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N. B. GIBSON,
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Selection of Text-Books.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction is mailing queries to county superintendents and independent school districts anent the adaptation of the present adopted series of text-books. Superintendents, teachers, and patrons should be alive in the matter. The present uniform text-book law is here to stay. The first one could not avoid some errors, but it can remove those that are most conspicuous.

This paper has not been situated to make a thoro investigation of the present series of adopted text-books so as to pass intelligently upon their relative merits or demerits. It has heard objections innumerable urged against certain books of the adopted series.

The fourth reader has never given satisfaction. It is said to be too difficult and too advanced for fourth grade work. The fact that it is of a different series of readers is much against its successful use in public school work. All readers in a series should be by the same compiler. If Stickney's entire series is not perfectly adapted to public school use another and a better should be adopted. It would be well to consider Johnson's readers. They are said to be perfectly graded and to contain the best literature, and they are published by a Southern publishing house.

The geographies adopted have also been a source of dissatisfaction among teachers and pupils. There seems to be a missing link between the first and second books. The grading is imperfect, consequently the results are unsatisfactory. A number of excellently graded and teachable geographies are extant. There is no reason why the school children should not have the best.

In language Hyde's first and second books and Whitney & Lockwood's Grammar compose the adopted series. There is some dissimilarity in the subject matter set forth by the different authors.

Those who shall be commissioned to select the uniform series for the period to succeed the present one should have all possible information before them. The welfare of about 700,000 scholastics is involved. Southern and State authorship should be encouraged wherever it equals or excels that of other sections of the Union.

Histories That Tell the Truth.

The Legislature of the State of Louisiana has passed a law that requires that all histories used in the public schools of that State to give Schley full credit for the victory gained over Cervera at Santiago. The use of books leaning to Sampson in that famous controversy is prohibited under severe penalties. The Legislature may appear to National administration partisans as being rather strenuous, but it is only requiring that the school histories present the children the whole truth. It is a rank injustice to the school children everywhere as well as to Schley to learn from school histories that Schley deserved the censure that the Administration saddled upon him. It would be well for the Legislature of Texas to imitate the example set by that of Louisiana. Facts are never akin to partisanship. What will Mr. Lanham do in the matter at the convening of the next Legislature in January? A recommendation that such legislation be enacted would doubtless meet with popular approval in Texas.

Ex-Speaker Tom Reed is out of politics to such an extent that he is not even delivering Republican campaign speeches. The Republican party's espousal of imperialism has driven Reed to silence.

NEXT IN ORDER?

A FLOURING MILL.

The cotton gin for Floydada is an assured fact. The next enterprise in the minds of Floydadaians in particular and other citizens of Floyd county in general is a flouring mill. As this paper has once before remarked the idea is not chimerical, visionary or whimsical; it is a desideratum as well as a possibility. It will be the part of wisdom for the matter to be pushed, and foolish to be neglected or discouraged.

Floydada grocers send annually from \$12,000 to \$15,000 to the railroad points for flour. A large sum of money is thus spent for freight. The transportation business is a problem for Plains people. Wherever possible it should be reduced or lopped off. Expenses of existing and progressing here should be curtailed wherever possible.

It is estimated by those who have right to know whereof they talk that a substantial flouring mill would cost \$6,000 or \$7,000, and it would be worth thousands of dollars to Floydada, Floydada and neighboring towns—Floyd and adjoining counties—could be supplied with Floydada. Flour could be bought at wholesale prices at Floydada that would be lower than those prevailing at railroad points. Floydada could thus become a commercial center and a public benefactor. For Floydada to lag would be inactive nonsense and sleepy folly.

How could such an enterprise become a reality? might be asked. The question would be an easy one to answer. A stock company could be formed. Merchants and farmers and other business men could compose it. It would be a paying investment, one that would return handsome dividends.

The project should be rapidly consummated. Farmers should be assured forthwith that the mill will be established. Farmers will grow a large acreage of wheat when given proper encouragement.

Floydadaians, countrymen; be up and doing with enthusiasm and intelligence!

Purity and Innocence.

A few days ago the editor of the paper received a wallet containing some luscious peaches and the following words written on some paper: "A present from Doctor Reed to Claude V. Hall." The present and the kindly childish spirit prompting the donor, which accompanied the present, affected the editor's affectively dignified bearing, apparently repulsive nature, and actively employed inner thought powers. Doctor is a small boy of about six and one half years. One of such tender years is devoid of many weaknesses of the hearts of adults. His friendship is without guile; his appreciation of kindness, grateful; his thoughts, pure and kindly. There is something significant in the Savior's words when he said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, for such is the kingdom of heaven." The Savior on one occasion during his personal ministry on earth said to his disciples, "Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter the kingdom of heaven." The nearest approach of the divine life witnessed on earth today is exemplified in the character of little children. It is quite humiliating to people of mature years to think and live as little children. If children never saw evil and wickedness exhibited by adults they would not take on such personal characteristics as make them contemptible in the eyes of men and objects of pity in the sight of the All-seeing Eye.

Sold Out! Sold Out!

TO OUR CUSTOMERS:

We wish to advise you that we have sold our Mercantile Business at Floydada to Gound Bros. We thank you for the patronage we have received from you. We retain all unsettled accounts and kindly request you to call

AT ONCE!

and settle all arrearages. With assurances of the highest regard, we are

ROBBINS & GAMBLE, Floydada.

GOUND BROS.

—DEALERS IN—

Staple and Fancy Groceries,
Gents' Furnishing Goods,
Saddlery, and Notions.

New in Business!

We take pleasure in announcing to the public that we have purchased the Mercantile Establishment belonging to Robbins & Gamble. We want a share of your trade, and, as an inducement, we offer you Low Prices, Good Goods, and Fair and Courteous Treatment.

An Editor's Woe.

The editor of the Lubbock Avalanche finds the journalistic road a rocky one. What he says or does not say is taken to heart by his readers. In his terrible predicament he asks and expatiates as follows:

"Did you ever try to run a newspaper? If not, you should try it. In Lubbock, every citizen's feelings stick out, to the extreme limit of the Avalanche's circulation. Their feelings are like the quills of a porcupine. You can not express your opinion or even write a single statement without hurting someone's feelings. If you fail to mention it, you are 'cussed out,' if you mention it you are 'cussed out,' and accused of being biased. If there is a regular parrot or parasite newspaper man in Texas, he could do well in Lubbock."

The editor of the Avalanche is quite unfortunate in his situation. He needs more experience in newspaper work; he has had only enough experience to learn of the unpleasant side of it; he should continue a few years longer so as to learn to consider the unpleasant features as trifles and to magnify the advantages. THE HESPERIAN has had about as rocky a road to travel as preachers usually have; but the longer and farther it travels the less perceivable become the rough places. Caution is the secret of contentment in newspaper work—caution in what is said thru the columns of the paper and caution in not taking notice of unfavorable criticisms that may be offered. The newspaper man will meet with unfavorable criticism; he meets with it even without extra financial compensation. But it is on a par with young folks' quarrels in love affairs; it is funny to all save the ones directly involved.

A Model Publication.

This paper desires to call the attention of its readers to the fact that Mr. Bryan's paper, The Commoner, has been enlarged from 12 pages to 16 pages. The enlargement makes The Commoner a complete family publication. Aside from its editorial utterances on political, economic, and social problems it contains useful and interesting reading in its household, news, and miscellaneous columns. Mr. Maupin's page, "Whether Common or Not," contains much homely and pointed humor and philosophy. The higher the intellectual, moral and religious endowments of the reader the more interesting the reading matter of The Commoner. It far surpasses many of the so called religious publications as a counselor in right living. Ministers of the Gospel who are not close and constant readers of The Commoner are denying themselves of much comfort and soul-growth. Of human productions The Commoner stands prominently above and ahead of many things ministers read. In these remarks it is not intended to detract from or to weaken the utterances contained in the Bible. No comparison needs to be made between human and divine productions. The Commoner, even in its political utterances, contains the best literature and holds up the highest ideals. There is not a trashy article in any issue of The Commoner; there is not a line to awaken a vile appetite; there is not a hint of the impure and vicious; there is no belittling of anything noble; there is nothing sacrilegious or untruthful in it. Readers of this paper will please remember that they can get one year's subscription for only 65 cents by applying at THE HESPERIAN office.

Coldish weather has been on again this week.

A good bachelor stove for sale. Call at this office.

Merrimac flannel at G. R. Griggs's for only 8 cents a yard.

A large stock of fine hats just put in at Snodgrass & Nelson's.

M. F. Mickey was in town from Sandhill vicinity yesterday.

WANTED—Cattle to keep thru fall and winter or on shares.—Mack Smith.

Major Jim Bowers and family have moved into their residence in East Floydada.

J. W. Savell, of the Childress-Matador-Floydada stage line, was in town this week.

A number of Lockneyans were in the city last Monday attending Justice Steen's court.

Should you need anything in the undertaker's line call on C. Surginer. He can supply you.

G. W. Merrick returned the fore part of the week from a business trip to Callahan County.

A. C. Bowers has just received his winter rubber shoes and boots. He will be glad to show you thru his stock.

At this time I am making a specialty of school shoes. They can not be excelled for durability and comfort.—G. R. Griggs.

A large assortment of Anti-rust tinware received at C. Surginer's. When in need of tinware it will pay you to try the anti-rust.

Lincoln Dip for lice, ticks, screw worms, mange, house flies, lice on chickens, and as a disinfectant, at R. C. Scott's drug store.

Floydada Lumber Company has in stock a lot of shingles for the trade. They are of the best grades and at prices to win the trade.

Before buying elsewhere you should see my stock of hats. Like all other lines they are marked down to bedrock.—G. R. Griggs.

Molloy & Merrick's new gin building is up so as to appear quite finished. It will be ready for ginning as soon as cotton growers shall have need for it.

Everything seasonable at R. C. Scott's drug store. Fresh insect powders, Paris Green, Moth Balls, Fly paper, Carbolic Acid, crude and pure.

Muncy & Baker, the Llano Estacado Nursery men, want 100 bushels of seedling peach seed. Highest prices will be paid. The sooner they are saved the better the local nurserymen will be pleased.

Ladies, you should call and examine the sewing machines in stock at C. Surginer's before buying elsewhere. They will make handsome furniture as well as useful household articles.

Mrs. R. W. Officer arrived yesterday from her home at Turkey, Hall county, and is spending the residue of the week with her husband who is engaged in conducting a series of meetings at this place.

Remember A. C. Bowers has the sole agency to sell the Giesecke stock of boots and shoes at Floydada. The Giesecke is one of the best, if not the best, brands of shoes made. It is sold under a strict guarantee. Call and see them, for seeing is believing.

Jas. B. Posey, the Banker, returned the fore part of the week from a flying trip to Kansas City. It was a flying trip, because Jeems actually rode in the caboose of a freight train. He would have tried riding in the observation deck but desisted for fear of pranks. Jeems was acting upon the wisdom he has obtained from the Floydada sweaters.

WANTED—The name of every farmer in Floyd county who plants wheat this fall and the number of acres each puts in. Such information is of importance. If you can not see this paper's office force in person write a postal card or letter containing the information. This paper will "pay the freight" on all such communications where it is asked. This paper does not withhold doing its duty to the public at the cost of a few paltry cents. It is too big of purpose to have little ways,

W. H. Carr of near Petersburg was in the city yesterday.

G. R. Griggs has a number of fine pigs for sale at customary prices.

W. S. Posey, of the Lockney Bank, was a caller at this paper's office yesterday morning.

John Wilson and Charlie Johnson, of the Draw country, were in the capital city last Wednesday.

If you want something good in the way of a pocket knife, R. C. Scott can please you at the drug store.

G. W. Siegler, of Motley county, was in this part of the Western Hemisphere buying fat cattle for shipping.

The best physic—Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Easy to take and pleasant in effect. For sale by R. C. Scott.

Judges Dickson and Dalton were in town a day or two this week shaking hands with both qualified and unqualified voters.

The cotton region—Lakeview vicinity—was visited with another rain last Sunday afternoon. It doth seem that cotton draws rain like a magnet draws steel.

G. R. Griggs wishes his customers to know that his business is increasing and that he thanks them for their trade. He assures them that the same fair treatment will be received at his hands as before.

The best of dress goods, outing flannel, domestics, and in fact winter goods of most all kinds just received at G. R. Griggs's store. Call at once and make your selections. You are aware of the low prices always on at the New York Store.

If you want a list harrow, a disc harrow, a wheat drill, a gang plow, a riding Sulkey, a disc breaker—anything in the implement line—remember that C. Surginer is the man who handles what you want at the right prices.

Doug Wilhoit happened to the misfortune of colliding with a buggy last Sunday night in running thru the dark from Carr Surginer's residence to that of C. Surginer. His knee-cap was somewhat bruised, almost fainting from the results.

Last Friday and Saturday Miss Jessie Richardson was before the County Board of Examiners and received a certificate of the second grade to teach in the schools of Floyd County for the ensuing four years. Her general average was 85.

Over 200 suits of men's and boy's clothing just received at Snodgrass & Nelson's. You can find some choice selections among them. If you want something handsome, something that will hold its shape and color, and something that will wear long you should inspect Snodgrass & Nelson's suits.

What's the Trouble

with your back, old man? Rheumatism? Too bad, too bad. I advise you to try Hunt's Lightning Oil. It is said to be a wonderful remedy.

FRUIT TREES! FRUIT TREES!

Llano Estacado Nursery

A PLAINS ENTERPRISE.

This nursery is equipped with a well-selected stock of Fruit, Forest and ornamental Trees, Berries, Vines, etc. Apples and Forest trees are specialties. 12,000 to 15,000 apple trees on No. 1 stocks and scion all cut from bearing trees in this country. Any first class tree grown can be furnished by this nursery. Any trees sent out by this nursery failing to bear at the proper age will be replaced free of charge.

Buy from specialists in tree culture—men who have devoted much time in study and test work on the Plains for a number of years. It is reasonable to presume that your home nurserymen are much better qualified to recommend trees adapted to this country's climate and soil than the many transient fruit tree agents who claim to operate large nurseries in different parts of the State and whose guarantees are too glittering and promising.

This firm is in the nursery business as a life time avocation. It makes good every promise. Deal with home enterprises and you can obtain satisfaction and redress any mistakes.

MUNCY & BAKER, Proprietors.

Cresylic ointment at R. C. Scott's Simmons' Stock powders at R. C. Scott's

Undertaker's goods in stock at C. Surginer's.

100 gallons of high grade house paint soon to arrive at R. C. Scott's

Best grades of outing at A. G. Bowers's for only 7½ cents per yard.

Do you think it possible? I have \$2.50 shoes marked down to only \$2. The war is on against high prices.—G. R. Griggs.

Grass is greening and making renewed growth. Fall range will be fine; so will the winter range if no late rains come to sap the grass.

It rained a two-thirds season at Floydada last Friday afternoon. In Lakeview vicinity—the cotton section of the county—a thoro ground soaker fell.

Do not fail to try my brands of coffee and you will prefer no other. I handle the best grades in existence. I sell just as I do all other lines of goods—down as cheap as possible.—G. R. Griggs.

Floydada Graded Public School has been resolved from a building of two rooms into one of three separate rooms for as many teachers. It is a great convenience to the school, and much confusion is avoided.

The Eclipse wind mill is still the best on earth. You will be running counter to your best interests and happiness if you buy some other make before inquiring into the superior merits of the Eclipse. For sale by C. Surginer.

Some people may become confused on time because they have no perfect time-keepers. If you are in need of a more perfect time-piece call and see our new clocks. They are beauties and are all one could wish for in that line.—Snodgrass & Nelson.

Next week Snodgrass & Nelson will have their two stores ready for shelving their large stock of fall and winter goods. The Twin Stores will let the people hear from them. It is certain that they will have something that will please and surprise the public.

W. A. Robbins and T. L. Layne took a hunting outing the fore part of the week and spent a night at the bachelor but hospitable home of W. Methley in the Irick vicinity. The hunters can not relate any Davy Crockett or Daniel Boone successes without drawing on their imaginations, which might suspend payment in such an undertaking.

Uncle John Pickle, with whom the chief scribe went to the Reunion at Dallas, was in town last Tuesday. Uncle John and R. W. Officer are old-time friends and comrades. They were warm friends in days of yore and their meeting after more than thirty years' separation was a happy one. Uncle John and Uncle Bob have had experiences that tried men's souls. They are not spring chickens.

Late Sunday afternoon a dark cloud arose in the west and floated towards the northeast. At Lockney a heavy rain storm accompanied. About twenty-five wind mills were totally or partly wrecked. The residence of Mr. French was demolished inflicting severe injuries on Mr. and Mrs. French. Other buildings were slightly damaged. The Beacon office received some injuries. The rain fell in torrents for a few minutes.

Oliver McCrary, the first typo and ink-slinger THE HESPERIAN ever had, visited among friends at this place the fore part of the week. He has served as a soldier in the Spanish-American war under Colonel Smythe of the 3d Texas Regiment. Shortly after he was mustered out of service in the year of 1899, he enlisted in the United States army and spent two years fighting in the Philippine Islands. He was in twenty different engagements, but never received a wound. He was of the party that captured Aguinaldo's two year old baby. He relates some interesting experiences. He regards the climate delightful in many respects. It possesses great resources. Oliver has been away from the army for about a year. He is making Dalhart his home at present. He is spending about two weeks visiting his parents in the north part of the county.

WE NOW HAVE SHELVED

—MUCH OF OUR—

Fall and Winter Dry Goods

WHICH WE PURCHASED FOR CASH IN THE

CHEAPEST NORTHERN MARKETS!

WE WANT YOUR TRADE

And have priced our Goods so as to get it. Drop in and investigate is all we ask. We assure you that your trade is appreciated. Let it be large or small. Space forbids our giving names and prices. Just come and see!

FALL SEASON CLOTHING!

THE WISE MAN

Is ready for the chilly days of autumn. We have been wise in having our FALL LINE ready and you should be wise in buying early. Come and get your selection early. It will pay you. Delays are dangerous.

HAPPY CONDITIONS

Prevail with us, because price and material both suit the customer. We study thons needs; thon studies our prices; the result is: Quick Sales and Satisfied Customers.

WE HAVE THE BEST

UNDERWEAR ever shelved in the city. Come and see.

REMEMBER, YOU

Are always welcome in our store. We are always pleased to see you.

OUTINGS! OUTINGS!

All Shades and styles. Prices cheaper than ever.

SCHOOL TIME

Is now here. It will be well to come around and see our goods. We can furnish your children from top to toe.

WE WANT YOU

To remember that we still sell shoes—the best made—at the lowest prices.

CAUGHT ON!

Are you one of our customers? If not, you are losing more than we are because of it.

HATS!

We have the largest stock of hats ever shelved in the city.

DON'T MONKEY

Around and waste your time, and money too, in search of better values than we supply; they don't exist; they are impossible. Come in and see how we will back up this assertion.

THE CORRECT THING

In DRESS GOODS this season is FLANNELS. We have them in all shades.

IN ST. LOUIS.

Miss Emme Miller

Is in St. Louis where she is taking lessons in Hat Trimming. She will return in a few weeks with a complete line of MILLINERY GOODS.

We'll Show YOU!

If you have any doubt about the **GOODS** you ought to buy, we want to **SHOW**

you. We have no objection to your being like the Missourian: we rather like you to be of an investigating turn of mind. We want to tell you about our line.

Full Quantity, Low Price.

All we say is backed up by what **WE DO!**

McMANNIS, BUCKLEY & WHITE,
LEADING CLOTHIERS, Floydada, Texas.

Another Thru Train

TO KOOL KOLORADO!

Beginning July first, we shall have two Thru trains to Colorado each day. One will leave Fort Worth at 9:45 a. m., after the arrival of all evening connections.

For guests who wish to retire early, a sleeping-car will be ready each evening at 9 o'clock.

Both trains will be run thru to Denver. Each will carry thru coaches and sleeping-cars, and meals will be served, en route, in cafe dining cars.

The this doubles the thru train service to Colorado from this territory, there is still "Only One Road" which has any at all. We have also the only direct Colorado line; make the best time, and haul very nearly everybody who goes. And, using our line, "You Don't Have to Apologize," you know.

"The Denver Road"

Passenger Department,
FORT WORTH, -- TEXAS.

N. B.—The rate, from all Texas points, is one fare plus two dollars for the round trip, good, returning, till October 31st, on sale all summer, every day. Tickets routed over our line have more stop-over privileges than any other road can offer, too.



CHEAP EXCURSIONS —TO— SUMMER RESORTS —IN— MINNESOTA WISCONSIN —AND— MICHIGAN.

Daily, during the months of June, July, Aug., and Sept., 1902, the Frisco will sell round trip tickets to Resorts in the above states at rate of

ONE FARE, PLUS \$2.00

Return Limit October 31, 1902.
For full information, address

J. W. HUTCHISON, T. P. A.,
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WEEKLY STOCK TRAIN

Beginning on next Monday, July 28, 1902, and continuing every Monday thereafter up to and including Nov. 24, 1902, we will run a weekly stock train for Kansas City, St. Joseph and Chicago markets on the following schedule:

Leave Hereford	8:30 p. m., Monday
" Canyon City	10:00 "
Arrive Amarillo	10:50 "
Leave Amarillo	11:15 "
" Washburn	12:05 a. m., Tuesday
" Panhandle	12:50 "
" White Deer	1:40 "
" Pampa	2:10 "
" Miami	3:15 "
" Mendota	3:45 "
" Canadian	4:15 "
" Higgins	6:00 "
" Gage	7:00 "
" Whitehead	7:25 "
Arrive Woodward	8:10 "

Where connection will be made with Train No. 423 on the A. T. & S. F. Ry. We shall make every endeavor to run this train promptly on above schedule but this notice is not a guarantee that we will do so. Shippers should file orders for cars at least three days before they expect to load.

The Fort Worth and Denver City Co. will run a similar train to connect with our train train at Washburn at midnight Monday.

We will continue to handle train-load shipments, with proper notice, on any day of the week, as suits shipper.

DON A. SWEET,
Traffic Manager.

THE HESPERIAN is a paper that more than holds its own. When a person once enlists with it then continues year after year to "keep her comin'."

Hundreds of New Things Arriving Every Week!

My Store is constantly changing—putting off Old Goods and putting in NEW GOODS; slaughtering High Prices and making LOW PRICES; casting away Old Business Methods and adopting UP-TO-NOW ONES. When you come to my Store, you can come expecting to find all that is NEW and RELIABLE, and at LESS PRICES than elsewhere. I have HUNDREDS of BARGAINS all over the House which I can not mention at the present writing.

YOU NEED DRY GOODS

I HAVE THEM!

I am showing the Best Goods ever brought to Floydada. My experience as a Buyer in the Markets for the past thirty years puts me in a position to save my customers much in their season purchases. I do strictly a CASH BUSINESS, or what is equivalent or tantamount to a Spot Cash Business. I accommodate customers who I know will pay promptly and according to promise. My customers never have to bear the burdens imposed by those who are slow to settle. You work against your financial interests if you do not call and price my splendid stock of Dry Goods. I am studying and working for your interests.

YOU WILL WANT

The Best TAKE A VIEW AT —MY LINES OF—

Dress Goods, Silks,
Waist Patterns,
Jackets, Blankets,
Staple Dry Goods,
All Grades of Flannel,
Boots and Shoes,
Men's Pants,
Men's Underwear,
Ladies' Underwear,
Shirts, Notions.

A. C. Bowers, --: Floydada.

Worthington-Coatwright.

On Wednesday evening, at 8:30 o'clock, the Methodist church building was used for a purpose never before its lot. It was the scene of a wedding ceremony. For some time before the hour had arrived an overflowing congregation was assembled to witness the occasion and lend encouragement and extend well-wishes to the parties whose destinies for the residue of their lives were inaugurated and involved. A number in attendance were from the rural precincts. Time seemed, to the assembled, to drag heavily, as the time and the parties immediately and directly concerned were to arrive simultaneously—at 8:30 o'clock, and the time was sharply meridian.

The assembled exchanged among themselves philosophical reflections—without intentionally casting reflections on any one whomsoever. The sensitive ear and the vigilant eye of the chief scribe were alive and alert to all said and performed. They caught some things that it would not be prudent to reproduce in the columns of a pious and precise publication similar to THE HESPERIAN.

One person was overheard ask another, "Why do women take such great delight in attending weddings?" The response given was, "Why, because they like to get married and to see others do likewise. Women are solicitous as well as inquisitive." Some would express the wonder why people who had never married would try a thing never before tried, whilst others would expatiate on the sacredness and the seriousness of marriage. Marriage was the sole topic of conversation. Other matters of gossip paled into insignificance. About twice or thrice the monotony was broken with singing by the congregation.

When the time arrived the "Wedding March" was started up on the organ, whereupon the bridal party entered in the following order: Mr. C. W. Gound and Miss Kittie Wilson, Mr. George Smith and Miss Sallie Adams, and the betrothed, Mr. B. A. Worthington and Miss Allie Coatwright. The nuptials were promptly solemnized by Walter Griffith, pastor of the Methodist Church. The words spoken by the officiating minister were fitting and well chosen. The vows exacted made Mr. Worthington and Miss Coatwright one in purpose, one in sentiment, and partners in life.

At the conclusion of the ceremony prayer was offered by R. W. Officer, in his peculiarly original and singular manner, after which the bridal party and invited guests departed for the Harkey Hotel, where supper was in waiting. The following is the personnel of guests, besides the bridal party, who partook of the supper: Mr. J. T. Gound and Miss Myrtle King, Mr. Tom Dean and Miss Ruth Gound, Mr. Walter Gound and Miss Lula Miller,

Mr. Marvin Massie and Miss Flora Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. McCleskey, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Denham. Mr. and Mrs. C. Surginer and daughter, Miss Rachel, Mr. W. M. Massie, and Claude V. Hall.

Whatever Mrs. Harkey prepares for the tables of the Harkey Hotel is always the best. It would be a waste of verbiage to elucidate upon the splendid supper she prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Worthington's guests on that occasion. The interior of the dining room was handsomely and appropriately decorated. Both eye and taste were treated to a perfect feast. The guests were tempted with the most appetizing edibles and it was difficult for them to muster will power enough to keep from gourmandizing. Everything "passed off as happy as a marriage bell," as the poet would have expressed it.

The groom and the bride have the best wishes of all, and their friends in this county are legion. The groom has been a citizen of Floyd county for about a year, coming here from Ellis county. He is a quiet, energetic, high-toned gentleman. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Coatwright of Plomot vicinity and has been in the county for about two and one-half years. She is a pretty and accomplished young lady and is highly qualified for the duties she assumes. May they live a long, happy and prosperous life.

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For District Attorney, 50th District.
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For County Judge,
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For County and District Clerk.
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TOM P. STEEN.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector.
C. F. RAMSEY.
E. C. HENRY.
S. B. MCCLESKEY.

For County Treasurer.
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A large assortment of paints just put in stock at the Floydada Lumber Company. If you are thinking of painting your house, barn or fences it will pay you to inspect this company's lines.

This paper is glad to note the marked improvement in Paducah's paper, the Times. Editor Kelly deserves the undivided and increased patronage of his town and county.

Laugh and the World
laughs with you, have chills and you chill alone. Cheatham's Laxative Chill Tablets cures' gives an appetite and strength. Most convenient chill tonic on earth. Can carry in the vest pocket.

Lakeview settlement has become the recipient of a new settler in the person of a Mr. Merrick from Callaham county. He is a brother of the other Merricks near Floydada. If he is not a good citizen he will break the record of the Merrick name.

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With family around expecting him to die, and a son riding for life, 18 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, W. H. Brown, of Leesville, Ind., endured death's agonies from asthma, but this wonderful medicine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night." Like marvelous cures of consumption, pneumonia, bronchitis, coughs, colds, and grip prove its matchless merit for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at E. C. Scott's drug store.

Painters are busy applying a composition of lead and oil to the exterior of the Methodist church building. About forty or fifty dollars is lacking to remove the indebtedness thereon. It is the intention to make up the amount lacking as to be able to have the building dedicated on Sunday, October 5. At that time the quarterly conference will be in session at this place. Parties who have subscribed funds for the building will confer a favor by paying up at once.

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The sun has crossed the line one more time, and the days will grow shorter and shorter until a few days before next Christmas. Winter time is fast approaching. Now is the time for preparation to span the brumal season.

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to those that wait, even now and then aches and pains, rheumatism, catarrh, neuralgia, and everything that hurts Hunt's Lightning Oil keeps off everything except old age and death. Try it. 25 and 50c. Satisfaction or money refunded.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT To the Constitution, to Be Sub- mitted to Vote of the People on Tuesday, November 4, 1902.

Joint Resolution.

Amending article 6, Section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Texas requiring all persons subject to a poll tax to have paid a poll tax and to hold a receipt for same before they offer to vote at any election in this State, and fixing the time of payment of said tax.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 6, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 2. Every male person subject to none of the foregoing disqualifications, who shall have attained the age of twenty-one years and who shall be a citizen of the United States, and who shall have resided in this State one year next preceding an election and the last six months within the district or county in which he offers to vote, shall be deemed a qualified elector and every male person of foreign birth subject to none of the foregoing disqualifications who not less than six months before any election at which he offers to vote, shall have declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States in accordance with the Federal Naturalization Laws, and shall have resided in this State one year next preceding such election and the last six months in the county in which he offers to vote, shall also be deemed a qualified elector; and all electors shall vote in the election precinct of their residence; provided, that electors living in any unorganized county may vote at any election precinct in the county to which such county is attached for judicial purposes; and provided further, that any voter who is subject to pay a poll tax under the laws of the State of Texas shall have paid said tax before he offers to vote at any election in this State and hold a receipt showing his poll tax paid before the first day of February next preceding such election. Or if said voter shall have lost or misplaced said tax receipt, he shall be entitled to vote upon making affidavit before any officer authorized to administer oaths that such tax receipt has been lost. Such affidavit shall be made in writing and left with the judge of the election, and this provision of the Constitution shall be self-enacting without the necessity of further legislation.

Sec. 3. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation, submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of Texas at the next general election.

A Parson's Noble Act.

"I want all the world to know," writes Rev. C. J. Budlong, of Ashaway, R. I., what a thoroughly good and reliable medicine I found in Electric Bitters. They cured me of jaundice and liver troubles that had caused me great suffering for many years. For a genuine all-round cure they excel anything I ever saw." "Electric Bitters are the surprise of all for their wonderful work in liver, kidney, and stomach troubles. Don't fail to try them. Only 50 cts. Satisfaction is guaranteed by R. C. Scott."

The Republicans of Iowa have caused consternation by declaring for a revision of the protective tariff. Speaker Henderson refuses to renounce his views on the tariff question and stand as a candidate for Congress. While he is not right in his view and never has been on the tariff question, he is eminently consistent in his refusal to become a candidate. The principle, or rather lack of principle, of protection for both infant and adult industries is too glaring an evil to be endorsed by a majority of the people for all time. The only hope for those who favor revision of the tariff is to concentrate their efforts with the true Democrats of the country under the leadership of a man like William Jennings Bryan. The people of the West must join hands with the supporters of the Kansas City platform if they get their rights.

...TO THE POINT...

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THE UNIVERSAL PRAYER.

—By Alexander Pope.—

Father of all! in every age,
In every clime adored.
By saint, by savage, and by sage,
Jehovah, Jove, and Lord.

Thou great first cause, least understood,
Who all my sense confined

To know but this, that Thou art good,
And that myself am blind;

Yet gave me, in this dark estate,
To see the good from ill;
And, binding Nature fast in Fate,
Left free the human will:

What conscience dictates to be done,
Or warns me not to do,
This, teach me more than hell to shun,
That, more than heaven pursue.

What blessings Thy free bounty gives,
Let me not cast away;
For God is paid when man receives;
Thy joy is to obey.

Yet not to earth's contracted span
Thy goodness let me bound,
Or think thee Lord alone of man.
When thousand worlds are round.

Let not this weak, unknowing hand
Presume thy bolts to throw,
And deal damnation round the land,
On each I judge thy woe.

If I am right, thy grace impart,
Still in the right to stay;
If I am wrong, O teach my heart
To find the better way.

Save me alike from foolish pride,
Or impious discontent
At aught thy wisdom has denied,
Or aught thy goodness lent.

Teach me to feel another's woe,
To hide the fault I see:
That mercy I to others show,
That mercy show to me.

Mean tho I am, not wholly so,
Since quicken'd by thy breath;
O lead me, wheresoe'er I go,
Through this day's life or death.

This day, be bread and peace my lot;
All else beneath the sun,
Thou know'st if best bestow'd or not,
And let thy will be done.

To thee, whose temple is all space,
Whose altar, earth, sea, skies!
One chorus let all Being raise!
All Nature's incense rise!

President Roosevelt is junketing about delivering speeches on the trust question and on various and many other topics of the day, and he has a perfect right to do so; but Republican organs should not commend Mr. Roosevelt for so doing without apologizing for having time and again charged Mr. Bryan as being undignified in making campaign speeches while a candidate for the Presidency. Consistency is a jewel among the majority of the publications.

A Sad Event.

What is described as "one of the saddest events" occurred in Wichita last week. An old soldier was making application for a life insurance policy, and a pension increase at the same time. He got the two papers mixed and sent the one making himself out healthy to Washington, and the one in which he was a physical wreck to the insurance company.—Exchange.

Commoner Comments.

Just as a "Starter."

In his Dalton (Mass.) speech Mr. Roosevelt said: "When I talk to you of my own executive duties, I can tell you definitely what will and what will not be done." Well, as a starter, Mr. Roosevelt might say whether he intends to bring criminal proceedings against the violators of the federal anti-trust law. So far he has maintained a significant silence on this interesting topic.

Not Every One Who Sayeth."

President Mitchell of the miners' union made a pointed reference in his Labor Day speech to the complacent philosophy of Railroad Magnate Baer, who recently declared that the Lord had wisely entrusted the rights and interests of the laboring men to the property owners of the country. Mr. Baer has unintentionally given the strikers an argument which they are likely to use with telling effect. Nothing is more calculated to arouse the indignation of the public than the arrogance of a few capitalists who consider themselves divinely ordained to control the resources of the earth and dole out bread according to their perverted ideas of justice.

An Entirely Safe Boast.

In one of his speeches Mr. Roosevelt said: "I say to you here from this platform nothing that I have not already stated, and nothing that I would not say at a private table with any of the biggest corporation managers of the land." Well, so far as we have been permitted to observe, Mr. Roosevelt has not said anything from the platform with relation to the trust question that need seriously disturb the trust magnates. He has lightly referred to the trust evils, but he has saved his indignant criticisms for those who condemn the trust system. So far as arraignment of the trusts is concerned, the president's speeches have, to use the president's own phrase, been built of "strawless bricks."

Partisanship Run Mad.

A reader of The Commoner reports the following instance of partisanship: A republican dropped into his office to read the daily paper, and by chance picked up a copy of The Commoner. After devoting fully an hour to its perusal he turned to the subscriber and commended the paper and asked him how he happened to subscribe for a Nebraska paper. The subscriber pointed to the line just under the title, giving the name of the editor. The partisan republican immediately threw the paper down and declared that he wouldn't read "such slush." The subscriber asks how it is possible to reach and convert such a person. It does seem a difficult task, and yet a great many republicans left their party in 1872, others left at intervals between '72 and '92, a large number left in '96 and still others left in 1900. It is necessary to continue the discussion of public questions, for in a free country argument is the only legitimate influence that one man can exert upon another. The republican party is not responsible for any good thing which

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Bryan is politically dead is a common expression among those who look upon Kansas City platform principles with disfavor; but the reports of the immense crowds that greet him and the magnificent ovations accorded him indicate that he is the most active corpse that Republicans and reorganizers have ever seen. The masses have more honesty and intelligence than they have credit for. Principles that are sound and policies that are wise never die in their hearts. Thru various and many agencies enough people may be hindered in the discharge of their duties so as to defeat the majority's will. The fight must be waged on right lines. Victory will be achieved by persistent effort for the right.

Fortune Favors A Texan.

"Having distressing pains in head, back, and stomach, and being without appetite, I began to use Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes W. P. Whitehead, of Kennedale, Texas, "and soon felt like a new man." Infalible in stomach and liver troubles. Only 25c at R. C. Scott's drug store.

Sometimes an editor of a country weekly says things wise as well as otherwise. By virtue of his position in public life he learns much of human nature and what purports to be human nature. Once in a while he gets a taste of the bad side of human nature and in his utter dismay and disgust he permits himself to lose confidence in humanity. The following paragraph from an exchange is a sample of what an editor's experience may cause him to say in a fit of dismay, disgust, and despondency:

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J. W. Fisher left this week for his old time home Vernon county, Missouri, where he will spend the fall winter.

Not Doomed For Life.

"I was treated for three years by good doctors," writes W. A. Greer, McConnellsville, O. "for piles and fistula, but, when all failed, Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured me in two weeks." Cures burns, bruises, cuts, corns, sores, eruptions, salt rheum, piles or no pay. 25c at R. C. Scott's drug store.

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