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Rapidly Going.

Since our first notice to close all goods in store at cost until Feb. 1st, as all who have been in our store know that we have certainly sold lots of them, and we feel that after such a successful year's business that it is only our duty to extend to the people this liberality.

Remember This.

We believe at least for the next nine months expenditure that the dollars will be but few and far between; therefore, we shall exert ourselves to give better value than ever before.

Our Mr. J. A. McConnell will spend at least one month in the market, getting as near as possible double value for the Almighty Dollar and we shall mete them out to the people accordingly.

Again Remember,

That when you can get better value for the same money than we can give, that you will either have to get them from some one who stole them or who bought them on time and dont expect to pay for them. We have only a limited quantity of mens and boys clothing left, and when you remember that the cold weather is hardly upon us. It will pay you to call and see if we can fit you.

Heavy medicated red twill flannel usual price 25c our price, per yard, **15c.**

Ordinary heavy red twill flannel usual price 15c; our price per yard, **10c.**

Heavy blue mixed flannel known as Irish freize, usual price, 15c; our price per yard, **10c.**

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DELAYS — ARE — DANGEROUS.

Respectfully,

W. H. V. M. McConnell.

LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

The largest proportion of the hundreds of bills introduced in the legislature has been promptly and properly put to death in the committee rooms, and there is still abundant material left in the shape of meritorious measures, to engage the attention of the best intelligence of the legislature. Thus far no bill of general importance has become a law. A comprehensive bill making radical changes in the present assignment law has been introduced and a number of fee bills have also been introduced; also a bill to provide for a uniform series of text books. This bill provides that sixty days before the opening of the schools in a county, the examiners shall advertise for bids on books and they shall select the school books to be used in that county, and no others shall be used and no change shall be made till after five years.

The Austin correspondent of the Galveston News, under date of last Sunday, says: "Most of the work of the legislature this week will be done in the committee rooms. All of those measures which are expected to arouse more than the usual interest are in a formative state. The Reubell bill, prohibiting base-ball on Sunday, may be the only important measure that will be considered on the floor of either house for several days. Though finally passed, the

bill is still within reach of the house, for a motion to reconsider is pending and will be taken up by agreement Tuesday morning. Just what the outcome will be is not absolutely certain, though it is understood that a compromise on the basis of the Evans amendment has been verbally agreed to. This amendment modifies the bill so as to inhibit baseball and football only within half a mile of a church. If such a compromise should not be made, indications are that the opponents of the measure will resort to the advantages of parliamentary law to prevent the bill from going beyond control of the house. A stubborn filibustering campaign may be begun, which, if it should not be wholly successful, will certainly deadlock the house for a time.

"Meantime the committees of both houses will be formulating bills which are to absorb the attention of the people while they are under consideration. These are a fee bill, an assignment law and a fellow servants bill. The senate judiciary committee will take up the fellow servant bill Tuesday and give public hearing to all who wish to be heard. Lack of knowledge of how many will apply for a hearing precludes any prediction as to when the bill will be reported. It is confidently asserted by friends of the administration that a bill like the one recommended by the

governor will be passed.

"There is such a diversity of opinion regarding what amendments should be made to the assignment law that no one seems to care to hazard a guess as to what the legislature will do on the subject. That no very radical changes will be made seems to be generally admitted. The predominant opinion is that preferences will be permitted, but that strict provisions will be made to require proof of the legitimacy of preferred claims.

What kind of fee bill will be passed no one knows, for the diversity of desire on the subject is expressed in dozens of measures of varying degrees of reform. It is not believed, however, that anything radical will prevail."

The following important resolution was introduced in the house last Monday:

"Resolved by the house of representatives, the senate concurring, that Governor C. A. Culberson be and is hereby empowered to call a legislative convention of the cotton growing states to meet at Galveston on the 2d day of August, 1897, for the purpose of devising and recommending concurrent legislation in the cotton growing states to the end that this important industry may be relieved from the speculative and gambling influences that oppress it, and that unlawful interference with the cotton trade be

suppressed; be it further

"Resolved, that the governor of Texas appoint from each congressional district of Texas, a representative to said convention, who is versed in the industrial conditions of our state, and two from the state at large, and that his excellency forward copies of this resolution to the respective governors of cotton growing states, with the request that such governors appoint delegates from the congressional districts of their states to said convention.

In the house on Tuesday, the anti Sunday ball bill was defeated.

Sure Enough Winter.

The most ferocious weather of the winter reached Crockett last Sunday evening in the shape of a bitter norther, and it was soon evident that the change was something more serious than a passing mood of the climate that would permit our genial Texas sun to reassert itself after a brief period of hiding behind a sullen sky. It was fierce winter all Monday, and that night the snow came—not a warm and melting one, but cold and hard that gave out a crunching sound under the feet, as it does in northern latitudes where it holds the country in merciless, freezing embrace for many weeks in succession. It wasn't a deep snow, but it was deep enough for all our desires and purposes in this section, and gave an arctic aspect to the

scenes herabout that made the transplanted northerner rub his eyes and wonder if this were really the Sunny South. For business purposes Crockett might as well have been closed up all Tuesday. Country people hugged the fire at home and town people did the same, for the most part. Sleighting was out of the question with but little more than an inch of snow, but the boys had worlds of fun on the square, elsewhere referred to in this issue. The sun was out in unclouded splendor all Wednesday, but the envelope of icy atmosphere around the earth robbed its rays of all warmth. Fortunately no fires have broken out to show us here in Crockett how helpless we are in such an emergency, and we have heard of no serious cases of destitution. Stock have undoubtedly suffered greatly and it is harrowing to think of these dumb, helpless slaves of man exposed to the rigors of such weather, and in some instances starving while they freeze. All over Texas the cold has been very severe, and throughout the north-west the weather has been colder than for twenty years past. Down this way we like a little of this sort of climate, just a little, with long intervals between visits.

"The old time will be no more" is a phrase that has been heard in many a home since you first saw the light of day. It is a phrase that has been heard in many a home since you first saw the light of day. It is a phrase that has been heard in many a home since you first saw the light of day.

Houston County

ITS ADVANTAGES

And Attractions for the man of Capital AND THE HOME SEEKER.

A Statement of Facts.

HOUSTON COUNTY is situated in Eastern Texas, in latitude 31 1/2 degrees north; longitude 95 1/2 degrees west; 100 miles north of Houston and 140 north of Galveston. The county is bounded on the east by the Neches and on the west by the Trinity river. The county is one of the oldest and largest in the state, embracing an area of 630,000 acres of land.

The population is 25,000. Of this number 17,000 are white and 8,000 colored; foreign born less than 1000.

RAILROADS.

The Great Northern branch of the International & Great Northern runs north and south through the center of the county; the Trinity & Sabine east and west near the south boundary line; the Tyler Southwestern (Cotton Belt) near the eastern boundary and the Trinity, Cameron & Western is now building through the southwestern part. Two other roads are chartered through the county, and are being partly constructed. The county is well supplied with transportation facilities and will be unsurpassed by any in the state when the new roads are built, as they will be before a great while.

SCHOOLS.

Houston County has the best system of public free schools in the state of Texas. The city free schools of Crockett run nine months and the county free school six months a year. The county has a school fund of \$70,000 in her own right, which draws an annual income of \$5,000. This, together with \$25,000 furnished by the state makes an available school fund for the county of \$30,000 a year. School houses are commodious and fitted with patent, first-class school furnishings.

CHURCHES.

All churches are represented and the different denominations have facilities equal, if not superior, to those enjoyed in the older states.

Debt and tax rates are very small. The bonded debt of the county is being rapidly liquidated and the total state and county tax is only 67 1/2 cents on the \$100 valuation.

CLIMATE AND WATER.

The climate of this section is very mild and healthful. The temperature rarely goes above 90 degrees or below 25 degrees ABOVE ZERO.

The county is plentifully supplied with water for all purposes. An abundance of good water can be secured in any part of the county. At short distances there are never-failing streams of pure water which furnish power sufficient for all manufacturing purposes. No county in the state can boast of as many such streams.

LAND IN CULTIVATION.

Of the land in the county, about 100,000 acres are in cultivation, and the balance, 530,000 acres is virgin prairie and forest.

SOILS.

We have the greatest variety of soils, adapted to the cultivation of all farm products grown in the temperate zones. There are the black waxy, the black loam, the stiff black sandy, the gray sandy, the red, chocolate, alluvial and scores of others kinds. Nineteenth of the area of the county was originally timbered. Nearly one-tenth of it is prairie land of the best quality, and is easily cultivated with all the improved implements.

TIMBER.

The timber in Houston County is of all kinds and in almost unlimited supplies. There are magnificent forests of long-leaf and short-leaf pine, red oak, white oak, post oak, live oak, cypress, ash, walnut and gum. There are also in the county holly, box, maple, sweet gum, cherry and magnolia. As an evidence of the fine timber, we refer to the fact that at the "Spring Branch" near North Houston there is a large tract of virgin timber.

other using hard wood, would do well here. Pine lumber can be had at \$6 to \$8 per 1000 feet.

ORES AND CLAY.

We have in almost exhaustible supplies, rich iron ore of the brown hematite and laminated varieties, besides other kinds. There are undeveloped coal beds in different sections. Building stone in abundance. Clays for making brick, tiling, pottery, etc. Also there are beds of green marl, which have never been developed.

STOCK.

This county is especially adapted to the raising of fine stock. Jersey cattle, blooded horses and hogs are numerous and all do well.

FRUIT.

The soil of Houston County is unsurpassed in its adaptability to fruit culture. Apples, peaches, pears, figs, plums, apricots and grapes yield enormous crops. In this business there is a chance for fortunes to be made, as early fruit and berries can be matured and shipped to the northern markets before competition from other sections affects the market price. Strawberries, blackberries, dewberries and others are grown without trouble.

STAPLE PRODUCTS.

The yield of cotton in this county averages one-half a bale per acre; corn 20 to 30 bushels; sweet potatoes and Irish potatoes 200 to 400 bushels and ribbon cane produces from 250 to 400 gallons of the very best syrup. Melons of all kinds, peas, beans, pumpkins, tomatoes, squashes, onions, beets, radishes, cabbage and all other garden vegetables grow in the greatest abundance.

A CHANGE.

One branch of industry has been nearly overlooked here. We refer to the production of tobacco. The soil in portions of the county is particularly adapted to tobacco culture and there are thousands of acres that will produce the very best quality of tobacco grown. The people are not familiar with the business; but there are fortunes here awaiting the men who bring knowledge of tobacco raising and curing to Houston County. Thirty years ago tobacco was one of the money crops of this section. The people have lost sight of it for the cotton crop. This year many farmers are ordering the different varieties of tobacco seed, including the "Connecticut Leaf," "White Earley" and other kinds of plug leaf. We have recently tried the Genuine Havana tobacco and find that, where the farmer has the proper knowledge of curing same, the yield is from \$200 to \$400 per acre, our Havana tobacco bringing 40 to 50 cents per pound in the New York market. New York buyers all agree that it is impossible to grow such tobacco in Texas, and will only believe that we grow it upon affidavits of the best men in the state. Money, land and assistance will be furnished expert tobacco growers and warehousemen. We only need a good class of men, who understand this industry, to quadruple the value of all tobacco lands in the county. These are all facts, can be proven and are deserving of attention.

In 1894 Houston County produced 30,000 bales of cotton, 900,000 bushels of corn, more first-class ribbon-cane syrup than could be used at home, and enough meat for home use. Besides these crops, oats, sorghum, peas, hay and peanuts enough to fatten all stock on hand through the winter. The oak forests produce mast in abundance to keep hogs in good condition the year round. There are thriving hamlets all through the county, located in pleasant neighborhoods and possessing stores, schools and churches. Among these are Argus, Weches, Tadmor, Raleigh, Colburn, Daily, Foster Springs, Creek, Weldon, Holly, Pennington, Beckett and Daniel. Besides these there are over thirty other fine hamlets scattered all through the county.

The town of Lovelady is about 12 miles to the north on the I. & G. N. R. R. It, too, has recently incorporated for school purposes and levied a tax which with the funds from the state and county, enables it to maintain a most excellent High School, free for about 9 months in the year. The society is excellent and church privileges unsurpassed. It has a score or more of business houses and a population distinguished for its enterprising spirit and refined social advantages.

GRAPELAND.

Grapeland is another town about 12 miles to the north on the I. & G. N. R. R. It, too, has recently incorporated for school purposes and by a local tax and such other help as it receives from the state and county funds, supports a splendid High School, free for about 9 months in the year. The town is noted for its business enterprise and public spirit and no better society can be found anywhere. The people are wide-awake and extend the home-keeper a hospitable welcome.

neighborhoods, usually having schools and churches.

Houston County has never suffered the evils of a boom and only desires a steady advance in population and prosperity. To those seeking pleasant homes and safe investments in a fine climate and country, we extend a hearty invitation to examine the resources and advantages of HOUSTON COUNTY, Texas.

canning and fruit-preserving factory, a furniture factory, and many other enterprises that can secure raw material without the expense of a long haul.

All letters of inquiry will be promptly answered and information will be given.

CROCKETT.

Crockett, the county seat, is located near the center of the county on the I. & G. N. R. R., the great artery of commerce between Galveston and St. Louis. It has a population of 3500 to 4000. Society is excellent. A splendid system of graded public schools is maintained by tax for nine months in the year. Nearly all christian denominations have church organizations and churches. There are fifty or more business houses of different kinds. The town is lighted by a system of electric lights. There is a cotton seed oil-mill with a capacity for crushing six to eight thousand tons of seed. An ice factory, laundry and other accessories of a live town have recently been put in. The town with a fair season will ship twenty thousand bales of cotton the season of 1897. The fruit industry is being developed on a large and lucrative scale and no town in Texas is supplied with greater and better adapted resources for raising and handling fruit and berries of all kinds. There is not a town in East Texas with as bright a future as Crockett, nor one that offers greater inducements to the man seeking a home for his family, in the way of superior educational advantages, refined society, excellent church privileges and all other influences that contribute to the full development of genuine manhood and womanhood.

The town has two weekly papers, the COURIER and ENTERPRISE.

Facilities for traveling are unsurpassed. The I. & G. N. railroad passes through the corporate limits of the city and furnishes a double daily passenger service both ways. South of the town a comparatively short distance, the T. & S. R. R. runs east and west, while on the northern and eastern borders the Gulf Short Line R. R. and the Houston East & West Texas R. R. run. A movement is on foot with every indication of being put through at once, to establish a large saw mill and planing plant with a tram road extending twenty to thirty miles to the eastern border of the county.

LOVELADY.

The town of Lovelady is about 12 miles to the south of Crockett and is situated immediately on the I. & G. N. R. R. The town has recently incorporated for school purposes and levied a tax which with the funds from the state and county, enables it to maintain a most excellent High School, free for about 9 months in the year. The society is excellent and church privileges unsurpassed. It has a score or more of business houses and a population distinguished for its enterprising spirit and refined social advantages.

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NATURAL HISTORY

Spiders Eyesight

How far away can a spider see a fly? After several years of ingenious experimenting Mr. and Mrs. Peckham, the naturalists, have concluded that the greatest average distance at which spiders are able to see objects distinctly is about one foot.

Esquimaux Dogs

Esquimaux dogs are a curious race. In appearance they are not unlike collies, but they carry their tails curled over their backs, and their bodies are more thick-set than that of the collie.

The "Fighting Fish"

The "Fighting Fish" is a small fresh water fish, a native of the southeast of Asia, and particularly of Siam. It is gregarious in the extreme, and the Siamese keep it for fighting purposes in the same manner as the Malays keep the game-cock.

CUT RATES FOR KNIGHTS

New Plans Evolved to Rehabilitate the Declining Order. The Knights of Labor have been in a bad way for some time for lack of a plan to increase their membership.

Feeds in Gull Feeders

Gull shooting is a popular sport at Buzzards Bay, just at present. The gulls are shot for their feathers, which bring 30 cents a pound.

How of the Delaware

The tide in the Delaware river rises and falls about five feet each twelve hours.

JEWELS MATCH THE EYES.

The Latest Fad of Fashionable Women of European Society.

The very latest fad among the rich women on the other side of the Atlantic is to select their jewels so that they will match the color of their eyes.

Hazel eyes are hard to match, but with these goes the somewhat distinguished and not highly esteemed topaz. Gray fares a little better, for with them should be worn the ruby, or even the carbuncle.

HOW CLIMATES AFFECT US.

Difference in Degrees of Heat and Cold Said to Change Characters.

The civil war is said to have been caused by a difference in climate, and the question is now being discussed whether a hot or cold climate has the greatest effect on national character.

Facts About Pumice Stone

Pumice, as is well known, is of volcanic origin, being a trachytic lava which has been rendered light by the escape of gasses when in a molten state.

Her Word of Praise

"Miss Cayenne complimented you very highly after you told that story at the dinner table," remarked one young man.

Genuine Humor

Wiggles: "What is the funniest thing you know of?" Wiggles: "The New England idea of calling servants 'help.'"—Somerville Journal.

ALL OVER THE COAST.

NEWSY ITEMS FROM VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE STATE.

General Summary of Crops Produced—Immigration and Improvement Notes of Our Sister Cities—Pickups That are of General Interest.

Yoakum is to have a new passenger depot.

Scarlet fever has been prevalent in Marfa.

San Marcos has a poultry show on hand.

A cigar factory and a new gin are in prospect for League City.

A car of bulls was shipped Monday morning from Aloe to Kansas City.

Green peas are on the market at Corpus Christi.

Constable Eugene Roberts was shot in the arm by unknown parties at Llano.

At Victoria the 5-year old daughter of S. M. Bailey had her leg broken by a fall.

The contractors at Aransas Pass recently received 7000 pounds of dynamite for blasting purposes and are now rushing the work.

More than 3000 pounds of salt water fish was shipped to interior points from Orange last week.

Strawberries are getting plentiful at Angleton and are being readily sold at 25 cents per box.

Another carload of immigrant outfit arrived at Victoria last week. Some nice stock was in it.

Several applications for notarial appointment have gone to Senator Greer from Orange county.

The Ladies' Cemetery association of Orange planted 400 wild peach trees in Greenwood cemetery.

Eighteen inches is reported as the average increase in the depth of water across Aransas bar.

A new commissary will soon be erected at Aransas Pass for the accommodation of the workmen.

This correspondent is informed that a large cannery factory will soon be erected at Aransas Pass.

Lee McAdams, 14 years old, was accidentally shot and killed by Pat Allen, a boy companion, near Faulkner.

Nearly a hundred complaints alleging violations of the local option laws were recently filed in Grayson county.

Port Arthur now has a Western Union telegraph office and telephone connection with Beaumont and Sabine Pass.

Bob White, the Sherman man who tried to eat thirty quail in thirty days, gave up the attempt after eating four birds.

The railroad company is having its tracks fenced in Victoria county, which will save many cattle from being killed.

Jeese Hill of Greenville fell from the stable steps while feeding his horse Thursday night and broke his left arm and one finger.

La grippe has been epidemic for several weeks. While there have been hundreds of cases, so far few have resulted fatally.

The grand jury is still in session at Georgetown and has returned 100 bills of indictment to date, twenty-five of which are for felonies.

Mayor Holland of Dallas spent Saturday afternoon in Austin. He is interested in some game law legislation and was conferring with the solons.

The attorney general has approved \$12,000 of bonds issued by the city of Texarkana for the purpose of constructing a system of sewerage for that city.

Visitors to Port Arthur from the North this week were given a treat in the shape of strawberries. They could hardly realize that the berries were grown in midwinter.

Superintendent M. J. Fitzgerald of the Denison water works caught his ax on a limb in such a manner that the edge struck him on the left shin, cutting a painful gash to the bone.

The experimental farm at Port Arthur is being rapidly developed by Mr. Fred Hamman. One hundred acres are being put into cultivation, and by next summer he will be able to see the fruits of his toil.

Mr. Dave Wampler of Weatherford was found dead Saturday afternoon on the Texas and Pacific railway. His death is a mystery. He had told his family that he intended going to Dallas on the evening train. He had no railroad ticket or money on his person when found.

Burglars entered the store of S. Bergman of Moscow on the night of the 12th instant, but only secured 45 cents in money. They took an iron box from the safe which was full of land deeds and other papers of that sort and carried it out of town, but failed to open it, and left it where it was found next morning. No clue to the perpetrators.

The grand jury of Franklin has adjourned. They returned twenty felony and thirty-two misdemeanor indictments, which is considerably less than usually returned by grand juries in this county. The criminal docket will be taken up next Monday.

Nothing further has been heard from the schooner supposed to be a filibuster, seen a few days ago lying outside of Aransas Pass. There are all manner of rumors afloat, but nothing definite can be learned as to the destination of the strange craft.

An effort will be made to get a cul made at the mouth of Johnson's bayou in Orange county, to give an entrance six feet deep between Sabine lake and the bayou. Only about two feet of mud would have to be removed where the bar is less than 150 years wide.

Strawberries are ripening rapidly at Alvin. A fine class of the fruit is now being brought to market and has a ready sale. The express company, anticipating a heavy crop, is remodeling its office and warehouse and providing more floor space for consignments.

Frank Woods was killed last week in Boon's Bend, Brazoria county. Geo. Bailey claims that Woods was advancing on him with a knife. The weapon used was a shotgun. Bailey was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Davis and is now in jail. Both parties are negroes.

Last Tuesday morning 2000 pine logs came out of Old river into the Sabine here at Belgrade on the way to Orange. The most of the timber was rafted in cribs. It belongs to L. Wingate and others. It will get to Orange about next Monday. The river is still falling.

West Galveston has just commenced, but is great in expectations. A combination of manufacturers have selected this place as the location for their plants. Several of them have been upon the ground and their advance agent is there now. There will be about a dozen factories in all and they will have capacity in the aggregate to employ about 700 hands.

It is many years since prospects in all lines were better in Hidalgo county at this season than they are at present. The more intelligent of the Mexican population are rapidly realizing the fact that they must get out of the old ruts. The time is past when they could lay back in the shade and, with the aid of a few vaqueros, make a comfortable living.

The Brenham agricultural implement factory, which was leased by Hon. Heber Stone five months ago as an experiment in the manufacture of furniture, has proved so successful that he has leased the plant for five years, and is now putting in about \$2000 worth of new machinery and will double the force and output of the factory, which will be devoted exclusively to making furniture. It will be styled the Brenham Manufacturing company and will be managed by Mr. J. W. Maddox.

Port Arthur and the country surrounding it have been making great improvements during the past few weeks. About twenty-five miles of road have been graded so far, and work on a system of ditches has been commenced, so that superfluous water may be turned into the lake. The farming lands are being settled up, the immigrants representing a large number of nationalities. About 1000 acres have been secured for a Germany colony, and 3000 reserved for Hollanders.

Willis has the distinction of being the only wholesale leaf tobacco market in the state. Two carloads have recently been shipped through Galveston to leaf dealers of New York. Another large shipment is being prepared for the same market. Price obtained thus far for the 1896 crop, 42c per pound, and has proven the most remunerative crop ever grown in Montgomery county. The Fairview farm of fifty acres situated one-half mile from town, yielded products during the past year amounting in value to more than \$5000. Tobacco was the principal crop; strawberries, cabbage and potatoes occupying twelve acres.

There have been 600 chattel mortgages filed with the county clerk of Bell county since the 1st of January. This is at the rate of forty per day. If these mortgages mean an average credit of \$50 each—and no doubt they equal, if they do not go beyond this average—then it appears that the farmers have already borrowed at least \$30,000 on the crop.

Last night at Orange a stray bullet from a 44 struck a valuable horse belonging to Mike Grebbs in the shoulder that rendered the animal temporarily if not permanently valueless.

A man giving his name as Barton M. Main, and his residence as Sheldon, Ill., a phrenologist, palmist and hypnotist, went to Jamestown, N. Y., four weeks ago and engaged room and board at a high-class boarding house. Saturday he was married to Miss Mary Whitman, the handsome young sister of the landlady, but Sunday he was in the city jail, having been arrested on a charge of getting the girl under hypnotic influence and then marrying her. The bride says she has no recollection of the marriage or events which followed it, and can hardly believe that she was married, but the proof is absolute. The groom was arrested on complaint of the girl's parents, and she joins in the petition for release from the man whom she claims is very objectionable to her, but when in his presence she makes no complaint.

To Get Out of the Way

When trouble is coming, it is obviously the part of common sense. An obstruction of the bowels is a serious obstacle to health. To get this out of the way is an easy matter with the thorough laxative, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which, although it affords relief, never gripes and convulses like a drastic purgative. Dyspepsia, malarial, kidney and rheumatic ailments and nervousness yield to this genial family medicine.

Louis XIII, took to amateur barbering, and the courtiers had to suffer in consequence.

Great Britain has 30,000 miles of telegraph.

\$1.00 FOR 14 CENTS.

Millions now plant Salzer's seeds, but millions more should; hence offer. 1 pkg. Bismarck Cucumber15c 1 pkg. Round Globe Beet15c 1 pkg. Earliest Carrot10c 1 pkg. Kaiser Wilhelm Lettuce.....15c 1 pkg. Earliest Melon15c 1 pkg. Giant Yellow Onion15c 1 pkg. 14-Day Radish15c 2 pkgs. Brilliant Flower Seeds.....15c Now all of above 10 packages, including our mammoth plant and seed catalogue, are mailed you free upon receipt of only 14 cents' postage.

Man generally gets fame by his own hard work and often loses it through the mistakes of other people.

There is a vast amount of difference between popular clamor and public sentiment, when the latter is expressed.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup For children teething softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25 cents a bottle.

Napoleon III wrote a life of Caesar that ranks very high.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is our only medicine for coughs and colds.—Mrs. C. Beitz, 439 5th ave., Denver, Col., Nov. 5, '95

Advertisement for Piso's Cure for Consumption, including a testimonial and a small illustration of a person.

Advertisement for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, featuring the text 'VIL... FOREBODINGS' and a testimonial from a woman.

Advertisement for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, mentioning 'PISO'S CURE FOR CONSUMPTION'.

LOCAL NEWS

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DEALERS IN

Groceries & Hardware

Keep a good Fresh Stock and you will do well to call on them before buying, they are never under sold A good stock of Farming tools on hand.

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs.

Mr. B. E. Hail is home again after a trip to Leon county.

W. A. Champion has been absent several days on a trip west.

Mr. H. S. Dudley of Daniel, gave the COURIER a call on Wednesday.

Do you ever speak or write a good word for your town or county?

Dr. L. Meriwether of Grapeland, was in Crockett on Friday of last week.

J. C. Tipton, a prominent citizen of Percilla, was in to see us last Friday.

Dr. H. J. Cunyus, dentist, Crockett, Texas. Office over Arledge, Kennedy & Co's Grocer Store.

District court business is picking up. Several suits have been recently filed in District clerk Gossett's office.

County clerk Albright left for San Antonio on private business, Monday night, and returned the latter part of the week.

There will be a phonographic concert under the auspices of the Young Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church, at the courthouse, Thursday evening, Feb. 4.

Last Thursday evening at the residence of the bride's father, Andrew Spence, Miss Lena Spence and Mr. Wirt McElvey, both well known in this city, were united in marriage.

John I. Moore returned from Galveston a few days ago and says that Sol Bromberg and Dave Richardson, both formerly of Crockett, have formed a law partnership in that city.

Mr. S. Romansky of Greenville, Miss., one of the largest merchants in the famous Yazoo Delta, was in the city this week on a visit to his son, Mr. Joe Romansky, the well known Crockett merchant.

Not a few who read what Mr. Robert Rowls, of Holland, Va., has to say below, will remember their own experience under like circumstances: "Last winter I had la grippe which left me in low state of health, I tried numerous remedies, none of which did me any good, until I was induced to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The first bottle of it so far relieved me that I was enabled to attend to my work, and the second bottle effected a cure." For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by B. F. Chamberlain.

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.

B. M. ATKINSON.

Mr. Joe Long of this city is down with an attack of la grippe.

Mrs. Lela Hill, of Weimar, who has been visiting Miss Grace Smith here has returned to her home.

Mr. W. E. Hail, down with the grip is much improved, but his wife is seriously ill with the same complaint.

Miss Ollie Sims, who has been visiting at the home of Mrs. A. H. Wooters in this city, returned to her home at Huntsville, Thursday night.

Miss Bertha Mangum who recently recovered from an attack of the prevailing grip, is in bed with a relapse, but her case is not considered serious.

County Court meets next Monday. Commissioners' court meets on the Monday following and district court meets on the first Monday in March.

Misses Ida and Maude Cunyus, after a visit of two weeks at the home of their brother, Dr. Cunyus, in this city returned to Houston, Wednesday night.

Mrs. Della Eastham, of Huntsville, mother of Mrs. A. H. Wooters, and her son, Luther Eastham returned to Huntsville Tuesday after a brief visit here.

On Wednesday night of this week at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. T. Herod, near Grapeland, Miss Mollie Herod was united in marriage to Mr. Charles A. Storey of Crockett.

The man who is careless about fire at his store, office or residence such weather as this, may have a chance to wonder why he was so careless when he surveys the ruins and hot ashes of his property next morning.

City Marshall Lacy, Elisha Robinson and Gail King were all in Palestine this week as witnesses for the defense in the case of the State vs. Stern charged with the murder of Gregg Barbour during the Christmas holidays.

Houston Holly, a well known and unusually intelligent young colored man who has been a waiter at the Capitol Hotel here, has been appointed porter in the office of Secretary of State Madden, at Austin. The appointment is for two years. Houston is a good democrat and Mr. Madden has very properly recognized his party services in making the appointment.

For a pain in the chest a piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on over the seat of the pain, and another on the back between the shoulders, will afford prompt relief. This is especially valuable in cases where the pain is caused by a cold and there is a tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

Last Sunday at a negro church about a mile beyond Monk's mill, a general row broke out in front of the church while services were in progress, among a lot of negroes, and knives and clubs were freely used. Several arrests resulted in consequence, and Tom Bryan was fined by Justice Pritchard and Charley Colter gave bond for his appearance to day before the same parties.

Aldrich & Newton are offering some rare bargains in the furniture line. They are closing out their stock at greatly reduced prices to make room for another carload of new goods which are coming. Come quick and take advantage of the cut in prices. These bargains can't last long, they are too tempting to be overlooked. Special bargains in Bedsteads, Chairs and Kitchen Safes. Be sensible and save money when the opportunity presents itself.

There are several agents looking around the county with the view of purchasing land for colonies.

About all some people are worth to a town or a county is to stand up and be counted when the census enumerator comes around.

There are more mossbacks and drawbacks in Crockett than can be found in any other town of the same size in Texas.

The COURIER goes into the hands of every substantial citizen of Houston county. Advertisers should remember this.

If you want to help develop the county, come round and send the COURIER for a year to relatives and friends in other states.

The COURIER devotes nearly one whole page to an advertisement of Houston county's resources. It will be run for six months or more. Have you a friend or relative that you would like to have read of these resources? If so, come round and subscribe.

If you want your relatives or friends in other states to know about the resources and attractions of Houston county, come round and subscribe for the COURIER. It presents in succinct shape the inducements which the county offers to home seekers and investors.

Jim Hutchinson, the tough negro arrested by Sheriff Waller for stealing clothes in the suburbs of this city from some colored women, was held to bail in the sum of \$100 by Justice Pritchard to appear before the county court to be tried for theft. Hutchinson failed to give the bond and remains in jail.

As soon as the lawyers finish examination of titles to land, the Crockett Tram and Lumber Company will put their lands on the market. Everything indicates a quick sale, and then will come the construction of the tram road and the building of the saw mill.

Wednesday morning just after sunrise, the thermometer in rear of the drug store of French & Smith, registered 16 degrees above zero, the lowest we have heard of in town. Out at John Monk's the mercury dropped to 12 degrees above zero. This would be Italian weather for people in the latitude of Chicago.

Help advertise the advantages and attractions which Houston county offers to the man hunting a home. The way to help is to come round and send the COURIER to him.

Rev. Sid Williams, the evangelist, accompanied by his singer, Mr. Brown, will reach Crockett next Sunday and will hold services at the Baptist church that night. Revival services will be held every day and night during the week following and it is expected that the evangelist will arouse a strong religious feeling here.

Not one third of the subscribers to the COURIER at the Crockett postoffice have paid for their subscription, and yet when approached a year hence on the subject, will vow that they paid last year. Please recollect this and settle.

The papers in an important civil suit from Leon county, sent here by change of venue, have been received by District clerk Gossett. The style of the suit is John Holland vs L. C. Eastham et al., and the suit is for \$6000 damages, the plaintiff alleging that the defendants injured him seriously by assaulting and beating him in the town of Centerville, in January, 1895. Speaker Dachiell of the Texas legislature, is one of the lawyers for the plaintiff, and Hon. Tom Bail of Huntsville, congressman elect, is one of the lawyers for the defendants. The case will excite much interest when tried.

Judge A. A. Aldrich of this city was in Palestine last Saturday where he sat as special judge in the district court in a very important case.

Several leading citizens of Palestine applied for an injunction to restrain the city from issuing \$100,000 of city bonds for the construction of a water works system to be owned and operated by the city and which has been previously ordered by the city council.

Judge Aldrich sustained the demurrer of the plaintiffs which alleged that the city was bonded to its limit under its present charter and could therefore issue no more bonds. This decision of Judge Aldrich practically disposes of the case unless it shall be reversed on appeal. The city council gave notice of appeal.

Several large theater parties from Lovelady, came up during the past week and enjoyed the plays by the Schwarz troupe. Among those who came up we note the following: Misses Ella Murchison, Myrt Mainer, Blanche Rayburn, Anna Collins, Maggie Williams, Berta Worthington, Kate Adams, Leza Stephenson, Duff Rayburn, Blanche Adams, Mesdames W. B. Collins, Josh Monday, Howard Johnson, Will Rayburn, and Messrs F. M. Martin, Glover Worthington, Howard Johnson, Clyde Mainer, Euclid Kennedy, Walter Gant, Will Rayburn, Dr. W. B. Collins, Dr. S. J. Collins, Jim Worthington, J. H. Wakefield, John Evans, D. S. Williams, Frank Adams, Irving Atkinson, Harrold Monday, Bill Hart, Clarence Hart, Walter Skipper, Charley Monday and Herbert Speer.

The COURIER presents this week a write-up of the county and its resources. We have kept an advertisement of the county running for six months or more of each year the paper has been established. This is a simple gratuity on our part, and while it may not be appreciated by those who are benefited thereby, we do it nevertheless for the good of the county and the towns. The COURIER has worked for and talked up the development of the great resources of the county from its very first issue. Not an issue of this paper can be found that doesn't herald forth to the public the manifold and untold advantages of the county as a place for the homeseeker and investor. We expect to keep it up, and if there are any who wish to put in the hands of friends or relatives in other states and counties a description of the county's attractions, let them come round and subscribe and send it.

The ancient custom in Crockett of baptizing prominent and popular citizens in the snow, when the first snow-fall of the winter comes, was fully observed last Tuesday. The committee on baptism, headed by Ike Daniel and "Judge" Norris took charge of the ceremonies on the public square, and it was as good as a circus while it lasted. Many a citizen who valued his dignity was wallowed in the snow without mercy, and if he "showed fight" it was all the worse for him. The fine strategy by which the court-house was captured and its terrified official occupants ruthlessly dragged out and wallowed in the snow to make a glad mob's holiday, was worthy of a Napoleon. Want of space forbids details, but for graphic particulars we make bold to refer to Sheriff Waller, Joe Adams, John Sheridan, Bud Hale, Jim Langston and Allen Newton. It is said that Col. Dan McLean can give a remarkably vivid and almost tear compelling account of how he was inveigled to his doom in the snow tide, even while he was chuckling over his fancied security.

Change of Schedule

The long contemplated change of schedule on the L. & G. N. will go into effect on Sunday. There will be a double daily service both ways, a flyer each way. The flyer going south and north will pass Crockett about 7 p. m.

Aldrich & Newton have decided to furnish the use of their horse free of charge in the future. Their stock of Caskets, cloth, wood and metallic, and undertaking supplies, is the largest and most complete in East Texas. Charges very moderate.

What is a Guarantee?

It is this. If you have a Cough or Cold, or tickling in the Throat, which keeps you constantly coughing, or if you are afflicted with any Chest, Throat or Lung Trouble, Whooping Cough, etc. and you use Ballard's Horehound Syrup as directed, giving it a fair trial, and no benefit is experienced, we will authorize our advertised agent to refund your money on return of bottle. It never fails to give satisfaction. It promptly relieves bronchitis. Price 25 and 50c.—Sold by L. H. Haring & Co.

Free Pills.

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

A Sound Liver Makes a Well Man.

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 75c. Free trial bottle at L. H. Haring & Co.

The True Remedy.

W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ills., "Chief," says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Experience with many other, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for coughs, colds, whooping cough, etc." It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. King New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottle free at B. F. Chamberlain's.

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. Those who have been crippled for many years have used Ballard's Snow Liniment and thrown away their crutches and been able to walk as well as ever. It will cure you. Price 50c.—Sold by L. H. Haring & Co.

THE COURIER.

W. B. PAGE, Editor.
J. T. DIXON, Editor.

JOHN SHERMAN of Ohio, is to be secretary of state in McKinley's cabinet; Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island, will be secretary of the treasury.

The people of Texas are paying just as much tax now as they are able to stand. The proposition to tax them still more for the support of the state university is unutterably preposterous.

The battle-ship, Texas, of the U. S. navy, will be in Galveston on the 16th of February. The railroads will give reduced rates and this will draw great crowds from all over Texas there.

The state of Nevada ought to be deprived of her rights as a state and relegated to the standing of a territory. At the late election it cast about 8000 votes, not many more than Houston county and yet has a member in Congress and two senators in the U. S. Senate.

At one time the Farmers' Alliance in Kansas had a membership of 200,000; now it hasn't a thousand. So much for an organization which designing politicians captured and used. The history of the order in Kansas is true of it in Texas and elsewhere.

The proposition to pass a law to postpone the payment of taxes should not pass for several reasons, not the least potent of which is that the very class whom it is proposed to help by the passage of such a law, have already paid their taxes. That element of our people which is generally least able to pay taxes is the very class which pays first.

All this talk about there being no government in Cuba for this government to recognize is moonshine. It is not necessary for a de facto government to exist in order that there might be recognition. Let congress recognize the bare right of these poor Cubans to fight for their liberties and it will be but a short while till the island will be free and not a Spaniard on it.

The house of representatives had under consideration the past week a bill to amend the Sunday law so as to prohibit the playing of base and foot ball near private families and churches on Sundays. The representative from Hunt county offered an amendment to prohibit hunting, base ball, football and other amusements on Sunday, within half mile of church and private families. The representatives from Houston county divided on the vote on the amendment of the representative from Hunt county, N. B. Barbee voting against, and W. B. Wall voting for the amendment. Barbee, it is said, favors total prohibition of such sport.

And the Indian Territory will soon pass away as such. Heretofore it has belonged to and been governed by the five tribes, Chickasaws, Creeks, Choctaws, Chickasaws and Seminoles. They are all civilized and own their lands in common. The Dawes commission is making treaties with these tribes and inducing them to give up the community form of government which they have so far had, and to divide up their lands in severalty. The treaty with the Choctaws has already been accomplished and the others will soon follow. The result will be that this territory will become a state, white people will go to occupy the land, and what is now an Indian Territory will become a civilized state.

The contest next year between Sayers, Crane et al, for gubernatorial preferment will not be the only race of interest before the people. A legislature is to be chosen, which will choose a successor to Senator Mills. Senator Mills, himself, will be in the field, out-heroding Herod so far as the free coinage of silver is concerned. The fiery senator has learned like most of the members of congress and others who want office, that the first thing to be solid on is to plant one's self flat-footed and square-toed on the plank for free coinage at 16 to 1. He has gone even further than this, and said he would vote for the free mintage of pewter: if his party would declare for it. When a man becomes as pliant as that, surrenders and sacrifices all individuality of thought and character, the best thing for him to do is to stay at home. Besides Mills, there will be J. S. Hogg. He too will be in the contest. And again, the handsome occupant of the executive chair just now, will also be appealing to the suffragans for advancement, basing his claim to their support on his loyalty to the doctrine of 16 to 1 and kindred fallacies. Then too we shall see the classic features of that friend of the common people, from North Texas, on the stump electrifying his audiences by the fire of his eloquence and telling them in thoughts that breathe and words that burn, of the wondrous combats he has fought against the corporate terrors of the day. If oratory can win, Bailey will get there, for it is said of him that when he takes the stump men drop their plows and women their babies to follow him over the district to catch the breathing, burning eloquence as it falls from his lips. That will be the situation then as it seems now. There may be changes. Some mentioned may drop out; others may enter.

There will be enough to make the situation one of painful interest to those who are striving for the honor, and very edifying and attractive to those who are only onlookers.

The people of Texas are in no humor to be talked to about paying a separate tax for the support of the state university. That institution has a magnificent fund in its own right and has been given control of its own landed interests. Besides, it never fails at every session of the legislature to back its cart up to the doors of the state treasury to be loaded out of the revenues of the state. In addition to all this, every student pays a fee which in part contributes to the maintenance of this institution. All these resources should afford ample means for supporting the university. These are no times to be talking about levying a tax on the people of this state to support this school. If this institution, with all of these helps, cannot sustain itself, let the regents close the doors and go home. There are already quite enough of institutions appealing for state aid whose appeals cannot be resisted or ignored. The people have just as much as they can carry to sustain these, without burdening themselves with a separate tax for the support of an institution that should be self-supporting, and in every other state in the Union is self sustaining. And yet there will be found in the legislature those who will advocate just such a policy. The members thus disposed will be found to have been at some period of their lives students of the state university, who in every instance that we can recall, have never failed to be munificent with the state funds for their alma mater.

They have been shipping strawberries from Alvin for two weeks or more.

We can but applaud the act of President Cleveland in vetoing Congressman Cooper's bill to establish a branch of the Federal court at Beaumont. Beaumont has no more need for a Federal court than Jasper or Woodville or any other county seat in this district. President Cleveland, in vetoing this bill, showed the utter absence of any ground for such thing and very properly and correctly exposed the jobbing character of the scheme. That is the way the public money goes—in jobs of this nature. The town of Lovelady, with as much force, might ask for the establishment of a branch of the court. The bill was passed over the president's veto in the house, but we hope to see it defeated in the senate. There are already more Federal courts in Texas than are needed for the business to be transacted.

I will give a no. subscription free to the Texas Farm & Ranch, The Christian Advocate for Christian Courier and The Baptist Herald with every bottle of Cheatham's Chill Tonic bought from me H. F. Chamberlain.

NOTICE IN PROBATE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Houston. To the Sheriff or any constable of Houston County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded, that by publishing for twenty days in a newspaper printed in the aforesaid county, you summons all persons interested in the estate of J. H. Stuart, deceased, to answer an application, filed by W. B. Page, administrator of said estate, in the County Court of Houston county, on the 12th day of January, A. D. 1897, for his final account and exhibit to be approved and that he be discharged as such administrator and be relieved from further liability, which will be heard by said Court at its February term A. D. 1897, at the Court House of said County, in Crockett, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application if they see proper.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Crockett this 14th day of January 1897.
N. E. ALLBRIGHT,
Clerk County Court Houston Co. Tex.

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

NOTICE IN PROBATE.

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded, that by publishing for 20 days, exclusive of the day of publishing, in some newspaper published in your county, a true copy of this Writ, you summon all persons interested in the estate of S. F. and Martha Wall deceased, to answer a final exhibit filed by John C. Wall administrator of said estate in the County Court of Houston County, on the 7th day of Jan'y 1897, showing condition of said estate and an application to be discharged which will be heard by said Court on the 1st day of Feb'y 1897, at the Court House of said County, in Crockett, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said exhibit and application if they see proper.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Crockett this 7th day of Jan'y 1897.
N. E. ALLBRIGHT, Clerk,
County Court Houston County, Texas.
By JOHN SPRANCE, Deputy.

The last rose of summer is in bloom on the hill And nods time to the whip-poor-will "Cheatham's Chill Tonic has cured the last chill." You can shatter the bottle now if you will.

Many merchants are well aware that their customers are their best friends and take pleasure in supplying them with the best goods obtainable. As an instance we mention Perry & Cameron, prominent druggists of Flushing, Michigan. They say: "We have no hesitation in recommending Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to our customers as it is the best cough medicine we have ever sold, and always gives satisfaction." For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by B. F. Chamberlain.

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Mill two and a half miles South of Crockett right on Lovelady road All bills Filled Promptly and at Prices that Defy Competition. Try me.

A. M. Langston.

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.

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He shook and he shook, till his shaking was chronic, He then bought a bottle of Cheatham's Chill Tonic. As he told his friends, though a shaker of rare kind, thanks to the Cheatham's Chill Tonic, he is now a shaker no more.

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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