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Ballinger Briefs.

ED. RUSTLER:

Your valuable and highly improved paper comes to us freighted with clews and news highly interesting. It is crisp, brief, newsy paragraphs that we all most like, is in our humble opinion is what makes a newspaper popular with the reading public. Of course, at times, a conservative, patriotic and christian comment as important events, is doubtless the proper thing acceptable to the reader, but home news is at last what we like. We have so many old friends and acquaintances who have moved westward and settled in Coke, in scanning your columns seems almost like tidings from home.

Our town is very quiet now, though business has been as brisk as we could expect at this season. The genial, refreshing rains have been highly encouraging.

Sickness is gradually abating, after proving fatal in several instances. Rev. Cordill, after soon valescing from measles, suddenly relapsed with erysiples, and died. He was a noble old Christian gentleman. Also, Mr. James Jones, the blacksmith, quickly relapsed from measles and died. An old gentleman named Davis died from similar affliction. Mrs. Dickinson, the mother of Dr. Frank Dickenson, died quite recently from gripe and consequent weakness, aggravated by a severe fall.

There has been quite a dearth of news, nothing occurring outside of the usual incidents in a community.

Last evening a number of our old ex-Confederate Veterans took the train for Austin to attend the Re-union. Among them, H. D. Pearce, W. H. Weeks and R. C. Tillery; they carried with them an old crippled comrade, Mr. Bost, to put him in the Soldiers Home.

Our County Court is in session but our dockets are light. On the criminal docket come up the case of Dr. Martin, indicted for persuading and influencing Minors from home. He entered a plea of guilty, and the court fined him the penal sum of \$200.00 and all costs. This was the maximum limit. We are told he will make a convict bona.

We wish the RUSTLER all successes, bid it God speed. We do not know of a Journal, better located and better qualified as a medium of advertising and we want to see its columns filled to repletion with good advertisements.

By the way, the U. C. V's. met today and charged the re-union to meet at Ballinger on the 28th and 29th of June, instead of at Raby's ranch as formally announced, and a hearty and cordial invitation is extended to the Coke Co. folks.

More anon,

TELL.

Notice.

I have now a large stock of Coffins on hand; but must have cash or good security.

Respect,

J. H. Burroughs.

F. E. and R. H. Harris will pay \$100.00 reward, for the arrest and conviction of any person killing or stealing any of their stock.

Bronte News.

J. M. Ainsworth sold his ranch on Turkey Creek to G. S. Adams. Mr. H. O'Daniel bought from J. T. Shook 48 head of stock cattle at \$15.50 per head.

The people enjoyed a spelling match and also some nice recitations by the pupils of the Bronte school, on last Friday night.

Mr. Press Stark went to Abilene this week, after a load of freight.

T. J. Simpson, the photographer, was seen on the streets of Bronte this week.

A few of the Bronte people attended the exhibition at Rock Springs on last Wednesday night, they all report having a nice time, hearing some nice recitations and dialogues by the pupils, also a speech by Uncle Tom.

We hear that Mrs. A. P. Stone and babe have the measles.

A. P. McCarty has bought Dr. W. F. Key's Drug Store. I failed to get the price.

M. H. O'Daniel bought G. S. Adams ranch, terms private.

J. B. McCutchen went to San Angelo this week.

Rev. Gid Graham preached at Bronte last Sunday, theme being Resurrection.

Ye scribe attended a song service at Mr. Robinson's last Sunday night, organist Miss Blanche Robinson.

Say Mr. Editor, I wish you would order another good rain as our crops around Bronte are needing rain very badly.

LUCENE.

Bulls for Sale!

I have 20 cross bred Hereford short horn Bulls for sale, at my ranch 2 miles North of Silver, Coke county, Texas.

F. E. McKenzie.

What Love Is.

Miss Sophia Loury employs an exceedingly communicative old colored man to attend to odd jobs about her studio now and then and his sayings have become proverbial among Miss Loury's families. He came to work one day not long ago very full of the goings on of a young man he knew, who was in love.

"But what is love, uncle?" asked Miss Loury.

Uncle wagged his head wisely.

"Miss Sophia," he said solemnly, "love is dizziness, unizziness, and inattention to business."

And really I don't know of any definition more concise, complete and altogether adequate than that. —Washington Post.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Uleers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter Chapped Hands, Chilblain, Corns and all Skin Eruption and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25cts. per box For sale by Ed. Mobley.

Arkansaw Smith says "I sell groceries for cash and cash talk You are not paying anybody else bills when you trade with him for they all pay cash and are happy."

The Small Advertiser.

There seems to be an idea prevalent that advertising is for large dealers only. This belief has kept many a small merchant from improving his opportunities in this direction. Nearly, if not all of the large retail merchants of the United States, have become so by extensive advertising. The advertising which they have done is not the sole cause of their success, but it has been the greatest contributing cause. Most all large enterprises which are successful have begun on a small scale. Their advertising was done in a small way, but it has been kept up day after day and year after year. Good business methods, untiring industry and good advertising are the factors which bring success in business.

Do not be afraid of being overshadowed by the big advertiser. Many times the well-worded reader of only a few lines will reach the eyes of more readers than the pretentious display of the larger store. It tells the people you have goods to sell and what you will sell them for. That is all the big store can say. It is the price that sells the goods. The dealer, be he the corner grocer or the largest dealer in general merchandise in the city, who will sell staple or special articles, quality considered, for the least money, and lets the people know it will receive the patronage.

Every city has plenty of examples showing how small dealers in all kinds of merchandise have made their business a success by means of newspaper advertising. Take what space you can afford, contract by the year, watch its change the matter every day, and you will soon see I need room for your store and more space in the papers. Judicious advertising will develop any mercantile business that has a right to exist. —Western Advertiser.

Attention Richard Coke Camp U. C. V.

We will meet at the graveyard at Robert Lee on Saturday, May 20th, for the purpose of decorating the graves of our dead comrades and will transact other business that may come before the camp. Bring your baskets full of something good to eat, and all the nice flowers you can procure. Bad weather having prevented our former meeting on the 15th of Apr., creates a call for this meeting:

H. H. Hayley,

Adj. Camp No. 600.

J. P. Hutchinson,

Com.

No Trespassing!

I have bought the W. P. Smith's pasture on the line of Coke and Sterling Counties. All trespassers for the purpose of cutting timber, or hauling wood, will be prosecuted to full extent of the law.

This Jan. 24th. '99.

H. G. Beason.

MH Grinds

at Robert Lee, on Saturday before the first Sunday in each month.

L. H. McDorman.

1899 Spring styles of new millinery goods at Mrs. Martin's.

Now Want Peace.

Washington, April 29.—Gen. Otis telegraphed the war department yesterday morning that the commanding general of the insurgents has received from the insurgent government directions to suspend hostilities pending negotiations for the termination of the war. Insurgent staff officers are now on the way to Manila for that purpose.

The text of Gen. Otis' dispatch reads: Manila, April 28.—Adjutant general, Washington: After taking Calumpit MacArthur's division crosses the Rio Grande river in the face of great obstacles, driving the concentrated forces of the enemy back on the railway two miles.

MacArthur reports that the passage of the river was a remarkable military achievement, the success of which is due to the daring, skill and determination of Col. Funston, under the discriminating control of Gen. Wharton. Casualties slight, number not yet ascertained.

This morning the chief of staff from the commanding general of the insurgent forces entered our lines to express admiration of the wonderful feat of the American army in forcing the passage of the river, which was thought impossible. The staff officer reports that the insurgent commanding general has received from the insurgent government directions to suspend hostilities pending negotiations for the termination of the war. A staff officer with a party is now en route to Manila and will arrive soon. Lawton's forces are well in hand in the vicinity of Angat, east of Calumpit, where he is waiting for supplies to be sent to-morrow. Yesterday morning a force of 1500 insurgents attacked the troops at Taguig and were driven back by the Washington regiment. Our loss was two killed, twelve wounded.

The dispatch from Gen. Otis was immediately telegraphed to President McKinley at Philadelphia. The officials of the war department all believe that the hostilities are about concluded.

The news from Gen. Otis came just at the beginning of the official day here. There was a feeling of profound relief expressed at once on all sides, for during the last three days the officials have been much depressed from the reports that came from the front.

Secretary Alger was naturally highly gratified at the news. He approved generally Gen. Otis' reply to the Filipino delegation, but he made it clear that there was no disposition on his part to interfere with Otis and the Filipino commission in making terms with the Filipinos to any greater degree than has been done in the conduct of the campaign. The secretary said that the Philippine commission had power to arrange the terms of surrender.

Mrs. George Acquitted.

Canton, O., April 29.—A verdict of not guilty was delivered to the court yesterday, which acquitted Mrs. Anna E. George of the murder of George D. Saxton. This finale was reached after a trial of twenty-two days of actual sessions of court and after twenty-two and three-quarter hours of deliberation in the jury-room. It set at liberty the woman who has occupied a cell in jail for several months. In less than an hour after the verdict had been announced congratulatory telegrams were received by Mrs. George from sympathizers in many quarters of the country. More of them were addressed to her attorneys and were congratulations on a professional victory. During the afternoon and this evening Mrs. George has been constantly engaged at receptions. She has not decided on her future plans.

In Otis' Hands.

New York, April 28.—A Washington special to the Brooklyn Eagle says all arrangements with the Filipinos are absolutely in Otis' hands. The departure of troops may be delayed from here by recent developments.

The Spanish-American treaty of peace has been sent to Madrid.

Dawes Commission.

Washington, April 29.—The Dawes Indian commission has forwarded to the interior department a report of plans for the allotment and citizenship enrollment and other work required by the Indian Territory act.

The full-bloods of the Creek nation have been very slow to accede to the policy of the government as expressed in recent legislation and the work of enrolling has been retarded by a determination on their part to ignore the requirements of the commission.

Addressed by President.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 29.—President McKinley and his party left the Hotel Bellevue shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday morning for a visit to the cruiser Raleigh, which lies at anchor in the Delaware river off the center of the city.

The president and his party boarded one of the navy yard tugs at 1:45 o'clock and as the boat moved away from the pier the crowd on the wharf set up a hearty cheer while the boats in the vicinity whistled a noisy welcome to the chief executive. The president stood in the stern of the tug leaning on the arm of Admiral Casey, commandant of the League Island navy yard. In about two minutes the tug drew alongside the Raleigh and the president was greeted by Lieut. Commander Phelps, who introduced him to Capt. Coughlan. The marines stood at the guard rail on the poop deck and the crew were ordered to man the rail as President McKinley and his party stepped aboard.

At the same moment the gunners began firing the national salute and the blue jackets doffed their caps. Accompanied by Capt. Coughlan, the president proceeded to the cabin of the cruiser where he held an informal reception. He was then escorted to the lower deck on which the sailors were lined up for inspection. Capt. Coughlan introduced the men of the ship as follows: "Mr. President—These are the men of the Raleigh. Some of them are from the flagship Olympia. They served throughout the whole campaign."

After passing before them with bared head, Mr. McKinley addressed the Manila heroes.

Grant Monument.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 29.—In the presence of President McKinley and his wife, members of his cabinet, three members of Gen. U. S. Grant's family and a great crowd of people, Miss Rosemary Sartoris, grand-daughter of Gen. Grant, unveiled a heroic equestrian statue of her illustrious grandfather in Fairmount park. Although the day was not a holiday in honor of the event, there was a great outpouring of patriotic citizens. Flags were everywhere displayed throughout the city and all the ships in the harbor were gaily decorated in colors. This city each year commemorates the birthday of Gen. Grant, but never did it celebrate it as it did this time. Weather was beautiful. H. L. Carson of Philadelphia delivered the oration.

Many Bodies.

Kirksville, Mo., April 29.—As a result of the tornado that swept through the eastern portion of this city Thursday evening, demolishing half of the residences and other buildings, 200 families are homeless and more than fifty dead bodies and seventy injured persons have been recovered from the ruins. More than a dozen of the injured will die. Although rescuers have been searching the ruins ever since the storm spent its fury many are still missing and it is thought that a considerable number of the unfortunates were consumed in the flames that broke out soon after the storm had ceased. The work of rescue continues, but it may be days before the total number of victims are known.

Express Satisfaction.

Berlin, April 29.—The newspapers here, commenting upon the latest news from Samoa, express satisfaction with the attitude of Admiral Kautz, United States navy, interpreting it as a sign that the United States government will henceforth side with Germany in the Samoan trouble. The Boersen Courier says that the American admiral's position may indicate how differently the Americans and the English in Samoa interpret instructions received simultaneously.

The Fremdenblatt, the organ of the Austro-Hungarian foreign office, commenting upon the Coughlan incident, invites the United States to abandon Great Britain and to join the triple alliance.

Advices from Samoa report severe fighting between friendly and hostile natives.

Scenes of Distress.

Chillicothe, Mo., April 29.—Scenes of utter distress and desolation were pictured yesterday in the little town of Newton, forty miles north, on the St. Paul railway. A day of ceaseless search among the ruins for the injured followed a night of gloom and despair. Fifty families are homeless there are about fifteen dead and over thirty injured, while half of the place is in ruins. A complete list of casualties will not be known for several days.

MILITARY AND NAVAL NOTES.

Several British gunboats are being kept busy rescuing the English residents of the outlying sections of the Philippines from the insurgents.

The reactionary attitude of the Chinese government toward foreigners is creating for them an intolerable situation, which can not be prolonged.

The six troops of the tenth cavalry will be relieved from their stations in Texas and assembled at Galveston, to sail from that port about the 10th inst.

It is reported in different reliable quarters that the attempts of Don Carlos to raise a loan on the security of his Italian and Austrian estates have failed.

The remains of Col. John M. Stotenburg, who was killed in the Philippines, will be interred at New Albany, Ind., the family home. They will arrive in about six weeks.

Majors promoted from captains, with rank from March 2: John B. Rodman, twentieth infantry; Francis W. Mansfield, eleventh infantry; Frederick M. H. Kendrick, seventh infantry.

Agnaldo, by two attorneys, is suing Hong Kong and Shanghai bank to recover \$200,000 which he deposited with the bank in January, 198, together with 4 per cent interest accruing.

Two companies, twenty-fifth infantry, from the Department of Colorado, to be selected by the commanding general from those serving in Arizona are to be sent to the Department of the Gulf.

From Japan the death in prison is reported of the fanatic police officer who attempted to assassinate the present emperor of Russia, when he was traveling in Japan, prior to his accession to the throne.

It was stated at the war department that the eleventh infantry is to remain in Porto Rico. It had been previously arranged to bring that regiment to the United States, with a view to its possible transportation to the Philippines.

The demonstration of the German-Americans at Chicago against an American-British treaty or alliance is discussed in the press, even the semi-official organs devoting considerable space to the matter.

The postmaster general has issued an order placing the Philippine postal service on an independent basis. F. W. Vaillie, who has had charge of postal affairs in the islands, has been appointed director of posts for the Philippines.

The senatorial election for the Spanish new cortes passed off tranquilly throughout the country. They have resulted in giving the government a larger majority in the senate than it had had secured in the chamber of deputies.

The commissary department of the army has been authorized to issue to such soldiers as desire it an equal value in fish in lieu of the beef ration now used. The restriction regarding the issue of fish when beef can not be obtained is removed.

Twenty-seven members of company M, fourth Illinois volunteers, who have been doing garrison duty in Cuba, arrived at Champaign, having been discharged at Havana. The remainder of the company is in camp at Augusta, Ga., and will be home about May 11.

Lord Salisbury has notified Germany of his willingness to support the kaiser's scheme for the better administration of the Asiatic provinces of Turkey, if all the nations enjoy equal commercial privileges in the proposed German protectorate.

A small cast-iron cannon of archaic manufacture has been mounted in the office of Secretary Alger at the war department. The gun was captured from the Spaniards in Cuba and formed one of the defenses of the commandant of Fort Elias, Mariel. It is about 2 feet long, with a 1-inch bore, and weigh about 100 pounds.

Secretary Alger made public the verdict in the case of Lieut. Lang, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer and conduct to the prejudice of the good order and discipline of the service. The court found Lang guilty as charged, and sentenced him to dismissal from the service.

Russia has informed the vatican that the czar is still eager for the pope's admission to the peace conference, but that he is not supported in this by the French government.

The increase of the British garrison at the Cape of Good Hope from 3300 men three years ago to 6000 at the present time, has been leading to the impression that some move is premeditated against the Transvaal republic, and much interest has been awakened.

No Shirt, Perhaps. "It looks kinder queer, Malindy," said the new millionaire to his wife after the guests had departed, "that the count wouldn't take his coat off at dinner, like the rest of us, don't it?" "Maybe he didn't have no shirt," suggested the lady. "I've seen fellows fixed up that way in shows."

In a Dilemma.

"What's the matter?" "I'm in a dilemma." "How so?" "I've got two invitations to dinner. One comes from a woman whom I am afraid to offend and the other woman gives the best feed!"

Under Arrest.

"Yes, the man is under arrest for conspiring to procure the death of his mother-in-law. He'll be convicted, too."

"What did he send her? Poisoned candy?" "No. A folding bed."

Foul-Smelling Catarrh.

Catarrh is one of the most obstinate diseases, and hence the most difficult to get rid of.

There is but one way to cure it. The disease is in the blood, and all the sprays, washes and inhalants mixtures in the world can have no permanent effect whatever upon it. Swift's Specific cures Catarrh permanently, for it is the only remedy which can reach the disease and force it from the blood.

Mr. B. P. McAllister, of Harrodsburg, Ky., had Catarrh for years. He writes:

"I could see no improvement whatever, though I was constantly treated with sprays and washes, and different inhalant remedies—in fact, I could feel that each winter I was worse than the year previous. 'Finally it was brought to my notice that Catarrh was a blood disease, and after thinking over the matter, I saw it was unreasonable to expect to be cured by remedies which only reached the surface. I then decided to try S. S. S., and after a few bottles were used, I noticed a perceptible improvement. Continuing the remedy, the disease was forced out of my system, and a complete cure was the result. I advise all who have this dreadful disease to abandon their local treatment, which has never done them any good, and take S. S. S., a remedy that can reach the disease and cure it."

To continue the wrong treatment for Catarrh is to continue to suffer. Swift's Specific is a real blood remedy, and cures obstinate, deep-seated diseases, which other remedies have no effect whatever upon. It promptly reaches Catarrh, and never fails to cure even the most aggravated cases.

S. S. S. For the Blood

Is Purely Vegetable, and is the only blood remedy guaranteed to contain no dangerous minerals. Books mailed free by Swift Specific Company, Atlanta, Georgia.

COLUMBIA, HARTFORD
and VEDETTE Bicycles.

We are offering the widest range of pattern and price and the greatest number of improvements ever presented by any manufacturer in a single season. No matter what style of wheel your prefer to ride or how much you wish to pay for it, it will be to your advantage to examine our machines and compare them with others.

OUR 1899 MODELS.

Columbia Bevel-Gear Chainless, . . . \$75
Columbia Chain Wheels, \$50
Hartfords, \$35
Vedettes, Men's, \$25; Ladies', \$26

Best and cheapest stock fence ever made. Write for prices. Invented, manufactured and sold by
THE HODGE FENCE CO., Ltd., Lake Charles, La.

"DIRT DEFIES THE KING." THEN

SAPOLIO

IS GREATER THAN ROYALTY ITSELF.

DONT BUY COTTON GIN MACHINERY OF ANY DESCRIPTION unless you have
Catalogue and Prices
MUNGER COMPLETE GIN OUTLETS
Manufactured by Cotton Machine Works, Dallas, Tex.

"The Prudent Man Setteth His House in Order."

Your human tenement should be given even more careful attention than the house you live in. Set it in order by thoroughly purifying your blood by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Erysipelas—"My little girl is now fat and healthy on account of Hood's Sarsaparilla curing her of erysipelas and eczema." Mrs. H. O. WHEATLEY, Fort Chester, N. Y.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Never Disappoints

Hood's Pills cure liver bile; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

THE GREATEST GOLD MINE

IN THE WORLD, the Portland, at Cripple Creek, joins our lease; the Isabella and Independence are very near. We are down 300 feet, (the mine has produced \$12,000 in gold) another 100 feet puts us through the cap into richer ore zone. We must hurry because of lease. You can help us now, at little cost, and get a big return. Every minute counts! For full information, cuts, printed matter and very highest references write, The North American Gold Mining and Development Company, 40 H. Arapahoe Building, Denver, Colorado. Investigate. We also own the Douglas, very close to the great Caribou mine which has produced \$6,000,000.

160 ACRES
FARMS IN WESTERN CANADA FREE

WHEAT WHEAT WHEAT

"Nothing but wheat; what you might call a sea of wheat." is what was said by a lecturer speaking of Western Canada. For particulars as to routes, railway fares, etc., apply to Superintendent of Immigration, Department Interior, Ottawa, Canada, or to C. J. Broughton, 1223 Monastock Block, Chicago, Ill.

CURE YOURSELF!

Use Big **C** for unnatural discharges, inflammations, irritations or ulcerations of mucous membranes. Painless, and not astraining. Held by Druggists, U. S. A. or sent in plain wrapper, by express, prepaid, for \$1.00. 25 Cents. Circular sent on request.

CANDY CATHARTIC

Caracarets

REGULATE THE LIVER

W. N. U. DALLAS. — NO. 18—1899

When Answering Advertisements Kindly Mention This Paper.

Peculiar Fatality.

A remarkable tragedy has occurred in the village of Mewmeh, near Sidon. A villager, having sold some property, consulted with his wife as to where they should hide the purchase money, and together they decided to place it in their infant's cot, under the mattress. That night three robbers, knowing that the villager had the money in his possession, broke into his house, and on being interrupted by the crying of the child carried the cot boldly outside lest the inmates should be disturbed and foil their plans. The mother, however, woke up, and hearing the child's cries rushed out with her husband. The robbers meanwhile were continuing their search in the house, when the building collapsed, burying the three marauders in its ruins.

Abolish the Death Penalty.

At Albany the law-makers are wrangling over the abolition of the death penalty. The man who succeeds will prove as great a benefactor to the breaker of man's laws as Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has to the breaker of nature's laws. If you've neglected your stomach until indigestion and constipation are upon you, try Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.

Little courtesies of life are productive of much good.

A man good to his mother will be good to his wife.

Hall's Catarrh Cure

Is taken internally. Price, 75c.

The less artificial you are the more you are liked.

I never used so quick a cure as Piso's Cure for Consumption.—J. B. Palmer, Box 117, Seattle, Wash., Nov. 25, 1895.

To be deceived often saves a great deal of trouble.

FITS Permanently Cured. Nerves or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE \$2.00 trial bottle and treatise. DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

A few more days and the oyster will leave us.

Do Your Feet Ache and Burn?

Shake into your shoes, Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It makes tight or New Shoes feel Easy. Cures Corns, Bunions, Swollen, Hot and Sweating Feet. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

It is a pleasant thing to be "foolish" at the right time.

No Cure No Pay

Is the way FINDLEY'S EYE SALVE is sold. Chronic and Granulated lids cured in 30 days; common sore eyes in 3 days, or money back for the asking. Sold by all druggists, or by mail, 25c. box. J. P. HAYTER, Decatur, Texas.

Retrospection often brings back sweet memories.

The Texas and Pacific offers a rate of about one cent per mile each way to the U. C. V. reunion at Charleston, S. C., May 10 to 15, choice of three routes.

In the lottery of life one's luck often varies.

The Opening of the Ute Indian Reservation

By proclamation of the President of the United States, the Ute Indian reservation in southern Colorado will be opened for settlement at noon of May 4, 1899. It comprises 600,000 acres of arable mesa land, which has long been considered the most desirable in the state. For free pamphlets, giving complete information, address S. K. Hooper, General Passenger Agent D. & R. G. R. R., Denver, Colo.

Cows come home, but borrowed umbrellas seldom.

Prophetic Book.

There has been discovered in an old bookshop in Chicago a rare copy of an English translation, dated 1687, of Cyrano de Bergerac's "Comic History of the States and Empires of the Worlds, of the Moon and Sun." The bookseller picked it up some months ago in London. In the following extract the author is thought to have divined the invention of the phonograph:

My spirit has translated those books into the language of the world (the sun), but because I have none of their print I'll now explain to you the fashion of these two volumes. As I opened the box I found within somewhat of metal, almost like our clocks, full of I know not what little springs and imperceptible engines. It was a book indeed, but a strange and wonderful book that had neither leaves nor letters. In fine, it was a book made wholly for the ears and not for the eyes—so that when anybody had a mind to read it he winds up that machine with a great many little springs then he turns the hand to the chapter which he desires to hear, and straight as from the moon of a man or a musical instrument proceed all the distinct and different sounds which the lunar grandees make use of for expressing their thoughts, instead of language. Thus, you never want for the company of all great men, living or dead, who entertain you with living voices.

And in the following is seen a prophecy of the incandescent light:

The old landlord brought in crystals full of glow worms to light the parlor, but, seeing those little fiery insects lose much of their light when they are not fresh gathered, these, which were ten days old, had hardly had any at all. My spirit stayed not till the company should complain of it, but went up to his chamber and came immediately back again with two bowls of fire so sparkling that all wondered he burned not his fingers. "These incandescent tapers," said he, "will serve us better than your wick of worms. They are rays of the sun, which I have purged from their heats, otherwise the corrosive quality of their fire would have dazzled and offended your eyes. I have fixed their light and inclosed it within these transparent bowls."

"Not Thirsty."

The man with the freckles on his nose glanced carelessly over the morning paper, which the man with the barbed wire beard had thoughtfully subscribed for.

"Will you—"
The landlady spoke his name with infinite sweetness, for she fondly hoped he would pay his board after supper.

"—have some oyster stew?"

The man with the freckles on his nose tilted back his chair in defiance of the laws of etiquette and gravitation.

"No thank you—"
A far away look came into his eyes.

"I'm not thirsty."
It is a matter of conjecture whether it was emotion or stage fright that caused the man with the yellow whiskers to sneeze so violently that he upset the salt cellar.

Married His Hat.

A European government servant was recently married to a native woman in Samarang by the Mohammedan ceremony. It took place in the mesjid, and it was conducted by the penghulu, but the bridegroom was not present. He had given written notice that he would not put in an appearance, but he sent his hat, and that was, according to native custom, quite sufficient. She married the hat.

Hot chocolate has retired in favor of ice cream soda.

Rooms reflect the character of the parties occupying them.

Syrup of Figs
DELIGHTFUL LIQUID LAXATIVE
TO GET ITS BENEFICIAL EFFECTS BUY THE GENUINE CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.
FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS. PRICE 50¢ PER BOTTLE. LOUISVILLE, KY. NEW YORK, N.Y. U.S.A. LONDON, ENG.

AN EXCELLENT COMBINATION

THE pleasant method and beneficial effects of the well-known remedy, SYRUP OF FIGS, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Company, illustrate the value of obtaining the liquid laxative principles of plants known to be medicinally laxative and presenting them in the form most refreshing to the taste and acceptable to the system. It is the one perfect strengthening laxative,

CLEANSING THE SYSTEM EFFECTUALLY, DISPELLING COLDS AND HEADACHES, PREVENTING FEVERS, OVERCOMING HABITUAL CONSTIPATION PERMANENTLY.

Its perfect freedom from every objectionable quality and substance, and its acting on the kidneys, liver and bowels, gently yet promptly, without weakening or irritating them, make it the ideal laxative. In the process of manufacturing figs are used, as they are pleasant to the taste, but

THE MEDICINAL QUALITIES ARE OBTAINED FROM SENNA AND OTHER AROMATIC PLANTS,

by a method known to the California Fig Syrup Company only. In order to get its beneficial effects, and to avoid imitations, please remember the full name of the Company printed on the front of every package.

Consumers of the choicest products of modern commerce purchase at about the same price that others pay for cheap and worthless imitations. To come into universal demand and to be everywhere considered the best of its class, an article must be capable of satisfying the wants and tastes of the best informed purchasers. The California Fig Syrup Company having met with the highest success in the manufacture and sale of its excellent liquid laxative remedy, SYRUP OF FIGS, it has become important to all to have a knowledge of the Company and its product. The California Fig Syrup Company was organized more than fifteen years ago, for the special purpose of manufacturing and selling a laxative remedy which would be more pleasant to the taste and more beneficial in effect than any other known. The great value of the remedy, as a medicinal agent and of the Company's efforts, is attested by the sale of millions of bottles annually, and by the high approval of most eminent physicians. As the true and genuine remedy named SYRUP OF FIGS is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Company only, the knowledge of that fact will assist in avoiding the worthless imitations manufactured by other parties.

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.
LOUISVILLE, KY. SAN FRANCISCO, CAL. NEW YORK, N.Y.
For Sale by All Druggists, Price 50¢ Per Bottle.

PLANTATION CHILL CURE is Guaranteed. IF IT FAILS
Go to your merchant and get **YOUR MONEY BACK**
We will refund to him. Price, 50 cents. Sold by All Druggists. VAN VLEET-MANSFIELD DRUG CO., MEMPHIS, TENN.

Are You Using Allen's Foot-Ease?
It is the only cure for Swollen, Smarting, Burning, Sweating Feet, Corns and Bunions. Ask for Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder to be shaken into the shoes. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Scores of Texts.

There are scores of texts upon which the young wife will do well to heed exhortation—keeping herself beautiful and young and her household cheerful, orderly and exquisitely clean; studying deeply the right selection of human foods; adapting herself to her relations-in-law; liberally tolerating, if not subscribing to her husband's politics and religion; bravely defending him against the adverse criticism of others, and never, never censuring his weaknesses to relations or friends.

Rich Red Men.

The Menominee Indians, in Northern Wisconsin, are as successful a body in their lumber operations. The sale of pine logs in years past, by women and children have a net worth which aggregates about \$75,000 a year in lumber operations, and clears \$50,000 a year in other operations, which adds to the \$100,000 yearly.

An all-wise provision that will penetrate the future.

Old-fashioned molasses candy is coming in style again.

A Household Necessity.

Every home should have a handy for use a little box of Cascarets Candy Cathartic, as a perfect guardian of the family health. All druggists, 10c. per box.

The girl with pretty eyelashes is always admired.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

Why do you find a lost article in the last place you look for it?

The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price, 50c.

Happy Loss.

"We had burglars at our house last night, ha, ha, ha!"
"What are you laughing about?"
"They stole my lawn mower, ho, ho."

Another Trust.

"Say, Weary, I see that another big trust is being organized to control all the soap output of the country."
"I'm glad of it. There's altogether too much of the incendiary stuff being scattered permiskusly aroun' the country."

Advertised by Burlesques.

"Higgins, people say I look like you; do you mind it?"
"No; a good book or play is always well advertised by its burlesques."

To err is human, to forgive divine, but there is quite a lot of forgiveness wasted in this world.

What a short distance a mile is to cover.

Hot soups have retired in favor of frozen puddings.

TOWER'S FISH BRAND SLICKER
WILL KEEP YOU DRY.
Don't be fooled with a mackintosh or rubber coat. If you want a coat that will keep you dry in the hardest snow buy the Fish Brand Slicker. If not for sale in your town, write for catalogue to A. J. TOWER, Boston, Mass.

OPIUM and **WHISKEY** Habits cured at home without pain. Book of particulars free. B. E. WOOLLEY, M. D., Atlanta, Ga.

You will never know what **GOOD INK** is unless you use Carter's. It costs no more than poor ink. Funny booklet "How to Make Ink Pictures" from CARTER'S INK CO., Boston, Mass.

WASH MANUFACTURING CO.
Ask your merchant for the "Rose" Brand Pants, Overalls, Shirts and Drawers. The workmanship is guaranteed, and if they rip or prove otherwise defective your dealer is authorized to give you another garment in exchange.
"Union Made."

A PIANO can be bought from us at a very low price and for easy payments or all full time. Fulfill your duty to your family and buy them a piano. Think of our prices, \$8 to \$65 and upward, good values.
WILL A. WATKIN MUSIC CO., Dallas, Tex.

ALABASTINE
Alabastine, the only durable wall coating, takes the place of sealing, kalsomines, wall paper and paint for walls. It can be used on plaster, brick, wood or canvas.
Alabastine can be used over paint or paper; paint or paper can be used over Alabastine. Buy only in five pound packages, properly labeled; take no substitute.
Every church and schoolhouse should be coated only with Alabastine. Hundreds of tons used yearly for this work. Genuine Alabastine does not rub and scale off.
Alabastine packages have full directions. Anyone can brush it on. Ask paint dealer for tint card. "Alabastine Era" free. Alabastine Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.

J. W. HARRIS, Druggists Sundries, Paints and Oils.

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

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HUBERT H. PEARCE,
Editor.

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Made known on application.

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We favor the Anti Trust Law.
Down with the trusts and monopolies.
The natives in Samoa are still fighting.
The Phillipino leaders are trying to patch up a peace with Uncle Sam.
Our farmers are all busy, tilling their land and preparing to gather a rich harvest this fall.
Coke County is wearing her Spring robes of green, and her people are happy.
To the Homeseeker, Coke is the County in West Texas that can find room for you.
The average pastors salary in New York City, leaving out Missions, is about \$6,000.00.
The San Angelo bar endorsed W. A. Wright and recommended him to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Court bench caused by the resignation of Mr. Dewman.

Hereafter Coke County will have no County Court. All cases will have to be tried either in Justice Court or District Court. The RUSTLER would much rather have not been compelled to announce this news, but it is a fact just the same.

A great many of our Texas Newspapers are berating Georgia just now, for what happened in Texas some years ago. We are not prepared to say that any great wrong was done in punishing the negro in either case.

Vol. I. No. 1. of the Brazoria County Democrat has arrived in our office. It is a neatly printed and ably edited five-column quarto by J. Wayne Greer. We wish the new venture success.

We acknowledge receipt of an invitation to the 16th Commencement of the University of Texas on June 11th to 16th inclusive, at Austin.

The Sure LagrippeCure.
There is no use suffering from this dreadful malady, if you will only get the right remedy. You are having pain all through your body, your liver is out of order, have no appetite, no life or ambition, have a bad cold, in fact are completely used up. Electric Bitters is the only remedy that will give you prompt and sure relief. They act directly on your liver, Stomach, and Kidneys, tone up the whole system and make you feel like a new being. They are guaranteed to cure or price refunded. For sale at Ed Mobleys' Drug Store. Only 50c per bottle.

PARSON JENKINS' DILEMMA.

When Parson Jenkins first was called to preach at White Oak chapel, He predicted seriously how he had better grapple With Satan and his wily plans, so full of sin and sorrow, And how he'd best attack old Nick upon the coming morrow. "I've heard," said Parson Jenkins, as he sat soliloquizing, "That sin in White Oak holds the sway beyond the least surmising; And as I see my duty now to lambs within my keeping, I think that I'll begin at once a thoroughly clear sweeping. "I'll strike the liquor traffic hard, I will, don't you forget it, And all the gamblers in this town, my coming, they'll regret it; And then these dancing frolics, too, so frequent in this city— If I don't knock 'em all sky-high, I'm sure t'will be a pity." And so, thus "loaded up for bear," next day the good old preacher Proceeded early to the church, zeal written in each feature; But at he left the parsonage old Deacon Brown was waiting, The "situation," as he said, he thought he should be "stating." "It's just this way, my pastor dear, down in this White Oak region, The whisky folks are numerous, indeed their name is legion; And lots of them that handle it are fine, good-hearted fellows, And it would not look well, I think, to tackle these rum-sellers. "They never fail to help us out in all church enterprises, Our cake walks, fairs and festivals—good schemes in different guises— And I believe upon the whole, you'd best regard your mission As something different from the job of preaching prohibition." Just here they met good Brother Smith, who made this kind suggestion: I'd like to say a word or two upon another question: The gamblers in our town, you see, are liberal with their money, And should we lose their kind support the loss would not be funny. "So, please, dear Brother Jenkins, try and not to give offense To the gamblers in White Oak, for what would be the sense Of losing all the revenue we get from these same chaps? It might be orthodoxical, but yet not wise perhaps." Just then young Brother Simpson, who taught the Bible classes And was the special favorite of all the pretty lasses, Politely asked permission a little part to take In advising Brother Jenkins, of "the breaks he should not make." "You know, dear Brother Jenkins, our young folks love to dance, And if you'd like to please us, and your usefulness enhance, Pray do not say a word against an amusement so refined, For if you do, dear brother, we'll regard it as unkind. "Just let the young folks have their fun, 'tis innocent, you know, And should you preach against them, then from your church they'll go. So, I advise you, brother, just let the dancing pass—" The others joined young Simpson and answered, too, "Yes," "Yes! Then good old Parson Jenkins stood puzzled and perplexed; No doubt he also felt he had good reason to be vexed, But curbing any passion that may have tried to rise, He turned on his advisers his kind, inquiring eyes. "Dear brethren, I'm confounded, the truth I must confess; Just how I am to preach to you, I'm sure I can not guess, For Brother Brown forbids me the liquor trade to fight, And the gamblers, Brother Smith declares, to hit would not be right. "And then comes Brother Simpson most earnestly to plead That to these dancing frolics I never should give heed, Now, brethren, will you tell me, dear service has commenced What sinners under heaven then am I to preach against?" The parson's three advisers in unison spoke out: "Why, yes, dear Brother Jenkins, sure you would preach about Those sinful Mormon people—yes that would suit us well, They've not a single friend in town—pitch in and give 'em hell!"

DICK NAYLOR.

Stop at the CENTRAL Wagon Yard,

When you drive to San Angelo. Your teams well cared for. Feed stuff sold at lowest prices. Headquarters for Knickerbocker, Sherwood, Ozona and Robert Lee mail hacks.

Yours for business,
D. E. COCREHAM,

Honesty.

In Coke County, we believe in honesty, the plain unvarnished home-spun kind that never fails.

If we sell a man a month of our time we want him to have it. If we agree to do a certain piece of work we do it and do not "throw off" or half do the job.

If we sell a man a horse, cow or some inanimate article, we do not misrepresent it for our benefit.

If a man false-swears here, we indict him. If a man makes false statements about his finances, or in a social way we soon drop on to him and place him where he belongs,—among the Liars.

Honesty pays. A fellow once lied to us and some years afterward we saw him go to jail and from there to the penitentiary on account of pursuing the same dishonest tactics.

True honesty is not always directly rewarded in this world, but the consciousness of right, ought to be sufficient recompense for telling the truth.

Coke County people average up fine along on this line and we are proud of it.

Arkansas Smith sold 1000 sacks of flour, last month, and made 5 cts. on the sack. Cash talk! It cost nothing to price goods at his store. Be sure and see him before you buy.

Just received, a new line of millinery goods at Mrs. Ingram's

Rail Road Rumors.

It is said that some of the old time citizens about Bronte are coming out with new neck ties on, in honor of the R. R.

The latest is that the Rail Road will go by Tom Hennessey's Turkey creek section and build a terminus and County Seat.

"Dennis," the war hero, was fiddling it in the Kickapoo country last week. We hear that each pretty girl along the line is depending on a near by depot.

"George, the silent," only speaks when necessary, and no "secrets of state" are given away by him.

Uncle George Harris' residence was cut off from his field and Higginbothams place cut in '15, so we hear. Rail Roads are a mighty thing.

Clubbing Rates.

By special arrangements we can give the RUSTLER and any one of the following papers for one year for \$1.80:

Dallas Semi-Weekly News.
Galveston Semi Weekly News.
Houston Semi-Weekly Post.
St. Louis Semi-Weekly Republic
Atlanta Semi-Weekly Journal.
Atlanta Weekly Constitution.
New York, Trice a week, World
Texas Farm and Ranch, Weekly

A patent medicine drummer made our town yesterday.

A Puzzle!

One that a child can solve, after a few moments of solid thought, but at a glance it seems a little hard to understand, why Mistrot Bros. and Co. can offer such low prices on goods, and continue prosperous in business. The ANSWER is contained in one word **LOW PRICES** brings customers there by enabling us to turn our money over after making a small gain every time. **YOU SEE THE POINT?**

Millinery.

We can say without boasting, Millinery trade has been far beyond our expectation. Our hats are dressed in the latest styles with the nicest material at the same time they are uniformly low with our other goods. If you haven't ever seen and priced our millinery, call and see it, we will be pleased to show you through. We have just received a nice line of Fans from 5 cts. to \$1.75, Parasols, Belts, Belt buckles, Friendship hearts, Chains, etc.

STAPLE'S AND DRESS GOODS.
Yard wide Sea Island Domestic, full count, 3-4 cents.
36-inch, full width bleached, soft finish for machine, 4 1-2 cents.
India Mull, nice, pretty, goods for dresses; one pattern, 10 yards, to each customer for 20 cents.

SPECIAL JOB.
Oil Cloth 10 cents per yard.
Grenadines, pretty patterns, makes up beautifully, soft finish and silk effect, only 8 1-3 cents; regular price 15 cents.

In addition, we are showing a beautiful line of waist silks, woolen goods for skirts and dresses, dimities, organdies, piques, in all their varied effects, texture, etc. For want of space cannot mention all.

A BATCH OF BARGAINS TOLD IN FEW WORDS.

To see them will be to appreciate them at the prices.
Serim for curtains 3 1-2 cts. yrd.
2 cakes Butter Milk Complexion Soap for 5c. Regular price 3 for 25c.
2 spools Standard thread 5c.
3 spools Best Sewing Thread 10c.
2 packages XX-5 Envelopes for 5c, 2 packages to a customer.

For the want of space we cannot name every article but a few of the most useful ones, will suffice to show the real value of all.
Combination goods sold at retail for less than jobbers' prices.
See our standard brand of Oil Cloth at 10 cents.

The saving comes in the way of large purchasing, which we make to your advantage.

Curtains, Counterpanes, Napkins and many other goods not yet priced but in transit, hence cannot give complete list. New goods, new values constantly en route.

SHOES, SHOES.

Surely we can interest you when we offer a Ladies Dongola Button Shoe, solid leather out and out from heel to toe, leather lined inner sole highly finished, stamp price \$2.00, our special bargain \$1.45.

Our Ladies India Kidd Button Shoe solid leather inner soles at 75c, is worth \$1.25.
Misses and Ladies Slippers from 35 cents up.

Extra quality Men's Cassimere Crotch Lined Jeans Pants, our special at 95 cents.

Men's Duck Pants 35c.
Our Men's Cotton Imitation Cassimere Pants, we have known them to sell for \$1.50, our leaders 75c.

ITEMS THAT WILL PAY YOU TO SEE.
Men's Undershirts, 10c, 20c, 35c and up.

Men's Dress Shirts 5 Ply Cuffs and collars, 18c. Work Shirts at the same price.

We have a beautiful line of Negligees, Dress Shirts, Plain White and Fancy Effect Fronts.

Men's Suspenders from 5c pair up.
Hose from 2c pair up.
Collars 5c up, and a lot of other good values. Come and see.

Our Motto:—"One price, strictly, courteous and polite treatment to one and all."

Mistrot Bros. & Co.

Next door to C. A. Probandt, SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

FURNITURE!

Large line and low prices.

Bed room suits, \$16.50 up. Rocking Chairs, \$1.50 up.
Solid Oak High back Cane seat dining chairs, 90c up.

A GOOD LINE OF WINDOW SHADES AND MATTINGS.

IRON BEDS A SPECIALTY.

Mrs. E. C. Fitzgerald,

Opposite Post office, — — San Angelo, Texas.

The Ladies Emporium OF FASHION,

By Mrs. Ollie Gilbert, San Angelo,

The people of Coke County are respectfully invited to call and examine our stock of Fashionable Dressmaking in connection with our Millinery.

Official Directory.

DISTRICT.
Judge.....J. W. Timmins,
Attorney.....D. D. Wallace,
Sheriff.....L. B. Murray,
Clerk.....J. W. Barnett,

COUNTY.
Judge.....M. H. Davis,
Attorney.....Gid Graham,
Clerk.....J. W. Barnett
sheriff.....L. B. Murray,
Assessor.....W. W. McCutchen
Treasurer.....C. L. Hughes,
Surveyor.....G. C. Berryman,
Hide & Animal Inspector, Will Perry,

Robert Lee Mail Directory.

Robert Lee and San Angelo, daily except Sunday. Arrives 5:30 p m and departs 7:30 a m.
Robert Lee and Ballinger, daily except Sunday, arrives 7 p m and leaves 7 a m.
Robert Lee via Sanco to Silver, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Arrives 7 p m and leaves 6 a m.
Robert Lee and Ft. Chadbourne, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, arrives 6 p m and leaves at 7 a m.
Robert Lee and Tennyson, Tuesday and Saturday, arrives 7 p m and leaves at 6 a m.
Robert Lee and Edith, Monday, Wednesday and Friday; arrives at 12:30 p m and leaves at 7 a m.
Robert Lee and Sweetwater, Monday and Friday, 8 p m. arrives, Tuesday and Saturday, 6 a m leaves.

Church Directory.

Baptist:—Each First Sabbath at 11 a. m., and at night. At Methodist Church.
Eld. G. C. Berryman, Pastor.
Christian:—Services on Second Sunday in each month at 11 a. m. and at night, at School House.
Rev. Hooton, Pastor.
Methodist Episcopal South:—Services Third Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., and night.
Eugene T. Bates, P. C.
Methodist Protestant:—Services on Fourth Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., and at night, at Methodist Church.
A S Miller, Pastor.
Methodist Sabbath School at 3 p. m each Sunday.
J. O. Turner, Supt.
Primitive Baptist:—Second Sunday and Saturday before in each month at Valley View School house.
Gid Graham, Pastor.

LOCAL CHIPS.

Mr. Emmitt Reed and wife have gone on a trip to New Mexico and expect to be absent some weeks.
A. J. Padgett, of Silver, attended the Masonic Lodge here, last Saturday night.
H. E. Johanson and J. C. Newton, from up the river, were here Masonically Saturday night.
W. R. Presslar was in town Monday.
Mrs. Frank Scarborough and Mrs. John Creighton, of the Sanco neighborhood have been on the sick list this week.
Mr. McCallam was over to San Angelo the latter part of last week.
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ingram have three children down with the measles.
Mrs. W. P. Walling was in town Tuesday, driving her new buggy and grey horse.
Prof. J. A. Thomas closed his school at Rock Springs last Wednesday, and we understand he will go to farming on his place in that neighborhood.
Mr. Will Hamilton, one of Robert Lee's handsome visitors, paid his respects to our city last Sunday.

The young people met at the residence of Judge and Mrs. M. H. Davis, last Sunday evening, had a most enjoyable

Mr. Luther Miller, father of Mrs. J. L. Lewis, is here with his family, from Fredonia visiting. We are pleased to note that Mrs. Lewis is convalescent.

Miss Scottie Ingram, one of Robert Lee's most popular girls, has the measles.

Mr. Wm. Scarborough, of Sanco, is reported convalescent.

Our County correspondents, have some of them almost forgotten us this week. We suppose they are all enjoying the picturesque spring time in beautiful Coke.

Stop at the Webb Hotel when in Lee.

Attend the Literary Society and Debate at the Court House tonight.

Our two cold drink stands appear to be doing well since the warm weather, one on each side of the Post Office.

The Christian people have organized a Morning Sunday School at the School House. It meets about 9:30 A. M.

When you drive over to Angelo, stop at Finch's Wagon Yard, next to Hotel San Angelo.

J. R. Finch is now in Angelo running the old Campbell Wagon Yard next to Hotel San Angelo. Patronize him.

Press McDorman from near Roswell, N. M., is in Lee, visiting his parents.

Prof. Johnnie Ross, of Hayrick, was in our little city Saturday.

Mr. Haywood Christian, of the Ft. Chadbourne country, was attending to business in Lee, Saturday.

Mr. Claud Gosper, of the Rock Springs country, attended our Literary and Debating society Friday night.

1899 Millinery goods at Mrs. Martin's.

Charley Esen, one of Hayrick's young men, was seen in Lee, Sunday.

Mr. Bob Cumbie, of Bronte, came to see the pretty girls in Lee, Sunday.

Will Laswell made a flying trip to Angelo, the latter part of last week.

Squire Burns, of the Sanco Country, was in town Saturday last.

W. Larkin Hayley is up and behind the counter again after an attack of the measles.

Mr. Briggs and son were up from Coleman County last Monday, prospecting.

J. H. Daner and wife, and Mrs. W. F. Buchanan and children, have moved to New Mexico. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hamilton accompanied them, but will return shortly.

Mrs. J. F. Deats and children, left for New Mexico last Saturday where they will in the future reside.

Mr. S. C. Wilkins rendered the RUSTLER a valuable aid last week and this.

The Editor has been up a part of the time this week; but is yet unable to do anything except some light work, like writing a subscription receipt.

Rev. Eugene T. Bates and Dr. G. W. Martin left yesterday for North Concho, on a hunting and fishing trip. They will return Saturday.

Don't forget to come out and hear Bro. Cumbie preach at M. E. Church, Sunday.

French and Willie John Ingram each have a fine case of the measles.

To School Trustees

Your attention is called to the following letter from State Superintendent, Kendall, regarding the apportionment of school funds to the different schools.

M. H. Davis,
Ex Officio Supt.

Austin, Texas,
April 1, 1899.

Mr. C. L. Hughes,
Robert Lee, Tex.
Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 29th ult. you are advised that the trustees have the power to divide the money belonging to any district in whatsoever manner they please, with the strong and unconditional proviso that they please to distribute it properly. By this I mean to say that they have the deciding power, but this is conditioned on the one fundamental law that such division shall give to every school approximately the same length of term as every other. The money is not prorata money after it gets into their power. This money should be given to the schools so that, with the view of contracting with the teacher, nearly exactly the same length of term shall be given to all schools in the district. Otherwise it will be wrong and illegal. Furthermore, the money should be so divided as to give to each district the longest term possible. It should not be so divided as to give one school three months and another five.

Yours truly,

J. S. Kendall
State Superintendent.

To School Trustees:

All School Trustees are earnestly requested to meet at the Court House, in Robert Lee, at 10 A. M. on Saturday, May 20th, 1899, to discuss important matters pertaining to our Schools in this County.

M. H. DAVIS,
Ex-Officio Superintendent.

Come out to the Baptist services Saturday night. Eld. R. M. Cumbie of Bronte, is expected to preach to us Sunday morning and night. Everybody invited.

Mr. Aiken and family, from Indian Creek, was trading in Lee Wednesday.

The Bonds are sold with which to build the Robert Lee school building. It is thought that work will commence eight weeks.

Bro. Berryman attended the Baptist fifth Sunday meeting of the Content association, at Mt. Moro, Taylor Co., last Sunday. He reports an enjoyable and interesting programme.

The Literary Entertainment, last Friday night at the Court House was a success. Miss Ethel Pearce, of the RUSTLER force, received many compliments for her work as Editor of the Society Journal for the evening.

Mr. Jack Couch, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Kirkland, in the Hayrick neighborhood.

William Winans was in town yesterday. The old gentleman was not looking well.

We hear that Mr. E. H. Winans has sold his place for \$700. We do not think he intends to leave.

There are wagons passing through Robert Lee nearly every day, going to New Mexico. It is a wonder to us that they could pass through Coke.

Mr. T. J. Birch, from this place has moved to Bronte.

A small cyclone visited the N. E. corner of Coke, on the evening of the 1st; it was traveling in a south easterly direction. No loss of lives reported so far.

THE FAIR

STILL LEADS the Procession in Naming LOW Prices.

For SAN ANGELO.

All we ask you to do is to bring your Chicago or New York Catalogue and compare prices.

We have just received a nice line of Table Oil Cloth, 5x4 goods, unbreakable, at 10, 12 1-2, 15 and 20c per yard. Our line of Wash Dress Goods is unapproachable in quality, style and price. A full line of French Organdies for Spring wear, pink blue, cream and fancy plaids, figures, flowers, etc. White Dress Goods are lovely beyond description, 5, 8 1-3, 10, 12 1-2, and 15c per yd. Our line of Hamburg Embroidery is too cheap to advertise prices; 1 inch wide, nice embroidered edge 1c per yd; 1 1-2 inch, 1 1-2 and 2c; 2 inch, 3c running still wider, 5, 7 1-2, 8 1-3, 10, 12 1-2, 15 to 25c per yd. We still have lace to throw at the birds; nice line of French Valenciennes, per dozen yards, 10, 20 30 40 50 and 60c—very dainty; we also have wide goods in Valenciennes ranging in price from 7 1-2, 8 1-3, 10, 15 to 20c per yd.; and Guipure 15, 20, 25 up to 75d per yd. Bleached and unbleached Domestic, Percales, Chambray, Dress Lining, and Prints in all the latest patterns. Handkerchiefs, colored border each, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8 1-3, 10 and 15c; Jap. silk, each, 10 and 15c. Towels, Napkins, Lace Window Curtains, Drapery, Scrim Window Shades Overalls, Work Shirts, Negligee Shirts, Ladies' and Gent's Underwear and Ladies' Shirt Waists. We defy competition.

We buy for Spot Cash and sell for Cash and have one price to all. All are welcome—the Ladies are especially invited to visit our store.

The Fair,

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

New Barber Shop.

NEXT DOOR TO LASWELL'S DRUG STORE, ROBERT LEE.

A. Jack CROCKETT, Proprietor

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HEALTHFUL OLD AGE

MRS. N. E. LACEY, Pearl, La., writes: "I have had leucorrhœa for about twenty years, falling of womb by spells for ten years, and my bladder was affected, had backache a great deal. I tried a number of doctors. They would relieve me for a little while, then I would be worse than ever. I then thought I would try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Eleven bottles of Compound and one box of Liver Pills cured me and I am now sound and well. It helped me through the change of life period. I am fifty-five years old."

The women of advanced years who are healthy and happy are invariably those who have known how to secure help when they needed it. Mrs. Pinkham will advise any woman free of charge who writes about her health. Her address is Lynn, Mass.

NEWS AND NOTES.

Real 25-cent cigars cost only 2½ cents in Manila.

Stars on the coins of the United States are six-pointed. Those on the flag have five points.

The population of the earth is estimated to be about 1,500,000,000. In 1898 it was 1,485,763,000.

It is proposed to celebrate the jubilee of the postage stamp in France by the reissue for six months of the old stamp of 1849, bearing the effigy of liberty.

A Missouri paper announces that a woman cannot get into society in Kansas City unless the décolleté of her gown extends down to the third knob of her backbone, while she is not admitted in New York society unless it extends to the sixth knob.

Liechtenstein, a free and independent German state, is celebrating the 200th anniversary of its existence. It is still at war with Prussia, as it joined Austria in 1866 and was forgotten in drawing up the treaty of peace. Its contingent to the German army was 79 men.

The season of the open window is now upon us.

Children with correct table manners show what their parents are.

"In our passenger traffic," observed the railway magnate, "it has been my observation that only the middle class actually pays."

"How do you figure that out?" asked the interviewer.

"It's simple enough," was the reply. "When a man's very poor he can't afford to buy a ticket, and when he's very rich he travels on a pass."

Baby's tooth set into a ring is the latest thing introduced into society by the doting and exclusive young mothers of New York's smart set. The first one is considered too precious to throw away.

Has Not Learned.

"You say you gave me no encouragement," he said bitterly, after she had told him she would be a sister to him, "and yet you surely kissed me when I gave you that gold-buckled belt." At this she laughed merrily. "And have you not yet learned to distinguish between official encouragement and a vote of thanks?" she asked. And then he went out into the cold world and declared that he never did think much of those parliamentary girls.

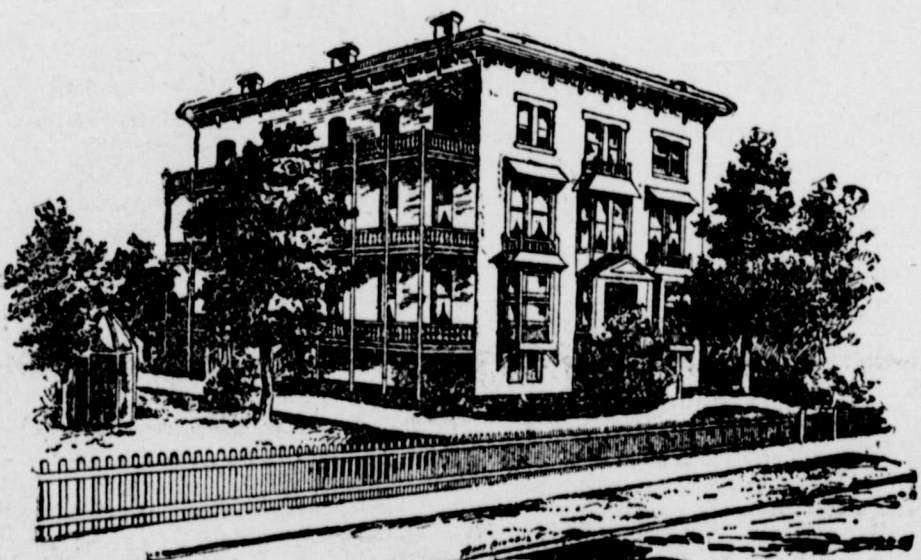
You will notice that men who say that they can take a drink of liquor or let it alone usually do not let it alone.

Down on the upper lip makes the average boy proud.

The barefooted boy is the forerunner of summer.

FRANCES WILLARD HOSPITAL.

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The Frances Willard Hospital, Chicago, Ill.

Miss Georgiana Dean was for three years missionary in Liberia under the M. E. Church from the training school in Chicago. After her return she studied nursing, graduating from the present Frances E. Willard National Temperance Hospital of Chicago. She is an enthusiastic friend of Pe-ru-na, as is evident from the following letter:

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 20, 1899.

Pe-ru-na Drug Mfg. Co., Columbus, O.: Gentlemen—You will be glad to know of the happy results obtained in the use of Pe-ru-na among the patients under my care whenever prescribed by the physician. I have seen

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PUSHING PLANS OF WARFARE.

Gen. Otis Will Not Let Peace Prospects Interfere With War Matters--Serious Trouble in Idaho.

Pushing Preparations.

Manila, May 1.—While it is the general expectation among Americans that Filipino emissaries will return with revised proposals from Gen. Antonio Luna, Maj. Gen. Otis is not letting this prospect interfere with his preparations for pushing the war. Yesterday he ordered Maj. Gen. Lawton to return to Angar, a few miles northwest of Norzagaray, and not to advance aggressively while the negotiations are pending. Gen. MacArthur is apparently acting on the same policy, but he is repairing bridges and strengthening the lines of his forces, which is stretched out with a four-mile front and within a quarter of a mile of the enemy.

The possibilities of peace are gratifying to a great majority of the army who have regarded the war as an unpleasant duty that must be performed according to American traditions.

Manila is cheerful over the prospect of a return to normal life, though there are skeptics who remark that a truce would enable the insurgents to rest until the rainy season upon which they depended as an important aid. The prisoners say there are 5000 refugees north of San Fernando. This is not impossible, considering the thickly populated region which the Americans have cleared. It seems also that small-pox is spreading among them.

When Dean C. Worcester of the United States Philippines commission, who accompanied the Filipino emissaries from Calumpit, said to Col. Manuel Argueles that the Americans were under no obligations to refrain from fighting, the Filipino officer replied:

"Would you fight while we are discussing terms of peace?" Mr. Worcester responded with the suggestion that an armistice would give the Filipino leaders time to escape.

"My God, where would we escape?" the Filipino exclaimed, referring in this to the menacing hostile tribes behind the Filipino lines.

Against Imperialism.

Chicago, May 1.—Central Music hall was yesterday afternoon filled with an audience gathered to protest against the course of the administration with reference to the Philippine Islands. Once or twice the proceedings were interrupted by protests of those who disagreed with the sentiments of the speakers.

Prof. L. Lawrence Laughlin of the University of Chicago, in speaking of the national policy toward the Filipinos said:

"There the flag is the emblem of tyranny and butchery." Cries of "treason" came from the gallery, but the cries were quickly drowned out by approving cheers. When Bishop J. L. Spaulding of Peoria declared that "England has never been a friend of this country," an Englishman near the platform cried: "That's a lie." Without noticing the interruption, the bishop continued his address.

Dr. Henry Rogers, president of the Northwestern university, acted as chairman of the meeting. Resolutions were adopted protesting against the course of the administration with reference to the Philippine Islands.

Lynched.

Memphis, Tenn., May 1.—Information was received in Memphis that Willis Sees, a negro aged about 30 years, was taken from the jail at Osceola, Ark., Sunday morning at 1 o'clock and hanged in the jail yard by a mob of forty men.

Sees was in jail on a charge of barn-burning. After being suspended in mid air twice he confessed the crime of which he was charged and he was then hanged. Several houses have been burned in the neighborhood of Osceola recently, and this is given as the reason for the mob taking the law into its jurisdiction.

C. H. Peter & Son's electrotyping establishment in Boston burned and \$50,000 worth of machinery ruined.

Henry Silas, on trial at Waco charged with killing Jim Pittillo, a colored hack driver, was acquitted.

Mill Dynamited.

Wardner, Ida., May 1.—Wardner Saturday was the scene of the worst riots since the deadly labor war of 1892. One man is dead, and another is thought to be mortally wounded and property valued at \$250,000 has been destroyed by giant powder and fire. The damage was done by union men and sympathizers on Canyon creek, two miles from Wardner. Saturday morning a mob of from 800 to 1000 men, all armed and many of them masked, seized a train at Burke, the head of Canyon creek. There were nine box cars and a passenger coach and they were black with the mob. The visitors brought with them 3000 pounds of giant powder. After a parley of two hours 140 masked men, armed with Winchesters, Burke in the lead and Wardner following, started with yells for the Bunker Hill and Sullivan mill and other buildings a third of a mile from the depot. They sent pickets ahead and one of the pickets fired a shot as a sign that the mill was abandoned. This was misunderstood by the main body of the mob, who imagined that non-union miners in the hills had opened fire on them, and they began firing on their own pickets. About 1000 shots were thus exchanged between the rioters and their pickets and Jack Smith, one of the pickets, was shot dead.

The strikers took possession of the Bunker Hill and Sullivan mill, which they found deserted, the manager having directed his employees not to risk their lives by battling with the mob. Powder was called for and sixty 50-pound boxes were carried from the depot and placed under the mill. Fuses leading to the charges were lighted and the mill blown to fragments. The loss to the company is estimated from \$250,000 to \$300,000. The strikers climbed aboard the train and at 3 o'clock pulled out for Canyon Creek.

During the fusillade from the guns of the mob Jim Chayne, a Bunker Hill and Sullivan mill man, was severely shot through the hips.

SOUTHERN NEWS.

The fourth Virginia regiment was mustered out at Savannah, Ga.

Lookout Inn, the famous hostelry on Lookout mountain, has been sold to the Order of Conductors.

Dr. Robert Combs, charged with the killing of Charles Willoughby, was acquitted at Richmond, Ky.

Emerson Roper, editor and proprietor of the Sebec, Ky., Herald, suicided by shooting himself.

Elder Julius S. Kendrick, pastor of the Christian church at Danville, Ky., and one of the foremost clergymen of that denomination, is dead.

Rev. J. B. Funston, rector of Trinity Episcopal church, Portsmouth, Va., was consecrated bishop of Boise, Idaho, on the 27th ult.

In a circus tent at Jackson, Miss., 5000 persons attended a political meeting. Thirty-one candidates for various offices spoke.

While a party of men were felling trees near Vinton, La., one of them fell on a man named Patterson, crushing his head and shoulders to a pulp.

Some of the second Illinois soldiers became involved in a fight at Augusta, Ga., and Private J. L. Gillet, who was a non-participant, was shot in the left breast.

Closed Down.

Spokane, Wash., May 1.—The Bunker Hill and Sullivan mines are closed. The Last Chance is likewise closed down and the destruction of these works will prevent the Last Chance from working for three months until its own compressor is completed. Meanwhile the total working force of the town is laid off.

The wrecking of the mill plant involves the livelihood of 600 men.

Lady Killed.

Pauls Valley, I. T., May 1.—Mrs. J. T. Wigley was instantly killed here. Her husband was trying to catch a wild mule, the animal running through the gate and a piece of the gate striking the lady and killing her instantly.

IN CHINESE SCHOOL.

MOST WONDERFUL ALPHABET IN THE WORLD.

It Has 214 Characters and the Pupils Have to Struggle with Conflicting Sounds—Almost a Life-Long Study to Understand It.

Of all their studies, the almond-eyed youngster finds writing the most enjoyable, says the Liverpool Chronicle. They use a small brush instead of a pen, and daub on the ink with a lavishness dear to the juvenile heart. They write one letter over another till the page is black as a cooking stove, and the copybooks become so wet that it is necessary to hang them over the fence to dry. A comical sight, truly, and one which proclaims to the passer-by his proximity to a schoolhouse. It may be remarked that blotting paper is unknown in the flowery land.

There are no public schools in China, or, indeed, schoolhouses of any kind. But the boys and girls of the flowery land repair to the house of their teacher to pursue their studies. They do not sit upon the floor, as is commonly supposed, for, although they have no school furniture such as is used in this country, they are provided with common chairs, upon which they sit while studying. During recitations they stand around their teacher.

Long before reaching the schoolroom visitors may hear the pupils vociferously shouting their lessons and making a din which is, to say the least, confusion to one unaccustomed to their method of study. But when one realizes what an arduous task it is to learn one's A B C's in China, it is no longer a matter of surprise that studying aloud is permitted. Think of committing to memory 214 elementary characters! (These characters take the place of our alphabet, for the Chinese language has no alphabet like ours.)

That is what the Chinese boys and girls must do, and this is only the beginning of the trouble, for these characters are grouped together to form words, of which there are more than 50,000 in the Mongolian language. Moreover, some of these words have forty different meanings, the significance of a word varying with its inflection. Another peculiarity of the Chinese written language is that the beginning of the book corresponds to the end of one of ours, so that the pupil appears to us to begin at the end of the last line on the last page and to be reading backward.

In studying arithmetic, Chinese pupils use the abacus, or counting apparatus, a frame strung with wires on which are gayly colored balls, such as we see in the primary schools in our country, and which we have copied from the Chinese.

They do not study geography, for the reason that the Chinese think there is no country besides their own that is of any importance. On their maps China is represented as occupying the greater part of the earth; other countries being grouped around the middle kingdom—as the Chinese are accustomed to speak of their country—and made to appear as insignificant as possible.

Girls and boys dress exactly alike, except that the boys wear their hair in a pigtail, while the girls have a funny little wisp on the top of their heads. In some parts of China it is very cold, and as the houses are not warmed like ours in winter the children—and grown people, too—keep comfortable by putting on one dress over another till they are so bundled up they can scarcely move. Possibly this may seem a very uncomfortable way of keeping comfortable, but the Chinese little folks are not given to complaining.

Footings of the Next Census.

Careful estimates of the footings of the next census of the United States gives a population of 75,000,000, without counting new island possessions. The figures in 1890 were about 62,000,000. In wealth the country has advanced even more rapidly. An aggregate of \$110,000,000,000 is expected, an increase since 1890 of \$45,000,000,000, or as much as the whole increase from 1860 to 1890. The wealth of the country will be shown to be double that of Great Britain, the next richest nation in the world. No other period in history has witnessed as great an industrial and business development as the last decade, and the United States leads the list by an immense margin.

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Robert Lee Trustees.

The Trustee election passed off quietly in Robert Lee last Tuesday. No bloodshed and not many defeated candidates. A very tight vote was polled. Mr. Gid Graham was elected President and Messrs. J. H. Burroughs, L. H. McDorman, B. F. Montgomery, N. M. Mobley, J. B. Latham and G. C. Lasswell are the board. It is expected that Mr. Mobley will be elected Secretary of the Board and Mr. Burroughs, Assessor and Collector, while Mr. Lasswell will finger the cash.

The Editor appreciates an honorary vote, both for President of the Board, and for Trustee. Our total vote would easily have elected us to either position and our pay would have been the same that all good newspaper men usually get—"cussing."

Here's our right hand to the new Board, may it do more for Robert Lee in 12 months than has ever been done before.

Below we give a detailed account of the election excepting for those who received only one vote:

President:

Gid Graham	8.
G. C. Lasswell	7.
H. H. Pearce	6.
J. B. Latham	2.

Trustees:

J. H. Burroughs	25.
L. H. McDorman	24.
B. F. Montgomery	17.
E. M. Mobley	16.
J. B. Latham	15.
G. C. Lasswell	15.
H. H. Pearce	13.
G. W. Webb	7.
C. L. Hughes	7.
Gid Graham	3.
L. B. Murray	2.
Jno. Hooten	2.

Arkansas Smith says, "pric groceries all over town and then see him. He will knock them all out on the first round."

Honor Roll.

The following is the list of pupils of the Robert Lee Public School, higher grades, that averaged 95 per cent in recitations, 98 per cent in department, and 100 per cent in attendance, for last week, April 24th to 28th inclusive:

Pearl Hamilton,	Elsie Toliver,
Dollie Stewart	Edith Montgomery
Ada Fry,	Cornelia Montgomery,
Mabel Davis,	Ina Earfield,
Elsie Lasswell,	Lillie Trammell,
Earl Johnston,	Charlie Perry,
Roy-Homilton,	Dalton Johnston,
Jeffie Cole,	

O. W. Gardner,
Prin.

Following is a list of the pupils of Paint Creek school, whose average in attendance, department and recitations for the week ending April 28th, is above 90 per cent:

D. P. Key,	Oscar Benson,
Preston Blackwell,	Ora Collier,
Lula Blackwell,	Effie Walling,
Emma Merchant,	Tacher.

Telephone posts are scattered over five miles of the route from San Angelo to Robert Lee.

"I haven't a cent for the Sunday school," said a man the other day and then walked right into a store and bought and paid for an old brown cigar, and started a small volcano of filthy smoke. If that fellow could see half as far as he can spit "baucer juice" he might catch a dim view to his final end that would make him pause long enough to wipe his chin.—Lubbock Leader.

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Estray Notice.

Returned by G. W. Payne, commissioner, precinct no 4, Coke county, Texas, on 15th day of February, 1899. One black and white pided cow, about six years old, branded < S on left shoulder, marked under-crop right ear. Also one yearling, branded same as cow.

The above described stock at Mrs. Milt Tucker's, on Yellow Wolf Creek.

Programme

For the Robert Lee Literary and Debating Society, Friday evening, May 12th, 1899.

Roll call of members with responses of current events.

Song—School.

Historical Sketch—G. W. Perryman.

Recitation—Ina Vestal.

Debate—Resolved that woman should have equal political rights with man. Affirmative, Larkin Hayley and Edith Montgomery. Negative, G. J. Conch and Ada Fry.

Declamation—Dalton Johnston.

Journal—Lillie Trammell.

The Carbon Headlight published at Carbon, Eastland County, by Jno B. Randle, comes to our "X" table. It is a six column folio of the successful kind. We wish Mr. Randle and his paper much success.

The C. V. Ry's engineering corp is running a new line down Oak Creek. They leave the Robert Lee line a little south of Oakhurst and bear east of south, crossing Oak about one mile above the mouth of Eagle, thence in a direct line to the camp meeting ground on Oak Creek south of McDorman's. The route is direct and the ground good for cheap building, and it hits the best country between Sweetwater and Angelo plumb center. The surveying outfit are a jolly lot of fellows and seem to understand what and where they are at. Taking all things into consideration, the route is the finest natural route that I ever saw anywhere, and when built to connections north and south will be one of the best paying roads in the state.—From Olga, Texas, in SWEETWATER REVIEW.

We notice in the Ballinger papers an invitation extended the Richard Coke camp, U. C. V. of this place, to attend the Re-union given by Henry E. McCullough camp, on the 4th of July, at the camp ground on Valley Creek, near J. W. Baby's home.

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