the right distance, he waited for a smashing volley of bullets, and just as it came he prodded the soldier in the back with the pin. Well, it was really funny to see the chap jump and yell and roll over, and we both fairly howled. But it wasn't so funny when the man didn't move after his first startled action, and Tom look around at me in a scared kind of way. His surprise found expression in an oath, and he called to the man. There was no answer, and he called again with the same result. Then he crept over to him and gave him a shake. That brought no response, either, and Tom dragged him around so that he could see his face. It was an ashy blue, with the eyes staring wide open, and the man was as dead as Julius Caesar, with never a mark on him, save, perhaps, that one pin scratch on his back."

### The Goat Ate Up His Address.

Several days ago the employees of a local express office were furnished considerable amusement, and all at the expense of an innocent goat and an aged darkey. Sampeon some time ago promised a Shepherdville friend a goat.

The animal, with a liberal use of water and soap, was converted into a whiteness exceeding that of a politician's conscience. A neatly printed tag was attached to the goat's neck and the animal was started for the express office in charge of the colored man.

He was led proudly in the express office and up to the shipping clerk.

"I want to ship this goat," began the colored charge.  
"Where to?" inquired the clerk.  
"I don't know," replied the man of color, and then, with a smile of satisfaction he reached for the goat's neck.

But the smile was gone and in its place was a look of dismay as the negro saw only the string dangling from the goat's neck.

"Dat goat don't know where he's going himself; he's done eat up the town."—Louisville Post.

There are two ways of running a newspaper. One is to pander to the prejudices of the reading public and cram the people with every dangerous fallacy for which they seem to hanker. Papers of this class are very much like unscrupulous candidates for public office who are never found advocating any doctrine that is not popular. As candidates of this stripe frequently succeed in winning votes, so papers of this sort have their seasons of high living.—Dallas News.

### The Two Parties.

The St. Louis Republic in summing up the situation after having the St. Louis convention for a study, and looking at the results political, says of the democratic convention: "The fact is that there is no more chance of the Chicago convention adopting a gold standard platform than of the St. Louis convention declaring for free trade. The party would be doomed to certain defeat if it did declare for gold. But between the gold extremists and the silver extremists there is a great mass of democrats who want an assurance of prompt return to bimetalism without the danger of an experiment in an arbitrary ratio. If the gold men are wise they will cease their foolish efforts to drag the democratic party into a financial policy wholly foreign to its principles and traditions. They will join forces with the silver men, who are seeking a safe and honest method of getting back to democratic bimetalism.

There was no concealment here of the intention to spend money on a large scale for McKinley's election. The firm grip obtained by Mark Hanna on a great number of delegates was due to definite pledges of abundant campaign funds. This inducement was offered with notable effect to delegates from southern states. Money nominated McKinley. Money emboldened delegates to put an explicit declaration of a gold standard in the platform of a party which for twenty years has pretended to be frigidly true to bimetalism. Money owners believe that they are powerful enough to buy the election. They are densely ignorant of the deeper truths of politics. Close states can sometimes be burned with money. But the vast majority of Americans cannot be bought. The republican money spenders will find their supreme effort futile against strong majorities in states enough to send a two-thirds vote to the electoral college. Southern and western states cannot be bought for high protection or a gold standard. The sending of a train load of gold dollars would only rouse the people of any western or southern state to fiercer determination. McKinley's masters have bought all success that is for sale. They are now beaten by something better than money. Their sordid expectations are in the hands of free public opinion and are doomed to disappointment."

The Houston Post asks a question and then comments. It asks: "When the leaders of populism, presumably the intelligent men of the party, talk utterly impractical, visionary and revolutionary schemes to the public, what might be expected were the rank and file of the organization entrusted with control of the government?" It comments: "Jerome Kearby's opening campaign speech, delivered at Greenville last Saturday, stands far ahead of anything of the kind ever heard in Texas in point of recklessness of assertion and preposterousness of conclusions. When a public man, the candidate of a large party for governor, can stand up before a presumably intelligent and well informed body of voters and assert that the rate of taxation was fifteen cents on the \$100 under E. J. Davis, when, as a matter of fact, it went up to \$2.25, one is justified in dismissing without comment the numerous other remarkable statements he made, as being of as little value and accuracy as the one referred to."

A place on the supreme bench is not to be sneezed at. The salary of the chief justice is \$10,500, and that of the associate justices \$10,000. They are appointed for life on good behavior, and can retire on full pay when they reach the age of 70 and have served 10 years. Congress and the president make laws and the supreme court disposes of them as unconstitutional with as little ceremony as General Weyler shoots a filibuster.

The opening of two saloons at Lexington, Ill., has precipitated a liquor war in that usually peaceful village, which has been without such institutions for the last 30 years.

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### Weather Signs.

The new moon falling between 10 a. m. in the winter time means cold rain if the wind is from the west or south-west, and snow if from the east.

Spiders always come out of their holes shortly before a rain, being advised by their instinct that insects then fly low and are most easily taken.

Little whirlwinds blowing about the streets or on the roads and whirling up the dust in small eddies are an indication of approaching bad weather.

When the wind blows down upon the ground and lifts the dust or light objects, such as sheets of paper, the indication is for a speedy change and rain.

Caged monkeys are tolerably certain to give an indication of coming bad weather, being then more ill-natured and quarrelsome than at any other time.

The beard is a good weather indicator. When it is dry and crisp the weather will be fair; when it becomes limp the air is full of moisture and rain is probable.

Peacocks generally scream vociferously when a change of weather is impending. In the countries where these birds are native the sign is regarded as unerring.

Ducks are more than usually noisy on the approach of a storm, and their loud quacking is considered by farmers to be an almost unerring sign of rainy weather.

A pale sunset indicates foul weather for the ensuing day, and there is then much moisture in the western sky, from which direction a storm may be anticipated.

It is a curious circumstance that the skin of the abdomen of frogs changes its hue on the approach of bad weather, and from the clear white becomes a dirty yellow.

Violins are very susceptible to changes of the weather. The strings of a violin always become more taut, and thus give a sharper tone when a storm is coming on.

When chickens dress their feathers, expressing oil from their oil bags with their bills and distributing it over the plumage, rain is almost certain within a few hours.

When distant hills, mountains or buildings seem near at hand, the sign is for rain, the air being full of moisture causes these objects to appear nearer than at other times.

But these signs and all others sometimes fail in Texas.

McGuffey is dead. The man who made our school books, the man whose name is burned, coaxed and flogged into the memories of millions of men and women in the United States, has closed the volume of his life. Literature and all learning is the loser.

It begins to look now like the silver democrats will have a two-thirds majority at Chicago. States and congressional districts are instructing for silver that had been conceded to the other side.

The St. Louis Republic stopped its fight on free coinage when Missouri declared for free silver and is supporting Bland for president as the logical candidate on a free coinage platform.

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### Anticipated the Truth.

"Yes, sire," said the elderly man to the drummer, who was waiting at the railway station, "this bez got ter be a good deal of a deal of a deal of a town. Why, sir, when you see that when your grandfather came here he could have bought the whole county for a jug of whisky, and that if you had bought some of that swamp over there that has just been filled in you'd be a rich man to-day."

"That's right. An'—"  
"And some of the men that have made their marks didn't seem to have sense enough to wash their own faces when they were boys. And you knew some of the folks that are now putting on the biggest kind of airs when they had to borrow their neighbor's wash tubs and never had more than one linen shirt on the line at a time."

"Sure. An' what's more"—  
"And what is more, people that used to profess to be your friends are forgetting to see you as you pass on the street, and you'd feel a little hurt about it if you didn't know that you are just as good as they are, and maybe better. Excuse me for interrupting you, won't you? But, you see, I know the story pretty well, and as I am in a hurry, I just took the liberty of putting it into words for you the quickest way. Good bye."

And as the elderly man gazed at his retreating figure, observed the Detroit Free Press, he exclaimed: "Wall! I've heard tell of these here mind readers, but I'm blest if I ever expected ter rely lay eyes on one."

The New York Journal says: "McKinley is neither strong enough or weak enough to be dangerous. The millionaire agencies behind him are what make him a menace to the well-being of the republic. They would make him president not for his sake, but for their own. If he is installed in the white house Hanna and his associates will abide there also. Perhaps never have the American people been confronted by a situation so grave. Never has triumphant plutocracy been so insolently self-assertive as in the making of this nomination, Mark Hanna, a most offensive type of the overbearing, conscienceless, dominant money-bags, has forced upon the American people this politician, who is weak in all matters in which he is not wrong."

The New York Times says: "It is a distinct error, and may be a fatal one, that the candidate is pitifully worn and more weak than the party."

The old time democracy is in the saddle this year of our Lord 1896.

### A Touching Incident.

A touching incident that shows one of the brightest principles of Pythianism in all its beauty is going the rounds of the press.

Some time ago a man named P. A., a member of the order of Knights of Pythias, died at Charleston, Ill., leaving a widow and four children. The widow was stricken with consumption and members of the Charleston lodges sent the family to San Diego, Cal., in the hope that the mother's health might be restored. But too late. She died last week and the noble Knights out there took the matter in charge, provided for the transportation of the body and the four little orphans to Illinois. They were placed on the train and the K. of P. lodge at the first station where meals were served were notified. From city to city, as the train sped onward, messages were sent over the wires to K. of P. lodges that the little folks were coming and not in one instance was the care and sympathy lacking. As the train would pull into the city a body of the members of the order would board it, searching for the little mourners and bring them baskets of fruits and sweetmeats; sometimes money or presents; souvenirs of their kindness and attention. When meal time arrived no passenger on the crowded train fared better. Warm dinners at the best hotels, breakfast and supper with the Pythians and a night's rest in the downiest beds of the cities. Surely the little folks will never forget this trip. At St. Louis, a committee of the order met the train, carried the children to a good, warm meal and returned them loaded down with fruits and all nice things, nor did they leave them until the train had wended its way out of sight."

The little ones are now at home among friends, and although bereft of their natural protectors they have tangible proof that they have strong and willing foster fathers throughout the land.

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Democratic Ticket.

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Independent Ticket.

- For Tax Assessor, BENJ. MOSELEY, Sr.

LITTLE LOCAL LEADERS.

W. P. Stewart of Gertrude is in the city. Miss Leila McJimsey is visiting friends in Seymour. Who was it said that it didn't rain in Young county? Late garden truck, melons, etc., will now grow in a hurry. Salt creek and the Brazos have been on a big boom this week. Another big crowd of fishermen left this morning for the Clear Fork. B. M. Tye and family are visiting relatives in Throckmorton county. J. M. Pritchard has THE LEADER'S thanks for some fine-roasting ears. Farmers are busy since the rain blowing cotton, planting sorghum, millet, etc. Mrs. May Graham has returned from a visit to relatives at Georgetown. Dr. W. A. Morris left Wednesday for Farmer, Archer, and points in the Panhandle. Mrs. H. C. Williams and children have returned from a week's outing in the country. A sewing party which went to the Clear Fork last week caught a large number of nice fish. Jackson, mother of Messrs. W. Jackson, left Tuesday home in Tennessee. Mrs. Alice Williams and Miss Stafford returned Tuesday from Antonio and other points. W. Collier returned Tuesday from Mineral Wells where he went to see the Wallace and family. Calhoun, candidate for congressman, has been in the city this week in interest of his candidacy. Big cotton crop, plenty of hog country, and Graham will do her share of business. Ming Bend base ball club left last Saturday and "had it them" by the Graham team. Wallace and family and Grand Bell have gone to Memphis, Texas, on a visit to relatives. Short lost his straw stack and hundred feet of lumber and a lot of rails by fire last Thursday. W. C. Forbes, of the W. W. & N. W. R'y., and C. W. R. were in the city. The house is being put out. The house is being put out. The house is being put out. Watermelons making their appearance in the market and will now be plentiful since the recent rains. Mrs. A. T. Gay and daughter, Miss Leila, left on Tuesday's stage for a visit to their old home in Tennessee. Quite a number of Graham people will attend the picnic and barbecue at South Bend to-day and tomorrow. Call soon or you will be too late to get six cabinet photos for \$1.50. M. H. CHISM.

Justice Meted Out.

It will be remembered by our readers that during the recent tour of J. Soaptail Bradley, the popular orator, in this county, he was the recipient of a small shower of stale and aged eggs while speaking at Eliasville. The good people of Eliasville met in solemn convention and denounced the outrage immediately after the time, and Squire Harris, the efficient Justice of the Peace of that precinct, has been on the alert ever since to discover the perpetrators of the act. His effort has been rewarded. On last Saturday several complaints were filed against parties and three of them, namely, Dr. L. W. Price, Tom Yancey and Clarence Vance, were arrested and on plea of guilty were taxed the usual fine and costs for assault, County Attorney Kay being present representing the State. Others are yet to be arrested but for obvious reasons their names are withheld. THE LEADER has shed no tears of sympathy for Mr. Bradley and has none to shed for him, but we think the rotten-egging of any man a most contemptible outrage and we congratulate the good people of Eliasville upon the discovery and punishment of the perpetrators. It lifts a stigma and erases a blot from the fair name of the community, and commendable is the action of the faithful officer who so tirelessly pursued his investigations to this successful issue. The doctrine of free speech has been vindicated so far as Young county is concerned and in the future we can safely predict that the efforts of any political persuasion may visit Young county and give vent to their doctrines from the stump without any fear of the superannuated egg and the hoodlum thrower thereof.

A Good Move.

The young men of the town have organized a volunteer fire company. About a score of them were in the first meeting and they have gone to work with much enthusiasm. New members are being added to the list every day. It is the intention of the members to procure all necessary apparatus and make the company as nearly self-sustaining as possible. With this end in view they have organized under the auspices of the fire company and for its benefit, the Graham Comedy Company, which proposes to give a series of good comic and minstrel entertainments for the purpose of raising funds for the fire company. The boys have plenty of talent and with energy and effort their success is assured. We bespeak for them the co-operation and support of all the citizens of Graham in this laudable undertaking. It is a thing Graham has always needed and let us all hang together in giving the project that moral and pecuniary support which is requisite to its complete success.

Feed the Nerves.

Upon pure, rich blood and you need not fear nervous prostration. Nerves are weak when they are improperly and insufficiently nourished. Pure blood is their proper food, and pure blood comes by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is, thus, the greatest and best nerve tonic. It also builds up the whole system. Hood's Pills are the favorite family cathartic, easy to take, easy to operate.

Salt Creek Sittings.

A good rain has visited our midst which was welcomed by all. It will help some corn and make a fine cotton crop. Mrs. Baker has been visiting in Graham. Walter Johnson has been on the sick list, but is now up again. T. F. Kindley has gone to the railroad this week with his wool. Will Atchison hauled a load of seed oats to the thresher to get his seed oats. Homer Mayes and family, Ben Moseley and wife, and Mrs. B. F. Shumaker and son, from Graham, spent last Sunday with Mrs. Mayes. Mr. McGhee and family were visiting Mrs. Averitt last week. A young man went to see his girl last Sunday evening and on his return got lost and water-bound and did not get home to his ma until Monday morning. A. B. C.

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When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Facts From Farmer.

A fine rain fell here Sunday; plenty of stock water and the farmers are busy again plowing cotton. Grandma Eaton has been very sick for some few days. She is 82 years old. W. W. Stroud of Archer City was in Farmer Monday. Mans Chestnut and Miss Annie Webber were married Tuesday at this place; Justice T. J. Lamons officiating. Jas. Hutchinson and wife of Silverton, Briscoe county, are visiting old friends here. W. J. Wilson and J. R. Webber and families left to-day for some part of the Chickasaw Nation—not being fully satisfied where they will stop. Rev. J. J. Harris has gone down to Markley to help in a protracted meeting. A. E. Outman has gone to Bowie this week. The Farmer base ball nine will play at Archer City on the 4th. See how N.-Gegg smiles since the rain. Melons are beginning to come in. Will Price brought in the first load of the season. J. B. Wear and family returned from Greer county last Friday, where they had been visiting relatives. J. W. Casey went down to Graham Monday. The populists met here Saturday and put out their precinct candidates as follows: I. E. Hunt for commissioner; Will Clarider for J. P. and Jeff D. Spencer for constable. Bush Jones of Belknap was here Monday. Rev. medlin will begin his protracted meeting here next week. He will be assisted by Bro. Newman. The Baptist people are making all necessary preparations for a good meeting. They have built an arbor 40x60 feet. Mrs. Jas. Walker was down from Archer county yesterday visiting Mrs. J. D. Wilson. John Hunt is able to be out on the streets again. SOMETIMES.

Goose Neck Bend.

The corn crop has about crossed the "dead line," though there are a few crops that will make some corn. Some of our farmers have begun to cut their corn for feed. Cotton looks fine. Rev. W. M. Goode of South Bend, preached for us last Sunday. His text, the substance of which was, "Go up higher." He handled his subject with care and skill. All seemed to enjoy it very much, as he was given the closest attention. We are always glad to see brother Goode, especially the young folks, for he never fails to have something amusing for them. Goose Neck Bend has known brother Goode for a long time, and his appearance is always hailed with a hearty welcome. Preaching every Sunday: Rev. Hendrickson preaches the 1st Sunday; Rev. Foster the 2nd; Rev. Welch the 3rd; Rev. Goode the 4th and Rev. Tucker the 5th; Sunday School every Sunday morning and prayer meeting Sunday night. What neighborhood can say so much as this?

Lacy Locals.

Some of our farmers are -cutting their corn. Rev. L. M. Midyett and wife went to Markley Wednesday, where bro. Midyett will assist Rev. J. J. Harris in a meeting this week. W. E. Russell and family have gone to Mineral Wells to visit Mrs. Russell's mother. It was reported that J. A. Kieth had sold out and would soon leave us, but we are glad to learn that he has not sold, and has decided to tarry a little longer. Mr. Adams and wife of Eastland county, are visiting his sister, aunt Mollie White. Mrs. Young, Mrs. Cross and Miss Ida Young called on Mrs. Charley Ferguson Tuesday, who is sick at this writing. C. W. Rasure's school is progressing nicely with an attendance of 29. Our mail failed to reach us Monday, owing to high water. Uncle Jimmy and Aunt Alsie Hawkins, accompanied by Miss Jennie and Murley, have gone to Collin county to visit aunt Alsie's mother. The populists held a convention here last Saturday, but we have not learned any of the proceedings. A. SWITHIN.

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PHILIP'S REVELATION.

BY CHARLES E. REED.

"Madam, I need help; won't you give me something? The question was addressed to Mrs. Phelps, who had just entered her carriage.

"No, I've no money to waste on lazy vagabonds!" was her sharp reply as the carriage door slammed shut.

Mrs. Phelps, a wealthy young widow, prominent in fashionable society, was in an unpleasant frame of mind. She had just visited three of the largest stores in the city in a vain search for a certain costly fabric, and now felt that she was an exceedingly unfortunate and most ill-used individual.

Presently the carriage drew up before another store, which Mrs. Phelps entered after unfastening her four-year-old son, whom she seated in the carriage until her return. Master Phelps was very obedient for about three minutes. Then his attention was attracted by something which appealed to him quite as strongly as to a less aristocratic juvenile—the

strides of a monkey under charge of a peripatetic musician. Standing on tiptoe, he laid his hands against the door, which, having been accidentally left unfastened, yielded to the pressure and partly opened; and in a very short time the young gentleman was out of the carriage and half-way across the street. Then, in an instant, there was a hoarse cry of warning, a woman's shriek—and something grasped the boy, swung him from right in front of a

sidewalk team, and laid him, frightened and screaming, in his mother's arms.

After she had soothed the child and put him into the carriage, Mrs. Phelps turned to the rather shabbily-dressed man to whose agility her son's rescue was due.

"You have saved my Arthur's life!" she exclaimed. "Come to-morrow to my residence and name your reward. Meanwhile, take this," and she handed him a \$20 gold piece.

But the man refused the proffered gold.

"Why should you reward a lazy vagabond? That is what you called me a bit ago when I asked you for something," he remarked.

Mrs. Phelps looked at him closely and recognized him.

"I was out of humor," she explained. "Pardon what I said, and tell me how I can assist you."

"Madam, you've invited me to come to your home. If you'd do me a kindness, come to mine instead."

Mrs. Phelps looked at him in amazement.

"I can hardly do that," she said. "I would much rather—"

"As you please, madam. I'm glad I was able to rescue your child. If you're glad, I wish you'd visit my home. It isn't much to ask."

"What is your name, and where do you live?"

He said his name was James Thompson, and named an obscure street as his address.

"After I've taken my child home, I'll call and see you," said Mrs. Phelps.

"I'll be there by the time you are," he responded.

An hour later Mrs. Phelps, accompanied by a trusty servant, having driven into a narrow street, entered a most uninviting tenement, and ascended three flights of rickety, filthy stairs, was admitted to a small attic room lighted by a single window. The floor was carpetless. A cracked stove, an old table, a large box which served as a cupboard, a bed, and two or three broken-backed chairs, were the only furniture. But though so bare and comfortless, the room was clean. Upon the scantily covered bed lay two persons—a woman of perhaps 35 and a little girl of about six—both evidently ill and both sleeping uneasily.

"I asked you to come here because I wanted you to see this," said Thompson in a low voice. "This—with its comprehensive view of the hard—'is my home. You see all my furniture—except what's at the pawnshop. I have no fire, and no fuel to make it with; no food, and no money to buy it with. I have a little medicine left by the doctor, but none of the comforts needed by my sick wife and child. This, madam, is why I asked you for help this morning."

Mrs. Phelps covered her face.

"How long have you been in this deplorable condition?" asked Mrs. Phelps.

"To-day is the first I've had to beg," was the reply. "Something I'd have known myself into the mire rather than do it if I hadn't been for them. But I couldn't see them starve. I came to the city five years and more ago," he added after a moment's pause. "I had had luck, for work was dull. From having a little house by ourselves, we were obliged to move here, and then my wife, who was a good seamstress, succeeded in getting men's trousers to make at 15 cents a pair."

"Eighteen cents a pair!" exclaimed Mrs. Phelps.

"Yes; but the price soon fell to 15 cents, and as I was out of employment, I helped with the sewing. By working from early morning till late at night, we managed to earn enough to pay our rent and buy sufficient food to keep us from starving. But the rates went down, down, down, to 12, to 10, even to ten cents a pair."

"What! Ten cents for making a pair of trousers? Who is mean enough to pay such wages as that?"

"The great clothing firm of Phelps & Co., madam!"

"Phelps & Co. impossible!"

"The firm, madam, of which your husband was the head. I wonder if, when he gave largely to some library, church or hospital, he ever thought of the poor wretches who toiled day and night, summer and winter, with aching eyes, weary fingers and hungry stomachs, that the mill which ground out his money might turn him out a good-sized grist! I can take you to half a dozen families in this very house who make trousers for Phelps & Co. at the same prices, and who, like us, have finished coats at from five to ten cents each, and make knee pants at 16 to 18 cents a dozen pairs."

"Eighteen cents a dozen pairs! You don't mean that?"

"Yes, madam, I do. When Phelps & Co. pay ten cents for making a pair of trousers which sells for five dollars, is it any wonder that the firm prospers exceedingly, and that your husband was able to give away thousands?"

"This is a revelation to me," said Mrs. Phelps. "I see—I see how you managed to get on."

"It's a narrow and hard struggle," replied the man, slipping with the aid of our hands and lashed soles been sewing ever since, buried at years old—we were

Curing a Blind Giant.

Our Dumb Animals.

Calcutta is a fine, large city on the northeast coast of India, and one who lived there tells a strange but true story of how a doctor cured the biggest patient he ever had.

The patient was a huge elephant, who for a long time had suffered from a disease in the eyes, which at last got so bad that he could not see.

His owner, an English officer, went to Dr. Webb and begged him to come and see what could be done. He did, and after looking carefully at the giant creature the doctor said: "The best cure that I know of is nitrate of silver, but it will give a good deal of pain."

Perhaps some of my readers whose friends have had eyes heard the name of this remedy.

Well, the owner said he had better try and if the animal would not allow it he must give it up.

But—would you believe it—the elephant, who, like the rest of his race, was as wise as he was big, found so much relief from his first day's doctoring, that when Dr. Webb visited him the next day he lay down of his own accord, placed his great heavy head on one side, curled up his trunk, and then, just like you or I might if we were going to bear some dreadful pain, he drew in his breath and lay perfectly still.

The healing mixture was dropped into each eye, and when the sharp, short pain was gone he gave a great sigh, as much as to say, "That's a good thing got over; I feel all the better for it."

When he got up he tried in his poor dumb fashion to thank his friend for giving him back his sight.

The same convention that adopted the Omaha platform, which the average populist reveres above the New Testament Scriptures, also adopted, by an almost unanimous vote, a resolution demanding the payment by the Government to the Union soldiers the difference between the value of the paper money they were paid as wages, and gold, at the time such payment was made.

This would involve the United States in an additional debt of about \$2,000,000,000. How an old battle-scarred veteran of the Lost Cause who followed Lee, or Jackson or Joe Johnston, had bled and often on bleeding bare feet over icy roads for four years, can fall into line with such vote-catching, time-serving demagogues is something human reason is unable to account for.

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When every one grows the same thing it causes over production. The necessity of feeding during long winters, and the ease with which cattle, hogs, horses, mules and sheep can be grown, point plainly to the possibility that stock of all kinds is as indigenous to this southern soil and climate as the semi-tropical fruits and grain. It is a reproach that any bacon or lard should be shipped into our state.—Texas Farmer.

United States Senator W. E. Chandler says: "Disguise, as we may, ordinary farm work is tedious as well as hard. It does not satisfy the active brains of the boys and the girls. The grangers have relieved the loneliness of farm life and have developed the social life of the farmers to an extent that has been of the highest value to nearly all the rural communities of the country."

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First get two fonts of long primer and a barrel of leads; a twenty-four point gothic for scare heads and an army press. Get the name of every man you can, dead or live, and send him the paper. Put a little carbolic acid and asbestos in your ink and then begin: "Whoop 'em up boys!"

"Bonds, boys, bonds, booh! booh! booh!"

If you ever voted a democratic ticket go off and kill yourself and stop the bread.

"Look out, boys! the poor are getting poorer, and the rich are getting richer!"

"Hurray for the people! The people are the people and we are their prophet; now is the time to subscribe!"

"Keep your eye on the vile democrats!"

"Watch that old vampire at Washington!" (Note—Never mention Cleveland's name in the office on a warm day. The result is sometimes fatal in hot weather.)

"Organize, boys, organize! The fight is on and we've got 'em on the run."

"The country's ours! We'll win the fight a hundred million votes. Watch the democrats wiggle!"

"Rally around, boys, around! Give us office or give us death!"

This will do for the first week. The second repeat; third week, shift the paragraphs; fourth week add glue and molasses and keep on a whooping.

Oh, the third party paper is a great help to the country, if you know how to run it.—Taylor Texan.

Stands for Booole.

McKinley is nominated, and the republican party is before the country. The nomination was secured by a money campaign two years long. The republican party, bought with the cash put up by McKinley's investing backers, proposes to buy big election with cash pledged by the financial interests of New York and New England.

Foraker painted yesterday a rhetorical picture of what a presidential candidate should represent.

The man he put in nomination and the man nominated for the vice presidency represents nothing that the American people love or admire. Neither has performed an act of power or wisdom. Money and bargains were the burden of the song that foretold their nomination. Plenty of money for campaign funds to buy southern states, to "soop" close northern states, to attract avaricious political workers who remember the pickings of a blocks-of-five distribution.

McKinley represents a repudiated doctrine and a confessed iniquity of legislation. The most shameless party in the country's history is not hardened enough to ask in its platform for a vindication of the only measure, the only idea, with which he has ever been publicly associated. He is put forward with an apology.

What McKinley and Hobart represent consist of a few thousand owners of powerful, consolidated moneyed corporations in a few states on the Atlantic seaboard. "This is our tariff," said a Philadelphia manufacturer in 1890; "we bought and paid for it." "This is our ticket," the bankers and tariff barons are saying of McKinley and Hobart; "we have vouchers to show how much it cost us."—Republican.

"I do the heaviest advertising in dull times," says John Wanamaker in writing on that subject. "Then it is that the people look the most keenly for bargains and are anxious to know how much things cost, and when they can save money. I advertise particular things, give prices and take as much pains with my announcements as I do with my stock. One big dinner won't keep up the reputation of the house—but steady, good cooking does it. I never permit interest in my announcements to lag, and never miss an issue in my chosen publications. Advertising has made my store one of the largest in the country."

An Irishman once shot a red bird. When the smoke cleared away he ran under a tree to look for his bird and found a frog. He looked at it a moment and exclaimed: "Faith and ye was a purty bird before I shot all yer feathers off, and ye look like a populist now after an election."

The Austin Convention.

The democratic state convention which convened at Austin last week sent a solid silver delegation to the Chicago convention. Eight delegates at large and twenty-six district delegates and alternates were elected as follows:

At large—Joseph W. Bailey, Jno. M. Duncan, Chas. A. Culberson, John H. Reagan, E. G. Senter, Horace Chilton, James S. Hogg, J. W. Blake.

First district—L. T. Dashiell, O. T. Holt; alternates, L. D. Lillard, T. H. Ball.

Second—J. M. Campbell, M. R. Gear; alternates, J. W. Hall, A. H. Baker, Jr.

Third—H. B. Marsh, Bert Tooney; alternates, B. Y. Andrews, J. D. Cox.

Fourth—John L. Sheppard, Jake Hodges; alternates, B. T. Robertson, S. E. Watson.

Fifth—C. B. Randell, W. T. Beverley; alternates, Geo. W. Barefoot, Dr. J. P. Blunt.

Sixth—D. W. Odell, W. J. Hooks; alternates, S. A. Pace, R. S. Kimbrough.

Seventh—H. P. Robertson, Chas. A. Coffield; alternates, S. M. Graham, J. M. Kennedy.

Eighth—J. M. Richards, Eugene Moore; alternates, Wm. Capps, F. L. Snodgrass.

Ninth—Jeff Johnson, Heber Stone; alternates, J. E. Cooper, A. S. Burleson.

Tenth—W. S. Robson, John Lovejoy; alternates, Robt. Bornefeld, G. A. Hall.

Eleventh—J. E. Dibrell, R. A. Plessants; alternates, W. O. McCurdy, J. O. Nicholson.

Twelfth—F. M. Paschall, W. W. Gatewood; alternates, Dr. W. L. Parker, T. O. Murphy.

Thirteenth—Fred Coekrell, J. A. Tenpleton; alternates, A. T. Gay, Ben Morris.

Boies Opens Headquarters. Chicago, June 19.—The Boies boom was formally launched by the opening of headquarters in the Palmer House to-night. C. A. Walsh, Secretary of the Iowa State Central Committee, and S. R. Davison of Creston, are in charge.

Mr. Boies came to Chicago to-day for the purpose of capturing the Illinois Democratic Convention, which meets next week in Peoria. He has been feeling the "rigid pulse" and has been much encouraged.

The opponents of Morrison in the silver camp have invited Boies over the State line, and if he is not endorsed by the convention he hopes to prevent instructions for the Egyptian statesman. He met several local leaders to night, and they assured him that if nominated he could carry the State.

He told Secretary Nelson, of the Illinois State Committee, that Teller and the other Republican bolters would work with might and main for the Chicago nominee. Teller could not be nominated here, and would not consent to run on a silver platform against the Chicago nominee.

An experiment has been made by the government with concentrated foods. A detachment of soldiers were given a certain amount of condensed bread, coffee, bacon and bean soup. They were put upon four days' marching of fifteen miles per day. At the end of two days more than half were sick, and remained ill for several days. Food in tablets and capsules did not agree with them.

Wood when protected from the weather is endlessly durable. The First Baptist church at Providence, R. I., is a wooden structure, now more than one hundred years old, and sound to the very top of its lotly spire. The frame of the old part of the roof of St. Peter's of Rome is of fir and was built in 816, and is carefully examined from time to time. It is still perfectly sound.

In agriculture more men own their tools and their homes than in any other business. The engineer drives the locomotive, but another man or corporation owns it; the manufacturer owns his mill, but another man operates it. And in many instances where a man owns his tools he is working for another man's profit. But by a little management the farmer may use his own tools, own his own plant and work for himself.

Democracy will go before the country with a platform and standard bearer that will sweep it clean from ocean to ocean.

And even the city of Godhuant went for free silver with a whoop.



The Governor of North Carolina said to the Governor of South Carolina

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