The Reflector.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1894.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Henry Kinderdick was a prominent Union township farmer in the city.

Dr. O. F. Searl was down from Solomon attending a meeting of the pension board.

Hiram E. Ackers, Case & Co's. popular manager, left over the Rock Island for New York to purchase spring goods.

S. F. Wood returned from Newton. He reports a large attendance on the G. A. R. encampment and a good time.

B. F. Engle, one of the new proprietors of the Centerdale creamery, Hayes township, was in the city. Mr. Engle is an expert creamery man and will make a success in his location.

RECENT REFLECTIONS.

—Marriage licenses: Hartison May and Annie Keller, Hope; Fred Miller of Elmo and Emma Engle of Hope. The former couple will be married this evening by Rev. Mason of Hope.

A Kansas Institution.

The 12th annual statement of the Kansas Mutual Life association just issued makes a magnificent showing for that substantial Kansas institution. The company has during the year 1893 increased its assets $30,346, paid death claims to the amount of $68,100. It has now on its books $8,158,500 worth of insurance, and allowing the usual ratio of risk its surplus over all claims is $166 330. The company has paid out to Kansas people in the past eleven years $463,000. Its promptness in settling is proverbial and it usually is the first one to pay death losses where several companies have risks. The Kansas Mutual is preeminently safe and solid, and deserves the hearty patronage of the Kansas people. Patronize Kansas institutions.

A Farm House Burned.

A serious fire occurred yesterday afternoon in the country, by which W. A. Birch, living five miles northeast of the city, one of the county's most prominent farmers, lost his dwelling house and nearly all contents. The fire caught from a defective flue, and was first discovered about 8:30 a. m. It was, as the family supposed extinguished, but still lurked among the timbers and in the afternoon broke out again, destroying the building and its contents. The house was a large one and the loss is about $3,000, partly covered by insurance. The loss is severe one on Mr. Birch who can ill afford such a blow.

The piano, sofa and a carpet was practically all that was saved. Insurance $2,000.

Suspended Business.

A dispatch from Albuquerque, N.M., says this regarding the business house in which Abilene men are interested:

The book and paper house of Bullock, Baker & Co. of Albuquerque, N. M., the largest of its kind in New Mexico, was closed yesterday under attachments served by the receivers of the suspended Albuquerque National and New Mexico Savings banks, amounting in all to $29,000.

A. W. Rice, of this city who is interested in the firm, said today that the suspension must have been forced suddenly as there was no indication of the trouble when he left Albuquerque two weeks ago. He says the firm's assets are ample and will probably resume business, Mr. Rice will probably go down to look after the matter.

Teachers Will Meet.

The County Teachers' association will hold the third and last meeting of the school year in the high school building, Abilene, Saturday, March 3, commencing at 10 a. m. All teachers of the county are urged to be present promptly and make the last meeting of the year the best. The program is:

MORNING SESSION.

Paper, "Early American Literature" ..... Harold Barnes

Discussion Topic, "Shall we have a 'Model Primary' in our Normal next summer?" led by Margaret Betz.

Class drill in Fourth Grade Language Work ..... Addie Over

Discussion Topic, "Shall we continue the 'Reading Circles' next year?" led by Callie Rugh, A. C. Dietz.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Oration ..... Anna Sandborn

Recitation ..... Otto Paullin

Double Duet ..... Enterprise High School

Patrons' Discussion, "Parents in the School" opened by Hon. C. B. Hoffman, Abram Clayton, J. S. Chronister.

Six Minute Papers, "How can our Association be Improved" by J. H. McMiller, W. B. Hall, L. H. Wishard.

Five minute talks, "Devices which I use in my School" Maud Curtis, K. E. Coulson, C. E. Lindsey, Laura Brown.

Question Box.

WANTED—To trade new organ for good fresh milch cow.

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Fits, dizziness, hysteria, wakefulness, bad dreams and softening of the brain quickly cured by Magnetic Nervine. Sold by Gulick, the druggist.

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DR. PRICE'S Cream Baking Powder.

The only Pure Cream of Tartar Powder.—No Ammonia; No Alum.

Used in Millions of Homes—40 Years the Standard.

District Court.

The case of Cooper vs. Henderson was decided for the plaintiff and a judgment for damages in the sum of $45 granted.

In the case of Grubbs vs. U. P. Railway Co. the defense interposed a demurrer to the plaintiff's evidence and the matter is being argued.

The argument in the case of Grubbs vs. the Union Pacific was concluded at 2 p. m. and Judge Humphrey rendered a decision for the defendants, sustaining the demurrer to the plaintiff's evidence. The demurrer was made on the ground that it was not a reasonable inference that the engineer of the train that killed little Lena Grubbs saw the child before he blew the danger whistle as claimed by the plaintiffs and that after the whistle was blown it was too late for him to stop the train. This view was sustained by the court.

Court was engaged all day with the case of Whitehair vs. Baier, an old time case growing out of personal difficulty. Verdict for Whitehair for $17. Part of the jurymen have been dismissed, the remainder retained until Monday. Court will probably adjourn for the week tonight.

The court is considering confirmation cases this afternoon.

Special jurymen have been dismissed for the term.

Columbian Carnival.

The "Columbian Dancing Carnival" will be produced Monday evening, Feb. 26th, at the opera house for the first time in this city. Over 80 people in new songs, new dances, new costumes and new specialties. You will be pleased with the tambourine dance by Misses Florence Cobb, Victore Harrison and Florence Hawk, it is a novelty. The Dudines and American Belles is one of the cleverest specialties ever staged in this city.

The beautiful finale, "The Fairy Bower," with Miss Maude Atkinson as queen and little Misses Lucile Roberts and Lois Crawford as attendants, is sure to please everyone.

Mrs. W. G. Cowles, Mrs. M. H. Hewett and the high school mandolin club will assist in the program with their usual well known ability. The "Carnival" is given for the benefit of the Pythian Sisters, and a successful entertainment is assured.

Shipment No 2.

Sterl, the hatter, has just received 6 large cases of hats and caps. Sterl & Co. are showing the very latest stiff and soft hats and new styles in boys' and girls' caps. Sterl & Co. are recognized fashionable hatters and clothiers.

The Japanese Pile Cure is the only proper application for internal piles and is guaranteed in every case by Gulick, the druggist.

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Men are made manly, the old made young and vigorous by Magnetic Nervine. Sold by Gulick, the druggist.

ABILENE MARKETS.

ABILENE, KAS., Feb 22, 1894.

Butter good	13
Eggs per doz	12
Young chickens per lb alive	3
Turkeys per lb alive	6
Potatoes	65 @ 1 00
Flour per 1	1 60 @ 1 75
Hogs per 100	4 00 @ 4 10
Cows per 100 lbs	1 50 @ 2 00
Steers per 100 lbs	2 50 @ 3 25
Wheat, No. 2, soft	46
Wheat, No. 3, soft	44
Wheat, No. 2, hard	44
Wheat, No. 3	42
Corn	36
Rye	30
Oats	20

PUBLIC SALE.

I will sell at public sale at my residence, 1½ miles north and 2 miles east of Abilene and 3 miles south of Industry, on Saturday, Feb. 24, 1894, commencing at 1 p. m., the following property, to-wit: Four head of horses, consisting of one 5-year old gelding, one 5-year old mare, one 4 year old mare, one 3 year old mare, Six head of cattle, consisting of 5 milch cows, 1 just fresh, 3 heifers, 1 bull calf, sixteen head of hogs, consisting of 3 brood sows, 11 shoats and 2 thoroughbred Poland China boars. Farming implements, consisting of 1 freering binder in good order, Solid Comfort sulky plow good as new, 1 walking and 1 riding cultivator, corn planter, hay rack 14 foot harrow corn sheller, set work harness, set flynets, 5 cow chains, 3 milk cans, 2 2 interest in 45 acres growing wheat, double trees and other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms, sums of $5 and under cash; over $5 a credit of 10 months will be given, purchaser giving approved note with 6 per cent. interest. 6 per cent. off for cash. No goods to be removed until settled for. Free lunch at noon.

C. H. NAYLOR.

J. N. BURTON, Auctioneer.
J. S. BAUMGAUGH, Clerk.

PUBLIC SALE.

I will sell at my residence in Garfield township, 6 miles southwest of Abilene, on Wednesday, Feb. 28, 1894, commencing at 1 o'clock, the following personal property: 11 head of horses, consisting of 3 good brood mares, 3 geldings, 1 span three-year olds, 1 two year old, 2 yearlings. Two head of hogs. Farming implements, consisting of 1 farm wagon, 3 cultivators, 1 Hoosier grain drill, 1 corn drill, 1 stirring plow, 1 road cart, 2 set harness one as good as new, set good flynets, 1 Challenge wind mill, 160 hedge posts and other articles too numerous to mention. Also some hay in stack, some corn in ear and some oats.

Terms, sums of $5 and under cash; over $5 a credit of 10 months on note with approved security without interest if paid when due; if not paid when due then a 10 per cent interest from date. No property to be removed until settled for.

JOHN H. ATNIP.
GEO. HOTSINGT N, Auctioneer.

LATE DICKINSON HAPPENINGS.

Current Events of the County Reported for the "Reflector."

NAVARRE NUGGETS.

Special REFLECTOR Correspondence.

NAVARRE, Feb. 20.—Protracted meetings are to be held by Rev. Brown in the church here commencing Tuesday evening.

The teachers' meeting held in district 60 Saturday evening was not well attended.

The poultry business in this vicinity is in a prosperous condition, quite a number of young chicks are hatched and as lively as though it were May instead of February.

A man from Carlton is looking for a farm to rent in this neighborhood but does not find farms for rent very plenty in this part of the county.

Jacob Derr is back from his visit to the Strip. He found a claim to suit him and will move about March 15th.

The snow of last week has left the roads in bad condition but the wheat will be very much benefited by the moisture.

Paris Hoffman is home after about six months spent in school at Quincy, Illinois.

BONACCORD BLASTS.

Special REFLECTOR Correspondence.

BONACCORD, Feb, 20.—Rev. Rankin, of Solomon, will begin a series of meetings at Mt. Pleasant church next week.

Rev. Young preached at the Harmony church on last Sunday evening.

John Eyer is seriously ill with lung troubles.

A high school examination will be held at this point on March 17.

John Mark has returned from his visit to New Mexico and is preparing for spring work.

A valentine party was held at the home of W. J. Stoner on Wednesday evening. The young people report a pleasant evening.

J. A. New and family, formerly of this vicinity, left a few days ago for Greeley, Col., where they will make their future home.

G. H. Baker will remove in a few days to his new home near Manchester.

J. A. Van Duyn and wife made a flying visit to Abilene on Monday.

The monthly meeting of the Bonaccord Reading circle will be held at Union Center on Saturday, March 10. It will discuss: "Psychology," Anna G. Engle; "Psychology Applied," E. F. Halbert; "Masterpieces of American Literature," Lillian C. Rugh. In the evening Hon. Edward C. Little will deliver a lecture upon "Egypt." Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

NORTH DICKINSON NOTES.

Special REFLECTOR Correspondence.

HAYES TWP., Feb. 20.—W. I. Early organized a singing class at Centredale, which will meet two evenings of each week.

Noah Sollenberger, wife and children are expected home this week, after a two month's visit in Pennsylvania.

Miss Kate Kinnally spent several days with her parents last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Tobias will begin housekeeping soon on Mrs. Hershey's farm in Cheever.

J. G. Bellinger has purchased a house in Abilene which will be moved to the creamery, where he has secured a situation for the summer.

The school convention held in the Baker school house Thursday evening was a grand success. By his tact Supt. Shirk aroused patrons and teachers to a full understanding of their duties. The meeting was interesting and instructive.

WOODBINE NEWS.

Special REFLECTOR Correspondence.

WOODBINE, Feb. 20.—Mrs. Reed, of Caldwell, arrived Saturday.

Geo. Smith returned Monday.

J. W. Gillett returned Friday.

Mr. Book and Mr. Eagle, of Belle Springs, were in town Saturday.

Miss Minnie Annis is again very ill.

Will Taylor, of Pearl, was in town Tuesday.

Miss Kirkpatrick started for New York Tuesday to begin her work as a missionary among the Chinese.

J. S. Robbins went to Herington Monday night to see "Si Plunkard."

Mrs Klover and daughter came Friday to take care of Charlie Klover who has been quite ill with the mumps.

The gun club of Pearl had a shoot Sunday.

School has been dismissed in 103 because of the illness of the teacher, Miss Lizzie Chambers.

G. C. Buhrer shipped a load of fat cattle to Kansas City last week.

MANCHESTER EVENTS.

Special REFLECTOR Correspondence.

MANCHESTER, Feb. 20.—What might have proven a serious fire occurred in C. Schad's butcher shop last Saturday. Mr. Schad had generated gas on a small gasoline stove and gone out to get some gasoline, but, upon his return, he found the rear end of the shop ablaze. Willing hands and plenty of water soon extinguished it.

Wm. Sorber, a brakeman on the Santa Fe, who was badly injured in a wreck near Weber last Saturday, is stopping at the Globe. He is badly crushed but exhibits extraordinary nerve, and will probably pull through.

Mr. Fenn, an old gentleman living three miles southeast of here, died Sunday and was buried Tuesday. Old age and failing powers were the cause.

The Santa Fe is preparing a chute at the reservoir, intending to ship ice to Emporia.

C. Schad has received a consignment of broom corn and will begin the manufacture of brooms in a few days.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church are arranging for a fair to be held about the middle of March.

A BIG VOTE.

Gaissha A. Grow Will Have 150,000 Majority in Pennsylvania.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 21.—Election returns are coming in slowly, but indications point to a heavier vote than was cast last fall for state treasurer and justice of the supreme court, when the republican plurality was 135,146. In Philadelphia nearly every ward thus far heard from shows republican gains, and if the ratio of increasing is maintained the republican plurality in this city will be nearly 60,000, an increase of over 7,000 over last fall.

In the country districts the democrats are gaining somewhat, especially in York county, where Erhantuch's plurality is 1,500 more that that given Osburne for state treasurer. Thirty-five out of thirty-seven wards in Philadelphia give Grow, 110,397; Hancock, 52,344; republican plurality, 57,793. The missing wards will add about 1,000 to Grow's plurality.

The Associated press returns up to 1:30 a. m. indicate republican plurality in the state of 150,000. This is the greatest plurality ever given the republican ticket in this city or state.

MASONIC GRAND COUNCIL.

The Officers Elected for the Ensuing Year by the Fraternity.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 21.—The grand council of the Kansas masons held a session in Representative hall yesterday and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Most illustrious grand master, W. H. Mize, of Osborne; deputy master, Dr. C. May, of Hutchison; principal conductor of work, A. A. Carnahan, of Concordia; grand treasurer, P. J. Freeling, of Leavenworth; grand recorder, D. Byington, of Leavenworth; grand captain of the guard, F. E. Davis, of Atchison; grand conductor of council, A. H. Connett, of Great Bend; grand steward; A. B. Wellington, and grand sentinel, Fritz Magers, of Leavenworth.

MARKET REPORTS.

Money and Investments.

NEW YORK, Feb 20.—The stock market opened fairly firm and shares showed fractional advances. St. Paul, which was ½ lower, was the only stock which went below the line. Sugar advanced ⅝, reacted ⅞ and recovered ⅝. Distilling receded ¼. Tobacco advanced 1 and Chicago Gas ¼ per cent. Speculation then became strong. Sugar advanced ⅞ for common and ¾ for preferred. Delaware, Lackawanna & Western took a jump of 1¾ per cent on the purchase of a 100-share lot. In the general list the improvement ranged from ½ to ¾ per cent, the latter in Chicago Gas. Tobacco preferred sold up 2 per cent and Quicksilver preferred 1 per cent. New England declined ⅝. Distilling was weak. Later Sugar and Tobacco receded ⅞ and St. Paul & Omaha ¾ and Cordage preferred broke 3 per cent. The rest of the market was firm.

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 20.—Cattle—Receipts 7,100; calves, 42 shipped yesterday, 1,045. The market was extremely dull; steers, weak to 10c lower; cows steady to 10c lower; bulls and calves, steady; Texas steers, scarcely selling, lower; feeders, fairly active, steady. The following are representative sales:

DRESSED BEEF AND EXPORT STEERS.

20	1,460	$4 40	15	1,093	$4 33
21	1,482	4 15	23	1,511	4 03
20	1,269	4 00	14	1,067	4 00
21	1,326	3 85	37	1,332	3 75
42	1,292	3 55	62	1,043	3 40
65	1,199	3 30	32	1,194	3 25

COWS AND HEIFERS.

4	875	$3 00	6	825	$2 90
1	940	2 85	7	784	2 85
23	877	2 75	9	903	2 75
23	917	2 70	24	858	2 65
3	1,033	2 60	1	880	2 60
2	940	2 60	3	1,003	2 60
10	1,116	2 50	2	1,035	2 60
4	877	2 00			

TEXAS AND INDIAN STEERS.

78 fed	981	$2 85			

STOCKERS.

84 Col	681	$3 40	31 a w	721	$3 30

FEEDERS.

5	1,060	$3 35	8	1,213	$3 30
6	1,003	3 25	17	1,132	3 20

Hogs—Receipts, 12,165; shipped yesterday, 608. The market was fairly active, but 10c lower. The top was $5 20 and bulk of sale $4 75@4 80 against top $5 00 and bulk of sales $4 85@4 95 yesterday. The following are representative sales:

30	214	$4 90	53	238	$4 90	61	216	$4 90
56	252	4 90	68	215	4 85	6	300	4 85
29	161	4 85	29	191	4 85	54	250	4 85
60	228	4 80	91	223	4 85	4	290	4 80
42	267	4 82½	72	225	4 82½	74	232	4 82½
21	142	4 80	81	202	4 80	23	206	4 80
82	192	4 80	64	171	4 80	63	197	4 80
87	252	4 80	20	183	4 80	19	159	4 80
41	199	4 80	69	244	4 80	66	237	4 80
87	243	4 80	67	200	4 80	3	173	4 80
59	241	4 80	72	212	4 80	13	274	4 80
72	250	4 80	78	244	4 80	75	194	4 80
70	228	4 77½	71	253	4 75	93	197	4 75
21	273	4 75	10	301	4 60	43	141	4 25
92	197	4 75	1	300	4 50	41	124	4 20
67	116	4 15	1	190	4 00			

Sheep—Receipts, 3,413; shipped yesterday, 97. The market was terribly dull and uneven, with a lower tendency. The following are representative sales:

213	C. mut	105	$5 15	121	mut	97	$4 00
238	mut	99	2 90	239	mut	91	2 60

Horses—Receipts, 386 shipped yesterday, 61. The market was well supplied and there were many buyers. Trade was good at firm prices. The range of prices is about as follows:

Extra draft, 1,500 lbs	$140@150
Good draft, 1,350 lbs	80@110
Extra drivers	100@200
Good drivers	75@100
Saddle, good to extra	75@175
Southern mares and geldings	35@75
Western range unbroken	20@50
Western ponies	12 50@20

Chicago Live Stock.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Hogs—Receipts, 22,000; official yesterday, 32,934; shipments yesterday, 9,572; left over, about 6,000; quality good; market fairly active, but easier; prices 5@10c lower. Sales ranged at $4 90@5 15 for light; $4 70@4 85 for rough packing; $4 90@5 45 for mixed; $4 90@5 15 for heavy packing and shipping lots; pigs, $4 80@5 10.

Cattle—Receipts, 5,000; official yesterday, 18,807; shipments yesterday, 3,769; market quiet and steady.

Sheep—Receipts, 12,000; official yesterday, 25,378; shipments yesterday, 3,253; market slow and weak.

St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000; market dragging and lower. Hogs—Receipts, 6,000; market 10c lower; heavy, $5 00@5 10; mixed, $4 70@5 00; light, $4 80@5 10. Sheep—Receipts, 1,200; market slow.

Chicago Grain and Provisions.

Feb. 20.	Opened	High'st	Low'st	Closing
Wh't—Feb	55	57⅝	55	57⅝
May	59⅛	60	58⅞	60⅛
July	61	62⅛	60	62⅛
Corn—Feb.	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝
May	36⅝	37⅛	36⅝	37⅛
July	37⅝	38⅛	37⅝	38⅛
Oats—Feb	29	29	29	29
May	29⅛	29⅝	29⅛	29⅝
July	28	28⅛	28	28⅛
Pork—Feb	12 17½	12 17½	12 17½	12 17½
May	12 15	12 37	12 05	12 37½
July	12 32½	12 32½	12 32½	12 32½
Lard—Feb	7 57½	7 57½	7 47½	7 57
May	7 30	7 32½	7 15	7 32½
July	7 07½	7 10	7 05	7 10
Ribs—Feb.	6 25	6 30	6 17½	6 30
May	6 30	6 35	6 25	6 35
July	6 40	6 40	6 32½	.....

Kansas City Grain.

KANSAS CITY, Feb 20.—There were less than a dozen samples of wheat offered on 'change to-day, and the business done was the lightest in many months. The market was firm at almost yesterday's prices. Some low grade samples of soft wheat sold very slowly, and millers were not at all anxious to buy. No. 2 hard out of store was quoted nominally 47½c.

Receipts of wheat to-day were 12 cars; a year ago, 72 cars.

Hard Wheat—No. 2 hard, 3 cars, 49½c, 1 car choice, 50c; No. 3 hard, nominally, 48c; No. 4 hard, nominally 45@46c.

Soft Wheat—No. 2 red, 1 car choice, 53½c; 1 car poor, 48c; No. 3 red, 1 car choice, 52c; 1 car 51½c; No. 4 red, nominally, 49@49c.

THE TRAINING SCHOOL.

The Good Work Accomplished by Mrs. Molly Vannoy.

When Graham Vannoy and Molly Olena, a fairly educated, energetic young man and woman, were married twenty-five years ago, Graham said:

"Molly, you have no maid. I have no man. Even a poor young physician with a practice scattered over a good bit of country must keep horses and a man. How shall we manage the expense?"

"I have selected my maid—one of your poor patient's young daughters. Anne is fifteen, healthy and intelligent, and I mean to make even homely duties attractive to her. A mistress may be companionable with her maid, and yet not descend to being familiar and confidential."

"You are planning, Molly, to be a household missionary," said Dr. Vannoy, laughing.

"I am planning, Graham," said the little woman, earnestly, "not to miss an opportunity to arouse in our servants an ambition to do their very best. Anne will serve me better when she finds I have a real and kindly interest in her affairs. We shall get along nicely. Oh, you doubting Thomas! you are questioning my ability to arouse in her a wholesome ambition to serve well."

"I am wondering, Molly," acknowledged the doctor, "if your petted maid will remain content to serve her patient teacher. She will probably disappoint you."

"I do not think she will, Graham," said Mrs. Vannoy, confidently. "If I command her respect, she will take kindly to my teaching. I have faith in Anne's common sense. She can be taught the difference between good housekeeping and slipshod methods. Graham, a strong boy can serve you. Mrs. Maret tells me that her Jamie is overwhelmingly anxious to learn 'the doctor's trade.'"

"'Trade!' That lanky, green boy!" cried Dr. Vannoy.

"I am speaking of a neglected, ambitious lad whose parents consider him the ugly duckling in their brood of seven. Why not try Jamie?" said Mrs. Vannoy, persuasively. "He has no encouragement at home to make the slightest effort to attain anything desirable. He will care for your horses, buggy and office for small pay, his board, and the help you may give him in preparing for college. Surely, Graham, when you remember the hardships you endured to gain a medical education, you are willing to lend a hand to Jamie. We had better have Anne and Jamie here soon. I have time now to spend in looking after them a bit."

"Of course, Molly, you'll have your way. I've no faith in your succeeding—"

"Only wait—wait, Graham, and see," urged the wife.

Anne Bolyn accepted without a demur the uniform provided by Mrs. Vannoy, when she noted that the "doctor's lady" wore a similar dress.

"You see, Anne," said Mrs. Vannoy, "it makes every difference the way housekeepers go about work. The wise woman who wants to keep tidy every day wears in the kitchen gowns and aprons easily laundried."

"Shall I eat at the table with the doctor and you, Mis' Vannoy?" inquired Anne. "Maw says I mustn't forget I'm not a common servant."

"Some one must wait on the table," replied Mrs. Vannoy, calmly. "In the Jaynes family, the three daughters take turns in waiting. Once when I dined there Master Willie performed that duty. He was proud, too, of being able to serve without making unnecessary noise. Minnie Jaynes considers it one of her accomplishments."

"I shouldn't think the richest man in Wingate would let his girl do such work. I thought Minnie Jaynes took music lessons," commented Anne.

"Minnie's friends are quite proud of her musical talent. But she is ambitious to become a really good housekeeper and home-maker. To do this, one needs to begin at the beginning. It's an art to be able to serve a dinner correctly," explained Anne's mistress.

"I s'pose maw won't mind my waitin' on table when I tell her Minnie Jaynes waits, too," replied Anne, reluctantly.

Jamie Maret's expressive blue eyes looked his willingness to serve the doctor faithfully. When winter advanced, Dr. Vannoy's practice increased to a degree which necessitated his absence from home many evenings. He said regretfully:

"Molly, do abandon this night school of yours. Since Anne has shown a wish to study, you must be sorely taxed by hearing recitations and directing your students. In the schoolroom your work was paid."

"Spare your pity until I need it, Graham," advised Mrs. Vannoy. "Jamie and Anne are worth the little I do for them."

During the ensuing two years Anne Bolyn, a pure blonde, grew into a pretty, graceful girl. Her mother occasionally instilled into her soul a slight rebellion—a distrust of the kindly mistress, who, with rare patience and tact, speedily righted matters at such seasons.

"My dear," said Dr. Vannoy, "James has become almost invaluable to me, but I must spare him soon. The boy is too bright to remain here longer. Can you look up a successor?"

"I think so, Graham," replied Mrs. Vannoy, thoughtfully. "I must spare Anne, too. My old teacher needs a utility girl, one who will earn board and tuition in the girls' school at Corry. She will give Anne vocal lessons if"—

"Aha, Molly, your trained help"—

"Graham, would you have me selfishly keep Anne in my service when this chance has come to her?"

"No, my dear, only you receive no reward."

"I shall receive the very highest reward if Anne improves her opportunities. I have a second maid in view already."

"I have no doubt, Molly, that you will continue keeping a preparatory school—"

"So long as I am able to conduct one," said Mollie, laughing. "Only yesterday Sailor Moran's Marjory said to me: 'I do wish I knew how to do things as Anne does them. When I am able to keep house and not spend more money than papa can earn in Wingate, he need not go to sea. He will get a home for Willie and me.' Marjorie is a nice girl. She is anxious to become papa's housekeeper. She will have a motive to do her best."

"And what do you expect to make of yourself, my boy?" inquired Dr. Vannoy, when Patrick Plunket, Jamie's successor, reported for duty.

"A dentist, sor, by 'n'by. I hopes yo'll give me the helpin' hand, if I'm desarvin," responded Patrick, brightly.

"Well, we'll see, Patrick. Don't forget that Jamie has spoiled my horses by petting them," said Dr. Vannoy, kindly.

In time Mr. Moran returned to Wingate, and a winsome, happy Marjorie became "papa's housekeeper." Patrick Plunket gained confidence also in his own ability to be somebody.

"Our ungrateful servants have given us the opportunity to look up successors. Here's my second boy, Patrick Plunket, off to the dental college just when I find him of value to me," complained Dr. Vannoy, with a twinkle in his eye.

New maids and new boys continued to enter the Vannoys' service and to leave their kind employers, until twenty-five years went by. Much had happened during that time. When young Dr. James Maret sought an opening, Dr. Vannoy's increased practice enabled him to take him as a partner. Anne Bolyn, while paying her way through college, continued her friendship with Jamie.

"Another going agley of your plans, Molly," said Dr. Vannoy, handing his wife some wedding cards. "You've planned a musical career for Anne Bolyn. The young woman, after six years of close application to study, settles down in a cozy cottage with my young partner, who has his fortune yet to make!"

"I'm not disappointed that Anne listened to Jamie's wooing. Jamie is quite as well off in every respect as you were when I married you, and now we are very comfortable," replied Mrs. Vannoy, placidly.

On the noon of Mrs. Vannoy's fiftieth birthday, a company of well-dressed men and women unceremoniously entered her parlors.

"Graham," cried Mrs. Vonnoy, "it is Patrick, David, Paul, Sylvia, Rachel and the others!"

"It was Anne's idea, this wholesale invasion," explained Dr. Maret. "She has spent three months in locating your ex-maids and boys, who each realize the debt of gratitude they owe you."

"Molly," cried Dr. Vannoy, "you are responsible for a great deal. Here are eight men and seven women who were once members of your training school. Patrick Plunket is making more money than I am. Otto Baum thinks he will go to the legislature. Jamie expects to step in my shoes. Do you notice, Mrs. Vannoy, Sylvia Moore's fine gown? You never owned such a gown. You never will, since she married a successful business man and you married a poor young doctor. Your pupils do you credit. Rachel Dane has actually chosen my profession. Dr. Rachel Dane, permit me to congratulate you and wish you success! There isn't a failure in the number. But, Molly, I can't forget that your maids were in haste to leave your service."

"Graham, not one left me until an opportunity"——

"Exactly! and when an opportunity to enter another training school presented itself, you were left lamenting."

"Not lamenting, but glad that my pupils were so apt. At any rate, my maids tarried with me quite as long as your boys remained with you."

"A true word you said, dearie! The ungrateful fellows developed aspirations in no time, and away they scampered. Such a state of affairs is only possible in a democratic country, where the pluckiest people climb to the top of the ladder. I note with pleasure that our guests have brought with them suggestive baskets. Suppose we begin the banquet."

Dr. Vannoy viewed with pride the company of self-reliant men and women, each occupying a creditable place in the work-a-day world. His heart thrilled with pride as he looked upon his wife's sweet, placid face. He valued her as the dearest, wisest, most patient and unselfish woman in the world.

Mrs. Vannoy looked her happiness. The childless wife had not in the beginning planned work by any set ideas. Being a born teacher, possessing the ability to stimulate and bring out each one's best, the natural result followed, and Dr. Vannoy, despite his teasing, proved an able assistant in the home training school.—Waverly Magazine.

The Football Player's Sorrow.

"Thus one by one are our fondest dreams dispelled," said the dejected-looking young man, as he dropped his head with its long, flowing locks into his hands. "And she always seemed so unselfish."

"Oh, well, brace up. Think of your fame as a football player."

"It is that which sundered the ties that bound us. She demanded too much."

"But you told me only a short time ago that you would give her your life if she asked for it."

"So I would—but what she desired was—"

"Well?"

"A lock of my hair!"—Washington Star.

STALWARTS MEAN BUSINESS.

Only a Straight Democratic Ticket Will Do—J. B. Crouch Removed.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 21.—About thirty of the forty members of the stalwart democratic state central committee met at noon to-day and promptly got down to business. The first thing done was the adoption of a resolution favoring a straight ticket and an early convention. Next the executive committee was directed to confer with the regular committee and make a proposition that if the regulars would call an early convention and put up a straight ticket stalwarts would disband and go in with the regulars, a united democracy, but should the regulars reject the proposition the stalwarts would call a convention and put up a straight ticket. This conference will be held when the regulars meet here next Tuesday.

The next thing in order was a discussion of the case of J. B. Crouch, agent of the stalwarts at Washington, against whom charges of taking money from office seekers and doing them no good had been made. This ended in the removal of Crouch and the election in his place as vice chairman of Judge J. S. Emery, of Lawrence.

The Michigan Supreme court has declared the "jag cure" law unconstitutional.

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