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Washington Letter.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

The Senate held a night session this week, but it was only to consider a bill dealing with the codification of the laws now in force in the District of Columbia.

In reply to numerous requests, Secretary Long has announced that the next four warships authorized by Congress will be named respectively Connecticut, Louisiana, Tennessee, and Washington. The present naval appropriation bill authorized four new warships, but the clause was struck out in the Senate, it is charged because the ship yards all expected to be busy building merchant ships to participate in the bounties to be paid under the Ship Subsidy bill. That charge may or may not be true, but the Naval bill is now in conference and the officials of the Navy Department are confident that the clause authorizing the four warships will be restored to the bill before it goes to the President for his signature.

The fact that Speaker Henderson will have no opposition in his own party for re-election speaks for his popularity as a party man, but tributes like the following, from Representative Small, of N. C., speak for something better than partisan popularity: As a democrat, I have been particularly impressed with Speaker Henderson's uniform courtesy and fairness to the minority. So far as I have observed, there are no favorites who receive consideration at the expense of new or modest members, but each member is treated according to the merits of his measure.

From remarks made by justices of the Supreme Court the idea is now prevalent that the decision in the insular cases, involving the constitutionality of the administration's Philippine and Porto Rico policy, is not likely to be handed down until some time in May.

Dr. H. L. E. Johnson, who was vice president of the Pan-American Medical Congress recently held in Havana, brought back some interesting views of the perplexing Cuban problem. He said: "I went to Cuba impressed with the idea that it ought to be free and independent. I have returned convinced that the American flag must never be

taken down from the island. The moment the flag comes down there will be civil war. No one who knows the conditions in the island can dispute this statement. Annexation to the U. S. is the one hope and prayer of all the peoples opinions are worthy of consideration. I talked with all classes, and found the sentiment for annexation expressed by everybody except those who have Cuban bonds, and who, because we will not take the bonds, would sell them to any foreign nation, without regard to the international complications which might ensue. In my judgement, and I speak advisedly, the duty of the U. S. is to courageously declare that the Teller resolution, while right and proper, possibly, at the time of its enactment, is not applicable to present circumstances, and ought to be repealed or disregarded. The reputation of the U. S. for honesty and fair dealing will sustain us in this nation.

Either the House or Senate must back down or the Revenue Reduction bill will fail. The bill is now in conference. The House conferees claim that they will never agree to the reductions amounting to about \$9,000,000 a year that the Senate made in the taxes on beer and tobacco, in addition to those made by the House bill, and the Senate conferees are apparently just as determined that those reductions shall stand.

The bill appropriating \$250,000 for a statute of Gen. Grant in Washington has passed both branches of Congress and is now in conference because of a Senate amendment.

An ignorant man cares nothing for a newspaper and he does not see that it is his duty to supply his wife and children with his local paper. But very intelligent and mentally well balanced citizens take some local paper. You can visit about in the country and pick out the intelligent farmers by the fact that they read their home paper. If ignorant or careless farmers read at all they generally select the publications farthest from home and which is the least valuable.—Tyler Courier.

To have a perfect stomach a man or woman must dine well, and breakfast and sup simply.—Mrs. S. T. Rorer in the February Ladies' Home Journal.

KIDNAPPED OR GONE.

James Benjamin Franklin "Wig" is the Latest Addition to the List of Kidnapped Children.

It seems that the kidnapping craze has gotten into this section of the country, and somebody has swiped the foreman of the Stockman-Clipper, or Bull-Journal and Pumpkin Patch Agitator. Anyhow, he's gone. We have been expecting that somebody would "drap" Hecctor or a postal to the effect that if he didn't remit a few thousand they would send little "Wig" back with his eyes bunged up and his gall extracted, but as the kidnapers don't report the Spokesman now takes up the matter and makes the following liberal offer:

\$800,000,000,00.05 REWARD!

For information that will enable certain good business men of this town to recover on several dollars' worth of wearing apparel, etc.

Description.—Long and lank, and will probably refer to himself as a "warm baby." Has a brass horn and some other brass. Plays the trombone, the land lord and several other instruments. Has a wise walk and a learned look, and might be mistaken for a millionaire. He also has an elegant indorsement in the way of a \$20 gold watch, which bears an inscription something like this:

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—Colorado Spokesmen.

If ever there was a time when we needed to think of what we can have without money, it is now. We think so much about money. We talk so much about money. We say we can do nothing without money. That is not so. We can be saints without money; we can have peace of conscience, peace with God, joy in God, we can have Heaven without money.—Margaret Botome in the February Ladies' Home Journal.

Education and Business.

Profound arguments for and against the question of the value of education for business men frequently find space in magazines and newspapers of all classes. No doubt can be entertained but that opposite views are held with deep conviction on the part of their advocates, yet isolated examples of men with education who have failed in business and men without education who have made successes cannot prove the arguments either one way or the other. The men who failed are undoubtedly of the great class that might be called square pegs that have attempted to fit into round holes, and the other men who have succeeded are of the class of round pegs that fitted into round holes. Many a good lawyer has been spoiled in an attempt to make a preacher and many a good farmer has been spoiled in an attempt to make a merchant, yet the point is not well taken to say that the man failed because he had too much education or had not a well trained mind.

In an article that appeared in a trade journal a few days ago the writer took a stand, or rather made an argument, concerning the value of education for a business man that is certainly untenable so far as logic is concerned, and is wrong as to its influence on the minds of the young men into whose hands it may fall. This writer cites two instances to prove his argument that on their face are plausible, but which will not stand the test of analysis. The first story is of a business man who had practically no education and could not write a respectable business letter, yet was very successful in business and had amassed a fortune; this, the writer contended, proved that education was of no value to business. On the other side he told of a man who had graduated from Harvard with high honors, but was a miserable failure in business. In these proofs there is absolutely no proof—it is the same old point of the square and round pegs.

A man may not be able to read or write and still make a success in business, such cases are known; a man may have the learning of the gods and not be able to make income and expense balance, no matter what his position. That does not in the least demonstrate that the first man would and could not have made a still greater success had he been educated and pursued the same course of life, nor does it prove that the store of learning in the head of the second case was the reason for a lack of business ability that any man must possess in his nature before he will be able to succeed.

That he has not had the advantages of better education does not make the successful man deserving of less praise—indeed it is fair and just to accord more praise to him because of that handicap; that he has failed and yet possessed excellent education does not make education less valuable to the man who can possess it and know how to use it. It is utter and inane clap-trap to say that a man is not a better man for all the knowledge he can absorb from whatever source. The man who is adapted to business life will be a good business man whether he has good education or not, but does it not stand to reason that he can make a better business man with than

without it? The farmer who follows the plow and is able to scan Greek verbs with his children is all the better farmer, provided he makes a success of farming. The merchant who is familiar with medieval history and trigonometry is all the better merchant for having possession of that knowledge, provided he is cut out for a merchant. It is not education that makes or un-makes abilities. The farmer would have failed as a store keeper whether he knew Greek or not, that merchant would of made a poor stick of a lawyer or a doctor notwithstanding the fact that he might have a great fund of book knowledge.

The power that education will yield in men's lives can be reckoned by the sighs of regret that go up every day from men who wish that they had had the opportunity for better education in their youth, or had made better use of that which was theirs.

Education alone will not make anything out of anybody. Whatever the mental training and the fund of knowledge, square pegs cannot be made to fit round holes, but the smoother the round peg the better the fit. The man who is built for business is a better business man for having a education. Alone it will not make him successful, but it will make easier and quicker ways to success.

The young man of to-day who neglects his opportunities of education is trifling with deep dangers of the future. To be lacking and not to be to blame is no disgrace, but to be lacking when opportunity is open for an education is a disgrace, and will bring its own retribution. Better business cannot help but come from a superior understanding of all things about us.—Drygoodsman.

Woman's Downfall.

She was a woman, worn and thin, whom the world condemned for a single sin. They cast her out of the king's highway, and passed her by as they went to pray. He was a man and more to blame, but the world spared him a breath of shame. Beneath his feet he saw her lie, but he raised his head and passed her by. They were the people who went to pray at the temple of God on the holy day; they scorned the woman, forgave the man; 'twas ever thus since the world began. Time passed on and the woman died; on a cross of shame she was crucified; but the world was stern and would not yield, and they buried her in a potter's field. The man died too, and they buried him in a casket of cloth with silver rim, and said as they turned from the grave away, we buried a noble man today.

Two mortals knocked at heaven's gate, stood face to face to inquire their fate. He carried a passport with an earthly sign, but she a pardon from love divine. Ah! ye who judge 'twixt virtue and vice? Not he who the world said would win, for the woman alone was urshed in.—Bob Taylor.

"She Was Bred in Old Kentucky."

El Paso Herald.
Mrs. Nation, the saloon smasher, was a Kentucky girl, and as a yellow headed lass played hero games and was leader of other boys and girls. Her first husband died of delirium tremens a year after their marriage and over his grave she swore vengeance against whisky and his sold it. After ten years of widowhood she married Nation, himself an ardent

prohibitionist. Mrs. Nation has wielded the hatchet before destroying a bar room at Medicine Lodge, Kansas. She is a pleasant faced, pleasant spoken woman ordinarily, a good platform speaker and a frequent lecturer on temperance subjects. The saloon has wronged many a woman of her happiness in wifehood and motherhood and, when such a woman turns against it with fury and overleaps the conventionality that doth hedge in her femininity, one can find some excuse for her even for the wrong that she does. Many a wife and mother has seen all that she drugged and hoped and prayed for, the household money, her love for her husband, her ambition for her sons, all go into a disgrace of drunken brawls. She has suffered, privation, disappointment, and disgrace through the saloons. That the weakness of her loved ones is partly responsible for the loss of bliss of her womanhood does not appeal to her so much as that the saloon door is the open, actual fact of it.

FROM DUNCAN BANNER.

A school marm, 32nd 20, up in Missouri last week, adopted a new but novel plan to induce her pupils' prompt attendance. The plan adopted was to offer a kiss to the pupil first arriving at the school in the morning. The plan worked like a charm. The next morning every boy in school, ranging from 12 to 18 years old, was at the school house an hour ahead of time, each claiming to be the first one there. To settle the dispute the school marm kissed the whole bunch, then declared the scheme off.

Some days since a Duncan attorney called upon another member of the profession and asked his opinion upon a certain opinion of law. The lawyer to whom the question was addressed drew himself up and said "I generally get paid for what I know." The questioner drew a half dollar from his pocket, handed it to the other and coolly remarked: "Tell me all you know and give me the change."

A local editor, not a thousand miles from Duncan, came to the point when his friends thought the time for a final exit into the great beyond was at hand. The doctor bent over him and said: "Poor man, circulation almost gone." The thought-to-be dying editor summoned all his remaining strength and shouted: "You're a liar; we have the largest circulation in the Indian Territory."

'Tis the Truth.

Men are like hogs, however distastful this may sound to the hogs. When one hog gets an ear of corn every other hog will trot along behind and squeal and is ready for a bite, but just let the hog get his head in a crack, and every son of a sow will jump on and tear him to pieces. Just so with men. As long as a man is prospering and has money, he can't keep men off with a ball bat. The moment he is unfortunate and his wealth gone, he is not only snubbed by his former alleged friends, but they begin to do him all the harm possible. When a man starts up grade the world falls behind and pushes. But when he starts down grade the world steps to one side and greases the track.—Ex.

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Dissolution Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the firm of Pool & Grantham is this day dissolved by mutual consent, E. W. Pool retiring and L. D. Grantham continuing the business. All indebtedness of the firm will be settled by Mr. Grantham and all accounts due said firm are payable to him.

Respectfully,

POOL & GRANTHAM.

Having bought Mr. E. W. Pool's interest in THE COMING WEST we desire to state that we are here for the up-building of the country and we bespeak for ourselves the patronage and support of the business men, the encouragement of our people. We are dependent upon you for success, just as you are upon others. Man cannot live for him self alone.

A PROPOSITION.

The Coming West desires to be as progressive as possible, and as the country is progressing and rapidly filling up, we are desirous that every one see our paper and know just what kind of a paper we are getting out. To accomplish this we propose to send THE COMING WEST to every person in the county whose name we can secure for one month free of charge. In doing this we do not expect anyone to subscribe who does not want the paper and when we have sent four copies no more will be sent unless we are authorized to continue same. We feel sure that there are many who would like to be readers of this paper if they only knew of its merits, and we make this offer in order to secure their names.

If you have a friend whom you know is not a subscriber give us his name and we will send him the paper one month. Then if he does not express a desire to continue we will leave his name off and feel assured that we have failed to please him.

This arrangement will be of great benefit to our advertising patrons and we suggest that they take advantage of.

A Fireman's Close Call.

"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale without any appetite and all run down. I was about to give up, I got a bottle of Electric Bitters and after taking it, I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by F. J. Grayum. Price 50c.

Bulls for Sale.

Manager Monroe says they have for sale at the 9R ranch some fine highgrade and thoroughbred Hereford bulls at from \$50 to \$75 each. These bulls are of the best strains and parties wishing such stock would do well to see them before purchasing elsewhere.

The whiskey situation is becoming quite a serious affair in Kansas. The hatchet alone seems insufficient, so guns have been purchased and both sides are now heavily armed. Two temperance people are being shot at the saloon and their wells.

Ex Confederates.

All members of Camp Bill Scurry, U. C. V., whose postoffice is other than Snyder, will please forward their address to Camp Headquarters, at Snyder.

Some Ex-Confederate literature is expected here for distribution soon.

You are further requested to watch for further orders, which will appear in the county papers for the attention of the Camp.

By order of H. H. MARSHALL, Com. B. F. WILKS, Adjutant.

We note that Mr. E. W. Pool has retired from the publication of THE COMING WEST, a new little sheet published at Snyder. —Burleson News.

Spain is tottering on the verge of a revolution.

A young man by the name of Albert Neilson, who was employed as an animal keeper at the zoological gardens in Indianapolis, was literally torn to pieces by a vicious Bengal tiger, the 15th.

The Kansas crusader destroyed about \$1,000. worth of property the 15th, at Perry Kan.

Aguinaldo has not been killed nor Pat Crowe captured for about three days now. What's the matter?—Dallas Times Herald.

No mail from the east today! Why not get up a petition to have the T & P change ends? It is not trouble for the east bound train to get into Colorado on time, but the west bound, Oh my! It is like some people going to church, always late.

T. F. Baker returned last Saturday from Ft. Worth, where he went as a delegate from the Valentine W. O. W. camp of this place to attend the head camp convention. He reports a large crowd. There being over six hundred delegates present. They came from Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. Ft. Worth entertained them royally, giving several balls in their honor, but as T. F. didn't play ball he indulged in operas and theaters, and seems to have enjoyed the trip to its utmost.

Colorado Stockman.

John Camp of Snyder returned from a trip to Midland and went up home today.

Riley Manry of Snyder returned from a trip to St. Louis and reports everything "froze up" in the North. He says he came through Kansas where Mrs. Nation was getting in her work and was afraid to drop off and get a drink at Parsons where her little hatchet was at work.

DARK NOTES.

Miss Jettie Brown who has been with Mrs. Knox in Garza county for quite a while returned home Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Scrivner last Friday, a fine boy.

Bookout school opened Monday morning after a week's lay off on account of the disagreeable weather. The present enrollment is twenty-nine pupils.

Mr. Griggs and daughter, Miss Sallie, made a trip to Snyder Monday.

A number of men of this community went rabbit hunting last week while the snow was on the ground. They caught all the rabbits they could find, which was only eighteen. The rabbits make themselves scarce around here.

Johnie.

M. T. Crawford, Colorado, Texas, has a large stock of fancy lump McElister and other grades of lump and Nut coals. Special prices for country trade.

Mr. Wisner of Nebraska, the gentleman who purchased the Circle bar ranch in Kent county was in town Tuesday on his way to the ranch. He is quite complimentary to our town and he believes it one of the coming cities of the West. We would like for Mr. Wisner to join hands with us and become a citizen, part of his ranch is in Scurry and we would be pleased if he would occupy that in person if he cannot join us in town.

Every stranger who has not been informed of the growth of this county and town is very much surprised when he sees it. The exclamations of surprise when they turn the hill east of town is amusing.

Our little neighbor Dana, is fast putting on city airs, the Methodist church is going up just south of the bridge on the west side of Main street, and the Christian church is being erected north of the stores about two blocks, on the west side of main. They have them a new doctor and a dentist to locate with them and threaten to start them a paper. We suppose if this is done it will be called the Dunner.

A. C. Wilmeth returned Tuesday from Stanton and reports the case against John Stokely, Marion Forrester and S. Carden were moved to Colorado on the motion of the court, and they will be called about the 29th of May.

Rev. Mr. Ogle, pastor of the Baptist church at Snyder preached for us Friday night, he announced his intentions of beginning a protracted meeting the first Sunday in March.—Borden Citizen.

Ira Kutch, H. P. Wellborn, B. F. Womack and Anee Lockwood, all went to Stanton this week as witnesses in behalf of Stokely, Forrester and Carden and returned Tuesday.

Mac Camp of El Paso, has been here since Sunday on a visit to relatives and friends.

John Camp made a flying trip to Colorado, Odessa and Midland since our last issue.

Mrs. Wilmeth Music Recital will be Saturday night the 23rd if not further Providentially hindered. Come out.

Believing that our town will appreciate and support a newsstand we have opened one at the book store on the west side of the square. Come and show your appreciation by patronage. Subscriptions received for any periodical in the world.

A. C. WILMETH.

150 acres of land to grub, fine wood, quick, you know.

W. R. GUINN
Afra Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wilks returned Saturday from a two weeks visit to the Scott Greene ranch in Howard County. They were accompanied by their son Scott, Jr. and Frank Greene. The latter is a nephew of Mrs. Wilks from Illinois enjoying his first experience of cow-boy life.

Mrs. A. J. Grantham, who has been absent for several weeks at Mineral Wells and other points, returned Saturday greatly benefitted from the trip.

H. P. Wellborn one of Scurry's prosperous stockmen, was in town last Saturday and paid THE COMING WEST a call.

Miss Ella Bean was visiting friends and relatives in the city the latter part of last week.

After this issue no more sample copies will be sent out. All those who have not had their names put on our mailing list, and has a desire for us to continue sending them THE COMING WEST, please send in your names.

Mr. Marshall of Ira was in town last Monday on business.

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Mrs. W. A. WATKINS, Prop.

Wonder if King Edward found it as difficult to open parliament as it sometimes is to open a jackpot?—Dallas Times Herald.

He is up against a jack-pot in South Africa that will take three Kings and a pair of jacks to win.

Cheap for Cash. Collar pads at Wellborn's. Reversible or hook, at 30c. New goods coming in. Call and get prices. I pay cash for my goods and get a big discount and can sell cheap. m14

A. C. LESLIE M. D., Office next door to THE COMING WEST building. Office hours from 9 to 4. Diseases of women and children a Specialty.

I. H. Nelson and Mont Bowron are out gunning to-day. Look out Mr. plover.

Will Doss of Colorado, is in our little city to-day.

John Whitten of Colorado city was in Snyder the first of the week.

Preaching to night at the Presbyterian church. Every body invited to attend.

Charley Lockhart says the Snyder water works was moved from the center of the square, one day last week, to the south side.



For Sale.

Black Cochon-China and Cochon Chickens at Mrs. George W. Brown's.

Plymouth Rock Chickens at Mrs. L. D. Grantham's.

Preaching to night at the Presbyterian church

Dr. Scarborough reports two cases of Measles at the home of T. H. Crowder.

Rev. Skinner of Clairmont is spending a few days in Snyder this week.

Willis Rodgers, John Napeier, Tod McEllan, and others, all of Clairmont, are here today.

Miss Maud Daze is visiting Snyder this week.

Remember

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Saturday Feb., 23rd.

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LOCAL NOTES.

Dr. A. G. Person's office is at Dodson & Wasson's.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Kidd on last Thursday, a fine girl.

If you know any news, ring up No. 3 and let it be known.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Dodson left for St. Louis Monday, where they go to purchase their spring stock of goods.

Watch for cleanliness—and cleanliness for watches—Beavis does the work at Doss Bros., Colorado, Texas.

John Gardner, one of Fisher county's stockmen was in the city last Saturday, attending to business.

Call and inspect the very latest and strictly up-to-date wall paper designs, at Doss Bros., Colorado, Texas.

Misses Beavis and Annie Ellis and Maud Baze paid THE COMING WEST a pleasant call Monday.

Don't let tinkers spoil a good time piece. Take it to C. Beavis if it needs cleaning or repairing at Doss Bros., Colorado, Texas.

Dave Sims of Clairmont, was attending to business in our little burg last Saturday.

Doc Knox of Kent county was in Snyder a few days the first of the week.

Now is a good time to subscribe for THE COMING WEST.

If you are contemplating buying furniture wait for the arrival of the large shipment already ordered by Dodson & Wasson.

Quite a crowd of our young folks enjoyed a social at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Marshall last Saturday evening.

Mr. Scott Greene had the misfortune of losing a fine registered bull last week which fell into an old well.

On account of the big snow and bad weather, G. M. Elkins failed to get here with his calves, but will be here on the 23rd of this month.

When in Colorado go to Fred and Sam Lasky's, in the Laska block, for your meals and short orders. Everything first class. Ice cream, soft drinks and cigars in connection.

John Parson, head clerk for Dodson & Wasson, made a business trip to Colorado Monday, returning Tuesday.

C. Beavis is an expert watch and jewelry repairer, at Doss Bros., Colorado, Texas.

Dr. Bettles, of Clairmont, is spending a few days visiting his family in this city, this week.

Dr. A. C. Leslie had us to place his ad in this paper again. THE COMING WEST is making with the approval of the business men of this community, they show their appreciation by their patronage.

F. J. Grayum paid Colorado a business trip Monday returning Tuesday night.

E. W. Bounds left for Colorado last Saturday to join his family at that place. We are informed they will resume charge of the Stockman Hotel.

An addition is being built to the house occupied by the Misses Glascock.

NOTICE.

I will be in Snyder February, 23, with some full blood Herford bull calves. The sires of which are registered, and the dams are full blood. George M. Elkins.

Our county treasurer, Charley Lockhart says he can pay all outstanding jury script, and can pay all general script up to No. 1728, third class.

Contractor, O. P. Wolf, has about completed 4th street, and it's a beauty. It seems to us that similar improvements would add much to the our thriving little city. Why not grade a few more of them.

B. C. Varley is erecting a neat little room on the East side of the square to be used as a sample room.

Dr. A. O. Scarborough is improving the appearance of his residence by the application of the paint brush.

Mrs. Jasper Brooks of the Cop-pinger ranch, is here visiting the family of her brother, J. D. Byrd.

Snyder's Watchmaker, Speaking of Watch Re-paring

There is no medium. The work must be done perfectly, or not at all, and B. L. Cooper can do the work perfectly. When all others fail, try him. Prices low considering quality. All work guaranteed.

B. B. Singletary and wife have moved into their new home, which has just been completed.

We are glad to inform the many friends of Grand-pa Leslie that he had recovered sufficiently to attend services last Sunday.

Doss Bros. of Colorado, whole sale druggists, will give you the very closest prices on anything in their line and solicit your patronage.

Rev. Will Harris of Sweetwater had an appointment to preach here last night but from some reason failed to fill the appointment.

A good, gentle work horse for sale. Call on

C. T. GIRARD.

L. H. Pruitt passed through Snyder last Saturday bound for his ranch in the north west part of the county, having been to Ft Worth attending the Cattle Convention.

Bill Dunbar was reading signs in Colorado the fore part of the week.

Miss Arneatha Turpen, Dark's accomplished school teacher, was in our little city last Saturday.

Miss Fannie Patterson, who is teaching school at Dunn, spent last Saturday and Sunday with relatives and friends here.

Good Bargains.

For the next thirty days I will give 10 per cent discount for cash on my hats, shoes and clothing and many other things in order to make room for a big spring stock. Come and price my goods. A. D. DODSON.

Walter Wasson of roaring hollow community was in town last Monday. Walter reports everything in his part of the county, in fine condition, good season in the ground and plenty of stock water.

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Spilled children are not the children of self-sacrifice, but of selfishness and cowardice—the selfishness which seeks the easiest way; the cowardice which shrinks from facing dangers thereby engendered.—February Ladies' Home Journal.

A wife recently gave her husband a sealed letter, begging him not to read it till he got to his place of business. When he did so he read: "I am forced to tell you something that I know will trouble you, but it is my duty to do so. I am determined that you shall know it, let the result be as it may. I have known for a week that it was coming, but have kept it to my self until today, when it has reached a crisis and I cannot keep it any longer; you must not censure me so harshly, for you must reap the results as well as myself. I do hope it won't crush you. Here he turned the page, his hair slowly rising. "The coal is all used! Please call and ask for some to be sent this afternoon. I thought by this method you would not forget it." He didn't.—Roby Banner.

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Governor Sayers says he will sign any kind of a label bill the legislature passes. He is in favor of giving the papers the right to tell the whole truth about any man or matter and says, that as for himself, he had rather have the truth printed about himself than to have charges whispered around over the country; because if the charges are printed he can get at them to answer them, whereas if they were only whispered he might perhaps not hear them so as to refute them. But the press of Texas has never, and does not ask for that much. All it wants, all it has ever asked for, is that liberal and privileged communications be defined and punitive and vindictive damages be refused unless malice is proven.—Johnson County Review.

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