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THREE THINGS TO KNOW!

Read and you will be convinced that facts and figures coupled with quality make W. V. McConnell's the leading dry goods store of Crockett. The first on the list will be a genuine John B. Stetson hat for \$2.50 and the remainder of those silk plaid belts with large nickle plated harness buckle at 5c each.

Dress Goods.

We are now offering some wonderful bargains in dress goods.—36 inch all wool Fabrique Francaise, silk finish in brown, green, navy and gray—regular 65c goods now going at 33c per yd. 40 inch Henrietta and Cashmere, warp and filling all wool, silk finish; a very handsome goods in gray, brown green, old rose and purple now reduced to 33c per yard. Gratia Placendi is a novelty goods of the very latest—extra wide all wool double width—we only have two patterns left—former price 67c now reduced to 50c. Grande Paruse—this is an all wool novelty—goods extra good and nice reduced to 50c per yard. We have only two patterns of the above—no two alike. Bourette—this is an all wool goods in black—very handsome and new—only one pattern left—reduced from \$1.25 to 82c a yard. Germania—this is an all wool, very fine, black bone cloth, one pattern left; former price \$1.50, now reduced to 98c a yard. We have a lovely line of Novelty all wool goods in white and red, white and green, white and blue, white and black, white and gray, double width, reduced to 24c a yard.

Ladies' Cloth—all wool double width in several colors—former price 33c; now reduced to 21c a yard. Two toned Mohair Brocade in many colors—regular 20c goods now reduced to 12c a yard. Remember we carry woolen worsteds as low as 4c per yd. Knickerbocker Gingham, in novelty effects, our price 6c yd.

Ladies and Children's Underwear.

Ladies' heavy ribbed combination suits—full value 50c. Ladies' heavy ribbed separate pants, extra good at 25c. Ladies' Heavy ribbed and well shaped Merino vests at 15, 20c, 25, 35 and 50c each.

Ladies' very fine non-shrinking wool vests, former price \$1.25 now reduced to 95c. Separate soft Merino pants and vests for children 15, 20 and 25c each.

Capes and Jackets.

Lot 1 consists of 18 capes, some for trimmed and some plain at 50c each. Lot 2 a very heavy, double bl'k beaver cape going at \$1.00. Lot 3 is a very nice black double beaver cape—upper and lower cape trimmed with fur and braid at \$1.45. We have a lovely line of capes from \$2.00 to \$3.50. Lot 7 is a very fine

plush cape, beaver trimmed and silk lined at \$4.00. Our line of Plush Capes run from \$4.00 to \$12.50. Our line of Ladies' Walking Jackets run from \$1.00 to \$5.00—this is a very fine line of goods. Misses' very fine walking Jackets made in the latest style, from \$1.50 to \$3.50. Childrens' cloaks trimmed with long Angora fringe at 75c.

Millinery.

Now will be your chance to get a hat—Misses' and childrens' felt hats in the newest and latest shapes trimmed with nice silk ribbon for 25c. You can't buy the shape for the money elsewhere. Ladies' smooth and rough straw sailors trimmed with silk ribbon, very neat for 25c. Ladies' shaggy felt sailor; the \$1.25 kind. We will now sell for 50c. we have only a few of the Ladies' wool felt walking hats—price to close out at 15c. Ladies, those very fine walking hats at \$1.20 and \$1.35 will now be sold for 75c and \$1.00. All of our Ladies' fine dress hats will be sold at a big reduction. Call and get prices.

Feather Boas.

We have just received a very fine line of these goods in black and black and white mixed. Husband, get one for your wife for an Xmas Present; young men get one for your Sweet heart; they would certainly appreciate it and it would be a useful and ornamental present.

Clothing and Overcoats.

Mens' black clay worsted Suits—Every thread wool—worth \$12.50—Our price now \$6.40. Mens' Blue, Tan and Drab beaver over coats worth and sold for \$12.50—our price \$8.85. Mens' Blue black Beaver over coat worth \$7.50—our price \$5.00, we have a lot of cheap over coats; come and get prices.

We have a few little boys' overcoats that we will close out at \$1.00 \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Mens' Furnishing Goods.

Mens' very fine all wool Tivoli, Undersuits in white regular \$3.50 goods now reduced to \$1.90 a suit. Mens' very heavy white wool undershirts for men price 75c now reduced to 55c. mens' heavy cotton under shirts for winter at 15, 20, 25, 35, and 50c. Over shirts from 15c to \$2. Mens' drawers from 12c to \$1.50 a pair. Mens' black hose, very good, at 5c. Mens' seamless black hose, guaranteed stainless, high spliced heel and toe 3 pairs for 25c. Mens' heavy homespun socks, 3, 4 and 5 pairs for 25c.

We Will See You Again.

We have many articles that we would like to make prices this week but our space is not large enough to receive it, so look for us; we will visit you again.

YOURS, VERY RESPECTFULLY,

W. V. McConnell.

Death of Enoch Broxson.

At 9 o'clock, Wednesday night, Enoch Broxson, for so many years a prominent citizen of Crockett, died at his residence in this city, of consumption of the lungs. For many days his soul has been in the shadowy land between two worlds and his death was painless. He will be buried this (Thursday) afternoon at 1 o'clock, funeral from the residence. He died on the anniversary of his wedding day forty-four years previous, and his wife, now seriously ill, will probably not long survive him. Mr. Broxson was greatly and deservedly esteemed all over this county and a host of friends will mourn his death. The COURIER goes to press at an hour that prevents a more extended notice.

New School District and Election.

At the last session of the commissioners' court the Chappel Hill school district was established and its bounds defined as follows: Beginning at mouth of Hammond creek on Hurricane Bayou, thence up said creek to Mayes' old mill place, thence east to N. E. corner J. M. Box league line, thence south to S. W. corner Stewart survey, thence S. E. to San Antonio road, thence S. W. with said road to Cedar branch, thence down branch to Hurricane Bayou, thence down Bayou to place of beginning. The court also ordered that an election

be held in this new district on Friday, Jan. 8th, to decide whether or not a special tax of twenty cents on the hundred dollars worth of taxable property shall be levied for school purposes. G. S. A. Rosser was appointed manager of said election.

Last Friday night Justice Pritchard of this city was called on to perform a marriage ceremony under peculiar and romantic circumstances. About 11 o'clock on the night mentioned, he was summoned from his slumbers by loud knocking at the front door of his residence, and, hastily dressing, he went out and was informed that his services in tying a matrimonial knot were required then and there. The waiting couple were Mr. E. C. Satterwhite, a well known young farmer living on White rock and Miss Minnie Rains, daughter of Mr. J. F. Rains a prominent citizen living in the same section of the county. They were seated in a buggy in the road, and there in the mellow moonlight, with several sympathetic witnesses looking on, the Squire united the young couple in the most expeditious manner and without any frills whatever on the ceremony.

He shook and he shook, till his shaking was chronic.
He then bought a bottle of Cheatham's Chili Tonic.
As said to his friends, though a shaker of yore
Thanks to the Cheatham's I am a shaker no more.

An Important Enterprise Organized.

Last Saturday at the court house in this city there was a meeting of citizens called to organize the Crockett Tram & Lumber Company and apply for a charter. Quite a number of interested land holders were present and the enterprise was thoroughly discussed. Mr. W. C. Teter of Galveston, who has been prominent in organizing the scheme was present and explained it to the meeting, and the substance of it is about as follows: There are vast quantities of fine lands in this county stretching east to the Neches by way of Coltharp and this land is owned in small tracts by quite a number of people. Capital can not utilize the timber on this land unless a large quantity of land lying in a body can be purchased, and to consolidate the small holdings into one such body was the object of the meeting. The draft of the charter says that the company is organized for buying and selling lands, cutting logs and lumber, conveying same to market, building and opening mills, constructing and operating tram ways etc. and that the principal office of the company shall be in Crockett. The authorized capital stock is \$100,000. The following board of directors was elected: W. C. Teter, Minneapolis, Minn., D. A. Nunn, A. H. Wootters, John B. Smith, A. A. Aldrich, Crockett, J. H. Ratchiff,

T. F. John, Coltharp. This board elected the following officers: W. C. Teter, president, D. A. Nunn, vice-president, A. A. Aldrich, secretary, A. H. Wootters, treasurer. Contracts have been made with almost seventy five land owners to sell land to this company, the land aggregating something over 30,000 acres lying between Crockett and the Neches river by way of Coltharp. When title to this land has been perfected in the company it is the purpose of the latter to sell to capitalists who will construct the trams, mills, etc to utilize the timber, and Mr. Teter says that he will have no difficulty in making such a sale. The charter will be at once applied for. There will be another meeting of the company in this city Dec. 23rd.

In the last issue of the COURIER was an account of the alarm caused in the family of Mr. Charles Long of this city, by the burning out of a chimney of that gentleman's residence and the danger to the roof because of the difficulty of getting to it with water. Mr. W. J. Murchison of Lovelady read the item and in that connection writes to the COURIER the following valuable information which every household-er ought to know: "I will say for the benefit of the readers of the COURIER that one bucket of water thrown into the fireplace when the soot in the chimney is burning, will instantly put out the blaze even if it is ten feet high above the chimney. The steam created by the water does the work. This I have learned by experience on more than one occasion."

To day (Thursday) the Coltharp game hunt commences. The hunters will leave that town this morning and the hunt ends tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at which time all game must be in. Tomorrow night in Coltharp there will be a grand game supper where the spoils of the hunt will be served up in appetizing form to the hunters and their guests. Tony Gossett will take out a company of gentlemen from this city to help dispose of the banquet.

Sheriff Waller returned last Thursday from Groesbeck, Limestone county, in charge of J. W. Howell, the slayer of Pink Kilpatrick, who had been arrested and jailed a few days before by the sheriff of that county. It seems that after the killing Howell made his way to Limestone county where he had formerly lived, and while there was seen by a man who recognized him as the murderer of Kilpatrick. This man informed the sheriff and the latter at once went out and arrested Howell in the house where he was stopping with his wife's relations. He was taken by surprise and had no chance for resistance or escape. He is now in jail here and declines to talk about the killing. His brother-in-law, a man named Howard accompanied him here and it is said that habeas corpus proceedings will be resorted to to get him out of jail.

Hog Law Elections
Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at Porter's Springs, on Tuesday December 22 1896, to determine whether or not hogs, sheep and goats shall be permitted to run at large within the limits of voting precinct No. 11, of Houston county. A. B. Mulligan has been appointed manager of said election.

ALSO.
That on the 22nd day of December 1896 an election will be held at Enon Church to determine whether or not hogs, sheep and goats shall be permitted to run at large within the following described limits to wit: Beginning at a point $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles North of Enon church, thence East 1 mile, thence South $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles, thence West $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles, thence North $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles, thence East $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles. J. F. Garrett is appointed manager of said election.

ALSO.
That an election will be held at Augusta on the 22nd day of December 1896 to determine whether or not hogs, sheep and goats shall be permitted to run at large within Justice precinct No. 2 of Houston county. John Kennedy is appointed manager of said election.

ALSO.
That an election will be held at J. R. McIver's ranch in Houston county on the 22nd day of December, 1896, to determine whether or not hogs, sheep and goats shall be permitted to run at large within the following limits to wit: Beginning at the mouth of Kellison Creek where it empties into Trinity River. Thence up said creek to the Clapps Ferry and Lovelady road. Thence west with said road to where it intersects the east line of the J. A. Robinson survey. Thence south with said east line to where it intersects the John Douglass survey. Thence with the Douglass survey to the north-east corner of same. Thence west to Lost Creek. Thence down said Lost Creek to where it empties into Big or Rackard's Creek. Thence up said Big or Rackard's Creek to the north-east corner of the John Durst survey. Thence west with said survey to the north-west corner of same. Thence south with the west line of said John Durst survey to the Trinity river. Thence down said Trinity river to the place of beginning. L. L. Hall is appointed manager of said election.

ALSO.
That an election be held at Grapeland on the 22nd day of December 1896 to determine whether or not hogs, sheep and goats shall be permitted to run at large within the following described limits to wit: Beginning at the Navarro crossing on Trinity river. Thence with the Navarro road to Big Elkhardt Creek. Thence down said Elkhardt Creek to the Linwood and Crockett road. Thence east with said road to where the line of Justice precinct No. one crosses said road. Thence north with said line to where it connects with Justice's precincts No. 5 and No. 2. Thence with said Justice's precinct No. 5 and No. 2 line to the Houston and Anderson county line. Thence with said county line to the Trinity river. Thence with said river to the Navarro road. H. C. Leaverton is appointed manager of said election. No person shall vote at said elections unless he be a freeholder and qualified voter under the constitution and laws of this state. Voters desiring to prevent the animals named from running at large shall place upon their ballots the words "For the stock law" and those in favor of allowing such animals to run at large shall place upon their ballots the word, "Against the stock law." This November 17th. 1896.
A. A. ALDRICH.
Co. Judge Houston Co.

Last week seven hundred and fifty pounds of live turkeys were shipped by express from Crockett to Galveston, more than five hundred pounds being shipped by one man. These birds were raised in various parts of the county and such a shipment is a pleasant reminder of the fact that cotton is not the only money crop of some of our farmers.

Major C. T. Tipton is manager of the State Hotel, at Denison, Texas, which the traveling man say is one of the best hotels in that section. In speaking of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy Major Pieton says: "I have used it myself and in my family for several years, and take pleasure in saying that I consider it an infallible cure for diarrhoea and dysentery. I always recommend it, and have frequently administered it to my guests in the hotel, and in every case it has proven itself worthy of unqualified endorsement. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain."

Last October Julia Peterson, colored, was arrested in this city charged with assault to murder Pleas Monroe, colored, and the case has not yet been disposed of. Last week Pleas, who is in failing health, sent for Justice Pritchard in order to make a declaration under oath as to the facts of the assault, to be used in case of his death before the trial. His declaration makes a pretty strong case against Julia and is to the effect that she induced him to go to her house where she pulled a pistol on him which was wrested from her after it had been discharged, and when he was subsequently leaving the house she took two shots at him, wounding him in the foot and calf of the leg. He also testified that she had previously made threats to kill him. Jealousy was at the bottom of the trouble, and Pleas, feeling that he hadn't long to stay here, insisted on getting down his testimony where it could do the most good, before he leaves.

Large congregations were out last Sunday forenoon and night at the Methodist church to hear what may be the last sermons of Rev. J. S. Mathis in this city. At the morning service the venerable and beloved pastor was deeply affected in his closing remarks and was eloquent in his exhortation to his people. His were not the only moist eyes in the church at the conclusion of the services and it was evident that there was general regret that Mr. Mathis was soon to leave, perhaps to return no more. He is a rare old Christian minister, hearty and kindly and full of human sympathies, and the memory of his good gray head and cordial, manful salutation, his useful and unselfish work both in and out of the pulpit, his fine example to young and old alike of a preacher who believed his Bible from Genesis to Revelation and practiced what he preached, will abide always with those who knew him here and their best wishes will follow him and his good wife wherever the fortunes of his ministry may carry them. Mr. and Mrs. Mathis left Tuesday for the East Texas Methodist conference at Marshall and there will be no services at the Methodist church here next Sunday. On the Sunday following, either Mr. Mathis or his successor at this station will occupy the pulpit.

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The Joseph Bowling Co., of New Orleans, last week filed suit against J. Blalock of this city, who recently executed a deed to his stock of goods, preferring creditors, plaintiffs alleging fraud in the procurement of goods. On plaintiff's application an injunction was issued restraining the trustee, J. H. Nelson, in the execution of the trust and Wednesday the case was heard before Judge Winfree on application for a receivership. The judge reserved decision until Thursday.

Ballard's Snow Liniment.

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

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

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill. was told by her doctors she had consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 139 Florida St. San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching consumption, tried without result everything else then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples that prove the wonderful efficacy to this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottles at B. F. Chamberlain's Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

Closing Out at and Near Cost.

I am selling out at and near cost my general stock of merchandise, consisting of Dry goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Dress-Goods, Hardware, everything carried in a general stock of goods. I am going out of business and mean what I say. come and try me.
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Are you bilious, constipated or troubled with jaundice, sick headache, bad taste in mouth, foul breath, coated tongue, dyspepsia, indigestion, hot dry skin, pain in back and between the shoulders, chills and fever, etc. If you have any of these symptoms, your liver is out of order, and your blood is slowly being poisoned, because your liver does not act properly. **HERBINE** will cure any disorder of the liver, stomach or bowels. It has no equal as a liver medicine. Price 75cts. Free trial bottle at L. H. Haring & Co.

Chestnam's Chill Tonic is peculiarly adapted to persons in enfeebled health and invalids. It assists digestion, and is a perfect strengthener and appetizer. Satisfaction or money refunded. Put up in both the Tasteless and bitter styles. The Tasteless in 50 cent size.

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For sale by J. G. Haring, Druggist.



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The only safe, sure and reliable Female PILL ever offered to Ladies, especially recommended to married Ladies. Ask for DR. MOTT'S PENNYROYAL PILLS and take no other. Sent for circular. Price \$2.00 per box, 6 boxes for \$10.00. DR. MOTT'S CHEMICAL CO., Cleveland, Ohio.

For sale by J. G. Haring, Druggist.

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I will give a 3 mo. subscription free to the Texas Farm & Ranch, The Christian Advocate or Christian Courier and The Baptist Herald with every bottle of Chestnam's Chill Tonic bought from me B. F. Chamberlain.

LOCAL NEWS.

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs.

Mr. James Best of Dodson, gave the COURIER a call Saturday.

A nice line of ladies' saddles. Cheap. J. T. Dawes.

Dr. B. Lynn of Weldon will leave soon to attend medical lectures at Louisville.

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

The saloon firm of Brannen & Harkins has dissolved, Mr. Brannen purchasing the interest of his partner.

Mose Bromberg is home again after a trip to Monteray, Mexico, where he went with a large excursion from Texas.

C. W. Ellis, the grocer, is now fully supplied for the Christmas trade with all kinds of fancy groceries, fruits, nuts, cranberries, etc.

Nine negro crap shooters were arrested at a "gander pulling" five miles south of town a few days ago and will answer to Justice Pritchard for the offence.

W. H. Kennedy and daughter, O. Brady and son, John Harkins, T. F. John, Sam John and A. J. McLeMore were all in Crockett during the week.

There will be cheap excursion rates to the City of Mexico on the 24th of this month from San Antonio. Quite a number of our citizens are talking of going.

Miss Lenora Faubion came up this week from the normal school at Huntsville to visit her brother, Glenn, who lost his eye by an accident some time ago and has been confined to his bed since.

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

The young ladies of the Presbyterian church will give a Mystery Tea and doll sale at the residence of Mrs. Fannie Long, Monday Dec. 21st. Admission 25 cents. There will be an evening of pleasure for all.

Frank Bodenbamer keeps the choicest fruits, nuts, fresh grapes, and all kinds of confectioneries. He also keeps the leading brands of cigars, cigarettes and chewing tobacco. Stand in Mangum's feed store. Call on him.

At the meeting of the city council Monday night, C. W. Ellis was elected city recorder, and E. L. Simpson night watchman. An ordinance was passed prohibiting the erection of "flying jinnies" within the city limits.

At the popular grocery house of C. W. Ellis is a full assortment of all kinds of goods necessary for "Christmas fixings." Staple and fancy groceries in large supplies and ladies on the look out for something good, for Christmas should not fail to call.

**CASH! CASH!!
CASH!!!**

Just received at the CASH STORE 2 CARS TEXAS RED RUST PROOF OATS, 2 CARS SACKED CORN, 2 CARS Hay Forney and alfalfa, 1 CAR RICH WHEAT BRAN, 1 CAR BOLTED MEAL, 2 cars salt one coarse and one fine, 200 lb. COARSE AT 85c 200 lb FINE AT 90c. Will keep on hand cotton seed meal. You will find the CASH STORE headquarters for all kinds of feed.
R. M. ATKINSON.

Dawes' harness is the best. George Waller and A. D. Lipscomb both have had very sick children.

Bring your jug around to the Puck Horn Saloon and let Jap fill it for you before Christmas.

The shooting gallery was closed last week by a distress warrant issued for the rent of the building.

If you want a good egg nog Christmas, Jap keeps the celebrated Belmont and Bell of the Woods brands.

Miss Grace Smith and her pupils will give a musicale at the public school building Friday night to which the public is invited.

Jap Brannen has bought out J. B. Harkins' interest in the Buck Horn Saloon formerly run by them. He asks to be remembered by his friends when in need of something in his line.

Those who are due city taxes are hereby notified that unless such are paid by January 1st, 1897 I shall proceed to take the legal steps necessary in such cases.
J. C. LACY
City Marshall.

Last Saturday at his home in Sheridan, Capt. R. S. Pridgen a venerable and highly esteemed citizen of this county died after a lingering illness. He was about 74 years old and was a veteran of both the Mexican and civil wars.

Last Monday a team of mules attached to a wagon in which Mr. Joe Armstrong, his wife and daughter were coming to town from Coltharp, ran away. Mr. Armstrong and his wife were thrown out but not seriously hurt, and the young lady with great presence of mind, crept out on the tongue of the wagon, got hold of the reins and checked the mules while her mother was lying helpless on the double tree.

Mr. T. J. Cook of Grapeland gave the COURIER office a call last Saturday.

Mr. T. J. Crofford of Creek was in the city last Saturday and gave the COURIER office a call.

Breech and muzzle loading shot guns, winchesters and pistols and ammunition at McConnell's.

Messrs C. B. and E. J. Sullivan of Tesla were pleasant callers at this office since our last issue.

The city council has passed an ordinance forbidding the digging of any graves south of the south line of the old cemetery.

We understand that Arledge, Kennedy & Co., have dissolved, H. J. Arledge retiring and Arledge & Kennedy continuing the business.

Ike Daniel and John Harkins left Wednesday for Coltharp to take part in the game hunt Thursday and Friday and be present at the game supper Friday night.

The Commissioners' Court should put a cistern in the court house yard. The officials and all the courts when in session need such a convenience and the court should put in one by all means.

Cards are out announcing the marriage on the 24th, instant of Thomas Self, Esq., of Crockett, to Miss Beulah Marshall of White-wright, Texas. The bride and groom will come to Crockett after a short trip to Houston.

Last Saturday morning Deputy Sheriff Hail went hunting with Dick Monk, and shortly after daylight he killed a magnificent deer, a buck with splendid antlers, said to be the finest specimen of big game knocked over this season in Houston county. The deer was killed near Monk's mill.

Mrs. Byrdie Odell of Cleburne is on a visit to relatives in Crockett.

Buy the best barbed wire on earth, the "Waukegan" at McConnell's.

Low prices in doors and windows at McConnell's Hardware Store.

Get your hand made saddles, that are guaranteed to stand the wear from J. T. Dawes.

Joe Grounds and E. L. Ashmore of Belot were callers at the COURIER office since our last issue.

We hear that Brimberry and McIver, confined in the Shelby county jail under sentence, pending appeal, for burglary, have cut out and escaped. Both are indicted in this county for horse stealing. We are informed that McIver returned and gave himself up.

Rev. Mr. Mathis in his farewell sermon on Sunday last, talked some straight plain talk to his members. He said there was a membership of 250 in the church and of this number there were a hundred on the books of the church who never attended or contributed a dollar to the church for any purpose.

When selecting a Christmas present, get something useful as well as ornamental. Aldrich & Newton have a beautiful assortment of Christmas goods. If you wait till Christmas eve these goods will all be gone as they are being sold very fast, so be wise and call early before you are too late. Our line of ladies dressing tables, French plate mirrors, hat racks, upholstered chairs and numerous other holiday goods, is the prettiest we have ever had. Everything at the very lowest prices.
ALDRICH & NEWTON.

The wife of Mr. D. Robinson, a prominent lumberman of Hartwick N. Y., was sick with rheumatism for five months. In speaking of it, Mr. Robinson says: Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the only thing that gave her any rest from pain. For the relief of pain it cannot be beat." Many very bad cases of rheumatism have been cured by it. For sale at 50 cents per bottle by B. F. Chamberlain.

When most needed it is not usual for your family physician to be away from home. Such was the experience of Mr. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the Caddo, Ind. Ter., Banner, when his little girl, two years of age was threatened with a severe attack of croup. He says: "My wife insisted that I go for the doctor but as our family physician was out of town I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which relieved her immediately. I will not be without it in the future." 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

Last Monday afternoon Drs. Beasley and Hall amputated the right leg of Pleas Monroe, colored, about half way between the knee and the hip. He was shot in the leg last fall by Julia Peterson, colored, and has been in a bad way ever since. He showed surprising vitality after the operation and at this writing is doing very well.

The champion fox chase was successfully "pulled off" last Thursday night by Dr. Beasley, Ike Daniel and a number of others who turned the doctor's captive fox loose and set thirty one eager dogs on his trail. They treed him in twenty minutes but before the hunters came up they started after another and this talented animal led them a memorable chase of fifteen miles before they got him. Fox No. 1 made good his escape.

**Wait For Our
Big Christmas Clearing Sale Ad.
We have prices that can't be touched.
McLean & Wilson.**

In the death of Colonel John B. Fellows the country loses one of its most brilliant orators. With the exception of Bourke Cochran he was without a peer in this country as a forensic speaker.

We predict war between Spain and the United States within a year. We are not of that "corn-stalk and lightning-bug class" that thought as some did in the early sixties that the scrap will be over in a few days.

D. A. NUNN JR., retires in a few days from the office of district attorney of this district. In going out he leaves a record for duty honorably and faithfully done that any one should be proud of. The office has never been filled by any one with more ability or a more scrupulous regard to the exacting requirements of the same than has been done by him. His retirement, voluntary on his part, is deplored by a large circle of friends interested in his future and will be regretted by a large clientele of patriotic citizens who feel a profound concern in seeing the good name of the commonwealth protected and vindicated.

Trinity Chapel.

ED. COURIER:

Your request received last week. I am very busy but will try to comply occasionally. The ordinary events of a quiet farm community like this do not furnish topics of much interest or of such nature that one could elaborate on. We are all at work preparing for another crop, and this fact under the present depressing circumstances illustrates the perseverance and indomitable pluck of the majority of our farming population. We grumble and growl at the low price of our products and scarcity of money, very often it is true, but we never give up, and though our corn cribs are empty and our hogs are all starving, yet we make ready to dig deeper and harder and, Micawber-like, trust to some circumstances that may turn up in the future to better our condition, though unlike the impecunious gentleman quoted, we do not fail to work while we are trusting.

We claim to have a good neighborhood in all respects. Good land, good people and good politics. You may dissent from the latter part of that assertion, but that is a matter of opinion and opinions vary widely the world over. Politically we have patiently accepted the present conditions but holding ourselves in readiness to change them as we think for the better—wherever opportunity offers.

There are in this neighborhood some of the finest lands in the county. C. H. Beasley farms about two hundred acres of land, partly river-prairie and partly sandy. He has 50 acres broken now. He uses no turning plows but double breaks with a disk which takes a team of six good mules to pull. Then works altogether with cultivators with no plow on them wider than three or four inches. J. H. Beasley works more land, but upland and is a model farmer. Frank Meriwether has one of the best upland farms in the county. The Beasleys have been raising corn and peas principally for the last few years and fattening and shipping hogs, but this year has been a deadner on that line of business. T. S. Kent has a fine farm of both upland and creek bottom, and though it is not all yet in a condition for cultivation by improved tools, yet I believe he makes as much or more to the hand than his

neighbors who use those means. W. D. Taylor has about 150 or more acres in cultivation of very fair uplands. Most of our neighbors are men who are able to pay as they go, though just now even the best of them have to go pretty slow.

We have both Methodist and Baptist services once each month. Prayer meeting every Saturday night and regular Sabbath School. Our literary school is small in numbers but in good condition, Miss Alice Hill of Crockett is teaching.

We have on Elkhart Creek and extending back for more than a mile each side, some three or four thousand acres of splendid unimproved lands that can be bought cheap and we want good people to come and settle on it.

Mr. W. B. Smith was married last Sunday to Mrs. S. J. Beasley, widow of the late Chas. Beasley, at her residence, with only relatives and a few friends present. This neighborhood wishes them happiness and prosperity.

"KEYNARD."

Center Hill.

ED. COURIER:

Mr. George Perry is putting up a new house.

Mr. Brock is building and cleaning more land.

The health of the country is not very good. Mrs. Wills and Mrs. Eva Snell are both very sick. Our school has been stopped for two weeks on the account of the teacher being sick, but he is up and able to be at school again. Mr. Marshall Miles is teaching our school this fall. We have a very good school, we have about 63 scholars enrolled. The children seem to be progressing very well.

Mr. McDaniel is preparing his land for the next crop. His head is level on that and if everybody would do that I predict we would have better crops and they would not be as hard to work. The land ought to be ploughed well before planting, then the crop is half made.

Mr. D. J. F. Snell has been very ill for several days.

Mr. Green Hart has been sick for some time, but is up again.

Cotton is all out except a little scattering cotton. The potato crop was short.

Success to the COURIER and wishing the editor a happy Christmas.

PHILANTHROPIST.

Now is the Time To Buy Meal & Hulls!

For the next 20 days we will sell hulls at \$3.50 per ton or \$1.75 per thousand. We make this offer because we expect to shut the mill down soon on account of the scarcity of seed, and all who want the meal and hulls had better get them at once.

Houston Co. Oil Mill, By J. W. Hail, Sec'y.

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R. C. Stokes On or about December the first will have a complete line of **Up to Date Watches, Jewelry, Novelties, Clocks,** together with the best, prettiest, latest and most complete silver ware that has ever been in Crockett.

We Buy and Sell for cash; No Other way.
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Complicated watch repairing a specialty. Adjusted from 2, 4 to 6 positions.
Our Motto: Reliable Goods, Fair Dealing and Bottom Prices.

Selling Out At Cost.

Owing to a change that will occur in our business within the next 60 days, we will from now until our entire stock is disposed of, sell at actual cost.

Now is your opportunity to put in a supply of winter goods at half the price that you would have to pay regular elsewhere.

Do not forget that our stock is complete and it consists of dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, hats, trunks, mattings, window shades, lace curtains and everything else carried in a first class Dry Goods Store.

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J. E. Downes is selling some wonderful bargains in all wool clothing. Mens' suits for \$3.25. Boys suits from 75c. up to \$4.00, all WOOL goods.

Boys and young men, remember: he keeps the "Manhattan" shirts and the genuine "Cluet" collars, no imitations.

Downes says he is determined to give some of the best bargains in the next 30 days ever offered in Crockett or any where else in Houston county.

Remember we have all of the latest styles in hats, the genuine "Laufer" hat, one of the best makes in the world, and the most nobby shapes. Be sure and call for bargains.

Respectfully, J. E. DOWNES.

To Men and Boys Who Wish to Dress Well this Fall,

I have the most complete line of samples in the town. They are in patterns one yard and a quarter square, thus enabling the buyer to judge of the effect of a piece of goods, which is impossible when selecting from the small card and book samples. These pattern samples are not to be found elsewhere in Crockett.

Please get my prices before placing orders.

Very Resp't. J. F. DOWNES.

A 50 cent Iron Tonic. Pure Soluble Iron concentrate and pure Amorphous Quinine is contained in Chesham's Tasteless Chill Tonic, making it the most desirable Iron Tonic on the market. It is a true tonic, strengthener, appetizer, toner up of the system, and blood-purifier. Only 50 cents.

To the People of Houston and Adjoining Counties:

When you need anything in the way of corn, oats, bran, corn chops, wheat, rye, barley or anything in the feed and grain line it will pay you to see me before you buy. I carry a large stock and am prepared to meet all legitimate competition. My motto is spot cash and honest weight and measure. Store under Opera House Crockett, Tex.

Respectfully, JNO. MANGUM.

To the Lovers of Fine Flour:

I have the agency of three of the best flouring mills in the South West and solicit your trade. My leading brands are, White Swan, Bell of Mexico and Peerless.

There is nothing better made of wheat than the above and to purchasers, I guarantee the fullest satisfaction or will cheerfully refund money. Respectfully, JNO. MANGUM.

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