Be Kind.

As stars upon the tranquil sea
In mimic glory shine,
So words of kindness in the heart
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Then on the ground spread them about.
Put oats on top, feed once a week
And free from cholera you will keep.
The onions heal the sick and sore,
And coal and oats forbid it more.

Lincoln's Laconic Reply.

The following anecdote of President Lincoln is related by General Badeau in his article on "General Sheridan," which is an interesting feature of the February Century: "Sheridan started before daybreak in pursuit of what was left of Lee's army. He sent word to Grant: 'If the thing is pressed, I think that Lee will surrender.' Grant forwarded the dispatch and an account of the victory to Lincoln, at City Point, and the President replied: 'Let the thing be pressed.'"

Unconsciousness of Dying Persons.

"A dying man may be burned with a redhot iron and not feel pain," Dr Crawford said to a reporter of the Mail, of Stockton, Cal. "Consciousness may remain to the dying almost to the dissolution, but generally they lose the power of thought long before actual death. In cases of death in which there seems to be suffering the writhing and spasms are due to reflex muscular action. Fear weakens the nervous system, and, consequently, hastens death; and the reverse of fear may prolong life." The doctor cited a medical report concerning a methodist minister. He lay on the verge of death, cold and pulseless, and friends around his bed sang his favorite hym. As they ceased, and while the physician stood timing the death, the minister's hands moved, and he whispered, "Glory!"

Restoratives were administered, and an hour later the man had recovered. He lived many years after that. He said he understood every word spoken at his bedside. Under the nervous excitement and enthusiasm wrought by the hymn, he had exerted his muscular strength and lived.

In a few years now—a very few years—all that vast public domain of Texas, the most munificent landed heritage that ever fell to any state, nation or people, will be gone, and were it all owned by citizens of the state it would be well enough, for nothing has a greater tendency to strengthen a government than for the lands to belong to the citizens individually; but unfortunately, many of the broad acres of Texas belong to non-resident aliens—men who have never been in this country and never expect to be. True we have thrown our doors wide open to these speculators and have nobody but ourselves to blame when they, through their agents, locate and buy up the fairest portions of our domain. How much better though it would have been to have reserved it for the benefit of actual settlers, and thereby have identified their whole interests with those of the state. It is enough to make one sick at heart to see what a suicidal policy has been pursued in this respect.—*Blanco Star.*

The popular vote of 1880, the last presidential election, was as follows: Republican electors (Garfield), 4,454,416. Democratic electors, (Hancock), 4,444,952; "Greenback" electors, (Weaver), 308,578; Prohibition, electors, Dow, 10,305. The State casting the largest prohibition vote was Ohio (2,616).

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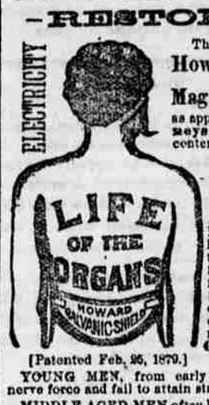

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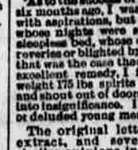

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