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TEXAS.

### Edith Etchings.

We are having rain daily this week. Grass will be very fine in a short time.

In the election for a new School District to be composed of a part of Districts 8 and 9. The vote stood as follows, 11 votes for new District and 4 against it. At Paint Creek, 9 votes for new District and 15 against it.

Last week, H. E. Johnston bought of J. N. Sparks, 11 head of cattle, consideration, \$157.00.

Mrs. J. C. Arnett has gone to Burnett Co. to visit her mother.

Quite a number of the Divide and Robert Lee people attended Church at Paint Creek last Sunday, there being preaching morning and evening, by the Presiding Elder of the San Angelo District.

J. R. Arnett made a business trip to Colorado City last week.

I. J. Good and Rev. John Reed made a business trip to Robert Lee Monday.

D. H. Mimms and wife, of Grape Creek, were in attendance at the Quarterly Conference, at Paint Creek, also a Mr. Sampson, of Sterling City.

Quite a number of our people say they are going to attend the Mulky Meeting at Sterling City, which begins the 26th of this month.

### REX.

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."

### 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.

### 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. Couch and Ada Fry.

Declamation—Dalton Johnston.

Journal—Lillie Trammell.

### Notice.

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

Respect,  
J. H. Enroughs.

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### Mill Grinds

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

### The Fifth Sunday Meeting

The Fifth Sunday meeting of the Content Association beginning Friday night April 28th 1899, was held with the Mt. Moro Church, Moro, Taylor Co., Texas.

The Introductory Sermon was preached Friday, 8 P. M. from Mark 10: 18 - 20, by Eld. D. W. Townsend.

Saturday, 9 A. M. Devotional exercises were conducted by the Moderator, Eld. W. S. Maddox. Question discussed.—What are the keys of the Kingdom? referred to in Mat. 16: 19? Eld. D. H. Burt led the discussion in an able paper on the subject. Request was made for its publication, to which the author consented provided his health would permit him to prepare it for the process.

Interesting speeches on the same subject by Elds. E. M. Cumbie and W. S. Maddox.

11 A. M. Eld. W. S. Maddox preached a oelpful sermon from Heb. 9: 22, after adjournment was had for dinner of which there was an abundance on the grounds.

2 P. M. The subject of "Apostasy" was discussed by brethren J. D. Gamble, R. M. Cumbie, and D. W. Townsend, successively. Each speaker took strong ground against "Falling from Grace."

3 P. M. The subject: Is it right for Christians to use By words and slang words? was introduced by Bro. H. C. Mitchell, and further discussed by L. W. Townsend, R. M. Cumbie, W. P. Crow, D. H. Burt, and W. S. Maddox.

8 P. M. Eld. R. H. Hearall preached. Text, Rom. 6: 6.

Sunday, 9 A. M. The Sunday School, of the Mt. Moro Baptist Church, occupied an hour in the study of the Word. Bro. Me. D. Townsend acting as Superintendent. Eld. W. S. Maddox delivered a short talk. This seems to be a prosperous Sunday School.

11, A. M. The Missionary sermon was preached at this hour by Eld. R. M. Cumbie. The text was 1st Cor. 3: 22, 23. The sermon was greatly enjoyed. A collection for Associational Missions followed, amounting to \$8.65, in cash and a pledge of \$9.25. The meeting now adjourned for dinner to which all seemed to do complete justice.

3 P. M. At the above named hour G. C. Berryman, from Phil. 3: 13, 14, for which he received many words of comfort and encouragement which caused him to "Thank God and take Courage."

8 P. M. A sermon was preached by Eld. R. H. Hegrall, from Luke 19: 10. This was a fitting close to one of the best Fifth Sunday Meetings the writer ever attended.

The next Meeting will be held with the Baptist Church at Content beginning Friday night before the Fifth Sunday in July.

G. C. Berryman,  
Clerk.

### No Trespassing!

I have bought the W. P. Smith 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.

### From Bro. Eair.

Loreta Texas.  
May 6th, 1899.

### To the RUSTLER.

I have been thinking for some time that I ought to communicate to your readers, some of the doings of this part of the moral vineyard.

"Uncle Tom" stated some time ago that he and others would like to hear from me. I am much obliged for the information he gave about my grandsons; would be glad for him to write something about "George Fannie" in each of his communications to the RUSTLER, as his papa and mama don't write to me very often.

The long drought was broken up by a good rain, on San Jacinto Day, but it came too late for some of the wheat and oats, however there will be some grain made if the season continues, though some of the land that was in wheat and oats, has been plowed and planted in sorghum and cotton. Corn is up and growing nicely and so is grass.

There have been a great many cattle shipped from here to the Territory and Kansas during the past two weeks, and the shipping is still going on, almost every day.

During the past ten days we have had preaching in our little town day and night. The Baptists of Lampasas County Association held their fifth Sunday meeting here, and did some splendid preaching.

Bro. Lee preached four sermons all of which were good.

The Methodists began a meeting on the fifth Sunday, at 11 o'clock and the Baptists closed their meeting after that hour, and attend the Methodist services at night (we are protial here). Bro. C. E. Stathe did all the preaching till Thursday morning, after which Bro. Pearce of the Cumberland Presbyterian church did the preaching to date.

The rains have interfered with the services some and the visible results are not what we expected however we trust much good has been accomplished.

If this communication should seem dull and uninteresting, the readers may attribute it to the fact of the absence of my "better half" who has been gone to Hamilton Co., for three weeks, visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mollie Curry. Her time is out, to return and we are anxiously looking for her every hour, what is home without wife and mother.

My daughter, Bell's school at Antelope Gap will be out in another week.

Success to the RUSTLER and all its readers.

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**MILITARY AND NAVAL NOTES.**

Lieut. Cabell is enlisting men for the artillery branch of the service at Dallas.

A military company has been organized at Italy, Tex., with a roster of forty-four members.

First Lieut. Charles P. Summerall, fifth artillery, is transferred from battery C to light battery F, of that regiment.

The United States collier Abarenda and the British steamer Almond Branch passed out from Cape Henry in company.

The Spanish government has a majority in the new chamber of deputies of sixty-one over all of the opposition groups combined.

The following transfers are made in the second artillery: Capt. Edwin St. J. Grable, to light battery A; Capt. Asher C. Taylor, from battery B to battery O.

The cruiser Crescent has been commissioned as the flagship of British Vice Admiral Bedford, who is to command the North American and West Indies station.

Meat is still 40 cents a pound at Havana, the same as when the import duties on cattle and the market taxes were collected, although nearly 20,000 head of beef entered free last month.

Sergt. Frank E. Jones of company K of the sixth infantry has been transferred as a private in the general service and will remain at San Antonio after his regiment departs for Manila.

First Lieut. Clarence H. Mc Niel, Fifth artillery, is assigned to battery fifth artillery, is assigned to battery C of that regiment, and will proceed to join the battery to which he is assigned.

Second Lieut. Oliver H. Dickery, Jr., United States infantry will proceed to Columbus Barracks, O., and report in person to the commanding officer of that post for duty pertaining to the recruiting service.

Official objections to married men in the enlisted force of the army have been renewed by the war department in an order sent out to recruiting officers and regimental and other commanding officers.

Pierre Loti, ex-French naval officer, member of the academy, author of "Mme. Chrisantheme" and other works of fiction, has been reinstated in the navy by a decree of court with the rank of frigate captain.

The remains of Alfred Oberg, private of company F, Sixth Illinois volunteers, who died at Guanica, Porto Rico, were buried with military honors in the National cemetery at Rock Island arsenal, Illinois.

Hospital Steward Carl W. H. Westman, now at the army and navy general hospital, Hot Springs, Ark., will, when able to perform duty, be sent to Fort Adams, R. I., to relieve Hospital Steward William Roberts.

Rufus Eudge, a printer of Cleburne, who enlisted at the breaking out of the war, has returned from Havana, Cuba. He was with the signal corps in Cuba, and tells many war stories to his fellow workmen. He is glad to get home, he says, and feels better and safer sticking to type than fighting Spaniards and disease.

Admiral Dewey will return to the United States upon the conclusion of hostilities in the Philippines. He has advised the navy department that he does not feel he would be justified in deserting his command while hostilities continue, but he hopes to return immediately after they are concluded.

The District of Columbia commandary of the Loyal Legion has declared forfeited the membership of Gen. Chas. P. Eagan, commissary general of subsistence, who was court-martialed, but whose sentence of dismissal was commuted to suspension.

A dispatch from Cayenne says that Dr. Veugnon, who, until recently, had the medical supervision of Dreyfus, has broken the reticence observed while so acting and says that Dreyfus is a neuropathic subject, and the prison regime has made him more so.

Capt. E. F. Glenn of company G of the twenty-first infantry, which company is stationed at San Antonio, has been transferred from that company to company I, exchanging with Capt. William G. Pardee, who is with company I and goes to G.

The Omaha World-Herald cabled \$2350 to the surgeon of the first Nebraska regiment, Manila, to be used as a hospital fund for sick and wounded Nebraska soldiers, the regiment having suffered more than any other during the campaign.

**Fought Desperately.**

Manila, May 5.—In spite of the peaceful overtures of their commander from Apalit toward San Fernando, fighting desperately at long range after running from trench to trench when driven out by the American artillery.

The movements commenced at 5:30 o'clock in the morning. Gen. Hale's brigade, consisting of five Gatlings, under command of Maj. Young of the sixth artillery, two battalions of the fifty-first Iowa regiment, the first Nebraska regiment and the first Dakota regiment, advanced over the road, a few miles west of the railway line.

Gen. Wheaton, with Hotchkiss and Gatling guns, under the command of Lieut. Naylor of the Utah light artillery, mounted on hand cars pushed ahead, the twentieth Kansas and first Montana regiments deploying to the right and left when feasible.

The country proved the worst yet encountered, miles of marshes and many unfordable streams delaying the advance materially.

Both brigades met with resistance simultaneously on approaching the river near San Tomas, which is about eight kilometers from Apalit. The center span of the railway bridge had dropped into the river and the rebels had only left a small force to check Gen. Wheaton, their main body lining the strong trenches in front of Gen. Hale.

Although the attacking force poured a very heavy artillery and musketry fire across the river, the enemy stubbornly resisted for over an hour, ultimately breaking when Maj. Young shelled their left flank and then retreating along the river bank under cover. Gen. Wheaton in the meantime tried ineffectually to draw the fire of the Filipinos in the trenches east of the track.

As soon as they discovered that the nature of the country would permit only a few skirmishes on each side of the embankment, the rebels regained their courage and fought desperately for three-quarters of an hour in the face of the American volleys and a rapid fire fusillade until flanked by the Montana regiment. Then a scramble ensued, most of the enemy boarding trains that were in readiness and the others taking the road to San Fernando after burning the villages of San Tomas and Minallin.

About noon Gen. Wheaton crossed the broken bridge, cleared the stragglers out of the villages and advanced toward San Fernando. Gen. Hale effected a crossing simultaneously after a slight delay necessary to repair a stone bridge.

**To Fight at Denver.**

Denver, Col., May 5.—Manager Otto C. Floto of the Colorado Athletic association last night received a telegram from Brady and Julian, representing Jeffries and Fitzsimmons, accepting his offer and agreeing to fight in Denver. Mr. Floto was in telegraphic communication with the managers of the two fighters there, and finally secured their acceptance of his offer, which includes a purse of \$25,000. The other details of the agreement were not made public but it was announced that articles of agreement were mailed to Denver last night.

**Opened Up.**

Durango, Tex., May 5.—The Ute lands were opened for settlement at noon yesterday by proclamation of the president. Scores of men who had been holding places in line sold out half an hour before the opening. Fifty dollars was the prevailing price. It is estimated that 1000 people sought in various ways to secure land. The streets of Durango were crowded, and there was great rejoicing. There was no central starting point, and men were scattered along the Colorado and New Mexico line for forty miles. From Durango hundreds of mounted and armed men began purchasing before daylight, giving themselves ample time to reach the favorite sections.

Harry Brooks, 47 years old, died in the Elite hotel, San Antonio, from the effects of morphine poisoning.

A warm welcome was given the Nashville at Helena, Ark.

**Assassinated.**

Gainesville, Fla., May 5.—Sheriff H. M. Lillis was fatally shot by assassins last evening. He was seated on the piazza of his residence with a young lady when two men emerged from a lot directly in front of the house and one of them emptied the contents of both barrels of a shotgun at him. The men escaped. Some time ago Sheriff Lillis killed Brak Lillis, his nephew. There is a strong suspicion that the affair grew out of that episode.

**Captured San Tomas.**

Manila, May 5.—Maj. Gen. MacArthur has carried San Tomas after encountering a strong resistance.

Brig. Gen. Hale moved on the enemy's right and Brig. Genl Wheaton attacked the left in a daring charge, in which Col. Funston again distinguished himself. The Kansan was wounded in the hand and several other officers and enlisted men were also wounded.

Col. Summers with a part of the Oregon and Minnesota regiments and a gun of the Utah battery took Moasim on the right, resting four miles from San Fernando. The Filipinos are retreating toward San Isidro and it is expected that they will make a stand at Arayat at which place the whole of the rebel force in the province in Panpanga is concentrated.

It is reported that, impressed by the recent events, the Filipinos are wavering in their allegiance to the insurrection and are likely to assume a neutral attitude. It seems as though Gen. Antonio Luna's forces are destined to destruction within a few days unless they surrender or scatter.

The American army has been skillfully posted at points of immense strategic advantage. The insurgents expected them to advance on Balinag by way of Quingua and had furrowed the entire country beyond Quingua with the strongest sort of intrenchments. Instead of taking this course Gen. MacArthur swung toward San Tomas, the route to which was almost unprotected. Gen. Lawton brought his brigade in against Balsum from the southeast, covering the line of retreat of the rebels toward the mountains and depriving them of a refuge upon which they had already counted. Gen. Lawton captured 5000 bushels of rice, an important part of the stores established by the rebels.

The Spanish commissioners have made another futile attempt for the release of the Spaniards held as prisoners by the Filipinos. Their vessels steamed to the port nearest Dagupan. Fearing to land, they sent a letter to Aguinaldo saying that they were authorized to exchange 15,000 Filipinos, now in the hands of the Americans, for the Spanish prisoners. A reply was received from Senor Mabini, Aguinaldo's prime minister, which was dated April 28, and which stated that Aguinaldo was negotiating for peace, pending which negotiations he could not discuss the question of exchange of prisoners.

**Satisfied.**

Berlin, May 5.—The National Zeitung publishes a dispatch from Apia, Samoa, dated April 27, which says:

"The orders from London and Washington to suspend hostilities have brought back tranquility and peace. In compliance with the demand of the German consul, Mataafa has gone back a long distance westward in to the interior so that there will be no danger of any collision with his troops. We Germans are naturally satisfied that our patience and impartiality have finally triumphed."

**Holds Balinag.**

Manila, May 5.—Lawton holds Balinag, captured on the 2d instant after a rapid movement from Angat, where he was supplied with a wagon train, pack animals and rations. He scattered the strongly intrenched enemy to the north and northwestward, capturing large amounts of food supplies, and has his detachments to the north and eastward. His movements are attended with difficulty because of the character of the country, rain and heat. He covers our railway communication and will be supplied from Malolos.

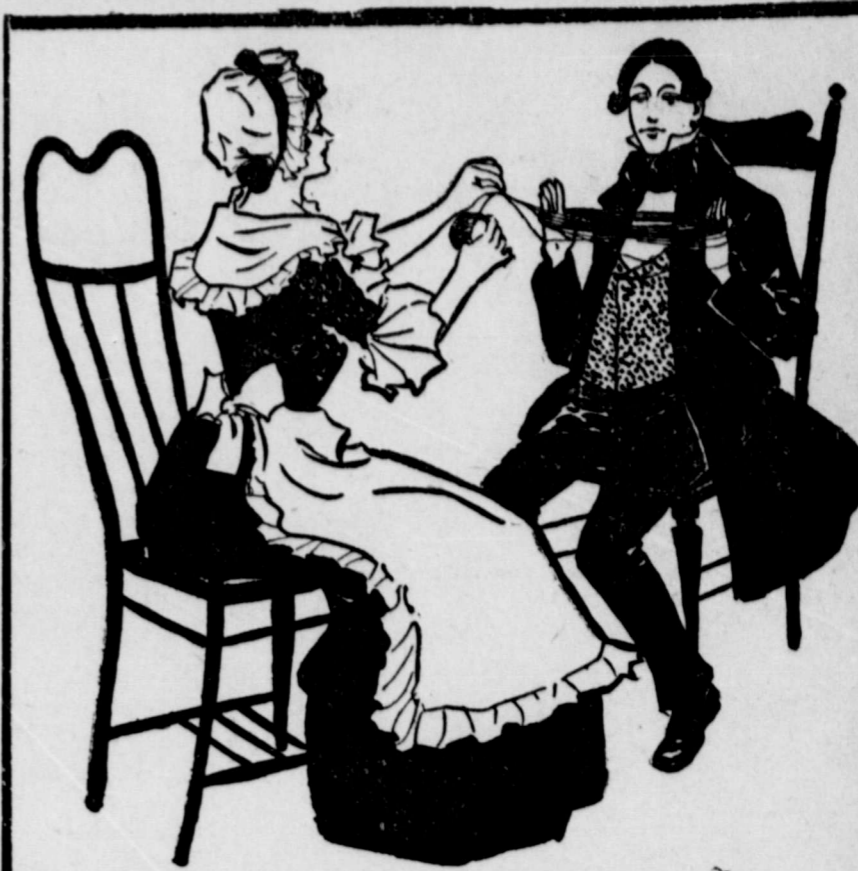
**Aggressive Tactics.**

Washington, May 5.—The war department is satisfied from the dispatches received from Otis that the American commander has put aside the insurgents temporizing over peace and has turned his attention to most aggressive tactics. The wisdom of this course was fully approved by the officials here, who have foreseen that the rebels needed further chastisement in order to bring them to a realizing sense of their position.

**Collecting Evidence.**

Hong Kong, May 5.—Spain is collecting evidence here with a view of claiming a cession of land in China as indemnity from the Chinese government for permitting the steamer Abbey to leave Canton last August with arms for the Philippines.

The wife of Will Jones, colored, was murdered at Beaumont, Tex. Jones was arrested.



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For the past three Sundays no one has accompanied the little girl on her Sunday morning pilgrimage down the block to the big church on the corner.

Last Sunday at dinner her father noticed that she appeared worried, that there seemed to be something on her mind.

There were two guests at dinner, and he thought it a good opportunity to exhibit the cleverness of his child, so he asked: "Margaret, you appear to be worried; what are you thinking about? Do you feel ill?"

"Papa," was the reply, "I've been wondering why it is that for the past three Sundays I haven't ever been to church but what two or three babies have been to church but what two or have been vaccinated."

A titter ran around the table. The child noticed it, and, fearing that she had made a mistake in some term, she looked up and said with a snap and a little forced laugh, "No, papa, I didn't mean that; I meant crucified."

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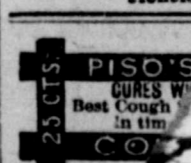
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**TEXANETTES.**

Waxahachie's water mains are being extended.

D. S. Clark, an old resident of Brownwood, died at that place.

C. A. Keating has been elected president of the Dallas Commercial club.

Sherman's bid for the Trans-Mississippi Theological seminary went to the chairman of the synodical committee on location.

H. J. Peters of McDade committed suicide by hanging himself. He was a painter by trade and leaves a wife and child.

A. E. Scott of Terden, Hill county, is the father of twelve children and has forty grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

While ex-Gov. Bob Taylor of Tennessee was at Dallas he and Hon. Barnett Gibbs went plover hunting on the latter's ranch near Grapevine.

General Secretary Sloan of the Paris Y. M. C. A. has tendered his resignation to the board of directors, and will go to Port Arthur for evangelistic work.

The Johnson county grand jury adjourned till May 29. It returned 133 true bills, of which 121 were misdemeanors and 12 felonies. One bill for murder was returned.

The Houston and Texas Central people are now getting in the machinery for the new shops at Ennis, which are nearing completion. The shops will soon be ready for operation.

Superintendent W. A. Palmer of the Bastrop city school has been notified of his election to serve as assistant conductor in the state summer normal to be held in Austin in July.

During a thunder storm lightning struck a harness and poultry house of Lute Martin, near Massey, Hill county. Three hens were killed and the feathers stripped as smoothly and nicely as if shaved.

At Tyler in the case of Frank Richardson, charged with criminal assault, the court held on examining trial that the evidence was insufficient to bind him over to await the action of the grand jury.

What is regarded as unusual in contagious diseases is the case of County Clerk Thompson's wife, at Gainesville, who is now suffering from her fourth attack of measles. Mrs. Thompson is not dangerously ill, but is quite sick.

Mayor Traylor of Dallas complains that surrounding cities are sending indigent people to that city to be cared for. A woman with three children, he says, was sent there several days ago from a point west of the city of Dallas.

The cornerstone of the proposed Christian church at Plano was laid with imposing ceremonies. Delegations from other places were present. The cornerstone was laid by the Masons. Hon. John Church of McKinney was the orator.

Gregg Shook and Miss Lillie Hunter, Rev. Rosser officiating; Tom Cargile and Miss Daisy Kincaid, Rev. Kincaid officiating; Charlie Duvall of Mount Vernon and Miss Lella Milam, Rev. Smith of Mount Vernon officiating were the participants in three weddings at Sulphur Springs a few days ago.

At the election of school trustees for the city schools at San Antonio the following were elected. President board of school trustees, George W. Brackenridge; trustees, B. E. Hadra, F. Groos, M. Goggan, F. A. Chapa, W. W. Sloan and Louis Ogo.

Mrs. Mary Still, wife of John T. Still, suicided near Mineola by cutting her throat from ear to ear, using her husband's razor. Her dead body was found in a small woods pasture near her home several hours after death had resulted.

Col. John W. Hall is arranging for the meeting of the Mexican war veterans, which will take place at Waco on the 23d instant. The Old Settlers' association of McLennan county will entertain the veterans. It will be a well attended affair.

The city council of Galveston, by a unanimous vote passed the ordinance which gives Mr. Huntington right of way along Strand to reach his wharf property and also make connection with the Galveston Wharf company's tracks and with all the other lines.

**His Ancestral Home.**  
The Boston Transcript says: "It is planned to hold soon a Dewey celebration in the town of Gilsium, N. H., which was the home of the ancestors of Admiral George Dewey, and his grandfather, Ebenezer Dewey, Jr., lived there between the years 1765 and 1786. They were among the prominent and patriotic citizens. The town history mentions the family as 'one of more refinement and culture than was usual in those times.' It has been proposed that a monument of rocks be built by citizens of the town on the day of the celebration on the lot formerly occupied as the Dewey home, which long ago disappeared, the monument to bear the single word, 'Dewey.'"

**For Three Cents.**  
The time is near at hand when one can step into a neat and comfortable cab in New York and be carried five, ten or twenty blocks for the small sum of 3 cents. The Auto-Truck company, which was recently incorporated and includes Richard Croker among its directors, is working upon such plans for the future. They are so comprehensive in their scope that they may revolutionize the traction business in New York. It is claimed on behalf of the company that even at this rate it can pay 10 per cent on the cost of the plant, and that its policy will to make the fare as low as possible, perhaps even 2 1-2 cents.

**Always Receiving.**  
Little John (after casting his penny into the fund for the Bamalam Islanders)—I wish I was a heathen! Sabbath school teacher—Oh, Johnnie! Why do you wish such an awful thing as that? Little John—The heathen don't never rhave to give nothin'; they are always gettin' somethin'.

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To these Mrs. Pinkham's help is offered. A letter to her at Lynn, Mass., will bring her advice free of all charge.

MISS NANCIE SHOE, Florence, Col., writes a letter to Mrs. Pinkham from which we quote:

"I had been in poor health for some time, my troubles having been brought on by standing, so my physician said, causing serious womb trouble. I had to give up my work. I was just a bundle of nerves and would have fainting spells at monthly periods. I doctored and took various medicines, but got no relief, and when I wrote to you I could not walk more than four blocks at a time. I followed your advice, taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Blood Purifier in connection with the Vegetable Compound and began to gain in strength from the first. I am getting to be a stranger to pain and I owe it all to your medicine. There is none equal to it, for I have tried many others before using yours. Words cannot be said too strong in praise of it."



MISS POLLY FRAME, Meade, Kan., writes:  
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Coke County Physicians and Druggists are complaining of dull business.

The Banner Leader, of Ballinger, made a wrong "scoop" last week in stating, that Mr. Joe S. Cotton had retired from the Hotel business in San Angelo. He can be found at the old stand ready to serve his friends.

The "Administration" at Washington is becoming quite autocratic. The Post Master General stops mail addressed to the Philippine Islands, because the politics of the matter differed from the "Administration."

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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. Chaddourne, 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. C. Turner, Supt.

Primitive Baptist—Second Sunday and Saturday before in each month at Valley View School house.

Gid Graham, Pastor.

## 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, May 1st to 5th.

May Stewart, Pearl Hamilton,  
Elsie Toliver, Georgia Davs,  
Mable Davis, Ellen Gardner,  
Pearl Murray, Jessie Stickney,  
Charley Perry, Roy Hamilton,  
Howard Monteith, Neely Gardner,  
Terrell Trammel, Jeff Cole,  
Dalton Johnston.

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 May 5th, is above 90 per cent:

Frank Walling, Henry Manning,  
Charley Benson, Tommie King,  
Oscar Benson, Preston Blackwell,  
Lutie Blackwell, Lucy Benson,  
Emma Mercht,  
Tacher.

W R Presslar, of Sanco, was in town yesterday.

J E Millican came in yesterday and went home same day.

## Silver Siftings.

Silver Tex.

May 9th, 1899.

Mr. Editor:—

We have neglected writing lately, but hope you will excuse us this time.

We had a nice rain and some hail here yesterday evening.

Mr. Taylor Elkin has sold his land to Mr. Joe Green. We failed to learn the price. Mr. Elkin says he intends to bid Old Coke fare well for a while.

There was a Sunday School organization took place at the Silver school house, last Sunday the 3rd.

We hear Mrs. Cox's baby has been sick, but is improving now.

Mr. Jim Padgett has gone to the plain.

Miss Hortense Chaffin will return home in about three weeks.

All attend the Literary and Debating Society next Saturday night at the Silver school house.

Mr. George Bussey's sister and mother have gone to Crockett Co. on a visit.

With success to the RUSTLER and its many readers.

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## New Hope Locals.

Two cyclones in one week over here.

Also a severe storm with some hail Sunday morning, over the North East Corner of our County. It went in a South of East course, and tore up considerable timber. We have not heard of any one being hurt yet.

We had a nice little wedding at Mr. Robert Kirkland's on the 7th inst. Miss Burnace Kirkland was married to Mr. W. E. Johnson. Rev. W. C. Burr said the words that unite this happy couple. May they live long and always be happy.

Our farmers are all busy and nappy; I think the late rains have tended to put them in such frame of mind.

I will conclude for this time.  
Cross Cut.

## County Court Jurors.

Court convenes next Monday.

A. J. Adams, J. B. Anders,  
B. L. Acre, Sam Brown,  
J. W. Bradley, Noah Bell,  
J. P. Breadlove, John Cawley,  
Fletcher Conner, W. T. Caraway,  
W. H. Craig, A. S. Chapman,  
W. R. Pruitt, J. A. Shook.



Monarch Wheels at Lewis'

## Programme

OF THE

## Fifth Sunday Meeting,

To be held with the Baptist Church at Content, Runnels County, Texas, beginning Friday night before the Fifth Sunday in July, A. D. 1899.

FRIDAY, 8 P. M.

Introductory Sermon,—D. H. Burt; Alternate, W. S. Maddox.

SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

Subject: Reciprocal Duties of Pastor and Church.

1. 9 A. M. Duties of Pastor to Church, D. H. Burt; Alternate, W. M. Smith.

2. 10 A. M. Duties of Church to Pastor, W. S. Maddox; Alternate, S. R. Muncey.

11 A. M. Sermon, W. M. Smith; Alternate, W. P. Crow.

12 M. Dinner on ground.

2 P. M. Subject, Personality and Office-Work of the Holy Spirit.

1. 2 p. m. Personality of the Holy Spirit, G. C. Berryman; Alternate, W. P. Crow.

2. 3 p. m. Office Work of the Holy Spirit, A. M. Lackey; Alternate, D. W. Townsend.

4 p. m. Board meeting.

8 p. m. Sermon, A. M. Lackey; Alt., R. H. Hearrell

SUNDAY, 9 A. M.

Sunday School Mass Meeting, conducted by W. P. Crow and Dr. Robert Cook.

11 a. m. Missionary Sermon, G. C. Berryman; Alternate, R. M. Cumbie.

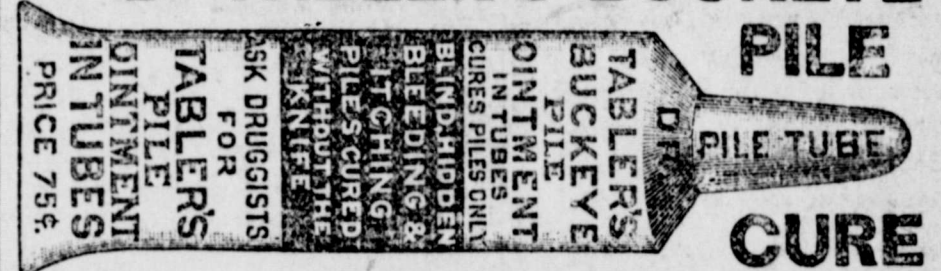
3 p. m. Sermon, J. F. Matthews; Alternate, John Reed.

8 p. m. Sermon, W. P. Crow; Alternate, J. B. Denton.

SIGNED BY COMMITTEE: R. M. CUMBIE,  
T. M. COTTEN,  
D. W. TOWNSEND.

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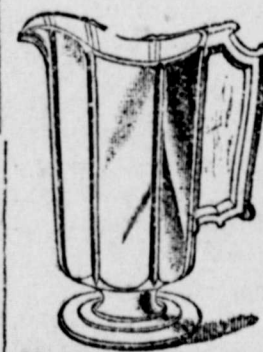


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## LOCAL CHIPS.

1899 Millinery goods at Mrs. Martin's.

A five foot red rise came down the river Sunday afternoon.

W. A. Robbins of Hayrick was in town last Saturday.

Robert L. Hayley was in from Indian last Monday.

Mr. Jno. Moore's family, near Valley View, are suffering with the measles.

Some of B. F. Montgomery's family are among the measles patients.

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

Mr. Thomson is the new Angelo mail carrier. He is son-in-law to W. B. Harrison.

Mr. Forrest Clark, one of the RUSTLER's handsome young reporters, was in from Bronte last Tuesday.

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

Messrs. J. B. and Willis McCraw were among us last Saturday.

Some of our young people worshipped at Paint Creek last Sunday.

Stop at the Webb Hotel when in Lee.

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

Dr. Martin and Bro. Bates returned last Friday from their fish and hunt. We hear that they enjoyed Fisherman's Luck.

Prof. S. B. Williams, of Indian Creek, was in town last Saturday, and remembered the home paper very pleasantly.

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

Miss Ethel Pearce, who has been connected with the RUSTLER, as chief typist, some seven months returned to her home at Ballinger, last Saturday. The RUSTLER force misses her very much.

Arkansaw 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.

For the benefit of his many friends we state that Photographer J. T. Simpson is, this week, at Tennyson. We think he intends moving his family to Robert Lee.

Dr. J. F. Clark, who lives near Bronte, known to nearly all old time Coke County people is in some-what poorer health than usual.

Miss Fannie Durham, a good looking young lady from Sanco, was shopping in town Wednesday. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. J. L. Durham.

Mr. H. C. Allen, who lives beyond Hayrick, was in town Wednesday. He is in the market for some stock cattle.

The old shell of a school house, which has so long been a bug bear to our little city was sold last Saturday. Judge Davis cried it off at the Court House door. Mr. Gid Graham, one of our local capitalists, bid it in at about \$130.00.

Hon. M. H. Havins, Valley View County Commissioner, has been with us every day, in his official capacity this week.

J. L. McCabe was in town Monday.

Mr. Miller, Agent for the New has written several articles the last week and

Mr. W. H. Lewis, of Bronte, will read the RUSTLER for a while.

R. L. Storey and family were buying goods in town yesterday.

Mr. Dillon Dannelly, of Ballinger, is in town prospecting. He thinks of going into business here. Dillon lived in Coke some years ago.

On the divide and North Pecan the hail did considerable damage, the other day. Three calves were killed in H. E. Johnson's pasture. Wood and McGill lost six calves. Messrs. I. J. Good, H. E. Johnston, and Wood and McGill, each sustained damages to their houses, barns, etc the hail making holes in the roofs. No hail on South Pecan or Salt Creek.

Bro. R. M. Cumbie, of Bronte, preached for us Saturday night and Sunday morning. Some of the people who appreciate and know good sermons especially praised his Sunday Sermon. Bro. Cumbie is a clear and forcible exponent of the plain gospel and attracts good attention wherever he goes. He is now engaged in Mission Work in Coke and Runnels Counties. Bro. Berryman preached Sunday night on "The relationship between God and his chosen people."

Fine showers fell all over Coke Monday last.

Look up the new ad of Perryman and Averitt on our first page.

Mr. Joe S. Cotton is still running the San Angelo Hotel and solicits the Coke County trade.

Hon. G. W. Payne, of Sanco, has been in town this week attending to his duties as County Commissioner.

Attention is called to Reed and Co's new ad on our local page.

Read the Programme of the next 5th Sunday meeting at Cent, Runnels County.

A few croquet sets and hammocks for sale at Hayley & Co's.

Hon. J. C. Newton, Edith's County Commissioner, has been serving his constituency in town this week.

Arkansaw Smith says: "price groceries all over town and then see him. He will knock them all out on the first round."

I. J. Good and Jno. Reed, two well known Edith citizens, were in the hub Monday.

Grandpa Wm. Keller, an old and respected citizen from Panther Gap, was in town last Monday.

Mr. A. B. Blackwell was in from his ranch near Edith, last Monday.

John K. drother of M. B. Patterson is able to be up and about again after a few weeks illness.

Mr. Ben Acree, a handsome young gentleman who lives near Hayrick, was doing business in town Monday.

Commissioner's Court has been in session all this week and up to time of going to press had not adjourned. Will give the proceedings next week.

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.

## Real Estate Transfers.

G. W. Downey and wife to J. B. Anders. Survey No. 1 1-2 on Buffalo Creek, near Valley View other consideration and \$400.00

B. T. Masterson by power attorney, to Jno. W. Harris a lot of land in Coke County in several tracts amounts.

E. M. Pease, Governor of Texas to Seth Clark heirs 1-3 league of land in two miles of Ft. Chadbourne.

H. R. Runnels, Governor of Texas, to Jno. H. Herndon assignee, one labor of land near Ft. Chadbourne.

H. R. Runnels, Governor of Texas, to Jno. H. Herndon assignee, 320 acres of land on Oak Creek.

Gid Graham and wife to W. L. Lowe, 42 acres of land 200.00

W. Van Rosenberg to W. C. Lock, 1-4 interest in section of land 160.00

S. M. Childress and husband to S. S. Ackleson, 40 acres of land 80.00

W. B. Jones to John Castleberry some land in Coke, other considerations and 1.00

I. E. Adams and wife to K. M. Mayes, two eighty acre tracts on Colorado River 755.00

Jno. Castleberry to W. B. Jones 20 acres of land other considerations and 1.00

Ellis Heirs to Mrs. I. M. E. Harrell a lot of land in Coke 9,232.50

W. H. Maverick, Executor, release to M. H. O'Daniel.

H. P. Faucher and wife to J. H. Price 1-4 section of school land in Northern part of county, other considerations and 400.00

L. B. Murray, Sheriff, to F. P. Alcott, by judgement and foreclosure, the J. L. Robinson land near Ft. Chadbourne 200.00

Amanda W. Moore and husband to L. Waldstein all lands in Texas, other considerations and 1.00

L. Waldstein, et al, to R. C. Walker 1-2 interest in all lands in Texas.

A. M. Ellis to F. K. Popplewell release of all lien notes.

M. D. Bullion to J. J. Waldstein all lands in Texas.

B. B. and C. R. E. Co. to M. D. Bullion, 16 land certificates good for 640 acres each.

J. L. Barron and wife to W. C. Barron, 160 acres of land 320.00

W. C. Barron and wife to J. L. Barron, Lot 7 and 8, in Block No. 27 and residence in Robert Lee, Texas 320.00

G. S. Adams to A. B. Cross quit claim deed to lease, 1-4 section land 450.00

H. L. Adams and wife to A. B. Robertson several tracts of leased land other considerations and 2,000.00

J. W. Black and wife to I. E. Adams, lease on 1-4 section land 400.00

C. Collyns to U. M. March section 44 and 48 in Block Z, Coke Co. 100.00

Mr. and Mrs. Copeland, and their little son Newt, of near Edith, were in town this week.

## Stock Notes.

Stock are improving rapidly on the grass now.

Mr. H. C. Allen and Mr. Robinson sold to Will Hazlewood 115 steer yearlings at \$15.00, to be delivered May 15th.

W. T. Caraway sold 58 head of stock cattle to Cook Bros., of Decker, Texas, at \$14.00.

Uncle Rube Richards is now the youngest man in the Hayrick country.

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## PASTURE AND FARM.

Stock in the Beeville section is faring well.

Tyler is shipping strawberries north in carload lots.

The recent panhandle rains have greatly benefited wheat.

J. F. Ray delivered at Pettus 600 2-year-olds to J. H. Gage of Hico.

The spring wool shearing is now in full blast on many western ranches.

The Santa Fe shipped by way of Purcell last month 5384 cars of cattle north.

Cotton choppers will soon be needed in the fields of several south Texas counties.

Many sheep have recently been drawn into the Eddy, N. M., district to feed on alfalfa.

It is said there are between 50,000 and 60,000 head of cattle in the Ponca and Oteo reservations.

Llano county stockmen say the rain has benefited the grass so much that cattle are improving every day.

Commission Merchant O'Rielly delivered to A. P. Rachal at Beeville 360 cows, which were shipped to the Territory.

Farmers about Rancho are very busy now planting cotton and plowing corn. The late rains have made everything look prosperous.

Len Jeter and Jule Leisnering sold and delivered to Allen Dugot in Refugio county, 45 cows at \$20 per head, the first of the week.

Capt. P. H. Thrash of Granbury sold ten Hereford bull calves to Otho H. Houston of Stephenville at \$30 each, the calves to be delivered in the fall.

D. C. Cogdell of Granbury sold twelve high-grade Durham bullocks to O. H. Houston for his Erath county ranch, at \$40 each, the cattle to be delivered at once.

The Gardeners' and Fruit Growers' association of Northeast Texas met at Texarkana and decided to order 12,000 boxes, in which to ship the berry and fruit crop.

W. H. Featherston received at his Sanborn pasture, Riverland, 1000 yearling steers bought of Harry Halsell, near Henrietta. They are a good and thrifty lot.

Merchant Parramore sold 1000 heifer calves to Kansas City parties to be shipped from the San Simon ranch in Arizona, at \$15. The transaction was conducted by wire.

C. H. Heard of Refugio county sold to the Mexican government 39 young mules at \$25 per head and a pair of work mules for \$125. The mules were delivered at Beeville.

M. A. Nations sold to J. N. Brooker of Temple the L. C. Ranch, comprising 55,000 acres of land and about 25,000 head of mixed cattle. The transaction will foot up about \$125,000.

A Mexican plowing at Floresville for Conrad Lux steered the plow horse into a 40-foot well. It was considered impossible to get the horse out and he was shot and the well filled up.

Messrs. W. M. Blanks, John Cardwell and John T. Storey of Lockheart shipped six cars of fat beefs from that place to the Chicago market. They were accompanied by Messrs. R. E. Hill, Tom Connelly and Johnnie Cardwell.

Farmers around Burnet are now uneasy about the corn crop for this year. They say their early planting was killed by the cold spell, and they fear the replanted crop will not have time to mature before the summer drouth sets in.

The first shipment of strawberries this season from Lindale, Smith county, contained 550 six-gallon crates, packed in a refrigerator car and consigned to Cleveland, O. The same day 250 crates were shipped by express.

L. C. Wall of Scarbrough & Wall, who are feeding cattle at Corsicana, shipped out nine carloads of fat bulls over the Texas Central, Midland and Frisco lines. Three loads of the cattle go to St. Louis and six to Kansas City.

Frank Justice and Harvey Dorris went out on a bird hunt in Bell county a few days ago and in a pasture, near Belton, they found a huge drove of chicken hawks congregated, about 400 they think. They killed twenty of the poultry yards' foes.

## Philippine Cotton.

Corsicana, Tex., May 8.—Mr. W. T. Gillespie of this county, whose brother is a soldier in the Philippines, is in receipt of a small box of souvenirs from that antipodal land which the soldier brother gathered there. Among them is a hank of hemp which is as white as snow, a copper coin of the islands, a centavo, a Mauser cartridge with a steel ball and a number of curiously-shaped sea shells. There was also a small quantity of Philippine cotton, unginmed, which the soldier writes was gathered from a stalk eight feet high and as thick as a man's knee. The cotton looks pretty much the same as the Texas staple to the uninitiated, except it does not cling to the seed so tenaciously, and the seed are double. Mr. Gillespie will plant the seed he secured from lint sent him and see what they will do in Texas soil.

## April Immigration.

Galveston, Tex., May 8.—Although April is usually a dull month in immigration in Galveston, yet the port holds her own with the showing of eighty-two arrivals the past month. There were 15 different races represented in these arrivals, viz: German 9, Austrian 3, Dutch 2, Bohemian and Moravian 17, Croatian and Slavonian 9, Hebrew 4, Magyar 1, Polish 3, Russian 29, Servian 1. Total amount of money brought \$1168. Six over 14 years old could neither read nor write. There were 17 Protestants, 28 Roman Catholics, 33 Greek Catholics and 4 Hebrews as to religion. One immigrant went to Arkansas, 8 to California, 18 to Colorado, 1 to Minnesota, 9 to Oklahoma and 41 to Texas.

## Banana Business.

Galveston, Tex., May 8.—So far as the Eureka Banana company is concerned the banana importation business at this port is closed. It is not yet known what the trust will do. The Iberia sailed Saturday evening for Boca del Toro and from there will take a cargo of fruit to Mobile, having been taken out of this service by the trust. The \$2000 fine imposed on the Iberia by the customs officials for carrying passengers without a license was paid Saturday and the final determination of the case rests with the authorities at Washington.

## Lucky Man.

Texarkana, Tex., May 8.—Mr. Thos. S. Meador, electrician for the electric light company in this city, received word from his sister, Mrs. J. F. Marshall, of Dexter, Cooke county, Texas, that \$8000 was awaiting him in the bank at that place. Meador left his home twenty-four years ago and since then his family have searched for him far and wide, locating him at this place a few days ago through the medium of an advertisement. After Meador left home his father died and his wealth, amounting to \$40,000, was distributed equally between five children.

## Petroleum Find.

Nacogdoches, Tex., May 8.—There are two noted petroleum localities in this county, about fifteen miles east of here from which thousands of barrels of oil have been marketed. But they have never been well worked or developed. In a slow way they are both yielding oil now. One is known as Oil Springs, the other as the Skillern wells. The oil is hauled here on wagons, three to six barrels at a load. A contract has just been let to haul 1000 barrels. Many people believe these fields to be very rich. The lands are rated very cheaply.

## Sanitarium.

El Paso, Tex., May 8.—Dr. J. O. Cobb, passed assistant surgeon of the marine hospital service, in command at Fort Stanton, where the government marine hospital for consumptives will be located, is now in the city.

The buildings at Fort Stanton are considerably in need of repairs and advertisements will be made at once for bids to do the work.

Accommodations will be prepared at Fort Stanton for 600 patients and an entirely new method for the treatment of consumptives there will be adopted by the government.

## Arm Torn Off.

Rosebud, Tex., May 8.—Little Tommie, the 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Terry, living about eight miles west of here near Ocker, while trying to get a string to wind around the gin shaft Saturday evening got his hand tangled in the string, winding his arm around the shaft. The arm was jerked entirely off right at the shoulder, throwing the arm about twenty feet in one direction and the child another. It is thought the child may recover.

## Legislative.

On motion of Mr. Turzay the senate Thursday adopted the free conference committee report on senate bill prohibiting the hunting with dogs or firearms on inclosed lands of another.

Davidson introduced a bill amending the fish and game law to the extent of giving the fish and oyster commissioner much more power and a salary of \$1800 per annum. It provides among other things that the commissioner shall have power to give titles to oyster beds and to validate titles now in existence.

House substitute for senate bill by Potter and Davidson, providing for the appointment by the commissioner of the general land office of two special agents to investigate into the condition, use and occupancy of the public free school lands was passed finally under a suspension of the rules.

Greer secured final passage of his bill validating a grant of a league of land made the David Choate by the Mexican government on Aug. 12, 1835.

Patterson secured a suspension of regular order and consideration of substitute house bill authorizing the Houston and Texas Central Railway company to purchase and operate the Central Texas and Northwestern, Fort Worth and New Orleans, Lancaster Tap, Austin and Northwestern and Granite Mountain and Marble Falls City railways. The bill was passed to a third reading and passed finally under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Morris the senate concurred in house amendments to his bill defining whitecapping and fixing a punishment therefor.

On Miller's motion the regular order was suspended under a suspension of the rules and substitute house bill passed finally defining and regulating fraternal beneficiary societies, orders or associations; to prescribe the terms and conditions on which such societies organized under the laws of other states, or those doing business in other states, may be permitted to do business in Texas, and to define the duties of the commissioner of insurance of the state in relation thereto; providing for the incorporation of such societies.

The next business was the Grubbs industrial school bill.

Turney offered an amendment striking out the appropriation of \$25,000 for each year, 189 and 1900, and inserting \$1000 for the selection of a site and further providing that no other appropriation for this purpose be made at this session of the legislature. Adopted by a viva voce vote.

Terrell offered an amendment to Greer's amendment providing that the school be an adjunct of the agricultural and mechanical college instead of the state university. Adopted.

The house took up as a special order the senate bill to authorize the Gulf, Beaumont and Kansas City Railway company, to purchase and operate the Gulf, Beaumont and Great Northern railroad. The bill, after being amended so as to subject the railroad company to the rules, regulations and rates of the railroad commission was passed finally.

On motion of Mr. Murray the order of business was suspended and the house took up and passed finally the senate bill relative to the law relating to the purposes for which private corporations may be created, so as to provide for the incorporation of the grand lodge of Masons, the grand Royal Arch chapter, the grand commandery Knights Templars, the grand lodge of Odd Fellows and other like institutions and orders organized for charitable or benevolent purposes.

## Polley Re-Elected.

Austin, Tex., May 5.—The eighth annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans of Texas adjourned at noon yesterday after one of the most successful reunions in the history of the noted organization.

They have been treated royally while in this town, and no one appreciates it more than the old veteran himself.

The meeting yesterday was marked with an old-time Confederate speech and was pleasing to the assembled heroes.

After the re-election of Gen. Polley as major general for the ensuing year, Fort Worth was selected as the next meeting place, and a resolution was adopted to hold a special meeting in Dallas the first week in October.

Fort Worth gets next year's meeting.

## Little Hanged.

Greenville, Tex., May 5.—Charles Little was hanged here yesterday for the murder of L. B. Stonecipher. He died almost instantly, although his neck was not broken.

## Pension Bill.

The Confederate pension bill was laid before the senate Wednesday. The senate committee substitute was adopted in lieu of the house bill.

An amendment by Dibrell was adopted making the pension clerk come under the direction of the comptroller instead of being independent of the said official as the bill originally provided.

Greer offered an amendment striking out of the section prescribing the qualification to receive a pension the sentence: "One who is in actual want and destitute of property or means of subsistence," and inserting "one who does not own property in excess of \$500 and has no means of support." He explained that this sentence is entirely too indefinite, because it is not clear whether or not it means a person who has some property that yields no revenue and is in indigent circumstances. He thought it might be construed to disbar such persons, which would be unjust.

Potter offered a substitute for the amendment to add after the word "property" in the sentence above quoted, the words "sufficient for his support."

Davidson opposed both the substitute and the amendment, because he thought they would result in fraud.

Dibrell offered a substitute for both the amendment and substitute, to strike out the word "or" in the foregoing sentence and inserting the word "and" in lieu thereof between the words "property" and "means."

The Dibrell substitute was adopted in lieu of Greer's amendment and Potter's substitute.

Sebastian offered an amendment to the section prescribing the method of making application for a pension to strike out the words "and shall post a copy of such application on the courthouse door of the county for at least thirty days before the application is acted upon by the county judge." Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Wright the order of business was suspended and the house took up the senate bill to regulate the venue of suits against private corporations, associations and joint stock companies so as to permit suits against carriers to be brought in any county in which the carrier on whose line the freight or baggage originated or was first shipped has an office or agency and against whom, with others, damages are claimed, or in any county in which is situated the depot, town or point to which the freight or baggage was consigned or shipped, and to permit two or more carriers to be joined in one suit. Adopted.

## Hood's Survivors.

Austin, Tex., May 4.—The surviving members of Hood's brigade held their annual reunion in this city. The meeting was called to order by Capt. Hunter of Huntsville, who was presented with a historic gavel made by James Dallas, of Washington county, out of wood from Gen. Sam Houston's house at the old town of Washington. Judge Henderson of the court of criminal appeals, making the presentation speech.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Capt. Jim Hunter, of Huntsville; vice president, Capt. W. C. Walsh, of Austin; treasurer, W. R. Hamby, of Austin; secretary, Geo. Brnard of Houston; chaplain, H. M. Maynie of Chapel Hill; surgeon, L. D. Hill of Austin; sponsor, Miss Ida Dallas of Independence.

Paletine was selected for the next place of meeting.

## The Austin Reunion.

Austin, Tex., May 4.—The big Confederate reunion opened yesterday morning in Hancock's opera-house with a large attendance of heroes of the gray and many visitors.

Seated on the stage were Gen. Polley and staff, Congressman Lanham, Adjt. Gen. Scurry, Col. J. H. Miller, Judge Carlton, H. W. Graber, ex-Gov. Lubbock, Hon. John H. Reagan, Col. Sam Maverick, Gen. W. L. Cabell of the trans-Mississippi division, United Confederate Veterans, and Col. H. M. Dillard.

The stage was decorated in Confederate style, with a tent on each side, two stacks of muskets and an old battle-scarred flag between. It is also set off with palms.

Forty-eight camps are represented. Adjutant General Polley made his report.

The Texas League of Building and Loan Association in session at Galveston opposed passage of pending anti-trust bill.

Do not always believe what other people say and watch yourself very closely, is a good plan.

## China's Powerful Sword.

There is a dreadful sword in China. It gives to the holder power to cut off the head of any one he wishes without punishment. All people flee from this sword as stomach ills flee before the approach of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. This famous remedy cures all forms of stomach troubles.

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## Doubtful Inscription.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell, formerly prime minister of Canada, is sued by the widow of a Montreal florist for payment for a floral wreath furnished for the funeral of Sir John Thompson, which was a state affair some four years ago. The inscription testifies that it was "a tribute of affection from his devoted colleagues." Bowell and seven others, but it seems that so far it is the florist who has paid the tribute vicariously.

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# REPORT OF ARMY BEEF BOARD.

## Gen. Miles' Allegations Not Sustained by that Tribunal, but No Reprimands Are Recommended.

### Adverse to Miles.

Washington, May 8.—By direction of the president who approves the findings, Acting Secretary of War Melkeljohn yesterday made public the report and findings of the military court appointed to investigate the charges made by Maj. Gen. Miles, commanding the army, that the beef supplied to the army during the war was unfit for the use of the troops.

The most important feature of the report are:

The finding is that the general's allegations that the refrigerated beef was treated with chemicals are not established; that his allegations concerning the canned fresh or canned roast beef were sustained as to its unsuitability for food as used on the transports and as a long continued field ration; censure of Gen. Miles for "error" in failing to promptly notify the secretary of war when he first formed the opinion that the food was unfit; censure of the commissary general (then Gen. Egan) for the too extensive purchases of the canned beef as an untried ration; censure of Col. Maus of Gen. Miles' staff; the finding that the packers were not at fault and that the meats supplied to the army were the same quality as those supplied to the trade generally, and the recommendation that no further proceedings will be taken in the premises.

The conclusion of the court adverse to further proceedings based upon the charges is as follows:

"It has been developed in the course of the inquiry as recited in this report that in some instances some individuals failed to perform the full measure of duty or to observe the proprieties which dignify high military command, but the court is of the opinion that the mere statement in the official report of the facts developed meets the ends of discipline and that the interests of the service will be best subserved if further proceedings be not taken."

There is more or less criticism of Gen. Miles in various parts of the report. Probably the most direct instance is the one which states that beyond the criticism of officers found elsewhere in the report: "The court finds that against none of the officers commanding corps, divisions, brigades and regiments and their staff officers should a charge of guilty be brought."

"The court also finds that the major general commanding had not sufficient justification for alleging that the refrigerated beef was embalmed or was unfit for issue to the troops. It also finds that he committed error in that, having belief or knowledge, as he claimed, that the food was unfit, that it caused sickness and disarray; that some of it was equipped under the pretense of experiment; that other beef was embalmed, he did not immediately send such knowledge or belief to the secretary of war to the end that a proper remedy might be promptly applied."

### Mrs. Whitney Dead.

New York, May 8.—Mrs. William C. Whitney, wife of the former secretary of the navy, died shortly before 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The change for the worse in Mrs. Whitney's condition came on last Tuesday, and it became evident to her physicians that the end was not far off.

Mrs. Whitney was thrown from her horse while fox hunting in Aiken, S. C., on Feb. 21, 1898. She tried to pass under a low bridge, but struck her head on a beam and fell to the ground. She was unconscious when she was picked up. She was placed in a plaster cast and remained in it for a long time. Everything possible was done for her, but she remained absolutely helpless from the time of the accident until she died. She was completely paralyzed from the neck down.

Mrs. Whitney was the second wife of the late Secretary of the Navy Whitney, and her second husband, her first husband being Capt. Randolph Whitney.

She was 65 years old, fell from her horse in Aiken, S. C., and was a member of the A. S. W. A. A. physician member to

### SOUTHERN NEWS.

Capt. Coghlan of the cruiser Raleigh presented the Nordenfeldt cannon to Wilmington, N. C.

Ed Lowery, a nephew of H. B. Lowery, the North Carolina outlaw, shot and killed Tucker Dial at Scuffletown, that state.

Maj. George A. Whitehead of the staff of Gen. Joseph Wheeler during the civil war died at Savannah, Ga., aged 63 years.

The Tombigbee Cotton Mill company held its annual meeting at Columbus, Miss. Satisfactory business for the past year was reported.

Dr. A. W. Ramsey, for forty years a leading citizen of Clay county, Kentucky. His father was the first white child born in old Fort Vincennes, Ind.

The rolling mills at Birmingham and Gate City, Ala., have closed down, throwing 2000 men out of work. The shut down is only temporary.

The twenty-seventh annual of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Arkansas was held at Trinity cathedral, Little Rock.

Nearly every state in the Union was represented at the annual meeting of the American Fruit and Produce Travelers' association held at Wilmington, N. C.

W. H. Dilligham, a prominent merchant of Louisville, Ky., has failed, having filed a petition in bankruptcy. His indebtedness is \$225,934.01 and assets only \$346, on which exemption is claimed. His failure caused a profound surprise in Louisville business circles.

The executive committee of the board of trustees of Galloway Female (Methodist) college at Searcy, Ark., have awarded the contract for rebuilding the college to W. B. Stewart & Bro. of Newport, Ark., for \$26,840. Searcy donated \$17,000 and the Arkansas Methodists the balance.

Ella Haralson was jailed at Owensboro, Ky., charged with murdering her baby boy. The mother claims she slept in a field because she had no shelter and that when she awoke she found her baby a corpse. Having no means to bury him she threw his body in the Ohio river.

### New Factories.

Baltimore, Md., May 8.—The numerous new industries reported during the week, included the following important ones:

A \$25,000 oil mill, \$5000 spindle cotton mill, addition of 12,500 spindles, 379 looms, 50-ton guano factory, in Alabama; \$250,000 cotton mill improvement, 35,000 spindle and 1000 loom mill; \$750,000 electric plant, \$75,000 iron foundry company, 100 barrel flour mill, \$150,000 lumber mill, two round bale compresses, in Georgia; \$150,000 tobacco factory, \$10,000 telephone company, 40,000 bushel grain elevator, in Kentucky; \$1,000,000 cotton mill company in Louisiana; \$70,000 oil cloth factory, \$250,000 automobile company in Maryland; \$75,000 lumber company, two round bale compresses, \$50,000 knitting mill company in Mississippi; \$10,000 telephone company, \$20,000 telephone company, \$500,000 gold mining company, \$12,000 mill company, \$50,000 compress, 40-ton fertilizer factory, 20-ton oil mill, in South Carolina; \$2,000,000 car and foundry company, 10,000 spindle cotton mill, \$25,000 saw mill, \$50,000 water supply company, \$100,000 cooperage, in Tennessee; \$100,000 construction company, two round bale presses, and \$10,000 telephone company in Texas; \$200,000 marble works, \$25,000 woodworking factory, \$50,000 knitting mill, 25-ton ice factory in Virginia.

The Texas Floral society, through Mrs. Harrison, the president, sent Gov. Sayers a basket of La France roses, grown in Waco, in token of appreciation of his visit to that city on Confederate Memorial day, and his address on that occasion.

The state departments at Austin were closed on the 6th out of respect to the memory of the late Land Commissioner Flinger.

### Peace Prospects.

Washington, May 6.—The state department yesterday received a dispatch from Schurman of the Philippine commission, giving the substance of the conferences with the representatives of Aguinaldo and asking for further instructions. While the text of the dispatch is not stated that it showed a very satisfactory condition of affairs in the Philippines and pointed to a settlement of the difficulties there. The reply of the president to Prof Schurman's cablegram stated that he was very anxious to have the peace negotiations concluded at the earliest possible moment and to that end desired that no unnecessary or humiliating conditions should be imposed on the insurgents. It is believed that as soon as Aguinaldo is convinced of the sincerity of the American government he will agree to surrender.

He will be required, however, to lay down his arms. This will be the principal condition and until an agreement on this point is reached the negotiations will not make any progress toward a conclusion.

### Found Deserted.

Manila, May 6.—May. Gen. MacArthur's division advanced to San Fernando yesterday and found that the place had been evacuated by the rebels, who left only a small detachment to cover their retreat by train.

Gen. MacArthur occupied the burning town without loss. The rebels south of Manila attempted to rush through Brig. Gen. Overhine's lines last night. The attempt failed, but the rebels maintained a fusillade of musketry on the first infantry regiment for several hours.

The demonstration was ineffectual beyond scaring the inhabitants of Malate.

The outposts of the southern California regiment beyond San Pedro Macati were also attacked during the night.

Maj. Gen. Lawton is still quartered at Ballnag.

### Hard Fighting.

Manila, May 6.—Detailed reports of the work of Maj. Gen. Lawton's expedition shows that harder fighting took place during the early part of this week than the earlier accounts indicate. In his attack upon San Rafael the American forces met with a heavy fire from a large number of rebels who were concealed in the jungles on all sides. It was only the adoption of the tactics followed in Indian fighting in the United States, "every man for himself," that saved the division from a great loss. Gen. Lawton, as usual, was at the head of his line with his staff. Scott's battery demolished the stone-fronted trench at a short range. The insurgent leaders, Gregorio and Piedad Pilar, who had men at Ballnag, retreated when Lawton approached the town. Chief of Scouts Young, with eleven men, entered Ballnag ahead of the army and rang the church bell to announce that they had possession of the city.

### Entertained.

Wilmington, N. C., May 6.—Two elaborate receptions were tendered to Capt. Coghlan and Mrs. Coghlan and the officers of the cruiser Raleigh in this city last night. The first was at the residence of Mrs. James Sprunt. During this evening a handsome silver service was presented to Capt. Coghlan. Prior to the reception at Mrs. Sprunt's residence, Capt. Coghlan was introduced to a tremendous audience at the opera-house, the occasion being the annual recital by the Wilmington Musical association. He merely told his hearers that he came to say "Howdy and good-bye."

A reception was held at the Orton hotel by the ladies' reception committee. There were about 400 guests and the event was one of the most brilliant functions ever given in Wilmington.

The Merritt-Chapman Wrecking tug Rescue sailed for Santiago to tow the Spanish cruiser Reina Mercedes to Norfolk.

Secretary Wilson leaves on a trip to Louisiana, Texas and Mississippi.

### Archbishop Attacked.

Paris, May 6.—A writer in one of the morning papers here complains in the strongest terms of what he calls the abdication of French clergy, who allow a foreign priest (meaning Archbishop Ireland of Minnesota) to preside at the celebration of the anniversary of the deliverance of Orleans and to pronounce a panegyric upon Joan of Arc. The writer, not satisfied with this, indulges in personalities, attacking Archbishop Ireland, who, he declares, is hostile to France.

### Made Public.

Washington, May 6.—The postoffice department has made public the letter of Mr. Edward Atkinson of Boston, on which the action of the department in seizing his pamphlets was based. Many letters asking information about the subject have reached here, and yesterday the following statement was given out by Postmaster General Smith:

In view of the statement of Mr. Edward Atkinson that he sent his pamphlets only to Admiral Dewey, Gen. Otis, President Schurman and three or four others, the letter of Mr. Atkinson, containing his application will be of interest. It is as follows:

Boston, Mass., April 22.—To the Secretary of War, Washington: Dear Sir.—I desire to send a large number of the inclosed pamphlets on "The Cost of a National Crime," "The Hell of War and Its Penalties," "Criminal Aggression; by Whom Committed," to the officers and privates in the Philippines. I desire, therefore, to know whether or not these documents can be sent directly through the war department or may be forwarded in due course of mail. A list of regiments is desired, and if there are printed lists of officers available they would serve me a very useful purpose.

### EDWARD ATKINSON.

No answer was made to this letter except to send an official copy to the postmaster general, who issued instructions to the postmaster at San Francisco to hold the pamphlets. The titles and designs of the pamphlets would be indicated by a few extracts. In one of them Mr. Atkinson says: "I will append one reason to each reader—how much increase of taxation are you willing to bear and how many of your neighbors' sons are you ready to sacrifice by fevers, malaria and venereal disease in order to extend the sovereignty of the United States over the West Indies and the Philippine islands?"

Again, after describing what he calls "The Hell of War and Its Penalties," Mr. Atkinson says: "Lest other should be entrapped into enlistment in the regular army or volunteer service in the tropics, it will only be fair and honest on the part of the recruiting officers to be put in possession of these facts."

Again Mr. Atkinson says: "The way has already become plain for the youth of the land to avoid disease in the tropics by refusing to volunteer or enlist in the army or the navy of the United States."

"The way will be found for the volunteers now held against their will to get their release from unlawful service in any other country than their own after peace is declared."

Mr. Atkinson not only speaks thus of and to the soldiers of the United States, but he encourages the Filipinos to insurrection when he says: "They have the power to enter into international relations, and they may yet be recognized, and rightly recognized, by other powers," says the postmaster general.

### Dynamited.

Duluth, Minn., May 6.—The first serious demonstration by the street railway sympathizers and strikers occurred last night. They used dynamite to stop traffic.

Four cars were derailed, three at West Duluth and one on Garland avenue. One of the cars in West Duluth was smashed almost beyond repair and all of the glass in the other two was broken. One man was seriously injured and four others were slightly hurt. When Manager Warren of the Street Railway company appeared on the scene with a wrecking car he was set upon by the strikers.

In the circuit court of the United States at Waco in the case of C. M. Cauble vs. Strahorn-Hutton-Evans got judgment for \$2045.26. The liquidation grew out of a cattle transaction occurring some time ago.

The Paris compress has closed down for the season. It compressed nearly 100,000 bales.

Moody, Tex., had a \$30,000 fire. J. W. Frywell was burned to death.

### Died in India.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 6.—Rev. Dr. Samuel P. Kellogg, one of the best known theologians in the country, died suddenly at Landour, India, where, with two other eminent scholars, he was engaged in translating the scriptures into the Hindustanee language. Dr. Kellogg was born on Long Island, N. Y., in 1839, being the son of Rev. Samuel Kellogg, himself a noted minister of the Presbyterian denomination in New York. He attended Princeton college and was graduated in the class of 1861. He was a tutor in mathematics in Princeton for eight years.

### OLD SOL NOT A BALL OF FIRE.

Scientist Says It Furnishes Heat by Electric Currents.

Henry Raymond Rogers, M. D., of Dunkirk, N. Y., has evolved a new theory of the universe, which, if adopted generally, will revolutionize astronomical science, or at least that part of it relating to the sun. From the days of the star-gazers of Palestine almost the popular notion regarding this central ruler of our family of planets has been that it is a great whirling globe of molten material in a constant and perpetual state of combustion. Now comes the man from western New York with the information that this idea is false, and that the conventional picture representing the sun with bright lines radiating in all directions into space, thus implying that actual heat and light are produced within, and of the body itself, is an utter absurdity. "This view of the sun," he says, "is strangely inconsistent with and antagonistic to certain well-known cosmical facts. Science teaches and demonstrates to be true that the universal space is inconceivably cold and utter darkness. A 'burning,' 'fire-ball' sun thus becomes an impossibility, an absurdity." Rather should the sun be represented, this philosopher maintains, as a huge planet, like unto the earth, only many times larger, perhaps even fit for habitation, surrounded by darkness and the stars; not on fire, but tremendously electrical in its activities; in other words, a vast celestial dynamo producing currents of electricity which pass invisible and free through all the ninety-odd millions of miles of cold and darkness, until they meet their resistance at the earth and its atmosphere. Such resistance is all that is needed, in the mind of this twentieth century scientist, to develop the so-called sunheat and sunlight, just as light and heat are produced in the electric circuit by the resistance offered by carbon or other material. Arc lights, such as stud our streets, are in effect the planets fed by the sun. After exciting our atmosphere to these and other activities, the electric currents pass into the earth, awaking in it gravitation and other electrical effects, thence completing the circuit by returning to the sun and arousing in it identically the same functions as on its humble satellite. It follows that if the sun emits neither light nor heat, but simply electric currents which produce these phenomena, it can no longer be said that the moon borrows from it its gentle effulgence, and the poet loses a subject for some of his daintiest conceptions. What has been with him heretofore a "full-orbed glory" becomes simply a prosaic electrical machine, whose currents act on our atmosphere as do those from the sun, though to a less degree, on account of difference in power. Science, with its newly found facts and progressive theories, has always been destructive of old imagery, but the old delusions are far less poetic after all than their successors when the poets' minds have become readjusted to them. But, says the practical reader, "What shall we say of the sun's dazzle, which is so real and so painful to the human eye?" Simply an optical illusion, answers the new theory. "Such dazzling brightness cannot be located at the sun; neither is it found in the black of infinite space nor in our atmosphere; therefore, it can be found only in the depths of the eye of the beholder—I. e., upon the retina." So, too, there is no longer such a thing as a moonbeam; that which seems such is simply an illusion, and is no more real than the existence of actual spots upon the surface of the sun! Dear, dear!—Boston Transcript.

### The Obliging Riley.

Philadelphia Record: The strength of the fad for autographs was strikingly shown yesterday, when scores of clerks and customers besieged James Whitcomb Riley, while he was modestly making some book purchases in a large department store. As soon as the Hoosier poet was sighted near the latest book counter the news quickly went the rounds of the clerks, and within a half hour Mr. Riley had obligingly signed his name to 100 cards. Customers who were at the book stalls at the time or were attracted thither also took advantage of the opportunity, and secured the signature of the poet. To one of the clerks Mr. Riley said that, on the average, he receives 200 letters a day asking for his autograph, and many more personal requests while on his tours. When not in a humor for composition the poet, as a mental diversion, occupies himself in signing the thousands of cards which he yearly receives.

### Plants Protect Themselves.

Plants protect themselves by terrifying attitudes, just as do insects. One of the uses of the movements of the sensitive plant is to frighten animals. A venturesome browsing creature coming near it is afraid to touch a plant which so evidently is occupied by spirits.

The number of poor authors is as great as the number of authors who are poor.



**Ft. Chadbourne Notes.**

regular Correspondent.

Ft. Chadbourne Tex.,

Dear RUSTLER.

We were so busy last week,

that we failed to get in our say.

Our school closed on last Wednesday night. Prof. Thomas gave an entertainment, or exhibition, Wednesday night, which was a success. We certainly enjoyed it.

They had so many nice pieces and fine music. Mr. Bob Cumbie and brother were with us and helped us with our music. Miss May Boosing, of Merkle, played the organ to the delight and satisfaction of every body.

Mr. Matt McGessy, Mr. Mitchel from Bronte, and Reuben Richard performed on the violins, the Cumbie brothers had their instruments so you see we were well furnished with music.

Prof. Thomas seems to have the good will of all our people, we think him a live school teacher.

Miss Katy Robinson from Miss., is visiting her uncle J. L. Robinson. She is well pleased with our country.

Mr. I. A. Wallace, of Eaddy, Tenn., but lately of Cisco Texas, is visiting Uncle Tom's people. Mr. Wallace came to Texas for his health, he has gained 30 lbs. in three months, he is delighted with Texas.

Mr. Wallace went with Mr. Isaac Billingslea to San Angelo.

Mr. Will Hazlewood, of Crockett Co., came in the other day to R. E. Douglas and what do you think he found, why he found a fine big boy; the young man came Thursday 27th. So our own R. E. Douglas is Grand pap.

Jim Lindly instead of going to Mexico stopped at the Hancock place. Can't leave old Coke.

Mr. J. P. Brown, of near Maverick, was around trying to rustle pasture for 1600 head of steer yearlings, he failed to get any.

Mr. Will and Tom Richards have been in South Texas buying cattle. They put 141 head in W. C. McDonald's pasture the 2nd inst.

The Bronte correspondent was with our Rock Springs people Sunday.

The people are very busy planting cotton.

There was a young cyclone passed through our County Monday night, three miles North of school house in the neighborhood of the Oak Creek Camp ground, tearing down fences uprooting trees and tearing up things generally. Mr. Russell's kitchen was torn up and his groceries scattered. His kitchen door was found four miles down the creek. No one hurt as far as I can learn.

Hoping to hear from our Bronte Bro. and all the RUSTLER correspondents.

I am truly,  
UNCLE TOM.

Ft. Chadbourne Tex.,  
May, 2nd 1899.

ED. RUSTLER:

On yesterday evening, a small cyclone struck the North Eastern corner of Coke County. It came down by Mr. J. W. McDorman and Rev. Miller's, striking Oak Creek about one half mile below what is known as the "Upper Camp Meeting Ground," and taking down the Creek, it tore up trees by the roots that were about 18 inches in diameter. The path of the storm was about half a mile wide in some places. It stripped the limbs off of most all the timber that was in its path, blowing some of the limbs a hundred yards or more, and tearing down wire fences as it came to them. I found a rabbit that had been killed by a limb. The storm

seemed to be traveling in a South Easterly direction. It struck Mr. W. H. Craig's house and blew down a rock flue; but did no serious damage to the house. Mr. H. T. McPeters had four horses hurt pretty badly. They were in Bro. Miller's pasture.

We did not have a heavy rain, it hailed a little, but did no damage.

Later. The storm struck Mr. J. C. Russell's house and tore his kitchen all to pieces. He said he found the door about a quarter of a mile below the house. The provision and other things were badly scattered, some of them he has not found yet. He said they lost about fifty young chickens.

There was no one hurt that I have heard of yet.

Yours respectfully,  
J. A. Baldwin.

**Sanco Sunshine.**

Mr. Editor:

Not wanting to monopolize space in your paper, to the exclusion of more interesting information from other sources, I took recess, to give elbow room to others in your last issue that they did not use; but they took recess also, hence light was lost; at least such as flows from North Coke, which shines like a small star during a very bright day.

Come up and see us among the beautiful hills of Sanco, everything looks pretty now.

The melon crop is good. We understand that melons will bring the editor when nothing else will.

Several of our veterans are expecting to be down on the 20th.

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**Estray Notice.**

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