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This drawback has now been partially remedied, and it will be of interest first to consider some of the facts which are available with reference to the city of Galveston, where, according to the committee's report, the plan was first put in operation ten years ago. The reference to Galveston in the report was as follows:—"The 'commission' form of government as now understood and being put into practice is really mis-named, but when first put into operation and originated by the city of Galveston, about ten years ago, the commissioners were appointed by the State; after that they were elected by the citizens of Galveston, and it is of interest to note that with the exception of the mayor, who died in office, the same commissioners are holding office today, and that at the will of the electorate."

In this drawback has now been partially remedied, and it will notice," remarked the Reverend Dr. Goodman, pausing a moment and looking over the congregation, "the Apostle Paul here says that if a woman have long hair it is a glory to her, for her hair is given her for a covering. Merely observing that I agree with the Apostle Paul in the opinion that a woman's hair is a much more glorious covering than an enormous hat, particularly in church, I resume the reading of the morning lesson." There was a brief delay, but the hats came off. Dr. Goodman, by the way, is a Chicago preacher,

(Farmers' Advocate.)

We are gradually losing our old-time fear of fresh air. With it is passing the familiar superstition about the peculiarly deadly properties of "night" air. Up-to-

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The Polk County Republican Club of Iowa, had presented to it in January 1907 the report of a committee appointed to look into the forms of government in Galveston and other cities, and some extracts from the report presented by the chairman, Mr. W. N. Jordan, relating especially to Galveston, are worth consideration. At this time the commission form of government had been in force in Galveston form of government had been in force in Galveston for about six years.

"The Galveston plan, as I view it," says Mr. Jordan in his report, "is one of commission. It is a perpetual body. It is a potentially perfect political machine.

"There has been no change in the membership of the Galveston Commission since it was originated in 1900, except on the death of a member.

"The extensive powers of the commissioners have enabled them to control all political factions, and completely to crush the opposition. The commissioners have enabled them to control all political factions, and completely to crush the opposition. The commissioners have enabled them to control all political factions, and completely to crush the opposition. The commissioners have enabled them to control all political factions, and completely to crush the opposition. The commissioners faction is in complete control, and its leaders dictate nomination of commissioners, members of the legislature, and congressmen.

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e Galveston commissioners and city officials are pertally accessible to the citizens of the city, and give they nall portion of their time to the city's business, a m

All of them have other extensive business interests, and citizens seeking redress or assistance must run the sauntlet of the outside office, and closed door of the private business office.

"The Galveston commissioners favor the corporation. The only franchise siven to a corporation by the commission is the franchise obtained by the Galveston Street Railway Company in May 1906. It was not referred to a vote of the people, and was given for a period of fifty years. The city received no compensation for this franchise, and collected no franchise taxes on it. The city receives no percentage of the gross or net receipts.

"The Galveston Municipal Government is not free from 'graft.' The prosecutor of city cases in the police court collects a fine of \$10 for every criminal, drunk, or vagrant convicted, and \$5 from every one who pleads guilty.

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The city attorney collects \$2,000 asch year from the city as a fee for special counsel and the printing of abstracts, in addition to his salary of \$3,200.00. He has appointed his law partner as an assistant with a usuary of \$900. They are allowed 5 per cent, of all delinquent taxes collected as an additional fee. A third assistant is paid a salary of \$000 per year."

So men for the commission plan in the city of Galveston where the idea is said to have originated. Many improvements have since been imported into the system by other cities, notably the inflatitve, referendum, and the right of recall, and it would not be fair to condemn the scheme on the record of the parent city. But it is just as well that the citiesnes of \$1,50 his should be enlightened, in the broader sense of receiving a clearer view, on all sides of this question. It may be urged that daiveston is an extreme case. Probably it is, But while other cities may so have changed the form of overnment by commission that its own father would hard, by the condition of the condition

port, and it has been naturally a matter of time to secure with a sense either of the humorous or ridiculous into data to intelligently discuss the subject in detail from hysterics.

The Standard's Old Reporter

THE COMMISSION.

White's Cove, Jan. 19.—Roberts Orchard of Boston is visiting friends at Mill Cove.
While Alex McKinley was unhitching his colts at John D. Gunter's blacksmith shop the other day, they got away from him and Mr. McKinley got mixed up in the run-away, and was somewhat bruised.

Fred Reardon has gone to the woods with his team to work for James Robinson at the Narrows. Durcan McFee has also left for the Belleisle

BELLEISLE CREEK.

Belleisle Creek, Jan. 19.—The funeral of Harold Huggard on Sunday last was attended by a very large concourse of people. He was buried under the auspices of the Orange Order of which he was a member.

Mrs. Thomas Farmer arrived home on Saturday evening after a lengthy visit in Houlton, Maine.

Edna Gillis, who has been quite in somewhat improved.

Hedley Klerstead, of Collins, was in Belleisle on Monday last.

Allen Northrop was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Arnold, on Sunday last.

the village last evening.

G. Shanklin went to St. John to-

SECRETARY TO SPEAK

Messrs. Hazen and Flemming to Address Moncton Conservative Club Tonight and **Albert Convention Tomorrov**

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Many people have a wrong idea of astigmatism. It is not a disease, but an ir-regularity in the curve regularity in the curve of the eye and can be corrected by specially ground lenses. Its usual symptoms are headaches, often accompanied by a turning of the head a little to one eide in viewing objects and by squinting of the eyes, which causes premature wrinkles on the brow and about the eyes.

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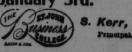
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