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Night Thieves at Palestine.

Palestine, Tex., Oct. 2.—Nocturnal prowlers have been busy in this city during the past week. Tuesday night the family of Mr. Lawhorn, who lives at the corner of Queen and Kolstad streets, discovered that \$35 had been taken from a bureau drawer by some unknown thief. The identity of the lifter nor any clew to him is not known. Last Saturday night a family living on Johns street on returning in the evening from a visit to neighbors found a prowler in their kitchen. The man made his escape and nothing was missing. Wednesday night the Avenue drug store was entered by breaking in the front glass door, and the burglar got \$5 in change and small quantities of tobacco, chewing gum, ect. Likewise his identity is unknown.

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Grapeland, Texas

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Resolutions of Respect.

At a stated meeting of the Grapeland Lodge No. 473 A. F. & A. M., the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted upon the death of W. J. Chaffin.

Whereas, the Supreme Architect of the Universe in his wisdom has been pleased to remove from our midst our worthy brother, W. J. Chaffin, therefore be it

Resolved, That while we bow our heads in humble submission to him who doeth all things for the best, we feel that in the death of Bro. Chaffin we have lost a zealous and devoted member, his family a devoted father and the community one of its best citizens.

Bro. Chaffin was born in Illinois in 1829; came to Texas with his parents in the twelfth year of his age and grew to manhood in Anderson county; was married to Miss Rebecca Parker in 1848 and moved to Houston county where he remained until his death, which occurred on the 11th, day of September 1908. Bro. Chaffin was made a master mason in Providence Lodge, No. 400, in 1850, where he had his membership until the organization of the Grapeland Lodge in 1877, of which he was a member at his death. Therefore,

Resolved, That his family be furnished a copy of these resolutions and that they be spread upon the minutes of the lodge and that a copy be furnished the Grapeland Messenger for publication.

Resolved that the lodge be draped in mourning and that the brethren wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

J. F. Martin,
Jas. Owens,
A. L. Brown.

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To Patrons of Enon School.

Our school will open Monday Oct. 12th. We hope that we can have a good enrollment from the first. It is necessary that we have the co-operation of all the patrons if we expect to accomplish anything. I would like to meet all the patrons and especially the trustees, at the school house on the morning of opening. Let the pupils bring the old books with them, which will be used for a few days, until each can secure new ones.

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Owing to the natural conditions, location and variety of soil in Bee County, it follows that the range of products is necessarily extensive, and of such character as to make it adapted to the demands of the farmer, no matter from what portion of the United States he may come.

Practically every crop grown and harvested in the various states of the Union, with the exception of wheat, barley and rye, may be successfully cultivated, and with profit, in Bee county. So harmonious are the conditions that as many as five of the world's prime products may be raised to a complete fruition in the same field. Cotton, corn sugar cane and oats produce abundantly, and the splendid fertility of the soil is taxed but little in the process.

Long summers of growing weather, mild winters and a general permit the practice of months of the year.

husbandry for nearly twelve months of the year. There is scarce a day that work may not be carried on in the field. Aside from the conditions which environ the cultivation of prime crops, and here the agriculturist may make his choice as to the variety, the opportunities for the raising and shipping of early fruits and vegetables are infinite. The southern latitude and comparative freedom from frosts of Bee county enables the growers to cultivate the tender varieties of vegetables and ship to more northern markets long before seed has begun to germinate in the vicinity of St. Louis, Chicago, St. Paul, or any of the other cities of the Middle West.

The development of this industry has been steadily augmented during the past few years until shipments are now being made by the car load through Houston and San Antonio to the consumers in other states, and the trade is in its infancy. What the locations enjoy in the matter of early vegetables in the spring they also enjoy in the fall. As late as November 15 and 30 the irrigated gardens of Bee county are green with furting tomato vines,

potatoes, cabbage, cauliflower, lettuce, radish and all the varieties of garden truck which so delight the soul and appetite of the vegetarian.

The yield is in proportion to the effort and the labor expended. The quickness of growth in Bee county is amazing. A branch of a grape vine grew forty-six feet in a single year and produced heavily. Figs grow well and produce large crops yearly. The opportunities in this direction are splendid, as five year old trees often yield 400 pounds of fruit, which may be dried or preserved at a profit of \$30 to the tree. The establishment of canning factories will make fig cultivation a splendid asset, as this delightful fruit is always in demand, and in Bee county it practically takes care of itself.

The cauliflower when carefully cultivated produces generously. A farmer near Beeville received \$900 from a single acre. It is sown early in July, set out in August, and may be marketed in the latter part of December.

Cabbages are now being extensively cultivated in the Coast alone sold \$100,000 worth of this vegetable. They are planted in September.

The Creole and White JJune onions are as successfully grown in Bee county as around New Orleans. They mature in April, just when northern onions are sprouting, and the demand is unlimited. Two hundred dollars an acre, net, is considered an average profit, but much larger sums have been made when greater care and cultivation has been given the crop.

The melon crop is a very important and profitable one. Bee county realized from 230 acres last year the handsome sum of \$32,966. This county was equally successful with garden truck, as it reports 399 acres valued at \$80,000.

When and What to Plant.

A truck farm may and should have something growing on it every month of the year. And this is as much as need be said about the climate. In order to have this the sowing should be done as follows:

November—To start now—cabbage, spinach, peas, onions, etc., and red oats, clover, alfalfa, lettuce, turnips and radishes.

December—Peas, carrots, cabbage, radishes and parsley. Lat-

ter part of the month potatoes may do.

January—Turnips, lettuce, cauliflower, peas, potatoes and transplant onions, shallots and cabbage.

February—Beets, mustard, leek, peas, beans, main crop of potatoes and early corn.

March—Beans, squash, cucumbers, melons and okra. Potatoes may still be planted; also corn, sorghum and millet.

April—All tender vegetables may now be sown, and plants from hot beds, tomatoes and peppers set out; also sweet potatoes, millet, corn beans and okra.

May—During this month very few vegetables can be sown, but where potatoes, onions and other crops have been taken off, corn, melons, cucumbers, squash, pumpkins, etc., may be planted; also some varieties of cabbage, late Italian cauliflower, sweet potatoes, cow peas, sorghum and black eyed peas.

June—If the weather is favorable plant and sow same as in May, but the most of the time will be demanded by the growing crop.

July—Bush and pole beans, corn, sweet potatoes, millet, broom corn, cow peas, etc., may still be planted, and seeds of cabbage, cauliflower, etc., should be sold in cold frames; for the fall garden sow cow peas.

August—Carrots, celery, potatoes, shallots, millet and peas.

September—Early peas, beans, parsnip, salsify, kale and spinach. Set out cabbage, etc.

October—Onions, marrowfat peas, cow peas, salsify and oats may be sown.

The average net profits per acre from tomatoes, according to the reports given by experimental farmers, is from \$300 to \$400; onions, \$250 to \$400; strawberries, \$150 to \$300; peas, \$100 to \$200; snap beans, \$100; sweet potatoes, \$150; Irish potatoes, \$150; radishes, \$150; spring markets when there is no competition, and their comparative proximity to the body of consumers gives them great and permanent advantages over the Californians.

The strawberry season opens early, and about thirty days in advance of all competition. The black sandy lands of Bee county are well adapted to this berry, and the annual net returns for some years have been \$1000 to every threeacres of berries. The blackberry grows over a much turnips, \$100; cauliflower, \$400;

cabbage, \$300; peaches, \$150; pears in full bearing from \$100 to \$250.

In regard to the cultivation of grapes, the Beeville district and the valley of the Rio Grande is, so far as known, the only part of the republic east of California where the finest European grapes attain the greatest perfection. As they ripen here from four to six weeks earlier than in California, the viticulturist of this coast have the run of the larger territory, and by many has been found to be more profitable than the strawberry. Strawberry picking and shipping begins about the middle or latter part of January, and not later than February 15, and the early berries often bring \$1 per quart in the northern markets. The shipping season lasts about three months. One man reported that he had gathered 1000 quarts of ripe berries from one acre in one day. Another who said he was only an amateur in gathering, reported that he made \$300 per acre profit on strawberries last season. On one acre of land a crop of celery was raised and was tended only by the owner, which sold for \$1000. The celery grown here is ready for market about the time the northern crop is exhausted.

If you are interested in such lands as these, C. W. Hahl, of Houston, will be glad to furnish you further information. Write to him for illustrated booklet about Beeville lands.

Hope and Despair.

The whitest foam dances upon the darkest billows, and the stars shine the brightest when surrounded by the blackest clouds, even as a diamond pin glistens with the greatest effulgence when fastened upon the ebony bosom of an Ethiopian wench. So hope mirrors its most brilliant rays in the dark wave of despair, and happiness is never so complete as when visited by the ministers of mercy. These ups and downs in the pathway of man's existence are all for the best, and yet he allows them to vex and torment his peace till he bursts the boiler of his rage and scalds his own toes.

I have no doubt but the common run of people would like to have a railroad built from here to the grave, and go through by steam, but if they all worked as

easy as I do in life's galling collar, they would have things just as they are—some ups and some downs, some sweet and some bitter, some sunshine and some storm—because they constitute a variety. I wouldn't give a shinplaster penny to have the road of existence perfectly level, for I should soon become tired of a dull sameness of prospect, and make myself miserable in the idea that I must experience no material change, either for better or for worse. Plum pudding is a most excellent stuff to wind off a dinner with, but all plum pudding would be worse than nothing at all. So you see, the troubles and trials of life are absolutely necessary to enable us to judge rightly of genuine happiness, whenever it happens to enliven the saturnine region of the heart with its presence.

If we never were to have our jackets and shirts wet with the cold rain of misfortune, we could never know how good it feels to stand out and warm in the warm rays of comfort. You need not hesitate ever to travel through swamps of trouble for fear of sinking overhead in the mud of despondency, for despair is never quite despair. No, my friends, it never comes quit up to the mark in the most desperate cases. I know the prospects of man are sometimes most tormentingly conglomerous, but the clouds eventually clear away, his sky again becomes clear and quiescent as a basin of potato starch. His sun of ambition may be darkened, his moon of memory turned to blood and the star of his peace blotted from the firmament of his prospects; but he is not entirely a gone goose even in this situation. Those semi-celestials of light emfwyp fw celectial angels of light and loveliness, Hope and Fancy, will twine the sweetest of roses round his care-wrinkled brow; and while one whispers in his ear, "Don't give up the ship," other dresses up for him a bower of future happiness, and festoons it with the choicest of Elysian flowers. The very darkest cell of despair always has a gimlet hole to let the glory of his hope shine in, and dry up the tears of the poor prisoner of woe.

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The qualities which make a boy so indispensable to all departments of our modern life are not hard to distinguish or define. They are evident on the front of the boy's activity—his frankness and honesty, his versatility, and his abounding vitality and endurance, his teachableness, his obligingness, his good spirits, his readiness and enthusiasm for subordinate service. Because of these characteristic qualities, the right kind of a boy is a treasure to any employer. His cleverness and enthusiasm alone are a perpetual source of refreshments and help to a busy man.

The boy who is needed is the boy whose native moral quality has not been impaired by wrong thinking and wrong doing. He has honesty, obedience and loyalty in the glance of the eye and the inward feeling of his heart. There is something distinctly winning about his face and personality. He may be "green," inexperienced, awkward, at first, perhaps, but he is the kind of boy who is needed in the most earnest and important affairs, because his heart and will are pure and right. Details and learn—that every employer of methods are things which he can learn—these every employer knows. He has no false pride. He will take hold of his simple and subordinate duties with an enthusiasm that seems to quicken the whole business with its overflow. The proudest and most devoted employe of a great business concern is very likely to be the boy who takes care of the office and does the errand running. He is glad of a chance to serve, and, in due time, to rise.

Such is the boy who is needed everywhere in this busy and exacting world—not less in the educational and social world than in industrial and commercial life. His life will be as sincere and pure as the native disposition of the human heart before it has been seduced and corrupted. A good boy is a natural boy, and that is why we are drawn towards him, and feel the need of him, and get so much personal help out of his service and sympathy.—Selected.

The Worth of Friendship.

How fortunate some of us are in our friends—how blest in being able to share with others the manifold joys which make for life other than material comfort and pleasures such as comprise the summing up of the mob. There is the book whose message we know was meant for more than one story—the story from life which must be retold—the thought which so well expresses a sentiment we have often discussed together—experiences and incidents and scenes which are enjoyed again in review through the medium of close companionship—all a golden store of mutual appreciation. To the warm heart and receptive mind even life itself and the very air we breathe are ever increasing blessings—prized the more because shared with someone.

Emerson well says that "the only way to have a friend is to deserve one"—the which is final analysis of all human and heavenly equation. Much of that which passes for friendship is a pretense as devoid of its divine ichor as that semblance of love which Judas sold for a bit of silver. Insofar as concerns the world a friend is the man or woman who, to use the language of the street, goes through for us in time of need—who is fearless champion in our absence, and who not only believes in and defends but cheers and assists. These are noble attributes, and without them there could not be such word. He or she who is faithful and true as hooks of steel, and willing to bear half, is real friend of inestimable possession. But the world has still aneare and dearer interpretation which, as is given many of us to know, includes not only love and esteem, but understanding—twin sense of common sympathy which thrives only in spiritual soil—that touch of nature akin, whereby we multiply our joys and temper grief—and of which that still living admonition of Socrates to "Oblige with all your soul that friend who has made you a present of his own" is the true test. Friendship of this kind not only blesses, but incites to better and higher attainment—for if held for long it must be deserved. To feel and know, forever and aye, is friendship—to recognize without sign and commune without speech—like to be born of kindred weaknesses and virtues; but none the less an ideal relation.

And the world is cursed with insincerity—with outward show and harlot's tears. Be true to your friend—as you must, if true to yourself. Choose so you may be judged by them without shame—as the world will. Live so as to lay up greater store—if you can find. There is no more precious treasure for today nor higher heritage for the future, than a friend.

As the big beef packers at the Chicago stock yards and the farmers of Illinois, Iowa and other western states are engaged in a battle royal over the price of beef pork and mutton, and the consumer all over the United States are getting the worst of it—just as the innocent bystanders usually do. The packers, having boosted prices to the consumers, are now endeavoring to beat down the prices they pay to the farmers. To the lay delegate it looks as though the beef trust was trying to play the middle against both ends, gaining a profit from both the consumer and the farmer.

Church Problems.

Many are calling on the church to assert itself for the benefit of the new century. The sry is that the church should accept the findings of science and the tendencies of democracy. Many, perhaps most, of the criticisms are surly and ill-informed. The critics ask too much and ask it harshly. They forget the long history of selfishness on the part of the Roman Catholic church, which supremely among institutions has dealt frankly with poverty and has never averted her face from the people. Her pale heroines are in the slums of the world. Her priests have been among the friends of the race. And the Protestant has strewn many lands with good works. It has been bold in utterance and swift to aid, and has helped to base charity upon results. And not only that. The church has never lacked nor does it lack for individual souls with the "practice of the presence of God," in the old mystic phrase.

But it has seemed to many that the church of today is deficient in its understanding of the world wide social awakening. The forces of righteousness are making a spirited advance against congestion, disease, poverty, overwork, child labor and ill treatment of women in industry; but in all this such cognizance as has been taken by the church has had no deep effect. At the very time when the most unexpected and average man is becoming stirred with the new glories that pierce and frighten, the church croons in a minor key to an age that is dying. Voices make themselves heard with the authority that is always granted to fair-mindedness and the absence of the note of bitterness. From inside the church which they love, in entirely good humor, they are pleading for a more open and inspiring policy. We may instance the letter of a group of Italian priests, entitled "What We Want," the book of Pastor Kuter of Zurich, Switzerland, called "They Must," and the stirring but gentle book of Prof. Rauschenbusch, of Rochester Theological Seminary, entitled "Christianity and the Social Crisis"—such publications, issuing from the heart of the church, mean that both Roman Catholicism and Protestantism will adapt themselves to the present social and intellectual tendencies, or that a new cleavage will come inside the ranks of the orthodox.—Collier's Weekly.

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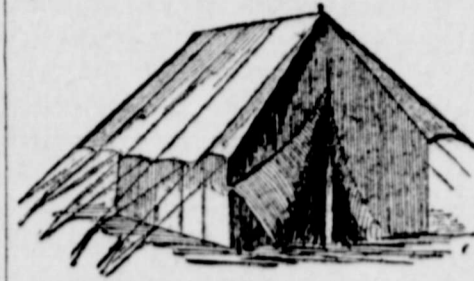
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What has become of the proposition of laying the principal roads leading out of Grapeland? We do not hear much of it these days.

Keep your ear to the ground and listen. We have it that great things are going to happen in Grapeland in the next few months.

Knock the knocker, boost the booster, and help Grapeland grow. We don't want a spasmodic boom, but a good substantial growth like we have been enjoying for several years.

Tear loose from that dollar right now, and donate it to the Bryan campaign fund. You won't miss it a hundred years hence. Besides it is the duty of every good democrat to help pay the expenses of the campaign.

The Grapeland country knows no bounds when it comes to resources. We heard of one man who dreamed that he could have a fortune by simply going to a certain spot and digging. He dug and found \$24,602 buried in the clay.

J. D. Ford, editor of the Timpson Times, died last week from an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Ford was known all over the United States as the "Dollar mayor of Timpson Texas," and recently came into national prominence by donating his year's salary to the Bryan campaign fund. Editor Ford will be greatly missed by the newspaper fraternity of Texas.

From standing grain in the field to well baked biscuits in twenty-two minutes was the record made in converting the raw material into the manufactured product at Waitsburg, Wash, a few days ago. This is said to beat the previous record held by a Minneapolis mill, by twenty-nine minutes. The Minneapolis record was made several years ago, and might be improved on at this time, but until the Minnesota farmers begin using combined harvesters and other up-to-date machinery such as has made the Pacific northwest famous the record will remain on this side of the Rocky mountains.—Portland Oregonian.

A writer of industrial progress has the following to say of the state railroad:—"State ownership of a railroad, with all of its advantages or disadvantages, as the case may be, is about to be tried in Texas. That commonwealth has been constructing what is known as the Rusk Penitentiary Road, which is rapidly approaching completion. It is to form a connecting link between the penitentiary and the Texas & New Orleans and the International & Great Northern roads. It will be used for both passenger and freight traffic, but its principal tonnage will consist of the products of

the penitentiary and the supplies for it. Another road is being built by the board to a sugar plantation owned by the penitentiary and connecting it with the Houston, Brazos and Northern Road, so as to enable it to handle the sugar crop to advantage. These two roads are considerable distance apart, but they are regarded as being the beginning of state railroad building and ownership in Texas."

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Preparation is the keynote to success. A preparation that will fit you for taking hold of opportunities when they knock at your door. It is the surest and straightest road that leads to success, because it enables you to grapple successfully with the business world. A thorough preparation must always precede a good paying position. Hill's Business Colleges have prepared thousands of young men and women who are holding the best positions at the highest salaries all over the south and east. Bankers and business men everywhere commend Hill's Business Colleges as the best, most practical and thorough schools in the United States. They're high grade and right up to date in everything and have a way of leading their students to success that no other schools have. Hill's graduates get from \$15 to \$30 more salary right out of school than those of other colleges because they are so much better drilled in office work. The world's best and most modern business education is at your disposal. Our new shorthand system is the best, easiest and quickest learned of any system in existence—none excepted.

Mail course \$20. \$5 for five lessons including books. Big summer discount continues for a short time longer. \$50 life scholarships in business or shorthand are only \$42.50. \$100 scholarships in bookkeeping, shorthand and typewriting are only \$75. \$50 telegraphy and station work scholarships are \$35. Our courses and prices cannot be excelled anywhere else in America. Address Hill's Business College, Waco, Texas, or Memphis, Tenn.

Mr. L. J. Overstreet, of Angvil, La., came in last week on a visit to relatives. He returned home Tuesday after spending several pleasant days in and near our town.

Best in Existence.

"I sincerely believe, all things considered, Hunt's Lightning Oil is the most useful and valuable household remedy in existence. For Cuts, Burns, Sprains and Insect Bites it has no equal so far as my experience goes."
G. E. Huntington,
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Call on us for your school supplies, such as pencils, pens and ink, pencil and ink tablets, drawing crayons, black board crayons, slates, slate pencils, etc.
B. R. Guice & Son.

They Should.

"My honest conviction, based upon my own experience and that of my friends, is that 'Hunt's Cure' will cure a larger per cent of skin troubles, especially of an itching variety, than any other remedy. Certainly those afflicted with any form of the itch should try it."
J. O. Monroe,
Atchison, Kas.

Wanted.

100 boys to call and have their measures taken for a suit of clothes. Satisfaction guaranteed.
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"My three year old boy was badly constipated, had a high fever and was in an awful condition. I gave him two doses of Foley's Orino Laxative and the next morning the fever was gone and he was entirely well. Foley's Orino Laxative saved his life."
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We were never better prepared to fill your wants in seasonable goods. We have taken special pains to select such goods as will satisfy our customers in quality as well as prices, and we assure you that no house in the county will give you better goods for the same money.

We want to sell you your entire bill. Cold weather will soon be here and is the time to prepare for it. We have one of the best lines of Shoes carried in Houston county, in all the latest styles and lasts, at prices that defy competition. We have 75 pairs of pants, bought less than manufacturers' cost, which we will sell for the next 30 days at prices this quality of goods have never been sold for before. Get you a pair of breeches. This space is too small to enumerate all our bargains in dry goods, staple and fancy dress goods, which are beautiful lines.

Have just received a car of New Wheat Flour, made from selected high grade wheat, and is the best grade of flour—it is RED CROSS, and BELL COUNTY'S BEST. Every sack is guaranteed or your money back. Don't forget that we sell JACK and JILL, the best line of HOSIERY in the county. Come to see us, price our goods and we will thank you for your trade. Respectfully,

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News From Oriole.

Oriole, Texas, Oct. 5.—Editor Messenger:—We are having some more pretty clear sunny weather, and farmers are quite busy gathering their cotton crop, and some of them selling it as fast as gathered.

A good many of our people in this community are suffering with the western fever and are talking of trying their fortunes further west. Hope they may better themselves in this matter, but have not much faith in it.

As farmers are getting money now, I hope your subscription list is growing, and that the readers of the Messenger will exert themselves to increase your circulation.

Was glad to notice an article in the Courier some time since showing that the Daughters of the Confederacy were making an effort to have a memorial hall built in Crockett to perpetuate the memory of the old Confederates and hope they may be successful in their enterprise. I believe the citizens of Crockett and surrounding country will be glad to help build this Hall.

Mr. Will Warner and his class gave us another good singing on Sunday at the school house. Had a morning and evening session, and we had several visitors from Hays Springs, among them were Miss Brown and Mr. Walter Pennington. Hope they will come again and bring other good singers with them.

I learn that Miss Mollie Box daughter of Mr. John Box, of this neighborhood will teach our school here, and I hope she may have success with the school.
A. K.

See Odell Faris before you order your fall suit.

School Books.

There is practically no profit for us in handling School Books. We carry a nice assortment of TABLETS, PENCILS, PAPER, PENS, CRAYONS, INK, ERASERS, SLATES, BOOK STRAPS, LUNCH BOXES and everything in SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

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FRIEND'S BARBER SHOP
HOT AND COLD BATHS
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Cotton Seed.

I am in the market for Cotton Seed, and it will pay you to see me before you sell. Top prices always paid.

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No organ in the human body can give so many different kinds of trouble as the liver when it is not right. Simmon's Liver Purifier makes it right and keeps it so.

Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs quickly, strengthens the lungs and expels colds. Get the genuine in yellow package. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

We Co-Operate With our Patrons

We take special pride and interest in helping our customers to increase their business, an increased business for them means a larger business for us.

We help them in every way we can, every way consistent with safe, sound and the full protection of the funds left in our care, loan them money and help them with advice regarding investments, help them in establishing a larger credit and, in many other ways.

Wouldn't this assistance be useful to you? If not, now a little later? Start an account with us now and protect your future? Come in and talk with us about it.

The F. & M. State Bank,
Of Grapeland
HOUSTON COUNTY DEPOSITORY

LOCAL NEWS.

Try Howard's for groceries.

Fruits of all kind at the Bon Ton.

Buy your flour at Faris' and get the best.

Mr. W. J. Clark returned home Tuesday from a trip west.

Let Odell Faris fix up your old clothes.

The best shoes in the city at F. A. Faris'.

Swell post cards at the Bon Ton.

Fish and oysters at Howard Anthony's restaurant.

See those tan work shoes at F. A. Faris'.

Bring your laundry to the Bon Ton.

You will find me at Howard Anthony's Restaurant.

Everything complete in the way of school supplies at Guice's Drug Store, less the books.

Mrs. Eugene Yarbrough left Monday for her home at Village Mills, after a visit to relatives.

75 yards of imported worsted and cashmere to go at sacrifice prices. F. A. Faris'.

Mrs. Lizzie Spence left Monday for her home at Hernalleigh after several months spent here with her son, S. N. Boykin.

See a new line of Elgin and Waltham watches at Howard's. Just received.

Hot drinks will be found at the Bon Ton this winter. A new outfit to arrive in a few days.

Mrs. Mattie Writ returned to her home in Buffalo Monday after a pleasant visit to relatives here.

Just received a fine lot of nuts, fruits, cakes, candies and cream loaf bread at the New Restaurant, Howard Anthony, Prop.

I can save you money on tailor made clothes; guarantee a fit and satisfaction. Look at my samples and see for yourself. Mark Anthony, at the Bon Ton.

The BIG SHOW IS OVER, so the place to eat is Howard Anthony's Restaurant on back street.

Wherry sells notions and hardware, too.

Old hats made to look new at the Bon Ton.

Mr. Shaw of Lovelady spent Sunday afternoon here.

Buy your flour from F. A. Faris'.

Howard Tommie of Lovelady was in town Monday.

Bring Howard Anthony your butter and get the cash.

Will Irwin was down from Elkhart Sunday and Monday.

Don't forget to look at those post cards at the Bon Ton.

The best flour is at F. A. Faris'.

New line of tin and queens ware just received at Howard's.

New wheat flour at F. A. Faris'.

Don't forget the choice fruit and candy at the Bon Ton.

A dollar saved is a dollar made. Try Wherry.

W. R. Wherry has purchased the Hollingsworth homestead and moved to that place.

If your appetite is bad, try the new Restaurant. The latest fad. Howard Anthony, Back street.

Howard Anthony has moved to the Geo. Shipper residence on west Chesnut street.

If you have an old hat that needs cleaning, or a suit to be dyed, bring them to the Bon Ton.

Happy Day is the best high patent flour in town. If you don't believe it try a sack. W. R. Wherry.

Bert Guice is bidding for your business in a straight forward talk this week. Read it on front page.

I want to buy all the hides, furs and skins in the country and will pay spot cash. Now is the time to bring them in. M. L. Clewis.

Wherry is adding to his stock all the time. He can save you money. Articles that I did not have yesterday I will try to have to-morrow. Call for what you want. W. R. Wherry.

Daily mail service has been re-installed on rural route No. 1. Garrett Richards is now carrier on route No 3. We understand there is now a petition before the department for the establishment of a new route.

There will be preaching at the Methodist church Friday night the 9th., by Rev. H. C. Willis Presiding elder. Quarterly conference will be held at the close of services. Every body cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Jake Williams, aged 67 years, died at the home of his son-in-law, C. F. Stockbridge, Wednesday morning of last week. He was buried Thursday in the Grapeland cemetery. Mr. Williams had been a resident of this community for forty years.

Mr. T. D. Zackary contributes 50c to the Bryan campaign fund this week, and requests us to say that he wants it understood that this 50c will go to help pay the expenses of Hon. Alvin Owsley, the so-called "cow thief" by one Joe Bailey, who is now in the doubtful states speaking for Bryan.

PRODUCE!

Bring me what you have to sell and get a FANCY PRICE for it.

Chickens and Eggs are in good demand now.

Remember I PAY CASH for what you bring me.

Jno. L. Guice
Cash Produce Buyer

Reynard Notes.

Oct. 5.—The norther stayed with us all the week and as a result a considerable amount of cotton and corn was moved from its place of resting, and if we can have a few more such weeks the tale will be told for this year.

Our gin steamed up again Wednesday morning early and run two days and the boiler gave way with both yard and house full of cotton, but there is a man at work on it and it will not be long before things will be moving again.

We are very anxious to get the cotton report and am a little bit nervous about same.

J. L. Chiles picked a bale of red land cotton last week. He says it looked more like wool than it did cotton and that it might have come off of a red sheep at that.

There was a peddler among us last week and J. H. Beazley brought him out and sent him on his way rejoicing.

Mrs. H. A. Pennington and daughter, Florence, and Miss Carrie Huff were the guests of Jack Beazley Sunday.

Richard Pennington spent Saturday night in our midst.

Mrs. Bettie Beazley and her daughter, Mrs. W. F. West were in your town one day last week.

P. L. Fulgham had business in Grapeland Saturday.

T. C. Lively was in our midst this week looking after a school for his daughter, but owing to a little hitch were not able to give him any satisfaction. We are to have another meeting Wednesday.

Hurah for your Bryan club. Every little helps and I think it is commendable, and if we were not in a peculiar condition financially would surely help with my little mite.

G. B. Kent was confined to his bed a few days last week and others of the family are having fever.

Mrs. Zaak had another round with fever, and Jack Beazley had an old fashion shake up.

Mrs. T. F. Dailey and little son, spent Saturday night with papa and mama.

Respectfully,
Zack.

Neches River Association.

This body will hold its 43rd session with the First Baptist church of Groveton beginning October 16, 1908. We urge the churches to send a full representation and also that each church send a liberal contribution for Associational Missions. Do not fail in this that the board may be enabled to settle in full with the missionaries for work rendered during the year.

H. E. Harris,
Cor. Sec.

J. H. Kolb has returned home from Wortham, where he has been on a visit to his brother.

Hamlet.

had melancholy, probably caused by an inactive liver. A bad liver makes one cross and irritable, causes mental and physical depression and may result disastrously.

Ballard's Herbine is acknowledged to be the perfect liver regulator. If you are blue and out of sorts, get a bottle to-day. A positive cure for bilious headache, Constipation, Chills and Fever and all liver complaints. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

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Over 300 acres of well improved land, 3 1-2 and 4 1-2 miles west of Grapeland; in three settlements, will sell all together or separately. See or write A. B. Spence, Grapeland, Texas.

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One good wagon and harness for same. This property can be seen at my home three miles east of Grapeland, in the Enon community. O. C. Goodwin.

FOR RENT.

The O. C. Hickey building on 2nd., street. Apply to J. F. Martin or F. M. Owens.

Dr. C. L. Moore requests us to say that he will not be in Grapeland very much longer and those desiring dental work should see him at once at the Toty Hotel.

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Eleven years ago Dr. King's New Discovery permanently cured me of a severe and dangerous throat and lung trouble, and I've been a well man ever since.—G. O. Floyd, Merchant, Kerahaw, S. C.

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Shaves
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Your Business Wanted.
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Call at Howard's and see a new line of jewelry, anything you want, and will guarantee satisfaction on these goods, no cheap John stuff.

Fewer Laws and Better.

Fort Worth, Tex., April 7.—The most thoughtful and sympathetic friend of the masses this Republic has ever known proclaimed the doctrine that that government was best in which the people were least governed. That doctrine holds as good today as when it was pronounced.

The curse of the times is too much agitation, too much repression, too much interference with the guaranteed rights of the citizen, too much meddling, too much espionage—too much government.

The threat and danger of the times is in the insidious growth of socialism, which, in its final analysis, means to destroy initiative, paralyze competition, and to erect upon the ruins of a democracy a paternalistic system under which the citizen would become the ward and servant of government instead of the creator and master of the government.

Therefore, on the principle that too much government is destructive of the fundamental rights and constitutional liberties of the people, and that too much government must inevitably lead to socialism, the conference of Commercial Clubs, which was held in Fort Worth on March 12, 1908, adopted as a declaration of purpose the slogan of "Fewer Laws, Better Laws."

In the hope of making the slogan of "Fewer Laws, Better Laws" an effective one, we now call upon the people to join us in an organized, vigorous and sustained effort to inaugurate an era of rational and patriotic legislation in Texas that will result in the repeal, modification or emendation of harmful or objectionable laws and in diminishing the rising volume of experimental and dangerous laws that are biennially shoveled into the legislative hopper at Austin.

In submitting this appeal we make no war upon the present administration, nor do we intend to launch a propaganda of ill-considered criticism against the Thirtieth Legislature. On the contrary, our distinct purpose is to reason with the one and to treat the surviving members of the other in a spirit which we believe will promote the highest and best interests of this great State, and to present a plain, business like and patriotic protest against any further agitation that is calculated to imperil investment; to menace, rather than to stimulate, industrial enterprise, and to outlaw foreign capital.

We do not condemn the Thirtieth or preceding Legislatures because of unwise and hurtful laws, as bad as many of them have been, so much as we condemn the legislative threat and tendency of the times.

This tendency has resulted in suspending industrial activity; in arresting factory development; in limiting our credit and narrowing the market for our securities by shutting the State out from the most reliable sources of cheap money; in suspending railroad construction; in denying markets to the products of the farm, and in putting the State at the mercy of demagogues and professional office seekers who have grown fat from feeding on its misfortunes.

We believe that government exists for the conservation of the public good and the public safety, and that good government is impossible where those of its citizens upon whose energies, toil and capital the State must depend for its prosperity and progress, are careless in their selection of public servants.

We believe that no government can be well balanced in justice and fair dealing while one class of citizens can do openly and without unfavorable comment that which, if done by another class, would be branded as defiance of established authority amounting almost to insurrection or treason.

Because the commercial, industrial and agricultural classes of Texas have decided to institute a campaign of education, in the patriotic hope of promoting the development and progress of Texas, their work has been

sneered at and denounced as a conspiracy and a covenant with the corporations.

We do not propose to turn from our purpose to quarrel with those who fling at us this preconceived and premeditated slander. On the contrary, we propose to persevere in the work to which we have pledged our best endeavors, until we shall have succeeded in pulling off the political posse that is now on the trail of capital in Texas, and in the effort to reconstruct prosperity in this State.

We believe, if the agricultural and commercial interests can be aroused to the needs of the hour and to the dangers of the times, that they will initiate such economic policies as should control and operate in the development of a truly great commonwealth, and that good and common-sense citizens can be elected to make the laws of the State, who will take their instructions from the people, and be in fact their servants and not their masters.

We appreciate the difficulties of such an undertaking and the fact that it must have the co-operation of thoughtful citizens in every quarter of the State and the aid and encouragement of the press. But as the purpose of our movement and organization is to redeem the State from policies and tendencies that keep it in perpetual turmoil; that tax its courts to the limit of their time and capacity, in order to safeguard constitutional rights, and that prevent its uninterrupted and wholesome development, we feel that we have the right to anticipate the active co-operation of all good citizens and the united support of a press that can always be relied upon to intelligently stand for the soundest and best economic progress.

With these patriotic ends in view, and relying wholly upon the sound judgment of our neighbors and fellow citizens, we appeal to our country men to eliminate all controversies of a partisan, fanatical or personal character and to unite finally with us in a movement to elect honest, patriotic and competent men to the Legislature in order that Texas may be redeemed from the rule of the agitator and demagogue, and its progress and prosperity be made tranquil and permanent.

Olives Grown in Texas.

Experiment Farm at Beeville Produces Heavy Crop.

That olives can be successfully grown in Southwest Texas has been demonstrated beyond any question at the state experiment station near Beeville. The several varieties of trees growing there are in full fruit this year. One or two trees bore a few olives last year, but it was not until this spring that the experiment is shown to be a success by the heavy crop which the trees have put on.

Simultaneously with the fruiting of these trees, of which, naturally, extra care has been taken, a grove on the Jones farm, near town, has also put on fruit. The trees are twelve years old, and their failure to bear heretofore has been the subject of some discussion among pomologists, some taking the view that the peculiar climatic conditions to the gulf coast was unsuited for olive growing.

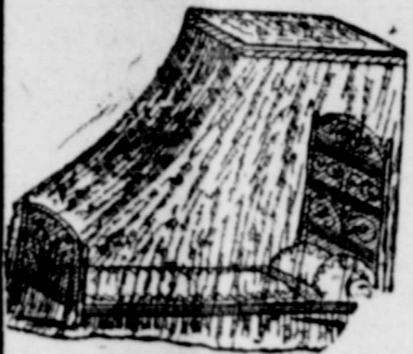
It develops that the olive requires more age to come into bearing in this section than in California, but that when they do they produce just as heavily as the Pacific coast.

The success of the experiment adds another valuable semi-tropic fruit to those already demonstrated to be adapted to this section of Texas. In appearance the olive resembles the live oak, a growth indigenous here, and it is said to be the connecting link between the oak and the citrus family.

Muskogee, Okla.—As an outgrowth of the "Jim Crow" law, passed by the Legislature, which is being rigidly enforced, letters have been received by the Guthrie State Tribune, threatening the assassination of Governor Haskell and Chief of Police Bud Ledbetter of Guthrie, and that the city of Guthrie will be burned by Negroes.

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Finest mesh\$7.00
Finest mesh\$8.00
Fine mesh, double thread\$8.00
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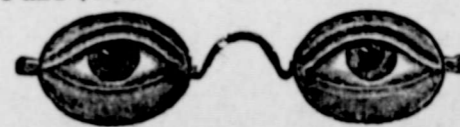
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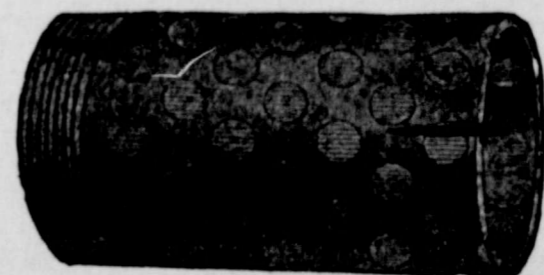
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GENERAL NEWS.

STATE.

Galveston.—The Master Plumbers' Association of Texas has closed its session with the election of new officers and appointment of committees. The next State convention will be held at Beaumont.

Austin.—The Railroad Commission has extended the time for the completion of the new freight depot at San Antonio for six months, owing to the fact that no agreement has yet been reached between the City Council and the railroad company as to location of tracks and depot site.

Austin.—Another State convict, Charley White, a Negro, who escaped from the Terrell farm near Navasota, came to Austin, surrendered to the chief executive and presented his claim for pardon. The case will be investigated.

Weimer.—Since January 1st, to April 10th, Weimer has shipped \$14,000 worth of eggs, adding turkeys, chickens and butter the aggregate will exceed \$25,000.

Laredo.—Up to April 11th, Laredo has shipped 157 car loads of Bermuda onions. The entire crop of Webb County is estimated at 1250 car loads.

Sherman.—A. R. Richards, president of the Richards Medicine Company, aged 48 years, was killed by lightning at the Sherman County Club House, where he was spending the night preparatory to a duck hunt.

Beeville.—The freight depot of the Galveston, Harrisburg & San Antonio Railroad was completely destroyed by fire, with all contents, while a heavy rain was pouring down.

Lindale.—The strawberry shipments from Lindale for the last week amounted to 3,400 cases, or a little over seven cars, averaging the grower \$2 per case. Ten more cars are expected.

Dallas.—At the meeting of the Republican State Executive Committee, Fort Worth was chosen for the meeting place of the Republican State Convention, which was set for May 15.

El Paso.—John A. Kearns dies suddenly of heart failure within the time predicted by him. A week ago he went to an undertaker, selected a coffin and paid for his funeral expenses, giving orders to the undertaker to ship his body to his sister in New York.

Dallas.—The twenty-second annual convention of the Lumbermen's Association of Texas convened at Dallas for a three days' session with approximately 800 delegates present.

Austin.—Extensive preparations are being made for the meeting of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias and the Pythian Sisters, which will meet in annual session April 28. Fully 1500 visitors are expected.

Victoria.—The new dredge boat building here, to be used in dredging and improving the Guadalupe River, will be launched May 6. Junior U. S. Engineer Charles Schuster of Galveston is superintending the construction.

Kenedy.—This section was visited by a severe hail storm which destroyed several hundred acres of cotton and corn. J. M. Lynch alone suffered the loss of 300 acres of cotton.

Beeville.—An election has been ordered by the County Judge for May 16, to determine whether Beeville shall be incorporated or not. There is some opposition to incorporation, by large property holders.

Eagle Pass.—A fusion ticket was placed in the field by the Citizens' Non-Partisan Committee, composed of seven Democrats, seven Republicans and one Independent. Of the officers nominated, five are Democrats, five are Republicans and one Independent.

Fort Stockton.—Vernon Crawford, a fourteen-year-old boy, killed a mammoth panther on his father's ranch. The brute measured eight feet and seven inches from tip to tip.

DOMESTIC

New York, N. Y.—Jose M. Gear-dau, agent of the Firmin Revolutionists in the United States, was sentenced to six months imprisonment, at hard labor in Sing Sing prison, for having counterfeited Hay-tien money on his person.

Chicago, Ill.—The hearing of the appeal of the Standard Oil Company from the fine of \$29,240,000, imposed by Judge Landis, is set for May 7 and 8.

San Francisco, Cal.—Whan Shuang, the Korean who shot and killed D. W. Stevens, the American attaché to the Japanese diplomatic service, was held on the charge of murder in the Superior Court.

Washington, D. C.—Proclamation was made at the State Department of a copy right treaty between the United States and Mexico.

Boston, Mass.—The Republican

State Convention of Massachusetts declines to declare for Taft's nomination for the Presidency, and endorses Governor Curtis Guild for the second place on the National ticket.

New York, N. Y.—The Bryan contingent of the Democratic State Convention met with defeat in the first day of the convention, by the adoption of a resolution to send an un instructed delegation to the Denver convention.

Nashville, Tenn.—In complying with an order from Washington, as the result from a suit by a Negro bishop against the Nashville, Charleston and St. Louis Railway, to furnish the same accommodations to white and colored passengers, the road has taken all towels and soap from the toilet rooms, and furnish water to drink to all passengers alike.

Pensacola, Fla.—Owing to disturbances by car strikers and their sympathizers, which the city was unable to quell, the Governor dispatched ten companies of State troops to Pensacola to restore order.

New York, N. Y.—A novel decree was entered in the case of Michael Briefer, a convicted bigamist, who was allowed by the court to go free so long as he provided for both families. He is held to make regular reports to the court while so paroled.

Boston, Mass.—A disastrous fire swept over Chelsea, a suburb of Boston, which destroys property valued at \$5,500,000 and renders 1500 families homeless; \$3,500,000 is covered by insurance.

San Diego, Cal.—The officers and men of the American battleship fleet were enthusiastically received in San Diego. Five thousand marines took part in the street parade, equipped as infantry, armed with Krags, forming a line two miles in length. San Diego is in holiday attire and officers and men are being royally entertained.

Pensacola, Fla.—The car strike is still on, but cars were operated on all lines of the Pensacola electric lines, protected by troops stationed all over the city.

Washington, D. C.—The recommendation for an appropriation for four battleships, which was sent to Congress in a special message by the President, has been refused by the House by a decisive vote.

Helena, Mont.—Owing to the breaking of the seventy-foot dam at the Hauser Lake, miles of the Missouri Valley have been devastated by the flood. A number of houses have been washed away, hundreds of cattle and other live stock have been drowned, and railroad tracks washed away. The damage is estimated at \$1,000,000.

New York, N. Y.—The price of cotton option in the New York Cotton Exchange went below 9 cents per pound for the first time since September, 1906.

Washington, D. C.—In a special message vetoing a dam bill, President Roosevelt warns Congress against giving away rights in rivers without charge, and announces a general policy of conserving the streams of the country.

Hammond, La.—Frank Stewart, a pumping engineer, in saving the life of a small boy from being run over by an Illinois Central engine, was himself run over and killed.

Washington, D. C.—The Supreme Court has decided against Edgar Jadwin, involving lands on Galveston Island, claimed by the Government, and ownership of the land has been adjudged to the State of Texas.

Washington, D. C.—In a special message to Congress, the President strongly urges the provision for the building of four large battleships of the best and most advanced type, instead of two, as recommended by the committee.

San Diego, Cal.—The American battleship fleet has entered the harbor of San Diego, and for the first time in their 4 months cruise have anchored in a home port, where they will remain for four days. They were officially welcomed by Governor James Gillette.

FOREIGN.

Paris.—The police of the city have taken into custody three well known anarchists, together with a cart load of dynamite, which the prisoners had in their possession.

Madrid.—Announcement is made in the official Gazette, of a new extradition treaty between the United States and Spain, for which negotiations have been pending for some time.

Monterey, Mex.—Owing to heavy rains, serious washouts occurred between Saltillo and Monterey, which have delayed trains on the Mexican National Railroad. The rains were some of the heaviest in years and the country is in a splendid condition.

Lisbon.—Near the village of Par-delha a severe storm washed away a part of the Portuguese coast, when fishermen found a treasure trove containing many ancient gold and silver

coins and jewelry which is apparently loot conquered by Portuguese buccaneers 300 years ago.

Manila.—John L. Leach, Public Printer of the Philippines, has wired the department his acceptance of the position of Public Printer at Washington, to which position he has been appointed by President Roosevelt to succeed Charles A. Stillings, resigned.

Kerrville.—At a meeting of the West Texas Fair Association, the dates for the next fair were set for August 19, 20 and 21.

Motherless Chicks.

The New York Humane Society has the shivers because the Easter custom of selling newly hatched chicks takes the fluffy little ones from their mothers. Oh, Hen Mothers, how are you robbed of your offspring, that some child may have a pet. And how you have our sympathy, but is it not better for the chick that it should have some human hand to give it care, and save it from the fate of the ordinary spring chicken? And how many tears must the warm hearted incubator shed when its multitudinous offspring is torn from its throbbing asbestos side? It is indeed enough to make the humane society weep when it considers the possibility of alien hands and childish hearts caring for the downy offspring. By all means let the chick's mother keep its offspring out of reach of the hard hearted children, even though it necessitates the purchase of ten times as many incubators, so that each mother incubator may keep her brood till it is frying size.

That Mileage Book.

The newspaper fraternity has lying around in odd corners, sadly remembered, a number of little booklets. On the back of these little booklets is printed some words that bring a bulldog sort of grit to the teeth of every full grown Texan, when he thinks of those words in the light of subsequent events.

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In a Hole.

John Sharp Williams and an undivided Democracy in the house of representatives have put the Republican members on record as being opposed to the policies of President Roosevelt, as set forth in his message of January 31. While the Republican party, or at least its representatives in the house, were placed upon record as not agreeing to Mr. Roosevelt's ideas on certain questions of public policy, sentiment among Republicans after the smoke of the filibuster had cleared away was not one of unmixed bitterness. It was pointed out that, while Mr. Williams may have succeeded in placing the Republican leaders and representatives on record on certain questions, the filibuster which he led so successfully may cause more positive action upon the part of the house leaders in the near future. Speaker Cannon and the other members of the Big Five, it was stated, may now be driven to see that more affirmative legislation and less of the negative kind, is needed in order that the Republican party may not go to the polls next November with the credit of having done nothing and obstructed everything.

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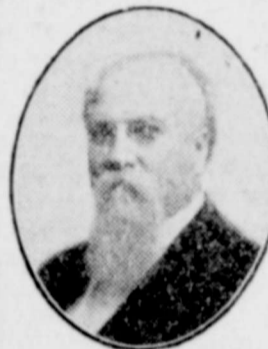
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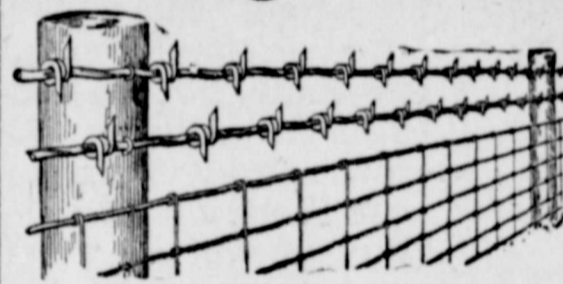
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