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Result of Financial Primary.

The County Overwhelmingly for Free Silver.
Present State Administration Endorsed.

Nearly Twelve Hundred Votes Polled. Only
Ninety-Nine Opposed to Free Silver.

Precinct Convention.

On Saturday last the democrats of precinct No. 1, Houston county, met in convention at the court house, and rather a stormy time was had over some endorsements, as the proceedings will show.

The Convention was called to order by Hon. J. W. Hall, vice-chairman of the precinct executive committee, and on motion the following gentlemen were unanimously elected as members of the precinct democratic executive committee for the next two years: Hon. F. H. Bayne, chairman, Judge A. A. Aldrich, vice-chairman, and Geo. W. Crook, secretary.

The convention having completed its organization and being ready for business, Hon. N. B. Barbee offered the following resolution:

Resolved, by the democrats of precinct No. 1, in convention assembled, that we hereby endorse the able and patriotic administration of Gov. Culberson and our present state officials, and instruct our delegates to the county convention on June 15th to use all honorable means to secure delegates to the Fort Worth convention favoring their renomination.

Resolved, That we favor the selecting of delegates from this precinct to the county convention who will not vote for any man for congress, who is not known to be an avowed advocate of the free and unlimited coinage of both gold and silver at a ratio of 16 to 1, without regard to the action of other nations.

J. E. Downes moved to substitute the name of R. W. Stayton for land commissioner for that of A. J. Baker in the first section of the first resolution. This motion was promptly tabled, and the first resolution was adopted.

For the second section of the resolution, Dr. J. L. Lipscomb offered the following substitute and J. E. Downes moved its adoption:

Resolved, That we, the democrats of precinct No. 1 in convention assembled, instruct our delegates to the county convention of Houston co., to use all fair means to secure the nomination of Hon. W. B. Page for congress for this district.

Dr. Lipscomb's substitute for the second section of the Barbee resolution, was adopted.

Hon. D. A. Nunn, Jr., then introduced the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we the democrats of precinct No. 1, of Houston county, in convention assembled, endorse the Hon. W. H. Gill for district judge and J. M. Crook for district attorney, and the delegates to the county convention are hereby instructed to cast the vote of this precinct in accordance with

the above resolution and to use all honorable means to secure for them the endorsement of this county.

The convention then endorsed John H. Reagan, Allison Mayfield and J. B. Peyton for railroad commissioners, and C. C. Garrett for chief justice of the court of civil appeals for the first supreme district.

The following committee was appointed to select delegates to the county convention, viz: N. B. Barbee, J. E. Downes, H. J. Phillips, Charley Turner, W. C. Hallmark, Jeff Dawson and J. F. Knox.

After deliberation the committee submitted the following names as delegates: Charley Turner, Sam H. Platt, J. M. Jordan, John Raines, R. O. Beavers, W. H. Bayne, O. F. Hallmark, Lee Driskill, W. A. Allen, H. W. Allen, Will McQueen, E. M. Morehead, M. D. Murchison, Jeff Hill, H. J. Phillips, S. H. Rook, Dr. S. T. Beasley, J. W. Hall, J. E. Downes, W. B. Wall, J. N. Torrence, Earle Adams, Sr., Col. D. A. Nunn, R. M. Atkinson, J. H. Green, J. F. Knox, F. M. Satterwhite, Tom Craddock, John Murchison, Will Denney, Jesse Blalock, S. C. Arledge, A. A. Aldrich, F. H. Bayne. The report was adopted and the following names added by the convention: Joe Long, Dave Nunn, Jr., Jno. Harkins, Jim Howard, Frank Craddock, I. A. Daniels, Jno. Monk, Rily Murchison, James Christian and Geo. W. Crook.

J. E. Downes offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

1. Resolved, That the thanks of the democrats of this precinct are hereby extended to our former chairman, the Hon. W. B. Page, for the efficient management of our campaign in 1894, and for the services rendered by him to the democracy of Houston county during his term as chairman of the executive committee of Houston county.

2. Resolved, By the democracy of precinct No. 1, Houston county in convention assembled, that we believe in a strict party organization, and in the maintenance and perpetuity of democratic principles, and thus believing, we hereby pledge ourselves to support the platform of the regular democratic organization of the democratic party, and will support its nominees for precinct, county, district, state and national offices.

F. H. BAYNE,
G. W. CROOK, Chairman.
Secretary.

LOVELADY.

We have no report of the proceedings of the precinct convention at that point except that the delegates were instructed for Cooper for congress.

GRAPELAND.

The democratic precinct convention of Grapeland precinct was called to order by Dr. F. C. Woodard chairman.

On motion Dr. Woodard was elected chairman for the ensuing 2 years and J. F. Martin was chosen secretary.

On motion a committee of five was selected by the chairman to select delegates to the county convention. The following were then named as said committee: W. F. Brooks, John Pelham, Hub. Whitscarver, W. N. Sheridan, L. Meriwether. Who reported the following as delegates to the county convention, which was unanimously adopted viz: J. J. Guice, J. N. Parker, W. F. Brooks, Henry Music, Jno. Pelham, Albert Edens, Hub. Whitscarver, Chas. Sheridan, D. W. Martin, Jessie Gentry, J. J. Brooks, Ike Whitaker, F. A. Lively, J. E. Hollingsworth, Emmett Dunnam, H. C. Leaverton and J. F. Martin.

On motion the delegates were instructed as follows.

To support our present administration for renomination from Governor down. S. B. Cooper for congress, J. M. Crook for Dist. Atty., W. H. Gill of Palestine for Dist. Judge, John H. Reagan and Mayfield for R. R. Commissioners.

On motion all good men who desired the continuation of a clean pure honest government were invited to join us in the present fight.

The following resolutions were then presented and unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That we as democrats deny the charge made against the democrats of Grapeland by the Enterprise, in which charge said paper asserted that the democrats of Grapeland wrote upon the black board on the day of the populist speaking here the following "Free Coaches and Negro Juries." That we do not know who did said writing and do not believe it was done by a democrat and furthermore that it might possibly have been done by a populist who wished to announce the views of said party upon these questions, as a prominent populist leader was known to have purchased a piece of chalk that morning.

The convention then adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

J. F. MARTIN, Sect'y.

CREEK.

The democrats held a precinct meeting at this box. They elected W. J. Bevers chairman, A. N. Atkinson Sec'y. L. H. Morrow as the delegate and A. N. Atkinson as alternate. They endorsed the present administration and instructed as follows: S. B. Cooper for congress, W. H. Gill for Dist. Judge, A. G. Greenwood for Dist. Atty., J. B. Peyton for R. R. commissioner. The delegates were instructed.

Still we have no rain. Corn is needing it bad.

Health is good.
We elected L. H. Morrow, J. H. Keel and Steve Hallmark as school trustees.

Only one gold bug at this place. When a member of congress is pretty free with the government seed paid for by the people, it is hard to beat him judging by the way this box went on the 6th.

O. LEARY.

AUGUSTA.

Convention called to order by Hon. W. F. Murchison who was elected chairman for the next two years and S. H. Kyle Secretary. The following delegates were elected to the county convention: J. B. Cunningham, W. W. Gainey, T. S. Cook, Henry Holcomb and W. F. Murchison. Delegates were instructed as follows: John H. Reagan, R. R. Commissioner, C. A. Culberson and the rest of the administration, J. M. Crook, (1st choice) Dist. Attorney, A. G. Greenwood (second choice,) W. H. Gill, Dist. Judge, W. B. Page, Congress.

Hon. W. F. Murchison was endorsed for representative but he declined the honor of running in a short and appropriate talk, giving several reasons why he preferred to remain a private citizen this year. The best of feeling prevailed and the attendance was large considering the weather.

S. H. KYLE, Sec'y.

DALY.

ED. COURIER:—The following delegates were appointed to the county convention from this precinct convention: J. A. Clark, G. W. Whitley, C. A. Baker, A. E. Smith, H. W. Huff, Henry Kent, L. M. Baker. The chairman was added to the delegation. The delegates were instructed to vote for Albert G. Greenwood for dist. attorney.

The convention endorsed the State administration from governor down. Hon. John H. Reagan, Story and Mayfield for R. R. commissioners, also to favor two primaries.

The delegates were instructed to vote for Hon. W. B. Page for congress.

The primary on the money issue resulted as follows: 34 for Free coinage of silver and 4 against.
W. P. Kyle Chm.
R. W. Huff Sec'y.

PERCILLA.

The primary election on the 6th, resulted in 31 for free-silver and 22 against. Very little interest was manifested and the vote light. We can count on 100 votes here at regular primary. We organized a convention on the 15th; W. L. Langham, Monroe Jones and G. R. Sewell. They were instructed for district judge and otherwise uninstructed. The following resolutions were adopted: 1st: That the democrats of Percilla in convention assembled reaffirm our allegiance to the time honored principles of the democratic party, national and state. 2nd: That we heartily endorse the administrations of Cleveland and Culberson and denounce the conduct of James R. Burnett in putting negroes on the Jury. 3rd: We heartily endorse the acts and conduct of our representative in the Legislature, the Hon. W. F. Murchison.

Saturday, June 13th, was fixed as the day for organizing a democratic campaign club here and we propose that from now on it shall be war to the knife and the knife to the hilt from now on till 6 p. m. on the first Tuesday in November for the triumph of democratic principles and a white man's government in Houston county.

[We hope our correspondent will give us a letter every week.—Ed.]

COLTHARP.

Convention called to order and J. C. West, elected chairman, A. J. McLeMore, Sec'y. The following delegates to the county convention chosen: John Simmons, T. W. Craddock, J. H. Ratliff, M. D. Steed, W. M. Steed, S. M. Holcomb, J. C. West and E. J. Sullivan. The following resolutions by A. J. McLeMore: 1st: In favor of active work and organization by democrats of Coltharp precinct.

2nd: Instructing for W. H. Gill for district judge, John B. Peyton, R. R. commissioner, J. M. Crook, Dist. Attorney.

3rd: In favor of only one primary and suggesting 10th of August for that. J. H. Ratcliff, manager.

The following resolutions by M. D. Steed were adopted: 1st: Endorsing the administration of C. A. Culberson. 2nd: That the delegates to the county convention were instructed to vote for no one for congress who is not an avowed advocate of free-coinage of silver at 16 to 1.

A. J. McLeMore.

BOGGS.

The attendance on the primary and convention was light. Only seventeen votes were polled at the primary, all of which were for free coinage. J. B. Ash and S. T. Allee were elected as delegates to the county convention at Crockett on the 15th inst. Culberson and the state administration were endorsed for re-election and Cooper for Congress.

PORTER SPRINGS.

Result of primary vote on the financial question is as follows: For free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, 76 votes, against, none.

DALY.

ED. COURIER:—As I see nothing from this part of the country I will try to give you the news of our little village.

Health of the community is very good so far as I know.

Cotton crops are fine, corn not so good as it would have been if it had rained.

On last Friday night the hospitable doors of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Chiles were thrown open to the young people of this neighborhood and they were the happy recipients of a nice peach and cream supper and social. It is useless to say that every one enjoyed it for the bright and happy faces of the merry young folks go to prove that they enjoyed it as no one but the young can. Following is a list of those who attended: Jessie and Gertrude Meriwether, Johnnie Kent, Johnnie Riales, May and Maggie Fox, Annie Lathrop, Addie Hill, Lou Kyle, Ruth Taylor A. E. and W. H. Smith, Herbert Leaverton, Albert Kent, Will Fox, Jodie Keen, Henry Kent, Joe Allen, Oscar Beazley; they played and chatted until midnight when all returned feeling that the time had been well spent and enjoyed by all. Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Chiles for the treat which we all so much enjoyed. Your kindness as host and hostess could not be surpassed.

H. KENT.

LOCAL NEWS.

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Will have a Special Sales-Lay every Tuesday commencing April 28th. Special prices at these sales on all Dry Goods, Notions, Millinery, Shoes, etc. Everybody attend, it will be to your interest.

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Believes That If They Are Kept Off the Streets at Night They Will Grow Up to Be Better Men and Women—Where the Custom is Revived.



OLONEL Alexander Hogeland, president of the Boys' and Girls' National Home and Employment association, has returned to his home in Lincoln, Neb., after a long tour of the cities of the south. The colonel is the author of the now celebrated curfew law, which, he says, is bound to grow in popular favor in the towns in which it is enforced. In Nebraska it is in operation in Lincoln, Omaha, South Omaha, York, North Platte, and in many of the smaller towns of the state. Des Moines, Sioux City, St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph, Mo., are seriously considering its adoption. Speaking of the law, Col. Hogeland said: "Curfew is not an original name with me. I am simply giving it a new interpretation. Curfew rang in France and Spain a thousand years ago. William the Conqueror caused it to be rung in England. It was a signal for putting out all lights, to prevent plots against the government and to keep fire for kindling next day. The association which I represent has done much to adapt the curfew to modern uses by keeping boys off the streets after dark. The association was organized in Louisville twenty-four years ago, chiefly for the benefit of newsboys. Twelve years ago I began touring the country and up to the

duction of "Soldiers Three" and some Indian poems and articles in the magazines. But it transpired upon inquiry and better acquaintance that his art had been perfected during years of residence in the east, by much story-writing in the Anglo-Indian journals. Again Mr. Stanley J. Weyman seemed to leap into sudden renown the other day with the publication of "A Gentleman of France" and "Under the Red Robe." But the reader who looks at the English Illustrated Magazine for December, 1885, will find proof that quite ten years before that apparently sudden acquisition of fortune and fame Mr. Weyman was perfecting his art and shouldering his way to recognition among the common crowd of story-tellers. As for "Ian Maclaren," whether or not his pen has long been practiced in the art of deliberate story-telling it has for half a lifetime, as is well known, had constant practice in moving the emotions of men in a kindred and hardly less literary way.

FISHING IN MISSISSIPPI.

John Allen Would Like to Initiate President Cleveland.

That prince of story-tellers and yarn-spinners, Private John Allen of Tupelo, Miss., who is the "funny man" of congress and the successor in that line of the late "Sunset" Cox and the relegated Proctor Knott, often rolls in to pass away an hour's time says the Arkansas Democrat. While President Cleveland was away on a recreation trip recently Private John dropped around to the hotel one evening, and, after some other conversation, the subject turned to the president's liking for rod and gun. Then Allen told this: "During one of those long and friendly conversations which the president and I so often held I invited him to Mississippi to fish. There is nothing pleasanter or easier than the way we follow Isaac Walton in my state. We hire a band of colored gentlemen and they



COL. HOGELAND.

present I have visited 600 cities, have addressed fully 5,000 colleges and public schools and spoken in 3,000 churches, to say nothing of 2,000 factories."

For twenty years Col. Hogeland has devoted his life to reform work among youth. The crowning work of his life is the curfew law, which is designed to keep boys off the streets after 8 o'clock at night. Since its enforcement in Lincoln depredations by boys have become almost unknown. The police speak well of the law and Hogeland believes it will spread to all the principal cities.

LITERARY SUCCESS.

J. M. Barrie, Kipling, Weyman and "Ian Maclaren."

Of late years there have been many apparently sudden and phenomenal successes in the arena of authorship none of which probably has been either quite so sudden or so phenomenal as it appeared, says Chambers' Journal. The list includes Mr. J. M. Barrie, Mr. Rudyard Kipling, Mr. Stanley J. Weyman and "Ian Maclaren." The case of Mr. Barrie is well known, "Auld Licht Idylls" and "A Window in Thrums," with which he achieved success, were by no means the author's first ventures into literature. It came out afterward that there had been at least one previous volume from his pen, with the ominous title of "Better Dead," and for long after the fame of "A Window in Thrums" had been assured, a religious weekly kept publishing reprints of articles by the author which had appeared without attracting notice years before. Mr. Rudyard Kipling, too, seemed to spring suddenly into fame with the pro-

carry a large jug of whiskey to a cool shady rock by the river and we follow them. We sit down in the cool shady nook and watch the jug while the colored gentlemen cut a cord or two or brush and bushes. These are for sale. When we are ready to begin fishing each of the colored gentlemen takes a bunch of the brush in either hand and thus armed they throw a line of battle out into the bayou or river or wherever we chance to be fishing. We sit on the bank and tell them where to go. When all is ready the line of battle, with the brush under water making a very capital seine, swings round toward the snore in such a manner as to comb about an acre of water. We get every fish that is fool enough to be in that acre. We get alligators mud pouts, snapping turtles and all sorts of valuable fish. I would like very much to have the president come down and enjoy the sport for himself. So far, however, he has not been able to set a time."

Judge Steyn's Maxim.

Judge Steyn, the new president of the Orange Free State, seems to be a sort of little Cromwell. He recently paraphrased one of old Noll's maxims by expressing the pious hope that the Afrikaner would "never forget his Bible and his gun."

An Eccentric English Justice.

Justice Wright, the English jurist, is rather eccentric in some of his ways. On his estate in Hampshire there is stuck up an extraordinary notice board: "Trespassers will not be prosecuted."

At last accounts potatoes were selling in some of theaska mining regions for \$100 a

Montana mines yielded \$7,115,000 worth of minerals last year. The copper production of the state was about 65 per cent of the whole product of the United States. The gold product amounted to \$4,100,000; silver to 4,500,000 ounces; copper to 212,000 pounds and lead to 24,500,000 pounds. The gold output was 10 per cent greater than in the previous year and 47 per cent greater than in 1893.

Miss Kate Shelley of Moingona, Iowa, who made her way through a raging blizzard at midnight several years ago, and, by signaling to a crowded express train on the Chicago and Northwestern railroad, saved it from plunging through a wrecked bridge, has applied to the Iowa legislature for employment in the state house as a mental. She is destitute, and has to support her aged mother and an invalid brother. So is heroism rewarded.



The Bane of Beauty.
Beauty's bane is the fading or falling of the hair. Luxuriant tresses are far more to the matron than to the maid whose casket of charms is yet unfurled by time. Beautiful women will be glad to be reminded that falling or fading hair is unknown to those who use **Ayer's Hair Vigor.**

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CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Cyclones have been coming so thick that we have lost their number.

It may soon be wings against wheels Then we'll fly instead of scorch.

The farmers are now gunning for chinch bugs; and some of them for gold bugs.

Boston's fifty divorces in six hours would indicate a vast domestic hubbub at the Hub.

The girl Queen of Holland rises at 7 in the morning. Are we to suppose that in winter she also builds the fires?

The watermelon, it is said, grows wild all over Africa. The African, it is well known, grows wild over the watermelon.

We must commend Lieutenant Peary as the most successful pole-chaser because he says he is never going to hunt the pole again.

The new kind of Millerite calls the Brooklyn bridge to judgment. He says it will die of corrosion and rust in about five hundred years. This lets out the moth.

It is well that Yamagata and Li Hung Chang do not meet in this country. Probably there would be no war; but the Chinaman, though good at running, is not a champion.

"You can't leap across a puddle in two jumps," says the Elmira Gazette. Here is one of those cases in which nature didn't do the square thing by us. We have long so regarded it.

Following the plan to check bicycles at the church comes the scheme of Rev. Dr. Crane of Chicago to offer a free lunch of lemonade and gingersnaps as an inducement to people to come out and listen to the sermon. It is thought the lemonade scheme will not work, because there's nothing in it.

A mad dog passed through Mt. Vernon, Ind., biting many cattle. State Veterinary Bolster and several doctors of the state live stock commission made an investigation and found several genuine cases of hydrophobia. A Breiner was compelled to kill and burn thirteen fine Jersey cows and several calves.

The barbarous custom still exists among the Brahmins in India, of marrying young girls to old men that wander about the country in order that no family shall suffer the disgrace of having unmarried daughters. While he lives the girls can marry no one else and when he dies they are his widows.

An authority says that they think in Spain that the Cuban rebellion must be crushed if every drop of Spanish blood is spilled in the effort. But men who talk that way do not join the Spanish army. They are doubtless brave enough, but the convicts and the poor and the very young men who compose the army are the ones selected to lose the necessary gore. They talk to be noticed, but they fight by substitute. The last drop and the last ditch are old bancombes.

Mayor Schott is struggling to determine whether or not a firecracker is a musical instrument. This problem arises from the giving of an open air concert in the park. The musicians concluded their evening's performance with the national hymn, "America," and in order to give the selection according to the score, detailed two of their number to shoot off firecrackers. Their is a city ordinance authorizing band concerts to be given in the park, and also one forbidding the exploding of firecrackers. The firecrackers exploded, and a bold policeman arrested the musicians. They have pleaded not guilty, and will have a jury trial.

The imports of rice into the United States for the eight months ending March 1 were 48,043 short tons, as against 64,087 tons during the same time the previous year. Included in this were 22,255 tons of clean rice, against 28,792 tons during the same time the year before. There were 24,000 tons of rice flour, rice meal and broken rice imported, as against 23,111 tons the year before. The notable feature of these imports is the falling off in the imports of cleaned rice from 38,792 tons in 1894-95 to 22,255 tons during the same period in 1895-96. The low prices at which home-grown rice has been selling seem to have had the effect of diminishing the imports of competing rice to the extent of some 16,000 tons. Our annual consumption of rice, domestic and foreign, is estimated at about 100,000 to 110,000 tons. These reduced imports would seem to indicate a comparatively bare rice market this summer and better prices than last year when the new crop shall begin to be in.

A GRAND BARBECUE.

HELD BY FARMERS TO CELEBRATE THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS.

One Man Drowned and Many Narrow Escapes Made in Michigan During a Heavy Rain Storm—Considerable Damage to Property in Kansas.

Corpus Christi, Texas, June 8.—The farmers and gardeners of Corpus Christi and vicinity gave a big barbecue at Fairview, about five miles from this place, Saturday in commemoration of the successful business they have done this year. Their gardens and truck patches have yielded them an abundant harvest and they have made good money during the past few months, and they felt a celebration would be a fitting ending of their labors. Five or six hundred people were in attendance and the feast set before them at 12:30 o'clock was one of the gods of old would have relished. The discourse of people was addressed by Hon. D. McNeill Turner and Grant R. Bennett, Esq., both candidates for the legislature from this, the Eighty-seventh district, and also by H. R. Sutherland, one of Corpus Christi's aspiring young attorneys. All political issues were eschewed by the speakers, but their addresses were eloquent and well received. The day passed off pleasantly without a single disturbance to mar the happiness of anyone and all voted it the grandest and most successful barbecue ever held in this section.

Rain Storm in Michigan.

St. Paul, Minn., June 8.—The storm here, the damage in this city Saturday night was severe, the city tramway being the principal sufferer. About a mile of the intersuburban line between the two cities was so badly damaged as to entirely stop street railway business. The storm was general throughout the southern part of the State, Louverne, in the southeastern corner of the State being flooded and heavy damage done. The storm extended over into South Dakota, where considerable damage was done. At Bird Island, Minn., five and a half inches of water fell and a great deal of grain will be drowned out.

A Luverne (Minn.) special says: Last night citizens were kept busy rescuing the people who live in the river bottom, and many narrow escapes are reported. Fred Berg and James Jacobs were capsized in a boat at midnight while trying to rescue the family of M. Millard. The boys were washed against some trees, where they remained until morning. Several farmers' houses were demolished and hundreds of cattle, sheep and hogs perished. The Omaha and Burlington roads have large crews at work, but it will be several days before trains from the east will reach this point.

The estimated loss in this country is \$20,000. John Kittleson, while fording the river, was washed from his horse and drowned.

Olney's Plain Talk.

Washington, June 8.—It is said on good authority that Secretary Olney has notified Spain she must put down the Cuban rebellion soon or he will not be responsible for the action of the American people. This message, it is said, has been sent through the Spanish minister here. Secretary Olney informed him of the American sympathy for the Cubans and added it would be necessary for Spain to adopt more positive measures in the shape of dispatching reinforcements to the Spanish army in Cuba and putting down the insurrection, else the people here might irresistibly demand that this country interfere. The Spanish minister transmitted the information to Madrid and it is understood the Spanish minister will act on Olney's hint and send reinforcement to Cuba as soon as possible.

The Note a Fair Expression.

Austin, Texas, June 8.—Very little is heard here today about the primaries held throughout the State Saturday. The result had been discounted in advance, and no one is disappointed. A large vote was not expected, as it was understood all along that the gold people had given up the fight, which removed the necessity for any extraordinary work on the part of the silverites. It is estimated, however, that the proportion between the silver and gold vote would have been about the same as obtained in yesterday's primaries had the full democratic vote of the State been polled.

Cloudburst in Kansas.

Leavenworth, Kan., June 8.—Four persons were drowned and considerable damage done to property by a cloudburst which visited this section yesterday afternoon. Water fell in torrents, smashing windows, tearing off signs, etc., and flooding cellars and bottom lands. Dennis and Mike Desmond and Dennis and Eugene Cummings, all under 11 years old, were drowned by going into a stone culvert to escape the storm. The water washed their bodies into the Missouri river and they have not yet been recovered.

Strictly For Sound Money.

New York, June 9.—The Herald's Washington correspondent wires:

"Rather than support a free silver democrat candidate on a free silver platform, President Cleveland and some of the members of the cabinet will vote for McKinley.

"Since the free silver tidal wave has swept over the country and made it apparent to almost every one that the silver men will be in control at the Chicago convention, there has been a great deal of discussion in administration circles as to the course which 'sound money' democrats should pursue. The question of a bolt has been discussed in all its phases, but Mr. Cleveland's friends have abandoned all idea of a third party ticket with a 'sound money' man at its head. The matter has, therefore, resolved itself into a question of whether administration officials should support a free silver candidate or whether they should remain neutral and stay away from the polls, or whether they should vote the republican ticket.

"Said a member of the cabinet, to whom the president has talked freely on the subject, the president believed the money question was of more importance than political issues at this time, and that it was absolutely essential that the cause of 'sound money' should triumph by an overwhelming majority at the November election. He said the president thought this result could best be obtained by uniting the 'sound money' men's support in favor of the republican ticket, in the event of a satisfactory 'sound money' plank at St. Louis.

"Cleveland does not want a straddle plank adopted at either St. Louis or Chicago. He wants the issue to be squarely defined, and for this reason he is opposed to planting any obstacle in the way of silver men if it should be found they have a clear majority at the Chicago convention. The support of the republican ticket by the administration will be based, of course, upon an unequivocal declaration in favor of the gold standard by the St. Louis convention."

No Room For the Negro.

St. Louis, Mo., June 8.—What shall be done with the colored delegates and alternates to the national republican convention is a question which is puzzling the members of the national committee who arrived in the city and the Business Men's league, which secured the convention to St. Louis, as well. Every hotel and boarding house and cafe came out flat-footed today and declared that it would entertain no negro as a guest of a customer. Money is no object. Threats of prosecution have had no effect and from the present outlook it would seem, unless tents are secured, the colored men will have to go hungry and unhoused.

"I am thoroughly disgusted and discouraged," said National Committeeman J. G. Long of Florida tonight, in speaking of the matter. "I have been looking all day long for a hotel, boarding house or cafe that would admit the negroes, but it has been a fruitless search. I went so far as to try to charter a steamboat, but when the owners learned for what purpose it was wanted they found an excuse for refusing me the use of the vessel. It is the first time in the history of the republican party where such an embarrassing predicament has arisen."

George Hill, national committeeman from Tennessee, said tonight if hotel accommodations of a respectable character were not procured or the colored delegates from his state, he would telegraph them not to come. Late tonight some of the members of the local committee said that the whole matter would be settled to the satisfaction of all.

Pitched Battle at Woodville.

Woodville, Texas, June 9.—A serious shooting affray occurred yesterday, in which old man Jim Humble and two of his boys were shot, one probably seriously.

The case of Sam Humble for the killing of Lewis Ferguson in Konotte some time ago, was called in the district court. Court adjourned for the noon recess and as the crowd was coming down the stairway the shooting began.

Probably fifteen or twenty shots were fired.

Old man Humble is shot in the side and leg. One of his boys was shot in the leg, while the other was shot through the body.

Hanged For Murder.

Helena, Mont., June 8.—With an oath upon his lips and forgiveness for all, Bill Gay died today upon the scaffold for the murder of Bill Mackin in 1893. He denied until the last moment that he killed Mackin. He was so weak from loss of solid food and sleep that it was necessary to administer hypodermics to enable him to walk to the gallows. A scheme was on foot to rescue him, but he was so closely guarded that nothing demonstrative was attempted.

Charges Preferred.

New York, June 9.—Charges were formally filed against the police commissioner, Andrew D. Parker, yesterday. He is charged with neglect of duty. For several months there has been friction in the board and several orders have been issued between President Roosevelt and Commissioner Parker in the open board meetings. It is alleged that the ill-feeling began when Mr. Parker refused to endorse for promotion men on the eligible list whom Mr. Roosevelt and the other commissioners favored.

The small size of some men keeps them out of trouble.

Some men are born great, and some have handcuffs thrust upon them.

The cycling schools of London are so crowded that the prices of lessons have increased.

In spite of the tremendous demand for bicycles there is a great falling off of purchasers.

Glass jars may advance in price, but other family jars will be within easy reach all summer.

Now that L'Anse, Mich., has been wiped out by fire it would be a good time to change its name.

Mr. Rockefeller's income is said to be \$1,368 an hour. That explains why he can't afford to lay off Saturday afternoons.

The affection of an Indiana woman for her husband caused her to fiasco over to such a degree that he wants to take a divorce from her.

A lady in Kentucky 77 years of age insists that she can shear more sheep than any new woman on earth. She says she presumes she will be getting a bicycle next.

One night last week twenty-five Chicago officers raided a prize fight and captured the two pugilists and a few boys who were watching the mill. A policeman who was present as a spectator made his escape, and already there is a clamor for his discharge. There are those who seem to think that a policeman shouldn't have a bit of amusement.

Miss M. E. Braddon, writing for the Philadelphia Bulletin, says the right of woman to propose involves a heavy responsibility. It obliges the lady to take her sweetheart to the opera, to give him confectionery, and perhaps to supply him with beer and tobacco. To do this correctly the lady must pay the necessary expenses, and therefore the old way is the best and the popping must be done by the old-fashioned man. Sordid thing! As if money were to be thought of in these affairs of the heart.

A citizen of Braugeton, Me., who is nearly 90 years of age, was shaved for the first time one day last week.

National Republican Convention.

On account of the National Republican Convention which will be held in St. Louis June 16, the Iron Mountain route will sell tickets at a rate of one fare for the round trip from all points on the line to St. Louis. Tickets will be sold from Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana points June 13th, 14th and 15th, same being limited to continuous passage in each direction. For full particulars, address nearest Ticket Agent of the Company or H. C. Townsend, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, St. Louis.

The song of the nightgale is sad—probably because the nightgale has to get up so early in the morning.

Christ was crucified by heresy hunters.

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The annex cut is a fair representation of Dr. Veno, a man who is famous on two continents and has caused a great deal of stir in Texas, particularly in Fort Worth and Dallas, where he has performed some of the most remarkable cures ever heard of in this section of the country. He is a man of medium height, with a keen, piercing eye, black hair, and clean shaven face, and dresses like the ancient Briton, in a frock which country he hails. He is president of the Veno Drug Company, a legally chartered company, who manufacture Veno's Electric Fluid and Veno's Curative Syrup, two famous medicines that make paralytic and rheumatic cripples walk, and cure the weak, nervous, dyspeptic and malarial in a most remarkable manner. Veno showed the writer a large collection of sworn testimonials of very remarkable cures performed after the best medical skill in the country had failed. During the last ten years Dr. Veno has delivered a number of powerful lectures in this city and will be heard to-night for the last time in Phoenix Hall in one of his charity lectures for the benefit of the poor of the city, when he will give away a load of provisions. The cures performed in the city by Veno's medicines have caused much talk among the medical men. Chas. Connolly, janitor of the Odd Fellows' Hall, has been crippled for a long time and had hobbed about on a cane and for five weeks had been in constant pain, day and night. Veno's Electric Fluid stopped the pain instantly and it has not returned. Doctors could not cure him, and for four long years he had suffered. He was treated by Veno's medicines and is now well, walking about without pain, sleeps well and gaining strength. This case the writer inquired into and found it just as represented above. Many other cures have been made that were considered incurable by the local doctors.

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WORK OF CONGRESS.

WITH A BRIEF FORECAST OF HOUSE AND SENATE.

Storms in the West Do Much Damage in Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Wisconsin and Illinois—A Fatal Trolley Car Slip in the City of New York.

Washington, June 8.—If, as now seems probable, the first session of the fifty-fourth congress adjourns this week, it will be the shortest so-called long session since that of the thirty-fifth and one of the shortest in the history of the government. This record is probably partly due to the political difference between the senate, house and president, which have forestalled agreements on lines of legislation, and partly to the determination with which the Republican leaders in the house have carried into effect Speaker Reed's caucus prediction that the congress would be a do-nothing assemblage. Legislation means appropriations, the house leaders have said, and their opinion was that the treasury's condition warranted no appropriations except the most imperative. They had the doors tightly shut against class bills, which usually receive hearings.

Foremost among the inevitable and regular acts of congress are the annual appropriation bills for the support of the government. Their preparation has constituted a large part of the work of the session, and five of them are yet hanging between the house and the senate, with some of their details unsettled. For this reason it is impossible to give the exact costs of the bills on the grand total of appropriations made by this congress, which aggregate about half a million dollars, but the disbursements authorized during the session will be discussed hereafter by Chairman Cannon of the appropriations committee and ex-Chairman Sayers from the points of view of their respective parties.

The Senate.

Washington, June 8.—Whether the senate shall be able to conclude the work of the session this week will probably depend upon whether a quorum can be retained. Some senators are opposed to the passage of the general deficiency bill with the French spoliation and the store and supply claims allowed under the Bowman act omitted. Senator Harris makes no secret of his intention to demand the restoration of these items to the bill and says he will not consent to its passage without them except upon an ye and nay vote. If he insists upon this a voting quorum will be necessary. Several senators have announced their purpose of leaving the city early in the week, and many others will depart about the middle of the week for St. Louis. Under these circumstances it is possible that adjournment may be postponed until after the republican convention, though there will be a very general effort to prevent this. The other appropriation bills which have not been finally disposed of are the Indian, the District of Columbia, sundry civil, naval and the postoffice.

The House.

Washington, June 7.—House managers have parliamentary machinery in operation which will enable them to secure prompt action on every proposition submitted by the conferees on the five remaining appropriation bills looking to an adjustment of the differences between the two houses. Instead of adjourning last night the house took a recess until 10 o'clock today. That action continues the legislative day of Saturday, which by a special order adopted on Friday was made a suspension day, and will enable the house to vote on any proposition after twenty minutes debate.

The differences between the two houses on the four supply bills—the sundry civil, naval, Indian and District of Columbia—are radical, but by mutual concessions the house leaders believe the differences can be adjusted so as to permit an adjournment Tuesday or Wednesday. In the sundry civil bill the house has thus far persistently refused to accept the amendments for public buildings at the capitals of Utah, Idaho, Wyoming and Montana and the additions for the public buildings at Kansas City, Savannah and Camden, N. J.

In Hard Lines.

London, June 8.—A correspondent at Rome says that the Italian ministry is in very rough water, owing to the publication of the green book on Abyssinia, which relates communication from Great Britain regarding the Sudan expedition, containing information which the opposition in the British parliament complain that Lord Salisbury refused to communicate and the publication of which was criticized in no very gentle terms by Mr. Balfour in the British parliament. The Rome correspondent says that there is a widespread opinion in Rome that a cabinet crisis is inevitable.

Trolley Car Slips.

New York, June 8.—An overloaded trolley car ran away down a long incline on the Nassau street railway extending to Cony Island to-day, when the tide of travel was at its height. More than 100 passengers were put in peril of their lives. One lad was killed outright, falling on his head and crushing it. Twenty were bruised and battered in a horrible fashion. A score or more were slightly hurt. Among the dead and injured are:

Dead:

Unknown Russian boy, 12 years old, skull crushed.

Probably fatally injured:

Lena Bleckman of New York.
Mrs. Mary Evans of Brooklyn.
Leonard Forte of Brooklyn.

Leavenworth, Kan., June 8.—Four persons were drowned and considerable damage to property done by a cyclone which visited this section. Water fell in torrents, smashing windows, tearing off signs, etc., and flooding cellars and bottom lands. Dennis and Eugene Cummings, all under 11 years, were drowned by going into a stone culvert to escape the storm. The water washed their bodies into the Missouri river and they have not yet been recovered.

Severe Storms.

Chicago, Ill., June 8.—Severe storms prevailed throughout Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota and Michigan to-day with a heavy rain and in several sections with cyclonic manifestations. Three heat storms passed over this city accompanied with heavy rain and hail. Hailstones fell so thick in some places in this vicinity that they could be taken up by the shovel. After the rain residents of Hyde Park picked up in one spot nearly a peck of shells and gravel. In other places in this suburb small fish and turtles were found in large numbers. Of this remarkable occurrence Observer Cox states that the transplanting of fish, shells and water gravel from their original resting places to points miles away was due to the air vacuums, whirlwinds and straight winds which have prevailed throughout the west for a week past. A sailboat was capsized on the lake this afternoon by the high winds and its four occupants barely escaped drowning. Up to a late hour no fatalities have been reported.

Fateford Dead.

New York, June 8.—A spee from London says: Arthur Fateford, formerly of Baltimore and well known in New York, is dead in Paris of cerebro spinal meningitis. His razor slipped while he was shaving himself a few weeks ago and his hand was badly cut. Blood poisoning set in and brain fever supervening resulted in meningitis. His brother, Edward, lives in New York. Each inherited a handsome fortune. Edward Fateford married first Miss Florence McPeckers, a very beautiful woman of Baltimore. They parted and then he married Mrs. Edward Wolsey of New York. Arthur Fateford married Bettina, daughter of Gen. Ordway of Washington, about ten years ago, but got a divorce and she went on the stage under the name of Bettina Girard. A little more than a year ago, in Rome, Arthur Fateford married Miss Edith Grant, daughter of Beach Grant of New York and a sister of Lady Essex of Cassioburg Park, Hertfordshire. There is no child of the last marriage.

Miss Worral's Death.

Grand Rapids, Mich., June 8.—Many of the ministers who are here as delegates to the national conference of corrections and charities, occupied pulpits in the local churches. The general session of the conference in the afternoon was in the form of a mass meeting for the discussion of charities as an organization. Addresses were made by C. S. Loch, general secretary of the Charity Organization Society of London, Eng.; Prof. C. R. Henderson, of Chicago, on "The Scope and Influence of a Charity Organization Society," and by Miss McDowell, of Chicago, on "Friendly Visiting." This evening a mass meeting was held in Hartman's hall, the largest auditorium in the city, which was filled by an audience composed largely of members of the labor unions and their wives.

Bomb Thrown.

Barcelona, June 8.—A bomb was thrown into the crowd during Corpus Christi procession yesterday, and its explosion resulted in the killing of six persons and the injury of fifty. The perpetrator of the deed is yet unknown and his motive is equally a mystery.

The news of the throwing of a bomb into the procession of Corpus Christi spread like wildfire over the city and caused a panic among the great crowds drawn to the streets by the religious festival and the Sunday merrymaking usual to the city.

The great excitement continues unabated throughout the city. The police have picked up thirty fragments of bombs in the street.

THE A. AND M. COLLEGE

EXERCISES AND MUCH ENTHUSIASM AT COMMENCEMENT.

Downman Folker Drowned at Hill's Ferry—Engineer Pratt at Work on the Southern Extension of Texas Midland—Drowned in the River at Austin.

College Station, Tex., June 8.—Everything about the beautiful Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas is alive with the fervor and enthusiasm always attendant upon the commencement. The grounds are marvelously lovely in the full rich verdure and abundant flowers of early summer. The artistic skill of the florist is seen everywhere and long sloping swards of smoothly cut grass, traversed by drives and walks, lead up to the stately buildings, which, for the next few days, will be a center of interest for all the great state of Texas.

Examinations were concluded and a majority of the young men have made excellent records and are jubilant over the prospect of going home for vacation. To-day Secretary Harrison has been busy dispensing the generous student labor fund with which the college is provided, and which goes out through the window to the boys of men in every avocation of life, the merchant's son, the lawyer's, the doctor's and the farmer's—all have done some sort of labor in some of the departments and all stand upon the same footing. There is every indication that the present commencement exercises will be the most largely attended for several years. There are many visitors here and in Bryan already and the trains will bring many more.

Pleasant Grove School.

Pleasant Grove, Tex., June 8.—At the closing exercises of the Pleasant Grove high school the J. O. Rouse medal for oratory was awarded to A. D. Jackson, the W. T. Rouse medal for debater to J. P. Gibson, the Niveth medal for declaimer to Miss Ethel Jackson, the S. S. Moore medal for Texas history to Miss Eula Scoggin, the Dr. J. P. Wilson medal for best student to T. L. Moore, the F. M. Corley medal for mathematics to W. W. Corley. Prizes were also awarded in algebra to C. C. Shields and in deportment to Miss Sallie Harris. Diplomas were granted to R. A. Harris, W. M. Harris and O. C. Thompson. The students also surprised Prof. M. M. Smith with a beautiful medal as an appreciation of his services as teacher.

Drowned.

Hempstead, Tex., June 8.—Downman Fellows, about 21 years old, was drowned at Hill's Ferry, on the Belleville road four miles west of here. The deceased was in company with two other men, and after all three had gone on the ferryboat pistol shots frightened the negro ferryman, causing him to abandon his boat. When the men saw the boat drifting down stream all jumped their horses overboard, and young Felker's horse went into twelve feet of water and came up without his rider. A large party from here are now trying to recover the body. The deceased was a son of Merchant James A. Felker, was raised here and was a popular young man.

Replies to Cranfill.

Waco, Tex., June 8.—Mrs. Ada C. Row, the leading woman prohibitionist of Waco, editor of the White Ribbon, and vice president of the grand lodge, Independent Order Good Templars of Texas, is after Dr. J. B. Cranfill with a sharp prod. Mrs. Row's issue with the doctor is his opposition to female suffrage, which opposition Dr. Cranfill expressed in vigorous terms in a recent interview. Mrs. Row intimates that the doctor has changed his views as to giving women the right to vote since the time he was before the nation as vice presidential candidate on the prohibition ticket.

An Assignment.

Dickens City, Tex., June 8.—J. B. Yantis, general merchant, made and filed in the county clerk's office an assignment for the benefit of his creditors, C. A. Darnell assignee. Total assets \$1000. Creditors, Kemp Grocery company, Wichita Falls, \$350; Tennent-Stribbling Shoe company, St. Louis, Mo., \$25; Sitterly & Hey, Amarillo, Tex., \$9. Total liabilities \$720.

Engineer Pratt.

Paris, Tex., June 8.—Engineer Pratt of the Texas Midland surveying corps left for Ennis on business connected with the southern extension of the line named from that point.

The draftsmen are yet at work on the profiles of the yards here and the survey into the city limits to a connection with the Frisco.

James Dunham murdered six persons at Campbell, Cal., and then made his escape.

Velasco Satisfied.

Velasco, Texas, June 6.—The passage of the river and harbor bill by congress over the veto of the president, with an agreeable surprise here, was no wholly unexpected. People usually in formed upon such subjects were quite confident because it was supposed that the members of either branch of congress having the bill in charge would see that the necessary votes were secured before ever allowing it to go to the president. The bill carries with it the original project to purchase the jetty works from the Velasco syndicate. The bill provides that there shall be a commission of three appointed—one an engineer from the army corps, an engineer from civil life and the third to be a member of the geodetic survey. The commission will report to congress on December 1 of this year. The bill also carries with it an appropriation of \$5000 to pay expenses of each commissioner and an appropriation of \$5000 for taking snags out of the Brazos river. So far as matters now stand Velasco has gotten all she went after.

Taxpayers Protest.

Dallas, Texas, June 6.—The board of equalization is crowded with farmers and others protesting against the raising of their taxes, in many cases 30 per cent. The county assessor says he acted under the following instructions from Comptroller Finley. In case assessors are satisfied that property rendered is correctly valued, they shall list the same accordingly, but if they are satisfied that the value is too low they shall list the property at such value as they, as sworn officers, deem just; and if the parties rendering the property consider the value fixed by the assessor excessive the value shall be decided by the board of equalization whose valuation shall be final. Parties objecting to the valuation fixed by the assessors should be informed of this reference of the matter to the board of equalization.

Shot at an Officer.

Ablene, Texas, June 6.—Last night City Marshal J. J. Clinton was fired on by a would be incendiary, the ball passing through Clinton's hat brim within half an inch of his head. At a late hour of the night a man was seen prowling around the back part of Flint & Knapp's furniture store. Clinton, desirous of knowing what he was after, followed him into an alley where he had hid behind a pile of rubbish. As Clinton passed him he sprang forward and shoved Clinton down and shot at him as he fell. Clinton sprang up and fired at his assailant as he disappeared around the corner of the building, but without effect. The man left a quantity of kerosene and inflammable material.

A Wrought Wife's Vengeance.

Fort Smith, Ark., June 6.—Shortly after 9 o'clock today on South Sixth street, Mrs. Fagan Bourland shot twice and fatally wounded Maude Allen and then fired upon her own husband. The shooting was the result of an intrigue of long standing between Bourland and the Allen woman. Bourland is quite wealthy and his wife a most estimable lady and a leader in local society. She has not been arrested and probably will not be. Three shots were fired, one taking effect in the Allen woman's left breast and one along the side of the head. The last shot struck a rock and bounced against herself by blackening her face in order that she might come on the couple unawares. It is thought the Allen woman will not live through the night.

Found in a Dying Condition.

Ferris, Tex., June 6.—John E. Caldwell, a carpenter, was found today on Ten Mile creek in an unconscious condition. It is supposed that he took an overdose of morphine. He lived at Vernon, Texas, in 1880, 1890 and 1891, and came here about three months ago from Fort Hill, I. T. He has a sister living in Texas and a brother in Tennessee. He is not expected to live.

Killed His Sister.

Palestine, Texas, June 6.—News has reached the city telling of the accidental killing of little Maude Olson, aged 9 years, by her brother Frank, who is but 12 years old, who lived in the country west of town several miles. The grown people were away from home and Frank had gotten the old Winchester down from its rack and somehow it was discharged and the contents were shot into the heart of his little sister, bringing death instantly.

Rev. Hermans Located.

St. Louis, June 6.—Chief of Police Harrigan and his detectives think they have located Rev. Francis Hermans, fugitive minister of Salt Lake City, Utah, who is charged with the murder in a church there of two girls. He was traced to Chicago by means of two baggage checks issued from the baggage room at the Kansas City union depot on the evening of May 19. The chief has located Hermans in the city not over an hour's ride from St. Louis, and those in position to know say he is either in Cincinnati or a small town six miles from Indianapolis, where he is under disguise as a florist.

Cuban Libre Newspaper.

New York, June 6.—The World yesterday morning says: B. J. Guerra, treasurer of the junta, has received several numbers of the first paper published in Cuba in behalf of the independence of the island. It is called El Cubano Libre (the Free Cuban). The place of publication does not appear anywhere on the paper, and Mr. Guerra says that the editorial staff and the entire printing outfit are part of Gomez's army and that the paper is published at every place they may happen to be.

AN INSULT AVENGED.

A YOUNG MAN RESENTS INDIGNITIES WITH HIS COUSIN.

Millionaire Corbin and His Driver Killed in a Runaway Accident—Edgell Corbin Slightly Injured—Pearl Bryan Murder Trial—Alleged Primary Corruption.

Newman, Ga., June 5.—During the progress of the closing exercises of the Lutherville school, Mr. Walter Bingham shot and fatally wounded a young man named Thompson. Lutherville is a little town just over the line in Lethers county. Bingham carried his cousin, a Miss Gilbert, to Lutherville Monday to attend the closing exercises of the school, and at dusk Thompson, who was paying attentions to Miss Gilbert, was seated by her in the rear end of the house. Thompson took improper liberties with Miss Gilbert, whereupon she beckoned to Bingham to come over where they were. Bingham asked Thompson to move or desist. Thompson paid no attention to Bingham. Then the young lady moved and Bingham took a seat by her. Then Thompson awaked over and angrily asked Bingham out. When they reached the yard in front of the door, Thompson began pounding and hitting Bingham over the head with brass knuckles, making some ugly wounds. Some one handed Bingham a pistol during the fray, and Bingham shot Thompson in the neck, making an ugly wound, which will prove fatal.

Fatal Runaway Accident.

Newport, N. H., June 5.—Mr. Austin Corbin, the multi-millionaire of New York, died at 9:42 o'clock Thursday from injuries received by the runaway of the horses attached to his carriage. The accident occurred about 3 p. m. yesterday while Mr. Corbin was driving from his estate and game preserve, two miles from here, accompanied by his grandson, Edgell Corbin and the latter's tutor, Dr. Dunger.

The driver was John Stokes. When coming out of the entrance gate the horses shied and in their fright dashed across the road, colliding with a high stone wall. The carriage was overturned sufficiently to eject with great force all of its occupants with the result that one of Mr. Corbin's legs was broken in two places and the other wrenched, while his head was terribly bruised. The driver was injured internally and died at 6 o'clock. Edgell has one leg broken besides other injuries, while the tutor escaped with a severe shaking up.

Pearl Bryan Murder Trial.

Newport, Ky., June 5.—Yesterday was the most eventful day in the Alonzo M. Walling trial for the murder of Pearl Bryan. The admissions of the prisoner Edward H. Anthony of the Cincinnati Enquirer will be fatal to him if the court should not rule Anthony's testimony out. The court is holding under advisement a motion to rule out Anthony's testimony because the alleged confessions were obtained while Anthony was representing himself as a police detective. Dr. Littler's testimony in the afternoon was very damaging to the defendant and it was unassailed.

Alleged Primary Corruption.

Dallas, Texas, June 5.—One of a batch of indictments turned in last night by the grand jury charged corrupt practices in the late democratic primaries which the law and order wing of the populists had under investigation. The irreconcilable independent sound money democrats are trying to talk the reconcilable out of attending the primaries next Saturday. The irreconcilables are thought to be heading for the republican camp.

Indian Appropriation Bill.

Washington, June 5.—The adoption of the conference report on the Indian appropriation bill by the senate yesterday has the effect of disposing of the amendment extending the prerogatives of the Dawes Indian commission in the Indian Territory, the report having already been agreed to in the house. The advocates of a change in the land and gubernatorial systems of the territory feel that they have made an important step towards the attainment of this purpose.

Off to Gray Gables.

Washington, June 5.—Mrs. Cleveland, with her children, left Washington yesterday morning over the Pennsylvania for the president's summer home at Gray Gables, on Buzzard's Bay. With her were Mrs. Olney and Mrs. Minot, and the children of the latter. Mrs. Olney and her daughter will accompany Mrs. Cleveland almost to their destination, branching off near the end of the route to go to their own home at Falmouth. The president will join Mrs. Cleveland at Gray Gables soon after the adjournment of congress.

SISTER ROSE.

A STORY OF THE FRENCH REVOLUTION

BY WILKIE COLLINS.

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CHAPTER VIII.—(Continued.)

Ever sadder and darker grew the face of Lomaque as he now pondered alone over the changes and misfortunes of the past five years. A neighboring church clock striking the hour of seven aroused him from his meditations. He arranged the confused mass of papers before him—looked towards the door as if expecting some one to enter—then, finding himself alone, recurred to the one special paper which had first suggested his long train of gloomy thoughts. The few lines it contained were signed in cipher and ran thus:

"You are aware that your superintendent, Danville, obtained leave of absence, last week, to attend to some affairs of his at Lyons, and that he is not expected back just yet for a day or two. While he is away, push on the affair of Trudaine. Collect all the evidence, and hold yourself in readiness to act on it at a moment's notice. Don't leave the office until you have heard from me again. If you have a copy of the Private Instructions respecting Danville, which you wrote for me, send it to my house. I wish to refresh my memory. Your original letter is burnt."

Here the note abruptly terminated. As he folded it up, and put it in his pocket, Lomaque sighed. This was a very rare expression of feeling with him. He leaned back in his chair, and beat his nails impatiently on the table. Suddenly there was a faint little rap at the room door, and eight or ten men—evidently familiars of the new French inquisition—quietly entered, and ranged themselves against the wall.

Lomaque nodded to two of them. "Picard and Magloire, go and sit down at that desk. I shall want you after the rest are gone." Saying this, Lomaque handed certain sealed and docketed papers to the other men waiting in the room, who received them in silence, bowed, and went out. Innocent spectators might have thought them clerks taking bills of lading from a merchant. Who could have imagined that the giving and receiving of Denunciations, Arrest Orders and Death Warrants—the providing of its doomed human meal for the all-devouring guillotine—could have been managed so coolly and quietly with such unruffled calmness of official routine?

"Now," said Lomaque, turning to the two men at the desk as the door closed, "have you got those notes about you?" (They answered in the affirmative.) "Picard, you have the first particulars of this affair of Trudaine, so you must begin reading. I have sent in the reports, but may as well go over the evidence again from the commencement, to make sure that nothing has been left out. If any corrections are to be made, now is the time to make them. Read, Picard, and lose as little time as you possibly can."

Thus admonished, Picard drew some long slips of paper from his pocket and commenced reading from them as follows:

"Minutes of evidence collected concerning Louis Trudaine, suspected, on the denunciation of Citizen Superintendent Danville, of hostility to the sacred cause of liberty, and of disaffection to the sovereignty of the people. (1) The suspected person is placed under secret observation, and these facts are elicited: He is twice seen passing at night from his own house to a house in Rue de Clery. On the first night he carries with him money, on the second papers. He returns without either. These particulars have been obtained through a citizen engaged to help Trudaine in housekeeping (one of the sort called Servants in the days of the Tyrants). This man is a good patriot, who can be trusted to watch Trudaine's actions. (2) The inmates of the house in the Rue de Clery are numerous, and in some cases not so well known to the government as could be wished. It is found difficult to gain certain information about the person or persons visited by Trudaine without having recourse to an arrest. (3) An arrest is thought premature at this preliminary stage of the proceedings, being likely to stop the development of conspiracy, and give warning to the guilty to fly. Order thereupon given to watch and wait for the present. (4) Citizen Superintendent Danville quits Paris for a short time. The office of watching Trudaine is, then, taken out of the hands of the undersigned, and confided to his comrade, Magloire—Signed, Picard. Countersigned, Lomaque."

Having read so far, the police-agent placed his papers on the writing table, waited a moment for orders, and receiving none, went out. No change came over the sadness and perplexity of Lomaque's face. He still beat his nails anxiously on the writing table, and did not even look at the second agent, as he ordered the man to read his report. Magloire produced some slips of paper precisely similar to Picard's and read from them in the same rapid, business-like, unmodulated tones:

"Affairs of Trudaine. Minutes continued. Citizen Magloire having been appointed to continue the surveillance of Trudaine, reports the discovery of additional facts of importance. (1) Appearances make it probable that Trudaine meditates a third secret visit to the house in the Rue de Clery. The proper measures are taken for observing him closely, and the result is the implication of another person discovered to be connected with the supposed conspiracy. This person is the sister of Trudaine, and the wife of Citizen Superintendent Danville."

"Poor, lost creature!—ah, poor, lost creature!" muttered Lomaque to himself, sighing again, and shifting uneasily from side to side in his mangy old leathern arm chair. Apparently, Magloire was not accustomed to sighs, interruptions, and expressions of regret, from the usually imperturbable chief agent. He looked up from his papers with a stare of wonder. "Go on, Magloire!" cried Lomaque, with a sudden outburst of irritability. "Why the devil don't you go on?" "All ready, citizen," returned Magloire, submissively, and proceeded:

"(2) It is at Trudaine's house that the woman Danville's connection with her brother's secret designs is ascertained, through the vigilance of the before-mentioned patriot citizen. The interview of the two suspected persons is private; their conversation is carried on in whispers. Little can be overheard; but that little suffices to prove that Trudaine's sister is perfectly aware of his intention to proceed for the third time to the house on Rue de Clery. It is further discovered that she awaits his return, and that she then goes back privately to her own house. (3) Meanwhile, the strictest measures are taken for watching the house in the Rue de Clery. It was discovered that Trudaine's visits are paid to a man and woman known to the landlord and lodgers by the name of Dubois. They live on the third floor. It is impossible, at the time of the discovery, to enter this room, or to see the citizen and citoyenne Dubois without producing an undesirable disturbance in the house and neighborhood. A police agent is left to watch the place, while search and arrest orders are applied for. The granting of these is accidentally delayed. When they are ultimately obtained, it is discovered that the man and woman are both missing. They have not hitherto been traced. (4) The landlord of the house is immediately arrested, as well as the police agent appointed to watch the premises. The landlord protests that he knows nothing of his tenants. It is suspected, however, that he has been tampered with, as also that Trudaine's papers, delivered to the citizen and citoyenne Dubois, are forged passports. With these and with money, it may not be impossible that they have already succeeded in escaping from France. The proper measures have been taken for stopping them, if they have not yet passed the frontiers. No further report in relation to them has yet been received. (5) Trudaine and his sister are under perpetual surveillance; and the undersigned holds himself ready for further orders.—Signed, Magloire. Countersigned, Lomaque."

Having finished reading his notes, Magloire placed them on the writing table. He was evidently a favored man in the office, and he presumed upon his position; for he ventured to make a remark, instead of leaving the room in silence, like his predecessor, Picard.

"When Citizen Danville returns to Paris," he began, "he will be rather astonished to find that in denouncing his wife's brother, he has also unconsciously denounced his wife."

Lomaque looked up quickly, with that old weakness in his eyes which affected them in such a strangely irregular manner on certain occasions. Magloire knew what this symptom meant, and would have become confused if he had not been a police agent. As it was, he quietly backed a step or two from the table and held his tongue.

"Friend Magloire," said Lomaque, winking mildly, "your last remark looks to me like a question in disguise. I put questions constantly to others—I never answer questions myself. You want to know, citizen, what our superintendent's secret motive is for denouncing his wife's brother? Suppose you try and find that out for yourself. It will be famous practice for you, friend Magloire—famous practice after office hours."

"Any further orders?" inquired Magloire sulkily.

"None in relation to the reports," returned Lomaque. "I find nothing to alter or add on a revised hearing. But I shall have a little note ready for you immediately. Sit down at the other

desk, friend Magloire; I am very fond of you when you are not inquisitive—pray sit down."

While addressing this polite invitation to the agent in his softest voice Lomaque produced his pocketbook and drew from it a little note, which he opened and read through attentively. It was headed, "Private Instructions relative to Superintendent Danville," and proceeded thus:

"The undersigned can confidently assert, from long domestic experience in Danville's household, that his motive for denouncing his wife's brother is purely a personal one, and is not in the most remote degree connected with politics. Briefly, the facts are these: Louis Trudaine, from the first, opposed his sister's marriage with Danville, distrusting the latter's temper and disposition. The marriage, however, took place, and the brother resigned himself to await results, taking the precaution of living in the same neighborhood as his sister, to interpose, if need be, between the crimes which the husband might commit and the sufferings which the wife might endure. The results soon exceeded his worst anticipations, and called for the interposition for which he had prepared himself. He is a man of inflexible firmness, patience and integrity, and he makes the protection and consolation of his sister the business of his life. He gives his brother-in-law no pretext for openly quarreling with him. He is neither to be deceived, irritated nor tired out, and he is Danville's superior every way—in conduct, temper and capacity. Under these circumstances, it is unnecessary to say that his brother-in-law's enmity towards him is of the most implacable kind, and equally unnecessary to hint at the perfectly plain motive of the denunciation.

"As to the suspicious circumstances affecting not Trudaine only, but his sister as well, the undersigned regrets his inability, thus far, to offer either explanation or suggestion. At this preliminary stage, the affair seems involved in impenetrable mystery."

CHAPTER IX.

L OMAQUE read these lines through, down to his own signature at the end. They were the duplicate Secret Instructions demanded from him in the paper which he had been looking over before the entrance of the two police agents. Slowly, and, as it seemed, unwillingly, he folded the note up in a fresh sheet of paper, and was preparing to seal it, when a tap at the door stopped him. "Come in," he cried, irritably, and a man in travel-garments, covered with dust, entered, quietly whispered a word or two in his ear, and then went out. Lomaque started at the whisper, and opening his note again, hastily wrote under his signature: "I have just heard that Danville has hastened his return to Paris, and may be expected back to-night." Having traced these lines, he closed, sealed and directed the letter, and gave it to Magloire. The police agent looked at the address as he left the room—it was "To Citizen Robespierre, Rue Sainte-Honore."

Left alone again, Lomaque rose, and walked restlessly backwards and forwards, biting his nails.

"Danville comes back to-night," he said to himself, "and the crisis comes with him. Trudaine a conspirator! Sister Rose (as he used to call her) a conspirator! Bah! conspiracy can hardly be the answer to the riddle this time. What is?"

He took a turn or two in silence—then stopped at the open window, looking out on what little glimpse the street afforded him of the sunset sky.

"This time five years," he said, "Trudaine was talking to me on that bench overlooking the river; and Sister Rose was keeping poor hatchet-faced old Lomaque's cup of coffee hot for him! Now I am officially bound to suspect them both; perhaps to arrest them; perhaps—I wish this job had fallen into other hands. I don't want it at any price!"

He returned to the writing table and sat down to his papers with the dogged air of a man determined to drive away vexing thoughts by dint of sheer hard work. For more than an hour he labored on resolutely, munching a bit of dry bread from time to time. Then he paused a little, and began to think again. Gradually the summer twilight faded, and the room grew dark.

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Clever Scheme of a Woman Writer.

Kate Douglass Wiggin-Riggs has a novel and clever idea in dispensing her autograph. She sends out to all askers therefore a little card bearing a quotation from one of her popular stories and her signature. With this is folded up a printed slip also signed by her. This is delightfully written and says, in effect, that she is glad to send the "inclosed card to any reader of her work, both because appreciation is pleasant and also because it enables her to ask a favor in return." "If you are a child," she goes on to say, "will you send 25 cents, if an adult 50 cents" to a certain free kindergarten in which Mrs. Riggs is interested.

TEXAS NEWS NOTES.

Harvesting has begun. Milford, Ellis county, has gone wet. Corn everywhere is going to be a good crop.

Cotton is in bloom in some of the bounties throughout the state.

A Mexican named Pamphilo Trejo was arrested at San Antonio by Detective Shoaf and Officer Easterly charged with theft under \$50.

Alf Allen, of Kaufman, recently shipped over the Texas Trunk 1,000 head of 1 and 2-year-old steers to Wayne, I. T., for pas ure.

Will Ray, of the Stringtown neighborhood, near Temple, took a dose of morphine for neuralgia. He got an overdose of the drug and died.

Rachael Puckett, colored, aged 50 years, died in West Sherman the other evening. She is the sixty-fifth victim of the cyclone. She died of bad head wounds and internal injuries.

The forty-eighth district court grand jury indicted Mrs. Lavista Bragg for the murder of her husband, George Bragg, who was recently assassinated while sleeping in his home near Grapevine.

Roma Rosa, an escaped prisoner from Matamoras, Mexico, charged with the murder of a mail driver between Matamoras and Victoria, was captured thirty miles from Brownsville and is now in jail at San Antonio.

The Phoenix Brass band, of Farmerville, will give a big picnic. Gov. Culberson will be present, and Hon. J. W. Bailey is expected. The Greenville and Farmerville gun clubs will have a match shoot on that day.

The Cotton Belt route has made a rate of one fare for the round trip to St. Louis and return on account of the national Republican convention meeting. Tickets on sale June 8, 9, 13, 14 and 15, limited to June 21 for return.

Recently Sauk Owens went to the house of Louis Shackelford, at Grapevine and abused him. Shackelford appealed to the law. On hearing this Owens went to the field where Shackelford was plowing and shot both his arms off with a shot gun charged with buckshot. Owens escaped.

A. F. Larson, of Galveston, aged 19 years, was recently acquitted of the charge of murder for the killing of James Collins, in 1893, when Larson was but 16 years old. The jury was out but an hour. In 1894 Larson was convicted and the penalty was fixed at five years imprisonment, but the judgment was reversed on the appeal.

The two men who escaped from the Cameron county jail recently were charged with the murder of the United States mail driver in Chicago county several months ago have also been captured by Mexican officers and are held at Matamoras. The requisition for their extradition has not yet been acted upon.

W. R. Pender, a section hand, at Denton, while working in the yards was hit by the pilot of a Missouri, Kansas and Texas engine and knocked from the track. He was cut in several places and bruised nearly all over his body. Two engines were approaching the man at the same time, and he says he did not hear the one by which he was struck.

Judge Sam Stree-man, of Cameron, addressed the alumni association of the Southwestern university the other day. A large audience was present, and the speaker commanded close attention throughout. Rev. W. D. Bradford, of Weatherford, addressed the Althean and Clio societies on the subject of "The Inspiration of Opportunity." In the sophomore class Mr. C. A. Sweeten was awarded the orator's medal. Thomas J. P. Adams, of Meridian, was awarded the declaimer's medal, his selection being "The Character of Race," from Ben Hur.

The Terrell public schools were closed Saturday night with appropriate exercises. The graduates were: Jewell Monday, valedictorian; Nellie Geibraith, salutatorian; Mary Hardin, Bertie Kennedy, Belle Stroud and Alice Bond.

C. A. Steele, of Greenville, made complaint against William McAdams, charging him with assault and battery. McAdams was placed under arrest. Both reside near Weiland, where the trouble is alleged to have occurred Friday afternoon.

Commencement exercises were held at Georgetown recently. A medal, donated by Mayor Penn, was awarded to John F. Green, of LaGrange, whose subject was "Victory at Marango." Six hundred people were present. The town was crowded with visitors.

Messrs. Hawkins and Grove, of Velasco, have recently shipped some beautiful plumes to New York from which they hope to realize big returns. Should this sample meet with the success it deserves, these gentlemen will continue the business extensively.

BALD HEADS.

YOUR REDEEMER LIVETH

Baldness is a Disease and Must be Treated As Such.

Scientific research reveals the fact that all diseases of the human scalp are caused by microbic infection. The scalp becomes impregnated with these parasites through the use of filthy hair brushes and combs usually found in hotels and other public places, where they hang year after year until worn out without being cleaned. Thus disease is acquired and carried into families. To demonstrate the truth of the above statements we respectfully direct your attention to people, who, as a rule, do not frequent such places. Women are rarely affected with diseases of the scalp; farmers as a class are exempt; Indians—there is not a bald one in a million. Careful observation will convince you that ninety-five per cent of the cases of baldness are among men who frequent hotels and such places.

The microbe that is always present in cases of baldness inhabits what is known as the second skin. Where the hair roots are imbedded, the skin is divided into three layers; therefore they are in the middle skin where they subsist on the blood and tissue, robbing it of its vitality and causing the hair to become dry and brittle, lose its color and come out.

Run your fingers through your hair when it is in this condition and observe the dried-up condition of the roots. Now pull out one that has not become affected and observe the difference.

There are, however, other kinds of microbes, which have different effects. Some cause the scalp to dry up and peel off. This is called dandruff. Others cause the scalp to throb, alternating with a crawling sensation. A gummy, waxy substance forms, finally developing into sores, causing the hair to drop out and turn gray.

The hair cells become weaker with each subsequent growth. The second hair does not grow so long or coarse as the first, and so on until nothing is left but fuzz. Finally the fuzz becomes so fine that the assistance of a microscope is necessary to see it. This is baldness in its worst form.

The hair cells and roots are not destroyed as many suppose, but are deprived of their vitality. To prove this notice that the hair comes back after being pulled out. The only obstacle is these devouring microbes. After the scalp is rid of them the hair can be restored to its original vigorous state.

Dandruff is recommended and guaranteed for these affections. One application will stop the worst case of itching there is—it makes them sick—and a continuance for ten days will kill every one of them, which will be shown by a clean and healthy condition of the scalp.

We are in position to restore the hair to its natural state by a continuance of the tonic. In twenty days new hair begins to appear, which grows very fast, thickens and resumes its natural color and vitality.

For ladies who desire beautiful, soft and luxuriant hair Dandruff is especially recommended. The proprietors of this marvelous compound do not ask you to take their word alone. A thousand affidavits and testimonials free. For sale by all druggists, or sent on receipt of price—\$1 per bottle.

KNOWLTON DANIELS & CO.,
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A falling off of tobacco sales in this country is attributed to cycling.

A PERFECT SHEEP DIP.

The improved method of extracting nicotine from tobacco enables sheep owners to escape the labor of hauling and boiling up the bulky stems when dipping is to be done. The concentrated nicotine makes a perfect sheep dip, as it is the best known stimulant for wool as well as sure death to all insects. If you intend dipping this year you cannot do better than write at once to the Skabura Dip Co., Station 8, Chicago, for particulars.

When in runs to hide it forgets that it cannot cover it up.

All About Western Farm Lands.

The "Corn Belt" is the name of an illustrated monthly newspaper published by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R. R. It aims to give information in an interesting way about the farm lands of the west. Send 25 cents in postage stamps to the Corn Belt, 201 Adams St., Chicago, and the paper will be sent to your address for one year.

No man can give his best service where he has not first given his heart.

The Modern Beauty

Thrives on good food and sunshine with plenty of exercise in the open air. Her form glows with health and her face blooms with its beauty. If her system needs the cleansing action of a laxative remedy she uses the gentle and pleasant Syrup of Figs. Made by the California Fig Syrup Company.

There is hypocrisy in praying for what we are not willing to work for.

Bali's Cataract Cure

Is taken internally. Price, 75c.

Fifteen bridges cross the Thames in the London limits.

For Lung and chest diseases, Piso's Cure is the best medicine we have used.—Mrs. J. L. Northcott, Windsor, Ont., Canada.

Some very good sawlogs have very large knots on them.

If the Baby is Cutting Teeth.

No more red and swollen gums, no more fretful crying, no more sore throats, no more swollen glands, no more fever, no more sleeplessness. Treatise on Children's Teething.

The smaller the soul the bigger the dollar looks.

FITS—All Fits stopped free by Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. No Fits after the first day's use. Barbitone cure. Treatise and \$2 trial bottle free. Fit cases. Send to Dr. Kline, 361 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

Little troubles are big troubles to little men.

LOCAL NEWS.

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs.
 Dr. H. J. Cunyus is sick with slow fever.
 John Harkins was quite sick this week.
 Money is scarce, and goods low at Mistrot Bros., & Co.
 The Best is the cheapest—Ham Bone Tobacco is the best.
 Mrs. Jno. Prewitt of Pecos City is on a visit to relatives here.
 Miss Annie Williams of Houston, is visiting friends and relatives in the city.
 Dr. H. J. Cunyus, dentist, Crockett, Texas. Office over Arledg, Kennedy & Co. grocery store.
 W. C. Teter has returned from Galveston and is again rustling the Tram & Lumber Co., business over the county.
 Chew Ham Bone Tobacco. Best on Earth for the money. Manufactured by J. H. Cosby & Bro., Danville, Va.

Hon. A. W. Gregg of Anderson county has announced his withdrawal from the race for congress; Hon James I. Perkins of Cherokee has also withdrawn.
 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.
 Leighton Tenny, son of Rev. S. F. Tenny, of this place, has just graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, at the South Western Presbyterian University, Clarksville Tenn. and is expected home the latter part of this week.


The hand of sore and distressful affliction has been laid on Cicero Dupny and his most excellent wife. The child which died last is the sixth one they have lost. The heart of the public goes out in tender sympathy to them in their grief.
 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 flatorial.

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.

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\$3 SHOE IS THE BEST. NO SQUEAKING.
 \$5. CORDOVAN, FRENCH ENAMELED CALF.
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 \$2.15 BOYS SCHOOL SHOES.
 LADIES.
 \$3.25 \$2.15 BEST GONGOLA.
 SEND FOR CATALOGUE.
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You can save money by purchasing W. L. Douglas Shoes. 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 laundried, 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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 And Undiscovered Possibilities Before
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Do Not Brood Over THE Past
 Nor idly dream of the future but turn every occasion and event to practical advantage and you will be benefited by the following prices:

WE HAVE A few of the \$3.60 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

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 buffs 10c per pair. 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. Ed Taylor is quite sick with slow fever.
 Try Ham Bone Tobacco. Each Plug Warranted.
 Look out for the great sale at MISTROT BROS. & Co.,
 Mrs. Todd and daughter, Ethel, left Sunday for their home in Greenville.
 W. A. R. French is visiting his parents in Senatobia Miss. He will spend several weeks abroad.
 Only two or three places in the county held an election on the bridge question. Lovelady held one and 315 votes were cast, 311 votes against the bridge and 4 for it.
 Democratic clubs must be organized in all parts of the county. Let this be done at every point where the candidates have a speaking and as soon as the speaking is over.
 We are glad to correct the report that was circulated last Sunday that Miss Flonnie Harvey had died while visiting her uncle's family in Galveston. It was her cousin, Miss Florence Evans.
 Mr. E. Winfree informs us that he will not attend the reunion at Richmond Va., owing to candidates' meeting of that date in the county. He will stay at home and pull for the office of county judge.
 The backbone of populism in Houston county has been broken and the democratic ticket this fall will have an easy contest of it unless gross mismanagement throws away the opportunity. At the recent primary and other precinct conventions many pops participated and placed themselves in line. The democrats of the county will extend them all a hand of welcome and invite them to return and resume their places.

Sol Bromberg has a very sick child.
 Ike Daniel is quite sick with fever.
 Best 6 cent prints 3 cents a yard at Mistrot Bros., & Co.
 Ladies dont forget to call on Mrs. Bricker & Smith for millinery.
 Lots of goods marked down 25 to 50 per cent at Mistrot Bros., & Co.
 We notice E. Broxson on the streets again after a serious siege of fever.
 Albert Daniels is quite sick with typhoid fever. He has had fever for nearly three weeks.
 Hon. J. W. Madden came down from Austin on the 6th and spent several days in our city.
 Mrs. Bruner has moved from the house she has been renting on Wall st. to her old home on North Cherry st.
 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.
 Jno. C. Wall living 6 miles North of Crockett brought in a cucumber measuring 25 inches in length. Mr. Wall raises them for pickling purposes.
 Mrs. Annie Richardson of Fort Worth is on her usual annual visit to her parents, the Rev. J. S. Mathis and lady. Her children are accompanying her.
 There should be a democratic club at every school-house in the county. The candidates at every point at which they speak should organize a club before leaving.
 It is with regret that we chronicle the death of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Foster's little girl, Janie. She had been sick for some time with typhoid fever. The COURIER extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

John R. Foster has had a very sick child.
 A. LeGory had fever for several days this week.
 Chas. Moore is quite sick with fever this week.
 Mr. J. Carroll Downes spent Tuesday in Huntsville.
 Mrs. Enos Simpson is prepared to take a few boarders at reasonable rates; also has a 4-room cottage to rent.
 The ice cream supper given by the Ladies of the Methodist church was largely attended and liberally patronized.
 Mrs. Jno. Hannah accompanied by her daughter, Miss Matie, of Monroe La., is visiting her daughter Mrs. Dick Monk.
 The eighteen months old child, Birdie Frank, of Mr. and Mrs. William Lively of Grapeland, died on the night of the 5th.
 Mrs. Jno. Murchison and daughter, Laura, Miss Esther McConnell and A. H. Murchison left Wednesday on a visit to friends and relatives in Boerne and San Antonio.
 The house of Mr. Morgan Murchison, six miles North of Crockett, caught fire one night last week and burned up, burning nearly everything in it. The occupants narrowly escaped with their lives.
 One night last week as a stranger was driving into town from the depot and not knowing the road he drove off of the culvert dump and turned the buggy over. Fortunately either did not receive any serious injury.
 Rev. J. A. Strain universalist preacher has been preaching a series of sermons at Beulah church 4 miles West of Crockett and has organized a church of that faith at that place. He will preach at that place on the first Sunday in every month.

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 Silverware and Novelties.
 Fine Watch and Jewelry Repairing a Specialty.
 Castleburg Old Stand.

Miss Annie May Simpson has returned from Marlin.
 Dr. J. Webb Douglass, well known to our people and who for a long time lived at Palestine, is now living at Houston.
 On Wednesday night C. W. Waddell of Lovelady, brought in Henry Adams (col.) charged with shooting another negro at that place last month.
 There is no reason why the populists of Houston county shouldn't return to the democratic party and take their old seats in the house of worship. About the only substantial, reasonable plank in their platform is the one demanding the free coinage of silver and the democrats are going to put this in their national platform.
 Come back to the party where you belong and help roll up a big majority for democracy and white supremacy this fall.

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 FH 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.

W. B. PAGE, Editor.

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. A. DRICH, 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.

- 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.

How can an honest populist follow the Burnett populist combine with its mixed juries and a hundred and one other vote catching devices, when the democratic ship with Free Silver at its masthead, bids him come aboard.

When the Chicago convention declares for free and unlimited silver coinage, in unequivocal terms, and places the name of a free silver democrat at the head of the ticket the populists will disband and swell the democratic majority in November—at least this is as it should be and the times are ripe for it. If the populists are honest in their demand for free silver coinage, and if the matter is of the importance that populists usually ascribe to it then they will pursue the only course calculated to accomplish such reform, and unite with the democrats in the crusade for silver. If populists who were democrats in times past, ever had an excuse for leaving the democratic party, such excuse will cease to exist when the democratic party plainly declares for free silver, and the way will be open for the honest populist to return to the democratic fold. Why should it not be thus?

SINCE the democrats have settled the financial question in favor of free silver, the republicans find themselves occupying unenviable ground between the devil and the deep sea, with Eastern republicans demanding a gold standard plank and McKinely wanting the Ohio straddle no one can see a way out of the dilemma. And democratic prospects brighten accordingly.

EVEN the opposition organs concede that the National Democratic conventions will be controlled by the silver men while it is believed that many gold standard advocates will leave the party on this account, still the great mass of them will take their medicine like men and remain with the party, besides the democratic party will receive such large reinforcements from the populists and free silver republican ranks as to make the outlook for democratic success brighter than it has been for some time.

Home News From Abroad.

We clip the following from the Houston Post of June 6th.

IN HOUSTON COUNTY.

Populists Not Working in Harmony—Democrats All United.

Crockett, Texas, June 5.—At a recent called meeting of the executive committee of the populist party of this county a resolution was introduced and passed denying the charge that a bid had been made by them for the republican vote of the county, and in another resolution allow the voters of their party the right to vote their choice for county judge. As everlasting vengeance has been sworn against all democrats, and as there is only one other candidate, a white republican, the meaning of the last resolution is plain. This republican is a shrewd politician and manipulator of conventions and for months has been carrying favor with the leading populists. The leaders in this county of the populist and republican parties are men who to accomplish their desires are using every device to throttle the party and in this crisis keep its members from expressing their true sentiments. The party has honored some of them and in return they have done nothing for it except to build up a system despotic precedents through which they are trying to throttle it and keep it from speaking or kill it.

A thorough canvass of the county is being made by two of the candidates for district attorney, A. G. Greenwood of Anderson county and J. M. Crook of this county.

The democrats of the county have forgotten their little differences among themselves and will work hard, shoulder to shoulder, for the success of democracy. There is, seemingly, at present, very little interest being manifested. The real fight will be between August 10 and November. Owing to his continued ill health, the Hon. W. B. Page is not as active a participant in the fight for democratic success as he otherwise would be. Two years ago his time and money was almost exclusively devoted to the campaign, from the wear and tear of which he has never fully recovered. When his strength permits, however, he does valuable service.

Picnic.

There is to be a grand picnic and barbecue given at Box's Lake on the 4th of July. All the candidates, both democratic and populist, are invited to be present and speak on that day. Everybody is invited to come. There will be a platform erected and good music afforded so the young people can have a big dance.

BURNETT.

ED. COURIER:

This is a town and the county site, situated in a valley on the head waters of Hampden Creek. It has some life and get up about it. The Austin and N. W. R. R. makes daily trips except Sunday and goes on to Llano. the terminus at present. The crops a few days back were very fine, but it has lost a third since I came for want of rain. Everything is burnt up and cotton suffering terribly. I left Burnett this morning and traveled over a high rolling, rocky country into the Backbone Valley. This valley is about three miles wide and a fine farming country when seasonable but the crops are badly damaged. I have seen some cotton blooms but the crop looks very short. In this valley is where the Marble Falls R. R. makes a junction with the A. & N. W. Passing down the valley about six miles and we came to the granite mountains. Here I stopped and inspected the surroundings. For miles there is nothing but granite. There are now about 200 hands at work blasting out material for the Galveston jetties and the Paris Court House. No farming country around here. Passing on we came to Marble Falls on the Colorado river—a town of some business and the home of the old Alcalde. There is a fine factory building here but nothing doing for want of machinery.

There is a fine bridge here across the river built at a cost of \$32,000—and all built by private corporation—and it will be sold out soon unless those who had it built comply with their contract. Lower down the river I spent the night with an old timer who had gone through the Mexican and Indian wars. He spoke of his Indian war experience and of a fight that he and one more white man had with 20 Indians. One killed 5 Indians and the other 3. There is very little farming here. It is a great country for pecans but no crop this year. Very few people living here. Up this valley about 6 miles you come to a place which is one of God's wonders. Here is a Mexican mill run by fine water power on the Leffel principle, said to have been built in the days of missionaries. I will write you again of our travels.

ROVER.

PERCILLA PENCILINGS.

Still hot and dry and corn needing rain badly.

Our primary passed off quietly, free silver the victor by a small majority.

Hon. John Sheridan, candidate for county collector, sojourned in our vicinity several days last week, and we judge from his pleasing manners and broad smiles, that he is confident of success.

Atty. Albert Greenwood, spoke to the good old brothers here on 6th inst. Like all other candidates, he has an axe to grind also.

Messrs Prestridge and Robertson went to Crockett this week on business.

Some sickness in the neighborhood.

PANSY.

Elkhart Mineral Wells.

The hotel at the Elkhart Mineral Wells is now open for the reception of guests and is under a different and better management than it has ever been before.

WANTED.

600 cords of four ft. cord wood, on the yard at the Crockett Oil Mill, delivered on or before Sept. 1st 1896. For further particulars apply to

J. W. Hail Pres. Houston Co., Oil Mill Mfg., Co.

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 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.

We have any style of suits all the way to \$40. Kitchen safes at \$2.50 and so many other bargains that we hav'n't space to describe them.

If you would save money you will take advantage of this remarkable offer as these special inducements are only offered while our present stock lasts. Call early and get the pick.

ALDRICH & NEWTON.

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. Anyone 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.

A complete line of coffins and metallic caskets at The Furniture Store at moderate prices.

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AUGUSTA.

Ed. COURIER:—Again it is our good fortune to be the recipients of a nice rain, and every one now wears a broad smile as the corn crop will be much better showing up nicely and with favorable seasons we expect an average yield.

Quite a number of our young people attended the picnic at Cedar Point Friday June 5th and all report a most enjoyable visit to this nice social enterprising neighborhood. The tables were loaded down with all that was good to eat and the most skeptical of epicures could have found no fault with the numberless dainty luxuries.

In the evening the young people were most agreeably entertained at the residence of Mrs. McHenry by the charming hostesses, Misses Estelle and Carrie McHenry. Social conversation and music were the features of the evening. Everyone seemed to spend the time quite pleasantly and it will remain as a bright page in the book of past memories.

Our doctors report sickness to be on the decrease. They certainly need a rest as they have been busy for awhile although nothing fatal has been reported.

There will be an ice cream supper at the residence of Dr. B. S. Elliott Friday night June 19th; everybody is invited to attend. The supper will be given by the ladies for the benefit of the church. The young people will have full possession of the lawn which will be lighted up for their special benefit. The cause is a noble one and should be liberally patronized. Chas Cunningham who has been attending the Normal at Huntsville is at home again. He will graduate next year.

TONE.

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 stoves, 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 greyish 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.

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