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Some preachers make the Scripture read: "Make your calling and collection sure."

It is easy to appreciate the points of a sermon when they are sticking the other fellow.

Some people, when they get mad at one person, carry their spite against the whole family.—Denison Gazetteer.

The Texas State treasury now has on hand \$8,994,634 to the credit of the general fund against \$125,000 at the same time last year.

The elder statesman idea was the slogan last year year, but we would suggest the "sensible statesman" idea for next year.—Honey Grove Citizen.

It is generally the case that the man who never invests a dollar in the town's enterprise is the man who is always crying for public improvements. If you want them, why go down in your pockets and dig up. You will always have some one to come to for your assistance.

Judge a city not so much by its public parks as by its back alleys. If the latter are kept clean you can bet your bottom dollar the former will be attended to. It's right and proper that you should wash both your feet and face—but by all means look after the feet first. Exchange.

When prosperity leads to the usual increase of taxes and multiplication of offices for all time to come, it becomes questionable whether prosperity is really a good or a bad thing for the common people, seeing that, when the lean years come, the burdens fixed during the fat years remain securely saddled upon the revenue-bearing animals.—Galveston News.

The fact established at Austin that B. F. McNulty, a Waters-Pierce employee, went around and hired boys to get hold of copies of the paper sent from Chicago containing the photographs of documents incriminating Bailey, and had the papers burned, and got large bundles of them himself for the same purpose, is not going to help Bailey any. The trial of the Waters-Pierce case will bring some things that the committee might have unearthed if they had desired to do so while they were supposed to be investigating Bailey last winter.—Hallettsville Herald.

Association's Magic Power.
(By Our Associate Editor.)

Tennyson sings of the tears, that rise in the heart and gather to the eyes, when thinking of the days that are no more. The souvenir postal from Miss Inn Westmoreland, bearing a picture of Virginia's historic capitol building made those tears mine. A troop of memories from life's spring time came knocking at my heart. Near half a century ago, when I was a young girl of seventeen, happy care-free years, I spent a part of '61 and '62 in the beautiful City of Richmond, set on hills beside the river James, the sound of whose falling waters was never still. My temporary home was within three blocks of the capitol building and within two of the home of Pres. Davis. Almost daily my walks led to the capitol square where the statuary excited my interest and the noble simplicity of the architecture my admiration. It had the beauty of a Greek temple. The postal tells of the addition of a wing to each side, which mars its former faultless symmetry, but in these hustling, commercial days there is no hesitancy in sacrificing beauty or hallowed memories to a need of more room for business purposes. The Confederate Congress held its session in this building. There were, even then, many interesting spots in and near the city, and there was not a foot of Richmond town from end to end of every street and far out in to the country around, that my tireless feet failed to cover. From my back window the outlook was down a steep hill and up another on top of which sat St. John's church, where Patrick Henry spoke "Give me liberty or give me death." It was a small frame building, kept in repair, in the midst of an old-fashioned graveyard, filled with mouldy tombstones, some bearing a date as far back as 1732. The most important event of the winter of '62 was the inauguration of President Davis, which took place in the capitol square on a platform erected for the purpose.

For days there had been bad weather and when the eventful day arrived, there arrived also a down pour of rain. I said, I'd go, if I had to swim. I could not come all the way from Texas and miss the inauguration. Effort to obtain a hack proved futile, for all luxuries were limited in war times. With umbrellas our only protection, the storm was braved. We had reserved seats in the capitol into which no one was allowed without passes. I can discern on the postal the window at which I sat and looked out on a sea of umbrellas and a great throng of thousands standing drenched in the rain. I could see it all but could hear nothing. Fine dresses, indeed dresses of any sort were few and hard to get, but I carried out my program and wore my very best. It was a royal purple silk and had a train. It had descended to me from my step mother, who had gone in mourning, and had been a bridal present to her from Mrs. Scott Anderson who sleeps in our cemetery at Lake side.

Going home, I had a beau. Girls had beaux earlier than than they do now, wherein the present is an improvement. While the older couple walked before the beau, and I and the purple silk trailed behind. Skirt elevation had not then reached the height that now prevails and

the purple silk literally trailed At the end of the walk it was trimmed with a bottom flounce of mud, rain and ruin. But the river changed the color to a dark blue and it served as second best during the rest of the war and figured in many a promenade and dance with the dear, brave boys who wore the gray. Alas! many of them sleep in soldiers' graves.

"Oh death in life! The days that are no more."

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