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CHURCH DIRECTORY.

METHODIST.—J. T. Smith, Pastor, Services the 2d, 3d and 4th Sundays in each month, morning and evening. Sunday school every Sunday. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night. First Sunday at Lovelady.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

CONDUCTED BY PROF. E. A. PACE.

Normal Schools.

A few days ago I was requested to have something to say in the educational department of The COURIER, upon the subject of Normal schools, and Normal training.

DR. LEE ON MR. GRADY.

A Brilliant Address at the Chautauque in Florida.

J. W. Lee delivered, at DeFuniak Springs, Fla., March 4th, one of the most remarkable addresses ever delivered on the Florida Chautauque platform, his subject being "Henry W. Grady, Editor, Orator, and Man."

him. He wished to see it carried through nail factories, shovel and pick factories, carriage and wagon factories on the spot. He wished to see it made ready for use and started from our doors upon the pounds of trade.

sand greeted him at the State Fair in Texas. On the rostrum he was a master. He had action, pathos, fervor. In gesture, in manner, he was grace itself. Never did the artist in him reveal itself more clearly than in one of his great speeches.

lifted him. The flowers in meadow and field whispered to his ear things that others did not hear. The golden air down which he saw, when a boy, the pigeons fly, had a blessed meaning to him.

was that enabled him to hold in his hand the key that promised to bring the lightnings from the dark clouds of misunderstanding above our political sky harmless to the ground.

COURT DIRECTORY.

DISTRICT. District Judge, Hon. F. A. Williams. District Attorney, Hon. W. H. Gill. District Clerk, Hon. W. A. Champion.

COURT CALENDAR.

Court convenes the first Monday after the 4th Monday in February, and first Monday after fourth Monday in September. Court convenes the first Monday's in February, May, August and November.

As well except the attorney or physician who disregards the latest works and methods of his profession to keep pace with his wide-awake, progressive competitors, as to equalize the plodding teacher who reads no educational literature and does not attend his summer Normal, with the one fully up along that line,—as well compare the slow laboring stage coach of a century ago, with the rattling, rushing railroad trains of the present day.

Second, as to the benefits to be derived by teachers who attend and take advantage of Normal training schools, they are so numerous that I find difficulty in naming some, and leaving out others in this brief article.

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ALLIANCE DIRECTORY.

PRESIDENT OF COUNTY ALLIANCE, J. F. Garrett, Grapeland, Texas. John M. Sims, Vice-President, Crockett, Texas. John W. Saxon, Secretary, Crockett, Texas.

First to be mentioned is the opportunity given to review the text books and thus become familiar with what we teach, and surely no one will gainsay the advantage to a teacher in thoroughly understanding what he would teach, for the old maxim in physics that water can not rise higher than its source is illustrated in the daily work of the teacher, and the pupils that he sends forth.

State Supt. Cooper deserves commendation for his strong endorsement of the Normal school work, and especially so when he says, that county superintendents will be instructed by him not to renew the certificates of such teachers as fail to attend Institutes etc.

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GRANGE DIRECTORY.

COUNTY GRANGE. Pomona—J. W. Bartles, master; J. B. Stanton, secretary; meets first Wednesday in December, March, June and September.

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RICE MAXEY.

Attorney at Law. (Now Located at Sherman, Texas.) will attend the terms of the District Court of Houston county, and will be pleased to give close personal attention to all cases, civil and criminal, entrusted to his care.

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Rhode Island has a democratic legislature which will elect a democratic governor.
It is reported that after the adjournment of the present session of the Court of Appeals, Judge S. A. Wilson will resign.

No fair will be held in San Antonio next fall, as the subscription reached only \$15,000.—Abilene Reporter.

The circus that opens up there on the 12th of August will be fair enough for the San Antonians.

There was a joint meeting of prominent citizens of Huntsville and Navasota on the 9th inst. to take steps to build a railroad between those two towns. An executive committee was appointed to have the route surveyed.

Capt James E. Anderson of Leon has come out for State Superintendent of Public Instruction. The Jewett Messenger has a very laudatory article on his record as soldier, citizen and teacher, which the gentleman in question richly deserves. He has been engaged in teaching for a quarter of a century or more, and has established a well earned reputation for executive ability and as a practical teacher. He is at present at the head of the Jewett High School.

The Anti-Trust Bill introduced by John Sherman and which Senator Platt characterized as a humbug, has been reported back from the Judiciary committee and passed by the senate with only one vote against it. The Bill was thoroughly overhauled by senators Coke and Vest and may be said to be a new one. The provisions of it are far reaching and sweeping, and if the bill become a law, and pass muster before the courts, it will break up these organizations.

The Crockett Courier says John M. Moore, the present Secretary of State and candidate for Attorney General, is a son of ex-Chief Justice Moore, and was born in Houston county. That is certainly news to us. It has been generally understood that Mr. Moore is an ex-Federal soldier who came to Texas after the war, and was diplomatically selected by Gov. Ross as a rebuke to the Ingalls-Chandler class of sectional howlers.—Fairfield Recorder.

The Recorder has got things badly mixed. It confounds Jno M. Moore, Secretary of State, with Major Holmes, who acts as Governor Ross's private secretary. The latter is an ex-union soldier, and we may add a thorough gentleman and a democrat of full stature.

The long and bitter controversy between Attorney General Hogg and Land Commissioner Hall over the question as to whether railroads were entitled to a grant of land from the state for side tracks and switches is in a fair way of being determined by the courts. Attorney General Hogg in behalf of the state brought suit before district Judge Kelso at Del Rio for the purpose of cancelling patents granted the Galveston, Harrisburg & San Antonio Railroad for 42,000 acres of land granted to that line for sidings and switches. The case came up for trial last week and Judge Kelso held that there was no authority for the issuance of such patents and ordered them cancelled. The case now goes on appeal to the supreme court. It is claimed by the Attorney General that 300,000 acres of the public domain had been given to this Railroad for such purposes, and that the suit involves the title to 3,000,000 acres.

The Cotton Seed Oil industry is in danger of being stricken down in the interest of the western hog raisers. There seems to be little prospect of defeat for the Conger compound-lard bill. Delegations representing the cotton seed industry are appealing to members of Congress not to vote for it, while representatives from the west are urging its passage. Several delegations of colored people have recently appeared before the committee and argued against the measure, pleading specially with the Republicans that such a law would be disastrous to a great industry and one in which the colored people were largely interested. Their remonstrances were without effect. The "colored brother" is all right when it comes to voting the republican ticket, but when the question of dollars and cents is involved, the republican congressman cares very little for the negro. The vote on this bill will furnish the negroes further evidence as to who are their best friends, but they will not profit therefrom.

The only men before the people of Texas to day for Governor with broad purposes, with well defined convictions on questions affecting the entire state, and with the courage to enounce and the ability to defend them, are J. S. Hogg and Senator McDonald. If Throckmorton and Wheeler have any, they should make haste to let the world know them.

Hon. J. M. Strong of Dallas is announced as a candidate for Land Commissioner. Mr. Strong is a practical Surveyor, and was a distinguished member of the twenty and twenty first legislatures. He was chairman of the committee on Public Lands in those bodies, and understands in all its intricate details the public land question. From personal knowledge of the gentleman's qualifications, we doubt if a better qualified and more suitable man could be found in the state for this important office.

Don't be a clam.
The people expect and demand from each candidate for congress a clear and unequivocal avowal of his position on the following questions: The Coinage of silver. The reduction of tariff. The transportation question. The public land policy of the government.

The Chairman of the Leon county Democratic Executive committee has issued his call for a county convention for May the 17th. May the 18th is designated as the time for holding the precinct conventions. We were in hopes that none of the conventions would be called so early as May in order to give the several candidates for congress an opportunity to go before the people and discuss the questions in which the people are interested. They have a right to know how each one stands on leading issue and there is no more effective way of doing this than by meeting each other face to face, the candidates as debaters and the people as listeners. Another reason why we think county conventions called not earlier than June would be more satisfactory is that the spring is late and those engaged in farming are behind and will not be at leisure to attend conventions before June. Neither the State nor the congressional convention meets before August and we see no reason for rushing things in these matters.

The wail of the Groveton Graphic over the alleged unjust and untruthful statements of The Courier respecting that paper are truly affecting. We should have been pleased to know wherein they were so. We are not disposed to deal unjustly and untruthfully by any one. The controversy between the Courier and the Graphic originated in a little pleasant badinage by this paper at the expense of the Graphic whereupon the G. came back in terms rather severe and uncompromising. The Courier rejoined in a few harmless taunts to which the G. takes exceptions and displays very bad humor. The Graphic insists that The Courier misrepresents the democrats of Trinity county when it says it believes they are for Hogg for governor. May be so, may be not. Time will approve one or the other right. Meanwhile, the Courier would like to know by what authority the Graphic, which flies on its headline the motto, "INDEPENDENT IN POLITICS," claims the right to speak for the democrats of Trinity county touching their choice for governor, or any other officer.

Judge Perkins don't seem to be having as smooth sailing for congress in his district as it was supposed he would have. Some of the papers are jaggng the Judge on the questionable propriety of his holding on to one position and reaching his hand out for another. They urge him to resign as judge before making the race for congress which would seem to be a very proper thing for the Judge to do.—Crockett Courier.

How many men in Texas are "holding on to one position and reaching his hand out for another?" Judge Kittrel should resign then, likewise Mr. Hogg, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. McDonald. The only man running for governor who is eligible unless he quits "holding on to one position" while asking for another is Throckmorton. Why don't those papers supporting Mr. Hogg ask him to resign? Why don't Howdy? Martin resign his seat to come home and ask to be re-elected? This is a very thin argument against Judge Perkins, but it is the best that can be found.—New Birmingham Times.

The editor of the Times will please keep his garments on. The Courier is not urging nor advising Judge Perkins to resign and besides doesn't care whether he resigns or not. It is largely a matter of propriety which addresses itself mainly to the Judge himself, and if he can reconcile his incumbency of one position with his aspiration for another it is all well. We are not living in either Judge Perkins' or Judge Kittrel's district and it is none of our fight. The remarks of The Courier to which the Times excerpts were more in the line of news than an expression of opinion. There are papers and persons, however, in Judge Perkins' district who don't hesitate to advise the Judge to pursue the very course which the Times reprehends, and we notice in the last day or two that Judge McCord has withdrawn from the race for congress because he couldn't in justice to his duties on the bench make the canvass of his district.

S. J. Randall died Sunday morning.

It is transpiring now that there was a motive in pushing San Antonio for the State Convention. The Courier was on to the inwardness of the scheme weeks ago, and endeavored to open the eyes of some of General Hogg's friends to what was going on. We extract the following from a lengthy letter from San Antonio to the St. Louis Republic which confirms what the Courier has been saying on the subject all along:
Hogg's enemies, however, are much encouraged by the executive committee's action, and claim that at no other place in the State could they make as strong a fight against the Attorney General as in San Antonio. They will come here with large numbers of followers to lobby and work against him in and out of the convention, confident that they can easily encompass his defeat in this way. The railroads will have men and money here to use against him, and it is said that two or three of the roads are even willing to furnish free transportation to and from San Antonio during the convention to every man with good lungs, who will pledge himself to strain them, even at the risk of rupturing a blood vessel, against Hogg. He has been bringing suits against the railroads for the forfeiture of their land grants and certain other privileges, thus seriously upsetting their Texas land values, and they are mad enough at him for it to knife him in any manner.

The Crockett Courier says: World New Birmingham capitalists believe that we have in this county iron ore that, it is thought will yield 90 per cent of iron. Yes, they are ready to believe it, for all East Texas is rich in iron ore; but booming Hogg and cussing Eastern capital will never develop it.—New Birmingham Times.

Yes, we are booming Hogg for Governor and inviting capital at one and the same time, and the two are by no means incompatible. Hogg as governor will be just as prompt and as courageous in defending the rights and franchises of capital against the aggressions of the commune, as he will be prompt and courageous in defending the rights and privileges of the people against the unwarranted and illegal encroachments of capital. The people of Texas invite capital and will protect and respect it in the exercise of all legitimate and constitutional powers—more the people will not concede and more the capitalist can't rightfully demand or expect. General Hogg is a friend of progress and enterprise and will go as far as any one in affording a remunerative field for the investment of all the money that is seeking investment in the factory, the field, mines, railroads or what not, and the efforts of such papers as the New Birmingham Times, from dark and sinister motives, to manufacture a hostile and false sentiment against General Hogg's candidacy deserves the reprobation of all honorable and patriotic people. The New Birmingham Times talks as though no one had rights in Texas to be respected but the capitalist—that the great mass of toiling thousands are fit only to be fleeced by corporate organizations and their agents—that if the people of Texas want money to come here, they must fold their hands, and seal their lips in passive silence, discard every attribute of true manhood and submit willingly to every violation of their constitutional rights. The fiscal and the material history of the state for the past four years, during which J. S. Hogg has been Attorney General and, according to such papers as the Times, has been doing all in his power to drive capital from the state and to discourage enterprise within its borders, amply and conclusively refute the unrighteous insinuations of the Times. And to further brand such reflections as false, unjust and unworthy, we see to-day, with J. S. Hogg as a candidate for Governor and with a fair prospect of his election to that office, capital pouring into the State in a steady stream—all the state throbbing with the impulses of a new life and its face turned toward the dawning of a day of unprecedented progress and development. Verily, we have here in Houston county the resources mentioned, and we invite capital to develop them, and we stand ready to defend that capital in the enjoyment of all its legitimate functions. Such pooh-bah arguments as the Times indulges in will do for the nursery, but will not frighten clear-headed, sober-minded grown-up-folk. Try something else.

Rush in the specimens for the Palace.
The Navasota Tablet announces editorially that Grimes Co. is entitled to the Senator from this district and in due time will announce his name. We fail to see on what just grounds of rotation Grimes county makes such claim, as our information is that the Senatorship has gone to that county two terms (eight years) since 1874.

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BLOOD
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LOST, STRAYED, OR STOLEN.
Advertisements under the above heading will be inserted free of charge to all subscribers of The Courier.

LOST ON SPRING.—On March 18, a blue-spotted hound dog, about one year old, with a little red on legs. Any one returning him to me I will give a pair of good hound pups.—J. R. HOWARD.

LOST A MONTH SINCE, a cow, spotted white and yellow, on body, neatly held head; branded S. D. on hip; ears small; dark, overdone in left. Her name was from Dickey's to White Rock creek. A suitable reward will be paid for any information, leading to her recovery. L. H. BEARD.

Administrator's Notice.
State of Texas—County of Houston.
Notice is hereby given that I am the duly appointed and qualified administrator of the estate of Simon Watson, deceased, and all who have claims against said estate will please present them to me for allowance. I reside at Groveton, Trinity county, Texas, and my post-office is Groveton, Texas. S. H. SMITH, Adm'r.

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ANOTHER FIRE IN LOVELADY

The glaring embers of the late conflagration at Lovelady had scarcely smoldered into ashes before another great flame had kindled in the hearts of
NELMS & MAINER,
to come to the rescue of the people by offering them
Lower Prices
than ever before. We are determined to refute the idea that might originate in the minds of some that the lack of competition, resulting from the misfortune of our town in the way of failure and fire, would work a hardship on the people, in the way of a monopoly, for those left unhurt. In view of this fact, and actuated by a spirit of philanthropy, we are now prepared to offer to the people
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and the best assorted of any house in the county and at
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Having recently bought the entire general stock of the late firm of L. P. Henshiff & Co.,
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Lovelady, Texas.

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MRS. N. GATES,
Fashionable Milliner, is Headquarters for
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THE COURIER.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our terms for announcing the names of candidates will be as follows: Congress, \$25; State Senate, \$10; Legislature and other County officers, \$5; Precinct officers, \$2.50. Each name sent in must invariably be accompanied with the cash.

COUNTY JUDGE.
We are authorized to announce the name of W. A. Davis as a candidate for county judge, subject to the action of the democratic party.

COUNTY ATTORNEY.
We are authorized to announce the name of J. W. Madden as a candidate for county attorney, subject to the action of the democratic party.

COUNTY CLERK.
We are authorized to announce the name of O. D. East as a candidate for county clerk, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

COUNTY CLERK.
We are authorized to announce the name of John L. Moore as a candidate for county clerk, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

COUNTY CLERK.
We are authorized to announce the name of Chester Hall as a candidate for county clerk, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

COUNTY CLERK.
We are authorized to announce the name of A. J. C. Dunnam as a candidate for county clerk, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

SHERIFF.
We are authorized to announce the name of F. H. Payne as a candidate for sheriff, subject to the action of the democratic party.

SHERIFF.
We are authorized to announce the name of B. F. Holcomb as a candidate for sheriff, subject to the action of the democratic party.

SHERIFF.
We are authorized to announce the name of W. H. Kent as a candidate for sheriff, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

DISTRICT CLERK.
We are authorized to announce W. A. Champion as a candidate for reelection to the office of district clerk, subject to the decision of the democratic party in primary election.

TREASURER.
We are authorized to announce the name of M. M. Baker as a candidate for the office of county treasurer subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

TREASURER.
We are authorized to announce the name of J. B. Ellis as a candidate for the office of county treasurer, subject to the action of the Democratic party in primary election.

TREASURER.
We are authorized to announce the name of S. B. Hallmark as a candidate for the office of county treasurer, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

TAX COLLECTOR.
We are authorized to announce the name of J. B. Fifer as a candidate for tax collector subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

TAX COLLECTOR.
We are authorized to announce the name of J. E. Sheridan as a candidate for Tax Collector subject to the action of the Democratic party in primary election.

TAX ASSESSOR.
We are authorized to announce Charles Stokes as a candidate for reelection to the office of county assessor, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

COMMISSIONER.
We are authorized to announce the name of J. N. Tye as a candidate for commissioner of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

COMMISSIONER.
We are authorized to announce the name of J. K. Chandler as a candidate for county commissioner for precinct No. 2, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

COMMISSIONER.
We are authorized to announce the name of John T. Cunningham as a candidate for commissioner of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic party in primary election.

COMMISSIONER.
We are authorized to announce the name of J. E. Brooks as a candidate for county commissioner for Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic party in primary election.

COMMISSIONER.
We are authorized to announce the name of Archie Adams as a candidate for county commissioner for precinct No. 3, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

COMMISSIONER.
We are authorized to announce the name of W. H. Hill as a candidate for justice of Peace for Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic party in primary election.

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We are authorized to announce the name of R. C. Hancock as a candidate for justice of Peace for Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic party in primary election.

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We are authorized to announce the name of W. H. Hill as a candidate for justice of Peace for Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic party in primary election.

COMMISSIONER.
We are authorized to announce the name of George Walker as a candidate for constable of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic party in primary election.

COMMISSIONER.
We are authorized to announce the name of John H. Hagan as a candidate for constable of precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

COMMISSIONER.
Marriages and death notices will be inserted free in the columns of The Courier, but all obituaries and notices of respect exceeding 20 lines will be charged for at the rate of 5 cents per line.

COMMISSIONER.
The Courier will publish without charge, a summary of church proceedings that may be of interest to the public. Ministers throughout the county will confer a favor by forwarding same.

LOCAL AND COUNTY NEWS

French & Chamberlain for drugs.

Rush in the specimens for the Palace.

Judge L. W. Cooper has been quite ill.

H. G. McConnell and wife have returned to Haskell.

Capt. N. J. Mainer, of Lovelady was in town Tuesday.

The Trinity river is reported very high and over everything. The rise is clear.

D. L. Burton has sent up some fine red corn and a piece of stone for the exhibit.

J. R. Howard's daughter, little Lizzie, has been quite sick, but is reported better.

Dr. T. M. Sherman and A. J. McLemore brought in some splendid specimens of wood for the exhibit.

J. M. Torrence, house and sign painter and paper hanger. Work solicited. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Drugs Guaranteed at
LAMPS,
School Books, Slates Pencils and School Supplies.
FRENCH & CHAMBERLAIN'S.

J. R. Smith is quite low.

Col. D. A. Nunn is on a visit to Waco.

Rush in the specimens for the Palace.

Don't forget the entertainment at Lovelady on the 25th.

Some announcements crowded out this week will appear next.

Leather goods at wholesale prices at the saddle shop.

The Courier and Detroit Weekly Free Press, one year \$2.00.

Judge W. A. Davis has returned from his trip and looks much improved.

O. T. Smith, at one time a citizen of this county, is on a visit to friends.

Lovelady communication came in too late for this issue, and will appear in next.

Peas, Peas, Peas:
White and Whippoorwill peas at J. R. HOWARD'S.

Now is your chance to get a nice, cheap hat while Mrs. N. Gates is selling out at cost. Come quick.

McLure's WINE OF CARDUI for female diseases.

R. R. Gilbert, (high private) who soon after the war edited a paper here, was in town during the week.

We are sorry to learn that W. V. Berry has been quite ill from malarial attack, but are glad to see him out again.

John M. Smith's saw mill 18 miles east of Crockett. Lumber always on hand. Prices on yard: Heart, \$1 per hundred mixed 75 cents.

J. J. Pridden, of Wharton, has been visiting friends in Crockett. He leaves for St. Louis in a day or two where he will take a business course.

Be certain to take in the entertainment at Lovelady on the night of the 25th—it is for a good cause and a good time is promised all who attend.

Mrs. R. V. Watts, of Lovelady, who spent several days with friends in Crockett returned home last Saturday. Miss Mollie Duren accompanied her.

For Sale or Rent.
Two good dwelling houses, with four rooms each, good orchard, and cistern water on both places. Apply at Breiting's warehouse.

For Sale.
A 10 horse power engine, gin, press and grist mill, all in fine condition, having been used but little, for sale cheap and on reasonable terms. J. J. FRAZIER, Crockett, Texas. 12

All lovers of music enjoyed a rich treat at the opera house Wednesday night. Our limited space will not admit of a more extended notice, but must say that Mr. Sherwood well deserves the high reputation he has gained as a pianist.

A. J. McLemore and Dr. T. M. Sherman think they will be able to get a specimen of white oak eight feet in diameter and a linn five feet. We sincerely hope they will. Rush it in, it will be a big advertisement of your section.

Miss Maggie Webb, of Trinity, Mrs. John McKinnon, Mrs. Josh Monday, Mrs. James Gant, and Mrs. K. D. Lawrence of Lovelady have been visiting friends in Crockett and graced by their presence the Sherwood entertainment on Wednesday night.

R. L. Collins and wife have moved to Haskell and will make it their home in the future. We regret to see them move, but trust they will do well in their new home. They will be quite an acquisition to the society of that wide-awake, bustling little border city.

BLACK-DRAUGHT tea cures Constipation.

The chief of the fire department of Crockett has received a notice from the chief of Palestine to the effect that free transportation would be furnished to all delegates wishing to attend the Annual Convention of the Fireman's State Association which is to be held in Palestine, Texas, in May. Now boys if you want to go you had better get to work and shine up your old engine and get your hook and ladder apparatus in trim.

the corner brick Drug
BRUSHES, COMBS,
TOILET SOAP,
FINE PERFUMERY,
At French & Chamberlain's.

Rush in the specimens for the Palace.

James Stephen and daughter Nellie, gave us a pleasant call.

Mrs. Elizabeth Perkins and Mrs. Shoemaker were callers at The Courier office on Monday.

Four brands of ladies' hand-made \$2.50 shoes sold with a guarantee, at BILL MCCONNELL'S.

The writer knows of one orchard of peach trees without a bloom or leaf in sight. All seem to be dead.

N. E. Allbright's is headquarters for the best cigar in town. Call on him when you want a genuine smoke.

J. K. Newton, a compositor on the Tyler Record, was in the city Saturday and Sunday visiting his brother Allen. He called on the Courier.

T. B. Iden, H. J. Hall, E. H. Calloway, Jas. Worthington, Jerry Payne, J. W. Barthe, paid the Courier office a pleasant visit during the past week.

Hon. O. H. Cooper, superintendent of Public Instruction, has been invited to address the students of Crockett Academy on occasion of their closing exercises.

I am anticipating moving to Coleman City and will, for the next sixty days, sell my stock of millinery goods at cost.

MRS. N. GATES.
McLure's WINE OF CARDUI for female diseases.

Dr. W. B. Collins of Lovelady, is the happy father of a bouncing big boy—turning the scales at 114 pounds. The boys say "you can see Will's smile from one side of town to the other."

Cheatham's Chill Tonic is peculiarly adapted to persons in enfeebled health and invalids. It assists digestion, and is a perfect strengthener and appetizer. Satisfaction or money refunded. Sold by French & Chamberlain, DeBerry & Clark, N. E. Allbright, J. G. Haring.

A. J. McLemore, Dr. T. M. Sherman, W. M. Campbell, Sample Smith, Sam Smith, H. L. P. Durham, Rev. James Durham and Mr. Carrington from the Calthorp section were in town this week.

The entertainment at Lovelady was postponed from April 18th to Friday 25th. A royal good time is promised and all Crockett invited to attend. The young folks ought to go by all means as they will miss a treat if they don't.

Come right along with your cash I am still giving away nice whips to those purchasing goods to the amount of \$10, and paying the cash for the same. Come quick they are going fast.

M. BROMBERG.
McLure's WINE OF CARDUI for Weak Nerves.

Mrs. R. C. Spinks will please accept the thanks of the localizer of THE COURIER for a dish of luscious strawberries and cream, and several slices of delicious cake, bedecked with a handsome bouquet of fragrant flowers, handed us on Saturday evening by her husband. Editors, like all human beings, are fond of good things, but such luxuries as those above mentioned seldom find their way into the humble sanctum, but when they do the same are richly enjoyed and highly appreciated.

Buds and Blossoms from Huntsville.

A bevy of bright, and beautiful young ladies from Huntsville came up Wednesday evening to hear Sherwood—Mrs. W. W. Adickes chaperoned the following young ladies:

Misses Sue Goree, Mamie Houston, Mary Barbour, L. M. Soward, M. Durst, Kittie Buford, Ida Angier, Mollie Josoy, Lillian Otey, Ella Smith, Mary Robinson, May Bell Oliphant. They came to be entertained and expressed themselves as delighted. Their visit is quite a compliment to the culture and refined taste of Huntsville ladies for classical music. The attendance of so many fair damsels from a distance to an entertainment without escorts demoralized the chivalry of Crockett to such a degree that they failed to enjoy the musical treat. Such a scene caused many a Crockett gallant, who had company, to wish he could have taken two or three, and those who didn't have any, beheld themselves severely for their hard luck. The boys wondered if there were any young men in Huntsville. Call again young ladies and tarry longer next time.

Store of French & Chamberlain, Crockett
12 LBS. STRICTLY PURE
SODA FOR \$1.
C. P. BRAND: TRY IT!
FRENCH & CHAMBERLAIN.

Rush in the specimens for the Palace.

Miss Blanche Adams, of Lovelady is visiting Miss Maud Cone.

A. J. Selman and Miss Amelia Johnson were married a week ago.

Read Mrs. Webb's appeal. Hope the articles will be brought in at once.

A fine rain began falling at daylight on Wednesday and poured down for several hours.

The place to get a nice black alpaca coat and vest is at BILL MCCONNELL'S.

Tin Shop Notice.

Go to G. T. Teal for the best hand made tinware, cheap for cash.

Rev. S. F. Tenny attended the east Texas Presbytery which was held at Jacksonville, Cherokee county.

For want of space local notices of the announcements of T. J. Hall and J. N. Tye will be deferred till next issue.

The Commissioners have refused the offer made them by two parties for the remainder of Houston counties school land.

McLure's WINE OF CARDUI for Weak Nerves.

Some person shot through both of DeBerry & Clark's show windows last Monday night. The perpetrator of the deed is unknown.

Misses Lillie and Lue Morgan, two bright young ladies of Julian, accompanied by their father, were callers at our office last Thursday.

Miss Florence Hogue, of Porter Springs, but who is attending school in Crockett, called on us Saturday last. The young lady's father accompanied her.

For fine hand-made candy N. E. Allbright is always in the lead. He has just received a full line of the choicest ever brought to the town. Call and supply yourself.

"Love thy neighbor." You can never do this if you allow your neighbor to suffer with Ich, Tetter, Ringworm, etc., without advising him to use Hunt's cure. Cure guaranteed.

Sold by French & Chamberlain, DeBerry & Clark, N. E. Allbright, J. G. Haring.

John T. Bever, of Uvalde, has bought out the livery business from J. J. Prewitt. We extend the gentleman a cordial welcome to our midst and trust that he may do well. There certainly is a fine field here for the livery business.

Specimens for the Spring Palace have been brought in by J. K. Chandler, Joe Ashmore, Wyatt Lane, Ike Daniels, Jack Bridges, Jr., W. H. O'Connell and Lewis Merriwether. Weldon sent in their exhibit to Lovelady on Saturday last and will be ready.

"When the spring time comes, gentle Annie,"

"And the chills and fever bloom once more,"

"You had better buy a bottle of Cheatham's Chill Tonic,"

"From the man who runs the nearest drug store,"

Sold by French & Chamberlain, DeBerry & Clark, N. E. Allbright, J. G. Haring.

James Worthington, of Lovelady, who in January last went to Dalton, Georgia, with the view of working a bonanza invention, has returned. James says "that Texas is God's country." His many friends at Lovelady welcomed him with a whoop, turned over the keys of the city to him, and gave him a *charriera* serenade at night.

For Sale at Breiting's Warehouse at Prices to Suit the Times.

500 bushels Brazos bottom ear corn.

500 bushels Brazos bottom sack yellow corn.

800 bushel Kansas sacked white corn.

150 barrels fresh flour, in barrels and sacks.

250 bales choice hay.

600 bushel cotton seed.

Whittaker's celebrated sugar cured hams always on hand. 12

The issue of last week contained the announcement of W. A. Chamption, for District Clerk. Mr. Chamption is very justly regarded as the Chesterfield of Houston county politicians, and towers above all in strength of official courtesy and cleverness. The fact that he rarely encounters opposition testifies emphatically to the high esteem in which he is held by his people for his competency as an official, and worth as a citizen. If re-elected he will no doubt continue to give the same satisfaction.

Chamberlain, Crockett
Magnetic Oil—Try it!
THIS WEEK, FINE
Pocket Knives and Bird Cages,
At FRENCH & CHAMBERLAIN'S.

Rush in the specimens for the Palace.

Sampson Hudson brought in some fine specimens of corn.

We regret very much to learn of the death of Mrs. Henderson, wife of Tom Henderson living six miles west of Crockett.

Dr. Sherman says he will show babies with any of them. Send him up, Doc, and let us take him to the Spring Palace.

The Commissioners' Court met in extra session last Monday and made out the final papers for the transfer of the school land sold a short time since.

Cheatham's Chill Tonic is acknowledged to be the best.

Physicians use and prescribe it. Cure guaranteed.

Sold by French & Chamberlain, DeBerry & Clark, N. E. Allbright, J. G. Haring.

In the last week's COURIER appeared the announcement of Chas. Stokes for assessor. Mr. Stokes is so well known to the people of the county that we deem it unnecessary to say anything by way of introduction. He has filled the position he seeks for years and has done so with eminent satisfaction and fidelity. There are few officers in this line in the state who have established and maintained the high character for efficiency, which has been a prominent mark of Mr. Stokes' record since he has occupied the position he now holds. If re-elected, we are warranted in believing that his conduct of that office will be held up to the same standard in the future which has characterized it in the past.

A negro named Clabe Roberts was shot and instantly killed last Thursday evening by John A. Cornwall, the weapon used was a shot gun loaded with squirrel shot. The facts as we learned them are about as follows: The negro had been in the habit of tearing down the fence of Cornwall's father and turning out the stock, and when asked by Mrs. Cornwall why he did it, she received in answer some very abusive and insulting language. On Thursday young Cornwall and the negro met and he (the negro) commenced cursing Cornwall, which was resented, when the negro reached for his pistol but before he obtained it he was shot dead by young Cornwall. At the examining trial Monday Cornwall was held in \$1000 bond for his appearance at the next term of court.

Bill McConnell Says.

The question is often asked, how is it that Bill and John McConnell, having been since their entry into business continually smashed between two grindstones, failure and credit, withstood the storms, marched to the front, met, matched and mastered the commercial GIANTS who stood at the top? Some say a MYSTERY, others say LUCK. We say, while the old flint lock was almost unerring, the fellow who fires with a repeater has thirty chances to one. What nonsense to talk about mystery and luck, when the two disyllables UNDERBUY and UNDERSELL, together with the auxiliaries, indomitable will and the ALMIGHTY DOLLAR, are true key notes, which if played upon harmoniously, will open up the way into a mercantile path strewn with the sweetest flowers. Our speciality: Powder and shot that will shoot to the spot.

M. M. Baker announces this week as a candidate for county treasurer.

Mr. Baker is well and widely known in Houston county, and enjoys the enviable reputation of being one of the county's most solid and progressive citizens. He has been a citizen of the county for years and has been regarded always as one of the most successful farmers the county had. Four years ago he was elected to fill the office of county treasurer and this he has done in a manner satisfactory in the highest degree to all who have had official relations with him. The position is one of importance as the occupant is charged with the handling and keeping of the county's funds, amounting at times to a thousand of dollars. While the duties of the office are not laborious, they are of such a character as call for promptness, close attention and courtesy. He may be said to be always on hand, and prompt and pleasant in his efforts to attend to the wants of the public. If elected, continuation of the same policy may be confidently expected.

t, Houston county, Texas. Try us.
That Diarrhoea Remedy
Works like a charm. Try it.
Physicians Prescribe It.
FRENCH & CHAMBERLAIN.

The undersigned has secured the agency of Houston county for the life of Hon. Henry Grady, and will canvass the county for the same. Those intending buying this work should wait until he calls on them. The book can be bought from no other in this county.

12 A. WILLIS.

O. D. East announces in this issue of THE COURIER as a candidate for county attorney. Mr. East is well known to most of our people. He is a graduate of the South Carolina Military school, and moved thence, after graduating, to Arkansas when he obtained license to practice law. He lived in Arkansas quite a number of years, taking a prominent part in local and state politics, and for one or two terms was a member of the Arkansas Senate. He claims to have been city attorney for the Arkansas part of the twin cities of Texarkana and wrote the corporation laws of this town. Mr. East is energetic and full of vim, and if elected county Attorney will be equally earnest and energetic in his efforts to perform the duties of the office.

An Appeal.

The chairman of the committee on wild flowers asks of every one who feels an interest in the Spring Palace exhibition for Houston county to bring forward at once all plants, ferns, or anything that would help to decorate our space at the exhibition.

We want some nice Palms taken up by the roots and put into tin cans, with sufficient earth to keep them fresh and nice. We want long leaf pine, magnolia, any pretty plants that would serve to decorate with. All small plants that can be potted we want done so. Other pretty evergreens we will take cut from the tree. Can't someone bring us some of that nice plumey grass that grows in our country? Please do, for we are in great distress for them. Our exhibit must be off from here by the 26th of this month, it will be too late then to bring anything. Yours in distress.

Mrs. A. E. WEBB,
Chairman of committee

We are again called upon to record the death of another old and highly respected citizen of Houston county, that of H. W. Beeson, which occurred at his residence three miles south of town on Tuesday evening at one o'clock. Mr. Beeson was, at the time of his death, one of the oldest citizens of the county, being 78 years of age, and had lived in the county upwards of fifty years. He was a man in high standing and up to the time that he was stricken down with the disease, softening of the brain, of which he died, he was a useful citizen, always ready to aid in any way in his power in the upbuilding of the county in which he lived. He was buried at White Rock burying grounds on Wednesday evening, and his remains were followed to the grave by many sorrowing friends and relatives. Thus has passed away another old landmark. Peace to his ashes.

Capt J. H. Wooters is in receipt of a circular letter from the ladies' Memorial Association of Fredericksburg, Va., asking for contributions to aid them in replacing with marble the wooden headstones at the graves of a couple of soldiers who went out from Houston Co. and lie buried in the cemetery at that city. Wm. Harris and S. J. Boydston are the names of the two men, and were well known in this county. They were members of Company I, Hood's Brigade. This is a worthy undertaking and appeals to every one's patriotism and generosity. Capt Wooters and Col Aldrich are soliciting subscriptions for the object. We clip the following from the ladies letter:

Many of these graves, which we have lovingly cared for during so many years, contains the dear ones of Southern homes, where their memories are still cherished, and a throb of sympathy will go out to us in our efforts to rescue their names from oblivion. Mothers, widows, orphaned sisters and comrades, help us in our sacred work, and we believe that before another year we will have money enough to begin our work.

Georgia sent a car load of marble headstones.

More Especially are We Prepared
to
Fill Prescriptions.
FRENCH & CHAMBERLAIN

We learn from Prof. Pace, that he has notification of shipment to him by the State Geologist at Austin, of near one hundred geological specimens, to be used in the school here, with other specimens yet to follow. Prof. P. having noticed in THE COURIER of some time ago, that such specimens would be furnished upon application called the attention of the lessees of his school thereto, and was requested by the board to make out and forward said application, which he did with the above result.

A. J. C. Dunnam's announcement appears in this number of THE COURIER. He is a candidate for re-election to the position he has been filling for the past four years. Mr. Dunnam has been a citizen of the county for years, and has been prominently identified with the county's every interest during that time, engaging, until elected county clerk, in the business of farming and saw-milling. He has always borne with those among whom he lived a high character for true worth. The business of the office which he fills has been managed in a most satisfactory and acceptable manner and has made for him many friends. If chosen to succeed himself he will no doubt be as unerring in the future as in the past to keep the office up to the high standard of efficiency which it has always sustained.

A Rambler After Midnight.

A COURIER rambler a few nights since stumbled up against a colored brother, who with a serious manner and a grave tone to his voice said, "come here, boss, I've got something to tell and show you." The rambler followed him to find out the cause of his excitement. We journeyed along in the direction of the Voltaire place and just before reaching there he said, "white folks needn't tell me dare is no such things as speerets and ghosts." We asked him what he meant. He bade us draw nearer. Reaching the corner of the Voltaire lot he peered over the fence and pointed in the direction of the lot on which the residence once formerly stood. It was, what-moon-struck sentimental youths would call the "witching hour of night." The moon was three quarters gone and was shedding a dim weird light over the scene. A soft breeze, "suggestive of buds and blossoms," was rustling the trees and shrubbery. The *crepe* myrtle, which always seems out of harmony with any but cemetery surroundings, cast a sombre shadow. The scene on the whole was decidedly calculated to fill the mind of any one with queer apprehensions. We drew nearer still and feeling sure that the way was clear for a rapid retreat we gazed over the fence and through the bushes and trees and beheld three forms clothed in white. In the pale moonlight they looked unearthly and as if they might actually have escaped from the ceremonies of the grave. Just here the colored guide remarked that there was a report among the colored folks that the spirit of Mrs. Voltaire had appeared in a vision to some of the colored people, and had informed them that there was a large treasure buried on the old homestead. The forms mentioned seemed to have a motion as though engaged in work. They were observed to bend over and then swing around as though employed in digging up and throwing out dirt. We looked on, watching their movements intently for quite a while and then quietly withdrew. Next morning the ground on which the house stood was spaded up and an excavation several feet in length and two or three in depth was to be seen. We are not able to say who they were—their object was doubtless to find money.

McLure's Wine of Cardui

and THEOBER'S BLACK-DRAUGHT are for sale by the following merchants in HOUSTON COUNTY:

N. E. Allbright	Crockett
John Marchison	"
French & Chamberlain	"
J. G. Haring	"
W. W. Davis	Augusta
Wm. M. McLean	"
Z. B. John agent	Calhoun
James A. Hill	Baylor
Shotwell & Hickey	Greenland
B. F. Eiden	"

