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vices every Sunday morning. Sun-  
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**DISTRICT.**  
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the 4th Monday in February, and first  
Monday after fourth Monday in Septem-  
ber.  
**COUNTY.**  
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February, May, August and November.  
**COMMISSIONERS.**  
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February, May, August and Novem-  
ber.  
**JUSTICES.**  
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John Kennedy, J. P.  
Precinct No. 3, Coltharp, 4th Saturday  
in each month.  
J. W. Gilbert, J. P.  
Precinct No. 4, Lovelady, 4th Thurs-  
day in each month.  
J. R. Morgan, J. P.  
Precinct No. 5, Grapeland, 2d Satur-  
day in each month.  
John A. Davis, J. P.  
Precinct No. 6, Porter prings, 1st  
Saturday in each month.  
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Society's Hall, No. 25-26, H. Galloway,  
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H. B. Harris, Sec'y. Meets second and  
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**J. G. HARRING,**  
DEALER IN—  
Drugs and Medicines, Perfumery and all Kinds of Toilet Articles. Physicians Prescriptions Carefully Compounded.

## IT PAYS

To be cautious in the choice of medi-  
cines. Many are injured by trying ex-  
periments with compounds purporting  
to be blood-purifiers, the principal  
recommendation of which would seem  
to be their "cheapness." Being made  
up of worthless, though not always  
harmless, ingredients, they may well  
be "cheap," but, in the end, they are  
dear. The reliable medicines are  
gently, and can be retailed at mod-  
erate prices, only when the manufactur-  
ing chemist handles the raw materials  
in large quantities. It is economy,  
therefore,

## To Use

Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the valuable component  
of which are imported, wholesale, by the  
J. C. Ayer Co. from the regions where these  
articles are richest in medicinal properties.  
"It is a wonder to me that any other  
man Ayer's Sarsaparilla has a show in the  
market. If people consulted their own in-  
terests, they would never use any other; for  
it is not only the best, but, on account of its  
concentrated strength and purity, it is the  
most economical."—James F. Daily, Druggist,  
Washington St., Providence, R. I.  
Dr. A. I. Almond, Druggist, Liberty, Va.,  
writes: "Leading physicians in this city  
prescribe

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years, and have the highest regard for its  
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Sold by all Druggists. Price 25¢ per bottle, 50¢  
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Cures others, will cure you

## PLAINLY STATED.

### Back Walton Gives His Reason for Supporting Clark.

The following letter from Buck  
Walton, of Austin, needs neither in-  
roduction or explanation:  
R. B. Barrett, Manager, etc., Waco, Texas:

DEAR SIR—I reply to your late  
circular under three heads—

1. Why I support George Clark for governor:
- (a). His life in public office is without stain or blame, and has been admirably, undeniable useful in Texas.
- (b). He is the advocate of clean, impersonal, constitutional govern-  
ment.
- (c). He favors the uniform execution of the laws, on all alike.
- (d). He insists that the largest freedom shall rest in the people to govern and control their own affairs.
- (e). He opposes the concentration of power into single hands.
- (f). He is opposed to "paternalism."
- (g). He believes public office to be a public trust, in which personalism has no place, and to be administered in obedience to the known, or ascertained will of the people.
- (h). He believes in justice to all, equally administered, in the greatest good to the greatest number, and that a people is best governed who are least governed, consistent with the protection of right; the prevention and adequate punishment of wrong.
- (i). He is opposed to unjust, restrictive and proscriptive laws that hinder and cripple the people in the management of their business affairs.
- (j). He favors the election by the people of all their general officers, state and county, inclusive of railroad commissioners, to the end that the people's servants shall account to the people, and not to another one of their servants, as to how they have discharged their duties.

## WHAT WILL IT CURE.

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## Answer This Question.

Why do so many people we see around us seem to prefer to suffer and be made miserable by indigestion, constipation, loss of appetite, coming up of the Food, Yellow Skin, when for 75c. we will sell them Shiloh's Vitalizer, guaranteed to cure them. Sold by J. G. Haring.

## SOME POINTED QUESTIONS PUT TO GOVERNOR HOGG.

### Will the Governor Please Answer?

As General Hogg is just starting out on his political tour to justify his course as our chief executive officer and to ask the people to again elevate him to this high office, it ought not to be considered impertinent for us, as a news-gatherer, to ask him a few questions just at this time, especially since it may afford him a good opportunity to explain several things that are puzzling and agitating the minds of the people very much just now.

1st. Why, Governor, did you refuse the request of the people to appoint one of their number on the railroad commission? Was it because you couldn't find one among this great number with intelligence or common sense enough to understand the law or with honesty enough to do justice in the premises; or was it because you were afraid he would be too severe on the railroads? Did you think they acted intelligently and with common sense and honesty of purpose when they elected you Governor, and if so what power was brought to bear that caused you to change your mind so suddenly?

2nd. Why did you tell the people in your canvass for Governor that the adoption of the amendment to the constitution would settle the commission question, and after its adoption and just on the eve of your campaign for re-election have your friends adopted a platform announcing that the question before the people is "commission or no commission"? Do you really, sincerely and honestly believe that a proper regulation of the railroads by a fair, just and equitable law is in danger? If so, then will you be kind enough to tell us whether it is the Governor or the legislature to be elected in November next by the people who enact the laws?

3rd. If you really and truly believe the commission law to be in danger, then why did you refuse the request of the senate to submit to the legislature the question of electing the commissioners? Why did you refuse to let the people elect these officers?

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## Send the School Money to the People.

Waco, Tex., April 30.—[To THE NEWS.]—Judge Clark's declaration in his Belton speech that if elected governor he would recommend the passage of a law lending the school money to the citizens of the state on real estate security at 5 per cent interest ought to meet with a hearty approval by the people of Texas. It enunciates a line of policy that would prove eminently beneficial to the state.

Texas farmers cannot live and pay 10 per cent interest as thousands of them are now doing to loan companies. If the state would take up these and carry them at 5 per cent it would place these debt-burdened sons of toil in a position that would enable them ultimately to get out of debt.

This policy would reduce the price of money, as private lenders would be forced by the law of supply and demand to lower their rates. The bonds of the state of Texas held by the school fund ought to be paid off and the money loaned to the people. Let the Texas have all the 5 per cent money possible and they will cease to be hewers of wood and drawers of water for the money bags of the east.

This investment would be perfectly safe. If it was not the loan companies would not be so eager to place money in the same manner. The president of the State Central bank of Waco once told me that he asked a Boston friend, who had five or ten millions loaned on western farms, what was his percentage of loss. His reply was in the ten years he had been lending the loss was so small that he couldn't figure a percentage out of it.

The scheme is eminently practical, the method of making a loan pursued by the loan companies could be adopted and would guard well the interests of the state. An application, with sworn appraisal of the property offered as security and accompanied by a complete abstract of title and a report by the assessor of the county where the land lies, should be presented to the state treasurer.

The amount loaned should be limited to 40 per cent of the value fixed on the property by the appraisers and the county assessor. To avoid putting the state to the expense and annoyance of suits to foreclose, the law could give the force of an execution just as tax tickets have, and upon being declared forfeited by the school board at Austin for non-compliance with the terms of the contract, the property could be advertised and sold, with a right of redemption within a reasonable time.

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- BISCUIT.
- MUFFINS.
- WAFFLES.
- CORN BREAD.
- GRIDDLE CAKES.
- DUMPLINGS.
- POT PIES.
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## Consumption.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup.  
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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OFFICE.

CONGRESS. We are authorized to announce the name of Earl Adams as a candidate for Congress from this, the second Congressional District, subject to the action of the Democratic Party.

FOR THE LEGISLATURE. We are hereby authorized to announce W. J. Townsend, of Anglin county, as a candidate for the Legislature representative to the 2nd Legislature from the 1st district, composed of the counties of Anglin, Cherokee, Anderson and Houston, subject to the action of the Democratic convention.

FOR DISTRICT CLERK. We are authorized to announce the name of A. E. MURPHY as a candidate for District Clerk subject to the action of the Democratic Party.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR. The undersigned hereby announces himself a candidate for the office of Tax Collector for Houston county, subject to the action of the Democratic Party in primary election.

FOR SHERIFF. The undersigned hereby announces himself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Houston county, subject to the action of the Democratic Party.

FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR. The undersigned announces himself a candidate for county assessor subject to the action of the Democratic Party.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER. The undersigned is a candidate for county Treasurer for Houston county subject to the action of the Democratic Party.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. The undersigned announces himself a candidate for Justice of the Peace for the 1st Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic Party.

FOR CONSTABLE. The undersigned is a candidate for constable of Precinct No. 1, of Houston county, subject to the action of the Democratic Party.

LOCAL AND COUNTY NEWS. French & Chamberlain for drugs. Dr. J. L. Hall has been quite sick.

Curling tongs at Bill McConnell's. Coffee 5lb for \$1.00, at L. M. Campbell's.

J. L. Dawson was on the sick list last week but is all right now. Mrs. Lucinda Murchison is in the city this week visiting relatives.

Mrs. F. B. Dixon of San Augustine is visiting her daughter Mrs. Dawson. We call attention of readers to announcement of W. A. Champion in the issue.

If you have not weights to your wash, try my wash lock. J. W. McGILL, Agent.

Mrs. Corry and Miss Mary Nunn went up to Elkhart Mineral Wells on Thursday last. We had a pleasant call last week from Stephen Hallmark, Mrs. Hallmark and Miss Goodwin.

If you want weights to your wash, try my balance sash—only one weight. Cheap. J. W. McGILL. Miss Goodwin has just received an elegant new line of lace and spring goods. Call and see them.

Call and see the fine display of "Aristo" photos made every week by Reichelberger, the photographer. Lee Goulbeow's child died at Groveton last week and was brought to Crockett on Friday last for interment.

Just arrived at the livery stable of J. T. Bever a large jack and fine Cleveland Bay Stallion. Call and examine this stock. Democrats should all turn out to the precinct conventions on Saturday, May 28 and voice their sentiments for governor.

The democrats at every box in the county except two reported in favor of last one convention. They ought to know what they want. Hon. F. B. Sexton of Marshall, candidate for congress, will address the democracy of Houston county at Crockett on Thursday May 26.

THE OLD RELIABLE BRICK DRUG STORE!

Pure Drugs, Chemicals, Patent Medicines, Perfumes,

Paints and Oils, Varnishes, Glass and Putty, Toilet Articles,

School Book, Blank Books, Stationery, Wall Paper.

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A Form for Organizing Democratic Clubs.

This club shall be known as the Democratic Club. The officers of the club shall consist of a President, Vice President and Secretary.

The duties of these officers shall be such as usually pertain to positions of this character. Any legal voter shall be eligible to membership in the club who will pledge himself to support the action of the democratic party in its organized capacity and vote and work for its nominees.

The regular meetings of the club shall be held at in each month. It shall be the duty of every member of the club to try to induce all democrats to enroll their names on the roll of members.

A roll of members shall be kept by the Secretary. The president, and in his absence, the vice president, shall have power to call a special meeting of the club at any time he may deem necessary.

Minutes of the proceedings of the club shall be recorded by the secretary in a book kept for that purpose.

A Joint Discussion. The editor of The Courier, W. M. Imboden, of Cherokee and Hon. W. F. Murchison, engaged in a joint discussion at Groveton last Saturday last. A very fair audience was present. The editor represented the cause of Clark while Imboden and Murchison defended Hogg and his administration. The discussion was free from any bitterness and the best of good feeling prevailed throughout. Murchison and Imboden both made good speeches, Imboden's being lengthy and strong from his standpoint of the questions at issue. The weak point in their presentation of issues is that they seek to make the impression that the commission is in danger when as a matter of fact the commission is a dead issue, it having been settled two years.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure. This is beyond question the most successful Cough Medicine we have ever sold, a few doses invariably cure the worst cases of Cough, Croup and Bronchitis, while its wonderful success in the cure of Consumption is without a parallel in the history of medicine. Since its first discovery it has been sold on a guarantee, a test which no other medicine can stand. If you have a cough we earnestly ask you to try it. Price 10c, 50c, and \$1. If your lungs are sore, chest, or back lame, use Shiloh's Porous Plaster. Sold by J. G. Harrington.

Notice to the Republicans of Houston County. It is the ruling of the 2nd Congressional Executive Committee that delegates be elected at least five days prior to the Congressional Convention which meets on the 17th inst. therefore I call your attention to a county convention May 10th to elect delegates and another convention May 14th to attend county affairs. Each best should be represented.

Thos G. W. TARVER, Repub. Co. Ch'm'n Houston Co. ROBT. LAMBERT, Secty. Lumber! Lumber!! Call on Mart Ellis for first class longleaf, yellow-pine lumber. He is selling cheaper than the cheapest. Yard near the depot.

CASH! CASH!! CASH!!! Do you ever come to town? If you do call at the CASH STORE and see the elegant line of ladies and gents Furnishing Goods. Dotted Swiss at all prices for commencement. Lawns, black, white and dotted. Persian mulls with polka dots, curious dots and love knots. Underwear for men, shirts of all colors and all prices. I head the list on CLOTHING and defy competition. My beautiful line of PANTS, like "Joseph's coat of many colors" catches the eyes of all who call. My three styles of tobacco for 25 cts. per lb. each. Also my three styles shoes, ladies button, school shoes and double sole brogan \$1.00 each. I have plenty of time to wait on all that will call, in fact more time than money, and no one "waits for their turn like going to mill." B. M. ATKINSON.

Obituaries in excess of 20 lines will be charged for at the rate of 10 cents per line.

Tom Foster has opened up an ice cream parlor. He will serve ice-cream every day. Call and see him. J. M. Crook went up to Palestine Tuesday to stand his examination for license to practice law. He obtained it.

Just arrived at the livery stable of J. T. Bever a large jack and fine Cleveland Bay Stallion. Call and examine this stock. The funeral of Mr. J. W. Jones will be preached at Oakland school house next Sunday at 11, a. m. All are invited to attend.

Mrs. Jno. A. McConnell who left last week on a visit to Mississippi returned after getting as far as Longview on account of sickness of child. Long Staple Cotton seed for sale. Sells for one cent more than common cotton. Price \$3.00 per bushel. Apply to A. H. WOOTTERS.

L. M. Campbell has a full line of the Dodson-Hills Pickles and Sauces which he will sell at the lowest market prices all goods delivered at your door. On Saturday night last, 2 o'clock, a. m., fire was discovered at the rear end of R. M. Atkinson's store by G. W. Broxson. In a short time the store and many near it must have been seen in flames.

Commissioners court has been in session during the week, a full court in attendance. They decided to have an iron fence put around the court house and to have the yard scraped off and graded. Mamma (to her little boy). "Now, Bennie, if you'll be good and go to sleep, mamma'll give you one of Dr. Ayer's nice sugar coated Cathartic Pills, next time you need medicine." Bennie, smiling sweetly, dropped off to sleep at once.

The Masonic Lodge on Saturday night last deferred final action on the question of laying the corner stone of the school building till its next stated meeting in June. By some this is construed as meaning that the lodge will not take charge of the ceremonies. Col. Earl Adams left Tuesday night to enter into the canvass for the congressional nomination. He will be absent a month and expects his friends in Houston county to look after his interests in this and adjoining counties. He will make a thorough canvass of the district before he returns.

The Hogg partisans are trying to work up a little sympathy for their candidate by saying that only one convention was called instead of two. When they talk this way they know that the custom has always been to have but one convention except in 1888 and then only for the specific purpose of putting the prohibition issue to rest.

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Are the farmers of Houston county willing to risk a man in the governor's chair who proposes to lend the school money to railroads, a form of investment from which the school fund has already lost some three quarters of a million of dollars? Governor Hogg proposed and proposes to do this very thing. Think of this and then determine whether you can go to the precinct conventions on the 28th, and support such a man.

The following ladies and gentlemen were down from Groveton last week, the most of whom took in the picnic: Dr. L. Meriwether, Mrs. B. F. Hill, W. Neat and wife, Miss Sallie Neal; they returned the same day and were accompanied by the following: Miss Clara and Nora Johnston, Miss Minnie Caverhill, Miss Laura Dunnam, Mr. James Wherry, Mr. James Saxon, Mr. Sidney Johnston, Mr. Albert Johnston and Master Barker Tunstall.

Bill McConnell Says:

"Little by little, the bird builds her nest, and little by little the sun sinks to the rest." Little by little we are conscientiously climbing the ladder of success, and for all those who have preceded, and are proceeding us, we have no envious feelings or ill wishes, and for those who are right behind us, filling every step that we leave vacant we truly hope that their destination may be where we are anxious to land away up on the top round, and for all those who are trembling by the wayside, for all those who are almost sunken beneath the dark waves of misfortune, we anxiously hope that the star of success which is almost invisible in the far distance may grow brighter and brighter, that the dark, oppressive clouds may roll away, and with a new installment of resolutions unmomentarily ascend the coveted ladder until the apex of success is attained.

SPECIAL:—If once we can get you to visit our store, we need never ask you to come any more. The improvement goes on. A. Legory will build a brick house. I will preach at Augusta the night of the 4th, Sabbath of this month. THOS. WARD WHITE.

D. S. Williams has accepted position as book-keeper for the enterprising firm of Gantt & Hayburn, Lovelady. The republicans for this beat met Wednesday to send delegates to county convention. By invitation Col. Nunn made them a short address.

Rev. S. F. Tenny will preach at Lovelady next Sunday (15th) at 11 a. m. also on the same day at 5 p. m. at the Methodist church on Navel's Prairie. J. S. Burton, D. L. Burton, Ad. Hester, Frank Harvey, Jesse Bishop, A. J. Belot and W. H. Duren were in town the first of the week. All report heavy rains.

Hon. J. J. Faulk, ex-district attorney of this district, and Hon. A. W. Gregg will speak at Crockett on Saturday next (14th) on the issues of the gubernatorial campaign. Wilson Adams & Co. Have on hand a full line of ladies dress goods in all of the latest styles. In gents furnishing goods, we have puffed shirts, plain shirts, fancy plain shirts, pocket shirts, in fact every kind of a shirt. Collars, cuffs, handkerchiefs, ties, men's, youth's, and boy's clothing. Boots and shoes for every body. In the grocery line, we have, the four ace hams, pie-size hams, lard, bacon, flour, rice, grits, hominy, sugar, coffee, baking powder, meal, mackerel, pickles in kegs and bottles and many other things. A full line of leather goods, that we will sell at very low prices. Also a full line of farm implements. We deliver goods on shortest notice.

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In calling the county convention, Jno. B. Smith, the chairman, did what his predecessors were never known to do. He sent out printed circular letters to all parts of the county inviting an expression from all democrats as to whether they wanted one or two conventions. With a very few exceptions, they spoke out overwhelmingly in favor of but one convention.

Freston's Red Ake is a certain cure for headache. It will cure headache only, and is guaranteed to do that. It won't cure anything else. It never fails. Don't suffer when you can get relief in 15 minutes. Notice, Stock Raisers! I have one of the finest Jersey Bulls ever brought here and will breed him anywhere within a few miles of residence on LeGory farm 2 miles south of Crockett; heifer calves \$5.00, males \$2.50. E. T. JOHNSON. Billiard and Pool Parlor. We have just opened in the N. E. Albright stand an elegant Pool and Billiard Parlor. Tables new and first-class, furnished in first-class order, no rowdiness or disorder tolerated. A pleasant place to pass the evenings. W. A. HALL & Co. Lost, Strayed or Stolen. Two mare colts, one year old past. One a sorrel with hobtail and main, a little white in face, the other a roan or iron gray mixed, with blaze in face, one or two white feet. Last seen at Elkhart station. Any information will be thankfully received by. W. J. CHAFFIN, Groveton, Texas. The World's Fair. The South may claim, without prejudice, to have more than its share of the world's fair. The acknowledged beauty of the ladies of the South is due in a degree to the use of Creole Female Tonic, the ladies' friend and favorite, and sure cure for all female sicknesses. It cures proflapsus uteri and all organic diseases. O'LEARY.

N. M. Rayburn of Lovelady was in town Wednesday. Dr. J. H. Paxton of Daly called to see us Wednesday. Remember Democratic Precinct Conventions meet Saturday, May 28th. Groveton organized a democratic club last Saturday with about sixty members. Joe Long and wife entertained the young people at their home on Friday evening last. There is not a good or safe bridge in town. Why don't the city council do something to provide them? Let all democrats remember that Saturday next is the day designated for organizing democratic clubs. Turn out. Some of the Crockett Hoggies are howling. Reason of it is they know they are beat and they are trying the sympathy racket. I now have, and will keep all summer a big lot of ice which will be delivered at door of customers Call and leave your order. L. M. CAMPBELL. There was a hitch in the building of the school house last week owing to misunderstanding of contract. It has been settled and the work now goes rapidly on. A flood of water fell here and generally through the county on Sunday afternoon and early Monday morning, doing much good and a great deal of damage also. I have in stock the celebrated 4 Ace Hams and Globe Hams, Oat Meal, Grits, Hominy and everything kept in a first class family Grocery. L. M. CAMPBELL. Eli Watson, an old time colored man, and a very faithful and much respected one, died Sunday night from flux. Quite a number of his white friends, and he had many, went to his funeral.

Democrats Organize at Groveton. Agreeable to previous notice, the Democratic club of Prec. No. 5, met at Groveton, Texas, on Saturday, May 7th, 1892. At 11 o'clock the hammer of President Martin fell, calling the club to order. President Martin then explained that the object of the meeting was to organize for campaign purposes. Dr. L. Meriwether then introduced the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted. WHEREAS, The pending campaign is one of measures, not of men and, whereas, the democratic party, has proven faithful to every public trust, therefore be it

RESOLVED: 1st, That as democrats of Precinct No. 5, Houston county, we declare our allegiance to the time-honored principles of the democratic party and pledge ourselves individually and collectively to stand by it in this hour of its need. 2d, That we have full confidence in the wisdom, conservatism and patriotism of the democracy of Texas and the Nation and pledge the party in its organized capacity our best efforts to promote and maintain its strength. 3d, That we will support, without reserve, the nominees of the party, National, State and county. After short talks from several members of the club, it was agreed that all action in regard to primaries, etc., be deferred to the next meeting of the club, May 28. Capt. Pridgen then introduced some resolutions, which on motion to table, were unanimously tabled, (these resolutions were withdrawn from the secretary's table by Capt. Pridgen, in the reason of their non-appearance in the proceedings.) A resolution was then adopted, requesting Hon. W. B. Page, Imboden and Murchison to address the people at Groveton this evening, they being in town. Messrs. Martin, Meriwether and Woodard were appointed as a committee to notify the Honorable gentlemen of our request, and escort them to the place at the proper time. A resolution was then adopted requesting the democrats of Precinct No. 5 to come forward and enroll their names. The following gentlemen then came forward and enrolled: D. W. Martin, Jas. F. Martin, L. Meriwether, F. C. Woodard, Wallace Tott, W. N. Sheridan, B. F. Campbell, J. A. Hughes, J. L. Whitecarver, G. W. Whitley, B. F. Hill, B. F. Pridgen, J. E. Hollingsworth, N. F. Sadler, W. H. Campbell, G. M. Hollingsworth, R. H. Hickey, Z. C. Sheridan, D. P. Little, T. J. Cannon, E. W. Davis, Wm. Totty, A. W. Campbell, J. C. Campbell, W. H. Thompson, M. L. Austin, J. L. Lane, J. P. Lane, W. J. Clark, J. W. Spence, J. G. Williams, J. A. Davis, R. S. Pridgen, W. W. Pridgen, J. R. Sheridan, S. M. Davh, Dick Howard, R. L. Pridgen, V. M. Pridgen, R. S. Pridgen, Jr., C. A. James, H. G. Carter, W. P. Kyle, J. H. B. Kyle, R. L. Owens, W. J. Bridges, Frank Farris, Geo. E. Darsey, Jas. Owens, B. S. Harrison, Thos. J. Cook, F. M. Owers, J. S. Yarbrough, S. F. Anthony, W. J. Chaffin. A resolution was then passed requesting all democrats who had not enrolled in the club to call on the secretary, (at the store of N. F. Sadler) at their earliest convenience and sign the same. On motion, the club then adjourned to meet May 28th at which time all democrats in the precinct are requested to be present and participate. Jas. F. MARTIN, Sec. Dem. Club Prec. No. 5.

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GROVETON CASH STORE! This appears also in Groveton Vigilant, Trinity Watchman and Livingston Piner. GROVETON, TEXAS, May 12, 1892. Washing Done Cheaply. Starch, refined, in bundles, per pound 5 cts. Soap, Lenox, for toilet and laundry 5 cts. Clothes lines, galvanized wire, only 25 cts. Washboards, full size and well made 15 cts. Olive soap, 3 1/2 lbs. 40 cts. These prices are less than you paid. Good Butter. Stone churns, 2 gallons, only 25 cts. Stone churns, 3 gallons, only 30 cts. Stone churns, 4 gallons, only 30 cts. For Carpenters. 25 lbs. of nails, assorted sizes, for \$1.00. Distons brass bound plumbs and levels, adjustable, worth \$1.75, only 90 cts. Steel shingling hatchets, worth 85 cts., only 40 cts. Dry Goods and Notions. 15 yards of drilling for \$1.00. 16 yards of soft finish bleaching 1.00. 14 yards of good yard wide bleaching 1.00. 16 yards of check gingham 1.00. Black silk mita pair only 9 cts. 144 black horn past buttons for 10 cts. 1 box, 4 cakes, toilet soap for 5 cts. 12 cedar lead pencils for 25 cts. Ladies corsets, good value, for 25 cts. Ladies corsets, elastic hip, for 25 cts. Men's and boys' cotton check shirts 25 cts. Men's nainsook undershirts 25 cts. Men's well made good drill drawers 25 cts. Men's hickory work shirts only 75 cts. Ladies hose, solid colors, 12 pr. for 40 cts. Men's socks 12 pr. for 40 cts. Thread. 12 spools best quality for only 45 cts. New goods received every few days and New Bargains each week. T. R. GARROTT & SON.

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JUST ONE CENT SHORT.

Not Much, but It Caused a Lady a Lot of Trouble.

There are some things more embarrassing than to simply be without money. One of these is to be a Harlem lady down town with four cents. Nine miles from a seventh floor nest short one cent is worse than Sheridan twenty miles away on a thoroughbred horse. A lady who lives in Harlem and is accustomed to spending her small change in contiguous shopping districts found herself in this unfortunate predicament a day or two ago. She didn't make the discovery until she had reached the elevated platform to return home—then she almost fainted. She had purchased an evening paper as she came up and was short just that one cent. She had overtraded. She felt through every-thing composing her costume likely to contain money, and added and subtracted, multiplied and divided, but only the four cents remained. Conscious of the scowls of the cold, cynical gatemans and the curiosity of those who noticed her at all, she modestly withdrew down the stair, not, however, before a gentleman had lifted his hat politely and inquired if she had lost anything.

"No; no, no—thank you," she had replied confusedly and got away. She was neither good looking nor young. It is painful to admit this, but it is necessary for the truth of history and to show why she didn't go right along through and have half a dozen gentlemen to assist her. Being neither good looking nor young and accustomed to the seclusion of Harlem, she was exceedingly timid of the world that roars and seethes in lower Broadway. It was after 4 o'clock and the few acquaintances she could think of had gone home, she felt certain. When she passed at the bottom of the elevated steps her knees knocked together so violently she could hardly stand up. Her first thought was the boy who sold her the paper—perhaps he'd take it back.

"Ave! 'at ar ye given me!" said the boy when this was suggested. "I'm giving you the paper, if you'll give me back that cent—I need it to go home, and"—(Oh, the humiliating confession!)

"Rats! Come off yer perch now, old woman! I ain't no chump!"

"Old woman! Gracious heavens! All for one cent too—and she with a bank account and a husband with a bank account and three children with bank accounts. It was dreadful, but she was desperate. If this boy wouldn't take back the paper she would have to beg a cent of somebody, and that—oh, dear! Such horrible people do that every day and nobody would believe her! She pleaded with the boy to buy the paper.

"Here—give me a paper!" said a man of the crowd gruffly showing a cent into her hand. He had just come along and caught at the first paper extended as he made for the stairs; but as he put the penny in her hand he noted, half blindly, that the hand was white and soft and the fingers wore handsome rings. He had reached the second step before this got lodged in his busy brain and then he looked back and said:

"Well, I'm dashed! I didn't know there was so much money in the newspaper business!"

The poor, blushing lady, clutching her cent, hurried across to the other stair and reached home to fall into hysterics when she told her husband. And he, the brute, almost has hysterics every time he tells it of it.—New York Herald.

Where Potatoes Are Raised.

The potato is quite an important vegetable in the United States and we sometimes speak of supplying other lands in a manner to imply that here is the chief source of supply for the potato eating world. This deduction is very far from the truth. The potato crop of the country is in the abstract a large one, amounting to about 200,000,000 bushels annually, but this quantity is greatly exceeded by some of the tuber growing countries of Europe.

Germany, which leads the world in this respect, grows nearly four times as many; Russia produces over 500,000,000 bushels, France nearly 400,000,000, and Austro-Hungary, apart from the quantity credited to the rest of Germany, raises nearly as many.

Great Britain, as a whole, raises about as many as the United States, but she consumes a great many more in proportion to the population.—Good Housekeeping.

Professor David Swing's Dog.

Professor David Beecher was to Brooklyn and Spurgeon to London, has a diminutive Mexican dog, Chihuahua by name, whose personality is said to be as interesting as that of his distinguished owner. Chihuahua is treated with all the consideration shown to the other members of the household. He is fed at table, and his way made smooth of all its rough places, while as evidence of his mental attainments he has accumulated a knowledge of the meaning of twenty-five different words, which enables him to answer with discrimination when spoken to. The greatest honor of Chihuahua's life was bestowed on him when Canon Farrar fed him with turkey from the table with his own reverend hand.—New York World.

Young Widow—Life has lost all its charms for me; I shall enter a convent and spend the rest of my days in mourning for my dear husband. Officer—But, madam, it would be nothing short of suicide for a lady like yourself, so beautiful, wealthy, and thirty years of age, to— Young Widow (interrupting)—Beg your pardon; only twenty-nine.—Der Floh.

Don't play off mean tricks on the small boy; he has an excellent memory for injuries as well as for benefits conferred. In this respect he is like a dog.

A Consettia (Ga.) lady says that one of her horses was seen to pick up a good sized plank in his mouth and guide a negro with terrific force.

O HELEN, HELEN DEAR!

How lightly up the winding stair We rose together, side by side, And still I see her lovely face, Look downward from the landing place, For she collapsed there. Through the gloom Of the great hall, into her room, She led me on that summer day, In years that did not pass so quickly by.

I pray you, if you ever pass This sunken grave within the grass, Touch tenderly the crumbling stone, And say, for me, in undertone—"O Helen, Helen dear!"

How fair she was, how straight and tall, My Helen in that far off day! Like living things that longed to go, The curtains fluttered to and fro, As up and down the room we walked, Perhaps of love and lovers talked, As girls have always done, and with, And nothing whispered "yes" or "nay."

I pray you, if you ever pass This sunken grave within the grass, Touch tenderly the crumbling stone, And say, for me, in undertone—"O Helen, Helen dear!"

What thrilling things the heart will keep! They seem so simple to be told, That day she lifted from its place A dainty thing of flowers and lace, Oh, little bonnet, plain to me, Your ribbon streams across me mist, And shadow great of sunset gold!

I pray you, if you ever pass This sunken grave within the grass, Touch tenderly the crumbling stone, And say, for me, in undertone—"O Helen, Helen dear!"

—Elen M. H. Gates in Youth's Companion.

The German Empire.

The case of the Grand Duke of Hesse and his brother potentates forms one of the most interesting phases in the German situation of today, and one must know something about it in order to understand the current of German affairs. Germany, as well as the United States, has a dual system of government, though hers is in other respects very unlike ours. There the big state of Prussia has three-fifths of the whole, and in round numbers about thirty millions out of fifty million population.

Her king is at the same time German emperor. Consequently Prussia is the cock of the walk in Germany, and behind her come tagging along with a more or less degree of dignity some twenty-five states, of which three are kingdoms, ranging in importance from Bavaria, which has the population of Belgium or Holland and the area of both, whose capital, Munich, is one of the finest cities in Europe, down to the principality of Schaumburg-Lippe, which is an active Kentuckian could come very near jumping across.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

In a little clump of woods just off the line and to the eastward of the Bustleton branch of the Pennsylvania railroad, one mile from the village of Holmesburg, lies the body of Thomas Holmes, the man who, as surveyor general for William Penn, laid out the city of Philadelphia. The little cemetery in which the body of Holmes lies is so isolated and so unfrequented that a stranger could not well find it without the aid of a guide. In it, besides the body of the great surveyor, there are a hundred or more graves of those of his descendants.

In the center of this acre and a half buried by the Holmes family is the burial of their dead stands a little white marble monument, erected by private subscription in 1863. The inscription on this monument reads: "In memory of Thomas Holmes, died 1695, aged seventy-one years. Surveyor general of William Penn. He drafted the plan and laid out the city of Philadelphia."—Philadelphia Record.

Lightning Doesn't Strike Indolents.

In the course of his New Haven lecture Rev. Thomas S. Dana, an educated Indian, made this singular statement: "The Indians never cook anything in the house. They always cook outside, giving as their only reason that if they cook inside the steam will collect in their clothing and draw the lightning. Whether this is truth or not I do not know, but I do know this: No Indian wigwam has been struck by lightning since the dawn of history, and no Indian has been killed by lightning for more than 100 years."

The Value of Walking.

A sharp walk every morning at daybreak is excellent. Indeed walking is the very best form of exercise. It puts all the muscles of the body in play. It is far better in this respect than horseback riding or driving. Carriage riding is not a form of exercise at all. It is merely out-spiriting. It is good for the health and spirit, but it is no aid to muscular development. Running, jumping, swimming, climbing are all excellent forms of athletic exercise.—New York Tribune.

Imported Negroes.

In the suburbs of Mobile reside a number of negroes, the descendants of and part of the last cargo of slaves brought into the United States in 1861. They have never associated with other negroes, are but partially civilized, still use their native language, and are ruled by a queen of their own choosing. They enjoy a good reputation for industry and honesty, and their colony is one of the curiosities most eagerly viewed by sightseers.—Exchange.

Rathite, a New Material.

Rathite is the name of a new rubber preparation that comes from France. It is made of vulcanized caoutchouc and silk, and has, it is said, high elasticity with great durability.—New York Journal.

HER INGENIOUS SCHEME.

A Story That Illustrates the Anxieties of Life Is a Flat.

boy and his trunks started in for a game of "tag." When they did the little woman in the flat below gave the cane another jerk and there was another try to the door.

The people in the second flat seemed to be troubled when the man came back and, after a council of war he crept quietly down the stairs again and waited just inside the door, while the others took positions at the top of the stairs, where they could see the fun. Ten or fifteen minutes passed and still the man on the stairs didn't come. "Well, I guess those kids are not coming back," he started up the stairs. As he did so the boy's spirits overcame him again, and he gave a war whoop and tried to turn a hand-spring.

The little woman in the flat below promptly jerked the cane again, the bell tinkled, and the man on the stairs rushed down, threw the door open and chased the boy who happened to be passing half a block. "I guess that'll settle it," he said, when he returned, all out of breath. "I'd have liked that boy if I could have caught him."

"The boy isn't so noisy now.—Chicago Tribune.

A Remarkable Clock.

Japan possesses a remarkable time-piece. It is contained in a frame three feet wide and five feet long, representing a moonday landscape of great beauty. In the foreground plum and cherry trees and rich plants appear in full bloom; in the rear is seen a hill, gradual in ascent, from which apparently flows a cascade, admirably imitated in crystal.

In a miniature sky a golden sun turns on a silver gong, striking the hours on silver gongs as it passes. Each hour is marked on the frame by a creeping tortoise, which serves the place of a hand. A bird of exquisite plumage warbles at the close of each hour, and as the song ceases a mouse scuttles forth from a neighboring grotto, and scampering over the hill to the garden is soon lost to view.—Iron.

Points in Pronunciation.

"Viola," Grinnell, A. asks, "What is the correct pronunciation of 'New Orleans'?" Over toward Boston they follow the Websterian style and pronounce it into four syllables, with an accent on the antepenult. In New Jersey, Missouri and states of like culture they speak it in three syllables, with the accent heavily on the last. In the Crescent city, where they are supposed to know how to lip it in its purity, they cut it down to two syllables, "Nor-lins," with an accent on the antepenult. In the city of the Alamo city, San Antonio, Webster gives it five syllables. But "San-tone," with the accent on the "tone," seems to be the popular way of pronouncing it in Bexar county.—Chicago News.

A Peculiar Well.

A phenomenon is observed in an artesian well near Edensburg, Mass. The well spoken of is down about 200 feet, but the water in it is still 100 feet below the surface. The peculiarity consists in the fact that when there is no wind the water in that distance below the curbing; when there is a high wind flowing water pours out of the pipe.—Philadelphia Ledger.

IT REALLY RAINED.

Cuba Is a Country Where Water Comes Down in Great Shape.

It was in Cuba, and I was in a railway car journeying from Matanzas to Havana. It was springtime, and the beginning of the rainy season was at hand. The people were looking forward to the first rain as I was going to say, as we do to the first snow, but that does not parallel their expectation, for they know that when it once begins to rain there is an end to their liberty.

The first intimation that I had of the likelihood that something was going to happen came from my seeing a dense jet black cloud over against the southern horizon. All around me lay a peaceful and prosperous scene. Beside the track were some little negro cabins, with black women seated in the doorways, and funny little half naked picanninies playing in the dirt.

But the black cloud grew bigger and blacker. It was advancing toward us with very great and evident speed, and presently I saw that it was all fretted with bolts of lightning and toothed with white darts of fire. Never before or since did I see such a dreadful display of the electrical force. The bolts were so close together that it seemed as if they must destroy every living thing in the pathway of the cloud. When the black and terrible mass in the sky came still nearer it seemed no longer toothed or fringed, but it spat the lightning with vicious force straight down upon the forest beneath it.

Next came a sucking, roaring sound of wind, the sky grew black, and with the last glimmer of daylight, before it vanished into night, I saw the giant palm trees throw up their huge fanlike arms like mortal creatures that were hurt and panic stricken. Then the storm burst over the train, and through its din I heard the crashing of the falling palm branches that had been snapped off and thrown to the earth.

In another minute the worst of the darkness was over, and in the half light that remained I saw such rain as I never had dreamed could fall from the sky. It did not appear to fall in drops or in "ropes," as I once heard an Englishman say of a severe

downpour of rain, but it descended in vast, thickets, layer upon layer. You could see one thickness tumbling after the other as so many great plates of glass might be thrown down. It grew lighter still, and I saw that the beautiful palms were wrecked and were still writhing in their misery, tossing up their broad hands and thick arms, many of which were broken and disjointed, while others had been snapped off.

At the foot of the palms there was no longer any ground. The surface of the earth had become a lake. The water stood high in the doorways of the negro cabins. The litter of palm branches floated about on the rain pelted water. I remember waiting to see the train demolished by the lightning, but it was not, nor could I see that the fiery bolts had harmed anything around me. Another minute passed—perhaps not more than five minutes had passed since the shower began—and the daylight came back grandly, disclosing the great flood everywhere.

A Cuban, sitting on the other side of the car from me, passed me his cigar box and as he did so he said in a labored effort to be polite in a foreign tongue: "I think it will rain. 'At you tink'?"—Julian Ralph in St. Nicholas.

Not "Microscopical."

Professor Brieger, of the Berlin Medical institute, was busy at work in his laboratory, surrounded by a formidable array of chemical and bacteriological utensils. A distinguished foreign physician called upon him and watched his absorbing labor with interest.

"Do you know who's doing it?" he interrupted.

"The boy isn't so noisy now.—Chicago Tribune.

Archie's Kentucky People.

"If there be an aristocracy in America," said J. E. Fox of Versailles, Ky., "it is in the blue grass region of Kentucky. A person who has never made an extended visit to that section has no conception of the delights of country life in America. In the west and north the people are gradually flocking to the towns and cities because of the hardships of rural life. But this is not true of the blue grass region. There are no big cities here. All our people want is a postoffice and a few stores in which to make their purchases. They live on their ancestral estates like English dukes and princes. The country is so traversed by turnpikes, which are superior to your city paved streets, that the problem of transportation of their farm products to market is reduced to the minimum and neighborhoods are brought into close and intimate touch."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The Street Car Driver's Song.

"Get out, get out, get out!" Take a ride up Broadway on the front end of a street car, on a busy afternoon, listen to the driver and this is what you will hear:

"Get out, get out, get out!" This to a truck driver, near by. The truckman starts to grimes. The car man keeps up his call in a monotonous voice:

"Get out, get out, get out!" Then the teamster ahead goes too slow. Our man flurries his whip, whistles and shrieks, holds in his horses, wildly gesticulates and goes on following:

"Get out, get out, get out!" A bicycle rider is caught in the jam, under the nose of the team. A dozen trucks block the track, zigzag, and a hundred people scurry right and left. Yet the car keeps right ahead. The driver never dreams of hauling up, other than for a passenger, and that only for a fleeting second, ways at it:

"Get out, get out, get out!" Then he hums a tune, stamps his feet, chews tobacco, twirls the brakes, nods to a woman occasionally, bangs the team, swings his lash, whistles at the jam, roars, bellows and shrieks, and in other ways earns his money, while the passengers on the front end stand about in perfect oblivion, not even hearing, apparently, the singing, interlude that floats in between:

"Get out, get out, get out!"—New York Recorder.

Education Increases Pain.

Education increases the natural susceptibility to pain. The agricultural laborer is much less sensitive of nerve than the artisan; and the artisan than the scholar and the brain worker. For education, which is only civilization carried on, results in a still further development of the brain, and consequently of the nerve force, and that feels, although the actual sensation is localized.

Cut the trunk nerve which connects the seat of the injury with the brain, and the pain which that injury produced instantly ceases to be felt. For the nerves are as telegraph wires, which communicate the fact of the injury to the brain, and receive the return sensation which it experiences. And it is therefore easy to understand how the degree of development to which the brain has attained affects and controls the degree of intensity of possible pain.—London Sunday Magazine.

Shaving in Egypt.

lower their heads to grow when they were mourning. So particular were they as to shaving at all other times that to have neglected it was to make one's self the butt of coarse and ridiculous jokes.

Even in this day and age, when the Egyptian wants to convey the idea of a man of low condition and slovenly habits, they always picture to you a man with a full beard. This notion is very ancient, a fact attested by works of art found in burial monuments dating back thousands of years.—St. Louis Republic.

Parrots Are Vegetarians.

Parrots are vegetarians. They live chiefly upon a light but nutritious diet of fruit and seeds, or upon the abundant nectar of rich tropical flowers. And it is mainly for the sake of getting at their chosen food that they have developed the large and powerful bills which characterize the family. You may have perhaps noted that most tropical fruit eaters, like the hornbills and the toucans, are remarkable for the size and strength of their beaks.—Cornhill Magazine.

In England Over a Hundred Years Ago.

In the time of George II, if you wanted a place under government you could buy one. The sum of £500 would get you a comfortable berth in the victualling office, for instance, where the perquisites, pickings and bribes for contracts made the service worth having. Members of parliament, who had the privilege of franking letters, sometimes sold the right for £300 a year.—Walter Besant in Harper's.

An Observing Friend.

Winks—That job you have now is a soft snap, isn't it? Jinks—Um—rather. "Nothing at all to do, have you?" "Well—er—not much." "Good pay too?" "Very fair. How do you happen to know so much about my job?" "I notice you stick to it."—New York Weekly.

DAKOTA'S HISTORIC GROUND.

The Pullman Car Speeds by the Spoils of the Indian as Custer Thought.

The Northern Pacific spans the river just four miles north of what is known as Custer's Crossing, and I could see from the windows of the Pullman car the tops of the amphitheater of hills amid which General Custer's brigade encamped in the dreary fall of 1876, senseless, motionless and under a pelting rain which converted the whole country around into a veritable quagmire. The contrast between my wretched, muddy bivouac of that time and the comforts of civilization on wheels as now experienced made me feel as if sixty years had passed since I had passed since that unpleasant yet stirring period.

"Are we out of Dakota yet?" inquired a stout man, one of a party of four engaged in playing whist across the aisle in the sleeper.

"Pretty nearly," I answered, as I saw the well remembered crest of Semtinal buttes—the outlying peaks of the mighty battle line of the Little Missouri bluffs—rising only a short distance away on our right. Custer's scouts had a skirmish there with a body of Indians in the memorable Slim buttes campaign. On our left I could see distinctly the two narrow backed bluffs through which the brigade, all bedraggled and disgusted, had defiled toward the Little Missouri in 1876, and the remembrance of many a brave comrade now more caused a feeling of sadness to steal over me. We had camped on Arrow's creek and on Beaver creek, called also the Indian Park of the Little Missouri, at the period to which I had referred. Custer's soldiers were mustered in the valley of the latter stream, according to the bimonthly custom.

I wondered how many of those brave and stalwart men would now respond to roll call on this side of the territory. But, though the old campaigners have mostly passed away, the valleys remain, and they are among the most fertile to be found in the great cattle ranges of eastern Montana. Night had fallen as we passed rapidly—for the train never

last on that section of the road—Glendive, O'Fallon, Bladford, Powder River Crossing and Miles City—all famous in Indian history, the latter being on the site of General Miles' encampment in 1876, when he defeated such heavy blows upon the hostiles of that region.

A number of soldiers of the Twenty-second infantry, a regiment long and gloriously associated with the frontier, got on the cars at Miles bound for their post at Fort Keogh, only three miles westward. We stopped at the fort depot to let them off and heard the challenge of the sentinels and the rattle of arms as, one by one, they passed in. A short, compactly built officer came upon the platform as we were leaving, and I thought I recognized in him my old friend Major W. H. Powell, distinguished in warfare against the savages. The last station I heard called out was Rosebud. Sixty or more miles north, near the headwaters of the stream, Crook fought his big battle with the combined Sioux and Cheyenne tribes on June 17, 1876, and up through that dark and winding canyon General Custer marched at the head of the Seventh cavalry less than a week later to the point where he turned off to the Little Big Horn, where he forfeited his life for his daring in the midst of a roaring flood of angry hostiles the 25th of that "month of battles."

It is a strange outcome that the northern Cheyennes, who fought against our troops more desperately than any of the other tribes, had their reservation established on the Rosebud near the field where Crook fought and within sight of the Custer battlefield. They are a brave and spirited tribe—the Spartans of the Indian races—and are held in more respect by their white neighbors than any other breed of savages. Poor fellows! Pinched with hunger as they have been, they have refrained from breaking the law, and many a generous ranchman has given them an occasional beef to "make their hearts feel good" during the hard times which seem ever to justify with this proud, gallant and really removed tribe of native Americans. Under favorable conditions the Cheyennes would sustain the pen pictures of Fenimore Cooper. They are the Mohicans of the west.—Cor. Chicago Tribune.

The Irish in Morocco.

A little over a hundred years ago that is to say, in the year 1788—the then reigning sultan of Morocco took as his wife a red haired and blue eyed Irish girl, the young widow of a sergeant of engineers who had died in Morocco. This Celtic lady seems to have left a famous record behind her. She ruled the sultan and not infrequently rode into battle at the head of her husband's army. Had passed, inherited much of her pluck and spirit, and was in open rebellion at the time of his father's death. It is a very open question how much of the blood of this Irish lassie runs in the veins of the present sultan of Morocco, Mulay Hassan, but it is at least interesting to assume that the known partiality of this ruler for the British nation is due to the romantic marriage which his ancestor made over a century ago.—London Figaro.

Madam Modeste's Tale.

Mamma—I wish you would go to Madam Modeste's and tell her that dress is too tight, and I want it altered.

Small Son (complainingly)—Madam Modeste's so far off, and I'm tired playing ball. Mayn't I go to a nearer dressmaker?

Mamma—Any other dressmaker won't do. Small Son (after reflection)—Well, mayn't I go to the drug store around 't corner an get you a bottle of anti-fat!—Good News.

How to Restore Night Sweats.

Night sweats may be arrested by sponging the body at night with very hot water. It is a great help also toward toning up the skin to rub the body briskly in the morning with a bathing towel wrung out of salt water. The salt enters the pores and stimulates the skin to healthy action.—New York Journal.

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At the Fort Worth Spring Palace in 1890 for its magnificent display of timbers. The North-eastern, Northern and North-western sections of the County are rich in iron of the Laminated and Brown Hematite varieties. Soils of every variety to be found in the state are to be found in Houston County, from the black waxy to the light sandy.

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are splendid. The International & Great Northern runs through it directly North and South. The Trinity & Sabine belt on the South, the Houston, East & West Texas on the East and the Kansas & Gulf Short Line on the North, thus affording to every section of the County easy and rapid means of transportation to and from market. Besides there are two other lines surveyed and projected through the County, running in a North-westerly and South-easterly direction. Rivers, Creeks and streams of living water abound, furnishing through the driest summer an abundance of pure, fresh water. The Trinity River is the County's boundary on the West and the Neches on the East. The County School fund is perhaps the

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are unsurpassed by any in the State, in respect of efficiency and competency of teachers, standard of scholarship and duration of free term. Its own unsurpassed permanent School Fund supplemented from other sources enables, as to come nearer fulfilling the constitutional requirements of a six-months term than any other county. The debt and tax-rate of the County are almost nominal. Its climate is mild and healthful, the temperature never reaching extremes in either Summer or Winter. Its water supply for both domestic use and manufacturing purposes is unexcelled. Springs and streams of never falling water are to be found in every section of the county.

County Products

are cotton, corn, oats and other small grain, sorghum, ribbon cane, fruits and vegetables of every variety, hay, and in some places rice etc.

CROCKETT

the county seat of Houston County, is situated on the I. & G. N. R. R. It has a population of 2630. The people of the town have recently voted to take charge of its schools and support them by taxation, nine months in the year. The City Council have assumed control and established graded schools for both white and black. Handsome and commodious brick school buildings with all the modern appointments are under construction. The town is destined to become the educational center of East Texas.

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