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Those Polar Expeditions

In all probability the North pole will enjoy its sublime isolation but a few months more. No less than four well organized and equipped expeditions during the next year will seek to locate the much coveted spot.

Commander Peary, the intrepid American who holds the farthest North record, has secured three years' leave of absence from the Navy Department, and will lead an expedition into polar fields. By the aid of sledges he is confident of reaching the pole. He will again follow the American route.

From the other side, the Duke d'Abruzzi, relative of Italian royalty, an explorer of fame will make another effort to reach the "roof of the world." Walter Wellman's balloon apparatus is at the plant established last year at Spitzbergen, and in August the daring journalist will sail away on his novel hunt for the place where the axis sticks out into space.

And now comes Admiral B. S. Oston, secretary of the Arctic club, who announces that six automobiles, which can be operated either on snow or in water, are being manufactured in New York for the use of individuals

in dashes for the pole. Anthony Fiala, leader of a very successful Ziegler expedition, will go in one of the machines.

With such a force in the field, is it any wonder that the best results are anticipated? It is to be hoped that all the expeditions will succeed, and that their members will gather for a jollification meeting at the spot which human ingenuity and endurance have long tried to reach.—St. Louis Republic.

The first five miles of the Panhandle Short line has been surveyed south from Hereford. The line of this survey is being established and the stakes set. A contractor is trying to secure the contract for the first 50 miles south, but no trade closed.

Small Pox.

Twenty cases of small pox are reported in the Lone Wolf locality, the extreme eastern portion of Scurry county. Dr. J. W. Warren, county health officer, has visited the neighborhood and inaugurated a rigid quarantine and taken steps to stamp out the disease.

D. E. Naylor and A. B. Spears with their families have decided to leave us next week on a prospecting trip to New Mexico. We wish them a pleasant time, but we do not think they are likely to find a better country, or one affording more advantages than are to be found in good old Borden.

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Public Roads.

If Borden county had a navigable stream to Big Springs or Colorado over which she could ship her crops and produce to market, and in return bring back lumber, supplies and goods she would be measurably independent of public roads. Water transportation would effect a saving in time and in money, now invested in horses and wagons, for freighting purposes. But labor and a liberal expenditure of money is as indispensable to the keeping open of navigable streams, as is the case in regard to public roads of the county, and either if neglected long become almost useless for transportation purposes. The expense of marketing the crops of this county over the roads, in their present condition, lessen greatly the net profits of the farmers crops. Five hundred dollars judiciously expended in culvers and other permanent improvements to the Big Springs road, would be worth thousands of dollars to the county. This is our principal highway to market, and notwithstanding this fact, it has never been properly cleared of brush and roots, and in winter is almost impassible. We venture the statement that there is not another county in West Texas, organized 16 years ago, whose roads are not in better condition than the roads of this county. Our county and town are steadily settling up and improving, but our public roads are such as might be expected on the frontiers of civilization. We say this in no dictatorial spirit, but as a citizen having a common interest with others in whatever concerns the welfare of our town and county, but not being so fortunate as are some sections of our State, in possessing facilities of water transportation, but one course is left to us; to contribute sufficient time and money to put our public roads in such condition, that we may haul our crops to market as quickly and with as little expense as the means we have will permit of our doing.

In this age most men's minds are solely occupied in money making enterprises, and we rarely meet one who is not a preacher of the gospel, whose only occupation is to do good, by helping his fellowman. Such a man however, has recently visited our locality, in the person of R. N. Brace, Supt., of "The Childrens Aid Society of New York," an institution founded by his father in 1853. Its object is to assist orphans and other helpless persons to get employment, by which they can earn a living. It consists of an institution in the

city, where girls and boys under 12 years of age are kept temporarily, until homes can be secured for them, and a home in the country for boys over 12 years old. Mr. Brace prefers Texas as a field for homes, and he has just completed his journey, conducting 27 boys, 12 to 17 years old to homes, chiefly in Texas. The superintendent after securing homes, occasionally visits the children to see that they are doing well, and are satisfied, for they are not bound to the employer longer than they are willing to remain. One of these boys selected a home at J. K. Mitchells a few miles from town, and two others in Lynn county. The others were assigned to homes in other localities.

We would be glad to see all children grow to useful manhood and womanhood. They should be trained along the lines of industry. In short the home ought to be a sort of school for manual training, that through this useful occupation the real bent of the child's mind might be readily perceived. Not all work, neither all play, but enough of both to make work and pleasure alike enjoyable and refreshing. Thus the child might be trained in useful ways and obtain physical vigor, now almost impossible by the usual strain put on the child inclined to studious habits.

Slate making for the presidency has already begun. Some of Mr. Culbertsons friends are starting a boom in his behalf. Bryan seems to be the choice of the country at large. This paper will withhold an expression of its views until the Hon. Josph Weldon Bailey makes known his wishes and his choice for the position.

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HER DAY OF FREEDOM.

By ROSALIE DAVIS.

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Grace Cramer received the news of her aunt's trifling illness with outward manifestations of regret and sympathy, but an inward feeling of exultation which she realized was, to say the least, ungrateful. Aunt Felice had been a patient, untiring, uncomplaining chaperon for one long week.

"Tell Mrs. Cramer I hope she will be feeling very much better when I come back from a drive. Is there anything I could bring her—violets or perhaps roses?"

"Madam cannot endure perfume of any sort when she has one of these attacks, but I shall tell her of your kind thoughtfulness," said the precise, black gowned maid, who had been in Mrs. Cramer's service for fifteen years.

Well trained and capable was this maid, but it never dawned upon her that she should personally see that Mrs. Cramer's order for the carriage was executed. Certainly this sturdy young woman from the west, only daughter of Mrs. Cramer's only brother, looked as if she were quite capable of giving her own orders.

And so it happened that the butler, not without some misgivings, held open the big walnut and bronze doors for Grace to pass out half an hour later and watched her walk briskly down the avenue.

At Thirty-fourth street she paused uncertainly. There were several points of interest she really wanted to see before returning home—the statue of Liberty, the Metropolitan Museum of Art and Grant's tomb. Of course New Yorkers were always bored with such things, but Grace was from the west and frankly interested in sightseeing. And such a morning as it was for sightseeing!

In front of the Waldorf-Astoria stood a line of hansom cabs. With deliberate steps and keen glances she turned her feet in their direction. The cabbies looked at her expectantly—sharp featured English drivers, heavy jowled and red eyed Irish drivers, a couple who looked as if they had sprung from the ghetto and one who caught and held her glance, smooth and boyish of face, smart and well groomed of coat and hat. She stopped and looked up into his face, shielding her eyes with her long flat purse.

"How much?"

"Where, miss?" said the driver courteously.

"Oh, I don't know, just where—by the hour, I guess."

"One-fifty for the first hour, a dollar an hour after that."

"All right. And first we'll go to the museum in the park."

He touched the front of his hat with his gloved fingers, and some rude young men lounging near the carriage starter's booth laughed. Grace started. Perhaps she had better not. Then she glanced up at the young man on the box. His gloved fingers were still against his hat, the doors were invitingly open, and, though his face was quite grave, his eyes danced in a fashion very much in accordance with her own joy in being free from surveillance for a whole day.

She sprang into the hansom, and the doors clattered shut.

"How silly to be afraid!" she murmured. "Why, at home I go everywhere alone—and he is such a nice looking Irish boy."

"The nice looking Irish boy," gathering up his reins, turned his eyes on the group of rude laughing youths near the starter's booth, and in that look was a curious mingling of triumph and reproach.

They bowed through the park and

drew up with a flourish in front of the museum. Grace sprang out.

"Oh, it is so much larger than I expected," she said, turning to the driver in frank surprise, not untinged with appeal. "I had no idea there was so much of it. You don't suppose I can begin to see it in half an hour or even an hour?"

The young man leaned respectfully from the box.

"Indeed you can't, miss. I've been here nearly every Sunday for the past three months, and I don't feel as if I'd seen the half of it yet."

"Oh, then you don't work on Sundays?"

The cabby flushed.

"After 6, miss. There's not much doing here on Sundays till dinner time."

"Do they have guides?" she said, waving her hand toward the museum.

"No, miss. But you can buy a catalogue."

"And spend all my time trying to figure out the catalogue. Goodness, everything is so big in New York! It appalls me." She took a step forward, then turned.

"I don't suppose—would you mind—if you could get some one to hold the horse—could you take me through? It would save so much time if you know the building, and then maybe I could see Grant's tomb too."

The young Irishman swung around on the box. Yes; there, a few rods away, was a policeman. He drove toward the officer, held a whispered conversation and in a few moments returned on foot, leaving the horse in care of a bright looking boy, with the sympathetic policeman in higher authority.

"You'll want to see the Vanderbilt loan collection, a few of the biggest and finest pictures and the Morgan jewels," he said. But they saw much more, and it was fully an hour and a half before they emerged from the museum.

"It isn't hard to see that you have spent your Sunday afternoons to good advantage," said the girl without a touch of patronage, and the young man looked at her gratefully.

"Once I thought I'd like to be a painter, but now—"

He signaled to the lad, who led up the horse.

"Ah," thought the girl as the doors closed in upon her, "probably has a poor mother and some little brothers and sisters to support."

At Grant's tomb he found another obliging youth to hold the horse, and he pointed out to her all the interesting features of the battle scarred relics in the crypt. He drove her out past Claremont and the viaduct, then lifted the window above her head and asked:

"Where next, miss?"

"Home, and I suppose you had better hurry. It is past lunchtime now. Fifth avenue."

The tiny window fell with a sharp click. The young man sat on the box so surprised that the girl in the hansom wondered why he had not obeyed her order to hurry. Then with a clatter they dashed down the drive.

"Three hours—that's three-fifty," she handed him a five dollar bill. "And please keep the rest for yourself. I've had such a beautiful time, and you showed me so much more than our own coachman could have done."

The young Irishman bent low to hand her some change.

"I beg pardon, miss, but I belong to an association, and members are not allowed to take more than a quarter for a tip. Now, if you happened to have a silver quarter, particularly a nice shiny quarter, I'd—"

Grace fingered the change in her long blue purse and triumphantly drew out a brand new quarter which glistened in the clear winter sunshine.

"I don't suppose I could have your hansom tomorrow if I—"

"I'm sorry, miss, but I don't know where I will be sent tomorrow. You see, we're posted at different points different days."

"Well, he is the most human thing I've met in this frosty old town," said the merry westerner to herself as she

touched the electric button.

The Ernest cotillon was at its height. Mrs. Cramer, quite recovered from her illness, watched in radiant triumph the success her husband's niece was scoring.

"Brimming over with personality, don't you know," murmured an old beau, nodding over Mrs. Cramer's shoulder at the lovely girl in her dancing frock of silver gauze. "Actually enjoying herself, isn't she?"

Just then to a rattling twostep half a dozen young men pranced into the room, clad in coaching coats and hats made of paper and carrying long whips, which they snapped as they circled round the great room.

"The horse show figure—how clever!" murmured Mrs. Cramer. "And I hear the favors are exquisite silver brooches and buckles pinned on blue ribbons."

Just then one of the dancers paused before her niece and raised his high paper hat. He was a smooth faced chap, with blue eyes that twinkled merrily into the astonished face of the girl.

"Why, I thought you were!"

"I was for one day," he said as he led the dazed girl into the mazes of the dance. "An election bet I had to settle, and you came along just in the nick of time."

"And you said that you wanted to be a painter?"

"So I did," he maintained stoutly. "You'll at least admit I know something about art."

She nodded her head, but flung him a reproachful glance.

"Well, my father decided that I ought to help him build railroads instead; that's all."

"If you can drive spikes as straight as you drive a hansom—"

"It was rather a jolly morning, eh?" he said, with a chuckle. "My, but the boys were sore! They hoped I'd get some old girl on shopping bent, who would keep me outside the shops, where I'd meet everybody I knew, but you rescued me in that park drive."

He was handing her the dainty silver favor, and then he thrust his fingers into his vest pocket and drew out a quarter.

"That's a little the best favor that ever came my way. I am going to keep it!"

"Till you have another fare?"

He turned grave.

"As long as I live."

"I am going home tomorrow," she remarked irreverently.

"How odd! And I am going to Denver on business. Great luck, and I guess we've proved that we don't require a chaperon."

Bermuda the Onionless.

If you just go to Bermuda for the onions, you had better stay at home, because all the onions are exported. But if you can make up your mind to do without onions you will have a splendid time. In the first place, there are no railroads and—oh, blessed thought!—no trolleys on the islands. You can forget the hurry and the fret and rest tired nerves. You can bathe; you can sail on the wonderfully clear, still water within the rampart of coral; you can fish and look through water glasses thirty feet down on the teeming life under sea. The Bermuda boats are rigged with something which is almost a balloon jib and a leg-o'-mutton, or jib headed mainsail, and they are of deep draft. But they work pretty handily and will stand up and sail fast in rough water, so that you can take them out beyond the protected water without fear.—Travel Magazine.

A Winter Wish.

I've read of folk who calmly glide
Down life's river, side by side,
With Cupid at the helm to steer
Their bark from rocks and breakers clear.

Or walk sedately in the way
Of matrimony, day by day,
Somehow I feel inclined to sneeze
At such slow, poky ways as these.
If I might choose, I'd ask, with Kate,
Forever down life's stream to skate!
—Grace Stone Field in Woman's Home Companion.

CENTER OF POPULATION.

It is Located Very Near Birthplace of Abraham Lincoln.

In connection with the movement for the preservation of the log cabin near Hodgenville, Ky., in which Lincoln was born, it is interesting to note that the center of population of the United States is very close to this spot. Hodgenville is not far from the Ohio river, the boundary line between Kentucky and Indiana, and just over the line



LINCOLN BIRTHPLACE MAP.

in the Hoosier State is the point regarded as the center of population of the republic. The accompanying map shows the geographical situation. As a national shrine the Lincoln birthplace is seen to be very favorably located.

NEW ALEXANDER THE GREAT.

Governor Swettenham, "the King Beadle of Bumbledom."

Sir Alexander Swettenham, the British governor of the island of Jamaica, who gave Rear Admiral Davis his walking tickets after the latter had gone to Kingston with his warships to render aid to the earthquake sufferers, was appointed to his post in 1904. Previously he had served mostly in Asiatic stations. He was born in 1846 and is a son of J. O. Swettenham of Belper Lodge, Derby. He graduated from Clare college, Cambridge, in 1867, en-



ANOTHER ALEXANDER THE GREAT.

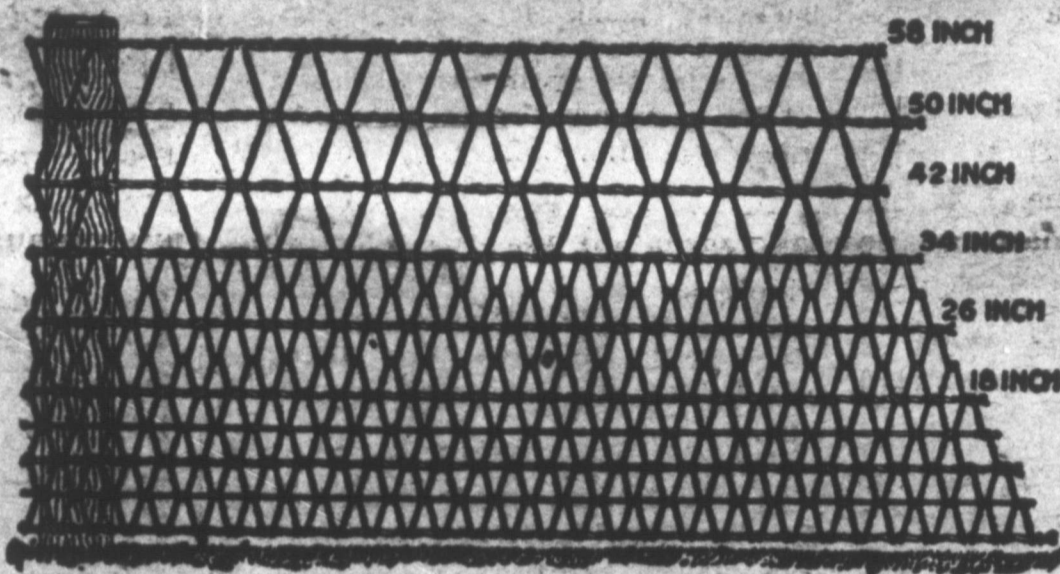
tered the Ceylon civil service in 1868, was receiver general of Cyprus from 1884 to 1891, auditor general of Ceylon from 1891 to 1895 and in the latter year was appointed colonial secretary at Singapore. From 1898 to 1900 he was acting governor of the Straits Settlements and during the succeeding four years was governor and commander in chief of British Guiana. The Philadelphia Press has caricatured him under the caption "His Excellency—ahem!—Sir Alexander, the King Beadle of Bumbledom."

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Story of Gov. Hogg.

When James S. Hogg was governor of Texas there walked into his office one day a stranger who related one of the strangest occurrences that mark the pages of criminal annals. It was, in substance, as follows:

When a boy this man had been engaged by a cattleman in one of the far Western counties of Texas to assist him with the cattle, then on the range. The cattleman had him round up a bunch of cattle in one of the far ranges, telling him they were his, but which proved to be the property of another, and the cattleman and boy were arrested, tried, and both convicted and given a term in the penitentiary for cattle theft. The boy escaped jail, secured a pistol and made his way to New Mexico. While on the road he met a stage with one lone passenger, whom he commanded to alight and throw up his hands, which was done in proper regulation time. He took from the passenger a purse containing \$150 and after counting the money

returned \$75 to the passenger, gave him a receipt for \$75, and took his postoffice address, and parted from him with the assurance that as soon as he could do so he would restore to him the money taken, which in due time was, as promised, returned. He went to one of the northwestern territories, there prospered, and was elected sheriff, and subsequently, was appointed a United States marshal, and was held in high esteem by all the neighbors. He had married and at that time had a daughter 13 years old, and had come to surrender and serve out his sentence if he required it. Gov. Hogg, after the man had finished relating the strange tale of adventure, ill fortune and success, said to him: "I wish to ask you one question: When you were courting your wife and asked her to marry you, did you tell her you were an escaped convict?" This being answered in the affirmative, the big governor replied: "Well, by gatlings, you shall not serve a day in the

penitentiary. I will pardon you now." So he did and, a copy of the pardon is now in the secretary of state's office at Austin, with all the facts set forth in it.

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Gail, Texas, April 25, 1907.

TAXATION.

From an early period in the history of our country, high taxes have been regarded with disfavor by the people. The right to impose any taxes at all, is based upon the necessity of providing means for the maintenance of government. The right of taxation, without representation, was strenuously denied by our ancestors. The claim of the right on the one hand, and the denial of it on the other, was the hinge on which the revolution turned. Taxation is provided for by law, but its exercise should be carefully limited by the requirements of the government, and to extort more from the people than is necessary to that end, would be unjust and oppressive. The recent act of the Legislature requiring property to be assessed at full value seems fair and right. The tax is an ad valorem tax, and value is the only true standard upon which assessments can be based. Taxation should be uniform as the constitution requires, and every man should bear the burden according to his actual means, or value of his property. Heretofore, property has been assessed throughout the state at about one-third of its real value, and taxes have been levied to meet the current expenses of the counties and also of the state based upon the old valuations. It will, if it is true, be hard for the property owner to realize that his property should be rendered at three times as much as formerly. The question suggests itself to the tax payers; ought not the Legislature to have provided first for a reduction of the rate, before making such a radical change for increase of value of property, and as the law stands, will not the taxes be increased to such an extent as to accumulate a great surplus in the treasury? Such a condition would tend to create profligacy and corruption in our legislature, and would be an un-

just perversion of the peoples money. We believe the new provisions of the tax law are good but that some reduction in the rate of taxation should be made. There were some 27 tax measures pending for consideration in consequence of Gov. Campbell having recovered the legislature. It is estimated that should the revenue agent succeed in carrying out his plan, the next taxable year will find the State capital treasury flooded with many money

Every student in our school should be moral, if for no other reason than for the excellency and worth of character and life it confers. No character, is complete, till it is swayed and elevated by genuine piety. No heart is fully happy, till it is imbued with the spirit of piety. No life is all it may and should be, till its motives are baptised in the waters of piety. No soul is saved till it is transformed by the gracious spirit of this daughter of the skies. This divine grace should be sought by every young man and woman and cultivated with the most assiduous care, for without it we are destitute of the highest beauty and divinest charm and power of manhood and womanhood.

There should be no "faction" in any city. The property of individual and every improvement made enhances the value of all property in the corporation. Our city is simply one big family. When this is antagonized there is little progress. When there is a united will for anything, its accomplishment is made easy. Envy, jealousy and hatred are things to be despised. Envy is a canker that gnaws at the heart and makes folks sour, disgruntled and unhappy; jealousy warps the intellect and makes us unfair in passing judgement. Hatred doesn't pay even from a sordid point of view.

The purpose of store advertising is not merely to sell goods, but to sell more goods—to make friends, build up a patronage that will not only stick but grow. Newspapers reach the greatest number of people in the immediate vicinity in the most natural way, at the least expense, and they are therefore the best of all mediums for stores. In a newspaper you follow the lines of least resistance—you follow with the stream—you talk to an audience already assembled, to the people who want to read—their mental cosmos is right—they are on your wire, and they won't ring off if you hold their interest. Attraction is the basis of all advertising—the store is the sun, the customers the planets that revolve around it.

R. N. Miller, Pres. D. Dorward Jr. Cash. J. D. Brown, Asst. Cash.

GAIL BANK

(UNINCORPORATED)

Will do a general Banking business.
Exchange drawn on the principal Commercial cities.

Colorado Drug Co.

The Leading Drug Store of the West
Prescription Work a Specialty

Mail orders given prompt attention.
COLORADO, TEXAS.

SEE

THE HINDS LUMBER CO.

For Good Lumber and Satisfaction.

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS.

HOME STEAM LAUNDRY

Our Motto:

Promptness, Neatness and Accuracy

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

If you want to sell, tell us your troubles,

If you want to buy, we have it,

Mauldin & Cotten

Land and Insurance

Gail, Texas.

J. S. Cordill, Pres. F. M. Cordill, V. P. C. C. Connell Sec.

CORDILL LUMBER COMPANY.

Incorporated—Successors to the Roscoe Lumber Company.

DEALERS IN

Sash, Doors and Blinds; LUMBER, Shingles and Moulding;

Posts, Brick, Lime and Cement.

WE GIVE BETTER VALUE THAN ANY YARD IN Big Springs Texas

Go to Jake's Restaurant in Colorado

FOR SOMETHING GOOD TO EAT.



J. W. Chandler
 STAR BRAND SHOES ARE BETTER

Dry Goods and Groceries
 HARDWARE.

WOMENS' MAYFLOWER \$2.50 SHOE



STAR BRAND SHOES ARE BETTER

Listen to us!

We carry a stock of General Merchandise, Boys' and Gents' Suits, Boots, Shoes, Hats, &c. Ladies' Wear and everything included in the Dry Goods line. Also fancy and staple Groceries, Hardware & Queensware. We do business on the basis of quick sales and small profits.

GROCERIES, CONFECTIONERIE

FLOUR, SUGAR, FINE CANDIES,
 COFFEE HAMS, FRUITS, CIGARS
 AND MEAT. AND TOBACCO.

Quick Sales and Small Profits, is our Motto.
 Call and see us before buying elsewhere

COTTEN & STOKES

Groceries delivered in any part of the city.

SECOND DOOR FROM POST OFFICE, : : : : : GAIL, TEXAS.

Bob's Restaurant

For Regular Meals and Short Orders,
 Pies and Cakes,
 Table Supplied with best the Market Affords
 S. R. CRAWFORD, Prop.

Colorado, Texas.

Jesse B. Hollowell

Cordially invites you to call on him at the
New Dining Hall

On Oak Street, Opposite Light Plant.
 And he will give you all the good things you can eat, with
 free coffee, for 25 cents. Cooking done by white ladies
 and gentlemen.

Will Furnish You Good, New Beds, Cheap.
 COLORADO, TEXAS.

Go to the

\$1.25 per day

STOKES HOUSE

Quiet rooms
 and
 kind treatment.

Comfortable beds
 and
 first class meals

A special parlor for ladies

J. B. STOKES, Prop.
 GAIL, TEXAS.

South Side of Square,

Send the Citizen to the Old Folks At Home.

The Juvenile Court Bill is now a law. It provides Industrial schools for youthful criminals, convicted of offenses of a lower grade than felony. The necessity of such institutions comes from a lack of home management and proper training.

Sold

M. J. Thornton to J. E. Benham, N. E. 1-4 of the J. B. Denton section, 1 mile south of Gail, considerations \$1400.
 J. E. Benham to W. K. Clark same tract, consideration \$1400.
 E. R. Yellott to J. E. Benham 160 acres in North part of county, consideration \$1280.

LOCAL

J. T. Frost, who bought the old home section of Mr. Renneau last January, was in Gail Friday from his ranch.

New Leather, Euggie and Wagon harness just received at H. D. Pruetts. He invites inspection.

Mr. C. B. Anderson of Big Springs who is visiting his father-in-law, J. L. Frost was here on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt Orson were shopping in Gail last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Wilbourn came in from their ranch in Garza county last Thursday and left the following morning on a trip to Colorado.

Warren Bros, of Snyder keep a full line of Drugs and Drug-gists sundries.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gallaway were in town last week to consult the doctor in regard to Mrs. Callaway's health.

J. R. Jenkins was shaking hands with friends here on Friday last.

Big Springs Furniture Company guarantee their goods.

Among the arrivals at Gail on Friday last was E. J. Johnson of Coke county, on a visit to relatives in Dawson. Mr. Johnson remained over till Monday,

J. H. Dillahuntv to J. S Fritz 1 section, consideration \$5000. Sold through agency of Pearce & Thornton. When you want land go to the above firm.

Warren Bros. will be glad to see you when you come to Snyder.

WANTED—1000 dozen eggs at 10 cents a dozen.

4t DODSON & SON.

J. E. Moore and his son-in-law, Mr. Seigler and their families, of the plains, were shopping in Gail last Tuesday.

W. H. Hamilton and T. C. Hoy were in Gail Monday last.

J. D. Brown has been improving his residence in south Gail.

Mr. Silas Chambers of Tahoka who visited Big Springs last week, left Gail yesterday on his return home.

Warren Bros. handle Dr. Hess' stock food.

Prof. J. J. Good who is teaching at the Mullins School house was here yesterday. He says his school is moving along smoothly and attendance good

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Pruettt returned Monday evening from a trip to Big Springs.

When you come to Snyder don't fail to call on Warren Bros.

Go to W. R. Cole and Strayhorn of Big Springs, Texas, for Buggies, wagons, and the best implements on Earth.

F. E. Sparks of Oklahoma arrived here Friday evening and remained over this week, looking for a good investment in land.

T. G. Dabney, representing the Oklahoma Vinegar and Pickle Co. of Fort Smith, was in Gail Friday and Saturday.

Miss Crosset who has been visiting her sister here, Mrs. Jim Dorward, returned to her home near Morris today.

The Oklahoma Constitution was signed April 19, a day of his'orical value to the Revolutionary period, as commemorating the first battle in defense of American liberty.

G. W. Smoot of Snyder is visiting his brother, J. H. Smoot who lives a few miles from town.

The Gail gin has shut down for the season, out put 1015 bales.

Miss Custis of Mineral Wells who has been visiting relatives in Duringo Mexico arrived here on the mail hack last Monday, and left next morning for Lubbock to visit her brother there.

R. T. Roberts of Hamilton was one of the arrivals on the mail hack Monday evening. He goes to Tredway having contracted to teach the school there beginning next Monday.

Phone 262 Big Springs, Texas for Undertakers goods. Open night or day.

J. J. Curry and son Coke of Mesquite, passed through Gail yesterday, with two wagons for Big Springs. They will bring back goods for the store at Tredway.

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Graham of Garza county came in from their ranch yesterday evening and remained over till this morning to do some shopping.

J. H. Cotten of Howard county is in Gail stopping at T. R. Mauldins. Mr. Cotten comes to build an addition to Prof. Mauldins residence.

Yesterday evening after dusk, our town was aroused by the whistle of W. B. Chenoweth's automobile, from Big Springs, which left this morning for Snyder. This auto is a 60 horse power machine, its capacity 14 people, speed 30 miles per hour. It will run from Snyder to Lorraine or Roscoe.

Home made soap for sale at the Stokes House, 5 cts per pound.

S. W. Joplin of Tahoka was here yesterday buying cattle.

W. S. McCLUNG,

DEPUTY DISTRICT SURVEYOR,

Gail, Texas.

Colorado Mercantile Co.

We carry a large and complete stock of

GROCERIES, HARDWARE AND FARMING IMPLEMENTS

STUDEBAKER AND OLD HICKORY WAGONS

The best Made. Sold by us under a strict Guarantee

ALSO FULL LINE BUGGIES, HACKS AND SURREYS.

"Colorado's Busiest Store on Colorado's Busiest Street"

Colorado,

Texas.

When you go to Colorado

Call on

A. J. PAYNE

for your

Dry Goods, Clothing and Shoes

He will be glad to see you. Make your stopping place with him.

Tredway Items.

After a long dry spell we have had several days of heavy mist and sleet, and a cold norther. Whilst grass will be revived, fruit is probably killed.

On last Thursday Mr. D. C. Stevens moved 13 head of cattle to Robt. Anderson's pasture.

Tom Tredway went to Big Springs Monday and returned Friday with a load of groceries for Tredway.

Grand Ma Wall is very sick. Her son, E. Wall has been called to her bed side at the home of Mose Wall.

The young folks of our community enjoyed a party at Mr. D. C. Stevens Friday night.

Mr. Berry of this vicinity has his house almost finished.

D. W. West and son's are building a tank this week.

Mr. A. K. Tredway has fenced his section North of Lee Pearce, also built a tank on it.

Mr. Dan Kishen and wife were in Gail trading last Thursday.

John Creighton and family went to Tahoka Friday.

Cor.

J. H. Eubanks from Ballinger and B. P. Bomar from Stamford with their families were here yesterday, seeking homes.

Quite a number of guests were present at a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Thornton Friday night and all had a pleasant time.

Miss Katie Willis of Durham is the guest of Mrs. Hannabus this week.

The young people of Gail are in debt to Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Bolin for several pleasant hours spent at their home Tuesday evening. The guests were entertained with Forty-two and music.

Oren Keene, one of the parties accused of setting the hotel on fire, came in yesterday, delivered himself up, waived an examination, and gave bond to await the action of the grand jury. His bondsmen are Tom Smith and J. H. Dillahuntv.

W. S. McClung and J. D. Brown have returned from a trip to country southwest of us.