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DEAR RUSTLER,
The cry for water by our Coke County people puts me in mind of Pat when he was sick. Pat said he was speechless for six weeks, and his whole cry was wather, wather, I do hope while it is dry the people will make more tanks dig more wells, and get ready for the rain when it does come.
Mr. Will Hazelwood and wife and Master Wallace are among our people, we are glad to have them.

Mr. Watson Douglas, we are glad to say is back home, he has been staying with his sister Mrs. Hazelwood, this summer. I understand that Mr. Hazelwood has sold out in Crockett County, hope he may settle among us. I would brag on his very fine boy but the boy brags on himself.
Mr. Asa Gary lately of N. M. has bought Mr. Hugh McGary's quarter section of school land, the Geo. Williamson place, consideration \$630. Mr. A. Gary gets the crop, corn, sorghum, cotton, etc. We are glad to have Mr. Gary among us.

J. B. has moved to the Young B place, Mr. Wm. Billingslea has bought the place.
Rev. Bates preached his last sermon at Rock Springs the 2nd. Sunday. Mr. Dan McCurry made a visit to relatives in Nolan Co.
Mr. Ike Billingslea is just back from Angelo with a nice lot of goods which he is selling to our people at Ballinger prices his trade is growing better all the time. Bah! for the white-headed merchant.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Willie Robinson, a boy, the 13 inst.
Well Mr. Ed. ye old Uncle made a short trip through the Kickapoo Valley, and going through this lovely Valley, I certainly thought it the best part of Coke county, or any other county. When I came to the lovely town of Bronte I was simply amazed so many new houses and still they build more, but there was one thing that seemed sadly neglected and that is the Bronte Road, I tell you Mr. Ed., good roads advertise a county more than anything else. Oh, for good roads in Coke; but for lack of them and we would soon be in the front ranks of the Western counties of Texas.
With much interest in the prosperity of Coke Co. I am as ever,
UNCLE TOM.


John McCabe was in town Wednesday.
Dennis Maddox bought the Woody house and moved it on a corner lot in rear of Reed & Co's store Wednesday just before the explosion.
Gid Graham moved into the old Hayley house near the bridge since our last.

Review.
It seems to be very distressing to M. H. Davis that he appointed J. H. Borroughs and J. C. Newton commissioners and they will not do his bidding. M. H. Davis stated in his grand oration delivered at the courthouse on the 1st inst. that he thought the people of this county ought to know what was going on. I think so, too, and we all think so, but if the only chance is to get it from him they will never know. Certainly, our friend Davis would not willfully misrepresent any thing or any person, but it appears that he forgets things that have been done and said and concludes that things was done and said that was not, consequently gets things in a muddle. All scientific phonologists admit that a man will do that when his brain is in the back of his head. The Scriptures say, "When you are reviled, revile not again." That is not human nature, but I will keep that in memory and deal gently. At the February term of court M. H. Davis presented his first quarterly account for ex-officio services and made it at the rate that S. J. Chapman had been allowed. He claimed that the quarter had been "set." The Court set his ex-officio salary and promptly rejected his account. Soon after that proceeding he stated to one man that he would not have taken one cent of it if it had been allowed; then said to another that he just did it to draw Newton out. In his talk at the courthouse he stated that he just did it to try them. But to a person that was there and heard him contend for it, would readily conclude that it was for the dollars and cents there was in it. How can an officer afford to make an account and swear to it, just to "try them," or to "draw Newton out." His word is at stake on one hand and his oath upon the other. Wonder which he will take care of first? The former Court had no authority to set a quarter for M. H. Davis, and they did not do it. The very minute that M. H. Davis took the oath of office he was County Judge and his pay began when he began, at the rate that the Commissioners might see proper to set his ex-officio salary. It was impossible for him to serve out any part of S. J. Chapman's time as he claimed that he did, unless it be the remaining part of that day on which he took the oath of office, and any man with as much sense as a year-old ground hog ought to know it. At the May term he recommended the Court to sell Coke County bonded indebtedness, at five per cent, forty years time, with the first payment at the expiration of ten years and BUILD A JAIL with the money that goes to pay the indebtedness. The Court unanimously rejected the proposition, and a better proposition was made later, which was unanimously accepted. At the August term he advocated tearing the courthouse down, remodeling and rebuilding it after a fashion of his own.
As regards the land deal, M. H. Davis is as responsible as any member of the Court. The "Tribune" that signed the contract did just what the court unanimously agreed to do at a previous meeting. M. H. Davis not excepted, as it honest to make a deal and then back down because of the omission of a word or words? Or is it honest to make a deal, take a man's money and give him an imperfect contract? The law provides that when two minds meet or agree that a contract has been perfected; and that it does not require the scratch of a pen or the payment of one dollar. Luce prudence dictate to any one that it was best for us to refuse to sign the contract, be sued and forced to sign it or to sign it voluntarily?
Some people say, if Mr. Kaye came here to buy the land, why pay him to buy it? Mr. Kaye was not paid for buying the land, but for finding a buyer. If Mr. Kaye is looking out for the County's interest, free gratis, why did the Court in 1897 pay him a commission for leasing the same land to the same man, and for collecting the same? It appears that some of those kickers don't know much about the land, anyhow. Some of them don't know where the land is, don't know that it was leased, and think it is good farming lands. Parties that know the land say there is no farming land there, and a good per cent of it is not

fit for grazing purposes. I expect if it was here in Coke it would be worth about \$100 per acre. (?) On Monday morning of that term M. H. Davis stated to the Court that a man was there for the purpose of making a bid for the land. He gave the man's name, said he was deaf, and he wanted a hearing as soon as possible. And as to him making any other statement at that time to the Court is absolutely false. Some days after the deal was made Mr. Kaye sent the contract to M. H. Davis to approve, with checks therein to the amount of \$2,000, made to C. L. Hughes and M. H. Davis was offended because they were not made to M. H. Davis, County Judge of Coke County, Texas. He found that the deal was not altogether popular, and that he could make it more unpopular, and make a lot of future campaign stuff out of it, so he went out amongst the hosts and told the hosts, "I opposed the sale of the school lands." Said he told the Court this and that, which was false as false can be. He can't prove by a reliable man in the county that he said he would not approve the contract, until the contract was returned to him seven or eight days later, with checks therein made to C. L. Hughes. After the \$2,000 was received, as per contract, M. H. Davis advised the Court to loan it to a private individual, and take real estate as security, and contended that the law made provision for such a deal. He also stated that the late Acts made provision for such, and we were simple enough to think he was telling the truth, but while the deal was under consideration we read the late Acts, and they were just the reverse of what he had said. Then he reversed his position, and said the old law made provision for such, and the late Acts repealed it. Had he, (M. H. Davis) succeeded in his game, he might have gone out amongst the voters of Coke County and said: "I told them there was no law for it, but they paid no attention to me." The land may have been sold for less than its value, but that does not justify M. H. Davis in misrepresenting it from start to finish.
Any man that will condescend to elevate himself for his own interest by misrepresenting his co-workers and their work, should be beneath the notice of a Digger Indian.
ONE OF THE THREE.

A Happy Wedding.
Mr. Irvy Rushing and Miss Annie Pierce were married Wednesday night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Moore in southern part of Robert Lee, Rev. Eugene T. Bates spoke the words which joined this well suited and happy couple. A number of their friends were present and extended good wishes, in which the Rustler joins.

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Notice a few of our bargains listed in another Column.
Will prepare Abstracts of Land Title for our clients.
ROBERT LEE, COKE COUNTY, TEXAS.

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3080 acres of good pasture land, about 15 miles North of Robert Lee, known as the Glass Pasture. Fenced on two sides. A fine body of land for a ranch.
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FAIREST; DEAREST.

"Yes, Tom, she's a mighty good-looking country girl; not to be compared, though, with others I know, and who are just ready to snap me up when I make an offer; but the fact is," and Joseph Fitzgerald stroked his mustache contentedly and fondly, as he added: "They all love me so, and I don't know which one to choose. That's why I remain a single man. But, really, I'm slightly tired of our city belles, and I've come down to this out-of-the-way place, instead of going to some fashionable summer resort for amusement."

The scene is a room in a country hotel; the speaker, John Fitzgerald, in the language of the country, a "city chap," with some good looks, a little money, and abundant conceit.

The good-looking country girl referred to is Alice Devine, the belle of the village, who lives in the house on the hill.

Alice was an orphan. Her parents had both died when she was very young, leaving her in the care of Aunt Dinah, an old colored woman who had been with them for years, and who since their death had taken care of the house and looked after her dear young "missus," whom she fairly worshipped.

Tom Prince was a whole-souled, fine-looking country young man, and "dead in love" with Alice. Tom was Aunt Dinah's favorite, besides being secretly engaged to the country belle.

Joseph Fitzgerald had made the acquaintance of both Alice and Tom through a mutual friend.

Women, it would seem, whether country or city-born, are imbued with an inherent love of flirting, and Alice had immediately commenced a desperate flirtation with Mr. Fitzgerald, who soon became positive that she was deeply in love with him.

The "city chap" was no favorite of Aunt Dinah's, and the old woman often took occasion to tell her young "missus" just what she thought of him.

Tom, too, did not like to see his sweetheart so often with Mr. Fitzgerald, but when he told her so she answered that he must not be jealous, for she would not have a jealous man for her husband, and, besides, they were not married yet. So poor Tom had to bear it the best he could and content himself with secretly wishing the "city chap"—far away.

All this, it must be remembered, was unknown to Joseph Fitzgerald.

Tom listened to his remarks with feelings which he could not well define, but he answered calmly:

"Well, Mr. Fitzgerald, I wish you success."

"Thank you," returned the other; "there is no doubt of it—not the least. You see, Tom, old boy," patronizingly,



YOU MUST GIVE UP FLIRTING WITH HIM.

"she is desperately in love with me. She has told me as much, and I am going there tonight."

"What for, if I may ask?"

"Why, I will see her alone; then I'll propose, and, as a matter of course, be accepted. Afterward—why, I'll do as I have often done before—take French leave!"

Tom could not repress a feeling of indignation at hearing this man talk so coolly of the girl he loved and his plans in regard to her. He felt an almost irresistible impulse to knock him down, and it was with great difficulty he refrained from uttering the burning words that were on his tongue, and restrained himself sufficiently to say:

"How do you know she will accept you?"

"Are you aware," replied the other, "that my name is Joseph Fitzgerald, and that my family—"

"Yes, yes," interrupted Tom, "but are you sure you will be accepted?"

"Sure!" the word uttered in a tone indicative of the utmost surprise at the very idea of the insinuation. "Why, my dear fellow, what do you mean? Of course I am sure!"

Tom could not help saying as he arose and left:

"Mr. Fitzgerald, there is one thing as being too sure. Remember that—too sure!"

"Poor fellow! Jealousy," were Mr. Fitzgerald's comments.

Tom immediately after leaving the "city chap" posted off as quickly as his feet could carry him to Alice. He found her at home.

"Now, see here, Alice," he said, "you know I love you, and you have promised to marry me, but if you love that Fitzgerald better than you love me, why, say so, and—otherwise—you must

give up flirting with him, for I can not stand it any longer!"

"Why, Tom, dear, you're jealous again, I'm ashamed of you, I am!"

"It's enough to make a saint jealous," growled Tom. "Why, Alice, I have been compelled to sit and listen to that man talk in the coolest way about you. He told me he was coming here tonight to propose, and you would accept him."

"He did—did he?" quietly.

"And not only that, but when I asked him if he was sure of being accepted," continued Tom, "he said 'of course he was.'"

"And you, Tom, dear?"

"I told him there was such a thing as being too sure."

"Well, Tom, dear, I confess. I did invite him to call tonight; but I didn't think—never mind. We will see about the other matter."

The night was very dark. The door of the house on the hill was opened for Fitzgerald by some one he could not see, for no light was burning in the hall or parlor, into which he was marched.

"Tis better thus," he said to himself, "far better that there is no light. The darkness is preferable."

Some one deeply veiled came to greet him, and soon they were seated on the sofa.

Not a word had as yet been spoken, but now Mr. Fitzgerald poured out his tale of love.

"Oh, dearest, I love you—love you madly!" he said. "Is my love—can I hope it is returned?"

No answer, but Mr. Fitzgerald could tell that the being by his side was deeply agitated.

"I have loved you since I first saw you, dearest and fairest of girls," he went on. "Loved as man never loved before. Oh, do not say you do not love me—never can be mine? But say, oh, say, you will marry me. Will you, oh, will you, darling, be my own dear wife?"

He waited for an answer. It came, in a voice that was unmistakable:

"Say, young man, what ye mean by 'sultin' a 'spec'able cullud pusson this way, hey, sah?"

At the same instant up went the light, and there before the astonished lover stood Alice and Tom, arm in arm, while by his side, with the veil thrown off her face, sat "the fairest and dearest of girls"—Aunt Dinah.

Joseph Fitzgerald disappeared the next morning on the early train to New York.—New York News.

THE TRAMP NUISANCE.

The Manner in Which It is Being Dealt With in France.

The number of tramps in France is not proportionately so large as in this country, but it is large enough to attract the attention of legislators. The frequency of crimes recently committed by tramps showed the necessity of preparing a law concerning beggars and tramps of more practical benefit than the municipal ordinances posted at the limits of every commune or township. It imposes severe penalties on professional beggars or tramps who refuse to work without proper reason. Unlike the existing laws, the new bill deals mildly with the tramps and unfortunate who are able and willing to work, but cannot find any employment. These are to be taken before a justice of the peace, who is to send them to the "house of labor," which every department in France is to be compelled to open, where they will be occupied at some work until employment is found for them in private workshops. The trials of beggars and tramps have amounted, on an average, to 35,000 a year. Inquiry regarding the condition of the temporary refuges, such, for instance, as our workhouses, showed that in 1895 they had been visited by 466,000 individuals, who had spent one night there. In 1895 a general order was sent to all the gendarmes, or police corps, through France, requiring agents to make inquiries regarding all individuals unknown in their own district who were found on the public roads. The police were instructed to ask these individuals to produce documents or to furnish explanations concerning their identity and profession, so that a kind of statistics and numbering could be obtained. Of course, many individuals could not have been reported by the gendarmes; nevertheless, it was shown that on a single day in 1895 the names of 25,000 tramps were recorded on the lists of the rural police.

Kaiser Pleased with a Boy's Tenacity.

The German kaiser had the other day a curious adventure with one of his numerous godchildren. Every seventh boy in the same family, if the parents are in humble circumstances, is named after and educated at the expense of the kaiser. On the kaiser's arrival at Remscheid, one of these godchildren was deputed to offer him a bouquet. The small boy, however, at the last minute utterly refused to part with the flowers. The kaiser, however, only laughed and patted him on the head, and said, "Yes, when a German once lays his hands on anything he does not readily give it up," and ordered fifty marks to be given to the obstinate youngster.

FARM AND GARDEN.

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO AGRICULTURISTS.

Some Up-to-Date Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Yields Thereof—Horticulture, Viticulture and Floriculture.

Varieties of Wheat.

The comparison of new and standard varieties of wheat by the Pennsylvania State College Agricultural Experiment Station has been continued through the present season. The six varieties giving the highest yield were:

	Bu.
Royal Red Clawson.....	26.87
Forty-Fold or Gold Corn.....	26.89
Dawson's Golden Chaff.....	26.43
Century.....	25.71
Rochester Red.....	25.40
Reliable.....	25.14

Twenty-two varieties were tested, the average yield being 22.02 bushels. There was an average difference of 3.02 bushels between the smooth and bearded varieties in favor of the smooth. About one-fourth of the grain was winter killed, which accounts for the small average yield, it being only about two-thirds of our usual crop. The average yield of straw was 2,450 pounds and the average weight per bushel 62.04 pounds. Turkish Red was the poorest variety, yielding 15.37 bushels of grain and 1,590 pounds of straw. The yield of ten varieties that have been tested for nine and ten years show no tendency to run out except a slight decrease in the yield of straw.

Smut of Corn.

To the Farmers' Review: What farmer does not know corn-smut, that cankerous growth that appears in his cornfields every summer? But what farmer calculates the damage this disease does? The disease is not confined to the ears alone, but lessens the yield of the whole plant thus affected. This fungus does not gain access to the plant in the same manner as oat smut enters oats. The spores of corn-smut germinate in the dew upon the plants and finds entrance to the tissues of the part in a very short time. Once within, they grow with great rapidity and often produce the smut boils in three weeks from the time they first enter. A few days after these boils are produced they break and give their seed-bodies or spores to the wind, which carries them to new plants.

The most economical method of fighting this disease is to cut off and burn all these smut masses before the grey fall has broken. If taken at this time the chance of spreading the spores is prevented. The operation may be done in the early part of the season when the corn is being cultivated, a box or basket being carried upon the cultivator to hold the growths removed. After the crop is laid by a boy by visiting the field once a week or ten days may easily keep the disease in hand. When eaten, the vitality of the seed-bodies is not destroyed. It will therefore be well to have as little smut in the fodder as possible. And this remark applies to stover and ensilage. The manure in which the spores fall seems to assist in their germination and to carry infection to the field. For this reason, also, have as little go to the stalls and feeding pens as possible. Common opinion says that corn-smut produces abortion in cows. Such, however, is not the case, as has been proved by experiment with a number of pregnant and milking cows fed excessive doses of the growths. The general health and the milk yield were constant and regular throughout the test. And if animals could stand these excessive doses it is hardly likely that the quantities obtained by cows in ordinary cases could be harmful. The smut contains no ergotine nor other poisonous alkaloid, but resembles coarse fodders in composition. The cattle treated ate it readily and in preference to grain. It seems safe, therefore, to conclude that cattle under ordinary conditions will not suffer from eating this material.

M. G. KAINS.

American Meat in Scotland.

The public health act of 1897 applicable to Scotland contains provisions in regard to meat inspection which are more severe than the provisions of the public health act of 1875 applicable to England. The Scottish law not only gives the local sanitary officer full control over slaughterhouses, but also empowers inspectors to enter premises within the district of the local authority at any time, search any cart or vehicle or any barrow, basket, bag, or parcel, and examine any animal, alive or dead, or article intended for human food. If it appears to him to be unfit for human food, he may take it away to have it dealt with by a justice. The justice may condemn it and order it to be destroyed, and impose a penalty on the person to whom the condemned article belonged or in whose possession or on whose premises it was found. The department of sanitary and market inspection in Edinburgh was constituted on its present basis, under the public health act of 1897, in May, 1898. During the past year, not only have

the slaughterhouses been under careful supervision, but inspectors have paid more than 6,000 visits to the butchers' and other shops. The quantity of meat seized or given up as unfit for human food was 149,163 pounds. One Canadian carcass was condemned. Inasmuch as the butchers of Edinburgh handle a large amount of American chilled meat—the quantity of American chilled beef alone consumed in Edinburgh (not including Leith) averages 31,500 pounds per week—this evidence of its wholesomeness is noteworthy.

RUFUS FLEMING,
U. S. Consul at Edinburgh.

The Locust Saw-Flly.

In this column we illustrate a locust saw-fly. A report of the United States entomological commission says: Eating the leaves of the black locust is found a small, soft, green worm, two-fifths of an inch long, with twenty legs and a brownish head. It appears in Washington, D. C., late in August and remains until October. It transforms into a dark-brown oval cocoon, and two or three weeks later issues as a saw-fly nearly one-quarter of an inch long, of a dirty-yellow color, with a squarish black patch on the top of the head. The sides and front of the thorax are black, and there is a transverse band on top of each abdominal segment.

This saw-fly inserts its irregularly semi-ellipsoid eggs in a crescent-shaped cut made in the under surface of the leaf by the saw. In a few days the larva hatches. Professor Comstock



—Locust Saw-fly: a, eggs; b, c, worms; d, tail of the same; e, cocoon; f, fly.—[After Comstock.]

thinks there are two and possibly three broods in a season, and that the insect may hibernate both in the adult and pupa stages. The head of the worm is amber-colored rather than brownish. The scientific name of this fly is *Nematus similis*.

Dip the Sheep.

There is but one effectual cure for sheep scab and that is the use of an efficient dip, says an exchange. If the farmer will not go to the trouble of dipping his sheep twice at an interval of from six to twelve days and put them on clean grounds where scab by sheep have never been in the interval and after the second dipping, that man had better sell his sheep and quit the business. The scab can be thoroughly cured in two weeks' time if the owner will implicitly follow directions. It cannot be cured in a year or any other length of time if he will not do it. Therefore, it is simply a question with a man who has scabby sheep to dip or not. The man who keeps scabby sheep willfully and after shearing time should be regarded as a menace to good farming in his neighborhood, and the public sentiment should compel him either to dip or ship his flock to the slaughter and quit business. There are some diseases for which no cure can be suggested.

Animal Excreta.—The excreta, solid and liquid, of a horse in a year, averages 20,000 pounds of an ox, 36,000 pounds; of a cow, 30,000 pounds; of a full grown hog, 6,000 pounds; of a sheep, 1,200 pounds. A moderate value of these manures is \$2 per thousand pounds for the horse, \$1.25 for the ox or cow, \$2.25 for the hog, if grain fed, and \$3 for the sheep. Total annual value: Horse, \$40; ox, \$45; cow, \$37.50; hog, \$13.50; sheep, \$3.60. Of course, all these estimates are subject to variations, owing to different conditions, such as food, size of animals, etc.

The Clover Crop.—The August crop circular of the Department of Agriculture shows an exceedingly meager clover crop for this year in especial marked contrast to last year's generally large production. The quality of the crop also falls decidedly below last year's standard, taking the country in general.

Humus.—The addition of humus to soil is a permanent in organic material will greatly increase their capacity for holding water. This may be supplied by using vegetable mold, cover crops, rotations, green manures and stable manures. Soil moisture may be saved by other means, but those mentioned in this bulletin are the most important.

THE ARAB HORSE.

He Has Few Needs and Great Endurance and Spirit.

An Arab can not dispense with food altogether, like the legendary camel of travelers' tales, but his needs are few, and he will maintain his health and spirits under conditions which other horses would never be able to endure. Indeed, not only can he put up with hardships at a pinch, but he actually deteriorates under the generous regimen which is considered necessary for other horses. This has been proved over and over again by purchasers who have refused to believe the usual three feeds of corn to be supererogatory and the morning hour of walking exercise insufficient. There is probably no being so obstinately conservative as an English coachman, and, even when he finds an Arab grow utterly unmanageable, he is not to be convinced that the simple cause is lack of exercise and exuberance of feeding. The fact is, an Arab is naturally so high-spirited and so difficult to tire that even a single feed of corn is excessive unless he is being subjected to exceptionally hard work. He will answer every requirement as a hunter if his diet be restricted to hay or even to grass, and in the summer time he is most satisfactory if he has the run of the paddock, where he can choose his own food and exercise. So far, the quality of the normal Arab in everyday life. What a picked horse can do when put upon his mettle almost baffles belief. An officer, recently returned from the Soudan, relates that after a ride of 800 miles his horse showed no signs of work, though he had cast all his shoes before accomplishing a quarter of the journey, though many of the camels had died and the others had suffered severely. Again, it was an Arab of 14.24, which carried ten stone six pounds and won a ten-mile race at Ferozepore in 25 minutes, a feat of endurance probably unequalled in equine annals. And Lord Roberts can bear testimony to the powers of the Arab which carried him through all his campaigns during 25 years, and, alone among the horses of history, received official authority to wear the Afghan medal with four clasps. Such qualities are worth insisting upon at the war office as a short cut to the solution of many problems of economy and dispatch in the transport service.—Saturday Review.

LIKE TOBACCO.

Old Trainer Claims That Animals Take To It Kindly.

"I have been an inveterate user of tobacco in some form for the past forty years, and during that time have had much to do with all sorts of wild beasts, which I have found are nearly all more or less partial to the smell or taste of the weed," observed an old and experienced animal trainer. "For instance, the common brown bear is so fond of the fumes of tobacco that if you blow smoke through the bars of his cage it will, with evident delight, push forward and rub its back and head against the iron bars. Not long ago I blew through a hollow stick a pinch of snuff into the nose of a sleeping lion. The brute shortly after awoke, sat up straight, sneezed violently, and then lay down to sleep very contentedly again. All goats, deer, llamas and so on will chew and eat tobacco and snuff with great eagerness. Monkeys and big baboons also breathe with great satisfaction the smoke from cigars."

Handicrafts That Impress Their Mark.

Probably sailors and miners are more impressed by their respective callings than any other workers. The sailor, living in great open spaces and subject to sudden and unforeseen contingencies, is frank to the verge of recklessness, but full of prompt resource. He usually thinks what he pleases and says what he thinks without chopping logic—the sea molds his character to its own moods and whether these resemble the hard-hitting of the gale, or the softer tempers of smooth water, both are frank and free. The miner, on the contrary, is shaped by his work to face hard facts as he does hard rock. He finds ways and means to get through or round both, exhibiting both physically and mentally a dogged obstinacy; hence, miners' strikes are amongst the worst of labor disputes. As a class, also, miners tend to be narrow-minded; they work within limited horizons, and their character is influenced accordingly.

A Remedy for Bad Language.

From the London Tit-Bits: An ocean-going captain was so much given to using bad language that his first mate made a bet with him that he could not do without swearing for a week. It went on all right for the first two or three days until a bit of a squall came on, and the sailors were up aloft doing their different duties. But their captain was displeased with their work. He stood it as long as he could and then he threw his cap on the deck in a towering rage, jumped on it, and shaking his fist up at the men with an angry scowl, he barked: "Bless you, my dears; you know what I mean."

Ayer's Pills

Sick headache. Food doesn't digest well, appetite poor, bowels constipated, tongue coated. It's your liver! Ayer's Pills are liver pills, easy and safe. They cure dyspepsia, biliousness. 25c. All Druggists.

Want your stomach or head a beautiful brown or rich black? Then use the **BUCKINGHAM'S DYE for the Whiskers**. 50 CENTS OF DRUGGISTS OR R. P. HALL & CO., NASHUEN, N. H.

Industrious bread seekers should be given a fair chance.

The mantle of a gloom is not a very desirable covering.

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

A bank teller has many checks in life's journey.

\$100 Reward \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of Testimonials.

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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

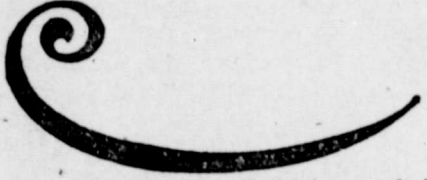
A bridegroom has to be worth about \$50,000 to be of as much interest as his bride's \$50 gown.

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Every One Has Noticed the New "C" in Town.

It Has Come to Stay With Us Forever—Health Follows in Its Trail—A Welcome Awaits It Everywhere.

Not so long ago everybody's curiosity was aroused by the appearance in town of a new "C."
It looks like this:



The queer "C with a Tail" has made its way all over the United States, and here as everywhere it promptly jumped into popularity.

Why?
Because the "C with a Tail" is a comet of health followed by a coma of happiness and joy. It has come to stay with us and radiate its benefits in all directions.
The new "C" is part of the trade-mark of Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the ideal laxative and guaranteed constipation cure. They make the liver lively, tone up the bowels, purify the blood, brace the brain, put everything right as it should be.
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OPIUM GUARANTEED. Write to-day for FREE SAMPLE and book. Dr. K. PURDY, Houston, Tex.

MAKING A FAILURE.

RULES FOR PEOPLE WHO SEEM TO BE BENT THEREON.

Women Especially Addressed—Directions for Spilling One's Domestic, Social and Business Life—No Consideration for Others a Strong Factor.

It is the fashion just now to instruct others in every matter, however simple. Here are a few hints on the art of failure. We often hear people say that it is easy to fail; but it is not easy to do so completely and artistically. Let us, then, for a few moments study how to fail in the different roles of life, says the Philadelphia Times. As an individual: Want everything that other people have, and persuade yourself that you care for nothing that is yours. Never want the same thing for two days together; a change of grievance is beneficial.

As a wife: Keep a sharp eye on Jack's faults; never allow him to hint that you have any. Always tell him of every vexation or ailment that has teased you during the day, and, if possible, begin the recital as soon as he gets inside the door; it will distract his mind from business worries and prevent him from selfishly bothering you with any of them. Remind him now and then that you made a great sacrifice when you married him. Impress upon him that it is ignoble to be attached to creature comforts. Taboo smoking, male friends and clubs. If he does not agree at once with any opinion or desire of yours, mention it again and again—and yet again. The male mind is obtuse. Should be appear to object to the repetition, declare (with sobs) that he hates to hear you speak and that his conduct proves incontrovertibly that he wishes you dead. Above all, shun logic. A logical person never yet made a respectable failure.

As a mother: Teach the boys and girls that home is the only possible place in the world; that is to say, never let them have any pleasure derived from outside. Discourage the visits of their friends and prevent them from visiting anywhere. Tell them frequently that young people should not look for pleasures other than those induced by attendance on their relations. Suppress, with a firm hand, all noise. Explain that games and music make you nervous, that fancy work is frivolous, that smoking is a deadly sin and that the reading of all books not specially selected by you is undesirable. Never sympathize with young people's fads and fancies or encourage day-dreams, but question them minutely about all their concerns and doings, especially about any matters upon which they seem unwilling to talk—secretiveness is so bad for the young. When they do well take it as a matter of course, but never neglect to point out a piece of forgetfulness or a mistake. And reproach them frequently for not loving you as much as they should; that sort of thing stimulates affection.

As a marriageable maiden: Let the men see that you are very anxious for a proposal. Smile at them widely, but snap at their sisters and fawn when their mothers call without them. Talk noisily, especially when your partner is a quiet sort of man. Pick the other girls to pieces. Giggle when you are not chattering. Neglect no opportunity of getting yourself talked about. Above all, don't be natural, but aim constantly at effect. If you have a small foot, stick it out incessantly for people to fall over; that will attract attention to it.

As a social factor: Gush at big people. As soon as you have "got to know" Mrs. B., drop Mrs. A., who was your last season's catch. Accept all the invitations you can get, and pay them off with a big crush reception once a year. Always take an extra girl to people's dances. Cultivate a restless, anxious manner and a hungry eye. Snap up small attentions with the avidity of a sparrow picking up crumbs. Talk your scandal and make a point of telling people your social grievances. Ask questions of all kinds and always repeat what you hear. Borrow people's maids and menus and copy their gowns.

As a journalist: Always know better than your editor. Should he disagree with you, argue every point with him. Write about what interests you; never mind the fads of the public of the moment. Never cram into one sentence an idea that could be expressed in six; let the world know that your vocabulary is large. Work when you are in the humor; at other times keep the office waiting; that will teach it to value you. Fill up spare moments by writing long letters to the editor.

Cheer up the downcast and comfort the sorrowing.

No Cure No Pay
Is the way **FINDLEY'S EYE SALVE** is sold. Chronic and Granulated lids cured in 30 days; common sore eyes in 8 days, or money back for the asking. Sold by all druggists, or by mail, 25c. box.
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It is sometimes an easy matter to be imposed on.

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

Santa Fe Special Rates.
Austin, Tex., one fare for the round trip, Oct. 17, limited for return Oct. 21, account of the State Convention United Daughters of the Confederacy.
McKinney, Tex., one fare for the round trip, on the distance plan, Oct. 17, limited for return Oct. 21, account Baptist conventions.

Richmond, Va., one fare for the round trip, Nov. 4 and 5, limited for return Nov. 17, account of unveiling Winnie Davis monument.

Special rates on the certificate plan as follows:
Dallas, Tex., for the meeting Knights and Ladies of Honor, Nov. 21 to 23.
Duncanville, Tex., for the Central Texas conference M. E. church, South, Oct. 20 to 24.
Fort Worth, Tex., for the Northeast Texas annual conference A. M. E. church, South, Nov. 15 to 23.
Sherman, Tex., for the North Texas Teachers' Association meeting, Nov. 3 to 4.

Temple, Tex., for the synod of Texas, Southern Presbyterian church, Oct. 18 to 24.
Columbus, Ohio, for National Convention Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Certificates must show date of purchase Oct. 16 to 21.

See local ticket agent for full information.

His Revised Version.

A gentleman from a neighboring town in Mississippi told the following last night:

"I walked into a small store the other day and found the proprietor lying on the counter just dozing off into a sleep. He roused himself on my approach and jumping to the floor quoted the familiar line:
"A horse! A horse! My kingdom for a horse!"

"Where did you get that?" I asked.
"Oh, don't you know? That's what Absalom said when his horse ran under the tree and left him hanging by the hair to a limb. I thought everybody knew where that came from."—Memphis Scimitar.

Foul-Smelling Catarrh.

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

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

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

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

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

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Are You Using Allen's Foot-Ease?

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Most men ridicule the foolish doctrines of others, but remain faithful to their own.

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Love and hate—what extremes these are.

Cured After Repeated Failures With Others I will inform addicted to Morphine, Laudanum, Opium, Cocaine, or any other habit, harmless, home-cure. Mrs. M. H. Baldwin, Box 1212, Chicago, Ill.
Men of might are not always men of right.

I know that my life was saved by **Pico's Cure for Consumption**—John A. Miller, Au Sable, Michigan, April 21, 1895.

A busy man has little time for idle gossip.

TEETHINA (Teething Powders) Aids Digestion, Regulates the Bowels, Cures Child.

Thank God for His mercies to you and obey His orders.

"I GAVE little thought to my health," writes Mrs. Wm. V. BELL, 230 N. Walnut St., Canton, O., to Mrs. Pinkham, "until I found myself unable to attend to my household duties.

"I had had my days of not feeling well and my monthly suffering, and a good deal of backache, but I thought all women had these things and did not complain.

"I had doctored for some time, but no medicine seemed to help me, and my physician thought it best for me to go to the hospital for local treatment. I had read and heard so much of your

Vegetable Compound that I made up my mind to try it. I was troubled with failing of the womb, had sharp pains in ovaries, leucorrhoea and painful menses. I was so weak and dizzy that I would often have severe fainting spells. I took in all several bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Blood Purifier and used the Sanative Wash, and am now in good health. I wish others to know of the wonderful good it has done me, and have many friends taking it now. Will always give your medicine the highest praise."
Mrs. A. TOLLE, 1946 Hil- ton St., Philadelphia, Pa., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM— I was very thin and my friends thought I was in consumption. Had continual headaches, backache and falling of womb, and my eyes were affected. Every one noticed how poorly I looked and I was advised to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. One bottle relieved me, and after taking eight bottles am now a healthy woman; have gained in weight 95 pounds to 140 pounds, and everyone asks what makes me so stout."



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The Tin Tags taken from **SCHNAPPS** and **R. J. R.** Tobaccos will pay for any one or all of this list of desirable and useful things, and you have your good chewing tobacco besides.

Every man, woman and child can find something on this list that they would like to have and can have—FREE. Mention the number of the present you want. Any assortment of the different kinds of tags mentioned above will be accepted.

TAGS.	TAGS.
1 Match Box, quaint design, imported from Japan..... 40	21 Six Rogers' Teaspoons, best qual. 250
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3 Sissors, 4 1/2 inch, good steel..... 35	23 Clock, 8-day, Calendar, Thermometer, Barometer..... 650
4 Child's "S" Knife, Fork and spoon set..... 35	24 Remington Rifle No. 4, 22 or 32 cal. 1000
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6 Razor, hollow ground, fine English steel..... 75	26 Toilet Set, decorated porcelain, very handsome..... 800
7 Butter Knife, triple plate, best quality..... 100	27 Watch, solid silver, full jeweled..... 1000
8 Sugar Shell, triple plate, best qual. 100	28 Sewing Machine, first class, with all attachments..... 2000
9 8" Snap Box, sterling silver..... 100	29 Winchester Repeating Shot Gun, 12 gauge..... 2500
10 Knife, two blades..... 100	30 Rifle, Winchester, 16-shot, 22-cal. 2000
11 Butcher Knife, 8-inch blade..... 100	31 Shot Gun, double-barrel, hammer less..... 2000
12 Shears, 8-inch nickel..... 100	32 Guitar rosewood, inlaid with mother-of-pearl..... 2000
13 Nut Set, Cracker, 6 Pieces, silver..... 100	33 Bicycle, standard make, ladies or gent's..... 2000
14 Six Rogers' Table Spoons..... 450	34 After Dinner Coffee Spoon, solid silver, gold bowl..... 100
15 Six Rogers' Forks and Knives..... 500	35 Carvers, buckhorn handle, good steel..... 250
16 Revolver, 32 or 38 calibre..... 1000	
17 Base Ball, "Association"..... 100	
18 watch, stem wind and set, guaranteed time keeper..... 250	
19 Alarm Clock, nickel, warranted..... 200	
20 Carvers, buckhorn handle, good steel..... 250	

This offer expires November 30th, 1900.

Address all your Tags and the correspondence about them to R. J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO CO., WINSTON, N. C.

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Editor.

FRIDAY, OCT. 20, 1899.

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Anti-Trust conferences are all the go in the East.

The Tar Heel Editor of the Colorado Stockman writes some good editorials these days.

The British and Boers have "hitched." We believe the Boers have right and justice on their side. We also believe that the British have the most men and money. "Oom" Paul Kruger is the very pious president of the small Republic.

The RUSTLER does not believe in "petitioning" county officers to resign. If they are unfit for office or fail to do their duty according to law, put them out legally. When a public official fails to perform his duties as the law directs, there are lawful ways in which to deal with him.

This is an "off year" but here in Coke, we keep politics going, just the same, and sometimes it is pretty warm even in October.

Coke is a peculiar County. Over here we have ways of our own. If we want to do things a certain way, we just do that way.

Bro. Bates will hold a meeting at Hayrick, commencing Friday night, before the 5th or last Sunday in this month. There will be dinner on the ground Sunday.

The Robert Lee gin will gin Wednesday and Thursday of each week and will grind corn every other Saturday.

L. H. McDorman & Co.

Masonic Communication.

Over 30 masons were in town last Saturday. They constituted one of the first small bodies of men ever congregated together in Coke.

J. N. Padgett, J. H. B. Norfleet and Uncle John Conner were down from Silver last Saturday, in attendance at the Masonic meeting here.

J. B. McCutchen, a well known Bronte citizen rode the "Masonic goat" here Saturday night.

T. S. Vaughn, a venerable gentleman from near Bronte was here Saturday among the brethren.

J. L. Durham, J. H. Campbell and Judge H. L. Adams, all from Saeco, were among the craftsmen.

Hon. G. W. Payne, of Saeco, was on hand.

M. B. Sheppard, Past Master of Hayrick Lodge, was on hand.

J. T. Hamilton, Past Master was on hand from over on Boozer.

Among the handlers of the trowel was noticed that old and good citizen, R. E. Douglas, who keeps the Ft. Chadbourne Post Office.

Prof. J. D. Jowers, Principal of the Bronte High School was among the visitors.

Prof. B. U. Smith, from way up on Pecan was with the brethren.

Dr. Key, of Bronte, a Royal Arch degree brother, was on hand.

T. A. Higginbotham, the "old reliable" Tom as usual, was in attendance.

Mr. Sauls is a new affiliated acquisition to the Hayrick Lodge No. 698.

Hon. J. W. Barnett and G. W. Webb were unavoidably absent on account of pressing business.

Uncle George Arnett, from Edith, was, as usual, present.

The brothers from Bronte expect to be able to organize soon. About eighteen of the twenty necessary are secured.

We were informed that the Bronte Lodge already had part of the furniture placed in position in the Lodge room.

The prompt W. R. Presslar, of Saeco, was among the members present.

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Estray Notice.

Returned by J. C. Newton, Commissioner Precinct No. 3, Sept. 29 1899. One bay mare, no brand, white spot in forehead, shod in front, about 6 or 8 years old, about 14 hands high. Running in F. and S. M. Conner's pasture near Silver.

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For sale or trade.

The Pearce Hotel at Ballinger Texas. Will sell or trade for Coke Co. property, at reasonable price and terms Building is 22x70, two stories high, with good barn and other out buildings. If interested call on H. D. Pearce, at Ballinger or H. H. Pearce at Robert Lee.

Estray Notice.

Reported by J. C. Newton, Commissioner Precinct, No. 3 Coke County Texas.

One brown mare, five or six years old, branded VE on left shoulder. Also one brown ball-faced mare three years old, with brown colt, branded VE on left jaw. Above stock running in W. S. Tripp's pasture. This Sept. 8th 1899 J. W. Barnett Co. Clerk. Coke County.

Program

Of the Teachers' Institute, to be held in Robert Lee, Friday night and Saturday, Nov. 10-11. FRIDAY NIGHT, 8 P. M.

1. Song—"America,"—by the Institute.

2. Opening Address—Judge Davis.

3. Response—Prof. Jowers.

4. Recitation—Miss Amelia Caraway.

5. Is Education accomplishing the desired results—O. W. Gardner.

6. Essay—Miss Alvis Ingram.

7. Debater:—

Resolved that the teacher has more influence in forming the character of a pupil than the parent; affirmative { John Ross, Jack Couch, negative { G. C. Berryman, J. A. Thomas.

Saturday Morning, 9 A. M.

1. Primary Numbers—E. H. Ross.

2. Hygiene in school—S. B. Williams.

3. Word Method—Use and Abuse. John A. Stewart.

4. Functions of Educational Journalism—Prof. Jowers.

5. Good Stories—How to use and where to get them—Miss Lola Lambert.

6. Imitation versus Originality C. Herald.

7. Best way to secure attention and stimulate thought in the Recitation—Miss Nelms.

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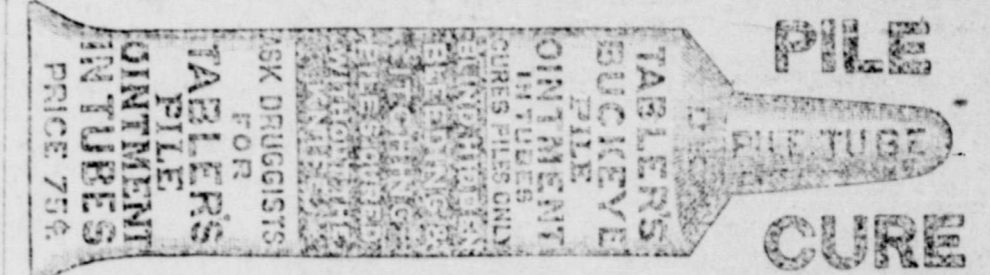
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Before buying your fall bill of goods, come and get my prices. I sell closer than ever before, and if you buy \$5, \$10, or \$15 worth of goods, I make you a present of a useful article, such as a nice camp stool, a parlor table, nice picture or an elegant look-

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I sell a good suit for boys, 4 to 14 years, for only \$21.

A splendid boy's three piece suit, long pants, for \$3.

Men's good SUITS of heavy wool-mixed goods, for \$3.

Ladies Jackets, of good wool materials, for \$1.50.

Ladies Wool Caps, 75c \$1 and \$1.50.

Children's Shoes, as low as 25c.

Ladies Shoes, fine Kid, or, heavy all leather, at \$1.

Men's and boy's fine Shoes, at \$1.25.

Men's Calf Boots, all solid, at \$2.25

Men's fine Fur Hats, (regular price 1.50) at \$1.

Boy's Hats, fair quality Felt, at 50c, 35c, and 25c.

COME AND PRICE MY GOODS BEFORE YOU BUY. I WILL TREAT YOU RIGHT.

C. Winkler.

San Angelo, — — — — Texas.

evening. There was a crowd out to hear him. He has been here several times before and his friends were glad to see him. He delivered three very interesting sermons.

Rev. Bowden preached here last Sunday at 11 A. M.

Mr. S. E. Caperton has his house finished and his mother and sister have moved out here. Miss Alpha began her school here last Monday. She is liked very much by her pupils. She has taught here two sessions before this one, we hope she will have a good school.

The McAuley and Caperton gin is not getting near the cotton, they can gin this year. They are ginning for forty cts. a hundred and they are ginning and wrapping and giving \$2.25 for the seed.

Well I will close for this time, for I guess this will find the waste basket.

Yours Truly,
WHISKERS.

Eld. G. C. Berryman has sold his half section of land for \$500.00 and will leave next Monday for Louisville, Kentucky, where he will attend the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary another term. Mrs. Berryman and little Opal will accompany him.

From Maverick.

Dear Rustler,
I will write you a short letter I will not write much for the first time, for you may not have any blank space for this letter. I don't think you have any correspondence here.

We have a very nice Sunday school here and it is well attended, for the young people here like to go to Sunday School.

Rev. W. G. Caperton of Albany preached here last Thursday night and Saturday night and Sunday

LOCAL CHIPS.

For Lime call on J. J. Vestal.

Jim Cobb was in town last Saturday.

Mr. Gaston, from up on the divide, was in town Monday.

Miss Mattie Durham, of Sanco was in town last Thursday.

Our friend, W. Press Walling, was in town a few hours last Saturday.

A solid plank fence now faces the street running alongside J. P. Angel's store.

Rev W M Smith was quite sick at B N Tannehill's Monday and Tuesday.

D L Buchanan was in Tuesday, from his horse ranch beyond Wiley Byrd's.

Miss Emma Merchant will teach the Meadow Mountain school this term.

C. L. Hughes, our efficient county treasurer, made a flying trip to Scurry last week.

Rev. Eugene T. Bates preached his last regular sermons here Sunday morning and night.

Allien Hayley was in town sometime between Saturday night and Monday morning.

Steve Parker was in town Tuesday. Says the Valley View gin has turned out 80 bales of cotton.

J. W. Tunnell recently completed the erection of a neat residence on the Concho for Tom Green Co. parties.

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

More lumber is arriving for Robert Lee improvements. Our people will go into better winter quarters than ever before.

The Ledger tells us that J. R. McDonald, of Bronte, and B. A. Taylor, of Tennyson, were down to Ballinger some days ago.

W. L. Hayley has opened his drugstore at Bronte. We commend him to the people there as a careful pains-taking druggist.

The Epworth League had its regular meeting last Saturday night. An interesting programme was enjoyed by those present.

See Arkansaw Smith's prices before you buy. You will find him under anybody else. Why? Because he sells only for cash.

All our accounts not otherwise arranged, are due Oct. 1st. Please come forward and settle.

J. W. Reed & Co.

Prof. Frank E. Thomas, one of Coke's best young men, spent last week at Bronte helping in the building of the new drug store there.

Edd Goad says, he's going to have a big fat turkey to kill at the next election. Jim Burroughs and the Editor are already invited to be on hand.

We now have a new and complete stock of merchandise at prices to suit the short cotton crop. J. D. Collier and Co.

Edith, Texas.

Arkansaw Smith says he wants to see every man from Coke that wants to buy a bill of groceries. He's got the goods and they are paid for, and he's going to sell.

Last Friday night a delightful serenade was enjoyed by the editor's family and several near neighbors. Both vocal and instrumental music was rendered and all were made to feel that life was still worth living as they heard the beautiful strains "by the light of the moon." Those composing the quartette were: Mr. and Mrs. John Gardner, Prof. W. A. Savage and Miss Lena Smith.

W. C. Barron was down from home Monday.

Ed C. and Will Good were in town last Monday.

Hon. G. W. Payne, of Sanco, was in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kearney Mayes were in town last Monday.

Dr Lathan has been enlarging his barn facilities this week.

Mr. L. P. Woods of Rannels, passed through Lee last Tuesday.

J. F. Sturman, of Valley View, was in town a few hours Monday.

Miss Emma Stickney is visiting out at Mr. W. C. Barron's this week.

The Pecan School will open next Monday. Prof. F. E. Thomas in charge.

F. L. and R. H. Harris will give \$100. reward for the arrest and conviction of any person killing or stealing any of their stock.

A number of our young people report an enjoyable time at Mr. W. Caraway's last Friday night. Miss Amelia Caraway entertained in her usual pleasant manner.

640 acres of land, about 75 acres under fence, 15 in cultivation, good dirt, tank, Dwelling house, about 9 miles north of Robert Lee For further information call on Perryman & Averitt.

The new teacher of the Sanco school, Miss Annie Nelms, arrived Saturday afternoon and was taken out to Sanco by Judge Byrne. Miss Nelms will be quite an addition to Coke County's social circles.

Notice.

Having purchased the entire stock of groceries of J. L. Barron and took his old accounts, I ask all his old customers, who may be indebted to him and have any accounts in the books, to come up and settle at as early an instant as possible.

J. P. Angel.

Notice.

All persons are hereby notified not to trade for (4) four certain promissory notes given by me to Mrs. Sallie Williams, each of the notes payable Sept. 30th 1899, 1900, 1901, and 1902. These notes on their face offer clear but they contain certain conditions precedent.

W. F. Key.

Bronte News.

J. Jay Robbins, one of Bronte's enterprising merchants bought G. W. Woullard's interest in the Bronte gin and mill consideration \$250.

The Hayley Drug Store is about completed.

R. L. Kelley bought a Hay-press and shipped to his brother, G. S. Kelley in N. M.

R. L. Kelley will leave for N. M. accompanied by his family, in a short time.

Frank Hickman sold his residence to Dr. W. F. Key.

Kerney Mayes rounded up his pasture and branded 100 fine Herford calves. He has the finest Herford's I have ever looked at.

Mr. Burley of Ballinger, was in Bronte, Saturday on business.

L. J. Good has returned.

T. E. Williams one of our Bronte merchants; went to San Angelo to buy goods last week.

Miss May Cumble spent last week with Miss Amelia Caraway.

A. P. McCarty is having a chimney built.

Valderne Key will start to N. M. in a short time.

James Stark, son of our merchant P. Stark is visiting his parents here this week.

Rev. R. M. Cumble, R. F. Cumble, and Miss May Cumble went to Ballinger this week.

L. G. Phillips, Prof. Popplewell and wife went to San Angelo last week on business.

Rev. R. M. Cumble preached very interesting sermons Saturday and Sunday 11 A. M. and Sunday night.

R. L. Kelley and W. W. McCutchen went to Ballinger with cotton.

LUCKE.

A Sad Calamity.

—Wednesday morning about eleven o'clock the citizens of our town were astonished to hear an immense explosion, and on looking, to notice the roof raise and the sides fall out of the whole front part of the long store of J. W. Reed and Company. The screams of some of those inside confirmed all who heard the explosion that some one or more persons was hurt, and that badly.

On investigation, it was found that Mr. Grey Reed and Master Ozro Meek were badly burned, while Mr. Jack Hastings was seriously burned on his right hand and arm, his mustache, eye-brows, and hair "singd." Grey Reed's hands, arms, face, head and upper part of body were badly burned and nearly all his hair was burned off his head. His face was badly powder-burned. Ozro Meek, son of A. K. Meek, was burned from his hips down until the hide was crisp. His arms and breast was much the same way and his face was badly burned, but not so much as the parts before mentioned. All this was caused by the explosion of a can of powder setting under the base shelf. The can was of the 25 pound size, with some gone out of it. When the explosion came, Grey was selling the Meeks boy some potatoes and other articles. The boy, Ozro, said Gray struck a match, to light a cigarette, and the head flew off toward the powder-can. Whatever was the cause of ignition, it was a plain accident, attended by horrible results. The damage to the stock will reach something like \$1500.00, while the house is a total wreck. Mr. McCalum was in the little office in back end of house and was knocked down by the explosion. Thad Green was dazed but neither of the above gentlemen sustained serious injury. As is usual in such cases, every available citizen was on hand ready to render assistance, and the flames were conquered in a few minutes. There was about \$5,200 worth of stock in the house, and some of the least damaged was moved into the Burroughs Hardware building. Mr. Burroughs kindly offering same for the protection of the goods.

As we go to press, we learn that there is good hopes for the recovery of both.

Notice.

All persons indebted to Buchanan & Lasswell, or Lasswell & Son, will please come forward and settle. Your accounts may be small, but all together would make a large one and we need the money and expect it.

G. C. Lasswell.

Read the last page.

Interesting communications from Waco, Lometa and Valley View will appear in our next issue.

We "X" with pleasure, with the new and bright Record of Sterling City.

M. Bird, of Sanco, was in town Wednesday.

NOTICE! We expect to be at home at Robert Lee by Nov. 1st. It may be that we will take in the San Antonio Fair. If we do, it will be 3rd or 4th before we will be there.

Yours Truly,

Geo. W. and Mrs. Martin.

J. H. Burroughs moved his family into one of the Webb houses yesterday.

JEWELRY! JEWELRY!

When you want to buy Jewelry, call and get my prices. I will sell you a Watch cheaper than you can buy elsewhere. I also have a fine line of Clocks, Spectacles and Silverware. Fine Watch and Jewelry repairing a specialty. When in Ballinger call and see me. Yours for business.

ASA CORDILL,

The City Jeweler, at Pearce Drug Store, Ballinger, Texas.

Ballinger and Robert Lee

MAIL HACK LINE.

Passenger rates through \$1.50. Runs via Maverick and Bronte. You can save \$1.05 Railroad fare by stopping off at Ballinger and coming over this line.

SHAW & EVANS, Proprietors.

Look Here!

We have the BEST, CHEAPEST, NEATEST AND CLEANEST line of DRY GOODS, NOTIONS,

Boots, Shoes, And

GENT'S FURNISHINGS

Ever brought to the county. Drop in and take a look at Our prices and quality. It will pay you.

YOURS FOR BUSINESS,

Crayton & Robbins Bros

Cotton Buyers.

BRONTE, TEX.

\$3.20 Buys four full quarts (one gallon) of the very best Whiskey, better than Haynor's.

Cash with order, and if the goods do not give entire satisfaction, notify me and get your money back.

FRED SCHMIDT,

THE PARLOR SALOON,

SAN ANGELO,

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Hotel San Angelo,

Joe S. Cotten, Prop.

Rates \$1.00 Per Day.

A quiet place, near the business part of the city.

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San Angelo, - - - - - Texas.

Mrs. T. Brown,

Milliner & Dress Maker.

LATEST STYLES AND FITS ALWAYS GUARANTEED.

Core County trade solicited, and satisfaction given.

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NEW MILLINERY GOODS

And DRESSMAKING.

Fancy and plain sewing. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

MRS. Z. I. WILLIAMS,

Next door to Gantt's Furniture Store, San Angelo, Texas.

MONEY SAVED

On your Plow Tools, Windmills, Hardware Glassware, Chinaware, Aeromotor Wind Mills, Well Supplies of all kinds, Piping, Casting, Cypress and Galvanized Tanks, Horse Power and Pump Jacks, Steam and Power Drilling Machines, Hacks, Buggies, Bains, Old Hekery, and the Celebrated Deere Steel Wagon, Coal, Buggy and Hack Tops, Etc.

C. & G. Hagelstein Co.,

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

I am prepared to furnish 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, and 16 foot Steel Star Mills, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22 1-2 and 25 foot of the Celebrated Eclipse Mills, and all kinds of Well Supplies at close figures. My office is at Hagelstein's.

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City Barber Shop.

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Courteous treatment and good work at all times

When in town, come in and try this well known shop.

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EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Two placer claims near Jarella, N. M., will pan out over \$30,000.

The Indianapolis, Ind., Democrats re-elected Mayor Taggart.

Turpentine has advanced to 50 cents per gallon at Savannah, Ga.

There are 290 patients in the Oklahoma insane asylum at Norman.

It is claimed the Dillonites are impeding the purchase of Parnell's home.

Editor W. T. Stead of the London Review of Reviews says war is forced upon the Boers.

An "endless chain" has been started in New York with the object of buying Rear Admiral Schley a home.

It is said that Admiral Schley is to raise his flag on the Chicago on the 25th and proceed to Cape Town.

In the district court at Stillwater, Ok., a 13-year-old boy pleaded guilty to the charge of burning a corn crib.

A horse Tod Sloane, the American jockey, was riding in a race near London fell with him. Sloane was painfully but not seriously injured.

A hot wave struck California. In San Francisco the maximum temperature was 92 degrees. At Sonoma it registered between 108 and 113 in the shade.

The United States transport Newport arrived at San Francisco thirty-three days from Manila. She had 465 members of the volunteer signal corps and thirteen civilians aboard.

The Farmers State bank of Newkirk, Ok., has been chartered. The directors are W. S. Brown, J. C. Columbia, A. A. Slosson, J. H. Coleman and J. B. Hart of Newkirk. Capital stock \$10,000.

Adam Bach, a prominent business man of Newport, and Claude N. Jones of Louisville, Ky., were drowned in Berger lake near Newport, Ark., while fishing. They were in a leaky boat.

Admiral Dewey has chosen J. W. Crawford as his official secretary. Mr. Crawford is an employee of the office of judge advocate general of the navy. He will hold the rank of lieutenant in the navy.

Numerous chiefs of the various groups of Peruvian revolutionists are asking amnesty for themselves and their followers, offering to submit to the government if their requests are granted.

Capt. Marion B. Saffold, thirteenth infantry, who lost his life in the attack on Novaleta, was a graduate of the military academy in class of 1879. He was born at Selma, Ala., Sept. 1, 1856, and fought the Apaches in New Mexico.

Tampa, Fla., is to have a direct steamer service to New York. The Mobile Steamship company will put the steamer Catania on that run some time this month.

An old man was found dead five miles north of Caney, I. T. He was lying by the side of the Katy road and was taken to Atoka. He had been seen the day before at the same place eating his dinner. His name is unknown.

Okarche, Ok., boasts the distinction of having as a resident the tallest man in the United States. Lewis Wilkins, the giant who has traveled with shows until he has amassed a small fortune, having settled here. He is eight feet in height and weighs 375 pounds.

Judge Townsend of the southern district of the Indian Territory has sentenced Frank Jennings, Port and Morris O'Malley to the Fort Leavenworth prison for five years each. The men pleaded guilty to the indictment charging them with robbing a Rock Island express in October, 1897.

Col. Frank, commanding the Gulf department, says the costly southern coast fortifications are likely to be ruined because of neglect.

Jacob Wauman, Republican, was elected mayor of Chattanooga, Tenn., by a plurality of 37. There were three candidates. Two of them favored closing saloons at 10 o'clock at night, which the successful one opposed it. Six Democratic aldermen, favoring the 10 o'clock closing, were elected out of eight to be chosen.

The Maxim-Nordenfeldt Guns and Ammunition company, limited, have shipped two six-gun batteries of mountain guns to Manila. They were inspected there prior to shipment by Capt. George W. Vandusen, first United States artillery, who has also sailed for Manila.

BRITISH AND BOERS

Are Reported to be Rapidly Nearing Each Other.

NEWCASTLE IN LATTER'S HANDS

The Indications are that a Relentless Warfare is Being Waged in the Far-Away Africa Land.

London, Oct. 16.—So far as actual news is concerned very little change in the situation is noticed. The state of affairs at Mafeking can only be conjectured. The occupation of Newcastle by the Boers was prepared for and expected, the place having been abandoned by the British. The Boers are reported to be menacing Kimberley.

Very heavy rains and snows are reported, which hamper the Boer movements, and they are finding that they began too late to easily obtain the initial successes counted upon. They evidently find the advances upon Ladysmith difficult, either from the north or west, as Gen. Sir George Stewart White's reconnaissance seems to have sufficed to deter them from the present.

The oaks of the Darkeberg range are now snow-covered and the storms which have occurred must have caused the Boers great discomfort, which probably explains their failure to attack Gen. White. Masterly inactivity characterizes the operations on both sides. Persistent rumors are in circulation that the Schreiner mastery of Cape Colony has been dismissed and that Mr. Rosness has been asked to form a cabinet. These rumors, however, are without foundation.

Sir Alfred Milner has wired to Mr. Chamberlain the text of an inflammatory circular which Field Cornet Viljoen circulated in Johannesburg some weeks ago with a view of incensing the Afrikanders on both sides of the Orange river against England.

The Daily Mail's Cape Town correspondent, telegraphing yesterday evening, says:

"Kimberley is besieged and the Boers are massing in force. No details, however, are obtainable.

"The Boers have cut the railway at Belmont, have seized the Spytfontein railway station and constructed fortified earthworks. There are strong defending forces at Modder bridge and the Orange river bridge.

"The object of these energetic operations is believed to be the capture of Cecil Rhodes. Kimberley is now isolated, both railway and telegraphic communication being cut."

Cancelled Orders.

Kingston, Jamaica, Oct. 16.—The British war office, it now appears, has cancelled the orders for mules and stores from Jamaica, deciding to place all orders in the United States. The colonial troops are not going forward immediately. The steamers selected for transports will probably proceed to England and take charter there.

The volunteers are hurt at finding their offer of services rejected while the Canadian and Australian offers are accepted.

The cornerstone of Dewey hall at Northfield, Vt., was laid by Admiral Dewey.

Firing Heard.

Cape Town, Oct. 16.—The Modder river station master reports that firing has been heard in the direction of Kimberley and the station master at Belmont telegraphs that a force of Boers are advancing southward.

Flowerdew, the engine driver of Capt. Nesbitt's train, which was derailed and bombarded by the Boers, states that if the train had returned when warning was received that the Boers held the line, it could easily have made its way back to Marlboro.

Clashed at a Christening.

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 16.—At a christening of a child in a Polish family at Auburn, twenty miles from Springfield, yesterday evening about 6 o'clock, a riot started between the Hungarians and Poles, and Stephen Roskie, a Hungarian, was recently killed. Several men are said to have been injured, but the foreigners would not allow the physicians who were sent to the scene to see them. Sheriff Woods left with a posse to arrest the participants in the fight.

Burned and Drowned.

New York, Oct. 16.—The Bridgeport line steamer Nutmeg State was burned in Long Island Sound off Sand Point, L. I., at sunrise Saturday morning and ten persons were burned to death or drowned.

The dead are:

Samuel Jaynes, Bridgeport, Conn., baggagemaster of Nutmeg State, body at New York morgue.

Nils Nilson, member of the crew of the burned steamer. Body not recovered from wreck.

Charley Anderson, watchman on boat, body in wreck.

Patrick Coffey, mate, body in wreck. Bernard Hendry, oiler, body in wreck.

Thomas Murphy, member of crew, body in wreck.

John Connors, member of crew, body in wreck.

Unknown woman, passenger, 28 years old, body recovered.

Unknown man, passenger, drowned, body not recovered.

Unknown girl, 4 years old, body recovered.

Most of the passengers who escaped suffered nothing more than shock from immersion in the chilly water, and only four persons were sent to the hospital. The steamer was run to the beach at the outbreak of the flames and burned to the water's edge.

Baggageman Samuel Jaynes was detached from the fire fighters and sent to alarm the passengers and all the members of the crew who were in the forward part of the boat. He ran through the passageways on the several decks, shouting fire to the passengers and the sleeping crew. He remained amidships crying out warnings until he was forced by the flames and stifling smoke to jump overboard.

The passengers in various stages of frenzy rushed from the staterooms to the upper deck. Life preservers were given them and many of the men assisted in putting them on the women and children.

By this time the entire middle section of the steamer was burning fiercely and the people forward were completely cut off from communication with those on the after part of the boat.

This left the people on the rear decks in a perilous situation, as the lifeboats on the amidships davits were surrounded by flames and there were few of the crew in the rear to give aid.

As the flames continued to spread both forward and after, and the pilot headed the steamer at full speed for the beach at Sand Point, the draft swept the fire toward the rear of the boat.

The passengers in that part of the boat went as far back on the rear deck as possible, but were enveloped with black smoke and flames were leaping toward them, threatening in a few moments to roast them alive. They huddled close to the rear rail in fear, waiting for the steamer to strike the beach.

With a shock the Nutmeg State struck the rocks on the bottom and people seemed to shoot from all sides and tried to reach the lifeboats, which had been launched on the forward part of the vessel.

All the passengers were in the water in a few minutes, but many members of the crew had become imprisoned in the forward part of the ship below decks by the flames.

There was no outlet in the thick sides of the steamer, except the small portholes, through which no man could squeeze.

Forty persons were drowned while attempting to cross a river in Senegal.

Christian Convention.

Cincinnati, O., Oct. 16.—It is estimated that there are over 10,000 visitors here in attendance on the jubilee convention of the missionary society and boards of the Christian church. The sessions will continue until next Thursday night. Nearly all of the pulpits of this city and vicinity were filled by the visiting clergymen of the jubilee convention. Yesterday afternoon communion services were celebrated in music hall and at the three large overflow meetings in churches.

President at Sioux City.

Sioux City, Iowa, Oct. 16.—Sunday has been a quiet day for the presidential party. President and Mrs. McKinley, with some members of the cabinet, attended the First Methodist church, which was crowded to suffocation. The sermon was delivered by the pastor, Rev. Robert Bagnell. After leaving the First church the party was conducted by members of the local committee to the Sunday-school of the Whitfield Methodist church.

As we love fairness, so let us extend it to others.

A West Indian Hurricane

Recently travelled up the coast at will, and acted in an entirely different manner from any other storm. Sometimes dyspepsia acts in the same way. It refuses to yield to treatment which has cured similar cases. Then Hostetter's Stomach Bitters should be taken. It has cured stomach trouble for half a century.

One's tongue can create either mirth or misery.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. See E. W. Grove's signature on each box.

Help your friends while they are above the ground.

SWANSON'S "5 DROPS"

is the sun of the sick room. It has saved the public, in less than five years, more money than the national debt of this country, when you measure the value of health restored, suffering humanity relieved of its agonies and diseases. Money which otherwise would have been expended in funerals, doctors' and drug bills, loss of labor, etc. If you have never used it, do not fail to send for at least a trial bottle.

Swanson's "5 Drops" never fails to cure. It has cured and is curing millions of people afflicted with Acute and Chronic Rheumatism, Sciatica, Neuralgia, Asthma, La Grippe and Catarrh of all kinds. "5 Drops" has never failed to cure these diseases, when used as directed. It will cure you. Try it. Price of large sized bottle \$1.00, sent on receipt of price, charges prepaid; 25c sample bottle sent free on receipt of 10c to pay for mailing. Agents wanted. Swanson's Rheumatic Cure Company, No. 164 Lake street, Chicago, Ill.

A courteous man, like a beacon light, is something admirable.

"He is Wise Who Talks But Little."

This is only a half truth. If wise men had held their tongues, we should know nothing about the circulation of the blood. If it were not for this advertisement you might never know that Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best blood medicine.

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Never Disappoints

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"NEW RIVAL" SHOTGUN SHELLS.

Loaded with Black Powder. Superior to all other brands for

RELIABILITY AND STRONG SHOOTING.

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Worth \$4 to \$8 compared with other makes.

Indorsed by over 1,000,000 wearers.

ALL LEATHERS. ALL STYLES. THE GENUINE have W. L. Douglas's name and price stamped on bottom.

Take no substitute claimed to be as good. Largest makers of \$3 and \$3.50 shoes in the world. Your dealer should keep them—if not, we will send you a pair on receipt of price. State kind of leather, size and width, plain or cap toe.

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(Teething Powders.)

Costs only 25 Cents. If not found at your Druggist's, mail 25 cents to

C. J. MOFFETT, M. D., St. Louis, Mo.

A. B. Stroud, Grantville, Ga., writes: "You have given the baby world a priceless boon in your TEETHINA (Teething Powders). Thanks to you our little darling to whom we have given TEETHINA, is fat and cheerful."

JOHN M. SMYTH CO.

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THIS EXTRA HIGH-BACK ROCKER

\$2.35



Surely a marvel for the money. Only that we buy Furniture in bigger lots than any other Mail Order House, it couldn't be done.

This extra high back, deep seated, roomy Rocker is made of thoroughly seasoned rock elm, finished in a rich dark shade. Its main feature lies in its extreme size. The total width of the saddle seat is 23 inches. The seven wide, flat spindles connecting with the ornamentally carved top are curved conforming to the back of the person using it, thus affording comfort. The arms are large and rounding and the height of back is 31 inches. It is a strong, as well as an elegant Rocker that ordinarily would sell for double our price.

\$2.35

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They are always good.

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OPIUM and WHISKEY Habits cured at home without pain. Book of particulars free. B. M. WOOLLEY, M. D., Atlanta, Ga. Agents Wanted You can earn \$50 per mo. handling our Portraits and Frames. Write for terms C. B. Anderson & Co. 372 Elm St. Dallas, Tex.

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BROWN'S IRON TONIC IS WHAT YOU WANT. You need it after the long heated term to increase your appetite and give you strength. Ask your druggist. \$1.00 a bottle. When Answering Advertisements Kindly Mention This Paper.

JOHN BULL'S REPLY

Cannot Consider Ultimatum Sent by the Transvaal.

THE WAR HAS PROBABLY BEGUN

All Indications Render It Almost a Certainty That Hostilities Have Commenced in that Far-Away Land.

Cape Town, Oct. 13.—The reply of the imperial government to the Transvaal ultimatum is published here. It was accompanied by instructions to Mr. rGeene, British diplomatic agent at Pretoria, to ask for his passports. The reply was publicly read by a magistrate at the evening parade of the town guard here and evoked loyal and enthusiastic demonstrations.

Cecil Rhodes has arrived at Kimberley.

A panic has broken out at Vryburg and a hurried exodus has begun, owing to British refugees from the Transvaal declaring that a large force of Boers was advancing on the town. The rumor that Newcastle had been occupied by the Boers is without confirmation.

Mr. Hofmeier and other prominent members of the Afrikanerbund, have issued a circular appealing for subscriptions for the relief of the widows and families of burghers killed in the Transvaal.

The position of the Orange Free State at the present juncture is peculiar. While the Transvaal has virtually declared war, technically Great Britain and the Free State are on friendly terms.

It is alleged that the Free State Boers have been endeavoring to induce the Basutes to cross the Caledon river and consent to a conference in the belief that they favor the Transvaal, but it is understood that the Basutes ridicule the idea. At a late meeting of the paramount chief of the tribe with the resident commissioner of Mazru, the chief was most pronounced in announcing the firm loyalty of the Basutes, and although pleasant words may have been exchanged, the authorities are confident that an alliance between the Boers and Basutes is impossible.

Kruger's Thanks.

London, Oct. 13.—As a pendant to his dispatch to America, President Kruger has cabled the Transvaal European agent as follows from Pretoria, under date of Oct. 11:

"Please convey the heartfelt thanks of the public government of the South African republic to their friends in England for the courageous way in which they have defended the cause of right. Whatever the outcome may be the two republics will always gratefully bear in mind the assistance and support shown them in these critical days."

War Probably Begun.

London, Oct. 13.—Official confirmation of the announcement that the Orange Free State burghers have entered Natal by way of Vanreens Pass is at hand. It leaves no further room for doubt that acts of war have already been committed, and that the campaign has begun.

News of an invasion on the northern border is as also generally accepted as reliable.

Race Problem Discussed.

Huntsville, Ala., Oct. 13.—The two foremost negroes of the country and a representative white man of the South, talked plainly and fearlessly on the race problem to-day to the delegates attending the Southern Industrial convention. Anticipating the discussion of this subject the Huntsville opera house was crowded when the morning session began, by delegates, their friends and representative citizens from the northern part of the state.

The cause of the negro was upheld by Prof. Booker T. Washington, president of Tuskegee normal school, and Wm. H. Council, principal of the Agricultural and Mechanical college at Normal, Ala. The views of these two men are well known. Prof. Washington believes the ignorant negroes should not be allowed to vote, but favors placing the same restriction upon the illiterate white man. Prof. Council wants the negro eliminated from politics and his education as an industrial factor.

President's Position.

Washington, Oct. 13.—The following official statement was issued by the state department:

"The president has received a large number of petitions signed by many citizens of distinction requesting him to tender the mediation of the United States to settle the differences existing between the government of Great Britain and the Transvaal. He has received other petitions on the same subject, some of them desiring him to make common cause with Great Britain to redress the wrongs alleged to have been suffered by the Uitlanders and especially by the Americans in the Transvaal and others wishing him to assist the Boers against alleged aggression. It is understood that the president does not think it expedient to take any action in any of these directions. As to taking sides with either party to the dispute, it is not to be thought of. As to mediation, the president has received no intimation from either of the countries interested that mediation of the United States would be accepted, and in the absence of such intimation from both parties, there is nothing in the rules of international usage to justify an offer of mediation in the present circumstances. It is understood that the president hopes and desires that hostilities may be avoided; that if, unfortunately, they should come to pass, the efforts of this government will be directed—as they are at present—to seeing that neither of our national interests, nor those of our citizens shall suffer unnecessary injury."

Reply to Ultimatum.

London, Oct. 13.—Following is the text of the British reply to the Boer ultimatum:

"Chamberlain to Milner, high commissioner, sent 10:45 a. m., Oct. 10, 1899. Her majesty's government has received with great regret the peremptory demands of the South African Republic, conveyed in your telegram of Oct. 9. You will inform the government of the South African Republic in reply that the conditions of the demand by the South African Republic are such to her majesty's government that we deem it impossible to discuss them."

Steyn to Burghers.

Cape Town, Oct. 13.—President Steyn of the Orange Free State has issued a proclamation to the Free State burghers in which he says:

"Our sister republic is about to be attacked by a unscrupulous enemy who has long looked for a pretext to annihilate the Afrikaners. Our people are bound to the Transvaal by ties as well as by formal treaty."

President Steyn declares solemnly in the presence of the Almighty that he is compelled to resist the power of the enemy owing to the injustice done his kith and kin. Solemn obligations, he declares, have not protected the Transvaal against the annexation conspiracy, and when its independence ceases, the Free State dies as an independent state.

Pearl Hart Escaped.

Tucson, Ariz., Oct. 13.—Pearl Hart, the female stage robber incarcerated here awaiting trial on an indictment in the United States court, broke jail yesterday morning by cutting an 18-inch opening through the wall. It is supposed she had a confederate and is attired in male attire. She had declared that she would never submit to being tried under laws that neither she nor her sex had a voice in making.

Enemy Left.

Manila, Oct. 13.—Gen. Young with two battalions of the twenty-fourth infantry, nine troops of the fourth cavalry and the scouts of the thirty-seventh infantry, left Santa Ana yesterday morning and occupied Aryat at 9 o'clock after a skirmish lasting half an hour.

The enemy, estimated at 300 men, retreated toward Magalan. The swampy character of the country prevented the use of cavalry. The enemy set the town on fire and succeeded in burning a small section.

Preparations Excellent.

Cape Town, Oct. 13.—Wednesday the carriages containing women and children, but not a single white man except sick ministers, were dispatched from Mafeking. The preparations for the defense of Mafeking are excellent. It is reported by natives of Mafeking that they were robbed of money by the Boers at Malmant.

Deed Done in Dallas Depot.

Dallas, Tex., Oct. 16.—George Lewis, a negro, was shot and instantly killed last night by John J. Reeves of Mount Pleasant, Tex.

The killing occurred in the waiting room of the Santa Fe-Cotton Belt depot shortly after 10 o'clock in the presence of about 300 people. Three shots were fired, two taking effect in the body and the other passing through the upper jaw.

Reeves accompanied by his wife and niece and a party of townspeople, came from their home at Mount Pleasant yesterday at the fair. It was their intention to return home last night on a 10:30 train. Accordingly they made their way to the depot and found the waiting room crowded with outgoing excursionists. After some delay Mrs. Reeves secured a seat, and it is alleged, was approached by Lewis, who claimed she had appropriated his position. She paid no attention to his demands. He again approached and attempted to eject her, in the meantime addressing to her insulting language. Reeves coming up at this time and seeing the negro's actions and hearing his words, drew his revolver and fired three shots in rapid succession.

Adopted Texas Flag.

Austin, Tex., Oct. 16.—At a mass-meeting of the students of the University of Texas held Saturday afternoon in the auditorium of the university, Acting President Prather introduced the following resolution:

"Resolved, by the faculty and students of the University of Texas, in mass-meeting assembled, that we adopt the Texas flag as the banner of the University of Texas."

This resolution was unanimously and enthusiastically adopted. President Prather said:

"As the educational institution of the state which draws its patronage from all the people and from every section of Texas, and which owes its existence and perpetuation to the munificence of the fathers of the state, there is a peculiar appropriateness to this action of the university people."

Better Business.

Corsicana, Tex., Oct. 16.—A banking house in this city reports collections unusually good this season and in evidence of it cites the fact that since the beginning of the fall season they have collected unmatured obligations to the amount of \$90,000, the obligations being of the "on or before" class, and they have been paid in advance of maturity by the obligations rather than to continue paying interest. This evidence of prosperity is not the only one in Navarro county, as all business men here claim business to be better this year than it has been for fifteen years in the past.

Gnawed by Rats.

Paris, Tex., Oct. 16.—Justice of the Peace Love returned from the Shiloh community, where he went to hold an inquest on the infant of Dave Sackett, found dead in bed with its face mutilated. The parents were poor people engaged in picking cotton and slept in a small cabin. They testified that the house was infested with rats and they ran over the floor at nights and frequently ran across the bed. Justice Love is of the opinion that the infant was gnawed to death by the rats.

Competition between buyers caused the price of cotton seed to go up at Blossom Saturday from \$13 to \$15 per ton, and about twenty tons were disposed of at the latter figure.

Boy Accidentally Killed.

Fort Worth, Tex., Oct. 16.—Frank Deats, the 13-year-old son of Geo. W. Deats, foreman of the Texas and Pacific railway shops, met his death, the result of the accidental discharge of a pistol. While playing with some companions in his father's barn he handled a 32-caliber pistol, oblivious of the fact that it was loaded. The pistol was discharged, the ball entering just above the boy's left eye, causing his brains to ooze out and resulting in instant death.

New Secretary.

Paris, Tex., Oct. 16.—A. G. Irons, who has been secretary of the Young Men's Christian association at Hampton, Va., the past three years, has arrived in the city to accept the secretaryship of the Paris Y. M. C. A. The association has purchased a desirable lot on Lamar avenue adjoining the Federal building, and will begin the erection in a few days of commodious quarters, including a complete gymnasium.

Sensational Suicide.

Hillsboro, Tex., Oct. 13.—News from Abbott is to the effect that a wealthy farmer, living near there, invited some young people visiting the family to follow him to the barn and he would show them something unusual and highly sensational.

The invitation was accepted. The farmer preceded them to the barn, opened the door, walked into a stall, cut his throat with a razor, walked out with streams of blood gushing from his neck and fell dead at the door as the young people walked up.

The deceased was in fine spirits during the day and jovial at the time of the invitation and the young people anticipated fun instead of the tragedy. He left no statement and nothing is known of the cause superinducing the rash act. His surroundings were pleasant and business affairs prosperous.

Woodmen of the World.

Dallas, Tex., Oct. 13.—Delegations from many of the largest lodges in the state gathered in Dallas yesterday morning to observe Woodmen's day at the State fair. Beginning with a parade down town in the morning the programme for the day included speeches, singing, recitations and music at the fair grounds auditorium during the day, and ended with a cake walk, musical numbers and a ball at the same place last night.

The parade began at 9:30 o'clock. The Woodmen are proud of the showing they have made. Sovereign Adviser F. A. Falkenburg of Denver delivered an address upon "The Good of the Order." Frequently interrupted by cheers and laughter he spoke for nearly an hour.

Others made addresses.

Bold Deed.

Texarkana, Tex., Oct. 13.—A bold confidence game was perpetrated on a citizen in this city Wednesday night. The gentleman was passing through here on his way home, and while en route from one depot to another he was accosted by a stranger who began telling him about some counterfeiters that were in town. While the two men began to discuss the question at its height another man stepped up, impersonating an officer and placed the citizen under arrest on suspicion of being a counterfeiter. The first man then fled, and the "officer" took the citizen in charge. After leading him a short distance down the street he took about \$100 from him. The citizen was then abandoned by his assailant and went to town to hunt a policeman.

Passengers Shaken Up.

Houston, Tex., Oct. 13.—The Aransas Pass passenger train was run into by the incoming Southern Pacific train last evening as they came in. It occurred near Chaney Junction. Some damage was done to the rear coach of the Galveston, Houston and San Antonio train and some slight damage to engine.

It shook things up lively and several record-breaking leaps from cars were made. Passengers had to come to town on street cars.

Fingers Mashed Off.

Cleburne, Tex., Oct. 13.—Three railroad men, who have their homes here, had their index fingers mashed off. Dan Riley, at the shops, had his finger mashed by letting a heavy piece of iron fall on it; Charles Hardeman while making a coupling at Duncanville had his finger mashed so it necessitated amputation, and James Brodious, down the main line a few miles from town, had his finger mashed so badly it had to be amputated.

Health Department Advises.

Austin, Tex., Oct. 13.—The state health department was yesterday advised that small-pox is epidemic at Hondo, Felipe and Sabanis, all towns in the northern part of the state of Coahuila, Mexico, on the line of the Mexican International road.

Official advices received by the Texas health department show that there has been, up to last evening, fifty cases of yellow fever in New Orleans this season. Of this number twelve cases were fatal.

Champion Welcomed.

Decatur, Tex., Oct. 13.—With the shouts of 500 people, flying of flags and stirring music by Decatur's military band, Gus Pickett, the cattle roper, was met at the depot yesterday morning on his return from St. Louis, where last Saturday he met and defeated the expert lasso throwers of the country for a purse of \$700 and the championship of the world. He was mounted on a burro and a procession formed, followed by a reception.

Kentucky Day.

Dallas, Tex., Oct. 14.—The ex-Kentuckians were very much in evidence at the Texas State fair yesterday and many sons and daughters of the Blue Grass state took part in the programme.

Dr. John O. Scott of Sherman delivered an address on "The Orators of Kentucky." The address, which was quite long, abounded in word pictures, and was well received.

Ex-Congressman W. C. P. Breckinridge of Lexington, Ky., was the orator of the day. He was introduced by Col. P. B. Hunt of Dallas, who has known him from boyhood.

During his speech, which was attentively listened to and frequently applauded, Col. Breckinridge said, among other things:

"I have come to talk to you of a goodly land. I have come to ask you to walk with me around the bulwarks and to look at the towers and to admire the palaces erected by your ancestors and mine in that goodly land. I have come to talk to you of Kentucky and of what she has done and of what she has worked out for God and man in this goodly land, which, God having delighted in us, he did give to us and unto our children so that they might tell it to the generations that follow."

"I have not come to talk to you of the Kentucky that is ordinarily spoken of. I have not come to talk to you of the Kentucky of thoroughbred horses. I have not come to talk to you of the Kentucky of beautiful women or brave men in the ordinary sense of that word, nor of Bourbon whisky. If I could, I would delight to make you such a talk as did Pericles, when he came to deliver those famous, immortal words over the dead of the Peloponnesian war. He did not tell of their deeds, he did not speak of the heroism of those dead soldiers, he did not draw pictures of those battles in which they fought and bled. But he told of the Athens of law and freedom."

"On the very year in which I was born the United States was asked to take Texas into the Union and we declined. Eight years afterwards they annexed Texas. We couldn't do it by treaty. We hear a great deal of the constitution. I love it and I believe in it, because there isn't a line in it from beginning to end that can't be made instinct with the hope of progress, and can't be used to justify the success of liberty when we marched forward, We annexed Texas by resolution. Think of what fifty-five years have produced. Who shall limit the future? Has the arm of the Lord straightened? Has the power of His sons diminished? Are our children to stand before some larger audience and speak of the triumphs of their fathers instead of the triumphs of themselves? We hear that this is a military age. I am glad that I lived, when Lee won and Forrest charged; that I lived when the rough riders went up Santiago's hill."

Report Received.

Austin, Tex., Oct. 14.—The railroad commission has received the annual report of the Gulf and Interstate railway for the year ending June 30, which shows as follows: Gross earnings from operation, \$115,931.14; operating expenses, \$110,105.90; income from operation, \$5,825.24. Interest on funded debt accrued, \$9350.04; other interest accrued, \$15,068.99; taxes, \$4075.88; amount paid for transferring cars between Port Bolivar and Galveston, \$13,960. Total charges on income \$42,454.97. Deficit for the year, \$36,629.67.

The street car strike at San Antonio has been settled.

Body Found.

Dallas, Tex., Oct. 14.—A man who proved to be James P. Woods of Fort Worth was found dead early yesterday morning beneath the trestle on the Texas and Pacific road near the western city limits. The back of his head was crushed in and his body was covered with bruises and contusions. When discovered he had probably been dead several hours.

A workman living in the outskirts of the city was coming across the trestle and made the ghastly discovery.

Two Convicted.

Ablene, Tex., Oct. 14.—In the district court a negro girl was convicted of theft of property of the value of \$50 and sentenced to two years' imprisonment in the penitentiary. The girl is a mulatto and small of her age. The offense for which she was tried, however, was an aggravated one. The girl's stepfather was tried for complicity in the same crime and given ten years in the penitentiary. The testimony showed a burglarizing of the residence of Hon. Fred Cockrell.

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In the name of the State of Texas,
County of Coke.

To all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the state of Texas and County of Coke for taxes, to-wit:

Lot No. 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 in Block No. 40 in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$1.09 for state taxes, and \$3.02 for county taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said county, No. 258, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of Coke county and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee, in said County on the and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, this 28th day of July, 1899.

(SEAL) J. W. Barnett, Clerk, District Clerk, Coke Co., Texas.

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County of Coke.

To all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the state of Texas and county of coke for taxes, to-wit:

Lot No. 1 in Block No. 4 in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for the following amounts: \$0.27 for state taxes and \$0.59 for county taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said county, No. 259, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of Coke Co. and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee in said county, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, this 28th day of July 1899.

(SEAL) J. W. Barnett, District Clerk, Coke County, Texas.

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County of Coke.

To all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of coke for taxes, to-wit:

Lot No. 7 in Block No. 31, in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$0.75 for State taxes and \$2.34 for County taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said County, No. 254 and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of Coke county and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee in said County, on the

And show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit. Given under my hand and seal of said court, this 28th day of July, 1899.

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County of Coke.

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Lot No. 2, 9, 11, 12 in Block No. 23, in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$1.84 for State taxes, and \$4.09 for County taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said county, No. 256, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of Coke county and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee in said county, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, this 28th day of July, 1899.

(SEAL) J. W. Barnett, District Clerk, Coke county, Texas.

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In the name of the State of Texas,
County of Coke.

To all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of coke for taxes, to-wit:

Lot Nos. 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, all in Block No. 30, in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for the following amounts: \$1.23 for State taxes, and \$5.07 for county taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said county, No. 253, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of coke county and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee in said county, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, this 28th day of July, 1899.

(SEAL) J. W. Barnett, District clerk, coke county, Texas.

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In the name of the State of Texas,
County of Coke.

To all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of Coke for taxes, to-wit:

Lots No. 2, 4, 5, 8 in Block No. 42 in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$1.05 for state taxes and \$1.71 for county taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said county, No. 260, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of Coke county and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee in said county, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

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County of Coke.

To all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of coke for taxes, to-wit:

Lots No. 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12 in Block No. 43 in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for the following amounts: \$1.29 for State taxes, and \$2.40 for County taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said county, No. 261, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of Coke county and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee in said county, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

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County of Coke.

To all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of Coke for taxes, to-wit:

Lots No. 1, 10 and 23 in Block No. 43 in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$0.75 for state taxes and \$1.47 for county taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said county, No. 255, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of Coke county and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of

Robert Lee in said county, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, this 28th day of July 1899.

(SEAL) J. W. Barnett, District Clerk, Coke County, Texas.

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In the name of the State,
County of Coke.

To all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and County of Coke for taxes, to-wit:

Lot No. 15 in Block No. 44 in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for the following amounts: \$0.26 for state taxes and \$0.38 for county taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said County, No. 262 and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of Coke County and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee in said County, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, this 29th day of July 1899.

(SEAL) J. W. Barnett, District Clerk, Coke County Texas.

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In the name of the state of Texas and county of Coke.

To all persons owning or having, or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and County of Coke for taxes to-wit:

Lots No. 11 and 17 in Block No. 45, in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$0.23 for state taxes, and \$0.31 for county taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the state for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said county, No. 260, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next term, 1899, of the District Court of coke co. and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee, in said county; and show cause why judgment shall be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, this 29th day of July, 1899.

(SEAL) J. W. Barnett, clerk, District clerk Coke county, TEXAS.

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In the name of the State of Texas,
County of Coke.

To all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of Coke for taxes, to-wit:

Lots No. 7, 8, 9, in Block No. 28, in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for the following amounts: \$0.32 for state taxes and \$0.78 for county taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said county, No. 251, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of Coke county and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee in said county, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, this 28th day of July 1899.

(SEAL) J. W. Barnett, District Clerk, Coke county, Tex.

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County of Coke.

To all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of Coke for taxes, to-wit:

Lots No. 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 in Block No. 43 in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$1.00 for state taxes and \$2.32 for county taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on

the Docket of the District Court of said county, No. 264, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of Coke county and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee in said county, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

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County of Coke.

To all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of Coke for taxes to-wit:

Lots No. 7, 9, 11, in Block No. 29, in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$0.32 for state taxes and \$1.17 for county taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said county, No. 252, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of Coke county and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee in said county, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

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County of Coke.

To all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of Coke for taxes, to-wit:

Lot No. 7, 10, 11, 12 in Block No. 37, in the town of Robert Lee, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts: \$0.77 for State taxes; and \$1.47 for county taxes.

And you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, which suit is numbered on the Docket of the District Court of said county, No. 257, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the next Term, 1899, of the District Court of coke county and State of Texas, to be begun and holden in the town of Robert Lee in said county, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

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(SEAL) J. W. Barnett, District clerk, coke county, Texas.

Real Estate Transfers.

W. T. Carley and wife to T. J. Rannels all interest in 1-2 locative interest of the J. M. Whittaker survey 1289 acres and all interest in survey No. 7, B, S and F, 610. Consideration \$4700.

T. J. Rannels and wife to Ben Anderson all interest in 1-2 locative interest of the J. M. Whittaker survey 1289 acres and all interest in Survey No. 7, B, S, and F, 640. Consideration \$17,000.

George Harris and wife to A. P. Stone a lot containing 1.3 acre in town of Bronte. Consideration \$25.

G. W. Martin and wife to T. D. Wright Lots No. 8 and 9, block No. 2, Robert Lee, for \$600.

Don Green to Sam Wright 1-2 interest in Block C, A. N. L. and Coke County addition to Robert Lee, for \$25.

E. C. Good to J. B. Hearrell Survey No. 12, in name of E. C. Engledow, containing 363 1/2 acres, also survey 2 1-2 J. W. ley 114 acres for \$955.

B. F. Montgomery and wife to I. C. Williams 3 4 interest in block J, A, N, L and Coke county addition to Robert Lee for \$300.

Wm. Kellar to S. P. Melish survey No. 210 and 202, school

land, block No. 1a, H. & T. C. R. R., for \$1000.

B. F. Meek and wife to J. A. Green, lots Nos. 3, 4, and 5 in block 62, in Robert Lee, for \$200.

D. H. Allen and wife to E. Menielle 160 acres school land part part of survey No. 481, Block 1a, H. & T. C. R. R., for \$200.

G. S. Adams to J. T. Culp 130 acres school land, part of survey No. 434, H. & T. C. R. R., for \$200.

J. A. Good to J. C. Arnett, section 152, block 2, H. & T. C. R. R. school land, for \$500.

Carrie R. Allen to E. Menielle 80 acres pre-emption, for \$50.

G. C. Berryman and wife to W. C. Barron 320 acres school land north 1-2 section No. 380, block 1a, H. & T. C. R. R., for \$500.

J. F. Shook to J. A. Shook 160 acres school land N. W. 1-4, Sec. 454, block 1a, H. & T. C. R. R. for \$450.

J. W. Kidd and wife to W. C. Merchant, lots No. 1 and 2, block No. 22, Robert Lee, \$50.

J. T. Hamilton and wife to I. C. Williams 1-4 interest in Block J, A, N, L and Coke county addition to Robert Lee, for \$80.

C. L. Hughes to J. J. Fry 14 1-2 acres in block T, A, N, L, and Coke county addition to Robert Lee, for \$130.

Don Green and wife to L. B. Murray et al, lots 3, 4, 5 and 6, in block 34, Robert Lee, for \$300.

Don Green and wife to L. B. Murray et al lot No. 2, block No. 34, Robert Lee, for \$10.

Cedar Hill.

Dear RUSTLER.
A good rain would be greatly appreciated in this part of the moral vineyard.

Bro. Berryman filled his appointment at Cedar Hill on last Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Orpha and Tettie Jameson, were received into the church by letter, on Sunday.

Mr. Newton and Miss Lola Tanehill accompanied by Mr. Arthur Hayley, were visiting friends at Cedar Hill last Saturday and Sunday. Arthur said he was on his way to New Mexico.

J. R. Tubb, who has been living at Rockport for nearly two years, has returned to Coke and is now living with his brother, J. A. Tubb.

T. P. Strickland sold a bale of cotton in Colorado City last week.

W. A. Stokes has gone to Colorado with cotton this week. Cotton is about all picked out. The cotton crop is very short.

Wm. Green is having a well drilled this week.

Mr. C. C. Cooper of Iolanthe will teach the Cedar Hill School, will open the last Monday in Oct.

Nelson Padgett is pasturing 50 head of cattle for J. I. Westfall at 20 cts. per head.

Billie Dalton is pasturing 40 head of cattle for Will Jameson at 15 cts per head. Mr. Jameson is wanting pasture for more of his stock.

Cow feed will be in demand this winter.

The singing at J. A. Tubbs Sunday night, was well attended. Tom Brown was smiling on the girls at Cedar Hill last Sunday.

Several of Silver's fine looking girls attended church at Cedar Hill Sunday.

Mr. James Padgett of Silver, was married the 14 to Miss Gates of Seury County.

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