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BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, OCT 31, 1903

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We are Prepared to meet the Demands for the occasion and save you money

Look Out for Cold Weather

For anything to wear see us. We figure your Fall Bills right. Try us

Butterick Patterns, call for Fashion Sheets.

Our Clothing Department is Complete Shoes in all grades and styles, Ladies Coats and Children's Jackets, Dress Goods and Trimmings the Latest and Best, Fleece Lined and Woolen Underwear, Blankets, Comforts 50c up to the Best, Mens Ladies and children sweaters Woolen and fleece lined shirts, Mens fine Dress Shirts and E. & W. Collars

D. REEDER

New Trimmings just received.

Salvation Army.
San Angelo, Tex., Oct. 25.—The Salvation Army has in view the establishment of a colony for poor people on land near San Angelo, in line with a similar colony which the army has at Amity, Colo. The visit of the high officers to this place was for the purpose of investigating the conditions here, the price of land and the opportunity here for such a colony. It is thought the fine climate here will be a factor to aid in the ultimate establishment here of the army's colony.

Wingate News.
J. M. Scoggins and family went to Abilene this week visiting relatives. Misses Maude and May Lankford of Ballinger was visiting their grand parents last Saturday and Sunday. Miss Roxie Allen entertained Saturday night. Prof. Pickle and his bride have cast their lot with us. We think from their appearance we have two good teachers and are anticipating an out come in the school.

BALLINGER - MILLING - CO.
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Dr. A. W. Barton,
Physician and Surgeon,
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Office in Barton Drug Store.
Will do a general practice. All calls answered promptly day or night.

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Office over Walker's Drug Store.
Will do a general practice.—All calls day or night, answered promptly.

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Physicians and Surgeons
BALLINGER, TEXAS.
Office over Walker's Drug Store.
Will do a general practice. All calls night or day answered promptly.

Let's all help them make the school a success. Much depends upon the patrons. Quite a crowd of Wingate people attended Gentry Bros. show. Lagrippe in a light form is now raging in Wingate. Mrs Farrer has been quite sick but is some better at present. Mr. Raby Padgett was around this week collecting taxes. Dr. Wyatt is on the sick list this week. Misses Mattie Church, Neta and Grace Davis of Pumphrey were pleasant visitors at Wingate last Saturday. Dr. Wyatt exhibited a potato at Moore's store last Saturday that weighed 4½ pounds. This is a fine farming country any way, you can tell that by the amount of cotton that has passed from our gin, something near 2000 bales. How is that for a country gin?

We are glad to report Miss Ida Holsehouser some better at this writing. Mrs Humphreys went to Abilene on business last week. Mrs. Edward Gentry has been visiting relatives at this place past week. Mr. Ab Gannaway made a business trip to Winters Sunday. Miss Margaret Hendry visited on Oak Creek Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Tom Barrot has rented a farm with a dwelling house on it. Guess he is going to "batch." Wonder why Mr. Chum Cathey didn't go to Ballinger Sunday? What we call sorrow is often God's protecting shadow. A life without storm is without strength. Get on the other side of a hinderance and you will see it labeled "help." It is better to be God's little child than the world's great man. "Routh."

Take Notice;
People if you have a big fat hog for sale call on Joe Ashbacker; and if you want genuine hog lard call on Joe Ashbacker.

Shows in Ballinger.
That Ballinger has been well represented by shows is a fact that only a visit to our city the past two weeks would convince one. Last week The Jack C. Taylor Co. held the boards six nights, and the latter part of that week a Waco outfit with a medicine show in a tent put up near Hoffer's livery and feed stables. This show remained over this week. Gentry Bros.' dog and pony show gave two performances here Wednesday and was attended by large crowds at home and from the country. On Tuesday of this week a tent was stretched at the rear of H. Winkler's store a great show was announced, and has been running since.

Injunction Dissolved.
The following clipped from the Daily Bulletin shows Judge Goodwin's ruling on the injunction case heard before him this week: "Last night Judge Goodwin, after a two days hearing of the motion, issued an order dissolving the local option injunction granted by Judge Spencer. There is nothing now left for the antis to do, unless it be to file a motion to reconsider, and as that would have to be heard before Judge Goodwin, who on account of the importance of the case, and the fact that there is no appeal from his decision has already given unusual thought to it, such an action is not probable. If the order of the County Judge is carried out the local option notice will be published today and again next Thursday and that will put prohibition in effect. It has been rumored that the antis will endeavor to secure another injunction, before publication is completed, but in the face of Judge Goodwin's decision that will be hard to do. It is likely that the decision will be accepted as a final settlement of the questions involved.

Judge Crosson went to Houston Thursday.

The Prairie Dog Election.
The prairie dog election passed off very quietly and a very light vote was polled. Up to time of going to press only 12 boxes had been heard from out of a total of 16. The following vote was polled in boxes heard from:

	For	Against
Content.....	15	1
Antelope S. H.....	9	1
Cochran.....	12	1
Winters.....	37	4
Norton.....	8	0
Pearce S. H.....	16	0
Norwood.....	5	1
Rowena.....	15	0
Runnels.....	14	1
Dog Hollow S. H.....	6	0
Ballinger.....	55	6
Crews.....	10	2
Total	172	16

Don't Forget

That we have been Cotton Factors for over 30 years and that our Senior continues to give his personal attention to every detail of our cotton business.

That we own the largest Compress and the most extensive and best equipped Warehouses in the South, enabling us to have direct supervision over every bale of cotton from the time we receive it until we sell it.

That our business has steadily increased from year to year until we are receiving shipments of cotton from every county in the State and the Territories where cotton is cultivated.

That our books show the names of cotton shippers that for 25 consecutive years have never sold a bale of cotton in the country.

That we would not continue to ask for shipments of cotton unless we had produced results that have defied thousands of shippers and made them our customers.

Wm. D. Cleveland the CASADAY
Houston, Texas

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We answer this question. 1st. Where the prices are right. 2nd. Where the goods are fresh and first class. 3rd. Where you will receive Courteous and Honest Treatment.

The Miller Mercantile Co

Fulfills the above requirements in every respect. Give us a trial order and we are sure you will be our regular customer.

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For Horse Millinery Goods. Call On Lankford & Hathaway

Leaders in all kinds of Saddles and Harness, Lap Robes Whips and Lashes

Dr. A. W. Barton's Drug Store

Is the place to buy Drugs and get relieved of the Whiskey, Morphine and Tobacco Habit. Cure guaranteed.

8th Street, BALLINGER, TEXAS

The Fair is the place to save money on Dry Goods and Groceries. 8th St.

A TEXAS WONDER.

Hall's Great Discovery.

One small bottle of the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, cures all kidney and bladder trouble, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder trouble in children. If not sold by your druggist will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months treatment. Dr. Ernest W. Hall, Sole Manufacturer, P. O. Box 629, St. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by all druggists and E. D. Walker.

is styled R. M. THIS.

pellant, against x. Oct 16, 1901, plement and Mach. Louis: Dear appellees, and inveys with very interest several mes and say a friend at Texas rning Address, den Medical N. f. d taken the content rgeran to improve. Alte honestly believe. I tely cured. I ant Pellets from an

Sam Bean, son of the famous Judge Roy Bean, "the law west of the Pecos," was arrested last week for goat stealing.

Lieutenant Hobson has finally decided to make the race for congress in his home district in Alabama, now represented by Congressman Bankhead.

A man in West Texas is said to have a cow that gives six gallons of milk and one pound of butter per day and stands up in a dry lot and milks herself for a living.

"You do me an injustice, gentlemen," said the star boarder meekly as he reached over and swiped the two last pieces of pie, "when you accuse me of a lack of piety."

A fine of not less than \$20 and not more than \$1000 is the penalty for evading quarantine, so those people who visited San Antonio and failed to return before quarantine was established are in a bad dilemma. Either run the risk of being fined and imprisoned or stay and run the chance of having yellow fever.

Financial crises have but little terror for the farmer who owns a reasonably good farm, and has a comfortable house to live in and comfortable barns for his live stock, his cribs, and stacks and bins and cellars well filled and is out of debt. He has the best and most reliable policy of insurance against want that human ingenuity can devise. If banks fail, that does not affect his crops. If merchants assign for the benefit of their creditors, it does not hurt him, for he has no creditors to provide for. He has many crops, and if by reason of drouths or floods any of them fail, the others will afford him plenty. He has bread and meat and butter and milk and every good thing to eat, and as others must eat, who produce no foods, he is sure of enough money to pay his taxes, and buy every necessity that he does not grow. None but the farmers are thus situated.

According to the director of the United States mint the output of gold and silver in the calendar year 1902 was a little in excess of \$109,000,000 in the aggregate. Of this sum \$29,000,000 represented silver, \$80,000,000 stood for gold. The aggregate differed only slightly from 1901, but there was an increase of gold in 1902 and a decrease in silver. Colorado still stands at the front among American communities in output of each metal with a yield of \$28,000,000 in gold and \$8,000,000 in silver. California is second in gold, with a product a little less than \$17,000,000, and Montana is second in silver \$8,000,000—Dallas News

A man who reads will think, and thinking enables him to safe conclusions. In every avenue of life men should read some wholesome literature bearing on their respective vocations and thereby the better qualify them for their work. No man can be a helpful citizen without keeping up with the affairs of his country, hence he needs his home paper.

Some enterprising liar in Houston sent out a report that there were twenty-five cases of yellow fever in that city and the Houston, Post now offers a reward of fifty dollars for the detection with proof of the man who sent it. They intend to prosecute the fellow if he can be caught.

The cattle quarantine line has been virtually abolished by the adoption of a rule which allows cattle to cross the line at any time provided they have been dipped or immersed in "sarnal" fluid which kills the ticks and prevents the spread of the fever.

On account of reform agitation the marshal at San Angelo has notified all the saloons that they must stay closed on Sundays. The saloon men have met and agreed to close.

Last Saturday Lon Dillon, the great trotter, made a new record at Memphis. She made a record of 1:58 1/2 which is the best time ever made.

Many of the homeseekers enroute to Texas have taken the back track from Texas because of the yellow fever scare.

Merkel dudes are kicking because of the strike keeping the Express Company from bringing in the laundry baskets.

How Does This Strike You.

At Business we make our living, so why not prepare for it by taking a practical business or shorthand course at the Tyler College, Tyler, Texas.

It is not only the largest school of the kind in the South but its graduates are filling the most responsible positions to be found in most every town and city of the South. It is a school for the poor as well as the rich. It can fit you in a few months time and at a small expense to command an excellent salary.

Write them for their free catalogue. Address: Tyler College, Tyler, Texas

When in need of nice pickles and olives, jams etc., Phone 12.

Farmers who have never had strawberries of their own raising should repent of this serious sin of omission and get a small piece of ground ready. Spade it up or plow it deeply; hand-rake it thoroughly, after applying a heavy coating of manure. Set the plants in rows a yard apart and 18 inch apart in the rows. Plant carefully, having the soil well pulverized. Clip off the larger leaves, and also clip the tips of the roots, so as to have them fresh, using scissors. Then give a heavy dressing of wood ashes and keep down all weeds and grass. Twelve rows sixty feet long will furnish a good-sized family during the berry season. With an eighth of an acre, a good lot can be canned for fall and winter use.



A STEALTHY FOE

Steals upon us unawares, causing no pain or other symptoms to let us know of its presence until it has got its work in upon the liver. Thousands have Diabetes and do not know it. Diabetes both cures and prevents. Why not be safe?

Diabetes Can be Cured

Pope's Effervescent Diabetes. One heaping teaspoonful taken in half glass of water before each meal and before retiring at night, will absolutely remove all sugar from the urine and rebuild the tissues of the liver and kidneys. Guaranteed to cure or money refunded. If you cannot obtain this preparation from your druggist, write to us direct for testimonials and information



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We have for sale, an 80 acre tract of land on Hog Creek, improved, fenced, 40 acres in cultivation, with a house and well on it. Price, if taken soon, \$9.00 per acre. Will take two-thirds of the purchase money in cattle at market price.

The Lewis Mountain Pasture.

We have surveyed the Lewis Mountain Pasture and subdivided it into tracts of 165 acres to 640 and placed it on the market. Most of this land is very fine agricultural land, while a part of it is fine grazing land only, making it a very desirable location for farming and stock raising. There are a number of sections in the pasture owned by other clients of ours, which have heretofore been leased by Mr. Lewis, and purchasers of one or more sections may have the privilege of taking leases on these, as additional grazing lands. Prices are reasonable and terms easy: a small cash payment and the balance on long time at seven per cent interest. For particulars apply to

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Are one of the main essentials for good and whole some living, and

Pure, fresh groceries

Are the only kind that will produce such results Buy your Groceries

From us and you will get none but the good and wholesome kind.

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THIS MARKET.

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Ft. Worth, Chicago, Kansas City,
St. Louis or St. Joseph, Mo.

MARKET REPORTS FREE
ON APPLICATION.

Judge Guion attended court at
Brady this week.

F. M. Mitchell who runs the
Crews gin was in Tuesday.

T. H. Gray of Crews dropped
in to see us this week. Let oth-
ers come.

Judge Willingham is able to
be out again after being in bed
several days.

C. F. Dickinson is out at Fort
Chadbourne this week doing
some surveying.

G. M. Vaughn, the oil mill
magnate, honored Talpa with a
short call this week.

M. C. Bright and Alf A. Hans-
comb, two of Contents leading
citizens had business here Tues-
day.

T. S. Lankford got tired of
hard work and struck out to en-
joy himself at Dallas and Fort
Worth and incidentally transact
a little business this week.

Lots of cotton pickers are com-
ing out into this country from
the boll weevil districts to pick
cotton. A great swarm of them
got off at Norwood last Sunday
to work in that district.

Public Sale Day.

Don't forget that next Mon-
day is public sale and trade day
and that a great variety of
things will be offered for sale.

Money is now more plentiful
and many bargains can be found
that will be great money savers.
Combine business with pleasure
and attend.

The people of San Antonio had
a big mass meeting of business
men and doctors and declared
that not a single case of yellow
fever existed in the city. How-
ever, it is not at all likely that
they will make outsiders believe
it until Jack Frost has got in his
work thoroughly.

Barnum once said that people
like to be humbugged, and from
the fake medicine shows that hit
Ballinger this season we are in-
clined to believe that there is
some truth in that statement. If
not why is it that people will buy
a worthless medicine from a fake
when they wouldn't have the
same stuff given to them in a
responsible drug store or pre-
scribed to them by a reputable
physician?

J. Y. Pearce sells and ex-
changes school books.

B. B. Stone went up to Miles
on business last Tuesday.

Mrs. J. H. Miller returned
from San Angelo Saturday.

Charlie Marback went on a fly-
ing trip to San Angelo the first
of the week.

Don't freeze, Hall Hardware
Co. have just received a car
load of new heaters.

Chas. Grant of Winters passed
through Sunday afternoon en-
route for Galveston.

Carl Burley of San Angelo
was added to our fast growing
list of subscribers this week.

It is estimated that there will
be shipped from San Angelo
about thirty car loads of pecans.

Attorney M. C. Smith went to
Austin Monday for the purpose
of arguing a case before the
court of appeals.

Let Smith & Hall figure with
you on building material and
and your appreciation of the
firm will surely follow.

The San Antonio fair is still
running full blast, there being a
good patronage from the people
who are obliged to stay owing to
the quarantine.

We are after the town trade,
and if you don't believe we will
treat you right and appreciate
your trade, just try us for a
month. Alvis Bros.

In our last week's issue we
stated that Herman and Chas.
Geisecke went to San Antonio
to attend the fair, this was a mis-
take and we correct same. They
went to attend their father's fu-
neral.

The Hall Hdw. Co.

Carries the most complete line of
General Hardware in Ballinger

Heating Stoves

Are now in demand and we can
supply that demand

Prompt Service is Our Motto

We have a large line of Guns, Rifles
and Sporting Goods of every kind

Hall Hardware Company

The New York Racket Store

Our Motto is, Underbuy, Under-
sell, Cash on delivery. We are
selling

Tablets and ink	4cts
School Lunch Boxes	10 to 15 cts
24 slate pencils	5cts
Pen holders	1ct
Mucilage	4cts
Pen points	2 for 1 ct
Tablets and pencil	5cts
Pencils	1 cent up
Book Satchels	10cts
Ink per bottle	4cts
Erasers	2cts
Pen and Pencils	4cts

Don't Worry about our profits, we confess they are small
but we rely on many sales to increase them

Stubbs & Hartman

Opposite the Court House. Ballinger, Texas

We may be telling an old story
but we are not selling old goods.
Get a new set of Buggy Harness
before your wife gets a divorce
and get them at Bob Shaffer's.

Your Freight Business.
Let Joe Hardin handle your
freight business. Prompt de-
livery. Reasonable charges.
Also handles coal.

Rich cut glass at Cordill's.

Joe Hardin.

Are you going to Build

The BALLINGER LUMBER CO. handle
first class stuff for building purposes.
They figure close and accurately on all
bills and furnish just what they represent.
When in need of anything in our line let
me figure with you. Lime, Cement, Sash,
Doors and blinds always on hand.

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It's Not What You Make It's What You Save

That makes you rich and if you are
alive to your own interests you will find
you save money by trading here.
Other people do. Why not you? Our
groceries are the best.

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Phone 40.

Advertised Letter List.

Letters and wholly written
Postal Cards remaining in the
Ballinger, Texas Post Office, un-
claimed for two weeks, at close
of business on Saturday Oct
24, 1903. In calling for letters
please say advertised, giving
date of this list.

H. A. CADY, P.M.
The Chilton Dry Goods Co.
Cowen, Miss Roxie
Ferris, Robert T
Hinry, Will
Hince, J. L.
Justice, A. J. or W F Bordens
Ratliff, Robt.
Staker, Robert.

Last week by some unaccount-
able mistake we stated in this
paper that Mr. Lon Mapes
would make 140 bales of cotton
on 90 acres, when it should have
read 90 bales on 140 acres.

Miss Irby Towner came home
from a lengthy visit to the good
people of Santa Anna, Tuesday.

New Games

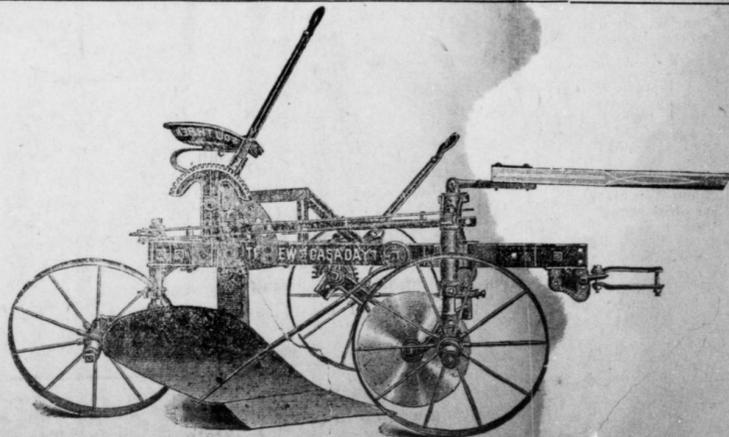
A FREE game inside
each package of

Lion Coffee

60 different games.

THERE IS NO BETTER

Just received a car of JOS. W. MOON Buggies that
have been bought right and will be sold right.



Now is the time to buy your sulky plows.

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Best Easy

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PROPRIETORS.

J. M. SKINNER

EDITOR.

CLYDE C. COCKRELL

BUSINESS MANAGER.

Entered at the Postoffice at Ballinger, Texas as second class matter.

SANTA FE TRAIN SERVICE.

PASSENGER TRAINS.

West-bound due at Ballinger

11:30 a. m.

East-bound due at Ballinger

4.45 p. m.

LOCAL TRAINS.

West-bound due at Ballinger

3:15 p. m.

East-bound due at Ballinger

10:40 a. m.

Citizens Must Pay Annual Poll Tax.

If not paid by Feb. 1, no vote next year, and the tax may be collected by law.

The Terrell election law is now operative and no one can vote during the year 1904 who has not complied with its provisions.

This law requires that every one who is subject to the payment of a poll tax shall pay same prior to Feb. 1, 1904, or lose their franchise. Said tax must be paid in person in cities of 10,000 inhabitants, but those living in smaller towns or the county can pay by an agent, provided they furnish a statement of facts required by this law. The following blank form will suggest the facts to be stated:

Order for Poll Tax Receipts
.....190.....

My race is... I have resided in Texas... years. I have resided in Runnels county... years. I am by occupation a... I certify that the above fact are true... payee., tax collector, Runnels county:..... as my agent is authorized to pay my pool tax for 1903. payee.



The diver dies without air to breathe. The consumptive dies without lungs to breathe the air, or of lungs rendered incapable of breathing by disease. The blood as it flows in and out of the lungs indicates the consumptive's progress. As the lungs grow weaker less oxygen is inhaled and the blood changes from scarlet to purple. Oxygen is the life of the blood as the blood is the life of the body.

The effect of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery upon weak lungs is to strengthen them, to enable the full oxygenation of the blood, arrest the progress of disease, and heal the inflamed tissue. Lung diseases have been and are being cured by "Golden Medical Discovery," in cases where deep-seated cough, frequent hemorrhage, emaciation, weakness, and night-sweats have all pointed to a fatal termination by consumption.

"Some years ago I was almost a helpless victim of that dread disease—consumption," writes Mr. Chas. Pross, P. M., of Sitka, White Co., Ind. "I was confined to my room for several months, my friends and neighbors had given up all hope of my recovery, until one day a friend sent me Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. I had taken the contents of the bottle and began to improve. After a few days I honestly believe, I was cured. I am now as well as ever."—Dr. J. C. Pellets, from a...

My P. O. Address is..... I also certify to the above facts.

The law positively requires these facts to be stated and sworn to and the collector cannot issue a receipt on a mere order without the facts being set forth or that the agent appointed can make and swear to same. Poll tax receipts have to be issued separate from other taxes, and the same can be paid without paying any other tax.

The comptroller has instructed tax collectors that the mere loss of the use of a limb does not exempt one from the payment of a poll tax, but that the limb must be severed from the body to cause such exemption.

The tax collector cannot take the money and issue the receipt later. If you do not get your receipt by Jan. 31, 1904, you lose your franchise. Every one who is exempt from a poll tax will be required to get from the tax collector, prior to Feb. 1, 1904, an exemption certificate, or he will lose his franchise. Those not living in a city of 10,000 inhabitants are not required to get exemption receipts.

Remember the payment of a poll tax is not optional with you. The time of payment only affects your franchise. All poll taxes not paid by Feb. 1, 1904, may be given to the county attorney for suit, as other taxes.

It is rumored that Miss Helen Gould is to marry a Belgian nobleman

It would be a wise idea now for any one receiving a call from a Laredo yellow fever mosquito to meet him with an oily reception.

No new cases of yellow fever at San Antonio have occurred for several days and the disease is now stamped out. Total number of cases that have occurred 12, deaths 4.

Cotton is jumping up on account of the early frosts and it looks like those farmers that have a fair cotton crop are going to get a top knotch price which will be better than a big crop with a low price.

Experiments conducted by U. S. Government at Quanah on dipping cattle for ticks with Beaumont oil, have so far resulted in complete success. The oil is much cheaper than other dips and can be repeatedly used.

An ex-criminal, Tascano, tried to kill President Diaz of Mexico on Oct. 27th. The man shot at Diaz five times but failed to hit him. The attempt was made at Guanajinato during some festivities held there.

Will Picket the dusky demon who leaps on the back of a wild steer and reaching over throws the steer by seizing the steer under the neck with his teeth, was laid up for repairs on Oct. 26th at the San Antonio Fair. He threw the steer as usual but it turned a summersault, breaking Picket's arm and otherwise injuring him.

Here is an argument in favor of employing women in confidential positions which offer temptations to dishonesty: It is that they are rarely derelict in their duty to employers and for that reason are becoming employed in a number of responsible positions.

Joys of the Country Editor.

To run a newspaper all a fellow has to do is to be able to write poems, discuss the tariff and money question, umpire a baseball game, report a wedding, saw wood, describe a fire so that the readers will shed their wraps, make a dollar do the work of ten, shine at a dance, measure calico, abuse the liquor habit, test whiskey, subscribe to charity, go without meals, attack free silver, defend bimetalism, sneer at snobbery, wear diamonds, invent advertisements, overlook scandal, appraise babies, delight pumpkin raisers, minister to the afflicted, heal the disgruntled, fight to a finish, set type, mould opinions, sweep the office, speak at prayer meetings, stand in with everybody and everything.

Accidental Killing.

News reached Ballinger of a supposed suicide at the Landon Hotel Wednesday.

The man's name was Talbot, and from the nature of the wound it is thought it may have been an accident. The ball entered his stomach near the right groin and ranged up, passing out at his shoulder, breaking his collar bone, and it is supposed he was cleaning the pistol and while so doing dropped it.

His remains were shipped to Texarkana, his home, for interment. He was a stranger in San Angelo.

Seattle's Famine of Women.

Troy, N. Y., Oct. 14.—A communication was received from Seattle, Wash., by Mayor Conway requesting officials to help in the matter of more equally dividing the sexes east and west.

The writer gives his name as Gorman and asserts he is a banker in Seattle. He says there are many young men in that city receiving good salaries and owning homes who are unable to find helpmates and requests the mayor to take some action in a cause of vital importance to both sexes.

Mayor Conway is considering the matter.

The city marshal at San Angelo last week made a raid on the gambling dives of the city, and took into custody eight enthusiasts of the green cloth. They had to ante \$22 each in a jack pot which went by default to the city recorder.—Brownwood Bulletin.

The purse of \$1500 offered at the San Antonio fair was won last Saturday by Joe Gardner. Six of the best ropers in the world contested, but a West Texas man who lives at Styles, carried off the prize. He captured three steers in just 2:39.

Another streak of goodness has struck the saloon keepers of San Angelo. They have also agreed to stop card playing in their respective saloons.

Mrs. Singleton, her son Menefee and Robt. Putmane were poisoned in Austin last week by eating hogshead cheese.

Seven states will elect full state tickets next Tuesday. They are located principally in the north and east.

Best watch work done by Asa Cordill.

PATRONIZE **JOE HARDIN**
TRANSFER LINE
For the Moving of Mercantile Freights, Household Goods, Pianos, Organs, etc.
HANDLE and DELIVERS COAL TO ALL PARTS CITY.
I give my personal and best attention to all business entrusted to me and guarantee satisfaction.

Chas. S. Miller Abstract Co.,
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Sunday, Nov. 1, 4 p. m.

Leader—H. O'Bannon.

Song

Prayer

Lesson Topic—What David Teaches us. I Sam 16:11-13; Psalm 19; John 7:42.

Union discussion by Leader.

Song

Scripture Readings:

1. Anointed by Samuel. I Sam 16:1-13—Walter Cordill.

2. Conquering the Giant. I Sam 17:38-51—Miss Ethel Bowdon.

3. Hunted by Saul. I Sam 26:1-12—Geo. Holliday.

4. Lament for Saul and Jonathan. II Sam 1:17-27—Miss Euna Gustavus.

5. A Sinner pleading for mercy. Psalm 51—Dr. Love.

6. Resting in the Lord. Psalm 23—Mrs. Alvis.

Song

Select Readings, Voluntary.

Song and collection for Buckner's Orphan Home.

Benediction.

Notice to Trespassers.

I forbid hunting, fishing or cutting or hauling wood in my three pastures on Eagle, Mud and Elm creeks. Parties guilty of same will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

G. R. CASEY.

Up to Friday evening Ballinger had received 6,700 bales of cotton. This is 300 bales more than we received in 1901, and it is estimated the crop is not more than one half in.

C. A. Doose made real estate sales this week to the amount of \$85,000, to various parties. Runnels county soil is sought for far and near as is evidenced by the above fact.

Rev. Lee who was pastor of the C. P. church here some time ago while Rev. Fitzhugh was in New York, passed through Friday with his wife en route to San Angelo.

John Martinz who was a former citizen of this place, but who has been at Temple the past year, is now holding down the position as bar tender for Tom Scott.

The school will open at Runnels next Monday with Prof. Hughes at the helm. This is the Prof's. second term there which shows his competency as a teacher.

Miss Noble of Houston is the guest of Mrs. R. P. Kirk this week. Her brother Raymond Noble has been two weeks the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Kirk.

Compare price with price and quality with quality. This is all we ask you to do to find the reason why you should trade at Bob Shaffers.

E. A. Jeans is preparing to leave for California soon where he has a position in a government experimental station.

Miss Ethel Truly will teach the Norwood school this session. School will open about the first Monday in Dec.

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The Domino Circle.

The domino circle met with Judge and Mrs. Guion last Thursday night and spent a most delightful evening. Progressive dominoes is the style of game played and on this occasion there were eight tables, 4 to a table. After the game delicious and delicate refreshments were served.

This circle meets every two week, and the next meeting will be with C. R. Crews and wife.



Serious Runaway.

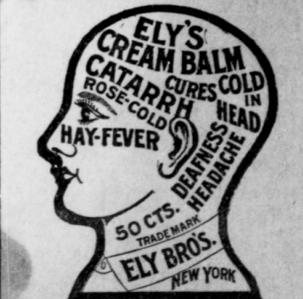
The many friends at this place of Dr. Fowler of Brownwood will be pained to hear the following clipped from the Brownwood Daily Bulletin:

"Last night as Dr. B. A. Fowler was starting to the Ellis stable from the Bryan hotel the horse became frightened and started off at full speed. When Dr. Fowler attempted to check him the bits broke. At full speed the horse dashed into an awning post and the Doctor saw how the horse was going leaped from the buggy just before it hit the post. The awning was torn down, the buggy demolished and Dr. Fowler sustained considerable injuries by the accident.

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The street car strike at Waco and San Antonio seems to have lost out as the cars are all running with non union men.

Old Missouri shipped fifty-three million eggs out of the state in 1902. Ills. stands 1st, Iowa 2nd and Mo. 3rd, in poultry raising.

There is a good deal of ill feeling on the Isthmus owing to the rejection of the canal treaty by Colombia, and the people of the Isthmus may get up a little revolution soon.

The Sheriff of Gregg county is cited to appear at Paris and answer the charge of violating the injunction against all strikers or sympathisers from interfering with expressmen of the Pacific Company.

A western newspaper thus philosophizes: "Jails are built by honest men's earnings. Courts are supported from peaceful men's substance. Penitentiaries are built and supported by the toil of virtue. Crime never pays its own way. Vice has no hand to work and no head to calculate. Its whole faculty is to corrupt and to waste and good men pay the bills."

The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

Bladder troubles most always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

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Circus Day.

This thing is catching. A fellow gets up in the morning with the firm resolve to be moderate and decorous and even dignified. There is to be no hurrying, scurrying or rubber-necking. As he comes down town he finds himself moving a trifle faster than usual—there are vehicles to dodge, you know. Presently he finds himself in the midst of the great crowd that looks cheerful and is given to unrestrained merriment. His dignity begins to melt—his boyhood comes back—he is of Adam's clay, and is willing to admit the fact to himself, and all the world beside. Here comes the parade, with its enlivening music; its cars of gold, its waving banners, its prancing steeds, its clowns and its monkeys, and away goes his resolutions as to moderation. He gets very gay, does this dignified gentleman of the early morning, and close observers can see him prancing a bit. Then he is an easy prey for the children in the neighborhood. They take him to the circus and drink red lemonade at his expense, and is all the richer for yielding himself to the gayety of the hour.—Waco Times-Herald.

Cutting off Passes.

Washington, Oct. 17.—The issue of passes by the Western roads during the year of 1904 will be greatly restricted. Passes to shippers or merchants will be entirely discontinued.

To bring this about, the annual pass meeting of the executive officers of the Western roads has been in session here during the last two days.

The issue of exchange passes will be greatly curtailed. Annual passes will not be exchanged with any road that does not grant a similar favor. This means that officers of the eastern trunk lines, no matter what their rank, will not receive any annual passes from Western roads, because the trunk lines refuse to issue exchange passes.

Return passes to men in charge of live stock shipments will also be cut off next year.

A Cure For Dyspepsia.

I had Dyspepsia in its worst form and felt miserable most all the time. Did not enjoy eating until after I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure which has completely cured me.—Mrs. W. W. Saylor, Hilliard, Pa. No appetite, loss of strength nervousness, headache, constipation, bad breath, sour risings, indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach troubles are quickly cured by the use of Kodol. Kodol represents the natural juices of digestion combined with the greatest known tonic and reconstructive properties. It cleanses, purifies and sweetens the stomach. Sold by E. D. Walker.

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Ordill has the watches, get

Last Saturday night a negro named George Terrell shot and killed another negro named Joe Bowman at Brownwood. The shooting is the result of an old feud in which a woman figures conspicuously.

The twin tunnel under the capitol at Washington, which the Pennsylvania Railroad has been given permission to bore, will be 3,000 feet long, cost \$800,000, and electricity is to be used exclusively for hauling trains through it.

The Fort Worth Record is on our desk and we can say after careful reading that it gives promise of being at an early date one of the strongest papers in the state from every standpoint. We heartily commend it to the reading public as being a live, newsy, up-to-date paper.

Brownwood is to vote on what young lady of that city shall be queen of the projected Carnival, and there is a prospect for a fine display of rivalry among the young men as to whose best girl shall win out. My! Won't the winner get criticised by the defeated fair ladies?

Madame Nordica will sing at Dallas Nov. 4th. 'Tis said that when she landed in New York four weeks ago from Paris she had 26 trunks full of the latest from Paris, and the custom officers refused to allow them as necessary appurtenances and made her pay \$5000 duty on same.

The Russian Bear is getting his back up because of the sympathy of the U. S. for Japan in her contention with Russia. All that Russia wants is the earth with a barb wire fence around it and if any one chooses to oppose her selfishness she gets hot. Uncle Sam we predict will cause her a little trouble if she keeps up her present aggressiveness.

A popular impression prevails that the physician, by reason of the privileges conferred upon him by the State, is in the absence of any adequate reason for not so doing, required to respond to all calls, to render professional services. This is clearly erroneous, except where the physician has already undertaken the treatment of the case, or except where he is an officer of the Government charged with specific duties, which he thereby violates.

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Yours, etc., D. W. MOYER, Editor and Proprietor Tuskegee (Ala.) News.

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Celebrated as the original father of his country. Also noted as the discoverer of sin. In his day the genuine "only thing that ever happened." Only man that ever told the truth when he told his best girl she was the "only girl he ever thought of." Owing to irregularities, which he was mean enough to blame on his wife, Adam was relieved of his job as head gardner in Eden. He married well, his wife being the "first lady of the land." At one time he held the record for old age—being 960. This record was afterward smashed by Methuselah and Noah. Is repudiated as an ancestor by most of our first families, as that would entail the acknowledgement of too many poor relations. Was the first father who ever had trouble with his sons but not the last.—Boston Globe.

Cures Winter Cough.

J. E. Gover, 101 N. Main St., Ottawa, Kan., writes: "Every fall it has been my wife's trouble to catch a severe cold and therefore to cough all winter long. Last fall I got for her a bottle of Horehound Syrup. She used it and has been able to sleep soundly all night long. Whenever the cough troubles her two or three doses will stop it and she is able to be up and well." 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 at E. D. Walker's.

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An Atchison man, newly married, was sounding his wife's praises to his men friends. "Why she is so much better than I" he said, "I don't see how she came to marry me." His friends all agreed to this so promptly that he got mad, said he was as good as his wife any day, and wanted to whip the crowd.—Atchison Globe.

The Best Doctor.

Rev. B. C. Horton, Sulphur Springs, Tex., writes July 19th, 1899: "I have used in my family Ballard's Snow Liniment and Horehound Syrup, and they have proved certainly satisfactory. The liniment is the best we have ever used for headache and pains. The cough syrup has been our doctor for the last eight years." 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 at E. D. Walker's.

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Buttons.

The Elizabethan era gave vogue to the button and the buttonhole, two inventions which may fairly be regarded as important, since they did much to revolutionize dress. The original button was wholly a product of needle-work which was soon improved by the use of a wooden mold. The brass button is said to have been introduced by a Birmingham merchant in 1689. It took 200 years to improve on the method of sewing the cloth upon the covered button. Then an ingenious Dane hit upon the idea of making the button in two parts and clamping them together, with the cloth between. Buttons are now made of almost everything, from seaweed and cattle hoofs to mother of pearl and vegetable ivory. Excellent buttons are made from potatoes, which, treated chemically, become as hard as ivory.—Boston Transcript.

Millionaire's Poor Stomach.

The worn-out stomach of the over-fed millionaire is often paraded in the public prints as a horrible example of the evils attendant on the possession of great wealth. But millionaires are not the only ones who are afflicted with bad stomachs. The proportion is far greater among the toilers. Dyspepsia and indigestion are rampant among these people, and they suffer far worse tortures than the millionaire unless they avail themselves of a standard medicine like Green's August Flower, which has been a favorite household remedy for all stomach troubles for over thirty-five years. August Flower rouses the torpid liver, thus creating appetite and insuring perfect digestion. It tones and vitalizes the entire system and makes life worth living no matter what your station. Trial bottles, 25c; regular, 75c. At all druggists.

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Dallas, Texas, Oct. 24.—Another legal victory was won by the prohibitionists today when the court of civil appeals for the Fifth district handed down an opinion affirming the case of W. J. Sweeney et al vs. G. P. Webb et al, from Grayson county. The plea of the appellants that the county Judge of Grayson county be permanently restrained from ordering the final publication of the result of the prohibition election was dismissed. The constitutionality of the Texas local option law was sustained. The anti's attacked the law on the ground that the prohibitionists could ask for more elections than the anti's could by the provisions covering the right to vote in subdivisions of a county after being defeated in the county at large. It is understood that the appellants will carry the case to the supreme court should the court of civil appeals refuse to grant a rehearing.—Houston Post.

Educational Advantages of Today.

The son of a laborer today can know more of astronomy than Galileo ever knew, more of mathematics than Newton, more of geology than Hugh Miller, more of geography than Cook or Frobisher, more of literature than either Addison or Steele. Education has rapidly reduced the proportion of illiterates. Our public school system—unsurpassed anywhere on the globe—has multiplied itself five-fold in thirty years. In 1899 our public schools cost \$123,809,412, a larger sum than combined Europe expends for a like purpose. The pupils now number 15,179,424. Our technical schools, colleges and universities outnumber those of England, France and Germany, and are more generously endowed and equipped. The endowment of Yale, Harvard, Cornell or Chicago University is from two to five times as large as that of Oxford or Cambridge or the University of Paris or Berlin. In one year gifts aggregating \$79,000,000 were donated by wealthy men for educational purposes. Our public libraries also are more numerous than those of Europe. In a single year Andrew Carnegie established twenty, at a cost of over \$2,500,000, and thirty-four other donors gave several millions for educational and humanitarian purposes. Our literary market is far the best on the globe. We now average some five thousand new book every year, that being considerably more than the output of any other country.—Success.

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Mrs. A. H. Lewin came in from Miles Thursday.

W. C. Penn got in this week a handsome rubber tire buggy.

Tornado insurance at \$2.50 per \$1000 per annum. See Lee Maddox.

Rev. R. M. Hall's household goods arrived this week from San Antonio.

Judge W. R. Spencer went to San Angelo on legal business last Thursday.

See those Fine Hand made Saddles at

Lankford & Hathaway's.

Go to the Fair and buy your Dry Goods and Groceries and save money. 8th St.

Prepare for winter by buying stoves from

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Saddles and Harness neatly repaired.

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When in need of pure ribbon cane syrup just call on J. B. Alvis & Bro. under the Opera House.

C. O. Harris left Thursday afternoon for Roswell, N. M., where he is leading counsel in a murder case.

We carry all kinds of fresh fruits at all times. No. 12 is the place to get your fruits and nuts for your fruit cakes.

Morgan & Sons near Miles and Willis Johnson near San Angelo have each invested in a steam plow to do some plowing on their respective farms. The plows are large enough to cut thirteen feet at a swath.

San Angelo succeed in raising the required bonus and granted an extension of time for the Orient road. The road is required to be finished into San Angelo inside of eighteen months.

There will be a regular meeting of the Ladies Cemetery Association next Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Geo. Vaughn at 4 o'clock. A full attendance is urgently requested as important business is to be transacted.

The following clipping was taken from the Austin Tribune of this week. Judge M. C. Smith of Ballinger this morning submitted two cases in the court of civil appeals. One of the cases is styled R. A. Hall, trustee, appellant, against the Keating Implement and Machine Company, appellees, and involves some very interesting and important questions.

R. L. Maddox went to Talpa Thursday on insurance business. Asa Cordill has to Jones is holding down a at H. Winkler's now.

it Patterson moved into home Saturday.

A young negro employed by Gentry Bros. Show Company was arrested here Wednesday for stealing a saddle at Lampasas. The proprietors of the show acted with commendable zeal in tracing up the thief and informing the officers of his whereabouts.

Nearly everybody in this neck of the woods was with the children to take in the parade and show, Wednesday. Everybody seemed to enjoy himself hugely and notwithstanding the size of the crowd there was no rowdiness in sight.

D. Reeder purchased this week the two-story residence on 8th street opposite Judge Guion's residence from J. W. Powell, consideration \$1250. Mr. Reeder will have the place repaired and will occupy it about Dec. the 15th.

It was reported here this week that Will Talbot of San Angelo committed suicide at the Landon Hotel Wednesday. A later report however says that Mr. Talbot was killed by accident in handling a pistol.

We have always believed that the best advertisement in the world is a pleased customer. We probably do more of this kind of advertising than any store in this section.

The Fair.

B. F. Duncan who lives in the sandy land near the cemetery made this editor a present of a big sweet "tater" which measures 12 in. by 4 inches in length and thickness, for which he has our thanks.

Say, hello there! What have you this time? Chickens, Eggs, Butter and Turkeys. Bring them in we will pay you the highest prices.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

A. L. Cox, the stock-farmer of the Winters country, was seen by your reporter among the large crowd at the show Wednesday.

Mrs. T. E. Butler and daughter, Miss Nell, came home Friday from a visit to relatives and friends at Brownwood.

Ex-Co. Commissioner T. T. Duncan of the Maverick country was doing business in the capital city Wednesday.

We want you to understand we make everything good that proves otherwise, bought of J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Our friend Bill Gray of the Crews section was showing his smiling countenance in our city one day this week.

Wm. Lehr of the divide between Ballinger and Rowena, was taking in the sights Wednesday at this place.

Dick Tillery of Concho county, formerly an old citizen of Crews, this county, was in the city Wednesday.

Dr. Grant and Dr. Hicks of Winters, were among the visitors to Ballinger Wednesday.

C. T. Grant came in from Galveston Wednesday where he went Sunday afternoon.

L. A. Harper of the Valley Creek country had business in the Hub Wednesday.

A. L. Bar of the Winters country was in the city trading Friday.

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R. B. Truly had business in Angelo this week.

The merchants generally report a fine days business here show day.

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Mrs. Wm. Wright came in from Cresson Friday and is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Powell.

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Ed Gentry will move into the house vacated by Whit Patterson. We welcome Mr. Gentry to our city.

Jewell Wylie is up after a tussel of 19 days with slow fever. He looks rather peaked.

Can't beat my prices. Asa Cordill.

Clint Moore remembered us this week in a substantial way.

Misses Emma and Mattie Hickerson came in from Brownwood last Saturday to visit their sister Mrs. Farris of this place.

Marriage licenses issued since last issue of the paper are: N. Matthews and Miss Annie Kelley; James Henderson and Miss M. B. Robinson; Thos. E. Henderson and Miss Maudie Henderson.