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Local News.

John Foster has had a very sick child.

Mrs. R. T. Murchison has been quite sick.

S. H. Owens is back from a trip to Grimes County.

R. D. King has been quite low with congestion of the bowels.

Mrs. Dr. E. B. Stokes of Elkhart is visiting in the city this week.

Mrs. Frazier of the Capitol Hotel left on a visit to Houston Saturday.

Jno. Dunn and wife left Friday on a visit to relatives in Brookhaven Miss.

Mr. N. M. Rayburn of Lovelady made his regular Sunday visit here last Sunday.

Last Monday Mr. S. H. Owens was thrown from a runaway buggy, severely spraining his left arm.

The Postal Telegraph system has entered Texas. It is possible to get it here but it will take work and joint effort.

There will be a public installation of A. F. & A. M. officers, a masonic address and lots good to eat at Ratcliff on June 24th.

Good rains fell at Daly's, Grapeland, Augusta, Lovelady and several other places, almost surrounding Crockett but we hardly got a drop.

The slim attendance on the appointments of the populists is a wholesome sign. The enthusiasm of the democrats is another wholesome sign.

Grapeland does not propose to be put down among these little wayside stations. They are moving up there to have the fast mail flyer to stop there.

W. C. Teeter informs the COURIER that he is making fine progress in the organization of the Tram & Lumber Co. He went to Galveston the first of the week but will return Saturday.

It is pleasant to observe the unanimity with which the Crockett merchants have adopted the system of closing at 7 p. m. It gives the poor clerk a chance, and costs nobody anything.

Fish in the lakes on the river must be like the old woman's pitcher—never give out—or the crowds that have been going are a little Ananiasly inclined as well as Isaac Waltonly. Every crowd that returns report as catching more than they could use.

R. W. Priest Esq. of Houston was in the city this week prospecting. He will return next week and will probably locate here and engage in the law and land business. He has a wife and two children and is a deacon in the Baptist church. The COURIER bespeaks for him a hearty welcome.

We print elsewhere a card from the democratic member of the late jury commission in Anderson county. From this it will be seen that the populists of Anderson have been trying the same trickery that they have been in Houston county, attempting to place the responsibility of putting the negro on the jury on the democratic member of the jury commission.

CREEK HAPPENINGS.

Farmers are Greatly in Need of a Good Soaking Rain.

Incendiary Work Near There—Health Splendid.

It seems as if we are going to have a drought. We are needing rain for corn although corn looks well now. All are about done chopping cotton. Some are cutting oats. One of Mr. Sessions' children hurt itself by falling across a sleeper of his house. Mr. Adison Hester has a sick child.

Some persons set fire to a cotton house on Mr. Ed Defoe's place, and while the family were trying to put it out, they went into the house and stole a trunk which had money and clothing in it. It must have been some one who knew where Mr. Defoe kept his money. Mr. Jno. Reeves has his saw mill moving.

Albert Greenwood spoke here on the 28th.

Miss Agness Bruner who has been visiting here returned home last Saturday.

Candidates will soon be on the move. Now boys when you come my way bring me some iced tea as this country seems to be nearer Hades than ever.

When a fellow goes a courting he certainly ought to learn to tie a knot (at least a hame string).

I am obliged to some who desire me to run as an independent. (Thanks) but we do not desire an office gotten by that means, do not doubt your good intentions, but pity your judgment.

In our next we wish to put a few questions to the candidates for legislature. We are for silver here almost solid.

O. LEARY.

A CAMPAIGN LIE NAILED.

Neches, Tex. May 18, 1896.

Palestine Advocate.—I write this to put a quietus on a campaign lie that is being circulated to the effect "that putting negroes on the grand jury in this county at the present term of court is a democratic trick." The jury commission that put them on, consisted of a republican, (Thos. Hall,) a populist, (M. L. Huddleston) and myself, Hall and Huddleston favored the suggestion of Judge Burnett's charge, to put them on. I opposed it from start to finish, and exhausted argument, persuasion and entreaty, to no avail. I raised the question of unanimity in the selection of jurors. Judge Burnett ruled against me—"a majority must control." When I saw that I could do no more I said, "gentlemen, I leave the matter with you, you are entitled to all the honor (?) and you must bear the odium, that attaches to this proceeding, I will not." The question was then raised, "if two signatures to the report will make it valid and legal?" Judge Burnett ruled "the entire commission should sign it." I then consented to sign it under protest, and so stated on the report, within and without. I was not put on that commission as a democrat or because I was supposed to be a democrat. No matter what my action might have been, in the premises, no party was or would have been responsible for it. No demo-

erat suggested or even hinted to me, to oppose, but not to defeat the scheme, if possible. I have heard no man, who has no ax to grind not even a populist express himself as gratified with the result. No, gentlemen, I followed my own convictions in the matter—acted as I thought, and still think from patriotic motives, having the good of all classes and creeds at heart. Gentlemen, carry your own skillet and let the burden rest where it belongs—on the shoulders of J. R. Burnett, Thos. Hall and M. L. Huddleston.

This effort to pack it off on the democrats, shows that somebody is ashamed of it, which is a hopeful sign. In conclusion let me say that the foregoing is sent out, in the interest of truth and justice—not to wound or offend any.

Yours, for the good of the common country.

W. A. MOORE.

PERCILLA PENCILING.

(DELAYED.)

EDITOR COURIER:—This being our first effort to chronicle the haps and mishaps of our little city, you will of course not expect much and pardon errors.

Our farmers are all wearing broad smiles since the recent rains. Crops were never better in this section, at this season of the year.

The sociable given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Prestridge Friday evening last, was largely attended and enjoyed by all.

H. T. Robertson, our venerable post master, went to Crockett this week pleasure bent.

The general merchandise store of A. Prestridge, was burglarized last Thursday night and several articles of value were stolen. We are almost positive as to the miscreants, but will not indulge in personalities at present.

Our sister city Augusta, has put forth a candidate for the office of County Judge in the person of John Kennedy, which we think a wise move. Hold the reins tightly John and get on; one of those cyclone moves of yours, and we will do the third party up, in good shape, we are for you and will stay by you to the end.

PANSEY.

WELDON.

(DELAYED.)

ED. COURIER:—Seeing nothing from our town through your columns, we thought a few lines would be of some help. We have no news of interest, only we are having some warm weather. Crops are good, but a good rain would make them better.

The Weldon Gin & Milling Co., have started to work on their gin house. They are expecting their machinery to arrive in a few weeks.

We learn that Mr. T. V. Goodrum of this place is going to put in a saw mill and gin about 2 miles from here. It will be a new outfit which is needed by the people at large.

The Missionary Baptist District meeting begins Friday, May 29th. Everybody is invited to attend. A good crowd is expected.

The patrons of the school met last Saturday and elected new trustees for the next term. The public school begins the 15th day of June.

Some sickness at present.

AMBROSE.

GRAPELAND NEWS.

Health of Community Very Good—Business Changes.

Crops are Reported Fine But are Needing Rain.

GRAPELAND, Texas, May 19.—

The weather is again dry and hot. Crops are still looking fine but corn will begin to suffer in a few days if the rain fails to come.

The ladies of the Christian Church have decided to give a dinner and run an ice cream and lemonade stand on the 30th. of June; the day of the speaking here for the purpose of buying a bell for the Christian Church. Every one should encourage them in this laudable enterprise. They will doubtless be assisted by all.

Mr. Claude Sadler and Miss Mabel Anthony were married by justice, Jno. A. Davis, last Thursday night at his residence. All extend to the couple their hearty congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sheridan's youngest baby is quite sick with flux. Mr. and Mrs. Willie Lively's baby is also quite sick.

Mr. B. F. Hill's residence is nearing completion and is quite pretty.

Elder O. A. Carr, principal of the Carr-Burdette college at Sherman, Texas, will begin a series of sermons here on the 7th. of July. During the time he will present to the people "The Doctrine of the Christian Church." Everybody is invited to attend. Elder Carr is said to be an able speaker and thoroughly up to date in the religious necessities of the hour.

Don't forget when you patronize the ladies' dinner on the day of the speaking here that every cent goes toward paying for a bell for their church.

An election will be held here next Saturday to elect five trustees for this school district.

Prof. Jacobs, formerly principal of the school here, and Mr. Hays of Texarkana, spent a few days in town this week. They will probably apply for the school next term. Messrs. Lively & Wright are tearing away their store building preparatory to erecting a new one.

Mr. Baker sold out his business here a week ago to Messrs. Lively & Wright.

The health of the town is very good but there is sickness in the surrounding country.

KEYSTONE.

RATCLIFF.

Editor Courier:—

Allow us from the "City of the Pines" to drop you a few lines.

Crops are good and in fair shape. We are now listening for the whistle of the iron horse as Mr. W. C. Teeter is working up this section in the interest of the Tram & Lumber Co. of this county and having good encouragement. Your fellow townsman, Mr. Tollman, is with him and doing good service, especially among the fair sex. On Sunday he is very polite and gallant. It is also reported that Mr. Teeter gives lessons on the organ where he puts up at night. Success to the COURIER and Tram & Milling Co.

A SUBSCRIBER.

Editorial Notes.

REMEMBER the primary on Saturday.

THE organized democracy of Texas will have a walk over.

And who is C. C. Beardon? Wonder if the pops ever inquire into the antecedents of one of their leaders.

If every democrat were a missionary for his party, the march of democracy should be a continuous triumphal procession.

Go to the primary on Saturday next whether you are very much interested in the financial question or not. Go as a democrat and vote your sentiments.

ONE reason why you should attend the primary on next Saturday is to swell the democratic strength, or at least to let the world know what their strength is.

Beardon:—I am willing to give and take.

Gossett:—Yes, that's right, give them tally and take their campaign fund.

THE indications are that the National Democratic Convention will adopt a straight free silver plank. A free silver wave seems to be sweeping over the county.

"SINCE I must fight if I would reign" ought to be the motto of the democrats as well as the christian soldier. The democracy has a fight on hand, and can surely win if it will only fight. Besides it ought to be a pleasure to combat populist heresies.

THERE is no excuse for the existence of the populist party anyway, and if the agitators were suppressed the thing would die of inanition. It thrives on imaginary woes drawn from the fertile brain of the busy agitator, whose loftiest ambition is to get a finger in the pie.

It is time that the democrats of Houston county were beginning to reorganize. Democratic clubs are needed in every community. A party, like an army, needs perfect organizations for effective work. Any democrat will make a better worker as a member of a club than he will without such membership.

WHEN a democrat has been deceived and led into the populist camp there is always hope that he will see the error of his way and return to first principles, but when an old sorehead republican or independent gets there he is there to stay. In fact it is natural for him to be there, and the populist party is full of such. They have but one article of political faith and that is undying hate for the democratic party.

THERE seems to be some confusion about the primary election and precinct conventions to be held on next Saturday (the 6th.) The primary election is entirely a separate affair from the precinct convention. The one is to ascertain the sentiments of democrats on the financial question; the other to send delegates to the county convention which meets on the 15th. inst. Be sure to vote and then attend the convention.

LOCAL NEWS.

Shivers Bros.

Will have a Special Sales Day every Tuesday commencing April 28th. Special prices at these sales on all Dr. Chamberlain's Notions, Millinery, Shoes, etc. Everybody attend, it will be to your interest.

Mothers will find Chamberlain's Cough Remedy especially valuable for croup and whooping cough. It will give prompt relief and is safe and pleasant. We have sold it for several years and it has never failed to give the most perfect satisfaction. G. W. Richards, Duquesne Pa. Sold by B. F. Chamberlain.

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This invaluable remedy is one that ought to be in every household. It will cure any rheumatism, neuralgia, sprains, cuts, bruises, burns, frost-bitten feet and ears, sore throat and sore chest. If you have lame back it will cure it. It penetrates to the seat of the disease. It will cure stiff joints and contracted muscles after all other remedies have failed. Those who have been crippled for many years have used Ballard's Snow Liniment and thrown away their crutches and been able to walk as well as ever. It will cure you. Price 50c.—Sold by J. G. Haring.

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I will sell you dress goods, such as lawns, muslins, organdies, percales, tulle, nainsooks, chambrays, gingham, etc., etc., at very close prices. I only ask you to price same. Bargains for everybody every day in the week. Our line of ladies' shirt waists are going; have sold boxes of them and we now offer them cheaper than ever. Gentlemen, remember our bargains in everything in furnishing goods. Hats, the very noblest; shoes the latest styles. We want to win trade and hold it. Don't miss us. Come at any time and every day in the week except Sunday, and you can find us loaded with bargains. Try our A. A. A. 1 Flour; none better. Don't be deceived. Call on the old reliable. Yours for trade, J. E. DOWNES.

Your Boy Won't Live a Month

So Mr. Gilman Brown, of 34 Mill St., South Gardner, Mass, was told by the doctors. His son had Lung trouble, following Typhoid Malaria, and he spent three hundred and seventy-five dollars with doctors, who finally gave him up, saying "Your boy won't live a month." He tried Dr. King's New Discovery and a few bottles restored him to health and enabled him to go to work a perfectly well man. He says he owes his present good health to use of Dr. King's New Discovery, and knows it to be the best in the world for lung trouble. Trial bottle free at B. F. Chamberlain's.

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To Bridge Builders.

Bids will be received up to and including the 2nd Monday in June, 1896, by the commissioners' court of Houston county for the erection of two bridges; one being the bridge on Big White Rock Creek on the road between Lovelady and Holly, the other being the bridge on Collier Creek on the lower Clapp's Ferry road about 25 miles South West of Crockett.

Plans and specifications in office of County Judge.

A. A. ALDRICH,
County Judge.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c. per box. Sold by B. F. Chamberlain.

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Notice.

The commissioners court will sit as a board of equalization on the 2nd Monday in June 1896 at which time all persons interested may appear and contest the appraisal of their property for taxation if they see proper.

Given under my hand and seal of office May 18th. A. D. 1896. N. E. ALBRIGHT, County Clerk, Houston County Texas. By John Spence Dpy.

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HE SWEARS IT

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Territory of Oklahoma, ss.
County of Logan.

Feb. 13, 1896.

Personally appeared before me, Wm. Blincoe, a notary public, in and for said county, on the above date, Leslie Bush, who first being duly sworn deposes and says: That for about three years prior to September, 1893, his hair continually dropped out until he had become almost bald; that in September, 1895, he began to take the free treatment for baldness furnished by the Knowlton Danderine Company at their office in Guthrie, Okla.; that in a short time thereafter his hair ceased to fall out and began to thicken; that he continued the treatment daily for thirty days, and that since that time his hair has continued to thicken and grow very fast, until now it is almost as thick and vigorous as it ever was.

LESLIE BUSH.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of February, 1896.

(Seal) WM. BLINCOE.
My commission expires August 24th, 1896.
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After all, the ice man is a man of little weight.

Since the Money-Hall affair blotting pads have been in great demand in Congress.

Roosevelt having substituted trousers for "pants" on the New York police force has introduced "spats" into the board.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch calls loud for "cheaper water for St. Louis." One would infer from this that St. Louis is beginning to find out that water is useful for other purposes than navigation.

A Philadelphia business man has been sent to jail for six months for kissing his stenographer, and it is believed that after this disastrous experiment Philadelphia will go back to the quill pen.



Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

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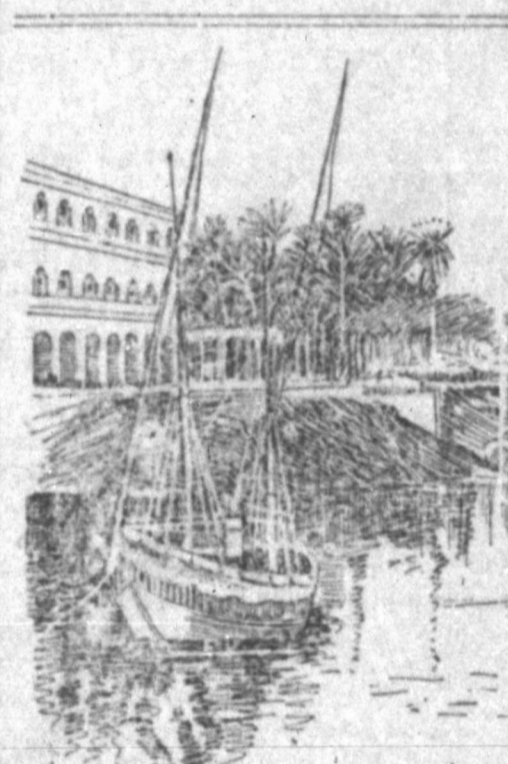
Scenes in and Around Assouan—A Letter Written Before the Army Left That Point—Impressions of the Soldiers in the Active Regiments.

Assouan Letter.



HAT an epic it has been, this whole history of the rise of a fanciful Mohammedan state upon the upper waters of the Nile! When its story comes finally to be written the historian will find the most picturesque material that ever a man could wish to work in. From the day the British subalterns, disappointed of Tel-el-Kebir, cried out exultantly that "a jolly old false prophet" had arisen in the Soudan, up to this turning point of the reconquest of Dongola, what a panorama of striking scenes! Baker's defeat, Hicks' annihilation, the first Suakim campaign, the wonderfully dramatic Gordon campaign, the second Suakim business with Tamai, and McNeill's zarba, the Australian contingent, the attempts upon Egypt, Ginnel, Arguin, Toski, the incessant frontier fighting, and now the turn of the tide. If all this came from a local outbreak of fanatical feeling among some scattered desert tribes we can form some opinion of the fury of that original outbreak which extended from the south of Spain to the frontiers of China.

Be the cause what it may, there is no religion which fills its devotees so completely with the conviction of truth as does the creed of Mohammed. They are eager to give up their lives for it in war, and, what is more difficult, they are scrupulous in times of peace to fulfill its exacting and most inconvenient ritual. A creed which can induce its devotees to absolutely fast from food and drink from sunrise to sunset for a month on end in every year, must be a very real one to those who profess it. As to the vices of Mohammedanism, it is interesting to consider how far they are and how far they are not.



VIEW OF ASSOUAN.

climate rather than of creed. A religion which produces cities which contain neither drunkards nor harlots is certainly worthy of graver consideration than is usually given to it.

There will be one peculiarity about the campaign of Dongola. I do not suppose that since the French revolutionary armies there has been any war where the leaders have been so young as those of the Anglo-Egyptian expedition. Kitchener, Hunter, Wingate, Rundle, Burn-Murdoch, Maxwell—they are all young for the positions which they hold. Some of them would hardly have had their companies in the ordinary routine of the British service. But they are experienced in warfare, particularly in desert warfare, and I shall be surprised if they do not give an object lesson, as those Frenchmen did before them, of the value of the dash and fire of youth.

The little town of Assouan is full of the stir and bustle of warlike preparation. The falling river has increased the difficulty of the transport, and all stores have to be unloaded some distance down, where they are entrained, and shipped once more to Shellal, above the Cataract. Captain Morgan, of the Army Service Corps, with his fatigue parties of Egyptian infantry and his chain gangs of convicts, is doing all that a man can to pass the stuff through. Nothing is more remarkable than the enthusiasm and energy with which every one has thrown himself into the work of the expedition. I saw the Seventh Egyptians, after a tiring journey, working furiously at the getting out of stores until they were so dead beat that it took four of them to life a sixty pound biscuit box.

I have, I think, already mentioned

that the Ninth Soudanese came over one hundred and twenty miles of desert in four days in their anxiety to get to the front. Everywhere one notices the same thing. Yesterday, as one of the keenest young officers in the force was hurrying to the front he received a telegram from headquarters ordering him down to Keneh to buy camels. Here was a drop for a man who was all on fire for action. "It is quite right," said he, when I consoled with him; "the force must have the camels. I am the best man to buy them. We are all working for the good of the expedition." It was an incident that made one realize that there is a quality of soldiering which is not to be attained by the mere fire eater.

The Egyptian cavalry force of some six hundred men is encamped just outside the town, and marches up tomorrow along the Arabian bank of the river. They are not due in Halfa until about April 8 or 9. Horses and men are in splendid condition; many of the latter fine upstanding fellows, with aquiline faces, which recall the bas-relief of their ancestors upon the temple walls. The more I see of the Egyptian troops of all arms the more confident I feel that they will surprise the world by their behavior. To judge by their faces and bearing, they are going forward in the best of spirits.

The Staffordshires, too, turned up yesterday, looking as though their weal on the water had done them no harm and in spite of being out of condition they did the hot and dusty little desert march to Shellal in excellent form. Those red granite gorges through which they passed have been threaded by soldiers of many nations—Cambyses Persians, the Roman legions, the Ottoman conquerors, Bonaparte's flying column—and now, by the whimsical turn of fate, here are 500 of our own homely Midland boys passing under the chisel marked cliffs and looking up at the four thousand year old hieroglyphics upon the rocks; Persians, Romans, Arabs, French, British—who next? Not the Mahdi's men, I hope. And yet, who knows?

Red and orange are the prevailing tints at that point—red fantastic rock and orange sand. The sand winds like a river through the jagged islands of rock. You must stand on one of these islands to see the Staffordshires pass. The dust smokes up from them, and the gilt spikes and white helmets, with the

A 634-karat diamond, the finest ever found in Africa, was discovered at Jagersfontein in the Transvaal on the day after Christmas. When cut it is expected it will be worth \$1,500,000. Diamonds should be demonetized.

A close estimate of the crop of oranges in southern California this season, made by the president of the Southern California Fruit exchange, puts it at 9,000 carloads, or 2,700,000 boxes. This is an increase of about 400,000 boxes over last season.

There have been many instances going to show that women in America are good farmers. On a Cape Colony farm, however, the Dominican nuns not only do the farm work, but operate in carpentry and blacksmithing. Truly, the masculine future is clouded.

Another British mission has been looted in China. Will the people in South Africa kindly stay where they're put for a few minutes while John Bull looks after a little business in Asia?

There are 15,000,000 voters in the United States, and yet a score or less leaders would be very willing to take the entire responsibility from the hands of the people and arrange everything.

When the Summer Breeze

Blows through the trees, most of us who can set off for a summer jaunt. Fewer cross the Atlantic. Whether it is business or pleasure calls one from home, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is the best accompaniment of a voyage or an outing. Yachtsmen, sea captains, commercial travelers and emigrants concur in this opinion. The Bitters is unrivaled for biliousness, malarial, dyspeptic or liver disorder.

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CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Perla didn't become a live issue until the shah was dead.

Diamonds are trumps in the Transvaal and Oom Paul appears to have a royal flush.

Woman will not thank the Peirce City paper that prints her an angel when it means angel.

The announcement that Peru, Ind., has two common councils will naturally bring condolences from all quarters.

It will not surprise newspaper readers to learn that the new lady lawyer in New York is "a rapid and easy talker."

A Chicago elevator with five passengers fell four stories. As the passengers were all politicians no one was hurt.

Uncle Sam admires Shakespeare, it is true, but he is not ready to accept the English bard as a substitute for Jimmy Monroe.

Jupiter Pluvius seems to have a grudge against the new woman, as he loosed a terrific cloudburst over Bloomer (Wis.) last week.

The Indiana preacher who refuses to leave in response to the request of a portion of his congregation appears to be lacking of a Christian resignation.

Mrs. Pussy Toddlers, the Mississippi lady constable, doubtless knows enough about furniture to throw it out when duty calls her to that distressing task.

If Cubans were as well supplied with arms and ammunition as the Spaniards the Spanish army would be driven from the island before three months pass.

The report that Americans had "shelled a town in Cuba" proves to have been exaggerated. There was only one American, and he used only three shells.

Water has never been thought much of in New York, but, when the power of Niagara is turned on, the Gothamites may begin to think there is something in it.

Spain professes the utmost for the United States. This rather reminds one of the whipped schoolboy who comes to school the next day with an apple for the teacher.

Atlantic steamship companies have advanced the transportation rates on gold but this will not prevent any of our tourists from returning home at the time they expected.

Beloit, Kan., has a hen that laid an egg on one side of whose shell appears the dial of a clock in raised characters. She is probably getting ready to strike for having to lay eggs on tick.

There is an accumulation of evidence that the war is over. Jeff Davis' nephew was shot and mortally wounded at Paris, Ky., because he refused to trust a man for a drink of whisky.

The opera singer at Albany who tested her lung power by yelling in the ear of a big St. Bernard dog deserved to be bitten; but probably the animal regretted his precipitation a moment later.

Dr. Hall believes that parrots have a future existence. If monkeys also survive the earth life are we to suppose that the parrots and the monkeys have the same kind of a time they occasionally have here?

A Chicago aeronaut fell 800 feet from his balloon in an accident, landed on a railroad track, and escaped injury. Some favorite sons would like to learn that trick, and a railroad track would be a suitable landing place.

It is announced at Dayton, Ohio, that burial permits will be refused where deaths have occurred under Christian science treatment. It might be more satisfactory to the patient to prevent such treatment and give him therefore some chance to live.

A week or two ago a paragraph appeared in several of the London papers giving an account of an accident that had occurred in Sloane street. A woman riding upon a bicycle had, according to this, come into collision with an omnibus and "the lady lost her head." At once the report became current that a woman had been decapitated in Sloane street and this week several of the papers declare that terrible accidents have recently occurred but the bicycle manufacturers have bribed the coroners to suppress the reports of the inquest! These papers specially demand the report of the inquest upon the "lady who lost her head!"

A DEEPWATER PORT.

CHANNEL AT TEXAS CITY COMPLETED.

One Man Is Known to Have Been Killed and Two Others Missing in a Fire in a Mine—River and Harbor Bill to Pass Over the President's Veto.

Texas City, Texas, June 2.—Texas City now has deep water, the sixteen-foot channel from the docks to Bolivar Roads having been finished.

The great undertaking of cutting a channel from Texas City to Bolivar Roads commenced one year ago, has been crowned with success. It now has a channel sixteen feet deep, seventy-five feet wide at the top and 125 feet wide at the bottom the entire distance, four and a half miles. That portion of the channel that was completed one year ago, as well as that done later, has been thoroughly sounded, and engineers report that there is not a sign of its having filled in. The hard clay on top, and the harder clay at the bottom, found the entire length of the channel, combined with other causes, delayed the completion of the channel, but now that it is finished the hard clay is found to stay where it is placed, and has not washed back in the channel, as was predicted it would do by a good many people, who possibly never made many channels.

The completion of this great undertaking has caused unlimited rejoicing among the people of Texas City and those interested in the success of the new seaport. The event was celebrated by the firing of cannon, hoisting of flags and music by the band.

Fire in a Mine.

Laredo, Texas, June 2.—Parties just in from the Santo Tomas coal mines, twenty-six miles above this city, operated by the Rio Grande Coal and Irrigation company, report a fire in the mine Saturday night which was discovered Sunday morning, but is now under complete control. Reports are very meager, but it is known one miner, named Juan Menzies, was suffocated and two other men are missing, although it is not known whether they are in the mine or over the Rio Grande in the neighboring town of Columbia, Mexico.

The timbers which braced the roof of the mine about eighty yards from the entrance were burned out for a distance of many yards and the roof caved in.

Men are now at work cleaning up the debris, but as yet the amount of damage can not be estimated and it may be several days before the entrances and rooms can be explored to ascertain whether the two missing men are entombed. It is thought the fire was of incendiary origin, as these mines are not subject to fire damp nor spontaneous combustion.

River and Harbor Bill.

Washington, June 2.—The house committee on rivers and harbors today decided to recommend to the house the passage of the river and harbor bill over the president's veto. There was no difference of opinion between the members of the committee on the main question, and although a vote was taken, the decision was unanimous. The only point of discussion was whether the report to the house should be in the nature of a reply to President Cleveland's objections to the bill and the contract system, and an affirmative conclusion was reached. There was an attempt in the committee to have the bill brought up in the house, but the assurance given by Representative Herman that the bill would be called up Tuesday prevented such action. It was decided to ask the committee on rules to allow a day or two to debate the veto.

Nicaragua Canal.

Washington, June 2.—The report of the majority of the house committee on commerce in favor of the Nicaragua canal, signed by nine members, was submitted to the house today by Mr. Sherman of New York. It deals with the canal project from the financial and engineering standpoint and particularly analyzed the report of the government board, of which Colonel Ludlow was chairman. The questions proposed for the board are said to have been feasibility, permanence and cost of constructing the canal. The first two questions are said to have been definitely settled in the affirmative.

Quay's Dish of Crow.

New York, June 2.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: Senator Quay concedes the nomination of McKinley on the first ballot at the St. Louis convention and gave out figures last night to back up his opinion. This is the first time the Pennsylvania leader has publicly admitted the certainty of the nomination of Major McKinley. According to Mr. Quay's list, McKinley will receive 419 votes on the first ballot, or nineteen more than are necessary to secure his nomination.

Defects in the Oregon.

Washington, June 2.—Defects in the construction of the big battleship Oregon, just completed, have recently come to light and been a subject of investigation by the navy department. It appears that there have been departures from the contract requirements as to the thickness of the plates used in making up the protective deck, and that the decks have been made to appear of the proper thickness by using thin concealed plates in the body of the deck. The facts have been brought to the attention of the department by dissatisfied employes, but the contractors have agreed to make good the defects.

Jumped the Track.

Pittsburg, Pa., June 31.—Car No. 50 of the second avenue traction line jumped the track yesterday afternoon and the seventeen passengers aboard were all more or less hurt, two of them seriously. The day of miracles has not passed or all would have been killed.

The seriously injured are Adam Beckman and M. L. Kreiger, both residents of the south side. Beckman's arm is broken in two places and his head badly cut and body bruised. Kreiger is in nearly the same condition. The other passengers were all bruised and cut, but none seriously.

The car, with its load, left Thirty-fourth street about 3 o'clock for Calhoun park. On approaching the Exchange ferry, Beckman and Kreiger saw the speed being made was that of a rapid train. Suddenly the car took a flying leap and after turning completely over, landed at the bottom of the ditch, twelve feet below, with its wheels in the air. The struggling passengers, jammed in a heap under the wreckage, were screaming, swearing and fighting for release. They were finally extricated and taken to their homes, some more scared than hurt, but all bruised and much the worse for their shaking up. The car was a complete wreck.

Fatal Boiler Explosion.

Mobile, Ala., June 1.—A few minutes after noon yesterday the boiler in the mill of the Jordan Lumber company exploded with terrific force, demolishing the boiler house and injuring more or less seriously all of the half-dozen negro laborers and two women who had come to the mill to bring dinner to their husbands. One of the women, Minerva Williams, was sitting within ten feet of the boiler when it exploded with her 10 months old infant in her arms. She received injuries that resulted in her death soon after she was taken home, while the infant escaped with only a slight scratch. The regular fireman of the mill was attending court, and had a substitute in his place. The substitute, Henry Williams, was so badly scalded and cut that no hopes are entertained of his recovery. The boiler was blown into the river, and in its flight it cut the mast and loosened the tin roof on a beachhouse at the river's edge. Several of the victims were covered up by the debris of the boiler house, but they were soon rescued by willing hands.

Smallpox in Mississippi.

Jackson, Miss., June 1.—J. T. Hunter, secretary of the Mississippi State board of health, yesterday received an official statement of the smallpox at Vicksburg from W. D. Estland, chief health officer of the county. He reports seventeen cases in the corporation, all told. Fifteen of these are confined in the pesthouse and two on the outside. All of these cases are convalescent. He says a heave-to-ho campaign is being made to discover any new cases that may exist. Compulsory vaccination is being resorted to, and thousands of persons have been vaccinated, and every precaution is being taken to speedily stamp out the disease. This report shows how badly the reports of smallpox at that point have been exaggerated.

Convention at Chicago.

Chicago, June 1.—Chicagoans will redeem their pledge to the democratic committee today. Mr. Harlow and his colleagues will meet in joint conference with the local committee who have charge of the arrangement in connection with the convention hall and the balance of \$11,000 of the \$40,000 pledged will be turned over to Mr. Harlow.

Final inspection of the edifice will be made by both committees tomorrow, every essential feature agreed on originally being now practically completed.

Committeeman Sheerin, who has been charged with that duty, will distribute the press privileges and finally pass on the telegraph facilities to be provided.

Struck a Stone.

Parkersburg, W. Va., June 1.—The steamboat Ironsides struck a large stone in the Ohio river fifteen miles below here last night and sank in five feet of water at what is known as the Lee Creek Riffle. She was on the up trip from St. Louis to Pittsburg, Captain Gray, aged 71 years, was in command. He lives at Sewickley, Pa. The boat was owned by the Parker Steel company of Pittsburg and was worth \$21,000. No lives were lost.

Accidentally Killed.

Birmingham, Ala., June 1.—Gainer Hammer, a 16-year-old grocery clerk, died yesterday from a pistol shot wound received Saturday at the hands of Scott Morrison, a companion. The boys were explaining to each other how they would grab a pistol from a man's hand in case an attempt should be made to shoot either of them. When Hammer attempted to grab the weapon from Morrison it went off. Morrison was held blameless by Judge Feagin of the inferior criminal court.

Attempted Incendiarism.

Austin, Texas, June 1.—An attempt was made by firebugs early yesterday morning to burn the Sampson Hancock building, at the corner of Seventh street and Congress avenue, in the heart of the city. The flames were discovered and promptly extinguished, before they had time to spread, however. The police say they have a clue to the incendiaries, but decline to state whether they think there is any connection between them and Harris Fisher, the young firebug arrested yesterday. Fisher has been turned over to the Federal authorities on the charge of robbing mail boxes.

Rutabagas for Fodder.

It is gratifying to see so many American farmers putting their waste places or spare pieces of land into rutabagas and turnips for early fall or long winter feeding. They are getting the European idea of root crops. There the rutabagas and turnips are sown broadcast as are almost all grains, and if not desired as roots, the foliage then is used for green food. Just imagine the results of a twenty-acre outpatch treated in this way! Think of the tremendous amount of green fodder, magnificent fodder too, coming into full play during hot August and September. Why, a field of rutabagas and turnips, there, for cattle food is worth almost as much as the oats gathered therefrom! Another good plan is to sow rutabaga seed, especially the variety known as Salzer's LaCrosse, Wis. Mammoth Russian variety, or his Milk Globe turnip sort, at the rate of one-half pound per acre, into the cornfield, just before the last cultivation. This will give you two good crops—one of corn, the other of roots from the same land! One advantage of the rutabaga is that it can be sown at any time of the summer for green food, while a sowing the latter part of July is the best in northern states for big, sweet, juicy roots for winter storage and use.

A fashion article says bloomers are going up. How shocking!—Springfield Union.

It is more conceit than one should have to pass judgment upon another.

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Rev. Priscilla, pastor M. E. Church, Xenia, O., writes December 28, 1894: "I take pleasure and believe it my duty to add my testimony to that of other ministers concerning Veno's medicines. I know Mrs. Elizabeth Kirk, Mr. Samuel Phelps and Mr. Nat Williams. They are members of the M. E. Church, Xenia, of which I am pastor. During the stay of Dr. Veno in Xenia, they were treated by him for rheumatism of many years' standing, and after the first treatment by Veno's Electric Fluid, they threw away their canes and crutches, and are now on the road to recovery. Veno's remedies are sold by druggists with instructions for a home cure as follows:

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A PRESIDENTIAL VETO

PUT UPON THE RIVER AND HARBOR BILL.

Enormous Obligations Imposed Upon the Government—A Mad Man Discovers a Negro in a Cell at Sherman—Lost by a Mob—Other News.

Washington, May 30.—The president today vetoed the river and harbor bill in the following message:

To the House of Representatives:
I return herewith your bill No. 797 entitled "An act making appropriations for the construction, repair and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors and for other purposes."

There are 417 items of appropriations contained in this bill and every part of the country is represented in the distribution of its favors.

It directly appropriates or provides for the immediate expenditure of nearly \$14,000,000 for river and harbor work. This sum is in addition to appropriations contained in another bill for similar purposes—amounting to a little more than \$5,000,000—which has already been favorably considered at the present session of congress.

The result is that the contemplated immediate expenditures for the objects mentioned amount to about \$17,000,000.

A more startling feature of this bill is its authorization of contracts for river and harbor work amounting to more than \$2,000,000. Though the payments of these contracts are in most cases so distributed that they are to be met by future appropriations, more than \$3,500,000 on their account are included in the direct appropriations above mentioned.

Negro Preacher Lost.

Wills Point, Texas, May 30.—A mystery which the officials have as yet been unable to solve occurred here yesterday evening at about 9:15 o'clock. A colored Methodist preacher named Goss has been living here for the past few months. Yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock Dr. A. G. Sisson received a note signed "Sol Dyer," which contained very abusive language. Investigation developed the fact that the preacher had written the note and forged Sol Dyer's signature to it. Just after preaching time last evening a crowd of men, estimated to have been about twelve or fifteen, took the preacher down in Matthews' pasture, a mile south of town, and a thorough search has failed to unearth the preacher's whereabouts so far. The tracks of the crowd indicate, however, that it was a colored people who took him off and it is thought by many that the preacher has been murdered.

A Mad Man's Deed.

Sherman, Texas, May 30.—W. W. Nothcutt, a white man who lives near Howe, was arrested Thursday afternoon by the local police and put in the city jail. He is charged with strangling and was thought to be demented. Last night two other policemen arrested Anderson Stinnett, colored, for drunkenness. The other cells being full, Stinnett was put in the cell with Nothcutt. He had no sooner gotten inside of the cell than he cried, "My God, he has struck me." He was pulled out with a large hole in his abdomen, through which his intestines were protruding. Nothcutt said: "Well, I have killed one, anyway." A surgeon was sent for and Stinnett's wounds were dressed, but today it is thought he can not live.

Killed by Tramps.

Temple, Texas, May 26.—Brickman Tom Ryan of the Katy was shot and instantly killed by two tramps while in the discharge of his duty Thursday night. The tramps had boarded the train at Taylor, but were discovered and put off at this place. They boarded it again and went into a box car. A negro, I. B. Baker, who was riding with Ryan, saw them, and after notifying Ryan, went with him to eject them. The negro started to crawl into the end and was shot in the leg. He got on top again and almost immediately heard two shots and saw Ryan throw up his hands and fall. The crime was not discovered until the next station, Lorena, where Baker and the negro found.

Watch Company Schedules.

Rockford, Ill., May 30.—Assizee Irving French has filed a schedule of the Rockford Watch Company for record in the county court. The assets are \$365,000. There is a real estate mortgage on the factory to secure the bond of the company to the amount of \$150,000, only two-thirds of which has been issued. There are watches in process of manufacture amounting to \$96,899 and finished watches to the amount of \$59,599. The real estate amounts to \$90,165 and machinery to \$81,816.

Shot to Death.

Brenham, Texas, May 30.—Last night, a cross roads village ten miles northwest of here, was the scene of a dire disaster just before noon Thursday, news of which has just been received here. Mr. Adam Renz, the well known village blacksmith, with his wife and two youngest children, were off in the field chopping cotton and left Willie and Emma, aged respectively 8 and 7 years, at home to take care of the house. The theory is that they attempted to start a fire in the stove with kerosene, set the house on fire and it burned down, the two children burning up in the building.

ONE THOUSAND DEAD.

AWFUL DESTRUCTION OF ST. LOUIS CYCLONE.

Many Buildings Blown Down and Several Excursion Steamers Sunk and Ail on Board Lost—Oil Works and Buildings in Flames.

Chicago, May 28.—One of the greatest disasters of recent years overwhelmed the city of St. Louis last evening in the shape of a cyclone, which began shortly after 5 o'clock and for thirty minutes tore its awful way through the city with a velocity of over eighty miles an hour. Although reports from there are very meager, owing to the almost total destruction of telegraph wires, it seems certain that the number of dead and wounded will amount to full 1000 and the damage done to millions of dollars.

The city hospital, which fortunately survived the storm, is filled to overflowing with mangled men, women and children, and the morgue within two hours after the end of the storm was so full of corpses that it was necessary to provide other quarters for the reception of the dead. In addition to those who were killed in their houses and in the streets, hundreds of dead are beneath the waters of the Mississippi river. Of all the steamers of the levee when the storm broke out, but one is now afloat. All the others have gone down, in many instances every soul on board being lost. Among the boats destroyed is the excursion steamer Grand Republic, one of the largest steamers on the lower river. Not a soul escaped from her and it is said she was crowded with excursionists when the storm came.

The center of the city is a wreck. Many buildings have been demolished and others partially wrecked. The streets are utterly impassable to street cars, and in many places progress on foot is a matter of great difficulty. To add to the horrors of the night, the electric light plants were rendered incapable of service and the gas lamps are also shut off, leaving the city in total darkness.

Fire also broke out in several portions of the city and the fire department was unable to make an effective fight because of the checked up condition of the streets, and the large number of firemen who were engaged in the imperative work of rescuing the dead and wounded.

The only authentic news from the stricken city was sent by the agent of the Associated Press, who managed to reach an outlying telegraph office and sent a brief dispatch, as follows: "Tornado blowing at the rate of over eighty miles an hour, struck St. Louis last night and raged for half an hour with great fury, and as a result hundreds of lives are lost on both sides of the river. Many buildings are blown down and many river steamers sunk with all on board. It is impossible at the present time to estimate the number of lives lost as the hospitals are full with the injured and the morgue is filled with the slain, while great numbers of the dead and maimed are lying among the ruins in all directions. A bridge of the east end of the Eads bridge is destroyed, the grand stand at the fair ground is down, the woman's portion of the jail is down and the immense Cupples block is partially destroyed. The Waters-Pierce oil works are burning and other buildings in various sections of the city are on fire."

The tenement district houses are to be seen in all stages of demolition from loss of room to complete destruction. From the doors of many partial wrecks houses fluttered the black badge of mourning, and there was scarcely a house in all the district that did not have some injured relative, friend or neighbor within its wind-battered walls. The path of the storm is about half a mile wide and over four miles long, sweeping through the thickly populated portion of East and across the river into East St. Louis.

Colonel Wetmore, manager of the Liggett & Meyers tobacco plant, which was wrecked, estimated the entire property damage at \$25,000,000, which will be, he said, almost a total loss, owing to the lack of cyclone insurance. Other estimates range from \$15,000,000 to \$30,000,000, but the majority are close to that made by Colonel Wetmore.

Ninth District Possibles.
Austin, Texas, May 28.—The populist executive committee on the Ninth congressional district met here yesterday evening and after whereabout that it regarded George W. Glasscock as a man of "large ability, unimpeachable integrity and great energy of character" decided that fidelity to the party's principles rendered the acceptance of his withdrawal from the race for congress absolutely necessary.

A convention was called to meet at Elgin on June 20 for the purpose of nominating a substitute for the Georgetown statesman.

Distillers Will Suspend.
New York, May 28.—All the rye whiskey distillers in the Eastern states will suspend operations on September 1 next. This will throw out of employment 2000 workmen, coopers and laborers. The skilled workmen about the distillers will be kept, as they are under contract and are of peculiar and special value to their employers. This action was resolved upon at a meeting representing it, it is estimated, \$25,000,000 of capital at the Waldorf hotel. J. C. Pontefract presided and Edwin W. Dougherty was secretary.

Gossett For Congress.
Kaufman, Texas, May 28.—Hon. H. M. Gossett has formally announced himself as a candidate for the democratic nomination for congress from the Sixth district, and says he favors broadening the basis of standard money by insisting upon the free and unlimited coinage of both silver and gold at the rate of 16 to 1 and the equality of privilege at the mints and assayers of both the constitutional money metals to the end of securing a sound and honest money. He will at once enter upon a canvass of the district.

SHOOTING AT COLUMBIA.

BRAZORIA, TEXAS, MAY 27.—W. W. TUNSTALL, a prominent and well known colored politician of this county, was brought here yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Phillips of Columbia, to whom the former had voluntarily surrendered himself, charged with having fatally shot Lewis Diggs and Milton Diggs, both colored, near Columbia, Saturday night.

The witnesses recount a very graphic story of the fierce encounter between Tunstall and the two men who are shot. It seems that Tunstall was set upon at a festival by two brothers, one in front and the other in the rear, simultaneously, and it is the greatest marvel that he escaped with his life. Lewis Diggs, approaching Tunstall, engaged him in conversation, and almost without warning raised a Winchester rifle and fired point blank at Tunstall, who immediately drew his pistol and returned the fire. His assailant then turned and attempted to flee inside a church in front of which the parties were standing and Tunstall fired at him as he fled. Meanwhile Milton Diggs had been firing at Tunstall from the rear and the latter turning, the two emptied revolvers at each other without effect and continued snapping upon the empty chambers, during which some party from Diggs' rear, said to have been Tunstall's son, a small boy in knee pants, seeing Tunstall's danger, fired at Diggs and the bullet penetrated his lungs. He fell and the firing ceased. During the general melee a colored girl was slightly wounded by a stray ball.

The shooting was the result of some slight difficulty that had occurred between some of the parties on the afternoon preceding and is deplored by all parties, by none more than Tunstall himself, who is a law abiding man, well known and well liked, being a delegate to the republican state convention of this year.

The wounded men were carried to their homes, where they now lie in a critical condition.

Caused by Children.
Hillsboro, Texas, May 27.—Yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock R. T. Matson and Bob Snyder, a tenant on Matson's farm, became involved in a shooting affray at Matson's farm, three miles west of here. Matson was shot in the side of the mouth, the ball ranging downward and lodging below the jawbone. Snyder was shot twice, once through the hand, the other ball taking effect in the left breast below the nipple, where it struck a rib and glanced, running around the body. Medical aid was summoned and pronounced Matson's wound as not being very dangerous. Snyder came to town and gave himself up to the sheriff and had his wounds dressed. They are not regarded as dangerous. The trouble grew out of some quarrels among their children.

A Cowardly Shooting.
Lovelady, Texas, May 27.—Sank Owens shot and seriously wounded Louis Shalkleford on the farm of J. H. Bussell, Sank and Louis had a quarrel on Saturday night last at Louis' house, Louis ordered Sank to leave his house. Sank was cursing and abusing Louis. This morning Louis came to town and reported Sank, and as soon as Sank heard of it he got his shotgun and went to where Louis was plowing and shot him twice. Dr. S. J. Collin was called in at once, and found that one arm was so badly crushed that he had to amputate it just below the elbow. The doctor thinks that the other arm will have to also be amputated. Sank "skipped out." Sheriff Waller is after him. Both are colored.

Troubles of the Little Rock.
Little Rock, Ark., May 27.—Colonel Uriah Lott, projector of the Little Rock, Hot Springs and Texas railway, has filed in the United States court in this city an invention in which he asks that his claim of \$309,041.00 against the road be allowed and made a preferred lien. He represents that the amount of his claim is for money advanced, work done, supplies and material furnished, right of way purchased and the depot grounds at Benton and Hot Springs. Judge Williams issued an injunction against certain claimants restraining them from prosecuting their claims in the state courts.

Hardy Misses Connections.
Victoria, Texas, May 27.—Judge Rufus Hardy was compelled to conceal his engagement for an address to the citizens of Victoria. He missed connection at Cuero yesterday and drove down, reaching here about dark. His friends deemed it inadvisable for him to speak last night, owing to the entertainment at the opera house under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy, and as the judge had to leave here at 11 o'clock this morning, he concluded to cancel his engagement here altogether.

International Rates.
St. Louis, May 27.—The board of administration of the Southwestern Traffic association had a conference today with the representatives of Mexican lines for the purpose of considering international rates on some of the products of the Republic of Mexico. A resolution was adopted providing for the application of a rate of \$1.25 per 100 pounds on green tropical fruits from producing points on the Mexican National, Mexican Central, Mexican International and Monterey and Mexican Gulf railways to St. Louis, Chicago and Omaha, that being the rate in effect from California to the same points.

TEXAS NEWS NOTES.

Crops will be better this year than last.

Crops in Grayson county are above the average.

Farmers can do without rain now for quite awhile.

The quarantine at Bonham against Greenville was raised recently.

The farmers around Marshall report corn and cotton to be especially good.

The State Christian convention meets in Austin on June 12, and will hold four days.

Fannin county farmers are reported as being in high spirits at the outlook for good crops.

Jim Wood, the young man who was shot by Joe Boon recently at Sunset, died. J. W. Boon and his son, Joe, have given themselves up to the authorities.

John R. McHone, of Marshall, had his nose broken by being kicked by an unbroken horse. He was also kicked in the stomach. Resting easy at last accounts.

John Herring, an old time German resident of San Antonio, living in Englewood, was caught in a serious smashup recently and sustained two fractured ribs.

The town of Reisal, McLennan county, has issued bonds on its school district, which is four miles square, the funds accruing from their sale to be devoted to building a fine graded school.

Joe Webb, of Ennis, who was struck by a freight engine near Garrett, had several ribs broken and one of his legs seriously injured. He tried to run across the track in front of the moving train.

Work was commenced recently on the firemen's monument, to be erected in the capitol yard at Austin. The granite has reached the city, and it is expected to have the monument completed in two weeks.

The department of education at Austin has recognized the application of Collin county for a summer normal, to be held at McKinney, beginning June 29. Prof. J. R. Hendrix, of Plano, will conduct the same.

The new dam on the river near Sequin is completed, and the power thus obtained at a cost of \$1,500 is enormous. The dam is composed of heavy riff raff and rock ballast. It was put up jointly by J. T. Holmes, president of the water works company, and T. Froell, owner of the electric light and power plant.

A. P. Smith, a well-to-do stockman, was brought into San Angelo recently suffering from a severe spell of hiccoughs, from which he had been sick for a week. All possible medical skill was given him, but to no avail, and the expired while sitting in a chair. His remains will be shipped to Waterford, N. Y., for interment.

Mrs. S. W. Cohen, of Waco, wound up the business and closed the flower show until November, when the autumn exposition will be given with chrysantheums as the chief feature. Mr. P. L. Downs wired Mrs. Cohen inviting the Waco floral society to participate in the Temp' exposition, which begins next month. Waco will send exhibits to the Temple flower show.

Tom Edwards, of Waco, a colored man, set a set of furniture, consisting of a bed, two chairs, a rocker, a cradle, and a cupboard, which he made wholly by hand labor from willow grown in McLennan county. He says he did not fully understand how to treat the willow to make it pliable and to get it to the right color. All of his methods were primitive. What he knows of the craft of making willow ware he picked up while watching operatives in a factory. He says he will take his set of furniture to the Belton fair. Edwards was born in slavery.

The ladies of Wichita Falls gave a musical entertainment for the benefit of the cyclone sufferers at Sherman. The amount of \$40.40 was received, which will be forwarded to the relief committee at once.

Hardman county had a good rain recently which made every one happy.

The residence of Max David, of Taylor was burglarized recently and valuables to the amount of \$125 were missing, including his gold watch, chain and a K. of P. chain which he prized dearly.

The olding exercises of Park school at Waxahachie drew larger crowds than for years. An admission fee of 50 cents was charged at the door and the house was packed for three nights. The receipts go for the purchase of a library for the school.

Thirteen car loads of cotton-seed oil were shipped by the Waxahachie oil mills to New York recently. The shipment comprises 80,000 gallons.

The citizens of Anna forwarded to the relief committee \$25 for the sufferers at Sherman. This place will send another donation in a few days.

SISTER ROSE.

BY WILKIE COLLINS.

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CHAPTER VI.

INEXORABLY the important morning came; irrevocably, for good or for evil, the momentous marriage-vow was uttered. Charles Danville and Rose Trudaine were now man and wife. The prophecy of the magnificent sunset over-night had not proved false. It was a cloudless day on the marriage morning. The nuptial ceremonies had proceeded smoothly throughout, and had even satisfied Madame Danville. She returned with the wedding-party to Trudaine's house, all smiles and serenity. To the bride she was graciousness itself. "Good girl," said the old lady, following Rose into a corner, and patting her approvingly on the cheek with her fan. "Good girl! you have looked well this morning—you have done credit to my son's taste. Indeed, you have pleased me, child! Now go upstairs, and get on your traveling dress, and count on my maternal affection as long as you make Charles happy."

It had been arranged that the bride and bridegroom should pass their honeymoon in Brittany, and then return to Danville's estate near Lyons. The parting was hurried over, as all such partings should be. The carriage had driven off—Trudaine, after lingering long to look after it, had returned hastily to the house—the very dust of the whirling wheels had all dispersed—there was absolutely nothing to see—and yet, there stood Monsieur Lomaque at the outer gate; idly, as if he was an independent man—calmly, as if no such responsibilities as the calling of Madame Danville's coach, and the escorting of Madame Danville back to Lyons, could possibly rest on his shoulders.

Idly and calmly, slowly rubbing one hand over the other, slowly nodding his head in the direction by which the bride and bridegroom had departed, stood the eccentric land-steward at the outer gate. On a sudden, the sound of footsteps approaching from the house seemed to arouse him. Once more he looked out into the road as if he expected still to see the carriage of the newly married couple. "Poor girl! ah, poor girl!" said Monsieur Lomaque softly to himself, turning round to ascertain who was coming from the house.

It was only the postman with a letter in his hand, and the post-bag crumpled up under his arm. "Any fresh news from Paris, friend?" asked Lomaque.

"Very bad, monsieur," answered the postman. "Camille Desmoulins has appealed to the people in the Palais Royal—there are fears of a riot."

"Only a riot," repeated Lomaque, sarcastically. "Oh, what a brave government not to be afraid of anything worse! Any letters?" he added, hastily dropping the subject.

"None to the house," said the postman—"only one from it, given me by Monsieur Trudaine. Hardly worth while," he added, twirling the letter in his hand, "to put it into the bag, is it?"

Lomaque looked over his shoulder as he spoke and saw that the letter was directed to the President of the Academy of Science, Paris.

"I wonder whether he accepts the place or refuses it?" thought the land-steward, nodding to the postman, and continuing his way back to the house.

At the door he met Trudaine, who said to him rather hastily, "You are going back to Lyons with Madame Danville, I suppose?"

"This very day," answered Lomaque. "If you should hear of a convenient bachelor-lodging at Lyons, or near it," continued the other, dropping his voice and speaking more rapidly than before, "you would be doing me a favor if you would let me know about it."

Lomaque assented; but before he could add a question which was on the tip of his tongue, Trudaine had vanished in the interior of the house.

"A bachelor-lodging!" repeated the land-steward, standing alone on the door-step. "At or near Lyons! Ah! Monsieur Trudaine, I put your bachelor-lodging and your talk to me last night together, and I make out a sum-total which is, I think, pretty near the mark. You have refused that Paris appointment, my friend; and I fancy I can guess why."

He passed thoughtfully, and shook his head with cynical frowns and bitings of his lips.

"All clear enough in that sky," he continued, after awhile, looking up at the lustrous mid-day heaven. "All clear enough there; but I think I see a little cloud rising in a certain household armament already—a little cloud which hides much, and which I for one shall watch carefully."

CHAPTER VII.

FIVE years have elapsed since Monsieur Lomaque stood thoughtfully at the gate of Trudaine's house, looking after the bride and bridegroom, and seriously reflecting on the events of the future. Great changes have passed over that domestic firmament in which he prophetically discerned the little warning cloud. Greater changes have passed over the firmament of France.

What was Revolt five years ago is Revolution now—revolution which has engulfed thrones and principalities and powers; which has set up crownless, hereditary kings and counselors of its own, and has bloodily torn them down again by dozens; which has raged and raged on unrestrainedly in fierce earnest, until but one king can still govern and control it for a little while. That King is named Terror, and seventeen hundred and ninety-four is the year of his reign.

Monsieur Lomaque, land-steward no longer, sits alone in an official-looking room in one of the official buildings of Paris. It is another July evening, as fine as that evening when he and Trudaine sat talking together on the bench overlooking the Seine. The window of the room is partly open, and a faint, pleasant breeze is beginning to flow through it now. Lomaque breathes uneasily, as if still oppressed by the sultry midsummer heat; and there are signs of perplexity and trouble in his face as he looks down absently now and then into the street.

The times he lives in are enough of themselves to sadden his face. In the Reign of Terror no living being in all the city of Paris can rise in the morning and be certain of escaping the spy, the arrest, or the guillotine, before night. Such times are trying enough to oppress any man's spirits; but Lomaque is not thinking of them now. Out of a mass of papers which lie before him on his old writing table, he has just taken up and read one, which has carried his thoughts back to the past, and to the changes which have taken place since he stood alone on the door-step of Trudaine's house, pondering on what might happen.

More rapidly even than he had foreboded, those changes had occurred. In less time even than he had anticipated, the sad emergency for which Rose's brother had prepared, as for a barely possible calamity, overtook Trudaine, and called for all the patience, the courage, the self-sacrifice, which he had to give for his sister's sake. By slow gradations downward, from bad to worse, her husband's character manifested itself less and less disguisedly almost day by day. Occasional slights ending in habitual neglect; careless estrangement turning to cool enmity; small insults which ripened evilly to great injuries—these were the pitiless signs which showed her that she had risked all and lost all while still a young woman—these were the unmerited afflictions which found her helpless, and would have left her helpless, but for the ever-present comfort and support of her brother's self-denying love. From the first, Trudaine had devoted himself to meet such trials as now assailed him; and like a man he met them, in defiance alike of persecution from the mother and of insult from the son.

The hard task was only lightened when, as time advanced, public trouble began to mingle itself with private grief. Then absorbing political necessities came as a relief to domestic misery. Then it grew to be the one purpose and pursuit of Danville's life cunningly to shape his course so that he might move safely onward with the advancing revolutionary tide—he cared not whether, as long as he kept his possessions safe and his life out of danger. His mother, inflexibly true to her old-world convictions through all peril, might entreat and upbraid, might talk of honor, and courage, and sincerity—he heeded her not, or heeded only to laugh. As he had taken the false way with his wife, so he was now bent on taking it with the world.

The years passed on; destroying changes swept hurricane-like over the old governing system of France; and still Danville shifted successfully with the shifting times. The first days of the Terror approached; in public and in private—in high places and in low—each man now suspected his brother. Crafty as Danville was, even he fell under suspicion at last, at headquarters in Paris, principally on his mother's account. This was his first political failure, and in a moment of thoughtless rage and disappointment, he wreaked the irritation caused by it on

Lomaque. Suspected himself, he in turn suspected the land steward. His mother fomented the suspicion—Lomaque was dismissed.

In the old times the victim would have been ruined—in the new times he was simply rendered eligible for a political vocation in life. Lomaque was poor, quick witted, secret, not scrupulous. He was a good patriot, he had good patriot friends, plenty of ambition, a subtle, cat-like courage, nothing to dread—and he went to Paris. There were plenty of small chances there for men of his calibre. He waited for one of them. It came; he made the most of it; attracted favorably the notice of the terrible Fouquier-Tinville; and won his way to a place in the office of the Secret Police.

Meanwhile Danville's anger cooled down; he recovered the use of that cunning sense which had hitherto served him well, and sent to recall the discarded servant. It was too late. Lomaque was already in a position to set him at defiance—nay, to put his neck, perhaps, under the blade of the guillotine. Worse than this, anonymous letters reached him, warning him to lose no time in proving his patriotism by some indisputable sacrifice, and in silencing his mother, whose imprudent sincerity was likely ere long to cost her her life. Danville knew her well enough to know that there was but one way of saving her, and thereby saving himself. She had always refused to emigrate; but he now insisted that she should seize the first opportunity he could procure for her of quitting France until calmer times arrived.

Probably she would have risked her own life ten times over rather than have obeyed him; but she had not the courage to risk her son's too; and she yielded for his sake. Partly by secret influence, partly by unblushing fraud, Danville procured for her such papers and permits as would enable her to leave France by way of Marseilles. Even then she refused to depart, until she knew what her son's plans were for the future. He showed her a letter which he was about to dispatch to Robespierre himself, vindicating his suspected patriotism, and indignantly demanding to be allowed to prove it by filling some office, no matter how small, under the redoubtable triumvirate which then governed, or more properly, terrified, France. The sight of this document reassured Madame Danville. She bade her son farewell, and departed at last, with one trusty servant, for Marseilles.

CHAPTER VIII.

DANVILLE'S intention in sending his letter to Paris had been simply to save himself by patriotic bluster. He was thunderstruck at receiving a reply, taking him at his word, and summoning him to the capital to accept employment there under the then existing government. There was no choice but to obey. So to Paris he journeyed; taking his wife with him into the very jaws of danger. He was then at open enmity with Trudaine; and the more envious and alarmed he could make the brother feel on the sister's account, the better he was pleased. True to his trust and his love, through all dangers as through all persecutions, Trudaine followed them; and the street of their sojourn at Paris, in the perilous days of the Terror, was the street of his sojourn too.

Danville had been astonished at the acceptance of his proffered services—found that the post selected for him was one of the superintendent's places in that very office of Secret Police in which Lomaque was employed as agent. Robespierre and his colleagues had taken the measure for their man—he had money enough, and local importance enough, to be worth studying. The affairs of the Secret Police were the sort of affairs which an unscrupulously cunning man was fitted to help on; and the faithful exercise of that cunning in the service of the state was ensured by the presence of Lomaque in the office. The discarded servant was just the right sort of spy to watch the suspected master. Thus it happened that, in the office of the Secret Police of Paris, and under the Reign of Terror, Lomaque's old master was, naturally, his master still—the superintendent to whom he was ceremonially accountable, in public—the suspected man, whose slightest words and deeds he was officially set to watch, in private.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

The Meanest Kind of Business.

Very few people among the general public know that a certain class of small brokers and stick and umbrella sellers of London, who have not got regular shops of their own, make quite a living out of the sales of articles left in railway carriages and waiting rooms and subsequently disposed of at auction.

The quality of mercy is not strained; it droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven. Upon the place beneath.

—Shakespeare.

INCONGRUOUS MOTTOES.

Framed on the Wall of a Downtown Restaurant.

The vicinity of Printing House square yesterday and walked leisurely about, surveying the walls and the ceiling, says the New York Recorder.

"Seats here," said one of the waiters politely, at the same time indicating two chairs which were in a quiet part of the place, removed from the general throng.

"We ain't in any hurry," said one of the men, "we are just looking around."

"Well," said the superintendent, who happened to come along, "there isn't much time for anybody here to look around; I am afraid you will have to be served, or else make way for other people."

"But we want to look around," said the first.

"Well, you can't look around," said he, testily; "this isn't a picture gallery."

"Ah, Jim," said one of the men, turning to his companion, "I knew it was so—they don't want us to see it."

"Of course it's so," responded the other, "and it's the funniest combination I ever saw. I've heard of the man in Aesop's Fables blowing on his fingers to make them hot and blowing on his soup to make it cold, but this beats everything that I ever heard of. Oh, for cathode rays to see what the artist was thinking of when he designed these curious things," and they both looked at the walls and sighed and laughed alternately.

"Come," said the superintendent, now thoroughly aroused, "you will have to get out of here; this isn't a variety show."

"That's so," they answered in chorus. "We took it for a restaurant but if those aren't the funniest mottoes side by side I ever did see I don't know what to say."

"What do you mean," said the superintendent.

"Why, look there," said one, and he pointed to two nicely framed mottoes in a conspicuous place on the wall. One read: "Sin shall not have dominion over you, for ye are not under the law but under grace."

The other, which was immediately underneath, warned each customer to "Watch your hat and coat. The proprietor will not be responsible for any article stolen."

"Come on, Jim," said he, "let's get somewhere to be 'under the law.' I am as hungry as a hawk but I can't read the scriptures, eat a square meal and watch my hat and coat at the same time. 'Pears to me they ought to take down some one of those notices."

They marched out and the superintendent, turning to one of his assistants, said: "I declare, these men were right I never saw the humor of the thing before."

"Will I take them down, sir?" said the assistant.

"Not at all," he answered. "I think it's the best joke of the season and a good advertisement. Let them stay."

Sand Is Healthful.

Some time ago when an item went the rounds of the press about the large number of bow-legged children in Cincinnati it was suggested that sand piles should be provided for children to play in. The sand-pile idea has been adopted, not only for the bow-legged children but for all the little tots, and promises to be carried to a novel extent. Many of the school yards have now in one corner large piles of sand in which the little tots roll and play to their heart's content. Care is taken to provide clean sand secured from one of the bars in the Ohio river, and it is changed often enough to make it perfectly healthful. It is declared to be the best thing possible for children to play in, and some doctors have advised the making of mud pies as a regular prescription for puny youngsters. They say that there is nothing like contact with Mother Earth, and that if the children do not get healthful sand or dirt to play in they will wallow in the gutter or yards and be contaminated with all sorts of disease germs. City Legislator John Regan has gone further and has introduced an ordinance in the city council to shut the worthless element out of 8th street or Garfield park and give it over to the children. He proposes to have sand piled in the corners of the parks and let the children play all they want. Mr. Regan, who is well known in New York, says that this should certainly be done.—New York Journal.

Egypt's Increasing Population.

An official paper just published states that the number of native births in Egypt registered last year was 235,546, while the deaths from all causes came to 192,103 only; the excess of births over deaths amounted consequently to no fewer than 143,443 which, with an estimated population of 8,000,000 represents the enormous increased rate of 1.79 per cent.

Surface of the Earth.

Astronomers calculate that the surface of the earth contains 31,625,625 square miles, of which 23,814,121 are water and 7,811,504 are land, the water thus covering about seven-tenths of the earth's surface.

The Kansas baseball nine that has been beaten three times by the score of 16 to 1 should leave the diamond and go to bed.

Prof. Langley of Washington, D. C., has invented a flying machine that flies but this is not expected to make the other inventors soar.

The cruiser Brooklyn did not make half so many knots an hour as the City of Brooklyn made "knots" to the greater New York proposition.

The girls of the University of Wisconsin have formed a boating crew. They will have to have a man aboard to "whistle for the wind."

It is said that the Babi who killed the Shah are also after his successor's life. The Persian ruler isn't the only man who is kept awake o' nights by the Babi.

If you could see all of a man's weak spots you'd think he had the measles.

A WAR REMINISCENCE.

SCENES AT HATCHER'S CREEK AND PETERSBURG RECALLED.

John A. Scare Speaks to a Reporter of "Stirring Scenes—Escaped With a Slight Wound, But, Like Other Veterans, Has Suffered Since—A Story that Reads Like a Page from History."

From the Albany (N. Y.) Journal.

John B. Scare, the widely known contractor and building mover of Albany, N. Y., has had an unusually interesting life, and when seen by a reporter recently at his home, No. 15 Bradford street, told of his many experiences and adventures while serving under the old flag in the late war. Although having endured all the hardships and privations of life in the ranks, Mr. Scare bears his more than half a century of years with an elastic step and a keen mind, taking an active interest in private and public affairs.

Mr. Scare is a member of Berkshire Lodge, No. 52, I. O. O. F. He enlisted in the army in 1862, in Company A, Forty-ninth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, serving under Col. W. F. Bartlett, First Brigade, First Division, Nineteenth Corps, with which he participated in some of the hottest battles of the war, including Fort Hudson, Donaldsonville and Plain Store, where he was wounded. His time being out, he was discharged, but soon re-enlisted as sergeant in Company A, Sixty-first Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. He was in the battle of Hatcher's Creek, in the fight about Petersburg, and in a battle of Sailor's Creek.

After his honorable discharge, June 4, 1865, Mr. Scare returned to Albany and settled down once again to his business and social interests. He has resided in the city ever since. It would seem that now, of all times, his peace and happiness would have been uninterrupted. Such was not to be the case. For four years ago, while engaged in superintending the raising of an immense smokestack of the Albany Electric power-house, the lever of a loosened windlass struck him a heavy blow across the back. The effect of the blow was not at first apparent, he being able to leave his bed in a few days. But the worst was to follow, for without warning he was seized with sciatic rheumatism in all its virulence. Untold agony followed.

Said Mr. Scare: "I could not sleep for the pain. No one will know the tortures the rheumatism gave me. I don't know how I lived during those days. I became little more than a mass of bones, and it seemed like life didn't have anything but suffering in it. Cures? I tried every so-called rheumatic cure that was ever invented. I gave all of them a good trial before I stopped taking them. My friends and neighbors recommended remedy after remedy that they heard of, but my rheumatism went on just the same. Well, after I had almost had the life tortured out of me, I came across a newspaper account of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I thought I might as well add another name to the list as not, so I ordered some of my druggist. "I tell you, I was glad in those days to hear of anything that could give me any hope at all. Yes, I got them, and before I had taken two boxes that pain began to leave me. Why, I couldn't understand it. I couldn't imagine myself being cured. But before I had taken a half-dozen of those boxes I was cured. The suffering which had made my life almost unbearable for so long had disappeared. I was a new man. "I began to get strong. I picked up in flesh, and I went back to my business with all the vigor and vim of a young man. I think everyone who knows me will tell you what it did for me. Pink Pills is the grandest medicine ever discovered, and if my recommendation will do it any good I want you to use it. I hope others will hear of it and be benefited as I have been. Everyone should hear of it. I can't say too much for them." Mr. Scare exclaimed, enthusiastically, in conclusion.

Mr. Scare is now enjoying the fruits of an unusually large business, managed solely by himself, and covering almost the entire eastern portion of the State. Mr. Scare is also an ivory carver of marked ability, which he follows solely for his own pleasure. Many little trinkets, carved by the light of the camp-fire, attest his skill in this direction.

Far from being solicited to recommend the curative which had taken such a load of misery from his life, in his gratitude his praise for it is unstinted and unceasing. And from his own statement one may easily see that when he does cease to sing its virtues it will be to answer the last muster-roll in his life.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. Pink Pills are sold in boxes at 10 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of all druggists, or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Med. Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

LOCAL NEWS.

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs.

Mrs. Joe Shivers was quite sick last week.

Try Ham Bone Tobacco. Each Plug Warranted.

All the Mary Allen students have left for their homes.

The Best is the cheapest—Ham Bone Tobacco is the best.

Bony Barbee and Frank Smith brought in Monday the first cotton blooms we have seen.

J. C. Wootters & Co. have moved the old J. W. Hail stock into their new brick building.

Dr. H. J. Cunyus, dentist, Crockett, Texas. Office over Arledge, Kennedy & Co. grocery store.

That much talked of street sprinkler would come in very handy days like this.

Ladies try a pair of W. V. McConnell's own brand of Oxford Ties they look the neatest and will wear the longest.

Chew Ham Bone Tobacco. Best on Earth for the money. Manufactured by J. H. Cosby & Bro., Danville, Va.

We are requested to announce that Hood's Brigade will meet at Huntsville on the 22nd and 23rd. A good time and a big dinner is promised.

Last Tuesday night Jerry Clark brought in Henry Allen col. from Daly and lodged him in jail. He is charged with raping a little negro girl last Thursday.

W. V. McConnell's own brand of ladies' Oxford ties are the best. Our \$1.50 Ties will last as long as anybody's \$2.50 ties and are so guaranteed.

Do you ever travel? If you do you should take out an accident policy first. D. M. Craddock represents the old Etna Life and Accident company of Hartford and sells 'em cheap. See him before you start.

The democratic county convention which meets on June 15th will select delegates to the following conventions: State gubernatorial, state judicial, congressional, first supreme judicial, judicial to nominate judge and district attorney, and floralian.

Go to the Crockett Bottling Works for high grade Soda Waters, Ciders, Mineral Waters, and all kind of Carbonated Beverages. Our specialty is California's new drink, Logandery wine the leading drink of the season. Mail orders have prompt attention. 14-6m

CASH! CASH!! CASH!!!

Just received: A beautiful line of Tans, Chocolate and other colors in Ladies' first-class Slippers and Low-Cuts. Not the "only first-class line of slippers and low-cuts that ever came to Crockett," but will compare in quality and prices with any that have ever been exhibited here. Tans and Chocolate colored shoes for men, Best Grade, prices from \$2.00 to \$3.50, guaranteed none better. Clothing for men from \$2.00 a suit to \$20.00. Youth's and boys' suits in light, bright pretty colors, from 50c suit to \$6.00. Tans and Chocolate colored shoes for boys, Good, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Ladies' hats trimmed in all the pretty and attractive colors that come with Spring.

It will cost nothing to call and price. R. M. ATKINSON.

W. L. DOUGLAS \$3 SHOE IS THE BEST, NO SQUEAKING.

\$5 CORDOVAN.
\$4.50 FINE CALF & KANGAROO
\$3.50 POLICE, 3 SOLES.
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Because we are the largest manufacturers of advertised shoes in the world, and guarantee the value by stamping the name and price on the bottom, which protects you against high prices and the middleman's profits. Our shoes equal custom work in style, easy fitting and wearing qualities. We have them sold every where at lower prices for the value given than any other make. Take no substitute. If your dealer cannot supply you, we can. Sold by

keep from having old stock (which is positively against our rules) we have now reduced the prices on these suits—coat, pants and vest, any size from 34 to 42 as low as \$1.40 per suit and ranging in prices up to the finest suit in town for \$10.00. We have of one kind about six dozen pairs of pants, all nice, neat, new and fast colors, won't change; bought at our own price, well worth \$2.50 and \$3.00 our bargain price \$1.75. A very fine line of black pants worth \$4.00, our price \$2.50. A nice line of jeans pants almost any size worth 50c a pair, now 40c. per pair. Overalls from 40c to 65c per pair. See our line of laundred neglige shirts well worth 50c, going at 30c each—better grade nice, bright, fast colors worth 75c, now 50c each. A regular \$1.25 shirt for 95c. Under shirts for men well worth 20c, closing price 10c each. Mens' french balbriggan, camel egyptian, patent and silk finish, long sleeves, well worth 75c, now 50c each. The well known Scrivens patent elastic seams drawers worth \$1.00, our price 75c per pair. Best work shirt ever sold for 50c. If you need a straw hat see our line from 5c to \$1.50 each before you buy elsewhere. See the value we can give you from 15c to 25c in half hose, black or tan. Ladies you can always find

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Nor idly dream of the future but turn every occasion and event to practical advantage and you will be benefited by the following prices:

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A few of the \$3.00 spring suits left which has always been such bargains as to never miss selling any one wanting a suit of clothes. But in order to make room for a large stock of new goods and (in order to make room for a large stock of new goods and

Something New In Dress Goods

In all the new colors and effects. Remember our 3c lawn is worth 5c at other places and will make a nice cool wrapper. Our light colors in calico (won't fade) worth 5 and 6c, we sell at 3c per yard. A few bolts of dark calico left, well worth 6c to close at 3c per yard. Cotton flannel, long nap, good weight, worth 6c, now 4c per yard. Cotton stripes worth 5c, closing price 3c. Cottonade for pants worth 10c, going at 7c per yard. We have about five dozen mosquito bars with from 7 1/4 to 9 yds in each bar; colors white, tan and green; bought at our price; sells everywhere from 50c to \$1.00, our bargain price 25c each. A few pairs of lace pillow shams worth 40c per pair, closing price 10c each. Ladies don't forget the John Kelly Oxford Ties. Remember they have no equal in Crockett and are now reduced to prices of more inferior lines. Our St. Louis made slippers any size from 3 to 8, 35c per pair; better grades 75c to \$1.00. Button or lace shoes for women, regular price \$1.00, bargain price 70c per pair. Notion bargains: To close 15 cakes of nice toilet soap for 25c. 24 lead pencils for 5c. 35 slate pencils for 5c. 2 doz bottles of Davids black ink for 5c. 24 collar buttons for 5c. Celluloid collars 5c each. Celluloid cuffs 10c per Linen collars from 5c to 25c each.

Gentlemen if you want a tailor made suit of clothes or pair of pants remember we represent two of the best houses in Chicago. Our orders are increasing every week. Hoping to see you soon, we are

Yours Respectfully,

MCLEAN & WILSON.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Broxson are both very sick.

A. Herman made a business trip to Galveston Monday.

The finest and latest Sailors at W. V. McConnell's. Just arrived.

Miss Maggie Foster left Wednesday morning to visit relatives in Houston.

J. C. Wootters & Co., are having concrete sidewalks made in front of their business houses.

Mrs. Dora Bright of Groveton returned home Wednesday morning after spending a few days with parents in this place.

Miss Julia Moss of Orange, and Miss Lula Young of Itasca, who have been visiting Miss Lucy Miller have returned to their respective homes.

E. Winfree, W. D. Pritchard and F. G. Edmiston are all of the confederate veterans who will attend the Great Reunion at Richmond from Crockett.

The COURIER is under obligations to an able young attorney for the matter in the editorial columns of this issue of the COURIER as well as for some previous ones.

The Democratic Executive Committee will meet at Crockett on Monday the 15th for purpose of counting the vote on the money issue. Members of the committee should bear this in mind. The committee to do this will be the one elected at the precinct conventions on June 6th.

S. H. Owens has withdrawn from the race for sheriff owing to business matters. He wishes to thank his friends for their support and should he have run and been elected would doubtless have filled the office with credit to both himself and friends. He will continue in the grocery business at his old stand.

Ed Downes left to-day (Thursday) for West Point.

W. J. Murchison of Lovelady was in the city Tuesday.

Ladies don't forget to call on Mrs. Bricker & Smith for millinery.

The ice cream supper at the Baptist parsonage Wednesday night was a splendid success.

Judge Burnett and daughters, Misses Reba and Lannie, of Palestine, spent several days in our city this week.

Mr. Robt. C. Stokes came up from Trinity to attend the Cunyus and Stokes wedding and returned home Wednesday morning.

Ladies you can get the finest hat you ever had for less money at Mrs. Bricker & Smith's. They are selling out at exceedingly low prices.

The editor ventured out to the square the first of the week but was quite prostrated by the effort and had to be taken home in a buggy. He has been seriously ill since.

Foster predicts an assortment of tornadoes, cyclones and whirl winds to strike East Texas this week. Better have a convenient cave to burrow up in. "Ye know not the day nor the hour" when you shall ascend in air and land in Leon county or some where else.

The populist executive committee met at Crockett on last Saturday to fill the vacancies on their ticket caused by those whom they selected declining to be candidates. Tom Alexander declined to run for district clerk, Bob Edens for treasurer, J. P. O'Keef for county clerk. They made the following nominations for these vacancies: Dr. J. W. Nelson for county clerk and W. L. Vaught for Dist' clerk. No nominations for county judge or county attorney.

Mrs. Enos-Simpson is prepared to take a few boarders at reasonable rates; also has a 4-room cottage to rent.

There will be a picnic on Rose's Bayou today (Friday) which will be largely attended by people from Crockett. The festive candidate will be there of course.

The people of Crockett will be sorry to hear of the death of Rev. Tom Prichard. He had been in bad health for some time and had given up pastoral work in Va., his home, and had gone to live with his son, Dr. Wm. Prichard, of New York, where he died.

At a meeting of the Baptist church on Monday night, largely attended, they selected Rev. Mr. Morris of Jacksonville to the pastorate here. Mr. Morris is quite a young man, unmarried but a speaker of force and a minister of great promise. He has a mother and two brothers who will probably join him here.

The democratic party in Houston county is in better condition than it has been for four years. It is stronger in numbers and better organized than it has been since the advent of the populists. Nothing but gross, stupid mismanagement should prevent the defeat of Burnett and the rest of the ticket next fall by fully 500 majority.

Mrs. Coll Aldrich and daughter, Charm, Mrs. Bruner and family, Mrs. L. Bergman and Miss Anne Wall and Geo. Aldrich, Ed. Taylor and A. B. Helderbrand left for the mouth of the Elkhart creek on the river to spend several days among the mosquitoes.

There is but little interest manifested in the bridge matter on any hand, and it seems probable that it will be allowed to go by default. The commissioners' court simply authorized the election to be held without expense to the county and the people of each precinct are to decide for themselves whether they will hold the election.

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You are invited to attend a Missionary reception at the residence of Mr. H. W. Moore, Wednesday, June 10th, from 8 p. m. to 12 p. m. This missionary party is given to you. 'Tis something novel, 'tis something new. We send to all an invitation. And hope you will come without hesitation. We shall charge you as many cents as you are years old. And promise the number shall never be told. Home Missions will give you some good things to eat. And the ladies will furnish a musical treat. The Home Missions, with greeting meet heartily. Feel sure you will come to this missionary party.

If it required an annual outlay of \$100.00 to insure a family against any serious consequences from an attack of bowel complaint during the year there are many who would feel it their duty to pay it; that they could not afford to risk their lives, and those of their family for such an amount. Any one can get this insurance for 25 cents, that being the price of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. In almost every neighborhood some one has died from an attack of bowel complaint before medicine could be procured or a physician summoned. One or two doses of this remedy will cure any ordinary case. It never fails. Can you afford to take the risk for so small an amount? For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the action of the democratic party:

For Judge of the Third Judicial District:
W. H. GILL,
of Anderson County.

For Representative,
W. B. WALL.

For District Attorney of Third Judicial District:
J. M. CROOK,
of Houston County.
A. G. GREENWOOD,
of Anderson County.

For District Clerk,
JOHN H. ELLIS.
COL. ALDRICH, JR.
TONY GOSSETT.
J. S. FLUKER.

For County Judge,
J. F. DUREN.
A. D. LIPSCOMB.
E. WINFREE.
JOHN KENNEDY.

For County Clerk,
N. E. ALLBRIGHT.

For County Treasurer,
J. B. ELLIS.
HARDIN BAYNE.
M. M. BAKER.

For Assessor of Taxes:
CHARLES STOKES.
D. J. CATER.
GAIL CLINTON.

For Tax Collector,
JOHN R. FOSTER.
S. E. HOWARD.
J. R. SHERIDAN.

For Sheriff,
G. M. WALLER.
DICK STUBBLEFIELD.
C. J. HASSELL.
S. H. OWENS.

For County Surveyor,
B. M. JONES.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1,
T. C. LIVELY.
R. T. MURCHISON,
R. W. VINCE.

For Justice Peace, Precinct No. 1,
C. W. ELLIS.
W. D. PRICHARD.

For Constable Prec. No. 1,
TOM BAYNE,
C. R. BAGGETT,
C. C. MORTIMER,
M. W. SATERWHITE.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2,
W. E. HAIL.
S. H. ROOK.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4,
C. B. ISBELL.

It was a delightful spectacle to observe Beardson waited upon by his calfropo committee of one.

SENATOR Calvin Brice of Ohio, a gold standard man, concedes that the free coinage element will control the national democratic convention by one hundred and fifty majority.

Now that it seems probable that the free silver element will control the Chicago conventions, the names of Bland and Boies are prominently mentioned in connection with the presidency.

THE Old Alcalde read the handwriting on the wall and forthwith pulled himself in his shell. You can fool the old gentleman once, but it will be difficult to do it a second time. He has cut his eye teeth.

If the pops love the negro with such an everlasting love, why didn't they put at least one on the ticket? We can only conjecture that there were not enough offices to go round and what is the pop leader here for anyway, if not for office?

Just why some populists will continue to assert that the democrats put the negroes on the juries would be a mystery if we were not familiar with their unparalleled audacity. We dare say that they do not use this argument with the negro himself. Oh no. They fondly caress the negro and tell him that populism means sitting on the juries and other social privileges, but when they see the honest old white pop in rebellion at this sort of procedure they whisper in his ear that the blasted democrats are responsible for the whole business; and thus they endeavor to hoodwink the honest members of their party with this kind of duplicity, but it will not win. It is the mission of the democracy of Houston county to expose the infamy of the Burnett populist combine, and to let the honest citizens of the county see that if they would have honest, pure local self-government they must officiate with the only party that will give it to them—the old time democratic party.

It is noticeable that a brief taste of populism often suffices a person for a lifetime. There are many instances in Houston county where good democrats have been inveigled into the populist camp for a time, but afterwards returned to their first love. So far as we have observed these men are stronger in their allegiance to the democratic party than ever before, and more pronounced in their opposition to populism. What little record the populists have made so far has disgusted many good men who hoped for good in the organization but who have been at last undeceived. If they have done this much without obtaining control of county offices, what might be the result of them in power. Democrats have administered the affairs of Houston county uninterruptedly for more than twenty years, and have a clean record to show for it, and what is more they will continue to administer them in spite of the populistist thirst for office.

WELDON.

There has been a charter issued for the Weldon Gin & Milling Co., by the state to do a gin and mill business at Weldon, Tex. Capital \$1500; all subscribed. The following are the directors for the year: G. M. Thompson, W. D. Gimon, B. F. Gardner, G. W. Hunter, B. H. Rosamond, J. T. Etheridge, T. J. Clarke and J. N. Rosamond. G. M. Thompson, Pres'd. B. H. Rosamond, Treas. W. D. Gimon Sect'y.

The corn crops around here are suffering for rain.

The Hon. J. M. Crook and A. M. Greenwood spoke at the school house here on the 29th.

Mr. Rich'd Crowson, an old citizen of this county, dropped dead Sunday morning; supposed to be from heart disease. He was an honest and upright man and leaves several grown sons and an aged wife besides many friends to mourn his loss.

Dr. Lynn reports a deal of sickness around Weldon and it seems to be on the increase. Not much of it has proved to be fatal as yet.

A Baptist minister's meeting is in progress here now, largely attended by preachers and others from home and abroad. Hope good results may follow.

W. D. G.

LOVELADY.

The populist orator, C. C. Beardson, showed up on time on the 26th, and spoke for about one hour to an audience of five white and three colored populists, with an occasional democrat stepping in for a few moments. It was the same old story hashed over.

Wedding Bells.

Married at the residence of the bride's father, Dr. H. J. Cunyus to Miss Hattie Stokes, Rev. J. S. Mathis officiating. The bride is one of Crockett's most charming young ladies, possessing all those traits which go to make this life a path of happiness: Education, sweet disposition, mild tempered, and last, but not least, a good christian; she being a leader in the Methodist choir. Dr. Cunyus is a splendid young man of unimpeachable character. He has only been in our city for a year or two, but in that short space has secured many warm friends. They were married Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock and left on 11:55 train for Galveston, where they will spend several days and then return home. No cards were out, the only ones being present (outside of the family) was Dr. Jay Collins and Miss Nannie Breitling.

Died.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Cicero DuPuy will be grieved to hear of the death of their little child on Monday, last. This makes the second child they have lost this year. This little fellow was only four months old and the ideal of the family and of course grieves them very much to give him up. The COURIER sympathizes with them in their sad bereavement.

WANTED.

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Crockett, J. M. Crook; Grapeland, J. E. Hollingsworth; Augusta, J. F. Butts; Daniel, Frank Daniel; Shiloh, E. A. Williams; Lovelady, C. B. Moore; Daly, W. B. Smith; Creek, R. H. Furlow; Tadmor, R. R. Harvin; Boggs, J. K. Chandler; Pleasant Grove, E. M. Callier; Dodson, Henry Threadgill; Weldon, B. Lynn; Potter Springs, Ross Murchison; Coltharp, A. J. McLemore; Weches, Jim Lovell; Percilla, Dr. Robinson; Freeman, Henry O'Neil; Holly, Dr. R. W. Skipper; Sunflower, Arch Porter.

MICROBES IN BOOKS.

Precautions to Prevent Spread of Disease Through European Libraries.

It is a fact that has been well demonstrated that contagious diseases may be spread by means of books which have been in the hands of the sick or convalescing. All the eruptive maladies, scarlatina and varioloid among others, as well as diphtheria, may be transmitted in this manner.

Throughout Europe, and especially in England, strenuous efforts are being made to stop this source of contagion. In Edinburgh already a regular service has been organized by which the directors of libraries are notified each day of the names and addresses of all those in the city who are ill of contagious diseases. The librarians thereupon make careful search to find if any of their books have been lent in any of the houses specified. When such is found to be the case, the health department seizes the books, which are then either disinfected or destroyed, according to the nature of the illness. When a book, for example, has been in the hands of one ill of varioloid, it is immediately destroyed.

At Bradford, England, similar measures are also in vogue, and an effort is now being made to put them into effect at London. This, however, owing to the vast and dense population of the city, will be difficult of accomplishment.

In Paris this plan will also be followed in the near future. At present the authorities of that city are endeavoring to find a satisfactory disinfectant. Experiments are being made with the vapor of formic aldehyde, which is produced by the incomplete combustion of methyllic alcohol in contact with the air and incandescent platinum. This vapor, in addition to its antiseptic properties, is easily employed, and is absolutely harmless to cloth and paper, and its discovery will doubtless hasten the adoption of similar hygienic measures in the public libraries of this country.—N. Y. World.

Democratic Campaign.

The following schedule for speaking has been agreed on and fixed by the democratic candidates, beginning

(FIRST WEEK)

At Grapeland, Tuesday, June 30;
Percilla, Wednesday, July 1;
Augusta, Thursday, July 2;
Weches, Friday, July 3;

(SECOND WEEK)

Daniel, Tuesday, July 7;
Tadmor, Wednesday, July 8;
Ratliff, Thursday, July 9;
Coltharp, Friday, July 10;
Hagarville, Saturday, July 11;

(THIRD WEEK)

Pleasant Grove, Tuesday, July 14;
Dodson, Wednesday, July 15;
Freeman, Thursday, July 16;
Holly, Friday, July 17.

(FOURTH WEEK)

Pine Grove, Tuesday, July 21;
Lovelady, Wednesday, July 22;
McPhail's Store, Thursday, July 23;
Weldon, Friday, July 24.

(FIFTH WEEK)

Creek, Tuesday, July 28;
Sunflower, Wednesday, July 29;
Boggs, Thursday, July 30;
Porter Springs, Friday, July 31.

(SIXTH WEEK)

Wesley Chapel, Monday, Aug. 3;
Daly, Tuesday, August 4;
New Prospect, Wednesday, August 5;
Jones' School House, Thursday, August 6;
Shiloh, Friday, August 7;
Crockett, Saturday, August 8.

A Good Opportunity.



For the next 60 days we will place on a separate counter in our store, all of our mens' fine handmade shoes; in black and tan, pointed and Trilby toes, and will sell them at factory prices. This means a great saving to you. They are equal to any shoes in the state for quality, workmanship and finish. We ask you to come and examine them.

W. V. McCONNELL.

A Grand Display.

The most beautiful sight to be seen this week will be the mammoth stock of new and pretty furniture which will arrive at The Furniture Store this week. You will see something finer, something prettier and something so much cheaper than you ever imagined, that you will be astounded.

Now we are sincerely in earnest when we tell you that we will make a great reduction in prices.

We offer you identically the same suit which we are now selling at \$20 straight, for \$16.50. This suit has a German level edge mirror 24 by 30 inches and has never been sold at so low a figure.

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COLLIN ALDRICH.

For Sale or Exchange.

The following farms, within 3 miles of the town of Tadmor, in Houston county:
No. 1. Farm of 90 acres, 50 of it in pasture, spring running through it, 2 in orchard, 38 in cultivation; soil grey sandy; new dwelling house built last fall at a cost of \$2000, of 8 rooms, all papered and painted, 4 fire places, 2 flues, 2 servant houses, a black-smith shop, good warehouse and store-house of three rooms 24 by 45 feet, 8 stall barn and cribs, 2 wells. Also a \$3,000 stock of goods.
No. 2. Farm of 200 acres, half in cultivation, half creek bottom, well fenced, plank and wire, two tenant houses and well.
No. 3. Farm of 300 acres, 75 in cultivation, half bottom land, rail fence, two tenant houses and well.
No. 4. Farm of 200 acres, 35 in cultivation, half bottom land, well fenced, new 4 room house and well.
No. 5. Farm of 50 acres, half in cultivation, half bottom land, tenant house and well.
No. 6. Farm of 30 acres, 20 in cultivation, second bottom greish land, well fenced on public road, 1 mile of Tadmor. Will exchange for 2-story brick store house in some live railroad town and take either town property in part payment, or will sell half cash, balance in 12 months.
W. M. & JAMES H. PATTON,
Tadmor, Houston Co. Tex.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

Taken up by W. J. Simmons May 5th., 1896, and estrayed before B. F. Dickerson, J. P., Prec. No. 3, Houston county, Texas, the following described property: One black mare, hind feet white, and left fore foot little white, about 14 hands high, about 8 years old and branded F H on left hip and appraised at fifteen dollars. Given under my hand and seal of office, May 15th., 1896.

N. E. ALLBRIGHT, Co. Cl'k., Houston county, Texas.

JNO. SPENCE, Deputy.