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Election Notice.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at the Court house in the town of Brackett, in this County, on the 23rd day of March A. D. 1907; for the purpose of determining if said town of Brackett shall form an incorporation for free School purposes only within the following described bounds, to be named Brackett Independent School District.

The territory proposed to be incorporated is situated wholly within said County of Kinney, and includes within its bounds the said town of Brackett and is described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning in said Kinney County at a rock mkd. U. S. the N. W. corner of Fort Clark reservation. 1. Thence N. 32 E. 1700 vrs. to stake and Md. in Sur. No. 84. Blk. 6. I. & G. N. 2. Thence S. 58. E. 7092 vrs. a S. & Md. in Sur. No. 237. Geo. Weeks distant S. 53-1-4 E. 2429 vrs. from N. W. Cor. of Sur. 237. 3. Thence S. 32 W. Crossing Surs. 237. 236. W. B. Schates. 517. Tyler Tap R. R. Co. & Dolores Soto de Beales Grant in all 15981 vrs St. & Md on South side of G. H. & S. A.

railroad. 4. Thence N. 55-1-2 W. along said Railroad 7097 vrs. St. & Md. 5. Thence N. 32. E. 9300 vrs a rock mkd. U. S. the S. W. Corner of said Fort Clark reservation. 6. Thence S. 58 E. along south line of said Fort Clark reservation 4672 vrs. a rock mkd. U. S. 7. Thence N. 32 E. 4672 vrs. a rock mkd. U. S. the N. E. Cor. of said reservation. 8. Thence N. 68. W. 4672 vrs. to the place of beginning.

J. E. Wright has been appointed presiding officer at said election and he shall select two Judges and two Clerks to assist in holding it, and said election shall be held in the manner prescribed for holding other elections.

Every male person who has attained the age of twenty-one years and who has resided within the limits of the territory herein above described, and proposed to be incorporated, for six months next preceding the date of said election, and is a qualified elector under the laws of the State, shall be entitled to vote at said election. On each ticket the voter must write, or cause to be written or printed, "CORPORATION" or "NO CORPORATION."

Notice is hereby also given that at the same time and place designated for holding the above election, and by the same election officers, an election will also be held for the election of seven trustees for said Independent School District, as provided for the election of such trustees by sections 162 et seq; of Chapter 124 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the twenty-ninth Legislature.

Said Election will be held in pursuance of a petition filed with me on the 1st. day of March 1907. Witness my hand and the seal of the County Court of this County, this 4th. day of March A. D. 1907.

E. A. JONES,
County Judge Kinney County, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of Kinney. Before me, the undersigned authority on this personally appeared Tom Perry, who being by me duly sworn, says on his oath that he posted a true copy of the notice of election, hereto attached, at the Court House door and Holmes Drug Store and Petersen & Co in the town of Brackett in County, each of which is a public place in said town, on the 4th day or March A. D. 1907, which was more than ten days prior to the date of said election.

TOM PERRY.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th. day of March A. D. 1907.
E. A. JONES, County Judge, Kinney County, Texas.

Try a dish of the famous I. X. L. Ice Cream at Geo. Ray's Restaurant.

Our Japs Leaving.

The great number of Japs that have been in this city for some time are rapidly leaving. Last evening K. Shioi left here with fifty-eight of the little brown fellows for San Antonio, where they will join others who are going to Seattle.—Rio Grande News.

George Worcester Gets \$17,000.

The Fourth Court of Civil Appeals has affirmed the decision of the lower court in the case of George Worcester vs. G. H. and S. A. R. R., suit for damages for personal injuries, in which a Kinney county jury gave the plaintiff damages in the sum of \$17,000. George is receiving the congratulations of his many friends here, in which congratulations the News joins.—Rio Grande News.

Good Coal Contract.

The International Coal Mines Co., this week closed a fine contract with the Southern Pacific Railway company. The railway company agrees to take 40,000 tons of coal per year, and they will furnish open coal cars for the purpose. The contract price is very satisfactory one to the coal company. The Olmas Coal Company will furnish a part of this coal. The output of the International Coal Mines is now about 5000 tons per month, and Mr. Thomas, the superintendent, says that he has contracts that will easily take up all this output. This is one reason the company will soon open another shaft and increase their output. Mr. Thomas thinks he can easily increase the output to 6000 tons at the present mine by making some additions which he now has under way.—Rio Grande News.

San Antonio's Fourth Annual Spring Carnival and Battle of Flowers.

Tuesday, April 16, the Carnival will open with amusement attractions, including various shows of high character. At night the will be brilliantly illuminated. There will be band concerts both day and night.

Wednesday, April 17, will be King's and Knights of Omala day. During the day all amusement attractions will be open. The King of the Carnival will arrive at night. He will be met by the Knights of Omala, and personal escort of the Alamo Yacht Club. There will be a brilliant illuminated procession on the occasion of the triumphal entry of the King into his Capital.

Thursday, April 19, will be Military day. During the forenoon there will be a grand parade over the principal streets and plazas of the city by all troops on duty at the Brigade Post here. In the afternoon there will be a brigade review on the parade grounds of the Lower Post. At night will be given a beautiful reproduction of the Venetian Carnival with dazzling illuminations on the San Antonio river.

Illuminations on the San Antonio River.

Friday, April 20, will be newspaper men's day. During the day there will be a parade of decorated automobiles. Visiting newspaper men will be entertained by local newspaper men and others at a Gridiron Banquet which will include toasts, roasts and boasts.

Saturday, April 20, will be Patriotic day. In the morning patriotic exercises will be held at Milan's grave on Milan square. The governor and other prominent officials will be present and participate. In the afternoon the spectacular pageant the Battle of Flowers, will take place. At night the King and Queen of the Carnival will be crowned with impressive ceremonies and amid a great display of fireworks on one of the principal plazas. Later with their court they will attend and open the Carnival ball, leading the grand march. This ball will be the concluding feature of the Carnival.

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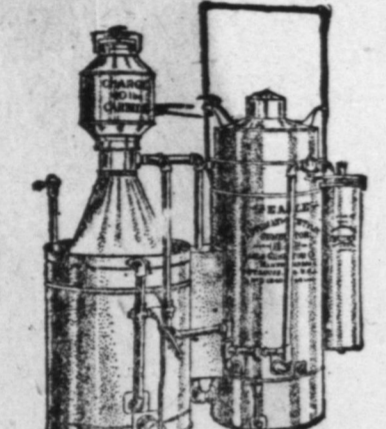


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REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

Rockefeller Escaped.

Judge Hedeman, journalist of France, was sent by his paper, the *Matin*, to interview John D. Rockefeller, when the latter was at Compiegne last summer. "Mr. Rockefeller," said M. Jules, "I desire to interview you." "Ah," replied Mr. Rockefeller. "I desire to ask you some questions about yourself and receive answers therefor." "Ah!" said Mr. Rockefeller. "I desire to discover if many of the things said about you are true." Mr. Rockefeller pondered. At last he said: "I have heard it charged that I am so stingy I will never take a cab. This is not true, for if you will observe closely you will see that I intend to take one now." And he did.

Both Kept Busy.

Prof. Burgess, of Boston, is filling the Roosevelt chair in the University of Berlin and while he is pursuing his duties his wife is devoting much time to the pictures in the Kaiser Frederick museum, copying pictures by Greuze and Franz Hals.

SCIATIC TORTURE

A Locomotive Engineer Tells How He Was Cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.


Pain that seems almost unbearable is a characteristic of sciatic rheumatism. In some cases the pain is knife-like, sharp or shooting; in others it is dull and aching. Sciatica is stubborn in resisting treatment and the patient frequently suffers for years. This was the case with Mr. Herbert E. Spaulding, a locomotive engineer on the Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific Railway, whose home is at Longview, Texas.

"While running an engine some years ago," he says, "I fell off and hurt my knee and spine and I have always considered this to be the cause of my illness. The sciatica took hold of me from my heel to the back of my head. The pain was the worst I ever suffered in my life and my leg and back were twisted out of shape. I was under a physician's care for several months and for six months could not get out of bed. I also went to Hot Springs but came back in a worse condition than when I went.

"It was when I was down in bed that I heard of the case of a Mr. Allison, a much older man than myself, who had been cured of sciatica by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I began taking the pills and soon was able to get out of bed. When I had taken six boxes I was able to work about the house and yard. I kept right on with the pills until I was cured and I have never had any return of the trouble. I have been running an engine ever since."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all druggists, or sent postpaid, on receipt of price, 50 cents per box, six boxes for \$2.50, by the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

LITTLE VISITS WITH UNCLE BY



Zoom.

Dame Nature croons a soothing tune, The while she weaves the woof of June; And ever o'er the wheezy loom, We hear the June-bug's "Zoom! Zoom! Zoom!"

We hear the June-bug's dreamy zoom Above the rhythm of the loom; And all about us in the air, We scent the lilacs debonair!

We scent the lilacs debonair That nod in purple splendor there, And with the mid-day's perfect noon, We list the June-bug's "Zoom! Zoom! Zoom!"

The woods are filled with wondrous things, In opal glade the brownthrush sings; The diapason of the stream Is like a love song in a dream!

Is like a love song in a dream— A dream where fancies fancies seem To wield the shuttle of the loom Amid the June-bug's "Zoom! Zoom! Zoom!"

Thus Nature weaves her mantle green With daisy bordered paths between— She decks the world with magic art And puts new hope in every heart!

Ah, June, beside thee let me be A weaver of thy ecstasy; Let me forever feed the loom Amid the June-bug's "Zoom! Zoom! Zoom!"

Remember To-day That—

Some men would mortgage their eternal souls for the sake of selling a windbroken automobile to a sucker.

Ray Weed.

A man is never too old or too useless to furnish a skating rink for flies.

Chicago's street cars are very much like bananas. They come in bunches—when they come at all.

There is luck in four-leaf clovers—if you don't get your feet wet and die.

Dr. Julia Holmes Smith, who says that men who stay at home nights don't amount to anything, doesn't stand very high at my house—at least with my wife; but you're all right, Julia.

Bring up a boy in the way he should go, and be careful that you know your own grammar well enough to escape his contumely at your old age.

The average laundered collar has a very cutting way.

A St. Louis girl says she accepted a suitor simply because she got tired of refusing him. Keep at 'em, fellers.

This is a funny world—they criticize the candidate because he won't talk and the woman because she does.

The umbrella might be considered politically as being for free trade, but it isn't. The umbrella is a socialist, exemplifying the co-operative law of socialism—at least it is everybody's property.

The small boy always welcomes the coming of the minister. He knows there will be a good dinner.

The editorial "we" originated with a very little editor who roasted a big politician and wanted the bully to believe he would have to lick several desperate men when he called at the printing office for revenge.

A man generally feels sorry for the fellows who married the girls he barely escaped.

A June day is very fine; in fact it is almost perfect, but as for me, give me pay day! For real satisfying beauty it has every other day chased off the map.

Leading out of the village of Hope, N. J., is a covered bridge upon which is written, "Who enters here leaves Hope behind."

The turtle is the actor of the dinner table—at least, he is the supe.

In Chicago's suburbs investigators found that dairy cows were altogether too much crowded for sanitary purposes. The only excuse the owners could make was that they had to meet the demand for condensed milk.

An Omaha girl who eloped with her father's coachman, says she was driven to it.

It takes a great many good manuscripts to make a noted author—and but one bad one to ruin his reputation.

A man who is as honest as the day is long, might not make a good night watchman.

The heads of a wise man and a fool may be the same size—on the outside.

"According to statistics there is but one missionary to every 10,000 cannibals," says an exchange. I suppose that is why the cannibal is always pictured as having such a hungry look.

A man should not be blamed for his relatives. He cannot help having them—but he can pick his own companions, and you may well judge him by those.

Puzzle.

"One of our leading farmers," says a local paper, "found a cigar in his small son's pocket the other day, on getting home after a shopping trip to Cass City. The farmer confiscated the cigar and whipped the boy with the rope used to tie the family jackass at night. Then the farmer lighted the cigar and started to smoke it himself. It was loaded. It exploded and burned the farmer's lilacs off his physiognomy and set fire to the barn. The problem now puzzling the community is to find the jackass."

Byron Williams

HOW MUCH FERTILIZER TO APPLY.

The question, "How much fertilizer should be used per acre?" cannot be answered definitely, but only in a general way. It is sometimes put in this form: "What is the most profitable amount that may be applied per acre?" Neither can the question in the amended form be exactly and accurately answered. The soil, its character, condition, preparation, etc., may be well known, or controllable factors, but we know what the seasons may be, says Hon. R. J. Redding, Director Georgia Experiment Station, Department of Agriculture, in the Virginia-Carolina Fertilizer Almanac.

We know that some crops will bear larger amounts of fertilizers with reasonable assurance of profitable returns than may be expected of other soils. A crop that occupies the soil from the fall season until spring or early summer, will bear heavier fertilizing than will a crop that is planted in the spring and ripens for harvest in midsummer. The first case is illustrated by oats, wheat, or other small grain, or grass, especially when sown in the fall of the year. Such a crop occupies the soil during the late fall and winter, and early spring—during which periods the rains are usually abundant—frequent (but not heavy) and the soil is very early summer, before the burning summer heat and possible droughts of June and July. Oats and wheat therefore exact and accurately fertilizing.

Corn is rather an uncertain crop on the ordinary dry uplands of the South. It has but a short period in which the seasons on its flowers—tassels and silks—covering but a few days. If very dry weather should prevail when the critical period is approaching, and for some time after it is passed, the crops may prove a greater or less failure. There can be no second effort, no second period of blooming.

It is different in the case of cotton, which commences to bloom and make fruit in June or early July and continues throughout the summer until checked by a severe frost in November. It is a number of months that it wears on its cost than will a larger amount. To illustrate: An application of \$3 worth of fertilizer per acre may cause an increased yield of cotton (at 10 cents per pound) of the value of \$6 to \$8, or a profit of 20 to 25 per cent, on its cost. I have frequently had such results. It does not follow that twice as heavy an application will produce twice as large a result, but that much more than will cause three times as great an increase in the yield. In other words, the rate of increase in the crop of \$2 but not be in proportion to the increase in the amount of fertilizers applied. Two dollars' worth of fertilizer per acre may yield an increase in the crop of \$2, but \$5 worth would not therefore bring an increase of \$10.

But careful observation has shown that an application of \$5 to \$8 worth of fertilizers (properly balanced) is a safe amount to apply per acre on cotton. Many farmers in Georgia have secured satisfactory returns from an application of so much as \$60 pounds per acre.

It is a perfectly safe limit on upland in fairly good condition, well prepared and properly cultivated in cotton. For corn, it would limit the amount to 200 to 300 pounds per acre on old uplands.

Northern Democratic Senators.

After March 3 the only Democratic senators, who do not represent southern states, will be Newlands of Nevada and Teller of Colorado, and their terms will expire in 1909. Newlands is a native of Mississippi, and is a radical Democrat of the modern school. Teller has been a Republican most of his life.

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Coldest European Winter.

In the year 1814 the Thames froze and the English channel was for a time impassable because of icebergs. The coldest European winter on record was that of 1708-1709. It began early in October. In 1740 also the cold was so intense that birds fell dead to the ground.

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Bonham, Texas, Dec. 22, 1906.
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Big Springs, Texas.

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THE ARTISTIC WALL.

One of Solid Color Will Always Give Best Effect.

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The most successful form of the solid colored wall is an alabastined wall. There is as much difference between tinted walls, as there is between shoddy and all-wool goods. The shoddy gown holds its color for a few days, while the all-wool keeps its color to the very last thread, so also in solid colored walls, there are shoddy walls and permanently colored walls which retain their color down to the very last particle. The ideal wall coating never rubs off, never flakes nor chips off and is always ready for a fresh coat. If there is wallpaper on the wall, soak it off with warm water, then go over the plaster after you have removed the paper with warm water to remove every trace of paste. Have the wall thoroughly clean for a clean wall cannot be built on an unclean foundation. If there are any particles of foreign matter adhering to the wall scrape them off with a putty knife. Then if there are any discolorations on the wall, size it with a material made from cheap varnish, thinned down with benzine and Japan added for a drier, then cover your wall with your tinting material.

Be sure your man uses a tinting material mixed with cold water. If he comes to you and asks for warm water, you can make up your mind that there is glue in the material which he proposes to put on your wall, and you can be certain that you are going to have a shoddy wall, for glue means shoddy. Glue means that it will hold its color long enough for the man to collect his bill and not much longer. Insist on your tinting material being mixed with clear, cold water. Be sure that your wall is made from pure materials, then you will have a permanent, artistic, sanitary wall. A wall that will be a "thing of beauty and a joy forever."

FOOLED THE PREACHER.

A Doctor's Brother Thought Postum Was Coffee.

A wise doctor found out coffee was hurting him, so he quit drinking it. He was so busy with his practice, however, that his wife had to write how he fooled his brother, a clergyman, one day at dinner. She says: "Doctor found coffee was injuring him and decided to give Postum a trial, and we have used it now for four years, with continued benefit. In fact, he is now free from the long train of ills that follow coffee drinking."

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"Doctor's brother, a Clergyman, supposed it was old fashioned coffee and remarked, as he called for his second cup: 'If you do preach against coffee, I see you haven't forgotten how to make it.'"
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MRS. JONES AS A FINANCIER

"The thing that amuses me most about my husband," said Mrs. Percival Jones, speaking in absolute confidence to her friend, Miss Smith, "is his entire contentment with his own business methods and his contempt of my knowledge of things financial. I don't pretend myself to be an expert financier, unless to make a dollar go twice as far as my better-half can be to be a successful financier. However, some time ago Mr. Jones came in and told me he was going into a certain business deal.

"It will make us rich, my dear," he said, exultantly. "I will have an automobile and you shall have a trip to Europe."

"What is the deal?" I asked, not at all dazed by these glories.

"I had to take the time to explain to you what you will not understand," replied my husband, flatteringly.

"Perhaps I shall be able to grasp some of it if you speak very slowly and in words of one syllable," I answered.

"Being thus encouraged, he explained the details of his new project to me. I listened attentively. 'Don't go into it,' I said when he had finished. 'Instead of making money you will certainly lose it if you do.'

"That is always the way," exclaimed my husband, fretfully. "A man never receives any encouragement in his own home—nothing but solemn warnings, and portentous prophecies of failures. Have you one, even one, good reason to urge against this deal?"

"Yes, I have," I replied, "only it is going to be difficult for me to put those I have into words. I have a feeling, a sort of intuition against the whole thing, but more than that I have these reasons for objecting to it, and I gave them to him in my stumbling woman's way."

"Well, he laughed my remarks to scorn, of course, and the next day he signed the papers. He lost \$3,000 in that project. I learned recently, and more than that the very points which I had pointed out as the weak ones in the scheme caused the failure."

"The next time that my husband had a great and glorious money-making opportunity about the same thing happened. He told me about it, grudgingly, and I thought it over and advised him against it. He asked me what sort of an investment I would advise him to make with his savings."

"I replied I would advise something at least a little less risky than the one he had in mind, and then I was foolish enough, for flesh is weak, to ask him if I had not warned him of his previous disaster."

"He walked up and down the floor and besought the heavens to say if this wasn't exactly like a woman, always casting in a man's teeth his failings. He said, moreover, that his own reason had always been against the former business scheme, but that he had been overpersuaded to enter it by unscrupulous men."

"Be overpersuaded now not to go in this one by your overscrupulous wife," I retorted.

He flung himself out of the room, and ran hastily, while there was yet time, and went into this business. He only lost \$1,200 that time, and he doesn't like me to refer to it nor to the fact that I lost the trip to Europe I had again been promised."

"But do you think all this and three other cases of the same sort that I could cite have taught Mr. Jones anything? If you do you know less than nothing about the masculine character. Mr. Jones still laughs my ideas of finance to scorn, still tells me that I have no sense about business, still reproaches me with being shortsighted and overprudent."

"Meanwhile, right under his eyes I am performing prodigies of financing and he is not enough of a financier to know it. I take a small sum of money and make it last like the widow's crust of oil. I manage to have three nutritious and appetizing meals a day, to dress the children and myself, to keep the house in curtains, rugs, tablecloths, napkins, china and kitchen utensils on a sum so absurdly small that no one but a student of finance could manage it."

"But my virtues in this direction are all lost on my better-half. As I said before, he does not know enough about the purchasing power of money to know how well I do manage, and so I don't get a particle of credit, and it is all very discouraging."

"Your husband must be a very unappreciative man," said Miss Smith severely.

"He is not a bit worse than the rest of them," replied Mrs. Jones hurriedly, "not a bit worse. Men are all like that. He is a very, very good husband. I don't want you to think that anything I have said reflects upon him in any way. The only fault he has in the world is that he does not know how to handle money, nor the proper investments to make—and he can't help that, poor man."

Not So Remarkable.

A school teacher who was giving a lesson on "food" was interrupted by one of his pupils.

"Please, sir," he said, "Jimmy says he knew a baby that was brought up on elephant's milk, and it gained ten pounds in weight every day."

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Services first Sunday in each month, Father Whelan officiating; fourth Sunday in every month, Father Ernest officiating. Sunday school at 3 p. m.

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Services every Lord's day evening at 7:30. The public is cordially invited to attend.
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LOCAL.

I. X. L. Cream at Geo. Ray's.
 Tom Whaley of Del Rio was in Brackett Tuesday.

Fred West left Sunday to attend the Stockman's Convention.

J. M. Slator attended the Stockman's Convention in Ft. Worth this week.

The Best made is the Reserved D. Whiskey. Sold by F. S. Fritter.

Miss Maude McDonald left Monday for Eagle Pass where she will visit relatives.

W. A. Johnson of Rock Springs, through Brackett Tuesday on his way to Eagle Pass.

Jim Griffin and Joe Jennings left Sunday for Ft. Worth to attend the Stockman's Convention.

Atty. Joseph Jones has been quite sick for four or five days, but is up and out again.—Del Rio News.

T. B. Overstreet came in from Brackett Thursday afternoon in search of sheep herders.—Eagle Pass Guide.

Henry Sennas, and Mr. Bliss were summoned to serve on the grand jury at the Federal term of court which is in session in Del Rio this week.

Read the order for the school election in another column in this issue. Everybody should turn out and vote tomorrow and show interest in our Public Schools.

Dave Rose of Nueces was in town Tuesday. Mr. Rose has just recovered from a severe case of Grippie. Mr. Rose stated that the Japs [he recently employed] were good workers and he has accomplished a great deal of work since employing them about a month ago.

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Mrs. Otto Zuehl and children of Spofford, were pleasant visitors to Eagle Pass this week.—Rio Grande News.

Don't forget the school election tomorrow. Turn out and vote for who you think will make the best trustees.

The Lenten Services in St. Andrews' Church every Monday at 7:30 p. m. All are invited to attend.

R. H. Traylor, a prominent real estate agent of San Antonio was in Brackett Saturday on business.

Rev. R. W. Anderson of Eagle Pass was in Brackett Sunday and conducted services at the Episcopal church.

WANTED YOU to list your lands with us. We find buyers. Fahrenthold & Page 213 Alamo Bank Building San Antonio Texas.

Gus Black, the Spofford stockman, was in town Thursday on business. He is among the Maverick county delegation summoned on the Federal Grand jury at Del Rio.—Rio Grande News.

Mrs. Charlton, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Albert Warner, during the past week, left Tuesday morning for her home in Brackett.—Del Rio Herald.

Jim Winn was in from the ranch Tuesday. Mr. Winn reported everything in good shape in his part of the country but was heedily rain to make things prosper.

W. L. Holman, a prominent attorney of Bay City spent Sunday in Brackett the guest of his cousin Mr. Tom Perry. Mr. Holman recently bought four sections of land on Cow Creek.

Mr. James Murphy is authorized to take your order for nursery stock of all kinds for the F. T. Ramsey Nursery Austin Texas. T. J. McAteer general agent to Kinney, Val Verde and Maverick counties. To be delivered in November 1907.

T. J. MCAETER.

A school meeting was called Tuesday night at the Court House for the purpose of selecting a list of names to go on the official Ballot at the election of seven school trustees tomorrow. Twenty three names were chosen and they will appear on the official Ballot tomorrow. Much interest was manifested at the meeting. Several speeches were made and the general feeling of all were in favor of a good substantial school building.

Last Saturday evening a negro named Edmunds came over from Spofford, where he was employed in the lunch counter, to see Dr. Evans. Upon being examined by the doctor the negro's trouble proved to be smallpox. Dr. Evans turned the patient over to County Health Officer Lane, who had him placed on the platform of the baggage car and returned to Spofford. Edmunds was in the drug store and held a conversation with parties in there before seeing the doctor. The car in which he came to Eagle Pass crossed the river to C. P. Diaz, back again to this side, and was taken back to Spofford without fumigation or any notice to travelers that a case of small pox had occupied it.—Eagle Pass Guide.

THE SCHOOL ELECTION

We like again to call our readers attention to the election notice printed on the first page in this issue. We have been asked why it was not published sooner. Our answer is because the copy of the notice did not reach us until Monday noon and this is the first issue where we have had possession of the notice to publish it.

However, let us all get together and elect a good board of Trustees and build a good substantial school building. There will be twenty names on the official ballot and every voter will have an opportunity tomorrow to go to the polls and vote for a set of men who you think will make the best trustees.

Brackett can never accomplish anything unless we all push together for the town. In Uvalde, the papers, Business Mens Club and the citizens pull together—that is the only way a town can accomplish anything. Because you don't like Brown or Smith, it is a folly to fight a proposition that would enhance your property just because they thought that way.

Everybody interested in our Public Schools should turn out tomorrow and go to the polls and vote. Every male person who has attained the age of twenty one years and who has resided within the limits of the territory and is a qualified elector under the laws of the state shall be entitled to vote.

The following are among those who will appear on the official ballot tomorrow:

- G. A. Anderson
- R. C. Ballantyne
- O. W. Stadler
- Jos. Veltmann
- R. V. Sauer
- R. Stratton
- H. H. Levering
- J. Castro
- N. P. Petersen
- W. W. Price
- M. P. Malone
- John Jones
- Henry Veltmann
- O. B. Castro
- G. Talmantez
- H. C. Hunt
- J. M. Slator
- Chas. Kartes
- C. F. Hodges

Select your seven men and vote who you think will serve to advance our school and let us have one of the best Public Schools in South-West Texas

Fruits at Geo. Ray's;

Jack Gav of Spofford was in town yesterday.

Don Yeates, of San Antonio was in Brackett Friday.

Virge Miller was in from the ranch yesterday and took out a load of supplies.

Mrs. Holmes has moved her house on the hill just west of Mrs. Doooley's residence and will occupy the same in a few days.

W. G. Miller and Jas. Ballantyne left yesterday for the Slator ranch where they will assist in the round up.

Geo. E. Bartlett of San Antonio will be in Brackett Wednesday March 27 and will give an exhibition of expert and fancy shooting with rifle and shot gun. The exhibition with rifle will consist of hitting all kinds of missiles thrown in the air and includes breaking pieces of bricks, puncturing quarter inch boiler plate steel 2 1/2 inches square, evaporating a can of water and snuffing out an orange, using for this work a 30-30 high power cartridge. With the 32-20 rifle he will perform some difficult feats with the aid of a looking glass. With a 22 caliber rifle he will do some wing shooting at pennies, walnuts and loaf sugar. Other interesting feats will also be performed. All members of the gun club should turn out and see this exhibition as it will be both instructive and entertaining.

More Talk of Railroad.

F. A. Piper, president of our business men's club, has received a letter from E. J. Buckingham of San Antonio relative to the proposed railroad to Carrizo to connect with the Southern Pacific at Uvalde. Messrs. Buckingham, Jenkins and Col. Pratt are expected out within a few days to confer with the business men concerning the bonus.

The letter received by Mr. Piper states that the promoters expect to build through to San Angelo and to tap the coal fields at Eagle Pass. This will be of great advantage to our section as it will shorten the railroad distance to the coal mines and also give us a more direct outlet to the northward. As they also propose to build it in to Aransas Pass, it also means a short haul to that important post.

The promoters ask a bonus of \$100,000 to build from the Pryor property to the intersection of the Southern Pacific at Uvalde. \$60,000 of this is expected of owners of property traversed by the road from the Pryor property to Uvalde and \$40,000 from the town.—Uvalde Leader News.

Notice to the Public.

Mr. A. C. McDaniel is hereby appointed agent to receive applications for the sale of the lands originally granted to the Gulf, Western Texas & Pacific Railway Co., and the Texas & New Orleans Railroad Co., The Galveston, Harrisburg & San Antonio Railway Co., situated in the County of Edwards and lapping over into Kinney and Val Verde, with headquarters at Rock Springs, Edwards County.

Parties wishing to buy any of the said lands will please call upon or write him in respect thereto on and after March 7th or to the undersigned at San Antonio.

C. C. GIBBS,
 Land Commissioner

THE REV. IRL R. HICKS 1907 ALMANAC.

The Rev. Irl R. Hicks has been compelled by the popular demand to resume the publication of his well known and popular almanac for 1907. This splendid Almanac is now ready. For sale by newsdealers, or sent postpaid 25 cents, by the WORD AND WORDS PUBLISHING COMPANY, 2201 Locust Street, St. Louis Mo., publishers of WORD AND WORKS one of the best dollar monthly magazines in America. One Almanac goes with every subscription.

Notice to Farmers.

To all farmers wishing to purchase cotton seed for the purpose of raising cotton can secure same by calling at my ranch near Pinto Siding. I will sell in fifty or one hundred lots at \$1.25 per hundred.

CHAS. C. BOLTON.

FOR SALE

A comfortable four room cottage in Spofford. Situated on a corner lot. A good location and a good cistern. Inquire at the News-Mail office.

Citizens of Austin started a movement to raise money to present a substantial testimonial to Hon. W. A. Cocke in appreciation of his services in the Bailey investigation. The original intention was that the testimonial should be presented by citizens of Austin but it seems that many other places want a hand in the presentation and it will probably be open to contributions from all parts of the state.

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 freely and frankly, telling us all your troubles. We will send free advice (in plain sealed envelope). Address: Ladies' Advisory Dept., The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

"DUE TO CARDUI
 and nothing else, is my baby girl, now two weeks old," writes Mrs. J. P. West, of Webster City, Iowa. "She is a fine, healthy babe and we are both doing nicely."

FROM THE POST.

Troops C and I will leave about the 25th.

Several of the boys attended court in town Friday.

Deputy Sheriff Sims was a business caller at the post Friday.

Mrs. Ballantyne attended concert at the post hall on the 14th.

Mrs. C. A. Windus and daughter were post visitors Wednesday of this week.

It is reported that Lieutenant Richmond is next in order for a Captaincy.

The target range is being put in first class order for rifle and pistol work.

Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Hannay are visiting friends in Clark this week.

Oran of troop B has recovered from his injuries and returned to his troop for duty.

An A troop man will leave soon for Rock Island Arsenal to join the ordnance corps.

Sergeant Labiskey will be granted a thirty days furlough to take effect in the near future.

A patrol was sent out pay day night and bagged some of the boys but some made their get-away.

The troops have made ready for gardening and men have been detailed to care for different troop gardens.

Lieutenant Knockels will leave in the near future for Fort Riley Kansas where he will deliver a

J. F. NANCE,

Jeweler

and

Watchmaker,

series of lectures and attend the army veterinary school.

Some improvements are being made on the post water works system, such as laying new pipes.

A number of people from the post will attend the Masonic corner stone laying, in San Antonio next week.

The night concerts have been attracting numbers of the town people and seem to be more entertaining than usual.

The summary court officer still gets an occasional twist at the boys. Several minor cases were disposed of this week.

The Misses Bergath and Viola and Francis Grinberger accompanied Mrs. Hiedrick on the trip to Kickapoo cave last Saturday.

All unassigned troop horses are to be turned loose on the reservation and a herd guard sent out to see after them.

Sixty mules are to be sent from here to the Philippines. Arrangements are now being made by the quartermaster department.

A complimentary concert was played this week in honor of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Jones are visiting at the home of Lieutenant Roscoe and wife.

The "First" is greatly in need of men at the present time. Some of the troops have only fifteen or twenty men for duty and since the two troops have been sent to McIntosh and Bliss the garrison duty is much harder on those who remained behind.

A party of Clark people made a trip to the Kickapoo caves Saturday, returning Sunday. The party was composed of about a dozen people and they were well armed with cameras, and made several good exposures that will prove valuable. Sergeant Heidrick and Hans Peterson of Brackett took a number of flashlight

ICE CREAM and SODA WATER

We have opened our Ice Cream business and are ready to serve the public at all hours

Ice Cream by the Gallon Furnished on Short Notice for families, parties, dinners etc.

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MRS. J. M. MURPHY, Proprietress

pictures of the cave and visiting party.

STRING TOWN ITEMS

J. E. Thurman finished shearing his goats last week.

W. A. Thurman visited Brackett on business the early part of last week.

Joe Thurman visited Brackett on business the early part of last week.

Burle Thurman bought three hundred and fifteen fine goats from Frank Barksdale at private terms.

Mrs. Maddux and Grandma Wallace were callers at the ranch of J. E. Chapman last Friday.

W. A. Chapman began shearing his goats last Friday. Mr. Chapman expects a fine clip of wool from his goats this spring.

WIDE AWAKE.

NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the pasture known as A 1 pasture extending from the Del Rio Road to the Mariposa fence for the purpose of hunting fishing or camping will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

E. L. TAYLOR

G. W. LACKY

By ALBERT POSTELL MGR.

Try a dish of the famous I. X. L. Ice Cream at Geo. Ray's Restaurant.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Amy Limes was absent Friday.

Lolo Sanchez made a hundred in spelling this week.

Eunice Perry stayed head a week in Spelling.

Martin McGovern was absent Monday and Tuesday.

Ethel Veltmann stayed head a week in Reading.

Ethel Veltmann stayed head a week in Geography.

Maggie Kramer was absent Wednesday and Thursday.

Nellie Stadler is absent this week on account of sickness.

Mary Herzing has returned to school after an absence of a week.

Dewey Seargeant has been absent the past week on account of illness.

Ida Bliss, Clara Brooks and William Whipkey are absent this week.

Florence Beckett and Aciel Chapman are in school after an absence of three days.

Andros Augurn and Mary Brewer stood the longest in a geography match Friday.

The Honor Roll consists of Amy Limes, Florence Coleman, Susie Fritter, Hortense Sauer and Charlotte Dudley.

The following pupils were at

the head of their classes for the past two weeks: Gracia Ansira, Lottie Levering Annie McGovern Hildreth Huges, Charlie Veltmann and Reman Briones.

A Lesson For Merchants.

There is a lesson for every merchant in the experience told by a representative of a Chicago mail order house to a gathering of newspaper men up in Iowa. He said that the mail order business depended entirely upon advertising. He made one remark that merchants should heed. He says they take the local papers and directed their special efforts to communities where the merchants were not up-to-date advertisers. If the mail order man finds that any line of business in any town or city is not well advertised, as for instance furniture, he said that they flood that territory with their literature and always with satisfactory results. He believes it true. He said that country merchants could greatly cripple the mail order houses if they would advertise freely and in the right manner. He said, that every advertisement should describe the article to be sold and state the prices. Here is food for thought by merchants who fear the effect of mail order houses. —Topeka Journal.

Here are some good reasons for attending church. 1. Because I cannot think of a better place—a place of greater honor, profit, and safety for the time being. 2. Because my absence will be noticed with sadness by brethren and may dishearten them. 4. Because my unnecessary absence will comfort Satan in the prospect of success in his next assault upon me. 4. Because sinners and backsliders will comfort themselves over my bad example. 5. Because my faithful attendance is one of the links in that chain of influences which I need to bind me fast and firm to my Lord.

Advertise in the News.

Citation by Publication.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, to all persons interested in the estate of Isabella McKerrow deceased: R. Stratton administrator, de bonis non, of the estate of said Isabella McKerrow deceased, has filed in the County court of Kinney county his final account of the condition of said estate, together with an application to be discharged as administrator thereof, which will be heard by our said Court on the 2nd Monday in April A. D. 1907, same being the 8th day of April A. D. 1907, at the Court House of said Kinney County in Brackett at which time and place all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and contest said Final Account and application, if they see proper.

Witness Chas. Kartes Clerk of the County Court of Kinney Co. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at my office in Brackett on this the 13th day of March A. D. 1907.

CHAS. KARTES,

Clerk County Court, Kinney County, Texas.

Issued this 13th day of March A. D. 1907, Chas. Kartes, Clerk County Court Kinney Co. Tex.

A Bargain.

For sale my residence on hill near school house good four room house, barn and well 14 lots all under fence will sell at a bargain for next thirty days and give immediate possession.

Address A. B. Cox Laguna Texas Live Oak Box 5.

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ALL OVER TEXAS

Bertie Merriweather, the negro, who was shot Tuesday night at Taylor, died Wednesday afternoon. Ben Jordan, a negro, was arrested and put in jail.

John Llo, a 7-year-old boy, on his way to school in Dallas, was run over by a street car and so badly injured that it was necessary to amputate both feet.

William Jennings Bryan has accepted the invitation extended him by the Legislature, and says that he will on March 29 deliver an address to the Legislature.

Tioga, having secured the summer normal for Grayson and Cooke Counties, a mass meeting was called and committees appointed a few days since.

The business men of Terrell have organized a Merchants' Commercial Association. A large number of the local merchants have joined the organization.

The Seminole Board of Trade has formed a company to build a cotton gin at Seminole, in Gaines County. W. H. Brennand, president of the Seminole National Bank, is also president of the gin company.

J. H. Holcomb, engaged in trapping for mink and coon in the northwest corner of Lamar County, on the Red River, Sunday morning went to his traps and found two large wolves in them.

Except for a few minor changes, the House Committee on Appropriations has about completed its general appropriation bill. It carries \$7,546,924, as against a total of \$6,869,914 in the last general appropriation bill.

The police believe they have solved the mystery of many petty thefts in the discovery of a robber cave near Fort Worth, the proprietors being young boys. The officers have the names of all concerned.

The grade for the Rock Island cut-off from Irving to Carrollton was practically completed last week into the latter named town and ties have begun to arrive at Irving for the new work.

The Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railway has decided to locate a passenger representative in Dallas, creating an entirely new office, so far as that city is concerned, though the city of St. Louis is deprived of an official by the action.

The committee in charge of the Dublin cotton mill proposition reports that it has to date \$151,500, which is \$1,500 over the amount to be subscribed to insure the building of the mill. The mill is to be a \$225,000 mill, and the balance of the \$225,000 is to be taken by local capitalists.

Friday afternoon a negro named Charlie Brown walked into a drug store in Houston, holding up his hands. He took a seat beside the counter and was dead in a few minutes. A Justice of the Peace was called in and came to the conclusion that the negro died from the choking effect of asthma.

The grip, says a recent dispatch from San Angelo is an epidemic in the city, one physician estimating the number of cases at 3,000. Measles and mumps are also quite prevalent, together with scattering cases of scarlet fever.

August Scheimer, of Dallas, aged about fifty-eight years, was found dead in his rooms at 8 o'clock Friday morning. A Justice of the Peace viewed the remains and stated that death was due to natural causes.

Walter L. Robertson, brother of Hon. Huling P. Robertson, member of the Legislature from Bell County, and also brother of Mrs. Cone Johnson of Tyler, and Mrs. Richard Harrison of Waco, was killed in a runaway accident at Temple.

Plans are being made and subscriptions taken for a new \$30,000 main building for the North Texas University School in Terrell, to be erected in Northwest Terrell on the new site recently selected.

Many large wheat raisers in Cooke County are plowing up their wheat, preparatory to planting the ground in corn or cotton. The farmers say the mild winter has been so favorable to green bugs that they have ruined the wheat crop.

A Sherman dispatch says: It is safe to say that the acreage devoted to Irish potatoes in the country contiguous to Sherman will not be in excess of one-third what it was last year.

NEWS OF THE WEEK

AN EPITOME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

NORTH, EAST, WEST, SOUTH

A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Items, Domestic and Foreign.

MISCELLANEOUS.

J. J. Hill, president of the Great Northern, announces that he is willing that the government should "take over" his road. He says it would cost about \$60,000 per mile to "reproduce" the road, but does not say that he is willing to sell for that amount.

J. P. Morgan, promoter, capitalist and railway magnate, has sailed for Europe.

The powder magazine of the French battleship Jena blew up, at Toulon. Between seventy and eighty men were killed, and hundreds of others injured, a number dying in the hospital. The commander of the ship was killed, and a rear admiral injured, and fragments of humanity floated on the water. It is believed a torpedo exploded, setting fire to the magazine. The Jena was one of the finest vessels in the French navy.

J. Pierpont Morgan had a conference with President Roosevelt, at the request of certain business men of New York, to discuss the business situation, especially as affecting railroads. The president agreed to an interview with four railroad presidents, namely: The presidents of the Pennsylvania, the New York Central, the New York, New Haven & Hartford and the Chicago & Northwestern.

The president has requested the governor of California to use his influence with the legislature of that state and induce it to cease adopting anti-Japanese resolutions, as it is endangering the president says, the negotiations of a treaty with Japan whereby co-laborers will be barred. When this party of congressmen which Speaker Cannon is "champeroning" to and from the isthmus of Panama was at San Juan, P. L., the speaker of the city council intimated in broad terms that Porto Rico was ready for self-government. Speaker Cannon expressed gratification over the wonderful development of the island agriculturally since he was last there.

The postoffice department does not intend to draw the color line in the matter of white and negro railway mail clerks working together on the same runs.

Hervoy Rowe, a four-year-old boy near London, Ky., shot and killed Mrs. Betty Griffin with a revolver. The woman before she died said the child loaded the revolver and said he was going out in the yard to shoot a chicken. When she protested against this he turned on her saying, "Look out," and fired.

Advices from Honduras sources of the defeat of Nicaraguans by Honduras. The president of Honduras is leading his army.

President Roosevelt has broached a plan for an international conference on the opium vice, and it has been accepted by England and Japan.

Boston physicians claim to have established the weight of a human soul—from one-half to one ounce. Placed on delicate scales, they assert the dead body weighs that much less than the living body just before death.

Stuyvesant Fish, former president of the Illinois Central, has been elected to the directorate of the Missouri Pacific.

Available cash balance in the United States treasury, exclusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve, is above \$257,000,000.

The ginners' bulletin shows 12,716,800 bales of 1906-07 cotton crop ginned up to February 1. The crop has been picked closer than usual, increasing it at least 200,000 bales.

At Couvrières, France, where a year ago, a mine disaster occurred in which more than one thousand lives were lost, miners celebrated the anniversary by listening to socialistic speeches, in which the owners of the mines were violently denounced.

Roosevelt invited to talk on ship subsidy in St. Louis. It is thought that people of Mississippi valley will favor ship subsidy if all facts concerning measure are known.

It is announced that Senator John C. Spooner, of Wisconsin, after May 1, when his resignation takes effect, will become chief counsel for James J. Hill at a salary of \$50,000 annually, with headquarters in New York.

The legislature of Idaho has appropriated \$50,000 for the purpose of carrying on the prosecution of the alleged Steuben murder case.

The drop in stocks on Wall street has caused enormous losses. Fortunately it has been a "rich man's panic," the losses falling on millionaires.

Replying to a question in the British house of commons, Foreign Secretary Sir Edward Grey said it would be unreasonable to expect the powers, at the Hague peace conference next summer, to consider the propriety of discontinuing the use of submarine vessels.

Two German vessels were wrecked in the North sea, 34 being lost, not a soul on board escaping.

Prof. Ross, of Wisconsin, declares birth restriction to be hope of race. A mother and two children were burned to death in a New York tenement.

At Philadelphia, dancing to the music of a waltz which brought to a close a ball, Mrs. Annie Schearer collapsed in the arms of her partner, and fell over dead on the ballroom floor.

In the town of Borsano, near Milan, Italy, 2,000 persons were made homeless by a fire which destroyed the greater part of the village.

The English house of commons discussed the motion made by Michael H. Hogan, member for Tipperary, in favor of repealing the Irish crimes act, which was carried, 252 to 83.

Railroad and other industrial securities have declined in value many millions since the first of March.

Christian Science has been barred from Delaware by legislation.

Columbus (O.) city officials and others have been indicted for bribery in connection with favoring contract.

Former Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock testified that Senator Mitchell, convicted of land fraud, tried to shield Commissioner Binger Hermann. The German government has caused the publication of a semi-official note in the North German Gazette, expressing in the name of the German people and the German army and navy, the most sincere sympathy with the president, government, navy and people of France over the Jena disaster.

Complete plans for the consolidation into one fleet all American cruising vessels in the Pacific ocean have been made public by the navy department, to go into effect about the end of March, when Rear Admiral Brownson will become commander-in-chief of all American navy vessels in the Pacific. Rear Admiral W. T. Swinburne will be commander of the second squadron and Rear Admiral J. H. Dayton will command the third squadron. High water has prevailed in western Pennsylvania and along the upper Ohio, doing great damage.

Dr. Charles W. Needham, president of George Washington university, in an address at Washington, D. C., declared that there is no such thing as "tainted money." Coin of full weight is moral, and no matter where it goes it is good, is his argument. "Having this view of good money, I will accept it from any man who owns it," says the doctor.

President Roosevelt and Secretary Root telegraphed the French government their sympathies regarding the disaster to the French battleship Jena.

John Alexander Dowie, organizer of the Christian Catholic church, died, surrounded by a few faithful followers and friends, but deserted by his family. Death came to him in Shiloh House, in Zion City, near Chicago, a community he founded, where it was not permissible to take the name of God in vain, and where liquor and tobacco and the flesh of swine had been cast out as unclean things. He was born in Scotland, in 1847.

Chicago school teachers have a lobby at Springfield to work for amendments to the teachers' pension law.

The French premier was upheld by the chamber of deputies for threat to use troops to suppress strike disorders.

Gov. Gillette of California has made public his correspondence with President Roosevelt on the Japanese question and the California legislature. The governor expresses the opinion that there will be no legislation on that line by the legislature this session.

Carpenters at St. Louis have been granted an hour increase in wages.

Secretary Taft defends Judge Wilney of Shanghai court from attack.

William Jennings Bryan addressed good roads meeting in Pittsburg.

High water in the Ohio has caused \$4,000,000 damage at Pittsburg, Pa. Fifteen thousand people were driven from their homes by the flood at Wheeling, W. Va., and in southern Ohio farms and valleys were deserted.

Former Senator Burton, who is ending a six months' term in the Ironton (Mo.) jail learns that he must remain one month longer or pay a fine of \$2,500. The senator, who says he has no money, and if the fine is paid must borrow it, announces his intention of remaining in jail the month.

The volcano on the island of Akutan, off the peninsula of Alaska, was in active eruption when the steamer Dora passed Feb. 22.

In a conflict between police and strikers at Belgrade, five of the strikers were killed and 20 wounded.

Missouri Pacific extensions to Springfield will be completed next week, and the first train will pass over it on Thursday.

Owing to the effect of 25 per cent money and a generally pessimistic sentiment, leading shares on the New York stock exchange suffered severe breaks, relief being expressed that there were no failures from the strenuous drubbing delivered.

John Alexander Dowie, in a funeral sermon prepared before his death, declared he would return to the earth in another form and have vengeance upon his persecutors.

It is reported from China that a Wesleyan mission has been destroyed near Ningpo, and that their missionaries were killed. The report is not confirmed from foreign sources.

Casimer Peri, former president of France, died suddenly of heart failure. Rev. Schiever, at Sacramento, Cal., deplored that so many legislators were at the capitol for the purpose of "drawing pay, drawing corks and drawing poker." His remarks caused a sensation at the capitol.

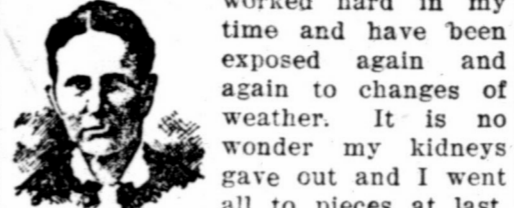
Attorney for Ruel, San Francisco boss, in jail for contempt of court.

At Lodz, Russian Poland, during the funeral of an army captain who had been murdered, the escort, noticing that people did not remove their hats as the funeral passed, attacked with swords and wounded many.

FADED TO A SHADOW.

Worn Down by Five Years of Suffering from Kidney Complaint.

Mrs. Remethe Myers, of 180 South Tenth St., Ironton, O., says: "I have worked hard in my time and have been exposed again and again to changes of weather. It is no wonder my kidneys gave out and I went all to pieces at last. For five years I was fading away and finally so weak that for six months I could not get out of the house. I was nervous, restless and sleepless at night, and lame and sore in the morning. Sometimes everything would whirl and blur before me. I bloated so badly I could not wear tight clothing, and had to put on shoes two sizes larger than usual. The urine was disordered and passages were dreadfully frequent. I got help from the first box of Doan's Kidney Pills, however, and by the time I had taken four boxes the pain and bloating were gone. I have been in good health ever since."



For sale by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Year's Cigarette Output.

The cigarette output of 4,368,729,015 in the calendar year of 1906 must have come as a surprise to the bulk of the trade, but more stunning yet its increase in one year of \$42,240,425, an increase by nearly 300,000,000 larger than the increase of our cigar industry during the same year. This jump is the more remarkable in the face of the pronounced and unrelenting hostility of a half dozen state legislatures which have ostracized not only the manufacture but also the handling and consumption of cigarettes within the confines of their respective territories.—United States Tobacco Journal.

TACK THIS UP.

Simple Advice Which May Prove of Untold Value.

At the first sign of Backache or pain in the region of the Kidneys, or weakness and Urinary trouble, the following simple prescription should be used:

Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Take a teaspoonful after each meal and at bedtime.

Any good prescription pharmacy will supply these three ingredients at small cost, which can easily be mixed by shaking well in a bottle. This is said to force the Kidneys to filter the sour acids and poisons from the blood, overcoming the worst cases of Rheumatism.

Purely Experimental.

"Why in the world did you order a Welsh rabbit in this French place?" they asked her. "Of course, the cheese is about the same as you get everywhere, but how can you tell what a French Welsh rabbit will do to you afterward?"

"I'm not afraid," she informed them, placidly. "I just want to see what sort of ragtime nightmare French it will speak."

THREE BOYS HAD ECZEMA.

Were Treated at Dispensary—Did Not Improve—Suffered Five Months—Perfect Cure by Cuticura.

"My three children had eczema for five months. A little sore would appear on the head and seemed very itchy, increasing day after day. The baby had had it about a week when the second boy took the disease and a few sores developed, then the third boy took it. For the first three months I took them to the N— Dispensary, but they did not seem to improve. Then I used Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment and in a few weeks they had improved, and when their heads were well you could see nothing of the sores. Mrs. Kate Keim, 513 West 29th St., New York, N. Y., Nov. 1, 5 and 7, 1906."

Put Bismarck in Hole.

When "Bull Run" Russell, who died a short time ago, was with the German army in 1870 he reported a long interview with the crown prince (Friedrich), some expressions in which gave umbrage to Bismarck. Bismarck sent for him, lost his temper and said: "I suppose you couldn't resist showing your importance by reporting all that that 'dunderhead' confided to you?" Russell replied: "Your excellency knows that I always respect confidences; there is much that you have said to me myself that I have not reported." Bismarck: "Pouf! Anything I say to you may be maw from the top of St. Paul's." "I thank your excellency," said Russell. "I shall use that permission to record your opinion of the crown prince."

Physiological Mystery.

According to some curious investigations conducted by English scientists, eldest sons tend to be criminals and youngest sons paupers. A great many thousand school children and many family histories have been examined to yield these results. First-born children were found to be, as a rule, taller and heavier, with greater ability and endurance than the others. This is in accordance with the popular feeling in many countries that the oldest child is superior to the others and deserving of special privileges. It is a well established fact that among men of genius an undue proportion are eldest sons.—Detroit Free Press.

All philosophy lies in two words—"sustain" and "abstain."—Epictetus.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE

Griffin O'Neil, of Dallas, has secured the contract for the new municipal waterworks at Bunkie, La.

The death of an Indian woman, who was reported to be 140 years old, has occurred at Osorno, Ind.

In a Rock Island freight wreck at Park Springs, an unknown man was killed, but none of the crew were hurt.

The American charge d'affaires has gone from Guatemala to Honduras, where he will attempt to settle the differences with Nicaragua.

A considerable amount of macaroni wheat is being purchased by the farmers for planting in place of the early wheat, which has been destroyed or greatly damaged by the green bugs.

The British steamer Malaga was lost in sight of Castellamare di Stabia, Italy, during a severe storm a few days since. Twenty-nine bodies have come ashore from the wreck.

According to a St. Petersburg dispatch, an agreement between Russia, France, Great Britain and Japan regarding the Far East is definitely assured.

A Friday's dispatch from Kingston says: Since Monday several sharp short earthquake shocks have been felt here. They were accompanied by a loud roaring noise.

The news of the resignation of Governor Sweetenham has been received with much satisfaction at Kingston. His unpopularity has greatly increased since the Davis incident.

The Chilean maize crop, according to the Statistical Office of the Ministry, will not exceed 1,823,000 tons, instead of 5,500,000. The loss is estimated at nearly \$2,000,000.

A twenty million gasser, the third great gas well near Tulsa, I. T., within a week, was brought in Friday on Turkey Mountain, two and one-half miles southeast of Tulsa.

Otto Monig, eighty-one years old, a prominent merchant of Fort Worth, died Wednesday. He leaves six children at Fort Worth and one in St. Louis. He was a well known chess player.

Arthur Davis, alias Jack Davis, the North Carolina negro convicted of the murder of J. F. Saleby a Syrian peddler of Petersburg, Va., was hanged in the jail at Surrey Court-house Friday.

The lint house of the Farmers' Gin at Wellston, Okla., was destroyed by fire a few days since, a total loss of \$1,200. The gin recently built at Carney was also burned, a loss of \$7,000, with but \$2,500 insurance.

At a meeting of the Southern Fair circuit held in Birmingham, Ala., Henry Exall of Dallas, was made vice president of the organization. At the meeting were represented practically all of the Southern States.

The Supreme Court of the State has just handed down a decision to the effect that barbers in Connecticut need not shave negro men.

The two-cent maximum fare bill passed the Illinois House Thursday by practically a unanimous vote.

The Agricultural Department at Washington is in correspondence with Aug. C. Richter, of Laredo, with a view of establishing a ten-acre experimental date patch on Mr. Richter's irrigated farm a few miles below Laredo.

Negotiations are in progress between the diamond manufacturers of America and the Diamond Workers' Protective Association relative to a demand by the members of the latter organization for higher wages.

A valuable vein of coal was discovered at Sulphur, I. T., by a well digger.

Miss Cessie Frey, a young lady, was found dead in her room at San Marcos a few days since. Death was due to heart failure.

Postmaster Seaman of Tulsa, I. T., has announced that Tulsa will, no doubt, get free mail delivery by the last of the month. Tulsa has plenty of sidewalks, but they are not connected up.

Southern pig iron has made a further advance in prices, spot iron in small lots commanding \$24 per ton for No. 2 at the foundry. This is one dollar more per ton than the market quotation which has been prevailing for some time.

Advices received from Chihuahua state that thirty-five persons, men, women and children, were killed at Sandoes, twenty leagues from there, Thursday, by the accidental explosion of a large quantity of dynamite.

Box rents in Dallas postoffice are to be increased April 1 about 50 per cent, making the price of the smallest box \$1.50 per quarter.

Fast driving is being carefully suppressed in Dallas by the Chief of Police, through special officers.

And some people are so industrious that when they haven't anything to do they proceed to do somebody.

Growth of Europe's Population.
At the present rate of increase the population of Europe will double itself in a century.

So mysteriously are we linked with others in this world that we cannot fall in our duty without harming others, nor bear ourselves bravely without benefit to others.—Scovill.

New York's Milk Supply.
New York's milk supply comes from 86,000 farms, situated in six states, varying in distance from the metropolis from 10 to 400 miles.

Don't It Jar You?
To have a cough that you can't leave off—even when you go to bed? Put it away for good by using Simmons' Cough Syrup. It heals inflammation of the throat and lungs—gives you rest and peaceful sleep.

Advancement in Siberia.
Agricultural schools have been established in several places in Siberia, and a certain number of steam plows, reapers and the like are now in use.

It Will Stay There.
"In my family medicine chest no remedy is permitted to remain unless it proves beyond a doubt the best to be obtained for its particular purpose. For treating all manner of skin troubles, such as Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm, etc., Hunt's Cure has held its place for many years. I have failed to find a surer remedy. It cures itching instantly."
R. M. SWANN, Franklin, La.

Bold Raid by Foxes.
A curious vulpine raid was witnessed one recent Sunday on the Manor farm, Corston, near Malmesbury. A number of unsuspecting fowls were feeding quietly in one of the fields when a band of five foxes appeared. Heading for the fowls, they each picked out one of the unfortunate birds and made off, carrying their prey with them.—London Daily Mail.

Stood the Test.
Alcock's Plasters have successfully stood the test of sixty years' use by the public; their virtues have never been equalled by the unscrupulous imitators who have sought to trade upon their reputation by making plasters with holes in them, and claiming them to be "just as good as Alcock's." Alcock's plasters stand to-day indorsed by not only the highest medical authorities, but by millions of grateful patients who have proved their efficacy as a household remedy.

CLEARED HIMSELF OF BLAME.
Explanation of Politician That Surely Was Convincing.

A recent incident in Australia is related as showing how watchful a politician must be in this censorious age. Among other accounts of a deadhead nature on the books of the Westralia railway was one setting forth that Miss Peacock had been franked over the lines to the value of \$35, and instantly the "e" was wide demands about it. People wanted to know why Sir Alexander Peacock's daughter was given these privileges. Sir Alexander himself, a former premier of Victoria, was very much hurt when he heard of the matter, and hastened to assure the Westralia government firstly, that if his daughter had appeared in Westralia, it was entirely without his sanction; secondly, if she had made claims upon the Westralia railways she had done it without his authority; thirdly, that never during his long political career had he asked his own state, let alone any other, to extend dead-heading privileges to a daughter of his; and, fourthly and finally, he had no daughter, and never has had a daughter.—Boston Transcript.

Coolies Show Affection.
The Chinese laborers in the Van Rhu gold mines recently presented to their white manager a handsome silver tray to mark their feelings of affection, "as deep as the sea."

Corn Field Sweetness

Corn has been known as a food since the days of the prophets, but it may safely be said it has never been prepared in so delicious a form as Elijah's Manna.

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SERIAL STORY.

THE SPENDERS

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CHAPTER XXIX—CONTINUED.

"Miss Milbrey is with Mrs. Van Geist, sir." Jarvis spoke regretfully. He had reasons of his own for believing that the severance of the Milbrey relationship with Mr. Bines had been nothing short of calamitous.

He rang Mrs. Van Geist's bell, five minutes later.

"The ladies haven't come back, sir. I don't know where they might be. Perhaps at the Valners', in Fifty-second street, sir."

He rang the Valners' bell.

"Mrs. Van Geist and Miss Milbrey? They left at least half an hour ago, sir."

"Go down the avenue slowly, driver!"

At Fortieth street he looked down to the middle of the block.

Mrs. Van Geist, alone, was just alighting from her coupe.

He signaled the driver.

"Go to the other address again, in Thirty-seventh street."

Jarvis opened the door.

"Yes, sir, thank you, sir—Miss Milbrey is in, sir. I'll see, sir."

He crossed the Rubicon of a doorway and stood in the unlighted hall. At the far end he saw light coming from a door that he knew opened into the library.

Jarvis came into the light. Behind him appeared Miss Milbrey in the doorway.

"Miss Milbrey says will you enter the library, Mr. Bines?"

CHAPTER XXX.

SOME RUDE BEHAVIOR, OF WHICH ONLY A WESTERN MAN COULD BE GUILTY.

He walked quickly back. At the doorway she gave him her hand, which he took in silence.

"Why—Mr. Bines—you wouldn't have surprised me last night. Tonight I pictured you on your way west."

Her gown was of dull blue dimity. She still wore her hat, an arch of straw over her face, with ripe red cherries nodding upon it as she moved. He closed the door behind him.

"Do come in. I've been having a solitary rummage among old things. It is my last night here. We're leaving for the country to-morrow, you know."

She stood by the table, the light from a shaded lamp making her color glow.

Now she noted that he had not spoken. She turned quickly to him as if to question.

He took a swift little step toward her, still without speaking. She stepped back with a sudden instinct of fright.

He took two quick steps forward and grasped one of her wrists. He spoke in cool, even tones, but the words came fast:

"I've come to marry you to-night; to take you away with me to that western country. You may not like the life. You may grieve to death for all I know—but you're going. I won't plead, I won't beg, but I am going to take you."

She had begun to pull away in alarm when he seized her wrist. His grasp did not bruise, it did not seem to be tight; but the hand that held it was immovable.

"Mr. Bines, you forget yourself. Really, this is—"

"Don't waste time. You can say all that needs to be said—I'll give you time for that before we start—but don't waste the time saying all those useless things. Don't waste time telling me I'm crazy. Perhaps I am. We can settle that later."

"Mr. Bines—how absurd! Oh! let me go! You're hurting my wrist! Oh! don't—don't—don't! Oh!"

When he felt the slender wrist trying to wriggle from his grasp he had closed upon it more tightly, and trusting his other arm quickly behind her, had drawn her closely to him. Her cries and pleadings were being smothered down on his breast. Her struggles met only the unbending, pitiless resistance of steel.

"Don't waste time, I tell you—can't you understand? Be sensible—talk if you must—only talk sense."

"Let me go at once—I demand it—quick—oh!"

"Take this hat off!"

He forced the wrist he had been holding down between them, so that she could not free the hand, and with his own hand thus freed, he drew out the two long hat pins and flung the hat with its storm-tossed cherries across the room. Still holding her tightly, he put the free hand on her brow and thrust her head back, so that she was forced to look up at him.

"Let me see you—I want to see your eyes—they're my eyes now."

Her head strained against his hand to be down again, and all her strength was exerted to be away. She found she could not move in any direction.

"Oh, you're hurting my neck. What shall I do? I can't scream—think what it would mean!—you're hurting my neck!"

"You are hurting your own neck—stop it!"

He kissed her face, softly, her cheeks, her eyes, her chin.

"I've loved you so—don't—what's the use? Be sensible. My arms have starved for you—do you think they're going to loosen now? Avise Milbrey—Avise Milbrey—Avise Milbrey!"

His arms tightened about her as he said the name over and over.

"That's poetry—it's all the poetry there is in the world. It's a verse I say over in the night. You can't understand it yet—it's too deep for you. It means I must have you—and the next verse means that you must have me—a poor man—a poor man's wife—and all the other verses—millions of them—mean that I'll never give you up—and there's a lot more verses for you to write, when you understand—meaning that you'll never give me up—and there's one in the beginning means I'm going to carry you out and marry you to-night—now, do you understand?—right off—this very night!"

"Oh! Oh! this is so terrible! Oh, it's so awful!"

Her voice broke, and he felt her body quiver with sobs. Her face was pitifully convulsed, and tears welled in her eyes.

"Let me go—let me—go!"

He released her head, but still held her closely to him. Her sobs had become uncontrollable.

"Here—" he reached for the little lace-edged handkerchief that lay beside her long gloves and her purse, on the table.

She took it mechanically.

"Please—oh, please let me go—I beg you." She managed it with difficulty.



"OH! LET ME GO!"

between the convulsions that were rending her.

He put his lips down upon the soft hair.

"I won't—do you understand that? Stop talking nonsense."

He thought there would no end to the sobs.

"Have it out, dear—there's plenty of time."

Once she seemed to have stopped the tears. He turned her face up to his own again, and softly kissed her wet eyes. Her full lips were parted before him, but he did not kiss them. The sobs came again.

"There—there!—it will soon be over."

At last she ceased to cry from sheer exhaustion, and when, with his hand under her chin, he forced up her head again, she looked at him a full minute and then closed her eyes.

He kissed their lids.

There came from time to time the involuntary quick little indrawings of breath—the aftermath of her weeping.

He held her so for a time, while neither spoke. She had become too weak to struggle.

"My arms have starved for you so," he murmured. She gave no sign.

"Come over here." He led her, unresisting, around to the couch at the other side of the table.

"Sit here, and we'll talk it over, sensibly, before you get ready."

When he released her, she started quickly up toward the door that led into the hall.

"Don't do that—please don't be foolish."

He locked the door, and put the key in his pocket. Then he went over to the big folding doors and satisfied himself they were locked from the other side. He went back and stood in front of her. She had watched him with dumb terror in her face.

"Now we can talk—but there isn't much to be said. How soon can you be ready?"

"You are crazy!"

"Possibly—believe what you like."

"How did you ever dare? Oh, how awful!"

"If you haven't passed that stage, I'll hold you again."

"No, no—please don't—please stand up again. Sit over there—I can think better."

"Think quickly. This is Saturday, and to-morrow is their busy day. They may not sit up late to-night."

She arose with a little shrug of desperation that proclaimed her to be in the power of a mad man. She looked at her face in the oval mirror, wiping her eyes and making little passes and pats at her disordered hair. He went over to her.

"No, no—please go over there again. Sit down a moment—let me think. I'll talk to you presently."

There was silence for five minutes.

He watched her, while she narrowed her eyes in deep thought.

Then he looked at his watch.

"I can give you an hour, if you've

anything to say before it's done—not longer."

She drew a long breath.

"Mr. Bines, are you mad? Can't you be rational?"

"I haven't been irrational. I give you my word, not once since I came here."

He looked at her steadily. All at once he saw her face go crimson. She turned her eyes from his with an effort.

"I'm going back to Montana in the morning. I want you to marry me one more day—one more hour. I know it's a thing you never dreamed of—marrying a poor man. You'll look at it as the most disgraceful act of folly you could possibly commit, and so will every one else here—but you'll do it. To-morrow at this time you'll be half-way to Chicago with me."

"Mr. Bines—I'm perfectly reasonable and serious—I mean it—are you quite sure you didn't lose your wits when you lost your money?"

"It may be considered a witless thing to marry a girl who would marry for money—but never mind that—I'm used to taking chances."

She glanced up at him curiously.

"You know I'm to marry Mr. Shepler the tenth of next month."

"Your grammar is faulty—tense is wrong—you should say 'was to have married Mr. Shepler.' I'm fastidious about those little things, I confess."

"How can you jest?"

"I can't. Don't think this is any joke. He'll find out."

"Who will find out—what, pray?"

"He will. He's already said he was afraid there might have been some nonsense between you and me, because we talked that evening at the Old-akers'. He told my grandfather he wasn't at all sure of you until that day I lost my money."

"Oh, I see—and of course you'd like your revenge—carrying me off from him just to hurt him."

"If you say that I'll hold you in my arms again." He started toward her.

"I've loved you so, I tell you—all the time—all the time."

"Or perhaps it's a brutal revenge on me—after thinking I'd only marry for money."

"I've loved you always, I tell you."

He came up to her, more gently now, and took up her hand to kiss it. He saw the ring.

"Take his ring off!"

She looked up at him with an amused little smile, but did not move. He reached for the hand, and she put it behind her.

"Take it off," he said, harshly.

He forced her hand out, took off the ring with its gleaming stone, none too gently, and laid it on the table behind him. Then he covered the hand with kisses.

"Now it's my hand. Perhaps there was a little of both those feelings you accuse me of—perhaps I did want to triumph over both you and Shepler—and the other people who said you'd never marry for anything but money—but do you think I'd have had either one of those desires if I hadn't loved you? Do you think I'd have cared how many Sheplers you married if I hadn't loved you, so, night and day—always turning to you in spite of everything—loving you always, under everything—always, I tell you."

"Under what—what 'everything'?"

"When I was sure you had no heart—that you couldn't care for any man except a rich man—that you would marry only for money."

"You thought that?"

"Of course I thought it."

"What has changed you?"

"Nothing. I'm going to change it now by proving differently. I shall take you against your will—but I shall make you love me—in the end. I know you—you're a woman, in spite of yourself."

"You were entirely right about me. I would even have married you because of the money."

"Tell me what it is you're holding back—don't wait."

"Let me think—don't talk, please!"

She sat a long time silent, motionless, her eyes fixed ahead. At length she stirred herself to speak.

"You were right about me, partly—and partly wrong. I don't think I can make you understand. I've always wanted so much from life—so much more than it seemed possible to have. The only thing for a girl in my position and circumstances was to make what is called a good marriage. I wanted what that would bring, too. I was torn between the desires—or rather the natural instincts and the trained desires. I had ideals about loving and being loved, and I had the material ideals of my experience in this world over here."

"I was untrue to each by turns. Here—I want to show you something."

She took up a book with closely written pages.

"I came here to-night—I won't conceal from you that I thought of you when I came. It was my last time here, and you had gone, I supposed. Among other things I had out this old diary to burn, and I had found this, written on my eighteenth birthday, when I came out—the fond, romantic secret ideal of a foolish girl—listen:—"

"The Soul of Love wed the Soul of Truth and their daughter, Joy, was born; who was immortal and in whom they lived forever!"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Liquor in House of Lords.

Many whisky firms of Great Britain advertise that their brand of whisky is "used in boozing kens of the house of lords." This is an annoyance to the great lords who, while they take the whisky all right, don't care about the fact being advertised. There are several bars in the houses of parliament where the king's lawmakers are wont to liquidate and which pay no excise license either.

MRS. McNEAR KILLED.

FOUR BULLETS SENT INTO HER BODY.

McNEAR THEN SHOT HIMSELF.

Mrs. McNear's Suit for Divorce Was to Have Come Up in Beaumont Thursday.

Port Arthur, Tex.: One of the most sensational tragedies ever witnessed in this city occurred at about 4:40 Wednesday afternoon, when Ed E. McNear shot and killed his wife, shot his mother-in-law and then turned the pistol and shot himself. McNear and his wife had been separated for the past three months, and Mrs. McNear had filed suit for divorce, which suit was to be tried in Beaumont Thursday.

Mrs. McNear and her mother had been doing some shopping and were returning home when they were joined by McNear, who spoke to his wife, asking her how many boarders she had now and several other unimportant questions, and then asked if he might enter the house, as he wished to talk with her. Upon being refused this request McNear then wanted to know if there could not be something done to make up their difficulties, to which he received a negative answer. His wife then wanted to know if he had settled the notes which had been made in the division of the property. McNear then stated that he would not pay them unless she would agree to live with him again.

Upon her saying that she would positively never live with him again under any circumstances, and that she wished him to say what he had to say in the court room and never come near her again, McNear drew a .38-caliber revolver and shot his wife in the side, the ball entering her heart.

The wife's mother ran and McNear shot three times at her, one ball entering her shoulder, the other two going wild. McNear then shot himself in the breast and again shot his wife, who had fallen, this ball entering her head.

He then broke and reloaded the revolver, shot himself twice, then shot his wife twice, both balls entering the head. Mrs. McNear was shot three times in the head and once in the side, dying almost instantly.

McNear shot himself six times immediately above the heart. Three balls, however, were just buried in the flesh, which was due to the heavy clothing worn by him and \$500 in currency which he had sewed in his shirt. These bullets were removed by physicians. The other three entered the body and cannot up to this hour be located. Physicians attending him state that he will possibly recover.

NO HOPE FOR McNAIR.

He Was Taken to a Hospital at Beaumont Thursday.

Beaumont, Tex.: Ed E. McNear, the man who killed his wife and wounded his mother-in-law and himself at Port Arthur Wednesday afternoon, was brought to the hospital here Thursday morning, and in the evening it was reported that he was resting very well, but there is little hope that he will recover. The patient is nominally under arrest, having been given in charge of the sheriff by the Port Arthur officers.

ROBBED OF \$985.

Gore Dropped Asleep in a Car and Was Relieved of His Wad.

Temple, Tex.: A robbery was reported to City Marshal Hugh Smith Monday by John I. Goree of Waco, a civil engineer in the employ of the Texas Central Railroad. Mr. Goree boarded a passenger train at Waco destined for Buckholts, and soon after taking his seat in one of the coaches dropped off to sleep. Upon awakening he found that during his slumbers he had lost a roll of greenbacks representing a value of \$985, with absolutely no clew as to who could have committed the theft.

To Plant Cowpeas on Onion Ground.

Laredo, Tex.: At a meeting of the Truck Growers' Association of Webb county Wednesday night, among other business transacted was the ordering of a carload of cowpeas to be planted in the onion fields after the crop is gathered on account of the great fertilizing properties it was demonstrated to possess last year.

Seguin Egg Shipments.

Seguin, Tex.: Eight hundred and fifty dollars' worth of eggs were shipped out of this town by one firm Saturday, the result of one day's influx of eggs from the country. They brought in the neighborhood of 13c per dozen and were shipped at once to New York, via Galveston.

Child Drank Carbolic Acid.

Alvarado, Tex.: Lee Neff, a young farmer whose home is four miles south of town, lost a 2½-year-old child Tuesday by its taking carbolic acid. While playing in the yard the little one found a bottle partly filled with the acid and drank part of it. Death resulted in a very short time.

Castroville, Tex.: Friday morning this section had the first rain this year, with every prospect of more. It is too late, however, to benefit the oats.

A WARSHIP BLOWN UP.

TORPEDO EXPLODES DEMOLISHING FRENCH BATTLESHIP.

Commander, Chief of Staff and 70 to 80 Bluejackets Lose Their Lives—Child Killed Instantly.

Toulon: A terrible disaster occurred here Tuesday afternoon. The powder magazine on board the French battleship Iena blew up at 1:35 and as a result Capt. Adigard, Commander of the battleship, Capt. Veritier, Chief of Staff of the Mediterranean Squadron and from seventy to eighty bluejackets are dead, while Rear Admiral Manceron and hundreds of other men are suffering from injuries, some of them horrible in their extent. Naval circles are aghast and the public is stunned by the appalling catastrophe, coming so soon after the loss of the French submarine Lutin, in which sixteen men met death.

The entire after part of the Iena was blown to pieces, the bodies of the victims were hurled through the air by a succession of other explosions, and panic-stricken workmen at the arsenal fled from the vicinity of the drydocks for their lives. Scores of those on board the Iena jumped overboard on the stone quays and sustained serious injuries.

A Torpedo Exploded.

The primary cause of the accident was the explosion of a torpedo. What caused the explosion is not known, but the powder magazines of the Iena were set on fire and their contents in exploding practically destroyed what was conceded one of the best vessels of the French navy. The Iena had just undergone a final inspection in her hull and machinery, the latter having been completely overhauled preparatory to joining the squadron Wednesday. The crew was in its full strength, being composed of Rear Admiral, twenty-four other officers and 630 men. The magazine had been replenished recently and contained many tons of both smokeless and black powder, as well as a number of charges for torpedoes.

The crew had finished their midday meal only a short time before the explosion and had dispersed to various parts of the vessel. Most of the men were engaged in work connected with the approaching departure of the warship, but quite a large party had been detailed to attend a lecture that was being given forward.

FIFTY CORPSES RECOVERED.

Only Twelve Were Recognizable—The Rest Were But Charred Mass.

Toulon: The efforts to recover the bodies of those killed by the explosion on board the French battleship Iena, which had been carried out with energy for twenty-four hours, have not yet resulted in definitely fixing the number of casualties.

After the last roll call Wednesday night there were still unaccounted for eight officers and 110 men. Unfortunately there is little doubt that all these missing men perished.

RECEPTION TO BAILEY.

Gainesville Citizens Prepare a Welcome for March 23.

Gainesville, Tex.: Some of Senator Bailey's close friends here Thursday received word from him that he would return to Texas next week and would reach Gainesville on the 23d inst. The committees that had prepared to give him a reception here before he left for Washington at once became active, and announced that a great reception will be given the Senator here next Saturday week, March 23. A banquet at night will also be tendered Mr. Bailey, and his friends from all parts of the State will be invited to attend.

Southwest Texas Fruit Crop.

San Antonio, Tex.: Reports received from all portions of this section are to the effect that the fruit crop was not as seriously injured as was at first thought as the result of a very cold spell in February, and that there is every indication of a very good crop. The country west of San Antonio, Kerrville, Boerne, Comfort and other mountain towns, contains very important fruit growing vicinities.

Laredo Man Injured in Mexico.

Laredo, Tex.: A telegram was received here by Mr. Reid informing him of a serious accident his grandson, Ellsworth Wiggins, had met with in the manufacturing establishment of his father, E. J. Wiggins, in Monterey, Mexico, and there was little hope of his recovery.

Dodge School Closed by Measles.

Dodge, Tex.: The Dodge public school has been suspended indefinitely on account of an epidemic of measles, which is ranging here. Several cases of the measles have broken out among the school children and it was decided to suspend school until all danger is over.

Fell Thirteen Stories.

Cincinnati, O.: Leaping head first from a window ledge on the thirteenth floor of the Traction building at Fifth and Walnut streets, Gertrude Hanison, aged 20 years, a stenographer, committed suicide Wednesday in the sight of hundreds of people.

Sawmill at Sacul.

Nacogdoches, Tex.: The sawmill of A. J. Carothers at Sacul burned Thursday night with a large quantity of lumber. Amount of loss and insurance not learned.

HAIL, RAIN AND COLD.

WET NORTHER STRUCK TEXAS—GENERALLY NEEDED.

FEAR FOR GROWING CORN.

But in Many Places Seed Had Failed to Germinate on Account of the Long Drouth.

Alleyton, Colorado Co., Tex.: The long continued spell of warm weather was broken Wednesday night by the coming of a brisk norther. At noon Thursday hail fell for about three minutes, followed by a heavy shower of rain sufficient only to settle the dust. No material damage was done by the hail in this immediate vicinity. It the cold wave lasts long it will seriously injure gardens as well as some cotton that is up.

Temple.—A good, hard rain fell here Wednesday night and intermittent showers occurred here during Thursday. The temperature took a decided drop and the weather is quite cold. The rain will do a great deal of good to the growing crops, and is gladly welcomed by the farming interests.

Moulton.—A brisk norther blew up at 3 o'clock Thursday morning, accompanied by a little rain. All prospects for a freeze. Should it freeze it will be a great loss, as nearly all corn is up, potatoes, gardens, etc. Fruit trees are in full bloom.

Lyons.—Had some nice showers here Wednesday night and Thursday, but also a cool norther. Farming is progressing nicely. Lots of corn up and a good many have planted some cotton. Gardens looking lively, but cut worms and insects are rather bad.

San Antonio.—A cold, wet norther struck San Antonio early Thursday morning, and the temperature is low enough to make overcoats comfortable. A slow rain is falling, but the precipitation has not been heavy enough to do much good as yet.

Houston.—Thursday morning at an early hour a norther struck the city and continued through the day. At first there was some rain, but it did not last long. Thursday night was clear, with the wind still from the north, but not very cold.

McDade.—The three months' drouth was broken Wednesday night when a brisk north wind, accompanied by rain blew up about 8:30 o'clock. Another shower fell Thursday morning, with good prospects for more.

Paige.—A norther blew up Wednesday night and a good shower of rain fell here Thursday morning, which was very much needed for all spring planting. Not near enough rain fell, but indications are for more.

Yoakum.—A cold norther, accompanied by a light rain, struck Yoakum Thursday morning about 4 o'clock. The wave continues to get colder, with prospects of more rain.

Lampasas.—A nice rain fell here Thursday morning, which will prove of great benefit to small grain and corn that has been planted.

Cuero.—A cool, dry norther came up Wednesday night.

SCRAP IN SENATE.

Correspondent Quarles and Senator Halsey Mix.

Austin, Tex.: Senator W. R. Halsey of Navarro county and James Hayes Quarles, Austin correspondent of the Houston Post, had a fistie encounter on the floor of the Senate late Friday afternoon. Several blows were exchanged before the participants could be separated by Sergeant at Arms Clem Allen and others. Senator Halsey was struck in the face, the blow glancing off his temple and leaving no mark. Mr. Quarles' white vest was torn, but he was otherwise uninjured.

So far as known here, there has never been an incident which paralleled that of Friday. Never before in the history of the Texas Senate, it is asserted, has a member engaged in a fight on the floor of the chamber.

Corn Planting in San Jacinto.

Shepherd, San Jacinto Co., Tex.: Corn planting is done in this county and some are plowing it out for the first time. Some few have planted cotton, expecting to have to plant over. Although peach trees at this season are generally done blooming, not one in this neighborhood has put out a leaf or blossom, as the winter, though milder than for many years past, has been too dry to furnish sap for the trees.

Eight Years for Murder.

Eagle Lake, Tex.: Tom Gooden, a negro of this place, at Ramsey's Point last October was convicted of a crime in the district court at Columbus Thursday and sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary.

Hauling Water.

Seguin, Tex.: Twelve miles north of Seguin the drouth stricken territory begins, and water hauling from the San Marcos river is a ruinous necessity for the man with only two or three teams. The country there is highly cultivated, thickly settled and very productive, but at present writing is a parched, dust-laden plain.

Plantersville, Grimes Co., Tex.: Pine rains have fallen this week, with north wind. Corn is up to a good stand. Some few are planting cotton.

Fifty Years the Standard

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

A Cream of Tartar Powder
Made From Grapes
NO ALUM

Our Austin Contributor

John E. Davis

Austin, March 11.
The first sixty days of the present session expired last Friday and the members are now receiving only \$2 per day. This will, of course, have a tendency to hurry matters along toward adjournment. As the Legislature can raise the pay of its members back to \$5 per day by adjourning and forcing the Governor to call an extra session, it remains to be seen how long they will be content to work for \$2 per day. The pay of the officers and employees remains the same, ranging from \$2 per day for pages and porters to \$4 for some of the clerks and \$5 for the greater number.

Notes About the Senate.

From the data compiled for the Legislative Manual, is gathered the following facts about the members of the Senate. The oldest members of that body is Senator Joseph Faust of New Braunfels, Comal county. He is sixty-two years old but is a hale and hearty old gentleman. The youngest member is Senator E. B. Mayfield of Meridian, Bosque county. The digits used to tell the age of the oldest member have to be reversed to tell the age of Senator Mayfield, as he is only twenty-six years of age. Senator G. W. Glasscock of Georgetown, Williams county, has had more service in the Senate than any other member, having served in the 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, and 29th Senates. Of the thirty-two men comprising the Senate, including the Lieutenant Governor, twenty-four are lawyers, three are merchants, two are farmers and there is one civil engineer, one cowboy and one banker. The nativity of the members represents twelve States, as follows: Born in Texas, 12; Arkansas, 4; Tennessee, 3; Georgia, South Carolina, Kentucky and Mississippi, 2 each; Missouri, Virginia, Louisiana and Prussia, 1 each. There are twenty-nine employees exclusive of the pages and porters. Of these twenty are men and nine ladies. Of the twenty men employed a majority of them are newspaper men and professional stenographers. With the exception of the postmistress and one general clerk, the ladies employed are all stenographers.

Made a Day Forty-eight Hours Long.
Since the days of Joshua no record exists of any one being able to leave the sun stand still, but the Texas Legislature sometimes takes a step that reaches practically the same end. Monday of each week is suspension day in the House and the rules permit the suspension of the regular order to take up other measures by a majority vote, whereas it takes two-thirds to suspend the regular order on any other day. Last Monday at the completion of the day's work the House refused to adjourn but took a recess in order that suspension day might be extended with the result that the work of the following day appeared as a part of the work done on Monday, and as far as the House is officially concerned there was no such day as Tuesday.

Theatre Trust Bill Approved by the Governor.
If the bill introduced by Senator Griggs of Harris County, passed by both branches of the Legislature and approved by the Governor, accomplishes its purpose, theatrical companies in Texas can no longer secure free advertising by the claim that the theatre trust denies them the use of the opera houses throughout the State, as the law seeks to prevent discrimination against any company.
Mr. Bryan is Coming.
Hon. William Jennings Bryan of Nebraska, who was invited by the Legislature some time ago to come to Austin and address the Legislature, has wired the Governor accepting the invitation and fixing the date for Friday, March 29. Preparations for his coming have already been begun and he will be given a royal reception.

Gov. Campbell Has Made it Clear that he is a Strong State's Rights Man by his Positive Statement that he would never agree to turning over

the border quarantine stations of Texas to the Federal government. The Governor is a very firm man and this declaration may be taken to mean that he will stick to that position.

Speaker Love Has Hard Fight.

Thos. B. Love of Dallas, Speaker of the House, led a hard fight on the floor of the House several days last week to secure an amendment to the McGreggor-Baskin saloon regulation bill, to provide for uniform high license for saloons of \$1,200 per year. The amendment as applying to all cities and towns was defeated but Mr. Love succeeded in having an amendment adopted providing for uniform high license in cities in Texas situated in counties which had 80,000 or more population at the last census. This applies only to Dallas county and if the bill is passed finally by both houses with this provision Mr. Love believes that a test of the law in Dallas will bring about a sentiment in favor of its adoption for all the cities of the State.

Christian Scientists Lose Out.

The narrow margin by which the Christian Scientists' amendment to the medical bill was defeated in the Senate, the Lieut. Governor casting the deciding vote against it, as was told last week, encouraged them to carry the fight into the House with a vigor. Large delegations of the adherents of that belief overrun the Capital City during the week and there were many ladies in the crowd. The amendment, however, was voted down by a big majority—about two to one, and their hard fight was therefore in vain.

Lieut. Governor Springs a Surprise.

For many years there has been a rule in the Senate whereby a minority could engage in filibustering tactics for the purpose of defeating or delaying legislation. The rule was that under a call of the Senate a two-thirds vote was necessary to excuse the absentees. Under this rule if there were twenty-nine Senators present and ten of them were opposed to the pending bill they could have a call of the Senate and prevent the excusing of the absentees, thereby tying up the Senate. Last Thursday these tactics were resorted to to prevent a consideration of House bill No. 14, giving city and town councils the right to regulate and control light and power companies. Lieut. Governor Davidson exploded a bomb by holding that the Constitutional provision which says that two-thirds of the Senate shall constitute a quorum to do business means all business and that a majority could excuse the absentees; that rule requiring a two-thirds vote to excuse them was in conflict with the State Constitution and therefore void. Several Senators took issue with him but he remained firm. If he is right, and it seems to me that his position is well taken, then his ruling is certainly in the interest of sound public policy.

Interurban Bill Approved.

The governor has approved the bill giving Interurban Electric railways the same right of eminent domain now given steam railways. There was some objection urged to the act, to which the Governor gave a patient hearing. In conversation with Gov. Campbell a day or two before he signed the act, he told me that he saw no serious objection to the measure but on the other hand that he thought it would encourage the building of interurban lines.

Flood of Bills Ceases.

Up to date about 850 bills have been introduced in both branches of the Legislature but the daily flood of bills has ceased. The near approach of the close of the session and the crowded condition of the calendar are such that bills introduced at this late day would have little chance of passage, hence the decrease in the number presented.

Census Will Be Taken.

The resolution by Representative Lane of Tarrant, making it the duty of the several tax assessors throughout the State to take the census of all living Confederate soldiers, their wives and widows and file same with the Comptroller, has been approved by the Governor and the census will be taken next year. This measure was pushed by the Confederate Veterans Association.

Uniform Text-book Bill Includes Cities.

The re-enactment of the uniform text book law by the Senate passed that body in such a shape that it applies to large cities which have heretofore been exempted from its provisions, though a hard fight was made to exempt them. Those in favor of that proposition have not given up the fight, however, but will seek to have the House amend it so that it will not apply to the cities of the State.

Corporation Candidates.

The House has acted favorably on the bill by Representative Terrell of Cherokee to compel candidates for office to file a statement showing the extent of their connection with any and all corporations before their names can be placed on the ballot. If this bill should pass it would not affect any now holding office, but would make some now holding office ineligible for re-election unless they severed some present connections.

Stamp Tax Proposed.

Representative Kennedy of Limestone has introduced a bill providing for stamp tax as a means of raising revenue, similar to the one enforced by the Federal government to defray the expenses of the war with Spain. It provides a tax on deeds, deeds of trust, mortgages, transfers of stocks of bonds of corporations, notes and other legal instruments, the minimum tax to be 25 cents and the charge to be increased according to the consideration or amount involved.

"Ghost Bill" Passed to Engravesment.

The bill commonly known as the "Ghost Bill," which has been offered at every Legislature for the past ten years, has been passed to engravesment in the House. The bill provides for the turning over to medical colleges of the unclaimed corpses of paupers. Heretofore the opposition to the bill has been strong enough to defeat it and it is very probable that it will again, notwithstanding the fact that it has passed to third reading in one branch of the Legislature.

To Defeat Robertson Insurance Bill.

A strong fight is being made by the insurance men to defeat the Robertson insurance bill. The most objectionable feature of the bill is that provision which seeks to compel insurance companies doing business in this State to make certain investments in Texas. The author of the bill thinks two good purposes, one of which is to force the foreign companies to do something for the State that does so much for them and to protect the Texas policy holders in said companies.

JOKÉ ON A WOMAN'S HEIRS.

Package Thought Valuable Surprise the Lawyers When Opened.

There is such a thing as carrying a joke too far. Six years ago an English woman who was traveling in Canada deposited in the vaults of a Toronto trust company a parcel carefully bound and secured with a number of imposing seals. It was understood that the parcel contained jewels of great value and therefore it was guarded with zealous care.

A few weeks ago the English woman died, and in a clause in her will made mention of the deposit in trust in Toronto. After due process of law it was ordered that the seals be broken in the Canadian city. Heirs in the old land and one in a far distant point in Canada sent their respective lawyers to be present at the opening of the valuable package. On the day appointed the lawyers assembled in a private office of the trust company. Here is a correspondent's description of the scene that followed:

"Red seals on the outside of the bundle were first broken, then an array of green colored seals was encountered. After this wrapping came fold after fold of paper. Then the lawyers saw an oblong pasteboard box, also carefully sealed. The excitement was almost intense. Heads of perspiration stood out on the learned brows of the privileged few present. With the unfolding of each successive wrapping around the box they expected to see the glitter of gold and the luster of diamonds. At last with nervous fingers it was opened; the treasure seemed near at hand. Two more folds of paper were undone and several pairs of legal eyes saw an innocent and faded pair of corsets."

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