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Cildings, Tex.

Ed. RUSTLER:

Think perhaps some of our friends at home would like to have an account of our trip to Galveston, with your permission I will use the RUSTLER and write to all at once. I should have written before but had to rest up a little at first and then I've been meeting a number of friends.

It has been dry here for some weeks, but began to rain the day we came and has rained hard every day since. Bridges have washed away on all sides of us, so that the trains have not been able to get here a good part of the time, and I'm afraid we won't get the RUSTLER soon.

As we went down through the 'Alvin Country,' we traveled for hours without seeing a break of any sort in the face of the earth. It all appeared as level as the sea, and is really very little higher.

Arriving in Galveston, we went to the Hotel Grand, which had been recommended to us, but they wanted to put us on the third floor, charge \$2.00 for lodging. The accommodations being in no way satisfactory, we, through the kindness of Mr. Will Laswell found the Oleander House on 2420 Post Office Street. There we had the best of treatment, comfortable rooms and good fare all round.

The first thing to be seen, of course, was the big waters. We went down to the beach and watched with interest the bathers and expert swimmers who rode the big waves as they came rolling in without any apparent effort. There are two places for bathers one at the Murdock bath-house appeared too deep to be safe for those not accustomed to the water but at the Olympia, a little farther down, the water was more shallow and there were many more bathers. The Olympia itself is a popular resort where they have concerts, cake walks, and all kinds of entertainments. It is a large open building, circular in form, capable of seating 5000 persons. On the second floor there is a fine band and a large canvass for magic lantern displays etc. On the ground floor, all kinds of refreshments are kept.

Next we went to the docks where we went through the Lampasas, a steamer of the Mallory line which was taking cargo for New York. After going through the ship, we took the Charlotte M. Allen and steamed across to Point Bolivar, past the quarantine station and the jetties. We got a tolerable view of the lighthouse, the Sealy Hospital, and 2 forts; besides we saw a large German ship steaming out of port. The experiments of the jetties,

for which Congress appropriated seven millions of dollars, has succeeded beyond all hope. They have now twenty feet of water at low tide, and the channel is still deepening.

In the afternoon, Mr. Sweet, proprietor of the Oleander, took us out to Denver, which is a section owned by capitalists of Denver, Colorado, who will sell lots only on condition that purchaser builds a residence, costing not less than five thousand dollars with large grounds around the dwelling. From here we could see the Denver fort, built since the declaration of the Spanish war. It contains guns of twelve inch bore and is occupied by a company of regular artillery. If we could have stayed longer, Mr. Sweet would have procured a pass and taken us through the forts. We saw the soldiers strolling about among the tents all dressed in white and carrying their guns.

We also enjoyed the rare privilege of a walk in Garten Verein, the handsomest park in the city. It is owned by a very wealthy and exclusive club and is open to visitors only on rare occasions. The grass was thick and smooth as green velvet, while the shade was all that could be desired, with seats placed all around under the trees. There was the most beautiful fountain with hundreds of gold fish in the basin, also water-lilies and other strange water plants. One had leaves that looked like jelly tins floating on the water.

We saw the Orphan's Home, the Ball High School, the Young men's Christian Association building, the Christian Church, the Baptist Church and many other fine buildings of which I should like to tell you but my letter is getting too long.

But there is one thing more I must tell you about. Three large, costly buildings, the Y. M. C. A. building, the Orphans Home, and the Old Ladies' Home were all given to the city by the will of one Mr. Rosenberg; besides forty free water fountains, so distributed throughout the city that all the poor, who are not able to pay for water privileges can have plenty of water by carrying it only a few blocks at most. His widow is very generous also. When they had the reunion there last year, she gave the Confederate Veterans an excursion to the jetties refreshments and everything being at her expense.

I am told there are to be a number of excursions to Galveston this summer and I hope that many of you will visit the city. If you do it will be to your interest to go to the Oleander House, it is kept by excellent people, and the proprietor made himself our "Guide, Philosopher, and Friend" and showed us over the city, enabling us to see so many more places of interest and to economize wonderfully in time and fare. Emma Merchant.

Divide Doings.

Dear RUSTLER.

I see in your broad columns you invite correspondants. I will try in a poor Rabbit-twister way to give you some of the happenings of the Divide.

The Divide is a very beautiful country and has many things that is beautiful to the eye as well as pleasant to the taste. We have Black waxey land that is very rich and will produce anything in the way of vegetation. Farming, gardening, and melons all give very satisfactory results.

We have a nice church house with services every 4th Sunday evening by Rev. Drake, and Sunday School every Sunday evening. Rev. Drake will begin a protracted meeting at the church the 5th Sunday in July all are invited to come and take part as a good time is expected, we will venture to ask our good sisters to save their chickens as you know Bro. Drake is a Methodist.

We have a nice community, good neighbors, fine grass good gardens crops were never better than now considering the late spring hail and various kinds of worms and other insects.

Stock of all kinds are mending very fast.

We learn of some cattle dying with fever.

Judge Chapman reports seven and others say we hope that this dreaded disease will not prosper to any degree for it was very fatal last year.

Smith Brothers sold their steer yearlings to Knox Barfield at \$15, counting everything they were nice yearlings.

Col. Leither says his new buggy is excellent, would like a help meet to share his overflowing joys.

Mr. Green Rushing, one of the Divide's nice young men, who has been an employee of Capt. J. Q. McCabe for the past 3 years, he is making hay while the sun shines. Green knows a good thing at first sight.

Maj. Ashurst has one of the best Ranches of its size on the Divide well improved and fenced. He recently purchased one of Judge Chapman's fine short horn Durham Bulls.

We appreciate the stand the RUSTLER took in reproving the Colorado Tar-heels or mud flingers at us poor twisters.

Well you may have other news of more importance, and as this is my first attempt to give the news of the divide, I will not weary you and if this don't reach the waste basket I may come again.

With success to the RUSTLER and its many readers.

LITTLE JOHNNIE.

Stray Notice.

Reported by J. A. Newton, Commissioner Precinct No. 3, Coke County Texas on 13th day of June 1899. One snutty black horse about 3 years old, unbranded, running in H. E. Johnson's pasture about 15 miles West of Robert Lee Texas.

(Signed) J. W. Barnett, Co. Clerk Coke Co. Tex.

P. Mart Trammell was over to Angelo Monday. Suppose he went over to keep the editor straight.

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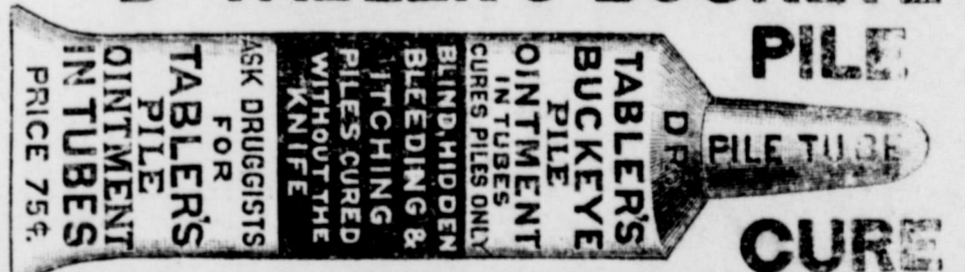
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A BUSINESS VENTURE.

A sign hanging above a little shop told the world of Hayside that Miss Jane Dody, milliner, had started in business.

Until this sign appeared Haysiders had been obliged to drive to Nesburg or send to the city for their millinery and having formed the habit it was a question whether they would break it and patronize the new establishment. Miss Jane did not know many town people, for she had lived in the country with an old aunt, who had lately died, leaving her a legacy of \$300. It was a small capital, but being entirely dependent on her own exertions Miss Jane decided to start a millinery shop. She was old enough to decide for herself, being almost 40, but she was a timid woman and thought it better to ask Mr. Hope's advice first. Mr. Hope was president of the bank, an old friend of her aunt's and much admired and respected by herself. He was just entering his seventies, but many a man of 50 envied his vitality and youthfulness of feeling. He was a widower and lived alone in the "great house" of the village, where he dispensed hospitality and charity with an open hand. Rich, influential and busy, he yet had time to listen to any tale of distress or give advice when requested. Mr. Hope had always liked little Miss Jane and was more than willing to listen to her plans and help her all he could. She was shown into his private office at the bank, blushing like one of the roses she held in her hands and making quite a pretty picture.

"I have \$300, you know, Mr. Hope. Would you advise me to start a millinery shop with it or save it and go to the city to get employment?" she asked.

Mr. Hope knew how difficult it would be for a woman like Miss Jane, untrained and timid, to get work in the city, and quickly told her it would be best to try the shop and he was sure she would get on well.

"Bring on the best goods you can get and you will be sure to succeed. Everybody will buy from you. I don't wear bonnets myself," he added, laughing, "but I'll send all my friends to you."

At the close of this interview the prospective milliner left the banker with a light heart and had visions of a little shop expanding in time to a great establishment, where she herself was mistress of a great army or assistants.

In a short while the new store was opened to the public, its owner having stocked up in the city and bought a small but handsome line of goods to



ASK MR. HOPE'S ADVICE.

tempt the feminine fancy. The little woman and her one helper were kept busy the first few days and Miss Jane thought her visions of success were not so unfounded as to be ridiculous, for money flowed freely into her coffers. But after the first excitement trade settled down considerably and there was plenty of spare time for breathing.

For the first time in her life Miss Jane learned what it cost to live. Having lived most of her life in the country, where things were had "for the raising," groceries gotten in exchange for country produce and no rent to pay, even the amount it took to run her little establishment was alarming to her. Anxieties would creep in occasionally. If the fall trade was not good how was she to get through the winter? Such thoughts worried her often through the week, but on Saturdays, being a good Episcopalian, she dismissed them and, prayer book in hand, wended her way devoutly to the chapel.

Mr. Hope sat in the pew just in front of her and sometimes when his pew overflowed with his grandchildren or other guests he sat by Miss Jane and held her hymnbook while they both sang. At such times she felt a delightful thrill of excitement, but tried to repress it and say her responses reverently and place her thoughts on spiritual things. But she was always glad when Mr. Hope's pew overflowed.

Fall came on apace and the little milliner found it necessary to consult the banker again. This time she told him she had \$100 in money, but not another penny. Would he advise her

to turn this into flowers and feathers and other requisites of her trade, or would it be flying in the face of providence to use it?

"Use it by all means, Miss Jane. Times are looking up, business is going to revive and I am sure your money will be more than doubled," he answered.

Again acting on his advice she bought the best her money would buy and began to prepare for her "fall opening." Her nimble fingers copied pattern hats and dainty bonnets until resting in her showcase and on the hat forms were as tasty and enticing a lot of head covering as had ever been seen by the town. The night before the opening she retired late, but woke up from a dream of being choked to find her room full of smoke. Almost stifled she threw on her wrapper and groping her way to the door ran out into the street crying "Fire!"

The house was a double one and the other side was already wrapped in flames when Miss Jane gave the alarm and the other tenants, whose carelessness had caused the fire, barely escaped with their lives.

Poor Miss Jane stood in the street wringing her hands in despair while the cruel flames devoured her pretty hats and bonnets, as if they were but a delicious morsel, until a kind neighbor came and led her home.

The "opening day" had arrived, the little millinery shop was open, in very truth, to the public, but there was nothing but ashes to gaze on. Black despair, starvation, even the poorhouse, stared Jane Dody in the face, as sitting by the neighbor's hearth she wept silently and dared not look into the future.

Early in the morning Mr. Hope heard the news.

He remembered it was by his advice that all the milliner's money was invested in that now ruined stock. Poor little woman! What could he do for her? He could not offer her money or a home. A home? Why not? He smiled at the thought and the little milliner's sweet face, sweet though no longer youthful, appeared to him with new charm. Hastily leaving his house he sought and found Miss Jane.

When he asked her to marry him she said "No" at first, for she felt sure it was only pity that moved his heart. But she looked so sweet and confused when she refused him that the dear old gentleman fell in love with her on the spot and succeeded in making himself, as well as her, believe that he had really loved her a long time and had only awaited a favorable opportunity of telling her. So, having no one to consult, they were married the very next day, in spite of the bride-elect's protests that the haste was unseemly.

Hayside had not recovered from the excitement caused by the fire when it had another shock. It occurred when the Weekly Local published the following item: "Married, Thursday, at 10 a. m., Mr. Richard Hope and Miss Jane Dody."

PRIMITIVE CHRONOLOGY.

In Mexico Months Are Named After the Arrival of Birds.

The most primitive method in chronology is that which enables man to orient himself in the world of time by associating particular durations with vicissitudes of weather, with seasonal aspects of vegetation, and with the constantly changing sights and sounds of the animal world, says Popular Science Monthly. In the calendar of the Crees, for example, we find such designations as "duck-month," "frog-month," "leaf-moon," "berries-ripe month," "buffalo-rutting moon," "leaves entirely changed," "leaves in the trees," "fish-catching moon," "moon that strikes the earth cold," "coldest moon," "ice-thawing moon," "eagles-seen moon." So in the calendars of Central America and Mexico the months are named variously after the arrival of birds, the blossoming of flowers, the blowing of winds, the return of mosquitoes and the appearance of fishes. The Greeks constantly used the movements of birds to mark the seasons; the arrival of the swallow and kite were thus noted. Hesiod tells us how the cry of the crane signaled the departure of winter, while the sitting of the plover gave notice to the plowman when to begin his work. The Incas called Venus "the hairy," on account of the brightness of her rays, just as the Peruvians named her the "eight hour torch," or "the twilight lamp," from the tire of her shining.

Disposing of Him.

"This man is too belligerent to suit me," said the German emperor thoughtfully. "He's always ridiculing the idea of peace and declaring that war is inevitable. He is stirring things up altogether too much." "Couldn't you get him out of the country for a while?" "That's a good idea. I'll send him to the peace conference."—Washington Star.

A Hot Time.

"Spriggins was pretty mad when his boss discharged him." "Well, you can hardly expect a man to keep cool when he's fired."

DAIRY AND POULTRY.

INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm—A Few Hints as to the Care of Live Stock and Poultry.

Dairy Notes.

We have heard frequently of preservatives that contain salicylic acid. Some idea of the harmfulness of this chemical can be obtained by reading the testimony of the witnesses before the congressional pure food commission that has been holding its sessions in Chicago. It was found that this acid was used extensively in beer. Dr. Pruyn Stringfield, professor in the Northwestern University Medical school, said: "Its effect is to stimulate the action of the heart, and within a few minutes a depression of both the heart action and of respiration follows. I have had cases in this city where I believe death was directly traceable to the effect of salicylic acid drunk in beer. It is likely to paralyze the heart." This should be sufficient to convince people that all kinds of preservatives are dangerous. Even the mildest of them have the effect of medicine and must not be taken at random and in great quantities.

The value of inspection of dairy products is seen in the world's market for butter, cheese and milk. America has been very backward about enacting rigid laws against adulterations and false brands. We have been afraid of interfering with individual liberty, and it has taken years of argument to persuade even a part of the states to pass laws protecting honest dairy products. But Canada was not thus backward, and soon made laws against the making of filled cheese and laws to ensure that all butter sent across the ocean was free from all suspicion of oleomargarine. We had a large cheese trade in England, but during the years when we were debating whether or not it was good morals to attempt to suppress the making of filled cheese, Canada drove us out of the English cheese market and herself took possession. We will have to enact more rigid national laws yet, before we can hope to regain our lost prestige, for we must not only make good products, but we must convince our former customers that we are making them. Our system of inspection of dairy products, as of all food products, should be both rigid and thorough.

The use of butter cultures is a thing that has drawn the attention of our butter makers both east and west. The stations have been interested enough to take up extensive work in this line, but the results have been rather averse to the idea that it is necessary to use cultures in butter-making in this country. The Pennsylvania Experiment Station has recently issued a report on their experiments along this line. It is the opinion of the experimenters at that station that "the results obtained by pasteurization have not, as a rule, justified the expectations based upon the theory of the process and upon the results obtained in other countries, and the results of these trials, so far as they go, agree with the general experience. Of course, only tentative conclusions can be based on so few experiments, although they corroborate the results obtained by other students of this question, but it may be safe to conclude that pasteurization and the use of pure cultures do not, according to our present standard of perfection in flavor, promise to materially aid the American buttermaker, where the conditions are favorable for making butter by the usual method. It may be, however, that if our country should become as thickly populated as some of the countries of Europe, and we have difficulty in making butter uniformly good, pasteurization and pure cultures would be an advantage in overcoming the trouble. But for the present at least, even for our export trade, the outlay necessary for the purchase and use of a pasteurizing outfit and pure cultures for butter-making hardly seem warranted." Such is the opinion of the Pennsylvania station, based, not only on its own work, but on the work as reported of Madison and other stations that have done much along dairy lines.

Around the Poultry Yard.

During the hot weather the farmer should see that his fowls are comfortably cool at nights. We know what it is to swelter in the July and August heat, and we should have compassion on the fowls shut up tight in the pens. Some take their chances on the birds being killed by prowling animals and leave the windows and doors open, but this is never a wise thing to do. Wire netting is cheap, and even the inch mesh would cost but a few cents to put over the windows. The window sash can then be taken out, and not even a weasel can get in. The writer has found that by taking out windows in two adjoining sides of the henhouse a good change of air is allowed without exposing the birds to drafts, which should be under suspicion even in the

summer time. Colds are produced by a cool breeze blowing over a wet surface. Sometimes the weather in mid-summer is such that the fowls sweat and are too warm to make exposure to a draft safe.

Grease as a means of fighting lice on little chicks needs to be used with caution. Too much grease will prove very destructive to the chicks, as well as to the lice, as it seems to blister the skin. A little should be put on the top of the head and a little under each wing. Even a small amount will be found to be very destructive to the parasites, and even if all the lice are not killed at once, it is better to make a second application than to blister the skin of the little things you are trying to protect. The use of kerosene is not to be considered, as it is entirely unnecessary.

Overfat hens are not profitable, and the fat becomes not only a detriment to them as producers of eggs, but is a positive danger to the lives of the fowls. Hens that are too fat should have their ration of corn taken from them entirely, and if possible should be made to hunt for a living for a time. The exercise and the suspension of the fat-forming foods will result in a speedy decrease of the fat and a corresponding increase in the profitability of the fowl.

Raising Turkeys.

In nothing does a good beginning count for so much as in raising turkeys, says a writer in the Homestead. Many are not very successful in turkey growing, and after they have given as good care as they know how, they wonder why they fail. The beginning should be good. What does that mean? It is a common practice among short sighted turkey growers to pick out all the best for market, keeping the smaller ones, under the impression that they will grow large enough by the time they are wanted for breeding. This is a grave mistake. In a flock of turkeys there will be those that are better developed, bigger boned—and these are just the kind needed for breeding purposes. To achieve success in turkey growing it is well, therefore, to make a good beginning by selecting the best hens in the flock—good, deep, blocky birds, with large bone and short legs, and dispose of the long legged, loose built ones. To make a success does not really mean the selection of a certain breed, for the breed of your choice may make you more money than any other. The Bronze is a very excellent breed, and any of the breeds which has a large sprinkling of the wild blood in it will do very well. The greatest trouble with the sorts with wild blood in them is that they are harder to keep near home, and are very easily frightened. Having selected the breeding stock, which should be done in the fall, they should be wintered in the best condition without too much fattening, which can be done by letting them run out all the time. You will be in a position to start in right.

Small Flocks.

Small flocks of poultry usually do better than large ones, and there are several reasons why this should be so, says an exchange. They receive more care and attention in proportion to their number. One could scarcely keep a flock of 15 without devoting a half hour per day to them. At this rate one would only care for 300 in a day of 10 hours, yet many think they can take care of about a thousand in that time and not keep very busy. Spending so much time among a few, one gets to noticing the personal peculiarities of each one. He can soon tell which ones lay five eggs a week and which only three, and if one does not visit the nest at all for weeks he knows it and is soon rid of those that are all expense and no income. If he desires to raise chickens, he can by a little care select eggs from those hens which matured earliest and have been the best egg producers, and thus he is breeding for eggs. And last, but not always least, the item of table scraps and waste vegetables for which usually no charge is made in itemized accounts, are really valuable to the small flock as furnishing some variety to the ration and an amount that may really deduct something from the grain bill, while in a flock of 100 or more there would not be in an ordinary family enough to give each hen a fair bite. This makes the expense of keeping each fowl something greater in the large flock if the variety of food is bought for them, and the returns a little less if it is not.

Spraying Mixtures.—At the Canadian experiment farms spraying was done last year with Bordeaux mixture and paris green, and as a result it was difficult at harvest time to find an imperfect specimen of fruit. Different formulas of Bordeaux mixture were compared, one containing six pounds and the other four pounds of copper sulphate (blue-stone). When applied to crab-apple trees the weaker solution was found to be equally as efficient as the stronger, and did not injure the foliage.

A chick once stunted for lack of proper care or feeding will never attain the size or thrift of the others.

Too Much Salary.

An advertisement in a newspaper calling for "a first-class bookkeeper at \$3 a week" drew forth the following answer, the only one attracted by the munificent salary:

"I am a young man, 37 years of age, having had a business experience of twenty-three years, being connected with the United States embassy at Madagascar, and feel confident if you will give me a trial I can prove my worth to you. I am not only an expert bookkeeper, proficient stenographer and typewriter, excellent operator and erudite college graduate, but have several other accomplishments which might make me desirable. I am an experienced snow shoveler, a first-class peanut roaster, have some knowledge of removing superfluous hair and clipping puppy dogs' ears, have a medal for reciting 'Curfew Shall Not Ring To-Night,' am a skilled chiropodist and practical farmer. Can also cook, take care of horses, crease trousers, open oysters and repair umbrellas. Being possessed of great physical beauty, I would not only be useful, but would be ornamental as well, lending to the sacred precincts of your office that delightful artistic charm that a Satsuma vase or stuffed billy goat would. As to salary, I would feel I was robbing the widow and swiping the sponge cake from the orphan if I was to take advantage of your munificence by accepting the too fabulous sum of \$3 per week, and I would be entirely willing to give you my services for less, and by accepting \$1.37 per week would give you an opportunity of not only increasing your dona on to the church, pay your butcher and keep up your life insurance, but also to find a home for indigent fly-paper salesmen and endow a free bed in the cat home."

Has Waited Many Years.

Prof. Benjamin Ide Wheeler of Cornell, who has been elected president of the University of California is a distinguished philologist and Greek scholar, for some time director of the American school at Athens, and has written several books on the subject of his special study. The only work, however, in which he has appealed to the general public—a work which has awakened considerable popular interest—is the history of Alexander the Great, now running in the Century. One critic of this scholarly work goes so far as to say that the great soldier has waited over 2000 years to be accorded his due as man and empire builder.

The attention of the readers of this paper is called to the advertisement of Mr. Chas. P. Scrivener of Austin, Texas, which appears in this issue. There is no subject in which the people of this section of the state are more deeply interested in than that of the sale of Public Free School Land. The present legislature which has just adjourned has passed an act placing upon the market 3,000,000 acres additional of the public domain of the state as school land. This act will take effect 90 days from the date of the adjournment of the legislature. In addition to this the forfeiture of former sales will now soon occur, so that at an early day there will be a great deal of school land on the market for sale. The information which Mr. Scrivener offers will prove valuable to every reader of this paper who feels an interest in school land matters, and who wishes to secure some of our public free school land. Mr. Scrivener is well qualified to render valuable assistance through his book to those who would otherwise be kept in ignorance of the means by which they can secure land. If you want to buy or lease any public land take advantage of this opportunity to inform yourself about it, as the state has made no provision for advertising the Public School Land and bringing it to the notice of those who are ignorant of the land and who want cheap homes.

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See that your linen is washed clean. Use "Faultless Starch," clean irons, follow directions given on package and perfect results will follow. All grocers sell "Faultless Starch," large package, 10c.

"Fussing" seems to be the chief delight of some people.

For Lung and chest diseases, Piso's Cure is the best medicine we have used.—Mrs. J. L. Northcott, Windsor, Ont., Canada.

If you want to keep cool, keep busy; it is the best way.

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The Women of the Alps Lead a Hard Life.

Long before the days of bloomers women on the higher level of the Alps wore trousers and no one thought anything about it, says the Kansas City Times. The Alpine women wear the bifurcated garment for utility and not for beauty, as one may judge if he or she has ever seen one of these girls. While she is talking to you the Alpine herdsman is quite apt to thrust out an ungainly leg, plant a heavy boot on the neck of a goat and stand thus while she converses. With the exception of the blacks who endure a life of hunger in the heart of Africa, there is hardly any one in the world who fares so badly as the herdsmen and herdswomen of Switzerland. Their fare is meat that has been dried, salted and turned into unsavory leather; rye bread that is like blackened cinders, and cabbage stalks in pickle that contain about as much nutriment as a walking stick. Hungry as the herdsman may be on her return home, she must eat but sparingly of these dainties, for fear that they should come to an end before another trip to the valley can be made. These women breakfast at 2 in the morning and then answer in response to the cattle lowing at the door of the chalet, begging to be attended to and driven up to some favorite Alp. They eat again some twelve or fourteen hours later, when the weary tramp back to the chalet is about to begin. Between times, with sickles, they reap the long coarse Alpine grasses which are to serve as food for the cattle during the winter. The grass is bound into bundles as large as the women themselves and carried on their backs down to the homesteads. The winter firewood is brought the same way. The chalet, the home of one of these women, is the most picturesque of any peasant's dwelling place, but inside it is not desirable. It is usually perched on the crags of the Oberland and is dark, for the windows are constructed not so much to admit light as to keep out the heavy snows of the winter. In one corner is a low, broad platform with sacks of hay and a couple of blankets upon it. The less luxurious dispend with the blankets and the herdsman usually goes to rest in the same attire she wore during the day.

FRANCE'S TARDY REPARATION.

Countries Like People Cannot Do Wrong with Impunity.

France has tried to comfort herself with the reflection that the life of one Jew is unimportant, and that her interests may best be served by an act of possible lawlessness, says the Spectator. But her hopes are doomed to disappointment and all her casuistry is of no avail. Piece by piece the truth has been uncovered, and though France has opposed discovery with added deceit she has today no chance of going backward. She will be forced to perform with an ill grace a common act of reparation, which some years ago might most gracefully have been performed. But she cannot for half a century undo the evil which her unrighteousness has caused. Discredited throughout Europe, she stands sullied among the nations, finding no confidence in her institutions, and inspiring nothing else than distrust. And the moral of it all is that nations, no more than individuals, may stamp upon the elementary rules of right and wrong. The morality which governs peoples is not precisely the same as governs men in the conduct of their lives; a country has not the same high obligation of truth and outspokenness as is laid upon separate citizens. But countries, too, have their truth, and while they may simulate before rivals, they must exact within their borders a love of justice. No deflection may pass with impunity; when once the sense of duty is obscured disaster is certain; for there always remains one taper of light to illumine the dim places. Had M. Zola never pierced the darkness then France might have had the satisfaction of keeping forever under lock and key a man who she knew had been illegally condemned; she might still have declared with infinite scorn that her action was an affaire de cuisine and that a Jew had no right to a generous protection. And though she would have suffered in herself, when the moment of battle came she might for a while have escaped the notice of Europe. But M. Zola was not to be extinguished; he revealed to the whole world his country's injustice and made an ultimate reparation necessary. The national confidence in the army will for awhile be shaken, but justice will presently be re-established, and with it a proper sense of patriotism.

Alfalfa in Kansas.

In the April Bulletin of the Kansas Experiment Station, Prof. Geo. L. Clothier gives the results of observations of the growth and value of alfalfa in Kansas. His report is most interesting. He says:

Alfalfa was found growing on high prairie in almost every county visited. The acreage on upland is still very limited in western Kansas. This fact partly accounts for the difficulty usually experienced by farmers in getting the plant started on high prairie. A western farmer frequently sows a small patch and then allows his whole herd of cattle to range over it in the springtime when the plant needs all the green foliage it can command for the manufacture of its own food materials. If any of the crop survives this treatment, the grasshoppers swarm in from the thousands of acres of prairie sod surrounding the alfalfa patch and "camp down" upon it until not a green shoot is left. The farmer then gives out the report that alfalfa will not grow on upland in western Kansas. Of course it will not grow with such treatment; no other plant would. Every farmer who has had any experience with it knows, however, that it will yield as large returns from upland without irrigation as it will on bottom land. It need not be so productive in order to give good returns on the cheap upland of the west. Bottom land with sub-irrigation that will yield three to six tons of alfalfa hay per annum can be bought for \$5 to \$20 per acre, while upland may be had in many parts of western Kansas at merely nominal prices. In an interview with an experienced alfalfa grower, I was told that a good bottom land field of alfalfa ought to be worth \$250 per acre; another conservative farmer estimated it worth \$100 per acre. In view of the high protein content of the hay, making it worth \$8 to \$10 per ton when corn is worth 25 cents per bushel, the above valuations are not extravagant.

It has been thought by some of our experiment station workers that the frequent failures of alfalfa on upland might possibly be attributed to the absence of the beneficial soil bacteria causing nodules on the roots of the plants. This subject was extensively investigated, and nodules found in sixty-three out of sixty-eight fields. The distribution and development of nodules generally made as good a showing for upland as for bottom land. Nodules are better developed and more abundant in soil of moderate than in lands of great fertility.

From Farmers' Review: While the past winter was unprecedented in continued severe cold weather, some strange results are being made manifest as the season advances. In this locality we have always considered the American white ash as one of the most beautiful as well as the most hardy for street or lawn planting, but entire rows of trees of that variety in our city are dead. Some of these are more than twenty years old, and have always presented a healthy and vigorous appearance. The precise locality of the tree has cut no figure in this fatality, whether on high or low ground. In the High School grounds we had some splendid specimens on good, strong soil, that look now at this writing, May 20, like bare trunks and lifeless limbs, while now and then one shows a feeble attempt at leafing out. A beautiful seedling crab in one corner of my lawn, which has borne fruit for two years, put out leaves and blossoms, but is now dying. Is the natural surface-root system of the white ash the cause of this sudden fatality with apparently healthy trees or the extreme cold? I shall be glad to hear from others.—R. S. Hoxie, Rock County, Wis.

Fruit in Southern Iowa.

Effects of the winter can now be fairly estimated. In the orchard peach trees, save the young ones, are practically dead. Several varieties of plums are also gone. Cherry trees are many of them badly damaged. Many of the cherries now ripening are wormy. There are some pears, but the trees are making good growth. Among small fruits the majority of the grapes and the canes of the blackberry are killed. What blackberry canes remain are promising very largely. Raspberries are all right and have set fruit thickly. Strawberries are a full crop. So are gooseberries and currants. Never saw better. The grapes which survive in my grounds are the Moore's Early, Moore's Diamond and the Pocklington. The Concord are killed. Apples in my two orchards are full enough I see no difference in the summer or winter varieties. In the ornamental shrubs, etc., the long continued cold killed nearly all the roses. The Yuccas also perished and the clematis and honeysuckles were badly damaged. Shrubs, such as the California privet and African Tamarisk, are dead, root and branch.

Order Upsets Them.

Rear Admiral Kenny, the new paymaster general of the navy, has created almost a panic in his office at Washington by issuing a stringent order against the reading of newspapers during business hours, writing private letters or engaging in conversation except relating to business. As these are favorite methods of killing time with some of the older clerks, the order quite upsets them.

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San Angelo's new bank opened last Saturday.

Some of our people are a little worked up over the action of the Commissioners in contracting the school land at \$14,000 00. We believe 4 Leagues is 17,712 acres, which would make the price less than 80 cents per acre. Now we do not know what that land is worth, rath- think it is worth 25 cents an acre more, but under the existing criticisms, we will say that we believe the court acted for the county as well perhaps, as some of the balance of us would have done. We believe that one of the main reasons that the court had for selling was the advantage in the income, which is all the law allows to be used. The income from the lease amounted to \$354 24. The interest on the twelve thousand dollars balance will be \$600 00 a year, and the two thousand cash to invest at 5 per cent, would swell this to \$700.00 a year. Do the people want about 354 or 700 dollars a year? This is plainly not a one sided question. If Coke ever needs to invest the largest possible amounts in Education, it will be in the next eight years, or with in the life of the Lease contract. Don't "cuss" the court till you find out their side of the case.

TOWN IMPROVEMENTS.

R. P. and Will Perry are unloading lumber for a fine new five room home, just opposite Mr. Hughes.

The big School house has been received by the board.

J. A. Gardner, Sr., is enlarging and improving his home this week.

H. H. Pearce is enlarging and improving his home this week.

Mr. Dennis Maddox built a gallery in front of his store.

Gid Graham is having a well dug.

W. L. Clawson, John Fry, and Mart Trammell are building cisterns and digging wells.

W. T. Caraway was in last press day, Says he thinks the County ought not to let the school land go at the recent figures (about 78cts.)

M. B. Pattison and J. B. McCraw were among the early vegetable growers this spring.

Everybody come to the big basket dinner tomorrow.

Tennyson Notes.

There was preaching at Mt. Margaret Sunday, the 9th. Bro. Ridgwell, Christian preacher, preached in the morning and baptized Mrs. Burlerson in the evening. Both preaching and baptizing were well attended. Bro. Ridgwell addressed the people in the evening at Bro. Powers' house, near which the baptism of Sister Burlerson was consummated. Bro. Powers being a baptist preacher did not approve the doctrine advocated by Bro. Ridgwell, and in order to sustain the view taken by the Baptist church on the subject, will preach on the 4th Sunday. Every body invited.

Mrs. Jones leaves to day, in company with her sister, Mrs. Brown, to pay a visit to her father in Erath county. It is hoped by her friends that the change will benefit her health.

The farmers have about caught up with their weeds, and crop prospects never were better than they are.

J. W. Sayner has the carpenters at work—look out!

J. D. Hale gives an ice cream party to night.

J. M. West is in the chicken trade.

M. John Lackey, brother to Parson Andy, has been looking at the country, and is very much pleased with it. He will very likely locate here in a short time.

Several of our people are contemplating attending the Re Union at Robert Lee on Saturday, the 22nd inst.

A friend of D. W.'s, who lives on Oak creek, has promised to answer his remarks on the Negro question.

D. W. is sorry that the Bronte correspondent had not the time to answer him on the negro question.

Rattle snakes are very numerous this year.

Is the railroad question dead or only sleeping?

J. W. Sayner is going to pasture about seventy-five head of horses for a Tom Green county man.

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Respect.,

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H. H. Pearce is resident solicitor for fire insurance.

Plenty of beef to-day at Dennis Maddox'

An Order of the Court.

The matter of canvassing the returns of the Special Election held at the Court House in the town of Robert Lee, Coke County Texas, on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1899, to determine whether or not the sale of intoxicating liquors should be prohibited in the sub-division of Coke County, Texas, and designated as "Robert Lee High School Corporation" described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit: Beginning 400 vrs South, and 300 vrs West from the N. E. corner of section no. 314, H. & T. C. R. R. Co. Survey, Block no. 2, and 80 vrs North and 300 vrs West of the S. W. Corner of a homestead survey in the name of R. L. White. Thence East five miles to a point near the common West line of river survey no. 467. Thence North five miles to a point about 800 vrs East and 600 varas North from from the S. W. Corner of section no. 417, H. & T. C. R. R. Co. Block 1A. Thence West five miles to a point in section no. 412 same Company, about 800 varas East and 600 varas North from its S. W. Corner. Thence South five miles to the place of beginning, containing twenty-five (25) square miles, the Court House in Robert Lee being the center.

And after due investigation the following results were declared, as follows, to-wit: Voting box, Robert Lee; Voting Precinct No. 1; For Prohibition, 38; Against Prohibition, 21; Total 59; Majority For Prohibition, 17.

It appearing to the Court that a majority of the votes cast at said election were for Prohibition.

It is therefore ORDERED by the Court that the sale of intoxicating liquors be and the same is hereby absolutely prohibited, except for the purposes and under the regulations prescribed by law, in the above and foregoing described sub-division of Coke County, Texas; and that a copy of this order be published in the Coke County Rustler for four consecutive weeks

M. H. Davis, Co Judge,
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Old Nick Made Him Quit.

I have been talking about the school and in consequence have received a letter from the Devil, for the benefit of those that might (but of course they will not) I reproduce the letter. The Devil! I feel like I ought to make apology for not writing to you sooner, but you know it is common for us all to neglect those whom we depend upon most. It may be some encouragement to you for me to tell you that your work is entirely satisfactory to me and that is one of the reasons you have not heard from me. I want to say to you, now that you knock the biggest hole in the ten commandments, of any one particular class of workers I have on earth. "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor," is a piece of foolishness that would rob you of half your enjoyment. Let your tongue run loose then, at both ends. When you hear a thing, don't wait, but go right off and tell it to some one else, then she will tell it again, it will be sure to make someone squirm. Oh it's fun for me and for you too, don't read anything good to talk about. you wont enjoy talking half so much. Watch your neighbors if they do anything you don't understand, form your own opinions and be sure and make it a bad one. Then go out and tell it, whisper, it will travel faster that way, because it will be supposed a secret. If you know anything on any man or woman tell it, you see it will cause disturbance, it will break somebody's heart, it may set someone to drinking, or cause some one to kill somebody. All this helps me along. I love a gossip, I'll not let one escape. They are all mine because they are doing work. It dont matter if they do go to church or how respectable they are; the higher they stand in the community the more people will believe them, and the more good they do me. They are one class of people whom I'm never afraid of God getting—not a single one of them. They can't any more go to heaven than they can stop talking. But dear gossips, what do you want to go to heaven for? You couldnt talk mean about any one there, but in hell you can float around on brimstone lakes and fairly revel in scandal that happens before your eyes. Why, this place is a heaven for the gossips. Any place you couldnt talk scandal would be a hell for you; but you need not be uneasy about not getting here; be least word from you that injures your neighbor is marked down by God's recording angel, who keeps books for both of us. But then you are

having lots of fun, arnt you? It is so funny to see people squirm that you talk about, and when you succeed in breaking up that school we will have jubilee down here in hell, and pass a vote of thanks to you. Oh, I can't tell you how much I like you and the work you are doing. When you come home to me, I'll roast you to such a brown that you'll feel proud of yourself—just keep your tongue going. For fear some people to whom this letter is not addressed may think themselves slighted I will say that what I regard as a gossip, is one who tells anything that he or she knows about a neighbor that will injure them or bring trouble. These are the kind of people that have credentials from me to do my work. They can be known by their talk. Now, dear gossips, good-bye, when you come home to me you can have brimstone cobbler and red hot toast. Yours till you come.

SATAN DEVIL.

Now, I tell you boys, when the Devil gets to writing me such letters as this, I am quitting right off as I am the only one that talks in and around Robert Lee. I reproduce the letter to show you why I quit.

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Our Ladies' Dongola Button Shoes, stamped to sell for \$2 and our best seller—a shoe you should see—for only 1.25.

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SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

LOCAL CHIPS.

J. W. Reed and wife took a trip to Abilene last week.

Judge Davis and C. L. Hughes made a flying trip to San Angelo last week.

Prof. F. E. Thomas is holding down a position with Messers J. W. Reed and Co. this week.

Call and see samples of cheap and fine tailor made clothing, at Lewis Bros, fit and satisfaction guaranteed.

Stop at the Webb Hotel when in Lee.

W. L. Clawson made a trip to San Angelo this week.

"Ye editor" and family spent Monday in San Angelo.

Larkin Hayley made a business trip to Angelo the first of the week.

Messers Jim E. Stewart and Will Davis, together with their families visited the Concho river on a fishing expedition last week.

Our new School building is rapidly being completed.

The Coke Co. 'Rabbit-twisters' are all right. They sure know how to chase Tom Green County 'Possum-eaters.'

Mr. and Mrs. Ingram accompanied by their little daughter Roxie, attended services at Sanco last Sunday.

For Lime call on J. J. Vestal.

Get here before 10 o'clock on the morning of the 22nd.

Bring your basket of dinner and have a good time all day on the 22nd. The picnic arbors are about half a mile east of the Court House on Mountain Creek.

Mr. J. F. Shook was up from Bronte Saturday. He had one of his arms hurt and wanted some medical counsel.

Mr. Keating, a pleasant gentleman from Mullen, Mills county, with his family, are visiting their Uncle and Aunt, Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Martin.

Mr. Foot Boykin was in town Wednesday.

Mr. Jim Castleberry, of Maverick, Runnels County, now reads the doings in Coke.

W. E. Ingram made a trip to San Angelo this week.

Mrs. W. L. Hayley is visiting out at Hayrick this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Press Walling were in from their fine ranch near here, last Monday.

Grandma Hayley visited relatives in the county last week.

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

Ex Confederates from Tom Green, Nolan Taylor, Sterling and Runnels Counties are expected to attend the big Re union and basket dinner here on 22nd. Come out and welcome them as well as listen to some fine speech-making by some of West Texas' best oratorical talent.

Prof. S. B. Williams was in town this week.

Prof. H. T. Carter has arranged to teach the Wild Cat school next term.

Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Clark, most estimable people from near Bronte were up last Saturday. It always gives us pleasure to meet such people.

Mr. Z. T. Peak, of Abilene, will receive the RUSTLER for a while, through courtesy of his son, one of our popular young men.

Bro. Sam C. Wilkins put in part of the week on the RUSTLER.

Judge Davis informs us that he refused to sign the contract of sale of the Coke County school land on account of the low price stipulated.

Married.

Prof. Allen Baldwin and Miss Lucile Stephens were married Wednesday evening at Sanco, by Rev. Eugene T. Bates. Each of these young people are well known to most of our people. Miss Stephens having taught the Cedar Hill school in the Western part of our county, and is the daughter of Mr. W. F. Stephens, a good citizen who lives just South of Hayrick mountain. Prof. Baldwin is one of Coke's own young men, generous and open hearted, and is the son of T. C. Baldwin, a solid citizen of the upper Kickapoo country near Fort Chadbourne. The RUSTLER joins their many other friends in wishing the young couple much happiness.

Our Young People.

Miss Lula Newton is spending the week at Edith, attending the protracted meeting. We hope she will have a good time.

We are indebted to Miss May Stewart, for being entertained at her father's residence, one evening last week. It being her 15th birthday, we were treated to some nice melons, which were enjoyed very much.

Misses Ina Vestal, Ada Fry, Edith Montgomery and Will Lasswell, Jim Barron, Lee Powell attended services at Sanco last Sunday.

Miss Lottie Hayley and her father, of Hayrick, were in town one day last week.

Little Master Walter and little Iona Good paid the Rustler a call last Saturday.

Miss Sallie Perry made a business trip to Angelo last week.

Misses Lena Smith and Scottie Ingram attended the protracted meeting at Sanco, last Wed. and Thursday.

A young San Angelo "artist" was caused to show his fleetness of foot and alacrity in getting quickly through wire fences near him the other night. He was admiring the beautiful scenery, by moon-light, in John Fry's water melon field. On account of old time melon recollections, the editor withholds the young gentleman's name.

Church Notes.

Eld. F. Masters preached a fine sermon in San Angelo Sunday night. His theme was "Jonah's preaching." He handled his subject in an eloquent manner and a crowded house gave undivided attention. Bro. Masters has promised to come over and preach in our town soon.

On July 28th, 29th and 30th there will be held in San Angelo the Concho Valley Association of Baptists. Some big preachers from Dallas will be there and preach.

Bro. Hooten closed his meeting here, last Sunday night was enjoyed by all present. The house was crowded notwithstanding the little shower which we had.

Among the accessions to the Christian Church, during the recent meeting here, which closed Sunday night were: Ned Higgins and wife, C. D. Cloud and wife, W. W. Crawford and wife, Mrs. W. Henry Walls and Miss Lillie Trammell, eight in all. Elder J. B. Hooten deserves much credit for his untiring energy in trying the revival business in Robert Lee, single handed.

Bro. Bates is holding a camp meeting at Sanco this week.

Bro. Hooten is up at Cedar Hill holding protracted services.

Bro. Berryman is in Coeman Co. holding a protracted meeting.

A meeting will be commenced on Friday night before the first Sunday in August, at the Indian Creek School House, by Elder J. B. Hooten. Remember it is the 4th day of August.

Bro. W. M. Smith and Bro. Powers have concluded an interesting protracted meeting at the Indian Creek school house.

The RUSTLER will be glad to print all revival news from throughout the county during the remainder of the season. Please furnish us the religious news, brethren.

Messrs. R. P. and Will Perry have lumber arriving to build a five room residence near the Ed Good windmill in front of C. L. Hughes.

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480 acres of good pasture land about 3 miles East of Robert Lee.

Town lots in different parts of the town of Robert Lee.
One choice block 8 1/2 acres, in Eastern part of town, along side of the Eld Good block.
Between 4000 and 5000 acres of fine farming land from four to six miles south of Robert Lee in the Valley View neighborhood in tracts suited to suited purchaser from 160 to 1470 acres.
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Between Post Office and Hayley & Co's Drug Store, Robert Lee,
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EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Hon. W. B. Hill was elected chancellor of the University of Georgetown.

The United American Glue company, capital \$35,000,000, has been organized.

Secretary of War Alger says he will not resign and the attacks on him are cruel.

Polish residents of Chicago, at a meeting denounced the Anglo-Saxon alliance.

A largely attended meeting in the interest of factories was held at Fort Smith, Ark.

The prospects are there will be an unusually large sugar cane acreage in Cuba this year.

The steamer Portia struck on Big Fish shoal, near Halifax, and sunk. An Assyrian lad was drowned.

Frank Tippey, a Bohemian farmer, near Staunton, Neb., killed his wife with a hammer and then suicided.

The Distillery Company of America, with an authorized capital of \$125,000,000, was incorporated at Trenton, N. J.

Brig. Gen. Asa B. Carr, paymaster general of the army, has been retired. He was succeeded by Gen. Alfred E. Bates.

The war department has let the contract for repairing and refitting the transport Thomas to the Cramps company, Philadelphia, at a cost of \$239,500.

A 3-year-old son of Harvey Black of O'Keene, O. T., drank the liquid off a plate of fly poison and died in great agony from the effects in spite of the efforts of physicians.

The postmaster at Carlsbad, N. M., received authority from the postoffice department at Washington to finally drop the name of Eddy and substitute Carlsbad in its place.

The customs receipts at the port of Havana for June were \$1,012,899. The total receipts for six months of 1899 are, to be exact, \$5,146,830. The monthly average for six months is \$857,805.

It is announced that the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing company of Pittsburg will build works at Manchester, Eng., and employ 5000 men. George Westinghouse will direct the enterprise.

The Scott paper mill, located at Sixth street and Glenwood avenue, Philadelphia, was totally destroyed by fire. Loss \$100,000, fully covered by insurance. About 2000 persons are thrown out of employment.

Martial law has been declared throughout the department of Belgrade, including that city, owing to discoveries made during the course of the recent inquiry into the attempt upon the life of former King Milan.

Manchester, Clay county, Kentucky, famous by reason of the Baker-White feud, is to have telephone connection with the outside world. Articles of incorporation have been filed for the Longdon, Livingstone and Manchester Telephone company, with a capital stock of \$10,000.

The navy department dispatched to Admiral Dewey the medal awarded to him by act of congress to commemorate the battle of Manila bay. The admiral's medal is identical with those sent to each man in the fleet, with the exception of his own name engraved upon the edge.

Bishop Morrison, in an address before the Masses at the First Methodist church, Atlanta, Ga., said that in his opinion many of the deaths of to-day are caused from eating adulterated foods; that lies are put up in packages, sent out in barrels and hung up on hooks.

There is much comment at Boston upon the letter which former Gov. George S. Boutwell wrote to the Clann-Gael association, which was to have been read at a recent meeting of the society, but which was delayed in the mails. The letter has come to light and it severely criticises what Boutwell terms the "un-American and un-Republican policy" of President McKinley.

The palace at Havana has been completely renovated.

The secretary of war has appointed Majors William L. Marshall, William H. Bixby and Captain Edward Burr of the corps of engineers a board to examine and report upon the proposed bridge to be built at St. Louis across the Mississippi river.

JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES

Form a New Treaty of Utmost Importance to Both of the Two Great Nations that are Interested.

Japan and the United States.

Washington, July 17.—A new treaty between the United States and Japan goes into effect to-day, at which time also new treaties between Japan and nearly all of the European countries and some of the South American republics also go into effect.

It is an event of far-reaching importance in the relations between Japan and the United States, as it does away with the treaty methods which have been in vogue for nearly fifty years and substitutes an entirely new method of procedure.

The same is true in the relations of Japan with other countries. Taken as a whole the many new treaties which go into effect place Japan on an entirely new footing with the world at large, as she is recognized for the first time as an equal in every respect. The treaty with this country was made June 20, 1894, in Washington between Secretary Gresham and Minister Kureno, who then represented Japan here.

The changes it made were so far-reaching that it was determined the treaty should not go into operation until July 17, 1899. In an interview Mr. Jutrao Komura, the present Japanese minister in Washington, said:

"The 17th of July marks the turning point in the diplomatic history, not only of Japan, but of the oriental countries in general. It will be the first instance in which the western powers have recognized the full sovereignty of an oriental state.

"This action of the enlightened nations of Europe and America shows that if any country is ready to assume a full share in the responsibility and affairs of the world at large these old and enlightened powers are ready to admit such a country to full power among nations. So we regard this treaty as a very important step, not only for Japan, but for all the nations of the east.

"The countries with which Japan has made new treaties are the United States, Great Britain, Germany, France, Russia, Austria, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Sweden and Norway, Switzerland and Peru. All of these go into effect except those with France and Austria, which are deferred until Aug. 4. With most of these countries Japan had treaty relations before, but they were crude and unsatisfactory.

"In bringing about the new system of treaties Japan naturally feels most friendly toward the United States, because she has shown a most sympathetic interest in Japan's desire to adopt modern methods and to deal on even terms with the rest of the world.

Storm at Knoxville.

Knoxville, Tenn., July 17.—A disastrous storm raged in this city yesterday afternoon. The wind, with a velocity of seventy miles an hour, destroyed huge oaks, swept business buildings of their signs and architectural ornaments, and did other serious damages, removing portions of roofs, etc.

The wind was accompanied by a sweeping rain and electrical display. Telephone and electric light wires were ablaze and falling on the business streets, and at times it was feared fire might be communicated to adjacent buildings.

No persons are reported killed or injured, though several narrowly escaped being struck by falling signs, trees, awnings, smokestacks and the like.

The storm was the hardest known in the vicinity for more than ten years. Reports have not yet been received from the outlying districts, but it is believed here that East Tennessee crops have been heavily damaged.

Medal for Miss Gould.

Toledo, O., July 17.—During the war with Spain Miss Helen Gould of New York furnished a number of cots for the soldiers in Cuba, part of which were received by the sixth Ohio regiment of this city. The boys fully appreciated the generosity and patriotic gift of Miss Gould. They at once decided to show their regard for her by raising a fund among the men, which will be used to purchase a magnificent medal for Miss Gould.

About the Public Domain.

Washington, July 17.—The reports reaching the interior department of a threatened monopolization at a number of points of the land acquirable under the law relating to reservoirs for watering live stock create no apprehension on the part of the authorities.

They say that the rules and regulations recently put in force for the execution of the law have been so carefully framed that there is no danger of individuals getting more than their share of the public domain or of the infliction of any possible injury to the common use of the areas concerned. The new code of rules, it is stated, restrict filings made previous to the issuance of the rules, taking from them every tendency to monopoly, these previous filings being now returned to the parties with instructions that the applications for such lands must conform to the later regulations.

They are also designed to prevent an exclusive right to the tract taken, giving the land the status of a communitative property, open to all seeking the water rights, and furthermore they restrict the maximum quantity of land in any section to 160 acres to each individual, but even this is not permissible unless the party has built a reservoir having a capacity of 500,000 gallons, any less capacity reducing the area allowed proportionately.

The lands taken can not be fenced or otherwise inclosed, and must be kept open to the free use of every one wanting to water his animals, any non-compliance with the law or regulations resulting in cancellation of the grants.

Yellow Fever Situation.

Washington, July 15.—The official publication of the marine hospital service issued yesterday contains a summary of the yellow fever situation in Santiago de Cuba up to July 10, prepared by Assistant Surgeon Parker, who is on the ground. He says that up to that date there had been 148 cases with 28 deaths. Dr. Parker also reviews the history of the epidemic. The first case discovered appears to have been that of an American civilian who was ill in a saloon. Soon three other cases developed in the same saloon. Referring to the spread of the disease, he says:

"The foci of infection have increased almost daily. The first cases were removed from the guardhouse and band-room in the barracks; other cases followed these from the same locality; then cases were traced to the barracks, occupied by the various companies, new foci appeared in the town, four cases being removed from a San Basilio house, two doors from this office; several cases have also been taken from the hospitals. The military hospital is one of the greatest sources of danger. Several cases among the hospital stewards being traced to that institution."

Work of Whitecaps.

Little Rock, July 17.—A story of horrible cruelty by a band of white caps has reached here from Montgomery county. James Irwin, a half-witted individual, had incurred the displeasure of a gang of toughs at Black Springs. He was stripped, rubbed with lye soap and shaven from head to foot, being badly lacerated in the fiendish operation. He was then beaten with pistols and finally placed in a rain barrel and churned up and down until consciousness left him. Several arrests have been made.

Hon. W. B. Ives, formerly president of the privy council, died at Ottawa, Ont., from the effects of a paralytic stroke.

Wheeler at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Cal., July 17.—Gen. Joe Wheeler spent a quiet Sunday with his daughter, Miss Annie. He was busy most of the day attending to his extensive correspondence, but found time to take a drive through Golden Gate park.

Several officers paid their respects to the old soldier, among whom were Gen. Babcock and Capt. Green. In the afternoon Congressman Devries also made a call.

The Goings Case.

Antlers, I. T., July 15.—The execution of William Goings has brought the Choctaw officials and the United States into a clash, the result of which will be watched by the reading public with interest. The day before the execution the friends of Goings, through their attorneys, forwarded to Judge John R. Thomas, at Tulsa, I. T., the following application for a writ of habeas corpus:

"Hon. J. R. Thomas, United States judge, Tulsa, I. T.: William Goings, under sentence of Choctaw court to be shot for homicide Thursday at Alikchi, petitions you for habeas corpus on the ground Judge Clayton absent, and, under decision in Cherokee cases, Choctaw nation has no authority to execute sentences in murder cases. Telegraph writ to Thomas Watson, sheriff, at Antlers, to have body before you on certain day; will send it to Alikchi Wednesday.

"WILLIAM GOINGS, Petitioner.
"By attorneys."

The same day the following writ was received at Antlers by wire from Judge Thomas, addressed to Watson, sheriff:

Tulsa, I. T., July 12, 1899.—Thomas Watson, sheriff, Antlers, I. T.: You are commanded to have the body of William Goings detained in your custody, as it is said, together with the day and cause of his being taken, before me at the courthouse in South McAlester on the 22d day of July, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and then and there state in writing the cause of his imprisonment and producing your answer for so doing; and herein you are not to fail, under the heavy penalty pronounced by law against those who disobey this writ, and to submit to and receive all those things which then and there are adjudged in this behalf. Given under my hand this 12th day of July, 1899.

"JOHN R. THOMAS,
"Judge of United States court in Indian Territory."

The writ was immediately delivered to United States Deputy Marshal Clay, who proceeded at once to serve it. He went to Alikchi and delivered it to the Choctaw sheriff, who ignored the same, and Goings was executed on schedule time.

Yesterday morning Deputy Marshal Clay swore out a complaint for murder against Sheriff Watson, the Choctaw judge and district attorney, and twenty-five deputies. The writs were delivered to Deputy Marshal Bert Brown, who immediately went to serve them.

These cases will be tried before United States Commissioner B. F. Hackett of this place. There are quite a number of legal points involved in these cases, and when they are finally adjudicated it will settle forever the legal relation existing between the Choctaw nation and the United States as regards criminal matters.

The Curtis bill, Atoka agreement and Choctaw law will play a part in the final decision.

Warmly Welcomed.

San Francisco, Cal., July 15.—Not since the departure of the regiment of California volunteers for the Philippines have the streets of San Francisco presented such a scene of animation as they did yesterday, nor have steam whistles, cannon and bells created such a rumpus. The cause of this most enthusiastic demonstration was the landing of the Oregon volunteers and the California signal corps, preparatory to going into camp at the Presidio and the final mustering out.

Warrants Issued.

Antlers, I. T., July 15.—Deputy Marshal Bert Brown and posse left Antlers for Alikchi with warrants for the arrest of twenty-five persons, officials and others, for contempt, the officers refusing to grant a stay of execution on a writ of habeas corpus issued by Judge Thomas on Wednesday.

The warrants are for sheriff of Wolf county, the district attorney of the third Choctaw district, the judge, clerk and a number of deputy sheriffs.

Journalists to be Invited.

New York, July 15.—The newspaper men of the country at large will be given an opportunity to participate in New York's reception to Admiral Dewey. The press committee met yesterday at the city hall and decided to send every daily newspaper in the United States and to every prominent weekly and magazine a circular letter inviting the editors and other representatives to come to New York next October and partake of the city's hospitality.

First Bale at New Orleans.

New Orleans, La., July 15.—The first bale of the new cotton crop was received here yesterday by Messrs. H. & B. Beer, to whom it was consigned by order of Gov. Sayers of Texas, this firm having generously offered the bale at a high premium and have it disposed of for the benefit of the Texas flood sufferers.

The bale, which was raised in San Patricio county, Texas, was on exhibition at the cotton exchange, where it attracted considerable attention.

The new bale has been placed temporarily in charge of the cotton exchange. The board of trade and the committees from these three influential organizations will solicit subscriptions for the purchase of the bale and see that it is redonated, so that it can be shipped to other markets throughout the country.

The proceeds of all sales will be sent directly to Gov. Sayers.

To be Tried in Mexico.

Washington, July 15.—Mrs. Rich is to be surrendered to the Mexican authorities, to be tried for the murder of her husband. For days past letters and telegrams have been coming to the president and Secretary Hay, some almost hysterical in the strength of their protests against the extradition of the woman. It has been represented that she is insane; that there are impending physical obstacles; that she is innocent of the crime charged against her, and finally, it would be an act of barbarity to place an American woman at the mercy of Mexican law and officialism. All of these considerations have been weighed, and it has been decided that unless Mrs. Rich is surrendered, the can be no hope of securing the surrender to our officers of the many Mexican border thieves and criminals who plunder on our side of the line and retreat into Mexico; so the precedent will be established.

Dewey at Port Said.

Washington, July 15.—Secretary Long has received the following cable message from Admiral Dewey:

Port Said, July 14.—Secretary of navy, Washington: Olympia in voluntary quarantine. As soon as coaled proceed Trieste for pratique and recuperation of officers and men.

DEWEY.

Inasmuch as he is silent on the subject, it is assumed that no change has occurred in the health of Admiral Dewey and his men since their departure from Hong Kong, when all were reported well.

It is said at the navy department that the admiral's reference to "pratique" means simply that he is going to Trieste to get a clean bill of health that will enable him to continue his voyage through the Mediterranean without delays from the health authorities at the various points.

El Reno's Founder Dead.

El Reno, Ok., July 15.—Maj. A. F. Foreman, founder of El Reno and one of the pioneers of Oklahoma and Indian Territories, died here. In 1861 he enlisted at Lawrence, Kan., as a captain and was afterward made major. He was engaged in many fights and wounded a number of times. In 1864 he was commander of Fort Gibson, I. T., and gained quite a reputation as an Indian fighter. At the opening of Oklahoma proper in 1889 he secured the land upon which El Reno was built.

A copy of the first folio of Shakespeare was sold at London for £1700—a record price. The highest previous price was £715.

Prisoner at St. Michaels.

Seattle, Wash., July 15.—J. Homer Bird of New Orleans is now a prisoner in the military barracks at St. Michaels, Alaska, charged with the murder of J. H. Herning and R. J. Patterson. Charles Sheffer and a woman named Noma Strong are held under \$5000 bond as witnesses. The entire party came from New Orleans. They were wintering at a coal mine about 185 miles this side of Anvik. They quarreled over the supplies and it is claimed Bird shot and killed Herning and Patterson.

Celebrated Fall of Bastille.

New Orleans, La., July 15.—The French colony celebrated the 14th of July in elaborate style with a festival for the benefit of the school where French is taught free. An official call was made upon the French consul by the presidents of the various French societies, money was distributed to the poor and the officials then adjourned to the fair grounds, where an attractive programme was carried out. The music was all by French composers.

THE GOVERNOR

Corrects an Erroneous Report About the Flood.

An Erroneous Report.

Austin, Tex., July 17.—The following card was given out by the governor:

The impression has gone abroad that a large portion of Texas has been inundated. This is erroneous. The damage from the flood caused by excessive rainfall has been confined to the valley of the Brazos river, which is a very small part of this great state. The crops in other portions of the state are in excellent condition and have been benefitted by the recent rains. They promise a most abundant harvest.

JOSEPH D. SAYERS, Governor.

The governor received a large number of cash contributions from charitable people outside of the state of Texas. Most of them were in small amounts, but in the aggregate they make a considerable sum. He received the following telegram from the Simmons Hardware company of St. Louis:

"We appreciate the spirit of Texas in not calling for outside aid, but we desire to contribute to the relief of the sufferers. Draw on us for \$1000."

The governor received the following telegram, signed by a number of prominent citizens of Hammond, Robertson county:

"At a mass meeting of the sufferers of this section held Saturday, we appeal to you for assistance, and represent that there is great suffering and destitution; that we need food, clothes, seed, money, anything to relieve the distressed in this section. There are at least 7000 acres in crops destroyed, 800 head of stock lost and 1000 sufferers in need that must be fed to keep from starving, and your prompt action is requested."

The governor received the following telegram from J. M. Steele, Millican, Brazos county:

"One thousand people here have no provisions. Can't you do something?" In response to the governor's appeal the above appeal, Mayor C. A. Adams of Bryan wired the governor that the situation at Millican has been relieved.

Little Girls Poisoned.

Athens, Tex., July 17.—Two little girls, one 8 and the other 10 years old, the children of Mrs. John Moore, a widow lady who lives on the Parmlee ranch, in the Mallard Prairie community, in this county, died suddenly. The ranch on which Mrs. Moore lives is under the control of Mr. J. W. Jenkins, a prominent farmer of that county, and is about five miles from the place where the Humphries tragedy occurred on May 23.

It is understood here that Mrs. Moore and her children were sick, and sent for medicine, and it is thought that the fatal dose was prepared for the mother, but she did not take any of it, and gave it to the two little girls, resulting in almost instantaneous death.

The children having died under such suspicious circumstances, an autopsy was held by Dr. John K. Webster and other physicians of Malakoff, and the poison was found in their stomachs, which were preserved and are undergoing further analytical examination. Drs. Hodge and Larkin having gone from here to assist in the investigation.

Allen Jenkins, son of J. W. Jenkins, was arrested by Sheriff Richardson and Ranger Olds on an affidavit charging him with being a party to the murder of the two little girls. Jenkins is 23 or 24 years old, and is now in the Athens jail.

James Wall, an orphan of 12 years, was thrown from a load of hay near Brady, McCulloch county, and his neck broken.

El Paso, Tex., July 17.—Harry Barr was shot and almost instantly killed at 6 o'clock yesterday evening in a restaurant which is attached to a dance hall. Maxwell Smith gave himself up to a policeman and said he did the shooting. He is now in jail. Two shots were fired and one of them passed through Barr's heart. Smith, when seen in his cell, said that Barr had been following him all day, creating trouble, and came into the restaurant with his hand on his six-shooter, which he endeavored to draw.

Fatal Fight.

Texarkana, Ark., July 15.—Bowie county Texas, has again been made the scene of a desperate battle between its citizens, and as a result one man is dead, two fatally wounded and three badly hurt.

The shooting occurred at New Boston, Tex., the county seat, twenty-three miles west of Texarkana.

Last Sunday some parties had trouble at a church, but no one was hurt. All were arrested, however, and yesterday they appeared for trial at New Boston.

Both sides entered Sheldar's drug store, and before long a fight started. For a few minutes the battle was a hot one. When it was over it was found that Ira Smith was dead, Will Hayes was mortally wounded, and Simon Hayes and Tom Fricks were badly hurt, having been knocked senseless.

Pink Hart, a merchant, was struck in the arm by a stray bullet. Joe Manning, an attorney, was shot through the body with two buckshot and will die. He was formerly county attorney of Bowie county.

Brown Shot and Killed.

Cuero, Tex., July 15.—At last the minds of the people are content, as the colored murderer and assaulter of the Bohemian girl in Goliad county has been punished, having been overtaken two miles from Yorktown yesterday morning.

For the past week excitement has run high, with a posse from each neighborhood of determined men, who intended to camp on the trail until he was captured; and now that he is a corpse, with forty bullet holes through his anatomy, the public pulse has again been cooled.

This is the first occurrence of the kind in this section.

Yorktown, Tex., July 15.—About 10 o'clock yesterday Constable R. Metz and posse found Abe Brown, the colored man who murdered the girl near Weser on Monday last, about two and a half miles south of Yorktown.

Brown made a fight with his butcher knife and was shot and killed.

Falls and Milam Appeal.

Austin, Tex., July 15.—Judging from the cries of distress that reached the governor yesterday, the area of the flooded and destitute region is greater than was supposed. It had been the impression here that the suffering was confined to about half a dozen counties along the lower course of the Brazos river, but telegraphic appeals reached the governor yesterday from Falls and Milam counties, which had up to that time been considered as having escaped serious damage, calling for assistance. The appeals were signed by county officials.

Gov. Sayers has purchased large quantities of Kaffir corn, millet, field peas and turnip seed, and sent them where needed.

Works Burned.

El Paso, Tex., July 15.—Fire broke out in the sampling works of the Kansas City Smelting and Refining company yesterday morning and totally destroyed the sampling works building and the valuable machinery therein, at a loss of \$35,000 fully covered, by insurance. The fire engine from this city was loaded on a flat car at 2 o'clock and taken to the scene of the conflagration, but arrived too late to subdue the flames. It succeeded, however, in preventing them from spreading to the \$1,000,500 plant close by.

The second bale of Texas cotton was ginned at Karnes City on the 14th, and weighs 487 pounds.

Awful Accident.

Cisco, Tex., July 15.—A horrible accident occurred near here. Bud Stevens, who lives near Delma tank, six miles west of Cisco, was mowing cane near his house with a mower, when his 3-year-old boy approached, coming through the tall cane, and was not seen by Mr. Stevens. The blades of the machine struck the child, completely severing his left foot and right leg. Two physicians from this place hurried to the scene and dressed the wounds, and at last accounts the child was resting well.

Railway Situation.

Houston, Tex., July 15.—The railroad situation is practically the same. The damage to the San Antonio and Aransas Pass is greater than was at first supposed and it may be a day or two before the breaks are repaired. In the meantime the trains of this road are using the tracks of the Southern Pacific to Eagle Lake, where they touch their own line, which is in good condition beyond that point.

Relief Pouring In.

Houston, Tex., July 14.—Gov. Sayers continues to devote his whole time to directing the equitable distribution of money and supplies where they are most needed. Among the telegrams which he received yesterday was the following from S. A. Fishburn, secretary of the Dallas Commercial club: "We are appealed to for aid for over 100 homeless and starving people at White's switch, Fort Bend county." The governor responded by sending a quantity of food supplies to that place.

A committee of citizens of Brazoria, Tex., wired the governor as follows: "There is needed here for flood sufferers rations for 1000 people two weeks, 500 bushels of sorghum seed, 200 bushels of cow peas, 100 barrels of Irish potatoes and 500 bushels of early corn."

The needs as above requested will be supplied as soon as possible.

The Jefferson Cotton Oil and Refining company of Jefferson, Tex., wired the governor that the Kentucky Refining company of Louisville and themselves will donate one car of cotton seed for planting purposes, to be distributed to flood sufferers. The offer was accepted.

Among the shipments which the governor was notified had been made were the following: From Victoria, one car of provisions and 350 bushels of meal; from Temple, clothing and money; from Weatherford, food supplies; from Gonzales, car of food supplies and clothing; from Hillsboro, car of provisions and a large quantity of old clothing; from Sinker, car of supplies; from Gainesville, one car of food supplies; from Naogloches, corn meal, flour, syrup and clothing; from Victoria, 3000 pounds of flour and meal and a box of clothing.

The governor received a check for \$1000 from the Christian Herald of New York, and also an offer from this paper to loan the governor \$10,000 for six months without interest to assist flood sufferers. The latter proposition was declined.

Simpkins Selected.

Austin, Tex., July 14.—The board of regents have completed their labors and adjourned. Col. W. S. Simpkins of Dallas was elected professor of law. Judge R. S. Gould was relieved of all labors connected with undergraduates and given charge of Roman law and jurisprudence for graduate students.

The election of a president, professor of biology to succeed Prof. Norman, also a professor of Roman languages, also a professor of oratory, and the addition of a professor to the school of history, were all postponed until the next meeting of the board, which will probably be in August or September. Miss Alice Hubbard was made student assistant in Spanish; Miss Florence Magnat fellow in pedagogy.

Twenty-two hundred dollars was appropriated to put in a fireproof vault for the preservation of historical material.

Arrangements were made for heating, lighting and furnishing the east wing of the main building. Arrangements were also made for enlarging university hall to a capacity of 150 students.

Sent to New Orleans.

Sinton, Tex., July 14.—The first bale of cotton of this season was purchased yesterday morning by L. N. Scofield and D. O'Dell of Sinton and S. G. Borden of Sharpburg for \$75 and immediately expressed to Gov. Sayers for the benefit of the flood sufferers.

Destination was changed to New Orleans by request of the governor.

Burned to Death.

Sulphur Springs, Tex., July 14.—Mrs. Allie Giles was burned to death at her home seven miles east of town. She prepared the dinner meal for her husband and self. Afterward the husband went to his work in the field and the wife to the wash place near the house. No one being present, it is not known how she caught fire, but was found by a visiting neighbor lady lying near the lot gate with all her clothing burned away, her hair still burning, and dead.

Insurance Companies Withdraw.

Austin, Tex., July 14.—The state commissioner of insurance has been officially advised of the withdrawal from the state of the Frankfort Accident Insurance company of Germany and the Thuringia Fire Insurance company of Erfurt, Germany. The official report of the department shows that the Frankfort company made a net profit of only about \$500 on their entire Texas business during the year 1898, and that the Thuringia lost \$1000 on its Texas business for that year.

The Sheriff.

Fort Worth, Tex., July 12.—The Sheriffs' Association of Texas has reached its majority. It is now twenty-one years of age, and the body of men who are assembled here as the representatives of the organization which started with but a handful of peace preservers nearly a quarter of a century ago, would reflect credit on any kind of gathering in this or any other state.

It will be recalled that the association was organized at Austin. One of its charter members—and there were but very few of them—was Sul Ross, "The Little Cavalryman," who has gone to join the throng on the other side.

President Ben E. Cabell, in responding to the address of welcome yesterday, referred to the early history of the association with pride, and it was with expressive gladness that he said the body had done much for sheriffs, much for counties they represented and much for the state of Texas.

Mayor Burkley B. Paddock, in welcoming the delegates to Fort Worth, complimented the peace officers of the state and dwelt on the fact that Texas should feel happy that she has all along enjoyed a constabulary which has never reflected discredit on the grand and glorious Lone Star state, but on the contrary, has been fortunate in securing peace officers who have done their duties without fear or favor, and much to the honor and glory of the commonwealth.

The morning of the opening session was consumed in speech-making, and while an address from Col. R. M. Wynne of this city included a most cordial greeting to the officers, he went further and touched subjects which have received the notice of the sheriffs of late, and which are most important, especially at this time. The speaker declared amid applause that the mob was wrong whether it was for bread, blood or liberty, and he was emphatic in his statement that no country can prosper where the mob spirit is prevalent. He complimented the sheriffs for the work done by them in the Henderson county mob cases, and declared that it commended itself to every lover of law and justice in the state of Texas, and would, no doubt, he said, mark a new era in the administration of the law, which would result in checking the mad spirit of the mob.

The convention opened for business at 2 o'clock.

At Sartartia.

Sartartia, Tex., July 12.—Waters continue to recede, now having fallen twenty-seven inches since Sunday. The tracks of the Sunset are above water except in places where washouts occurred, and in these places it resembles millraces.

A large force is here cribbing up the track on the west side of Bullhead bayou, where the worst washout occurred, under supervision of Mr. D. K. Colburn and Roadmaster Delane. Another force is working westward from Richmond and it is probable that by Friday morning through traffic will be resumed.

The waters north of the city are about eighteen inches higher than on the south, and vast quantities must escape through the bridges and culverts and will fall slowly.

Planters are placing orders for seed corn and cotton seed to replant.

Six drownings have occurred here.

Walter Ford, sentenced to hang at Waco on the 14th, was respited two weeks.

The Missouri Kansas and Texas railway has resumed through service.

For Flood Sufferers.

Galveston, Tex., July 12.—H. & B. Beer of New Orleans telegraphed the following:

We will pay the market price and a premium of \$100 for the first bale of new Texas cotton this season.

We purchased the first bale last year and sent it to the president of the United States to be sold for the benefit of the United States army hospital fund and it realized over \$8600 through the different exchanges. We wish to leave the disposition of the first bale of this season if we secure it to the governor of Texas, to be similarly disposed of for the benefit of the flood sufferers in that state, and hope it will do as well, if not better.

Teachers Chosen.

Austin, Tex., July 12.—The university board of regents elected A. L. Huntington of the University of Virginia instructor in English, Miss Alice Hubbard of El Paso teacher of Spanish, and J. H. Putnam of Leland Stanford university, California, but a native of Sulphur Springs, Tex., instructor of mathematics.

FIELD, RANCH, GARDEN.

L. M. Rose carried to DeWitt a pumpkin that weighed seventy pounds.

A Mr. McMahan of near Forney will raise nearly 1000 bushels of onions this season.

The streets of Durant I. T., are crowded every day with wagons loaded with wheat and oats.

Recent heavy rains in Randall county have caused the grass to grow fast and cattle are fattening.

Mr. Stubbs of Blanco passed through Macon several days ago with 1100 head of cattle looking for a pasture.

Cameron, I. T., has shipped 251,000 bushels, or forty-nine cars of Irish potatoes at an average price of 49 cents per bushel.

Quantities of peaches are being shipped from Carlsbad, N. M.

A bank has been established at Roswell, N. M., in which the stockholders are nearly all cattlemen.

J. H. Bryson marketed at St. Louis nine cars of cattle from Comanche, including 876 and 888-pound steers, sold at \$4.30 to Swift & Co. and 996-pound steers sold at \$4.50 to Kingan & Co.

The recent flood struck a watermelon patch near Cuero and juicy melons by the wagonload floated to that city. All colors of mankind were represented in the feast that followed.

D. E. Ledbetter, a prominent wholesale grocer and grain dealer of Anderson, S. C., was in Sherman interviewing grain dealers about oats. He says the fame of the north Texas oats has reached the Atlantic coast.

A pest resembling the army worm has appeared in Navarro county in countless numbers and are causing much damage. The worm is about an inch in length, grayish brown in color and has a black shiny head.

The largest corn crops ever raised in Texas were in 1895, when there was produced 107,906,000 bushels, and in 1898, 105,336 bushels. This is according to the report of the United States department of agriculture.

James N. Bush of near Allen threshed this season 2400 bushels of wheat and 500 bushels of oats. His wheat yielded seventeen and one-half bushels per acre and oats fifty bushels per acre.

Territorial Livestock Inspector Canelou has been to Greer county, Oklahoma, where he killed a dozen horses infected with glanders, and quarantined nearly 200 animals. The disease has a good start and many valuable animals are infected and will doubtless die.

Mr. J. Shaw took a load of the finest peaches to Devers, Angelina county, seen there for several years. They are of the Alberta variety. The average weight is nearly eight ounces, and the fruit is free from worms. Mr. Shaw raised about 100 bushels of peaches this year.

A trade in high grade cattle is reported that is of general interest. It was between Messrs. Ike West of San Antonio and Pleasant M. Butler of Kenedy, in which the latter sold between 300 and 400 head of high grade Shorthorn cattle, between 3 and 4 years. They are Durkams and out of a herd of the finest bred cattle in the southwestern part of the state.

The Grayson county oat crop is turning out much better in some sections than in others. It seems that the later sowing of oats is yielding the better crop. The earlier sowing did not make so good a stand as the crop sown later, when there was more moisture, and in consequence the oats came up a poorer stand.

It is estimated by those in a position to know whereof they speak that the corn crop of the Indian Territory this year will be the largest ever grown there. In consequence it is thought many hogs will be fattened this fall.

Watermelons and cantaloupes are coming in at a lively rate at Gainesville, and are being shipped out in large quantities. This season's berry and vegetable crop was never larger or better, and now the melon crop is coming on and also shows an increase over previous years.

Two beans were grown in a Dallas garden, one measuring thirty-two inches, the other thirty, in length, with tremendous pods. Mr. F. P. Gillespie, who raised them, calls them "Texas Wonder," and has an abundance of them.

J. C. Grantham of Granger marketed five cars of cattle, including 774 pound steers, sold at \$4.15, and 1170-pound steers, stags and oxen sold at \$4.40 at St. Louis. The entire consignment was bought by the St. Louis Dressed Beef company.

Lands Sold to the State or Reported Delinquent in Former Years.

Not Redeemed, and Delinquent for 1898, in Coke County.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF COKE. I, L. B. Murray, Tax Collector of Coke County, do hereby certify, that the within report of lands and town lots assessed on the tax rolls of said County for the year 1898, which have been sold to the State or reported delinquent for taxes for former years and not redeemed, and are delinquent for the taxes of 1898, is correct, and that I am entitled to credit for the taxes as shown thereon.
(Signed) L. B. MURRAY, Tax Collector. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of May, 1899.
(SEAL) (Signed) J. W. Barnett, County Clerk.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMISSIONERS COURT.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF COKE, In Commissioners Court. We certify that we have examined the within report of lands and town lots assessed on the tax rolls of Coke County for the year 1898, which have been sold to the State or reported delinquent for taxes in former years and not redeemed, and are delinquent for the taxes of 1898, and find the same correct, and that L. B. Murray, Tax Collector, is entitled to credit for the taxes as shown thereon, as follows: State Ad Valorem Tax \$8,86; State School Tax \$5,96; 10 per cent penalty \$7.30; County Ad Valorem Tax \$48.63; County Special Taxes \$7.33; 10 per cent penalty \$7.92; District School Tax \$33.39; Total State and County Taxes \$278.46. Given in open Court this 11th day of May, 1899.
M. H. DAVIS, County Judge; J. H. BRAROUGH, M. H. HAYENS, J. C. NEWTON, G. W. PAYN, Commissioners.
(SEAL) Attest: (Signed) J. W. Barnett, County Clerk.

LAND.

Name of Owner.	Abt. No.	Certif. No.	Survey No.	Original Grantee.	No. Acres Assessed.	No. Acres Delinquent.	Total Taxes	Year for
Unknown	5	1323	17 1-2	Jacob Armstrong	.960	.960	28.09	1899.
Unknown	15	2902-3003	30	Collin M. Beason	190	190	5.55	do.
Unknown	18	19-19	10	M. Barnett	825	825	23.41	93.
Unknown	34	735	18	Geo. Bringham	1280	1280	37.45	90.
Unknown	37	1-79	7	Beaty, Seale & Forwood	520	520	7.61	89.
Unknown	47	3822-3923	23 1-2	Lewis Carrion	152	152	4.46	91.
Unknown	48	272	No num.	Seth Clark	78	78	26.98	97.
Unknown	137	665	1	Elvira Engledow	847	847	24.80	90.
Unknown	192	22-193	No num.	W. L. Hunter	114	114	3.81	89.
Unknown	193	21-192	No num.	W. L. Hunter	109	109	3.51	91.
Unknown	199	No num.	3	L. B. Harris	127	127	6.22	96.
Unknown	216	5-119	1	H. T. & B. R. Co.	640	640	21.07	89.
Unknown	526	25-22	12 1-2	M. W. Mathers	74	74	2.19	90.
Unknown	601	23-211	No num.	W. A. Rowlett	383	383	7.31	do.
Unknown	719	2088	13	T. & P. R. Co.	274	274	5.99	91.
Unknown	1027	665	2	Mrs. F. English	60	60	1.76	93.
Unknown	1214	119	No num.	B. B. & C. R. Co.	640	640	18.72	96.
Unknown	1252	1014	No num.	Jacob Eyer	39	39	88.	do.
Unknown	1256	No num.	21	Beaty, Seale & Forwood	364	364	11.70	do.
Unknown	1259	5-21	3	H. T. & B. R. Co.	400	400	11.70	96.

Town Lots located in Robert Lee Owners Unknown.

Lots Nos.	Block No.	Total Taxes
16, 17, 22	2	.48
17	3	.14
23	4	.14
2, 3, 11	5	.36
1, 3, 5	6	.36
8	9	.14
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 18, 23	12	1.49
21, 20	13	.39
3, 5, 7	15	.44
3	16	.14
4	17	.14
1, 6, 12	19	.36
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12	20	.75
13, 23	22	.35
12	23	.25
1	24	.14
9	25	.25
10	26	.14
7, 8	28	.25
7, 9, 11	29	.37
1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11	30	.75
1	31	.14
2	33	.14
1, 5, 7, 11	37	.49
1, 3, 5, 7, 9	40	.62
1	41	.15
2, 4, 5, 8	42	.46
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 10	43	.79
19, 21	44	.32
3, 11, 19	45	.62
2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10	46	.87
1, 10, 23	48	.48
4, 5, 9, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 21	49	1.86
3, 9	51	.25
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12	52	.75
11, 14, 16, 18, 20	53	.60
4, 8	55	.25
1, 3, 5	60	.36
7, 9	62	.25
1	63	.20
3, 5, 10, 11, 12	64	.62
2	66	.14
3	67	.14
11	73	.14
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12	74	.75
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12	75	.75
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12	76	.75
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12	77	1.59
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12	79	.75
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12	80	.75
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12	81	.75
5	83	.14
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Silver Siftings.

Mr. Editor:-

We are having some very warm weather. Plenty of roasting ears. Will soon have plenty of water-melons. Then we would like to have Mr. Editor to visit us.

A good rain would help the corn now.

Mr. Lee Martin was very badly hurt, on the 3rd by his horse falling with him, breaking his collar bone and some 2 or 3 ribs, hurting his head which caused him to be delirious for 4 days. The accident happened near Roscoe, he was able to be brought home today.

Mr. Will Jameson & family are visiting friends and relatives in Coleman Co. this week.

Mr. Bob Walker & family went to Colorado this week.

There was prayer meeting at the residence of Mr. J. N. Padgett's Sunday evening. A very appropriate talk, by Rev. Isaac Reed.

The next prayer-meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. Savage.

The Silver Sunday School will meet at 3 o'clock P. M. every Sunday, instead of 9 A. M.

The good people of our community met to build an arbor to hold a meeting, by Rev. Hooten and Rev. Ridgwell beginning on the 14th.

Mr. H. D. Pearce, the RUSTLER man, is in our neighborhood this week.

We love to read Bro. Fair's letters, they are from our old home. Success to the RUSTLER. Silver Peak.

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J. F. Cole and family were down from Sanco Wednesday.

Wm. Green, from Nanhattie, was down last week. He has had bad health lately.

J. E. Stewart made a flying visit to San Angelo last week.

Judge W. R. Spencer and Ad Shawe, of Ballinger, were up Wednesday, looking after some business.

Mrs. Jack Miles was shopping in town Tuesday.

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