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ISSUED EVERY FRIDAY AT STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

Subscribers failing to get their paper on time, will confer a favor by reporting same to us.

We learn that the Commissioners Court, at the May term, will consider the improvement of the court yard, as well as try to arrange the Big Springs and Colorado roads so as to make them passable. There is a good deal of kicking about these roads, but we feel sure our level headed court will remedy all those complaints and give the people satisfaction.

The Appeal to Reason, a very red Socialist paper, has the following advice to its followers:

"I was in 1858, just fifty years ago, that John Brown was hanged in West Virginia. The anniversary of his execution occurs December 23d. On that day it will be fifty years since he paid the penalty of his devotion to a great cause. The appeal suggests that the occasion be made one of wide celebration by Socialists. The capitalists have begun to celebrate him, but this is only because he is dead. He belongs preeminently to the working class and the fiftieth anniversary of his martyrdom should be celebrated all over the land by the Socialist movement and the true story of his life and death told to the people."

Go it, Socialist! Old John Brown cut more white throats, spilled more innocent blood and stole more horses and mules in his day than all the other bloody minded fiends that ever committed hellish deeds and fostered diabolical designs under the cloak of religion and politics.

If the character and deeds of that old vampire, who raided peaceful homes at the dead hour of midnight and made widows and orphans of their inmates by cutting the throats of the husbands and fathers before the eyes of the mothers and children, elicits the admiration of Socialists; if the plotting and partially carrying into execution of a design to arm every ignorant negro slave in the Southland and leading them to murder and to lay waste the homes of the Southern white man make the Socialist feel sorry that the sheriff's noose put a quietus on old John Brown's career, they have my permission to stand on their heads and cool their backs with their nether garments.

Charged with murder and treason, tried for murder and treason, found guilty of murder and treason by a jury of twelve honest and true men, this blood-thirsty wolf went to the scaffold boasting of the crimes that he had committed and intended to commit in order that the Southern negro might join him in a carnival of blood; and to think that there yet live men who are so lost to the tender sentiments of humanity and so forgetful of all that is dear to life as to devote a moment in reverent memory to the name of this midnight assassin, is more than I can comprehend. The slayers of Garfield and McKinley are immaculate lambs compared to old John Brown. Good God! Read his history—ask those who knew him in Kansas.

If I had a neighbor who was so far estranged from all that is held sacred by mankind as to celebrate the hangman's day of this wretched wolf as a day of martyrdom, I'd guard my home with a shotgun. But if the Socialists bear such love for the coon that they hurrah for old John Brown, let them do it and remember that hump still grows for their negro rapists as well as for those who commit murder and treason.

RAILROAD MEETING

Last Saturday evening, J. J. Lamb met a crowd of our citizens at the court house, and, after Chairman W. L. Foster had called the house to order, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Lamb's attorney, proposed that Sterling give a bonus of \$75,000, right of way and terminals for a railroad from San Angelo to Sterling. Our people did

BIG MINE CONSOLIDATION

A. J. Kellis and Chris Short came in from the Big Horns, the scene of the late strike, a few days ago bringing with them a splendid bunch of samples. They were anxious to learn the result of the assays made on the first lot, and for that reason, as well as to make arrangements for the establishment of a permanent camp, they

FARMERS!

Coming, a shipment of Ledbetter Planters. Plant one seed in a place, any desired distance apart. Plants sorghum, milo maize, corn or cotton. Guaranteed. See me for planter, prices and terms before you buy.

R. B. CUMMINS

The man whose foresight is as good as his hindsight is always right by a good long sight. We are getting in a car of Wagons and Buggies this week and we are short on room. Until we can house these vehicles "comfortably" we have decided to reduce the prices for cash, or will give good terms if you need time--this in the face of the fact that wagon factories will advance prices the 1st of May. If you buy now, you not only get the benefit of our short store room, but our long buying. Use your foresight and get a wagon or a buggy now while they are "out in the weather." LOWE & DURHAM

O K GRAIN STORE AND WAGON YARD

If you want your team fed, take them to the O K. If you are the market for any kind of Grain or Hay, in any quantity, you had best get prices at the O K before buying. If you want clean stalls and water for your stock, and a good, new house for yourself and folks, stop at the O K, on Southeast corner of Square

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not accept this, but proposed to give \$50,000, right of way and ground for terminals. However, nothing definite was done, and it was understood that the matter will be taken up later on. We learn that Mr. Lamb is now figuring with Miles as a starting point to Sterling, and says that he is determined to build the road. While Sterling is not rich, yet she is willing to give what we consider a splendid bonus to the first railroad that heads this way.

GOOD REAL ESTATE DEAL

S. Poyner, this week, sold to Emette Westbrook 160 acres of land out of the southwest corner of section 25, block 14, S. P. Ry. Co., lying one mile west of town, for a consideration of \$25 per acre.

A few years ago, E. W. Foster bought this land for \$3 per acre, and later on sold it for \$8. This goes to show that Sterling dirt is getting to be a warm commodity.

order and showed the great speeches and deep thoughts of the authors.

The reading by Jamie Knight was the delight of all, and showed that the lad possesses peculiar powers along that line. Misses Ethel and Jessie Foster in their splendid style rendered a duet that was most gladdening and beautiful in effect. Their interpretation of the theme indicated talent and training of a high order.

The reading by Miss Juanita Durham was a delightful feature of the occasion.

Completing the curriculum of the high school, Misses Ina Lanford, Pearl Sullivan, Etta Grimes and Winnie Davis were presented diplomas by W. F. Kellis, who congratulated them on their success and sincerely invoked a blessing on each one.

Mrs. E. F. Fisher was in splendid voice and her song was one of the chief delights of the occasion.

When Miss Addie Cobb, in her mimical style brought out the "Sniggles Family" we all laughed until we cried. For genuine fun and high-class fun, it remained for Miss Addie to cap the climax.

Everybody went away delighted and proud that Sterling has such peerless girls and boys.

GREAT SALE OF FINE CATTLE

(Note: Since this was first published the date of the sale has been changed to MAY 4th and 5th.)

There will occur in San Angelo on April 19th and April 20th two big auction sales of thoroughbred Hereford Bulls, and Lee Brothers will be sold under the hammer. Some of these cattle will also come from the picturesque Bismarck farm.

April 12th 65 head of Darhams, Pole-Durhams and Herefords belonging to the well known breeders, William Angus, D. T. Yaws and Lee Brothers will be sold under the hammer. Some of these cattle will also come from the picturesque Bismarck farm.

This sale of April 12th will be held at the San Angelo Fair Grounds. It will begin promptly at 12 o'clock on the day mentioned. Preceding it, however, there will be a grand barbecue which begins at 11 o'clock. Tallyhos will be furnished gratis to all who wish to attend the sale. These tallyhos will gather the crowds at the Landon Hotel and Nimtz House.

There will be another sale the next day, April 13th, when 75 head of thoroughbred, aristocratic Herefords will be sold under the hammer. At this sale, J. L. Ely will disperse his entire herd of high class Herefords including his Wilton Cows, his Premier Bull and Champion Steers. C. H. and J. C. Powell will also contribute to this sale four thoroughbred Hereford Bulls, and Lee Brothers the well known proprietors of Leedale Stock Farm, will sell eight bulls. All of these cattle are registered, and come from the ribbon winning herds of the Southwest. This sale of April 13th will be conducted at the Ely Farm, known as the old J. M. Cox place, and located six miles east of San Angelo. This sale will also begin at noon April 13th, and will be preceded by a grand free barbecue. Transportation in tallyhos from the Landon Hotel and the Nimtz House will be furnished free.

SCHOOL CLOSES

Our public school closed last Friday. At night an entertainment was given by the members of the school. Graduating exercises were included in the entertainment. Everything pertaining to the affair was first-class in every particular.

The exercises opened with a splendid selection by the orchestra. Next came the "Whistling Courtship" by Floyd Conger, Misses Pearl Allard and Drusba Tweedle, which was a splendid hit.

The graduating essays, "The Lone Star," by Miss Ina Lanford; "Cultivating An Ideal," by Miss Winnie Davis; "Intellectual Influence," by Miss Pearl Sullivan, and "Education," by Miss Etta Grimes, were all works of high

ing well. There are some twenty claims in the Anaconda-Consolidated group and the present owners are making preparations to open up the ground to determine the extent of mineralization which from the limited prospecting done to date, seems to be considerable, as on the lower end of one of the rich gold claims there was found some very high grade copper showing copper sulphides.

Mr. Kellis says that those intending to go out prospecting in that region should go well supplied with water, as there is only a limited supply out there at present, however it is the intention of the owners to develop water in some form for the general good. They will try sinking wells and will also build tanks in the tufa deposits which will hold large quantities of rain water. This can be done without great expense, since a few barrels of cement used in tufa will make ideal reservoirs.—Wickenburg (Arz) Miner.

A. J. Kellis, who made the discovery of this rich mine, was a resident of Sterling for many years, and his many old time friends will be gratified to learn of his good luck.

It is hardly necessary to dwell

at any length upon the manifold advantages of this double sale of thoroughbred cattle. All of the offerings will be in the best of condition and ready for immediate use. Bayers who are needing bulls at this time, will find that these two sales of April 12th and 13th will afford them just what they want. Be sure to be in San Angelo on those days and attend the two sales.

A GOOD CATTLE SALE

R. W. and W. L. Foster and J. T. Davis, this week, 600 two year-old steers to J. C. Crabtree, of Eufaula, Okla., for \$24 per head. These cattle will be shipped out Sunday to Oklahoma, where they will be grazed through the summer and fall, and fed through next winter. This is a choice lot of animals, being 80 per cent white faces and all dehorned.

LAND WANTED—Within fifteen or twenty miles of Sterling City, land that will average seventy-five per cent good. My intention is to sell this land to Northern people. I will leave in the near future for Illinois to do some extensive advertising in that state. C. W. BECHERT, San Angelo, Texas.

FOR SALE—230 bred ewes, 5's and up, \$2.50. 350 coming yearlings, \$3.00. 70 lambs, 30 days old, 50c. Will take one-third in good young horse stock, or young mules. M. D. Sutherland, Siles, Texas.

For Sale—A lot of laying hens at 50c each. Call at this office.

BULLS FOR SALE I have ten or twelve, coming two's, high grade Hereford bulls for sale. Phone or write. R. W. Foster, Sterling City, Tex.

FOR SALE A Canton disc plow, good as new and in splendid running order. A bargain for \$35. Will take trade. H. K. RAZ

WANTED—To exchange good 200-acre farm for a section of two of grazing land. W. W. Watson, Robert Lee, Texas.

FOR SALE 240 acres of good valley land for sale at \$10 per acre, cash. Apply at this office.

For Sale—One disc harrow, \$32.50. One double row corn, cotton and cane planter, \$22.50. Address J. A. Anglin, Sterling City, Texas.

Wanted—To let contract to grub 50 acres of land on the river. Apply by phoning or writing, Geo. H. McERRIN, Sterling City, Texas.

Wanted—To lease a pasture, from 6 to 10 sections. If you have it, notify this office.

For sale—Two young full blood Brown Leghorn roosters, at 50c each. Call at this office.

Lost—24 sheep. Finder will please phone Foster & Barton, Sterling City.

For Sale—5 spans of coming 3-year-old mules, average 15 bands and promise 15 bands when grown. Well matched. Price, \$250 per span. W. R. Davis, Sterling City, Tex.

LOST—Dec 4 on Colorado road between Sterling City and the springs a gold watch, size 16 with Elgin works. "A M S" cut in back of case. On return of watch, finder will receive a suitable reward. T. S. Foster, Sterling City, Tex.



ANOTHER EORING QUESTION.



"I say, pa, is a man from Poland called a Pole?" "Yes, my son."

Certainty Convenience Economy Never has there been known a case where Mitchell's Eye Salve has not given notable relief.

His Daughter Played. Wife—I can't understand, John, why you always sit on the piano-stool when we have company.

For Headache Try Hicks' Capudine. Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the action is speedily relieved by Capudine.

When Love Is Young. Mabel—Who was the best man at our wedding? Ethel—Why, my husband, of course.

Chases thirst! Brightens eyes! Sweetens breath! Helps digestions! WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT.

Two is company; three a soulless corporation.

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Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Paw Paw, Mich.—"I suffered terribly from female ills, including inflammation and congestion, for several years."

Another Operation Avoided. Chicago, Ill.—"I wait, women to know what that wonderful medicine, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, has done for me."

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has proved to be the most successful remedy for curing the worst forms of female ills.

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If you suffer from Fits, Falling Sickness, Spasms or have children or friends that do so my New Discovery will relieve them.

Dr. May's Epileptic Cure. It has cured thousands where everything else failed.

How do you keep so hearty? I digest food with Wrigley's Spearmint. The delicious juice of fresh mint leaves is fine for digestion.

The KITCHEN CABINET

THAT PICTURE GROUP.

AN anybody tell me why? The cause of it doine? We say whenever a group we see: "It's good of you, but look at me!"

Oh, why to human nature? The vision clear deny? The picture flatters all the rest.

Extra Touches. The following hints are for fancy occasions, and are not recommended for the every-day program of the busy housewife.

A nut and apple salad is improved by the addition of chopped figs. Use just a little to give a spicy suspicion.

When cutting the butter into squares, it often sticks to the knife, thereby making an uneven pat.

Celery salad is improved by the addition of small blocks of cranberry jelly. It adds a tang to an otherwise tasteless salad.

A Free Dinner. To the traveler of to-day who grumbles at the rate charged in the diners, restaurants, at depots, etc., it is interesting to note that, in the early coaching days of the nineteenth century, the rate charged at eating places for travelers was very low.

MOTHER ON HOLIDAYS. TOMORROW is a holiday. Will somebody please explain why such a festive joy we feign?

Now holidays drag wearily. For me, More dinner—then an extra treat.

Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes. Relieved by Murine Eye Remedy. Compounded by Experienced Physicians.

New Stuffing for Dates. Mix a stiff paste of icing sugar and the white of egg.

A Curious Fact. It is a strange fact, and one not generally known, that eggs which have been cooked soft may be boiled a second time without becoming any harder.

To Serve Grape-Fruit. Nowadays, the ultra fashionable folk never serve grape-fruit in the skin.

WHAT COLORS SHALL I USE? This Question is Important in Painting a House or Other Building. A proper color scheme is extremely important in painting a house.

LEWIS' 'SINGLE BINDER.'

A hand-made cigar fresh from the table, wrapped in foil, thus keeping fresh until smoked.

As to the exterior, a good deal depends upon the size and architecture of the house, and upon its surroundings.

You can avoid disappointment by studying the books of color schemes for both exterior and interior painting.

A DOUBLE EVENT. Mrs. Highly—And has she really got two servants? Mrs. Flutter—Yes—one coming and one going.

CURED ITCHING HUMOR. Big, Painful Swellings Broke and Did Not Heal—Suffered 3 Years. Tortures Yield to Cuticura.

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of J. C. Watson.

No Escape. "The smell of smoke certainly does make me ill." "Then why do you allow your husband to smoke so much in the house?"

Shake Into Your Shoes. Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for your feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting, sweating feet.

The Subject's Nature. "What kind of rates do they pay for balloon stories?" "I don't know, but they ought to be space rates."

It's Pettit's Eye Salve, that gives instant relief to eyes, irritated from dust, heat, sun or wind.

Insist on good digestion. You get that by insisting on WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT.

Who cares if a duck of a girl is feather-headed?

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS FOR ALL KIDNEY DISEASES. BRIGHT'S DISCASE. DIABETES. BACKACHE.

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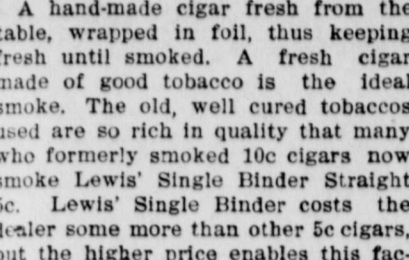
One Point Settled. "They say the new Mrs. Bangs is a very good plain cook."

For Colds and Gripp—Capudine. The best remedy for Gripp and Colds is Hicks' Capudine.

Age and Experience. Bacon: As we grow less young, the aged grow less old.

A true friend is one who makes us do what we can.—PHELPS.

A FACER.



He—You have looked on my face for the last time! She—Why? Are you going to grow a beard?

How's This? We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Inside History. Indignant Wife—What's the use of my saying anything to you, John?

Provoking Husband—Not always, Maria. When you say anything worth minding I stop it on the way through.

Hooper's Don't Scratch (Tetterem) sold and guaranteed by druggists to be a satisfactory treatment for Dandruff and all Scalp Troubles.

KNOWN SINCE 1836 AS RELIABLE PLANTEN'S C & C OR BLACK CAPSULES.

THE GILLETTE SAFETY RAZOR Used by More Than Two Million Men.

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Woman's Beauty

Some women retain their beauty to an advanced age. But women, who regularly endure pain, age rapidly, for suffering leaves its lasting marks on them.

Nearly all women suffer more or less with some form of female trouble. It should not be neglected. Avoid the pain—treat yourself at home by taking Cardui, as thousands of other women have done.

TAKE CARDUI

It Will Help You Mrs. Katie Burlison, Goreville, Ill., tried Cardui and writes: "I suffered with female troubles, and was so sick I could not stand on my feet."

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Make Big Money On an Investment of Only \$125.00 You can have a pleasant, permanent and profitable business of your own.

Duntley Standard Vacuum Cleaners will do the same work as costly wagon outfits, for cleaning residences, hotels, stores, opera houses, etc.

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