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My First Day as Teacher.

Well do I remember my first day as teacher. I started from my home about twenty miles distant, on the 13th day of Jan. 1904. It was a very cold and disagreeable day, but after a hard days drive we reached my boarding place almost frozen.

Things passed off as usual until Monday morning. Then came the testing time. It was a considerable task for a girl of seventeen to arrange the classes and put a school in working order; something which I had not the remotest idea how to begin.

But, I knew I was soon to be initiated; I took courage as I knew I would have the assistance of my principal. I set out at a rapid walk toward the school building; when I arrived there was no one present, so I had time for observation. On looking around I saw that the building was void of things which are much needed, as most rural, and some city schools are. I was sitting there thinking of the difficulties attendant with teaching, with so few fixtures, when my principal and one of the students stepped in. After an exchange of greeting, and some remarks about the community in general, we set to work planning for the ensuing year. At length the children began crowding in, each one eyeing the new teacher, and expressing their opinions in regard to her. By and by the hour has come and the faithful old bell warns those present that it is time for books. The little fair-haired girls and ruddy-checked boys come running to occupy their usual place. After a short time we have the classes arranged and are ready for work.

As the little fellows came forward and with their innocent eyes look me in the face, I began to realize the great responsibility with which my work is attended, and ever since it has been my pleasure to study character and strive with all my might to make the best man and the best woman of each boy and girl in school. And I with lunch basket in hand slowly wend my way to my boarding place. Thus ends my first day as teacher.

LINNIE BABSTON,

As read at the Teachers' Institute.

WANTED.

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TAHOKA REAL ESTATE CO.

If you are interested in Lynn County lands, write us for a list of genuine bargains, we have them, both for speculation and for the man who wants a home. Buy a home where you can make a good living and your land will double in value.

We want to increase our list of bargains; if you have anything to sell, list it with us.

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Those Newspaper Guys.

I see a man pushing his way thru the lines
Of cops where the work of the "fire fiend" shines.
"The chief?" I enquire—but a fireman replies,
"Gee, no! Why, that's one of those newspaper guys."

I see a man walk thru the door of a show
Where great throngs are blocked by the sign S. R. O.
"Is this man the Star that no ticket he buys?"
"Star nothin'! He's one of those newspaper guys."

I see a man start on the trail of a crook.
He scorns the police, but he brings him to book.
"Sherlock Holmes?" I inquire—someone scornfully replies:
"Sherlock H—! Naw, he's one of dese newspaper guys."

I see a man sit in the seats of the great,
And they ask his advice upon matters of state
"A diplomat surely!" But to my surprise
They tell me he's one of those newspaper guys.

And some day I'll stand by the great "Gates of Gold,"
And see a man passed thru unquestioned and bold,
"A saint?" I'll ask, and old Peter'll reply:
"No, he carries a pass—he's a newspaper guy."

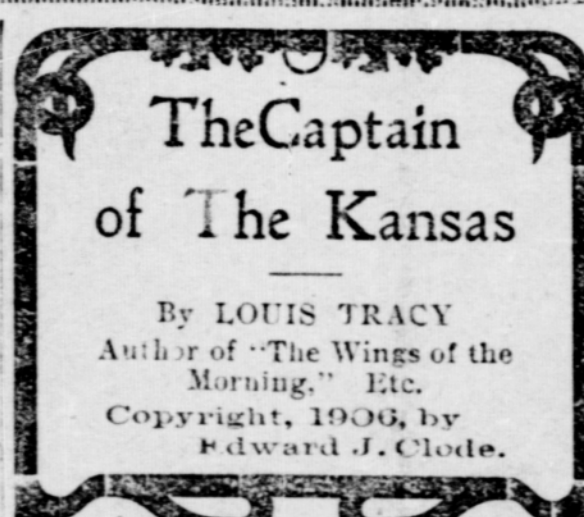
Benjamin Scouville.

El Paso—K. C. Short Line.

The El Paso Herald has the following: The line surveyed for the El Paso & Kansas City Short Line, of which J. L. Bell is the promoter passes under the peak of the Guadalupe mountains which lie on the border of Texas and New Mexico, then drops down into the Pecos valley, which is one of the richest sections in the Southwest, crossing the Pecos river at Malaga, eighteen miles south of Carlsbad; then, soon emerging into the Panhandle of Texas, it penetrates a territory of which but comparatively little is known by the general public, and which, according to the figures compiled by Mr. Bell, is surprising in its resources and almost unlimited in its possibilities in the future.

After leaving New Mexico, the line as surveyed passes through the counties of Yoakum, Gaines, Ferry, Lynn, Lubbock, Crosby, Floyd, Motley, Cottle, and through Hardman to the town of Quanah, which is the county seat of that county and the terminus of the line, where it is proposed to connect with the Frisco for Kansas City and St. Louis. An extension of another 100 miles would connect with the Katy.

These counties, formerly known as constituting a part of the "Staked Plains," and considered as a region where only grass and cattle could be grown, are, according to the information gathered by Mr. Bell, capable of producing corn, wheat, cotton, fruits; and other crops equal to some of the most fertile sections of the country, and of sustaining a population of hundreds of thousands or even millions of people when railroad facilities and convenient markets are made available.



"For heaven's sake, say the lifeboat is visible again!"

And that was all. Though they strained their eyes and spoke with bated breath, never a sight of boat or canoes was obtainable for hours after the latter were swallowed up by the trees which shrouded the creek at the foot of Guanaco hill.

Isobel Baring, moved by genuine pity for her distraught friend, tried to induce her to leave the deck, but she shrank away terrified by the fire which blazed from the blue eyes resting on her for an instant. Mrs. Somerville came, but she, too, was repulsed. When Christobal made a serious effort to lead her away she threatened him with the fierceness of a mother defending her child from evil.

But relief was vouchsafed in the worst throes of her agony.

Boyle or Gray had never relaxed a close vigil by her side. It was Gray who made the thrilling discovery that the canoes were returning. As the fleet crossed the bay it could be seen that they were towing the lifeboat, but never a sign of any prisoners could the most careful scrutiny detect. The boat was empty. It was easy to count every man in the canoes as they passed into Otter creek, and there were wounded Indians on board many of them. That was a significant, a tremendous, fact. There had been hard fighting, and the boat was captured, but some,

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For Local Improvements.

I think I can just discern the faintest suspicion of a smile on the Tahoka people when they see a new-comer who dares to write such a piece as this is. Yet I think at times, perhaps, this may be my home and if it should I would be interested in its interests.

Now there is a club formed here and my understanding is it is for the benefit and improvement of Lynn county. Well, I have been here four months and not until a few days since did I see the town. I took a ride around it and saw many beautiful situations for homes and many neat houses. But now don't start my dear people, when I say I saw something else, and I see what others coming here and passing through here see; also which will keep many from coming here. I saw a lack of pride in your town evidenced by a lack of cleanliness and neatness. Now just listen: It is beauty and cleanliness that attract, always. People going into a place where the trees are growing, the streets, alleys, yards and lots are clean; the sidewalks nice and smooth, are sure to be attracted and wish to live and stay in such a place. Beauty and pride go hand in hand in home, county or town. Now what's the club for? Charity begins at home and scatters abroad. Tahoka is home—it's the place to begin with; then the county will catch the infection. The men and women both can beautify the town, and every dollar spent will bring a return worth it. Let the Club form into small bunches and try. Let ladies be appointed to beautify the cemetery and school ground here. A few men to fix sidewalks and square and have a general Rally Day to plant out trees on streets and where needed, and I'm sure Tahoka will never regret it.

Now my friends don't say much until you take a ride around the town and see for yourself, and forgive me for intruding, but I believe sometimes we need intruders.

MRS. LONA HARROUGHTY.

School started up again Monday after a vacation of three weeks. There was a very good attendance, although the weather was not very favorable.

There were very good crowds out for Sunday School and morning services but the sudden change of weather caused a light attendance at night.

Dr. S. H. WINDHAM

Physician and Surgeon

Office over Tahoka Drug Store

TAHOKA — — — TEXAS

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Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas.

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Beautiful Snow.

Lynn county has had a very mild winter and some have been uneasy lest next year's fruit crop should get too early a start and be killed by spring freezes. Sunday last started as a regular spring day but at 4 p. m. the wind changed and in three hours it was freezing. Some snow fell that night and lay on the ground until Tuesday when more fell, making about two inches in all. Wednesday noon, there was a light thaw with indications of more snow. It would take a long spell to cause any loss to cattle men, since their herds are in good condition and there is plenty of feed. The snow will put the land in shape for big crops this year.

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COME IN WITH US AND
MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME,

W. K. Ray, Cashier.



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BY
BRICK**

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FRIDAY, JAN. 15, 1909

Something Must Be Done.

There are between 500 and 1000 miles of new railroads now building or soon to start building in Western Texas. New railroads mean better markets for our products, a vast influx of new settlers, and the rapid enhancement of real estate values. Now, here is what is going on in railroad building:

The S. & N. W. is building from Stamford to Plainview; the S. R. & P. will soon be laying steel from Snyder to Ft. Stockton and may extend later to Post and Lubbock; the Frisco system is grading and will soon build from Quanah to El Paso and will pass through Lubbock; the Wichita Valley is soon to lay steel from Alliance to Ballinger; the Orie it will soon be completed from Sweetwater to San Angelo; the Rock Island is surveying and will this year start building from Graham to Stamford and from Jackboro Seymour. The C. H. & G. has unloaded over 100 cars of cross ties at Hensford and will soon be laying track to Dimmit over a grade already completed, while the Santa Fe at Plainview is looking for a clear field to build south to some point on their Temple San Angelo line. Their contract with Plainview has expired and they will soon build our way.

Now comes the part of the story which most deeply concerns us right here in Tahoka—you, me and our neighbors. All but five miles of a railroad grade is completed between San Antonio and Lamesa and teams are at work filling in the gap. The Brownfield people are pulling to get the C. H. & G. to build to their town, holding out the inducement this grade offers for the completion of this great new Rock Island extension from Dallas to the Sea via San Angelo and Kerrville. Of course, Brownfield will get this

road; since they have raised a bonus big enough to buy right-of-way and grade the line from Dimmit to Brownfield and then some. If the Santa Fe can be induced to build from Plainview to Lamesa, via Lubbock and Tahoka and thence over the new grade to a T. & P. point, then the Hensford line would go down through Fossil and Midland. But if the Hensford line gets the grade, the Santa Fe would very likely build some miles east of Tahoka; and then, with railroad build of us to our county lines on three or four Tahoka might remain a first-class town for years, if indeed it continued to be a town at all. It is rather humiliating when we observe that in spite of all the railroad development going on in this section, **TAHOKA IS THE ONLY TOWN that is doing absolutely nothing to get a railroad, except God,** a town which evidently doesn't want one and was as good a town five years ago as it is today.

Why not change this unpleasant situation right away? Our business men should get the citizens together right away and make definite arrangements to co-operate with Lubbock and Lamesa in inducing the Santa Fe to extend to these points in the near future. We have a fine piece of city and we have a fine country to draw from; all we lack is a railroad. By making proper and "timely" effort, we can get a railroad before the year is out.

T. M. Bortley, Arch McPhail and W. E. Purterfield spent several days this week in Brownfield. Their object was to attend the organization of a Royal Grand Chapter of the Masons; Judge Bentley being the organizer.

A. R. McGonagill and wife are the recipients of a fine baby girl, who arrived Tuesday, Jan. 12th, 1909.

Preston French and family arrived in Tahoka Thursday night with their stock and household goods. They have bought land and will live twelve miles south east of town. They moved here from Rule in Haskell county.

PAY YOUR POLL TAX NOW.
Citizens of Texas:

Submission is coming. Count on that. Never in the history of Texas has there been more urgent and imperative need, of a prompt and unanimous obedience to this patriotic duty than now.

The destiny of the greatest State in the Union hangs measurably in the balance this year. This tax

must be paid now. The coming of February will disfranchise thousands. Let them not be prohibitionists. Tell your neighbor about this. Have your poster read it from the pulpit.

The liquor agents are busy with an unlimited fund. Some have already been caught at their nefarious tricks and are in the toils of the law, but they will in spite of this, pay thousands of poll taxes in the next two weeks. Let Prohibition Clubs, Good Citizenship Clubs, Pastors' Associations and all other advocates of clean politics get busy. "Pay your own poll tax with your own money."

The time is brief—DO IT NOW.
STERLING P. STROONG,
Superintendent Anti-Saloon League of Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Forrester spent last Sunday with their sister, Mrs. Roberts.

Joe Stokes, of this place, spent several days in Lubbock last week and attended the performances given by a traveling opera Co. Joe reports the entertainment very good indeed.

NAZARENE to PREACH.
Rev. W. E. Fisher, District Superintendent of the Alliance District of the Nazarene, is to preach at the Baptist Church in Tahoka, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights, the 19, 20, and 21 of this month.

Every one is especially invited to attend this series of sermons.

MORGAN ITEMS.
Died in Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Embury last night.

The Morgan school began Monday, 9th with Mrs. M. C. Goodrich of Big Springs as teacher. There was a good attendance, and by the way every one who holds this aim is making a successful term of school.

Mrs. L. Lonsford and Mrs. Claborn called at the home of Mrs. Shaw last Wednesday eve.

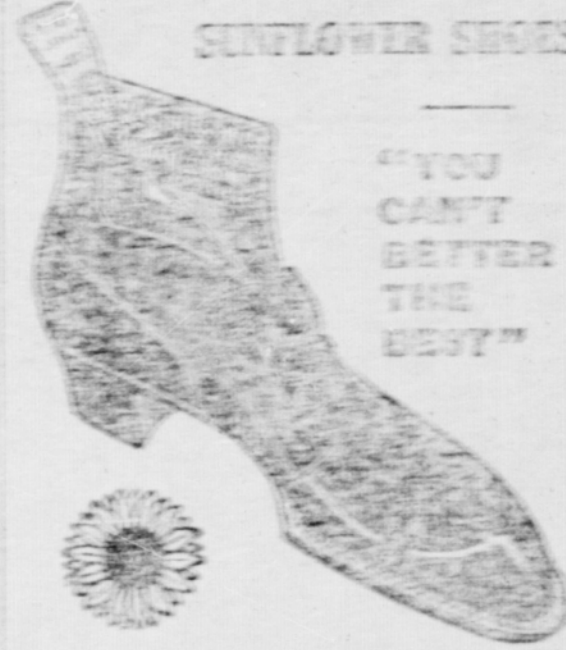
Mrs. Milliken and daughter, Cora, were visiting in town one day last week.

Mr. Lonsford spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Claborn.

Rev. Blanton, of Luvv, preached to a very good crowd at Morgan last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. May of Luvv, attended church at Morgan last Sunday evening, and spent the evening at Mr. Frank's home.

Rev. Blanton, Mr. Edger William and Miss Arthur Shaw dined with Mr. and Mrs. Claborn Sunday.



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A COMPLETE LINE OF Dry Goods Groceries and Clothing.



Mr. Frank Cross returned from Big Springs with a load of cotton last Friday.

Miss Milliken and small children dined with Mrs. W. P. Knight's Sunday.

Mrs. Clara Milliken with Mrs. Clara Miller, and Misses Edna Miller, Emma and Edna Shaw, and Messrs. Clyde Shaw and Donald William dined with Mr. and Mrs. Lonsford.

Mr. Edger Embury made a delightful trip to Plainview last week.

Attendance at school is very small this week on account of the cold weather.

Mr. Claborn and son, Walter, were

in the County Capital last Sunday.

Messrs. Will Dutton and Cecil Shaw came in Tuesday eve from the Santa part of the county, where they had been to take some cows to pasture.

Miss Nettie Conover visited her Aunt, Mrs. T. J. Wilson, of Bedford, a few days Saturday.

The Morgan Sunday School met in regular school place last Sunday eve. The class agreed to change their time of meeting on account of having church on the second Sunday evening. So the class will meet on the first and third Sundays instead of second and fourth Sundays.

Y. M. C. A. B. CHAIR.

Call and See

OUR New and UP TO DATE Stock of Confectioners' Goods of all kinds; we can please you if you want the **B**EST of everything to eat and drink. Anything in the way of fine Tobaccos and Smokers' Supplies.

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KEEP your eye on **O. S. SHOOK'S CONFECTIONERY**; we have the goods you want, when you want them.

TAHOKA TEXAS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 1909

Sheriff's Sale.

The State of Texas)
County of Lynn) By Vir-
tue of a certain Order of Sale issued
out of the Honorable District
Court of Lynn County, on the 5th
day of Jan. 1909, by S. N. Mc-
Daniel, Clerk of said Court against
C. C. Jones, R. P. Terry and T.
J. Blankenship for the sum of six-
teen hundred eighty nine dollars
and ten cents [\$1689 10] and costs
of suit in cause No 46 in said
Court, styled A. L. Lockwood
versus C. C. Jones, R. P. Terry and
T. J. Blankenship and placed in my
hands for service, I, J. S. Wells as
Sheriff of Lynn County, Texas,
did, on the 5th day of Jan. 1909,
levy on certain Real Estate, situat-
ed in Lynn County, described as
follows, to wit: The East one-half
of Survey No Two hundred
twenty-six [No 226] in Block
C.42, certificate No 141, E. L. &
R. R. R. Co. in Lynn County,
Texas, and levied upon as the
property of said C. C. Jones, R. P.
Terry and T. J. Blankenship, And
on Tuesday, the 2nd day of Feb-
ruary 1909, at the Court House
door of Lynn County, in the town
of Tahoka, Texas, between the
hours of ten a. m. and four p. m.
I will sell said land at public ven-
due, for cash, to the highest bidder
as the property of said C. C. Jones,
R. P. Terry and T. J. Blankenship
by virtue of said levy and said
Order of Sale

And in compliance with law, I
give this notice by publication, in
the English language, once a week
for three consecutive weeks im-
mediately preceding said day of
sale, in the Lynn County News, a
newspaper published in Lynn
County.

WITNESS my hand, this 5th day
of January 1909

J. S. WELLS,
Sheriff Lynn County, Texas.

Vacant U. S. Public Lands.

Where vacant Government land is lo-
cated, with brief descriptions by counties
and how to get it under Homestead,
Desert, Timber, Coal, Stone, Oil, Saline
and other Federal Laws. Also infor-
mation about State Lands in Texas,
with valuable tables and particulars
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now in progress under the Government.
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

Thoroughbred Cotton.

Thoroughbred cattle, horses and
hogs are rapidly displacing the
longhorn, the mustang and the
razor-back and incidentally revo-
lutionizing the live stock industry
of Texas. Now, if thoroughbred
live stock and fruit trees are a pay-
ing proposition, why not thorough-
bred cotton, corn, small grain and
feed crops? An Atlanta seedsman
has perfected a variety of cotton
which when planted late, matures
quickly, opens early and yields
heavily on the uplands of North
Georgia, where the conditions of
soil and climate are very similar to
those of Lynn county. Macon, in
the exact north and south center of
that state, has exactly the same
latitude that Tahoka has, while
the uplands, a hundred miles north
of Macon, where this improved va-
riety of cotton does so well, has al-
most as great an elevation as Lynn
county, which would make the sea-
sons there about as short as here.
Now, it looks like the proper
time to do something to increase
both the acreage and the yield per
acre of Lynn county cotton. There
are several good reasons for doing
this. The two last years' cotton
crops have not been any too large,
yet the price has been low, which
with the present high price of hogs,
will cause many acres of cotton land
to be planted in corn and other
grain. The low prices at which
cotton goods are now selling will
soon set all the mills running and
all the cotton in sight will soon be
used up and the price will soar.

Statistics show that the worlds'
consumption doubles about every
twenty years, and if there is the
usual decrease of acreage next sea-
son, such as usually follows a low-
price year, it will be a great thing
for Lynn county to raise a big cot-
ton crop next year. In a new
country remote from railroads we
have to rely on cotton as the chief
money crop. Now if our 200 and
more Lynn county farmers should
raise an average of ten or fifteen
bales each of ten or twelve cent
cotton the present year, it certainly
would make times good in these
parts. From the amount of win-
ter plowing going on here, such a
condition is not impossible; and
judging from other conditions, is
not at all improbable.

Mrs. Penney, of Lubbock, is
here visiting her daughter, Mrs.
J. E. Stokes. She is accompanied
by her youngest daughter, Mrs.
W. B. Powell.

On Monday, January 11th

I Will Open Up and Have on Sale

A BIG LOT

OF STAPLE ARTICLES OF CHOICE MERCHANDISE THAT I WILL SELL FOR FIVE CENTS, TENCENTS, TWENTY-FIVE CENTS, FIFTY CENTS, ONE DOLLAR AND TWO DOLLARS EACH.

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Weatherford, Texas.

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Is hereby given to all parties engaged in the banking business in Lynn County that sealed bids will be received by the Commissioners' Court of said County at the February term 1909 for the depository of the funds belonging to Lynn County for the year 1909. All bids must be delivered to the undersigned on or before the 1st days of said term of said Court.

G. W. PERRYMAN,
County Judge, Lynn County.

WHICH WILL YOU PLANT?

Cheap trees, grown by unskilled nurserymen, or will you plant Stark Trees, the best trees that modern nursery science can produce and insure yourself a highly productive and profitable orchard?

"Stark Trees are the Best Trees Grown"

Is the unanimous opinion of orchardists in all parts of the country—the thousands of letters in our files prove it. This year our stock is better than ever. Never before in our history of 84 years have we put in our packing houses such fine trees as have come to us this fall from our nine branch plants. These trees are absolutely dependable, quality the very finest; in fact, we challenge comparison and competition. Stark Trees have been proven and tested for many years by orchardists in all parts of the West and Southwest and our trade in that wondrous section is increasing each season.

Stark Delicious Apple

Brings 50% More Than Grimes or Jonathan

In quality, size and color, Delicious long ago proved itself the queen of all quality apples. This year has seen its greatest triumph, which you will understand by reading this letter.

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"Last year we secured one car of Delicious and sold them in Chicago and large Eastern cities at 40% more than other varieties we were handling at that time. We are selling Delicious this year at 50% more than Jonathan, Grimes Golden, Rome Beauty, Alexander, etc. We have found Delicious to be just what particular people want in a fine table apple, it being neither too sweet nor too sour, a fine looker, and has good keeping qualities. Delicious should head the list of all fine apples." Signed, C. W. Wilcox, Treasurer.

Can You Afford to be Without an Apple Making Such a Record?

If you have never seen or tasted this variety, we will gladly send you a box containing three specimens if you will pay the express charges. We make no charges for the fruit. After you have received the apples, retain the receipt you get from the express company and we accept it as that much cash on the first order for trees you send in. This offer for free specimens is also good for such of our other leaders as, Stayman Winesap, Senator, Black Ben, Spitzenburg etc., etc., as long as the supply lasts.

Other Stark Leaders for Western Planters

Besides Delicious, our varieties such as King David, Senator, Stayman Winesap, Black Ben, etc., are making good everywhere and commanding highest prices. Muir, Lovell, Levy Cling, Crawford, Elberta and Krummholz each are extra fine this year—trees are the finest we have ever seen. In Apricot, such sorts as Royal, Blenheim and Union are extra choice. Bartlett, Comice, Easter Beurre pear, etc., are excellent; in fact our whole line of general nursery stock is most complete and unequalled. The prices are right too. And remember that every Stark Tree has our reputation of 84 years behind it.

Grape Vines

From our grape nurseries at Portland, N. Y. (in the very heart of the famous Chautauque Grape Belt) are simply perfection this year. The season has been favorable to growth and 1 per cent vines with unsurpassed roots is the result. Our stock includes all standard varieties as well as the Stark leaders as Eclipse, Moor Lady, Worden, Wilder, Banner, Diamond, Niagara, Lodie, Lindley, Norton, Gyatiana, etc., etc. Our Gooseberry and Currant are also grown at our Portland nurseries—you will find them the best that money will buy.

Here is What Your Fellow Orchardists Say About Stark Trees

"Delicious apple is a surprise to me; the proof of the pudding is the eating. There are the sands of acres of poor varieties set out in this valley, and they will find it out a few years hence."—A. R. Teeple, Chavez Co., New Mex. 20.

The 1000 trees you sent me were very fine. Jonathan, very nice, even growth; Grimes and King David, the best lot of trees I have ever planted, without exception—all are living.—Hon. Parker Earle, East-Fruit Am. Pomological Society, Chavez Co., New Mexico.

I received your trees in good shape, and it is the finest lot of trees I have ever seen.—Julius V. Gilcharron, Cochise Co., Arizona.

Trees obtained of you have been true to name, all have grown and done well.—H. S. Gilbert, Humboldt Co., Nevada.

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NOTICE.

On February the 8th 1909. The Commissioners' Court of Garza County, will receive sealed bids and award contract for the custody of the County's funds from the above date until February, 1911.

J. M. BOREN,
County Judge, Garza County Tex.

NEWS FROM LYNN.

Earnest Maxwell and wife returned from Snyder last Monday where they have been to secure their household goods recently shipped to that place from Stephenville, Texas, their former home.

Don Hatchett was in town Wednesday of last week.

Elmer Meyer spent Sunday of last week at the home of Virgil and Walter B. Meacham.

H. S. Hatchett has installed a new 20 bbl. galvanized tank near his windmill.

Mrs. Ruby Hatchett of Tahoka visited relatives out here a few days ago. She was accompanied by her small son, Edward.

Mr. Wuddieston, who rented J. E. Kotner's home place, has moved here and has begun to make sod turn for the coming crop.

A new flue and rainproof for the school house stove were put in a few days ago.

Misses Clara and Celia May joined Mrs. Farmer's music class last week.

The continued cold, damp weather has caused a good deal of bad colds and a gripe here, but no serious sickness has been reported.

Miss K Gilmore spent the weekend in the County Capital.

Rev. G. F. Shattuck will preach at Lynn next Sunday the 17th.

A light snow visited our community the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hatchett, accompanied by Master Wayne, were trading in town last Thursday.

AN EYE DENT.

Fatal Accident.

Luke Hamm, who has been working on the Nevels Rancho, north of town, was found in the pasture Thursday in an unconscious condition. He was brought to the house and medical aid summoned. The boy never regained consciousness, but died Thursday night. The cause of his death is not known, but the supposition is that his horse fell on him.

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TIME TO GET REAL BUSY.

It will soon be time to go to work on next summer's garden and flower yard. First get the ground in good shape and select good seeds. Plant at the right time and keep the ground loose and the weeds and grass killed. -Lynn county is well adapted to the growth of vegetables and we should have something in this line to show those Eastern cousins when they come visiting next summer. Then how nice such things would look in a county fair here in Tahoka and later on, at the big fairs back east.

The Captain of the Kansas.
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If not all, of the crew must have joined their comrades in the sanctuary of the haunted cave. The accuracy of this deduction was proved by the presence of the smoke column on the hill. Indeed, the opinion was generally held that its spiral clouds were denser than at any previous hour, thus showing that the defenders were endeavoring to make known their continued existence.

Elsie awoke from her trance, but in returning to life she was transformed into a stern, resourceful, commanding woman. None suspected the mighty force which worked this resolution in her nature. She conducted herself with a cunning that was wholly foreign to her character. Her first care was to hoodwink her companions into the belief that the strain of the day had passed. She accepted a cup of tea

brought by Isobel, expressed her sorrow if by word or look she had given cause for offense and entered eagerly into the pros and cons of the debate which sprang up as to the best course to pursue on the following day.

Every one agreed that nothing could be done that night. If the pillar of smoke were visible at sunrise and Walker could possibly manage to fire the boilers, Boyle suggested that some sailors in the jolly boat should sound a channel along which the vessel itself might steam slowly toward Guanaco Hill. That in itself would be a move of considerable value. If they could lessen the distance between the shore and the ship, each yard thus gained would help the prisoners and impose a stronger

barrier against the Alaculofs, who would probably be daunted when they found that the vessel's mobility was restored.

This proposal was deemed so excellent that they all dined in vastly better spirits than any of them anticipated. Christobal, puzzled out of his scientific senses by Elsie's change of manner, kept a close eye on her. He was amazed to see her eat a better meal than she had eaten for days, and she was normally a quite healthy young person, with a reasonably good appetite.

Boyle and Gray took the first watch, from 8 o'clock to midnight. Christobal and Walker shared the next one. By 4 o'clock it would be daylight, so the doctor was retiring early to his cabin when he met Elsie, by chance, as it seemed. She was self-possessed, even smiling, with a certain dour serenity.

"The day's doings have tired me," she said. "I am off to bed. Will you rap on my door soon after dawn?"

"Yes," he replied, secretly marveling at her air.

"I plead guilty to a slight feeling of nervousness," she went on. "Is your revolver loaded? Would you mind lending it to me? I think I could sleep more soundly if I had a reliable weapon tucked under my pillow."

A whiff of suspicion crossed Christobal's mind, but he brushed it aside as unworthy. At 5 o'clock that day he certainly would not have granted her request. But now, since the new hope



"Lut, scnorita" - had sprung up that Courtenay was alive, it was absurd to doubt her motives.

So it came to pass that Diego Suarez, lying asleep in his bunk, awoke with a start to find a shrouded figure bending over him.

"Is that you, Senor Suarez?" asked a voice, which he recognized instantly as belonging to the Senorita Maxwell.

"Yes," said he drowsily.

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