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## RAILROAD LOYALTY

One of the bright spots brought out in the grim struggle of the railroads and the railroad employes in the matter of wages and working conditions is the unswerving loyalty of the men who make up the Old Guard of rail service. Whatever may be the outcome of the wage adjustment the great systems will have with them an enduring basis of efficient handling of the work of the roads.

One cannot realize unless the facts are brought home in an unusual way the personal equation which has been built up in the years the roads have advanced from chain brakes twisted by hand to complete equipment and operation. The men who have grown with the roads feel an intense personal interest in the success they have helped to make and a keen disappointment when they see the trains run partly empty and travel facilities going to waste.

An instance in point was given the writer of this column last week on a trip from Houston to Austin. The train was made up of fine steel cars, it carried a Pullman, yet the Pullman was run almost empty and the coaches had only a few occupants. In charge of the train was a veteran conductor; he had made that run almost twenty years. Induced to conversation and yielding to a hint on the lightness of travel he said that he had been on that road and that run for many years but never had seen his train run with so few people aboard. He added: "It gets on my nerves and I am just forced to lay off and steady down. I don't get a penny from the road outside my pay. I have no other interest, but this light travel makes me feel as if I could not keep running. I am going to lay off a week and catch up."

This incidental conversation serves to show how the best men—many thousands of them—are the railway service are taking the bad times on the roads as a personal matter. They feel that they have given more than labor for pay and that in their duty has been built a great service which satisfied the public and was a matter of pride. To see that great service going to waste for lack of adequate use is a personal grief.

When we talk of the railroad problem in the mass it is a matter of figures without the personal equation, but when we study it close-up we find developed a fervent loyalty that is a noble offering to the public need and assures us that whatever the end of the struggle over working conditions the railways will face new days with men who are ready to keep and traditions at highest mark and furnish to the public transport remarkably near perfection.

Amid all the charges and suspicions of the reconstruction of industry the deep loyalty of the best railroad men is a tower of strength for the new days that are coming. It is something to be remembered when the period of contention and disturbed conditions is being forgotten.

Market reports indicate that the Ingersoll company, which made its fame by producing a dollar watch, is in financial difficulties and that these are laid to the fact it has an immense stock of dollar watches which it can not sell. One not an expert in dollar watches might wonder if the fact the dollar watch has been retailed for two dollars or more — when sold — might have something to do with the embarrassment of the Ingersoll company. The people did not care for dollar watches at two dollars even in flush times, and now they will be everlastingly dad-binged if they are going to put out two dollars for what was so long a dollar article. The Ingersoll watch may be intrinsically worth two dollars today, but its dollar fame isn't helping sell it at that price. If Nueces farmers are raising a big cotton crop at pre-war prices and marketing the carryover the same way, the other fellows who have goods to sell may as well come into the game under the new rules if they want to play.

It is easy to say the terrible charges of atrocities in Haiti are grossly exaggerated and that conditions, at least probably, are not as bad as set forth in the memorial which has been brought to Washington. On the other hand we must regard the standing of the men who have brought this grave charge. If there has been a tithe of the cruel work in the black republic which is alleged there is assurance the federal government should go to the bottom of the matter. There should be no politics in this. Whether outrages were concealed under a democratic administration or under a republican one is not material. The world has been informed that something like wholesale murder has been done. The truth must come out.

Aron Sapiro need no introduction or appreciation at this late day in his remarkable career as an apostle of better business in agriculture. He has brought the clear light of intensive and intelligent study to one of the great problems of the country and now he is giving us the concrete result in such form that it is immediately available for our instruction and direct benefit. The readiness with which attention is focused upon every one of the available Sapiro meetings is not remarkable. Sapiro is leading the way but the men who live by the soil have been students, too and they are fitted for rapid assimilation of all the noted speaker can tell.

One does not hear much of Woodrow Wilson nowadays, but there is little question he is enjoying life quite reasonably. Sitting in his home or engaged in legal work, he can take time for a few dry smiles as he sees the "splendid isolation" go out" on a fog cloud to mix with nimbus.

### WEATHER FORECAST.

For Corpus Christi and vicinity: Tuesday, partly cloudy, moderate to fresh southerly winds.

For Texas east of the 100th meridian: Tuesday, partly cloudy, local showers in extreme east portion; moderate to fresh southerly winds on the coast.

Weather Bulletin for the 24 Hours Ending 7 p. m. May 9.

| STATIONS— | Temperature High | Temperature Low | Wind | Rainfall |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amarillo | 82 | 50 | 10 | .... |
| Brownsville | 86 | 74 | .... | .... |
| Galveston | 68 | .... | .... | .... |
| Chicago | 74 | 58 | 18 | .... |
| Corpus Christi | 78 | 74 | 22 | .... |
| Dallas | 72 | 48 | 10 | .08 |
| Denver | 84 | 46 | .... | .... |
| Galveston | 76 | 72 | 20 | .02 |
| Hatteras | 76 | 58 | 14 | .... |
| Helena | 60 | 44 | .... | .04 |
| Kansas City | 78 | 58 | .... | .... |
| Miami | 88 | 62 | .... | .... |
| St. Paul | 68 | 44 | .... | .02 |
| New Orleans | 76 | 70 | .... | .... |
| New York | 78 | 54 | 24 | .... |
| North Platte | 74 | 46 | .... | .01 |
| Oklahoma | 76 | 44 | 14 | .... |
| Palestine | 76 | 66 | 22 | 0.14 |
| Pittsburg | 64 | 54 | .... | .... |
| Pittsburgh | 72 | 48 | 12 | .... |
| St. Louis | 60 | 60 | 14 | .06 |
| Salt Lake City | 62 | 42 | .... | .... |
| San Antonio | 84 | 70 | 42 | .20 |
| San Francisco | 54 | 46 | 20 | .... |
| Vicksburg | 76 | 62 | 12 | .14 |
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## The Great American Home — By Allman

## FOR THE LITTLE FOLKS

"Here's the Place!" Said the Fairyman.

Flower-Flap took a big step to himself shoes and leaded half way up the mountain. Nancy and Nick could never have followed him had they not possessed their such wonderful Green Shoes but they scrambled up beside him as easy as pie.

They were coming to ask Mr. Bruin Brown-Bear and his wife and their two sons, Billy Bull Brown-Bear and Billy-Bunch Brown-Bear, to go back with them to the circus. Everybody'm sure, look precisely the same way as our little friends did about it. That a circus without a bear or two or three or four isn't worth looking at.

"Here's the place!" said the fairyman, pointing to a rabbit-hole under a tree root. It was a very large tree with very large roots, and the hole was too large really to be called a rabbit-hole. Indeed it was a cub-hole, as it held two cubs, and their parents also, when the entire family was at home.

"Tap, tap, tap!" knocked the fairyman.

No one came.

Nick grabbed the knocker. "Tap, tap, tap! Rat-a-tap, tap, tap," he hammered.

No one came.

Nancy tried at last. "Tap, tap, tap! Rat-a-tap, tap, tap, tap, tap!" she thumped.

No no one came.

"Let's go in," she said. "There's nobody at home, and we may as well wait inside."

"Yes, let's!" agreed the fairyman. "And his Goodness did in the story only there was three bears instead of four and we are three people instead of one. Goodness I hope we don't do the bottom of anything like she did. They mightn't like it."

Nancy added with a laugh, "And I hope they won't chase us out of a window, either."

(To Be Continued.)

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## Railroads in Trouble Forty-eight Years Ago as Now, and That News Divides Attention With Texas Election

(Extracts Made from the Corpus Christi Gazette, Published by Barnard & Pott, December 20, 1873—Seventy-48 Years Ago.)

Railroads in Trouble.—The Kansas and Pacific railroad, on which the United States holds a second mortgage of $6,303,000 is practically bankrupt, having been unable to pay the interest due in December and the Northern Pacific road is totally ruined. The commercial and Financial Journal publishes a list of seventy-two roads in the United States now in default for nonpayment of interest on their bonded debt.

Nothing is reported going on in Matamoras between the insurgent officials and Cortinas's party. The mayor and his son have been wounded.

General election.—The vote cast in Nueces County, December 2, 1873, is as follows: For Governor: E. J. Davis 313, Richard Coke 199; for Lieut. Gov. R. H. Taylor 298, Hubbard 211; for Comptroller, J. W. Thomas 300, Stephen H. Darden 211; State Treasurer A. J. Dero 312, A. T. Moores 197; Commissioner General Land Office, Jacob Kuechler 98, J. J. Cross 212; Superintendent Public Instruction, A. B. Norton 227, O. N. Hollingsworth 214; Senator, Thos. Kearney received 345 votes and Wm. H. Russell 136; Representative, P. F. Murphy received the highest vote, 454, six candidates were in the race. County officers elected: Jas. Fitzsimmons, district clerk, Felix Nowell, treasurer, John J. Dix, surveyor, Thos. Dennon, hide inspector; H. W. Berry, sheriff; D. M. Hastings was elected justice of the peace, Precinct No. 1; W. A. Ball, J. P. Precinct No. 2; J. O. Luby No. 3; R. Schubert, No. 4; John S. Greer, No. 5. School directors elected: P. Doddridge, S. F. Stevenson, J. O. Luby, R. Schubert and John Greer.

The Designing of Capt. Grull.—The Gazette is called upon to chronicle the death of Capt. Wm. Grull, of the mail boat Agnes, which occurred on Dec. 12. His death was a sad one. While a short distance this side of Rockport, the boat running before the wind, he was struck by the tore boom, and knocked into the water, where he swam for several minutes. Every effort was made to save him but without avail. Few men of his class die more lamented, his death being that of an honest and useful man.

Officers' Salaries Fixed.—The city council at its meeting on December 18, 1873, adopted an ordinance fixing the salaries of the officers as follows: Recorder, $1200 per annum; city clerk, $600 per annum; chief of police, $1200 per annum. The city treasurer shall receive a commission of two and one-half per cent on all moneys received for use of the city, and the same for disbursing. The city assessor shall receive compensation for his services at the rate of five per cent on the amount of taxes assessed. The city collector shall receive compensation at the rate of five per cent on the taxes collected. The city surveyor shall receive compensation at the rate of $3 per day for services rendered, for surveying city lots, $3.00 each, to be paid by the person ordering, and for each certificate of survey, as entitled to charge the sum of $1.00. City policeman shall receive a salary of $600 per annum, and the fees appertaining to their office.

The mayor was authorized to appoint four special policemen for the holidays. Signed, P. Doddridge, mayor; Jas. Fitzsimmons, secretary.

Locals in Brief.—Wm. H. Malthy has opened a job printing office on Water street. (Block south of where the Nueces Hotel now stands.)

The steam fire engine for Corpus Christi's gallant and brave Pioneer fire boys, has arrived. It is hailed by our people with much joy.

The Gazette notes the dissolution of the partnership of the firm of B. L. Mann & Co., the members being B. L. Mann, H. F. Hall and Thos. Caden.

Chas. Henry Woessner, young and enterprising merchant, has opened a store on Mesquite street, south of the Fitzsimmons property.

The Temperance Council will celebrate Christmas with ball and supper at Market hall, on Friday night.

Frank W. Shaeffer returned from the north on the steamship Cuzzie. He brings with him a fine lot of merino bucks.

The Gazette notices the arrival of many strangers in the city, among them E. Frank and family from New Orleans.

The large schooner Forest Home has arrived here from New York consigned to George F. Evans with a stock of staple and fancy groceries. The ship made the trip in 13 days.

General News.—The Legislature meets on the second Tuesday in January, 1874, and on the Thursday following the new governor will be inaugurated. Governor Davis should feel highly complimented notwithstanding he lost out. His own county gave him a big majority.

Political Rights Restored.—The late states of Congress restores to their political rights Jefferson Davis, of Tennessee; Holt, Toombs, of Georgia; John H. Reagan, of Texas; John C. Breckenridge, of Kentucky; Hon. John N. Campbell, ex-Judge U. S. Supreme Court; Gen. Hood, Gen. Jubal A. Early, Gen. G. W. Custis Lee, Gen. Pickett, Gen'l Semmes, Gen. Joe Johnston and others of less note.

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