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Oh Luna, Luna! Why Shine so Bright — IN CROCKETT? —

Times are too hard to show any one a moonshine shadow and expect them to part with hard-earned coin. There was never a time in the history of our lives when money was more valuable than it is to-day.

Men, Women and children

Come in our store almost every day disappointed by what they call moonshine advertisements. Will only mention one example: (Good yd. wide Seal-lard domestic advertised at a price and has been so often called for and each time substituted by a very poor quality of Seal-lard.) If that be the way our competitors expect to advertise we wish to say that we pay for this space in the paper not to fill with moonshine disappointments for the people who wish to trade, but to tell them what we have and what we want for it. It would be almost impossible to advertise everything we have. Will only mention a few of our good things.

STAPLES.

Good yard wide LL brown domestic cheap at 5 and 6c, our bargain price 4c per yd. or 25 yds. for \$1.
Extra heavy yard wide brown domestic, 6 1/2 and 7c. quality, at 4 1/2c. per yd.
Round thread cotton stripes, good dress styles, at 2 1/2c. per yd. Better grades at 4c.
Extra heavy chevrons worth 7 and 8c, going for 5c. per yd.
Yard wide bleach domestic 3c. per yd. Better grades up to 5 and 7c. per yd.

Good width, good weight, long nap Canton flannel, 6c. quality, at 4 1/2c. per yd. Better grades up to the best.

Two faced Canton flannel, nice quality, long nap, 6 1/2c. kind, 5c. per yd. Also brown and red Canton flannel; good quality, extra width, blue and gray mixed. Also pink Irish frieze, cheap at 12c., going for 8c. per yd. Also better grades up to the best.

If you need a feather tick that will hold either feathers or water, call and see our line at prices unheard in Crockett. Good quality, waterproof, 50c. kind, at 35c. per yd. Best grade 75c. kind at 50c. per yd.

All wool red twilled flannel, worth 16 1/2c., going at 10c. per yd. No damaged, fire or bankrupt goods everything fresh from the factory. We also have blue and white flannel in better grades.

Good large white counterpanes, nice crochet patterns, worth and sold for 75c., going in this sale at 50c. each.

Turkey red table damask 12 1/2c. per yd.

Apron check staple gingham 6c. kind 4 1/2c. per yd. Good dress styles fancy plaid gingham 6 1/2 and 7c. kind 4 1/2c. per yd., also better grades.

DRESS GOODS

When reading our ad please remember we carry no bankrupt or

damaged goods. We only handle the newest and latest goods that can be had from the factory. Just received double width cashmere in all the new colors worth 12 1/2 and 15c., going for 8c. per yd. (in new goods.)—Fringings to match. Should you need a nice dress see our patterns. No two alike.

Ladies' and Gents' Furnishing Goods.

Ladies' fast black nose, seamless and buttoned, sold in any house in Crockett at 15c. to 20c., our bargain price 10c. per pair. Same in ribbon for children. Try our 25c. black nose. They are worth 40c. Ladies' self fitting Jersey ribbed, fleece lined, long sleeve vests, 25c. kind for 15c. each. Extra heavy Jersey ribbed, fleece lined, silk finish front and collar with nice pearl buttons, cheap in any store at 45c. our grand bargain price 25c. each. Gents' white undershirts well made 20c. kind 12 1/2c. each. Gents' extra heavy cotton merino shirts cheap at 40c. for 25c. each. Shirts and drawers worth \$1.75 going for \$1 per suit. Gents' 1/2 hose worth 8 1/2c. and 10c. at 5c. pair. Gents' kid gloves worth 65c. going for 50c. 40c. work glove for 25c. Genuine 10 hook Foster patent glove any color worth \$1 and \$1.25, our bargain price 75c. per pair. Straight and link cuffs. Arrow, Coon and Cluett brands of collars. We have

a few styles in Morarch Shirts to close price from \$1 to \$1.75. Some of these shirts are stamped \$1.50 and never sold for less. Some sold for \$1.75. The entire lot will go for 75c. each. Good weight, good quality, regular full made work shirts with cord seams, 40c. kind, 25c. each.

CLOTHING.

Of all the excellent bargains in our store Clothing takes the lead. It does us good to hear you say clothing when you come in our store. The value is so plain that we never miss selling any one who wants to buy a suit. Call and see if you can buy our \$10 suit in any other store for less than \$12.50 or \$15. We know beyond all doubt that we have the best suit ever offered in Crockett for \$7.50. It would be cheap at \$10. Compare our \$4 suit with any \$5.50 suit in Crockett.

Shoes and Hats

We will not mention prices. We only ask you to compare them. It is said by every one who have bought shoes of us that we carry the best line in Crockett.

Trunks and Grips.

Any man, woman or child needing a trunk or grip will lose money if they fail to see this line. So far we have had no competition on them.



Here is the best corset ever shown in this city. Genuine featherbone—the only corset made that the stay will neither break or rust and is said by all who wear it that it is the most comfortable corset made. The selling price is generally \$1.25, our price 90c. Also a 75c. corset for 50c. Don't forget these corsets are sold on 4 week's trial. After that time if not perfectly satisfactory we take the corset back and give you the money you paid for it.

NOTIONS

A few bargains in notions: 48 envelopes for 5c. 2 2oz. bottles of David's best blacking for 5c. 1 good 200 page recitation ink tablet cheap at 10c. for 5c. each. 2 200 page pencil tablets for 5c. 6 cards of hooks and eyes for 5c. 1 paper gold eyed needles for 5c. 36 collar buttons slightly imperfect 5c. 3 spools Clark's O. N. T. thread 10c.

LADIES! DON'T FORGET THAT WE FURNISH THE latest fashion plate from Butterick Publishing Co. with every dress we sell. Ask for them.

McLean & Wilson.

COTTON SEED!

COTTON SEED!

The HOUSTON COUNTY OIL COMPANY takes this method

of announcing to Farmers and Ginners, in Houston and adjoining counties, that it will pay the

HIGHEST MARKET PRICE

for COTTON SEED, this Fall and Winter. Don't sell your Seed until you have seen the representative of this Mill.

J. W. FINE, President

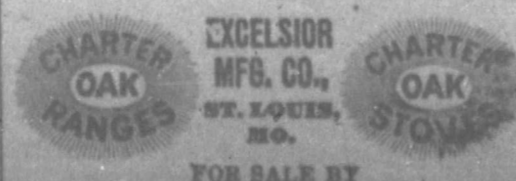
MOTHER'S BREAD,

He says, was always "so light and well baked." Well, there is a "knack" in making it, but don't forget the kind of stove used makes a difference.

Home-Made Bread is Delicious

When properly baked. It is easy enough to bake it to perfection in the oven of a

Charter Oak Stove Range



other room. It had been her invariable custom to take a bath at this time in the evening, after which she liberated the dogs. As the animals on this evening were making such a tremendous and unwonted ado she opened the door of the adjoining room to see what was exciting them. They at once darted to the door of the bath room. This their mistress opened in time to see a huge cobra on the floor—the snake whose bite is certain death. The reptile raised its head angrily, but, an-

WISDOM.

Money is the pick-lock that never falls.

Where there is no money there is no devil.

Scatter sound literature, and the harvest will come in due season.

The more you praise a man who don't deserve it the more you abuse him.

Bicycles seem to have taken the place of brass candlesticks for wedding presents.

A weak constitution can be strengthened, but a weak set of brains can't.

Everybody in this world wants watching, but none more than ourselves.

One of the hardest things in the world is for a man who is stuck up to get down.

The top round of the ladder is an imaginary one; nobody has ever reached it yet.

A wise man is never confounded by what he can't understand, but a fool generally is.

I am no herald to inquire of men's pedigree; it suffices me if I know of their virtues.

It is not always necessary to tell the whole truth, but all that you tell should be the truth.

GHOST SAVES A WOMAN'S LIFE

Presence of the Phantom Reveals a Cobra in the Bathroom.

The following story, says an exchange, comes from the house of the narrator's sister at Meerut, northwestern India: Two sisters are connected with families of undoubted repute, both in India and England. The narrator's sister was seated at a table reading one evening when, happening to lift her eyes from her book, she was astonished to see seated in a chair before her, and between herself and the door of the bath room, a man, a stranger to her, who calmly regarded her. It was too great a surprise for her to speak and demand who was thus intruding unbidden upon her privacy, and what was wanted. She remained for a moment in silent astonishment. Then it gradually dawned upon her that the figure was probably not that of a person of real flesh and blood, but a visitor from the unseen world. She remembered having once, as a child, seen a similar figure, under circumstances which seemed to preclude the idea that it was any person still in body, and, in later years, in reviewing those circumstances, she had remembered how the apparition had after a little while faded away into invisibility. Concluding that this visitor also was not a person of flesh and blood, she sat silently gazing at the subject, while the intruder, whoever or whatever he was, sat also in silence, steadily regarding her. How long this state of things lasted the lady did not accurately know, but it was probably not very long, when the mysterious stranger began to vanish into a thinner and thinner personal presence, until in a moment or two he had vanished. She had been vaguely conscious that in a minute or so after she had first seen the strange visitor her two pet dogs had begun to bark furiously in an-

COTTON! COTTON!

Farmers: We will be glad to be allowed to weigh a part of your cotton. We are not so selfish as to want to weigh it all. Bring us a part and try us. Our scales are correct and are willing for them to be tested and for that reason will guarantee satisfaction in weights.

Accommodations for stock in yards plenty of water, feeding stalls etc.

Accommodations for patrons who have to spend night at yard.

Jurteous treatment, business methods, prompt handling and a grateful appreciation to all patrons. Give us a trial.

A. M. RENCHER & CO.

American Lady Model Form
Corsets.
LATEST DESIGNS.
American Lady No. 79
MILLIONS OF LADIES WEAR THEM
WHY?
They correct the Figure to the Latest Fashionable Contour.
SCHILLING CORSET CO.
Detroit, St. Louis and Chicago.

YOUR MOTHER AND HER MOTHER USED THE OLD RELIABLE
CHARTER OAK STOVES
BUY YOUR WIFE A NEW CHARTER OAK, The Best Up to Date.
FOR SALE BY

THE KLONDYKE

OF TEXAS.

Klondyke! The word is magic because it means gold. It is interesting because the bright metal soothes many a sorrow and fills many a void. You hear of the Klondyke of Alaska and you are grieved on account of the distance that separates you. Why should your ambition not be satisfied when here in your very midst is the Klondyke of Texas, where gold is to be had only for the gathering. What matters it to you if it didn't come from Alaska, so you got it honorably. That is all you have to bother about. If you make it by buying with judgment and by attending our Fire and Bankrupt sales, then you make it honorably and you should be pleased. You should not worry about Alaska. It is cold at Alaska and the hardships of the winter seasons are great and for every ounce of gold you could gather up there you would also gather as much in disappointment, sorrow and hardship. Here in your very midst you can gather the pure Gold. \$2.50 saved on a \$5. pair of pants and \$5.00 saved on \$15.00 worth of goods is that much of the pure yellow metal added to your bank account. The difference in the Klondyke of Alaska and the Klondyke of Texas is this: At the Klondyke of Alaska YOU do the digging, undergo the hardships, suffer with cold and reap disappointment. At the Klondyke of Texas, Mistrot Bros & Co., do the digging and YOU gather the gold. The people of Houston and adjoining counties have seen a great deal of our Klondyke mine at Crockett, but they have not seen it all. It is only a shadow of what is yet to be seen. We have opened the mine in full blast this week for the fall and winter business and below we give you a list of just a few of the numerous precious nuggets she contains.

STAPLES.

Good weight yd wide Seaisland Domestic, cheap at 5 our Klondyke price 3c per yd.
 Extra heavy yd wide Brown Domestic, same grade that others ask 6½ and 7c pr yd for, our price 4½c.
 Good yd wide Bleached Domestic, free from starch, grade that sells everywhere at 5c, the Klondyke price 3c.
 Good round thread Cotton Stripes, pretty dress patterns, 5c quality, our Klondyke price 2½c.
 Good heavy Cotton Flannel worth 7c, at 4½.
 Good heavy Jeans, cheap at 15c, our price 8c.
 Extra heavy all wool twilled Red Flannel, regular 20c quality, the Klondyke price 10c.
 Irish Frieze worth 12½c, at 8½c.
 Good round thread Chiviot, cheap at 6½c, for 4½c.
 Five cases of good oil colors and fast col's figured prints 3½c per yard.
 All the newest dress styles in Hamilton, Windsor, Garner and Simpson's Prints at 4½c.
 Red Table Damask that would be very cheap at 25c a yard, goes at our mine at 15c.
 Good large, White Counterpanes, crochet patterns, worth the world over 75c, at 50c.
 Beautiful large size Lace Curtains, would be very cheap at 75c per pr, our price 45c.
 Nice, large Towel worth 8½c, at 5c.
 Nice quality Twilled Crash for towels, would be cheap at 6½c, at 3½c.
 All Linen Crash for toweling, cheap for 8½c, our Klondyke price 5c.
 Nice Dress Gingham worth 7c, at 4½c.
 1500 yds Fey Savoy Flannels cheap at 12½c, for 7½c.
 500 pieces best Table Oil Cloth, 25c grade at only 10c.

DRESS GOODS.

Double width Cashmere, all colors with trimming to match, worth and sold elsewhere for 15c per yard, our price 8½c.
 Beautiful double width Henrietta Cloth, 36 inches wide, worth 35c pr yd, slightly soiled on edges, at 10c.
 Beautiful Chamelion Novelty Worsted, worth 15c, at 9½c.
 Fine line of double width Chamelion Novelties in dress worsteds, worth 25c, at 12½.
 Novelty Scotch Plaid Dress Goods worth 20c, at 12½c.
 Beautiful finished, all wool 46 inch Serges, all col's in trimmings to match—from the Ely Walker fire sale at 35 cents per yard. It only requires about 6 yards to make a dress. These goods would cost 75c per yd in any store in the country that buy their goods in the regular way.
 All wool, 36 inch serge worth 50c, at 24c.
 Silk Velvet in all colors, cheap at \$1.00 pr yd, for 49c.

SHOES.

Ladies' Dongola Kid Button, patent tip, all sizes, 3 to 8, sells everywhere for \$1.00, at 65c.
 Ladies' Glove-grain Button, all sizes, solid leather soles and counters, well worth \$1.25, at 75c.
 Mens' heavy Veal Calf Congress Working Shoe, worth \$1.25, at 90c.

Mens' Heavy, Oil-grain Buckle and Lace Shoes, cheap at \$1.00, for 85c.
 Mens' Satin Calf and Imitation Kangaroo, all sizes in either, cheap at \$1.25, for 90c.
 Mens' Cordovan, cap, plain or pointed toe, crinkled vamp and very nobby, would be cheap for \$2.00, at \$1.25.
 Mens' Genuine Vici Kid, patent leather tips and trimming, would be cheap for \$3.00, at \$1.98.
 Big lot of Mens' Handsewed Sample Shoes, no two alike, worth \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00 a pr, choice of lot \$1.98.
 Ladies' Bright Dongola Button, solid leather, patent tips, well worth and sold elsewhere at \$1.50, for 98c.
 Ladies' Dongola Kid Button, hand turned, patent tip, in square and pointed toes, as good value as is ever sold anywhere for \$2.50, at \$1.75. Lot of Ladies' Fine Sample \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00 shoes, your choice for \$1.98.
 We carry a full line of the Celebrated Drew, Silby & Co's. Fine Shoes in all the late styles and colors for ladies and misses. Every pair of these are warranted and for style, fit and finish they cannot be equaled by any other make for the money we ask for them.
 We have a full line of Infants' Soft Sole Shoes in satin and kid and in White Pick Blue Blk. from 35 to 65c. Childrens' turned patent tip 50c shoes for 25c.

CLOTHING.

In this department we are prepared to show the greatest bargains ever offered by any concern in America.
 In a recent purchase of the entire stock of a virtually "busted" manufacturer in New York at 52 cents on the dollar we surpassed all previous records for bargains in this line. This concern, Messrs. Schram & Co., had a national reputation on this clothing for fit and finish and did a big business, but like many merchants in Texas, were trying to do business without sufficient capital. Consequently the time came when they were compelled to raise a very large sum of money (seventy two thousand dollars,) or make an assignment. Our Mr. Wagner was on the spot with "Klondyke" stuff, and as no other man with the "cash" who could handle so great a quantity could be found, they were forced to take his offer of 52 cents on the dollar and the following are a few of the things we have to offer from this stock.
 Mens' All Wool Cashmere Suits \$2.98, would be cheap at \$6.50.
 Mens' Fine All Wool Scotch Cheviot Suits for \$5.00, would be dirt cheap at \$8.50.
 Mens' All Wool Imported Black Clay Worsted Suits for \$6.50, well worth \$10.00.
 Mens' Extra Fine Imported Clay Worsted Prince Albert Suit in single or double breasted coat \$12.50, would be cheap at \$18.00.
 Mens' All Wool Pants, extra well made in solid piece without waistbands for \$1.50, regular \$3.00 goods.
 Big Line Tailor's Misfit Pants at \$2.50 to \$3.50 per pair. There is not a pair of them that is not worth \$5.00 and some are worth as much as \$6.50.
 Boys' All Wool Knee Pants Suits, extra value for \$2.50, our price \$1.50.
 Boys' Knee Pants 25c grade for 15c.
 Boys' Shirt Waists 25c grade for 15c.
 In addition to the above we ask your special atten-

tion to the letter we publish below which is self explaining.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS.

In this department we can give you a Fine Laundried Neglige Shirt like others ask 50c for, at 25c.
 A Fine Laundried Neglige Shirt like others ask 75c for, at 35c.
 A Fine White Laundried Shirt that sells everywhere for 75c, at 45c.
 Nice Celuloid Collar for 3c.
 Fine Linen Collar for 5c.
 Fine Large Handkerchief for 2½.
 Fine Wire Buckle Suspenders worth 20c for 10c.
 Good Seamless Socks for 5c.
 Good Undershirt, sells everywhere for 25c at 15c.
 Good pair Drill Drawers, 25c grade, for 12½c.
 Fine All Silk Handkerchief, like others sell for 50, for 25c.
 Best Doubled Duck Overall for 50c.
 Good Extra Well Made Work Shirt for 25c.

HATS.

In this department we have over 1000 styles ranging in price from 25c to \$2.50.
 We can sell you an elegant Alpine shaped Hat with satin lining, in black, brown or tan, that sells everywhere at \$2.00 for 98c.
 Fine Black or Nutria Color Stetson black satin lined, genuine Russia leather sweat band, for \$1.98, that would cost at the cheapest store in the country \$3.00.
 We have a fine line of sample hats at \$1.50 for choice, worth \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50 each.

NOTION DEPARTMENT

AND LADIES FURNISHING.
 Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Fleece Lined Ribbed Vest with long sleeves, silk finished fronts with nice pearl buttons, well worth 50c, the Klondyke price \$1.8c.
 Ladies' Fast Black Hose, 5c grade, at 3c.
 Ladies' Fast Col'd Drop Stitch Seamless Hose cheap at 15c per pair, for 8½c.
 Ladies' Fast Black Seamless Hose 10c grade, for 5c.
 Listen! The well known Foster Patent 8 hook Kid Gloves in black, tan, brown, green or drab, worth and sold for \$1.25, going in our Klondyke sale at only 50c.
 Ladies' Gauntlet Kid Gloves worth \$1.00 for 40c.
 Ladies' Col'd Bordered and White Hem Stitched Handkerchiefs, 8½c grade, Klondyke price 2½.
 Nice Corset, slightly soiled, well worth 40c, only 15c.
 Ladies' Colored and Black Corsets, some of them well worth 75c, to close at 40.
 One Paper of Pins 1c. One Paper of Best Sharp's Needles 1c. One nice Pencil with rubber 1c. One Dozen Slate Pencils in cedar 1c. One Package of Chewing Gum 1c. One Package of chocolate 1c. One Spool Basting Cotton 1c. One Spool of Embroidrey Silk 1c. One Cake of Fine Coconut Oil Toilet Soap 2c. One Card of Hooks and Eyes 2c. One Card of Rice Buttons, 12 dozen on a card 2c. One Card of Safety Pins 2c. One Ball of Darning Cotton 2c. One Spool of Sewing Silk 4c.

Office of
Mistrot Bros. & Co.,
 47 Leonard St.

NEW YORK CITY, September 16th, 1897.

Mistrot Bros. & Co., Crockett, Texas.

Sutton:

We bought to-day from the Florshiem Tailoring Co., 582 very fine tailor made suits at 54 cents on the dollar and have shipped the entire lot to Crockett. Some of them are misfits from the spring business and may be a little odd sized for your trade, but it is elegant stuff and we think your trade will appreciate its extraordinary value, but should it not move readily with you you can ship it to Houston or Marlin. Am glad to note the improvement in business at Crockett since you took charge.

Yours truly, G. A. Mistrot.

MISTROT BROTHERS & CO.,

The closest buyers and closest sellers in Texas.

CROCKETT, TEXAS.

There is no wagon traveling Texas roads that will compare with the Mitchell. For ease of running, strength and soundness of material, workmanship and durability, it is without a peer. Come round to Craddock & Co's and price and see them.

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

McCormell has received this week a car of the celebrated "Studebaker" wagons which he is selling at extremely low prices.

If you want a sure enough all round first class suit of clothes order same from the Royal Tailors.
GAIL Q. KING AGT.

Professor Walker King leaves this week to join the rest of the Text book commission at Austin where they will proceed to perform the service mapped out for them by the Text Book Law. The commission will probably be engaged a month or longer.

To The Public.

I am now prepared to serve the people with all kinds of liquors, wines, brandise, champagne and cigars. Special attention to order from the county. City Saloon.

For a perfect fit combined with superior workmanship, at reasonably low prices, call on J. F. Downes when ready to place your orders for tailor made clothing.

Notice!!

Notice I will pay five dollars reward for all escaped convicts from my farm placed in the keeping of some jailer where I can get them.
B. E. HAIL.

Come round and try one of Aus Hall's Cocktails at city saloon.

D. R. BAKER,

DEALER IN

Staple and Fancy Groceries.
Stock Always Fresh.

Best Goods in the Market

At the Lowest Cash Figures

City Trade a Specialty

Free Delivery.

East Side of Public Square.

Notice.

We the undersigned owners of property located in McKenzie's Bend having been depredated upon by the public in general for years past and having made substantial improvements in the way of wire fences and the same having been cut posts pulled up, wires pulled off and fences laid down for the purpose of fishing hunting and general travel and in view of the above facts the public is hereby notified that all depredateions and trespass of the above description and character will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law and that no one will be allowed to hunt in or on our premises or in our pastures and no one will be allowed to fish, seine, net or dynamite in "Patterson," "Blue," "Alligator," "Mill," "Clear," "Dry," "McKenzie," "Snag-Long," "Rattle-Snake," "Negro," "Dooley," lakes inside of any and all our pastures. No party will be allowed to gather pecans, fish or hunt on or in our pastures without first obtaining from one of the undersigned written permission and said written permission must be shown to our representative when called upon for the same.

J. R. McIVER.
W. E. MAYS.
L. D. ROGERS.
M. BRONBERG.
A. WOOLERS.

The City-Graded Schools opened Monday morning full to overflowing. As we passed Monday morning appearances indicated the condition which Mark Twain says prevails when a new-born baby comes "the house and the front yard full all at the same time."

Repair Work.

I am prepared to repair and overhaul all kinds of Machinery, such as **Bollers, Engines, Mowers, Gins,** and all kinds of farming machinery and Implements. Prices reasonable and to suit the times. Shop near my old stand.
J. G. BROWN.

Look over the man who has over looked The Royal Tailors and see if he has'nt bought a poorer suit and paid more money for it.
GAIL KING AGT.

School Opens.

A large line school books, tablets, pencils, pens and slates at Chamberlains'.

If you want the best wagon on earth buy the Studebaker at McConnell's.
C. B. MOORE.

Take your book list to Chamberlain's and save running all over city. He has all you want.

When you come to town dont forget to call at the city saloon when in need of anything kept in a first class saloon.

Chamberlain's for school books of all kinds.

Are you rich enough to be poorly-dressed? It's pretty expensive and you better try the Royal Tailors. You will find their sample room next door to Capitol Hotel building.

I represent five of the largest tailoring houses in America. Have the largest number of patterns to select from that have ever been shown in Crockett.
J. F. DOWNES.

The Royal Tailors positively the largest tailoring establishment in the world.

The Courier Job Office can furnish job-work of all styles, grades and prices. Note heads ranging in prices from 1.25 per cent to 2.50; envelopes, statements etc accordingly.

If you want the best wagon on earth, buy the Mitchell sold by Craddock & Co.

Car load of Mitchell wagons received by Craddock & Co.

All kinds of drinks at city saloon cherry toddy's, cocktails, eggshakes, etc.

GETTING READY

Every expectant mother has a trying ordeal to face. If she does not



get ready for it, there is no telling what may happen. Child-birth is full of uncertainties if Nature is not given proper assistance.

Mother's Friend

is the best help you can use at this time. It is a liniment, and when regularly applied several months before baby comes, it makes the advent easy and nearly painless. It relieves and prevents "morning sickness," relaxes the overstrained muscles, relieves the distended feeling, shortens labor, makes recovery rapid and certain without any dangerous after-effects. Mother's Friend is good for only one purpose, viz.: to relieve motherhood of danger and pain.

One dollar per bottle at all drug stores, or sent by express on receipt of price. Free Books, containing valuable information for women, will be sent to any address upon application to...

THE BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO.,
Atlanta, Ga.

WHEN Governor Hogg is away down in Texas, he slobbers at the mouth with drooling protestations of friendship and love for the laboring man, the cormorant eaten poor and the down-trodden masses and a lot more of such flub-gub. This is a picture of Jim Hogg down in Texas where he devours a corporation every morning for breakfast and lunches on a plutocrat every day of his natural life. In the summer time, like a bird of passage, he hies himself away to the north, to squander money at banquets, on yachts, by the lakeside and on mountain tops. He has been stopping, this people's pro-consul, recently at the Waldorf Hotel, New York where they charge twenty dollars a day for accommodations and sleep in rooms that have thousand dollar rugs in them. We presume this modern tribune occupied, while at the Waldorf, the room finished and furnished after the style of Marie Antoinette.

District court opened Monday morning with Judge Gill on the bench. His Honor delivered an able charge to the Grand Jury, dwelling specially on certain violations of law that the statutes require all judges to charge on. He also charged them on the Cracker Bend lawlessness and urged them to exhaust every resource to locate the responsible actors in that occurrence.

The Grand Jury.

The grand Jury as organized is as follows:

W. F. Murchison Foreman.
W. M. Stubblefield, W. H. Wall,
R. T. Payne, Silas Cook,
W. E. Meriwether Henry Hager,
Billy Darnell, W. J. Peacock,
J. W. Arledge, J. C. West,
C. H. Beazley.

There is general comment on the ensemble and character of the juries at this term of court, quite in contrast with some that have preceded them. There is a general political mix-up, so to speak, democrats, populists and republicans all having representation. The Jury Commission six months ago was composed of two democrats and one populist and they did their work well and with an eye strictly to the welfare of the county. The Grand Jury is an exceptionally strong one. The docket is a long one and will keep the court busy for the entire term to clean it up. There are several bad cases on the criminal docket that will occupy half of the court's time.

JOHN H. REAGAN is now 79 or 80 years of age. Bismarck, the greatest Prime Minister since Palmerston, is 82. Bismarck has been on the retired list since he was 76 being regarded as too old to be entrusted with the cares of statecraft. Gladstone, another eminent statesman and premier, is on the retired list at 82. Reagan is 79 or 80. He will be 82 by the time he takes his seat, if elected, and 88 by the expiration of his term. Now what friend of Reagan's who is so ignorant of the laws of physical decline and so blind to the infirmities which invariably attend on people of his age as to claim that he will be exempt from them? Long before Judge Reagan's term of six years expires and very likely before he takes his seat, if elected, he will have passed the climacteric which in time comes to all of us when the body and the mind lose that robust vigor and we pass into that stage of senility and mental incapacity when "the grasshopper even is a burden."

The law, if we mistake not, makes it the duty of the county judge or commissioners' court to test public scales every year—not only those for weighing cotton but for weighing merchandise generally.

A DARING TERRITORY HOLD-UP.

Six Heavily Armed Men Held Up a Train, Robbed the Passengers, Mail and Express.

Fort Worth, Texas, October 1.—The southbound passenger train on the Rock Island was held up by six masked men at a siding between Mingo and Chickasaw at about 11 o'clock today. The robbers took the keys to the switch from the section boss, and when the train was approaching the siding one of the robbers emerged from under a flat car loaded with cinders and turned the switch. As the train pulled in to the siding five other men, all masked, jumped from their hiding places and began a fusillade of shooting, completely ridding the engine cab and frightening the passengers. The engineer was ordered to pull the fire from the engine and the leader of the gang ordered all the passengers to leave the coaches and line up against a barbed wire fence with hands up. While the robbers stood guard two of the bandits went through the passengers, relieving them of their money and values. Just the amount secured could not be ascertained here, but they got quite a sum.

The passengers were held guarded while an attempt was made to crack the through safe, which was twice dynamited without success. The explosion badly wrecked the top of the car. The local safe was opened without difficulty, but very little, if any, money was secured. The mail car was ramacked and it is reported the robbers got several valuable money packages.

It is rumored here tonight that there were some government remittances en route to El Reno, but this report could not be substantiated. There were about 100 passengers in the train. The robbers fired fully 100 shots, it is presumed, to intimidate the already frightened passengers. During the shooting Porter Upshaw stuck his head out of a Pullman car window, when the robbers fired four shots at him. Three of the men went through the coaches and got quite a sum of money that the passengers had hidden under the seats, carpets and berths. After completing their work the robbers mounted their horses and rode off to the west.

CEDAR POINT.

EDITOR COURIER:—It is very dry in this part of the county right at the present. Water is getting to be quite an object, wells are all failing.

Quite a crowd of the Cedar Pointites went down to Coltharp last Sunday to preaching.

The Presbyterians are to have a protracted meeting, to commence at Cedar Point, the Third Sunday in this month. The pastor, Rev. J. W. McLeod is to be assisted by Dr. T. Ward White. We hope the meeting will result in much good.

Master Will Meriwether, was confined to his bed for several days with a slight attack of pneumonia. Mr. J. R. Bridges's little babe which lay so near death's door for several days, is better.

We can not speak in too high praise of Dr. S. P. Cunningham for his skillful management of the case. We don't think that an old doctor with years of experience could have had better success.

Jim Kennedy and Prof. Charlie Cunningham of Augusta, were pleasant visitors in the neighborhood this week.

George Mecklin of Daniel, was down last Sunday, it seems that George has attractions down here. Misses Mary and Alice Hill and

Carmilla Calhoun were visiting friends in the community this week.

The party given by Miss Carrie McHenry, last Friday night, in honor of her sister's (Miss Carnelia) departure for Palestine was a great success, every one's cup of pleasure seemed to run completely over.

Since Joe Bailey has withdrawn from the race for United States Senator, old Houston county could honor herself no more than by rallying around the lead of R. Q. Mills and giving him a grand and glorious victory, which he so richly deserves. Every one knows that he is a democrat of the first water. Hon. John F. Reagan is all right as a democrat but he is too old, he has served out his time.

May long live the COURIER.

BERYL.

Thanks to our neighbor of the Nacogdoches Chronicle for the following greatly appreciated compliment, which we clip from the Houston Post of Oct 2nd.

A BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE

Nacogdoches Chronicle.

Hon. W. B. Page, the able and brilliant editor of the Crockett Courier, in the last issue of his paper, paid our ex-district attorney, whom Mr. Page has

known since Imboden was a very small boy, the following beautiful compliment: "Imboden can almost claim a Houston county paternity. He was so young when he left this county that he didn't know but that he was quitting his native heather. He has come up from the ranks of the common people, was and is one of them, identified with them in thought, feeling and interest. He knows their wants, understands them and will always be found among the strongest and most faithful of their supporters and defenders. Imboden is of aid for the people, and will always in the future, as in the past, be found standing by them. This gentleman surrounded by difficulties from boyhood, a stranger to wealth and privileges which wealth never fails to bestow, inured to hardships which a school in poverty never fails to bring, has carved a way to the front by his individual effort and the energies of a self-reliant nature."

The Epworth League will hold service at the Methodist church next Sunday night. It will consist of songs, readings, prayers and bible drill. We can assure all who will attend a pleasant and profitable hour. Come and encourage these young Christians.

Some persons out about Reed's Opening are allowing their hogs to run at large in violation of the law as adopted by this district.

We have been very much gratified this week by visits from friends and patrons of the Courier.

The office has been crowded with them nearly all the week. We were glad to meet and see them and to talk with them over topics of present interest. We were greatly helped by the many good words of encouragement and appreciation. We can't recall all but name the following: H. E. Hager (who brought us a half dozen new subscribers from Dodson), W. M. Stubblefield, Arch Adams, Z. S. Adams Geo. Thompson, Caleb Jeffries, W. H. Wall, M. C. Dupuy, Tom Brown, Dr. Meriwether and R. T. Murchison, Tom Woodruff, John M. Horn and George Kent

Notice To Art Pupils.

I will begin my class in drawing and painting on Monday October, 4th, 1897. Will teach at home North West room second floor. Lesson hours from 8.30 A. M. to 6 P. M. I will give lessons on Saturday also. Thanking you for past favors I hereby respectfully solicit your patronage for ensuing term. Please apply for terms.

H. A. WYKOE.

The yellow fever scare seems to be over and the list is still at large though somewhat muzzled.

Read What

Shivers Bro's Say:

We are again presenting our claims to you. We have been in business about three years and we are proud of the good reputation that we have made in that time. We can say that without fear of contradiction that we have made our reputation by fair and square dealing with our customers. Every article that we have ever sold has been backed by our honest judgment. All of these things we have striven for and we are proud to say that we have been successful, and in future our greatest aim shall be to please and satisfy every man woman and child we shall have the pleasure of waiting on in our store. We are better prepared this fall to attend your every want than we have ever been before. Our buyer has just returned from the Eastern markets

WHERE HE SPENT ONE MONTH BUYING OUR IMMENSE STOCK OF DRY GOODS NOTIONS ETC.

We bought our goods—Paid the spot cash for them and consequently we are able to give our customers the benefit of our close buying in low prices; that we can say truthfully that will be as low as the lowest, quality taken into consideration.

Our Millinery department is complete in every detail and is still under the supervision of Miss Ada Haile, (Crockett's leading milliner) who will endeavor to please and satisfy you and at the same time give you goods at prices that will knock out all competition.

Dress Goods.

We have an immense line of Dress Goods in bolts and in patterns (no two alike) with trimmings to match, which are of the latest styles and newest designs.

Come One Come All And Be Convinced

of the truth of our assertions and when you are once made a customer we will do everything in our power to keep you as one.

Furniture.

Our stock is complete and we can sell you

**Bedsteads From
\$1.50 to 6.00.**

3 Piece Suits from \$12.50 to 17.50.
Rocking Chairs from \$1.00 to 2.50.
Dining Chairs from 75c to \$1.75.

Shivers Bros.

The Young Merchants Who Will Treat You Right.

SPECIAL—10 lbs Green Rio Coffee for \$1.00.

THE COMPRESS INJUNCTION.

Members of the Commission
Have no Fear of it.

THE CONTENTION OF COMPLAINANTS

The Only Reason Given is That it
Would Benefit the Complainants.

Austin, Texas, October 2.—The railroad commission does not seem to be troubled with insomnia on account of the late injunction suit filed against it restraining it from enforcing its compress rules and regulations.

One of the commissioners, in discussing the matter, said that McFadden Bros., the complainants wanted to haul their cotton from all portions of the State to their own compresses, when, under the commission's rulings, cotton must be compressed at the first compress in transit, provided such compress has equal and necessary facilities for compressing. The only reason given in the bill of complaint by McFadden Bros. for the abrogation of the commission's compress rules was that it would benefit them.

The contention of McFadden Bros that under the present rules they are forced to have some of their cotton compressed by others, places them in no worse situation than that of other compress men and shippers all over the State.

The commissioner quoted above says it is evidently the intention of McFadden Bros. to have the

compress rules suspended for this reason by a temporary restraining order. If this is granted it means that the compress rules, so far as applied to them, would be inoperative for a year, for even if the injunction is dissolved they can appeal and the restraining order will hold until the court of last resort passes on it, which will take at least a year.

The commission believe no temporary injunction or restraining order will be granted for the reason that no other compress men or shippers in the State are seeking to enjoin the commission from enforcing its compress rules. Unless the attorneys for the complainant in this suit change the date the case will be argued before Judge Maxey at El Paso on October 5.

We have had quite a number of high compliments passed on the Courier, such as it has been for several issues past. We appreciate all this of course. The public never thinks of the labor and expense necessary to give the reading public such a paper as we are doing or they would be more prompt in settling. We would appreciate that feature of the matter too, if they would only do so.

It is to be regretted that the demonstrations last week looking to a quarantine of the country and town assumed such proportions. It occurs to us that the commissioners' court, and the city council might have gone ahead and acted with out so much ado and excitement. Such popular movements have a tendency to cause a panicky feeling among the masses when there is no occasion for it.

"the return home on Friday morning of the groom and bride, the former on a gray horse and the bride on a gray mule. The groom wore a smile as wide as a broad ax. The groom is 84 years old and the bride we took to be 50. The grand children of the groom and a few friends gathered at night and "charitarily" the couple, passing around the house and singing, "Go out and meet them when the bride comes home," then the bells, horns, tinpans and such like all sounded for about two rounds. Then another song was sung—"Grand Pa is a married man." Then bells would turn loose again. Next a speech was made by one of the crowd: "How I got married." Then we sung the song, "Sister Mary," after which the crowd broke up.

Hon. W. M. Imboden was in town Monday and Tuesday. He talks confidently of his race for congress. From the way he was shaking hands and the manner in which the sovereigns of the country gathered around and greeted him, he has hosts of friends in this county. He has them and no doubt of it. They regard him as being almost if not quite a Houston county boy and this fact gives him a hold on the feelings and affections of the Houston county democrats that he otherwise might not have.

G. B. Cutler of Augusta was a pleasant caller at the Courier office one day last week.

Rev. J. E. Kennedy of Lovelady dropped in to see us Monday; also L. A. Sallas Esq. of Nevel's Prairie.

Those merchants in Crockett who have goods to sell recognize the only medium to reach those who want to buy. The Courier has a circulation which covers the entire county and parts of adjoining counties. They know this to be a fact and act accordingly.

We wish to say to our friends in the country that we do not believe there has been or is a case of yellow fever in Texas—that there is none in Crockett and that every precaution and safe-guard are being employed by our Board of Health and other authorities to keep the town clear of any epidemic. No one can get off or stop at Crockett without a clean bill of health. A prominent merchant attempted it the first of last week. The officers were at the train when it pulled in and prevented his getting off. After passing the station, the conductor "slowed up" and let him off. Complaint was made against the merchant who got off and the conductor who let him off. The result was that the merchant was fined \$18.00 and sent back to Galveston whence he came and the R. R. authorities dropped the conductor from employment.

JULIAN.

Jonathan Harrison of Julian was a caller at the Courier office Monday and gave us the interesting item of news of the marriage of G. W. Julian to Miss M. J. Gallant, on the evening of September 30th. Justice Harrison officiated in the capacity of tying the nuptial knot. A writer from this point speaks of

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.

Those wanting good photos must come at once as I shall close my studio Oct. 20th. J. W. RHODES.

CASH! CASH!!

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Best Patent Flour \$1.25.
Second Pat \$1.20. Every sack and barrel guaranteed. Car Texas Red Rust Proof Oats 32c per bushel. Car Rich Texas Wheat Bran 75c per 100 lbs. Alfalfa Hay 60c per bale. Pure Leaf Lard and Bacon always on hand and at the lowest figures.

RECEIVING AND OPENING

up a large stock of Boots and Shoes. Save money by pricing before buying. All Low Cuts in Men's, Ladies and Misses shoes going at COST.

R. M. ATKINSON

Public Sale of 240 acres fine land near Coltharp first Tuesday in October. Credit of one year with good sureties.

WHY OUR BUSINESS GROWS.

In common with all good intended and fairly ambitious people who are trying to do their share of the world's work, as well as they know how. We always followed honest methods in using every legitimate means at our command to establish a good name for our firm, and the preparations that leave our house under our label and at the same time make our business reasonably profitable, and we have good reason to feel satisfied with the success we have attained. We wish to acknowledge that we appreciate exceedingly and are deeply grateful for the support and encouragement we have received from our customers. It is our constant aim to fully meet every proper requirement and it is our policy to extend to all our customers uniformly absolute fairness and courtesy—successful people like to receive their prescriptions and medicine from our store—they appreciate the best of everything, and do not want Quantity at the expense of Quality. But what they do want and get from us is the best Quality for the least amount of money. If you are not satisfied with your purchase we will refund your money. This is the basis on which we gain new customers and an increasing trade from those we now have. We aim to win and merit your confidence.

L. H. HARING & CO., Pharmacists,

Ready For Business.

Cotton is low, the Bell has rung and all High Prices MUST BE CALLED IN.

Our Buyer, Mr. J. A. McConnell with the aid, help and good judgment of Mrs. Louella McConnell, and Mrs. Corrine L. Alston have just returned from the city of St. Louis, where they have been for quite a time, selecting and buying one of the newest, best and most stylish stock of goods ever shown in the city of Crockett. What the people want are GOOD goods and NEW goods, and this is what we will give at VERY LOW prices.

HARD TIME PRICES.

Yellow Domestic, yard wide 3c a yard.
Yellow Domestic, yard wide 4 yards to the pound 3 1/2 cts. a yard.
Good quality round thread Cotton Checks, 2 1/2 c a yard.
Very good quality, Calico 2 1/2 cts. a yard.
Table Oil Cloth assorted patterns 10c a yard.
An extra good and heavy quality of Irish Frieze at 9cts. a yard.
Good nice Dress Gingham beautiful patterns at 4 cts. a yard.
Good quality Bleached Domestic at 3 1/2 cts. a yd.
Heavy all wool Twilled Red Flannel a 12 cts. a yard.
All wool filling Dress Worsted at 5cts. a yard.
Good heavy Jeans at 7 and 8 cts a yard.
Nice Brocaded Worsted wool filling at 8 and 10cts. a yard.
Ladies colored Underskirts in Red only at 25cts. each.

SHOES.

Men's good quality Plow Shoes at 90 and 95cts. a pair.
Men's first class oil grain Plow Shoes at \$1.20 a pair.
Men's Lace and Congress Shoes,

Sunday style at 75 cts. a pair.
Ladies Lace and Button Shoes at 65 cts. a pair.
Women's heavy every day Shoes New Goods at 25 and 50cts. a pair.
Baby Button Shoes at 15 cts. a pair.

We have the largest, best and newest styles in Ladies, Mens, Boys, Girls and children's Shoes. Come and see them. Try just one pair of our Misses School Shoes in Heel and Spring Heel—hand sewed.

Silk Serge top, sizes 12 to 2s at \$1.25 a pair.

HATS AND CAPS.

Mens and youths blk wool Hats, perfect goods at 25cts.
Mens large Buckskin hats, Fedora style at 50cts.

Mens Black, Gray and Castor Alpines and Tourist hats at 65cts.
Mens and Boys Caps in all the latest styles.

We have a large and brand new stock of hats from the cheapest to a John B. Stetson
Mens Derby Hats, 25 and 50cts.

MEN'S BOY'S and CHILDREN'S CLOTHING.
Children's Knee Suits 4 to 14

from 35cts. to \$4.50.
Children's Knee Pants from 15c to \$1.00.
Young Men's Suits from \$2.00 to \$8.50.
Men's Suits from \$2.45 to \$16.50.
We also have a fine line of Mens Pants and Overcoats.

DRESS GOODS.

This department is in charge of Mrs. Louella McConnell, who fully understands this business and is ready and willing to show you at any time through this beautiful department. Call and see her while in the city.

We have all the latest French Importations in Dress Goods and Trimmings—some costing as high as \$1.50 a yard.

We have the very latest in Roman Stripe Silks, Roman Stripe Ribbons and Roman Stripe Belts, and Ladies Ties, Foster Kid Gloves, size 6 1/2 to 7 1/2 at 45 cts. a pair.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS.

If you want the latest in Men's Dress Shirts, Ties, Shoes, Hats and Underwear, just call and ask to see our line. We can substantiate

everything that we say in this as well as other lines. Scrivens Patent Elastic Seam Drawers, not just one or two pair, but all sizes at 75 cts. a pair. Guyot Suspenders at 12cts a pair. Mens Laundered Neglige Shirts from 25cts. to \$1.25.

MILLINERY--WHOLESALE and RETAIL

This handsome department is again in charge of Mrs. Corrine L. Alston who has been in St. Louis since August 1st having worked while there in the Millinery department of Barr's one of the largest Retail houses in St. Louis and then in the Wholesale house of Levis Zukoski & Co. She comes fully prepared and educated in all the newest and up-to-date headwear for Ladies, Misses and Children. We invite you to call and see this pleasant and agreeable Lady who will take great pleasure and pains in showing you through this large department. We carry more styles and the largest line of Millinery in Eastern Texas. We can sell you Ladies Walking Hats from 15c to \$1.50 each—Ladies Sailors nicely Trimmed from 25 cts. to \$1.50.

NOTIONS.

Ladies Leather Belts assorted styles, 5c each. The buckle on this Belt is worth fully 10 cts
Ladies hand-ome Leather Belts from 10 to 50c.
Ladies colored bordered Handkerchiefs 2c each.
Mens large Red Handkerchiefs, 3 for 10c.
Chadwicks 6 cord thread, two spools for 5c.
Ladies white Linen Collars, 8c.
Ladies white Linen Cuffs, 8c a pair.
Ladies fine Silk Bows, 15c each.

TRUNKS and VALISES.

In a few days more we will have and will be prepared to sell you Trunk for less money than you can get in Crockett of the same quality. When you want a good Trunk or Valise, call and see us, we are busy this week to give you a description and prices of our month Stock, but look out for us. We are coming again.

VERY RESPONSIVE

W. V. McCONNELL

War Reminiscences.

(By W. D. Pritchard, Crockett, Texas.)

The day begins with reveille, that is the bugle call at six o'clock in the morning to fall in for roll call. When the last note dies away the command is given, "Front." And all men not in line at this time are marked for extra duty. Many would wait until the last moment and come rushing out with one leg of their pants on and barefooted. Others in their night clothes. But most of them would be on time. Reveille is never a welcome sound to the soldier. On this occasion could be heard such expressions as "d— old Collins, I wish that d— bugle was in h—." It never failed to wake. The soldier may have forgotten everything else but he remembers reveille.

The roll call over, the orderly sergeant reports to the attending officer. Those present and the absentees, if any absent. When "Break Rank" is ordered all repair to their quarters to prepare the morning meal which was usually biscuit made up with fried meat, coffee and with us in Va. "Lincoln Coffee," if the forgers had been successful the night before. The morning bill of fare was varied with butter, eggs, now and then chicken. At seven o'clock came "guard mount," that is those detailed for guard duty that day reported at the guard house and were assigned to their places as described in the preceding article. "Sick call" was sounded at 8 a. m., minor particulars of which were given last week. At 9 o'clock drill call sounded. When every man in camp not sick or on detail fell in and marched to the parade ground for two hours exercise in squad or company drill. Squad drill is the breaking up of the company into

small squads for the more easily training them in the rudiments and many other minor details. After the squads are sufficiently trained they are thrown into the company again and go through what we call company drill. This is the maturing of the company preparatory to battalion drill. The morning is devoted to squad and company drill, the evening to battalion drill which is the exercise of the entire regiment in maneuvers thought necessary to the successful handling of the men on the battlefield. We drilled from 9 to 11 a. m., roll call at 12. At one, battalion drill until 3. At 4 came dress-parade. In this the regiment is formed, orders given "to front." The colonel takes position in front of the center. The band marches up and down in front of the regiment, playing some national air. The adjutant steps out in front of the colonel and calls, "Attention. To the rear, open orders, march; officers and colors to the front." These move out ten paces. Then the adjutant turns and salutes the colonel and says the "parade is formed." The adjutant then takes position in rear of colonel who puts the regiment through the manual of arms. After this they retire to their quarters. Evening roll call sounds at 6 p. m. and this ends the day's duty. Every day in camp is the same with rare exceptions. A continuous rain is the only thing that interrupts the regular routine. It will be seen that the men have but little time for pleasure. But even with their limited opportunities they manage to find time for many games and lots of fun. Woe to the recruit that comes fresh from home. His initiation is sometimes rough. Many are the practical jokes played on him. Thus day-by-day, these men live over and over again

this monotonous life and gladly welcome a fight or anything else that will vary the humdrum of daily existence.

LOCAL NEWS.

The grand jury is hard at work with the prospect of a long and busy session. They have several cases to work up that are going to call for shrewd, energetic work.

The son of Dave Walling living near Grapeland had his hand badly lacerated in the gin or some attachment of the gin one day this week.

The death of Dick Whitehead occurred in one of the coast counties a few days since. His family, or a part of it, at one time lived in this county.

Very little business was done by the court this week except to organize and set cases. Elsewhere will be found a schedule of the docket as fixed for hearing.

We regret that we failed to be on hand at the nuptial honors of Miss Beulah Lacy and Mr. Barnett. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Tenney. Quite a number of relatives and close friends of the family were present. Miss Beulah has been a decided favorite of a large circle of friends all of whom utter inwardly, if not outwardly, a prayer for a life of happiness, and brightness which have been her characteristics. *Bon Voyage* to both.

Strayed or Stolen.

One blue-gray filly, 3 years old, no brand, natural pacer, pet horse. Last seen on range on Gale's Creek, near Lovelady. \$5.00 for return. C. L. STEWART, Groveton.

Frank Andrews living near Weldon was found dead at his home one morning last week. The inquest before Justice Newton failed to show what caused his death. The opinion of some is that he suicided while others think that his death was the result of foul means.

Wanted

1000 bushels of sound corn at the Brick Livery Stable.

THE GALVESTON NEWS of a few days since devoted a page or more to the colors of Texas regiments and their bearers during the late war. The following is about the flag of the First Texas and its bearer, our townsman, W. D. Pritchard.

S. T. Blessing of Dallas was near, when the flag went down. As he fell he saw the foe rush to gather the sacred silk from the burial pile. W. D. Pritchard, a color bearer with the battle flag of the First Texas in his hands, was shot down almost dead with painful wounds. As he lay prostrated at the feet of the foe, bleeding and suffering the agony of death, he wept bitter tears, not for his wounds, but because the "flag by angel hands to valor given," all stained with the blood of brave ones, was trailing in the dust, a trophy to the foe.

THERE can be no question of the coming of good times to the farmers of the grain belt of the United States. They are prosperous as they have not been for years. They are paying their debts and liquidating mortgages which have hung as a pall over the homes of many of them for years. We are happy to see this and to know that there are those to whom thrift and the comforts and even luxuries which thrift brings is no longer a stranger. If we can't have these times ourselves, we are glad to see others blessed with them. Perhaps, even down in Dixie, after awhile there will come a bend in the lane and the clouds of depression and adversity roll by and the bright, refreshing, comfort-bestowing sun shine of prosperity once more dwell with us.

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One shingle saw mill, one saw mill, cotton gin and press, yoke large, fat oxen, one Le Double Turbine 35 inch wheel.
Terms easy. Address me at Augusta.
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THE COURIER,

W. B. PAGE, Editor.
THE COURIER AND ITS MIS-
SION.

The COURIER may be relied on to do its duty to the public, to the state, to the county and to society, honestly and fearlessly, without prejudice and without malice. It always labors for the best interests of Houston county and the society of Houston county. It stands for law and order, for good government, for peace, for quiet, for the enforcement of the law in high and low places, against the powerful as well as the weak, against the rich as well as the poor, in all sections of the county, those nearby and those remote. It truckles to no man or organization of men. It has its honest convictions on all questions and utters them, regardless of how the chips may fall. It has always done it and will always do it. It criticizes all alike, both friend and enemy, when they deserve it. Its mission is along lines of higher ideals, for a higher standard of citizenship and a higher test of social excellence. It is opposed to lawlessness in all places and sections, in Cracker's Bend as in Crockett. This is the basis of principles on which it was established, on which it has been conducted in the past and on which it will be conducted in the future. If this is not a sound platform on which to stand there is none and whether sound or not we propose to stand or fall by it. There may be those who do not like or approve it as there are always those who will object to any and every thing. So in the future as in the past, the COURIER will be found enlisted with those people and that element of society who represent the best interests, the highest aspirations and the purest ideal of a progressive and enlightened civilization. To those who don't like such views we extend our profound sympathies and to those who do we extend the co-operation and congratulatory hand of a strong, hopeful fellowship that quails not at nor is intimidated by criticism from any source, section or individual.

Our old-time friend, J. F. Davis, is behind the quill on a new journalistic venture at Lufkin, the title of which is the "Lufkin Weekly." It is a new sheet locally and displays much ability in its editorial columns. We greet the new star in the journalistic firmament. Long may its light shine and grow brighter even unto the end. And in this connection we would be pleased to know how Frank Davis and his immigration partner managed to work up that colonizing scheme for Angelina county. An inviting and prolific field awaits Davis or any one else who will take hold of that business over here.

The Special Edition of the Nacogdoches Chronicle giving a write-up of that county and town on September 30th, is one of the most elaborate and creditable write-ups of a county and county seat we have ever seen from the country press. The material is most excellent, the style in which it is written is happy and forceful and the mechanical execution can not be surpassed. The Chronicle deserves the substantial thanks and the liberal, substantial support of every business-man and enterprising citizen in that county for the attractive and successful manner in which it has presented to the world the unknown resources and unsurpassed advantages of that county and town. We congratulate the Chronicle on its supremely successful enterprise and the people of Nacogdoches on having a journal of which they should be proud and which they should spare no means or pains to support.

Cheap Homes Houston County.

Real Estate and Land For Sale
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21 acres, Henry Masters league, 2 miles east from town of Crockett, on Crockett and Centra road. Level post oak land. Will make a nice little farm.—Unimproved.

400 acres, R de la Garza league, 10 miles north-west from town of Crockett. Well improved and an abundance of good water on Elkhart creek. Several good houses on this farm.

400 acres, Wm. Dickerson Hr., 4 miles north from Crockett. Extra well improved, good houses, barns etc. on this place.

160 acres, Plinney Blanchard league, 8 miles south from Crockett. Improved and good farming land.

75 acres, R. B. Frost Hr., 6 miles south from Crockett, near I. & G. N. R. R.—Improved.

160 acres, J. W. Harvey Hr., 13 miles south-west from Crockett.—Improved. Good farm.

109 acres, Wesley Truss Hr., 7 miles north from Crockett on I. & G. N. R. R. House on this place in sight of said rail road. Very well improved; also farming land.

200 acres, J. B. Hallmark Hr., 10 miles east from Crockett on White Rock creek. Good improvement and about 75 acres open land and some very fine bottom land on this place.

200 acres, Joseph Teague Hr., 10 miles north-east from Crockett. Improved and also farming land.

50 acres, M. Blackshear Hr., 14 miles east from Crockett, near East Prairie. Small improvement on this place.

56 acres, M. H. Johnson Hr., 16 miles north-east from Crockett, all unimproved, well timbered.

315 acres, John Gregory League, 1 1/2 miles south from Lovelady on Tanta-bogue Creek—all unimproved. Very fine land.

640 acres, G. G. Alford Hr., 25 miles east from Crockett. Improved; very fine farming land, on Cochino Bayou.

UNIMPROVED TRACTS.

320 acres, W. E. Hayes Hr., 11 miles east from Crockett.—Pine land.

480 acres, J. O. Teague Hr., 10 miles north-east from Crockett.—Post oak and red oak.

248 acres, W. Dillard Hr., 14 miles east from Crockett.—Pine land.

200 acres, Antonia Brazo Hr., 18 miles south-east from Crockett.—Pine, red oak and hickory timber.

117 acres, O. Peterson Hr., 18 miles north-east from Crockett.—Red oak and black jack timber.

400 acres, Collin Aldrich Hr., 8 miles south-west from Crockett.—Post oak, black jack and hickory timber.

320 acres, F. M. McNeil Hr., 8 miles north from Crockett.—Hickory, black jack and post oak timber.

132 acres, J. Smith Hr., 8 1/2 miles north-west from Crockett.—Blackjack and hickory timber.

227 acres, O. M. Vinton, 16 miles south-east from Crockett. 207 acres, Wm. Cruz, 16 1/2 miles south-east from Crockett. 350 acres, John Edens, 18 miles north-west from Crockett.—Red oak timber.

200 acres, John Moore league, 4 miles south from Crockett, near Crockett and Huntsville road. 100 acres in cultivation and 100 acres timbered land.

132 acres, T. R. Townsend Hr., 6 miles south-west from Crockett on Crockett and San Antonio road; 65 acres in cultivation.

600 acres, Arthur Henrie Hr., 18 miles south-west from Crockett in McKinzie bend on Trinity river. Well improved and very fine bottom land.

Also about 20,000 acres unimproved land in different portions of the county for sale on easy terms.

350 acres, John Eden's league, 18 miles north-west from Crockett. Very fine farming land.—Unimproved.

1500 acres, Jacob Masters Jr. league, 10 miles north-east from Crockett on San Antonio road; 200 acres in cultivation. Good dwelling house and several tenant houses on place. Very good improvements. Near good church and school house. Will sell in quantities to suit purchasers on easy terms.

458 acres, J. Masters Sr., unimproved but would make a good farm. 6 miles north-east from Crockett.

110 acres, Wm Johnson Hr., 18 miles east from Crockett. Good farming land.

88 acres, Luke Bust Hr., 10 miles east from Crockett, near Concord church. Good farming land.—upland—unimproved.

200 acres, J. Allbright league, on Trinity river; not subject to overflow. Very fine land.—Unimproved.

320 acres, T. J. Goolsby Hr., 9 miles north east from Crockett. Good upland.

240 acres, H. Young, 6 miles north east from Crockett, near San Antonio road; well timbered.

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MANGUM'S COLUMN

MR. EDITOR:

Please say to your readers that although the Dingley tariff bill has passed and will greatly raise prices on almost everything, I shall continue the one price to all. Spot cash business on a strictly low tariff basis and when they want anything it will pay them to see me before buying. I guarantee absolute satisfaction on everything I sell and will cheerfully refund the money when found otherwise.

Respectfully,

J. M. MANGUM.

P. S. I. By the way, how about that 20,000 bales of cotton estimate for Crockett? I can't bet hats on it for I only have one, and to lose that would mean much to me; but I am in the market for cotton and want just 10,000 bales of Crockett's receipts and will pay full market value for it.

P. S. No. 2. I have't time to give you a detailed price list this week but will try to get it ready for your next issue.

In conclusion will add that I have just received another car of the celebrated White Swan Flour, a flour that has very few equals and no superiors.

To try it is to buy it. Keep your eye on the indicator and you will see it invariably points to Mangum's as the cheapest and best place in Houston county to buy Groceries.

Yours for business and low prices,
JNO. MANGUM.

P. S. No. 3. More anon.

Some Interesting Railroad Figures.

The masses of the people in Houston county have very little knowledge, we presume, of railroads, the cost of same, revenues, operating expenses, liabilities etc. As the I. & G. N. road runs through this county we will give the statistics of that road. The total mileage of the road is 775 miles, main line; sidings and yard tracks 103 miles. Capital stock, \$9,755,000; stock per mile 12,581; bonded indebtedness 118,343,234; bonded debt, per mile \$23,656. Gross earnings for year ending June 30 1895; From passengers \$740,763; from mail contracts \$131,626; from Express Co's \$65,826; from freight \$2,542,435. Total from all sources 3,491,652 dollars. Operating expenses of road; maintenance of roadway 551,383 dollars; maintenance of equipment 403,529 dollars; transportation 1,318,471 dollars; general expenses \$93,034; total operating expenses 2,366,389 dollars. The total operating expenses are nearly 68 per cent of gross earnings. The net earnings for year ending June 30 '95 are 1,125,263. The total stock and bonded indebtedness of the I. & G. N. is 28,098,234 dollars. The value of the road as fixed by the commission is 13,942,568. There is another interesting item in this connection that very few of the Courier readers recollect; of the total mileage, 775 miles, 519 miles are exempt from taxation under the compromise subsidy act of 1875. In 1895 the I. & G. N. had 88 engines, 33 passenger coaches, 21 baggage and express cars, 1769 freight cars. Total number of employees 2,421. The Pacific Express Co. pays the I. & G. N. one half of gross earnings for use of road.

CREEK.

The fine weather for cotton picking will wind up some of it this month. The crop is shorter than for years. The people here will have enough corn to do them if not wasted on hogs. Ribbon-cane is fair. Peas and sorghum is our diet and legal tender for debts. Mr. Wm. Thompson has been sick for several months past though we hope to see him out soon. A doctor Lively taught a class here on horse dentistry and now Creek has five. No more tooth-ache for the

poor horse now. I heard one man say he wanted a new set for his horse. One of our merchants had his hair clipped thinking that summer would be half as long as the Twentieth Fifth Leg. Election day was quiet, 70, against 3 for the stock-law. It will do very well for a moneyed man to advocate stock law; we are too poor to change fences and not able to pay our debts. Our school will commence next month. We have an able teacher, Mr. Lunceford. We are glad to see the Courier come out in an all-home print and it hardly ever advocates a wrong thing and can be relied on as one all the time. It does not change as the moon does every quarter.

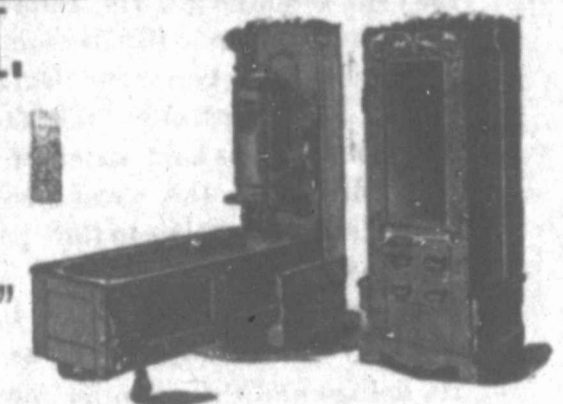
O. LEARY.

Complaints of cotton weights not holding out in Houston and Galveston still continue and in some instances they are very heavy and serious. This is a matter that should address itself to every one concerned, the farmer, the buyer and the ware-housman. The farmer wants or should want only what is right and the merchant or cotton buyer the same. And it is the duty of the weigher to give the exact weights nothing more nor less. There has been a loss of two to 16 pounds on nearly every bale of cotton shipped out from here. There is something evidently wrong somewhere and it is the duty of the weighers at Crockett, if it is their fault, to correct it. And if their scales are correct it is their duty to locate the trouble and place the responsibility where it belongs. The only test by which the fault may be located is for one or all the weighers to weigh a bale here and then follow it with their scales to Houston or Galveston and weigh it there. This would show whether cotton lost or gained in transit and whether or not climate influences had anything to do with the same loss (or gain) in weight. If the cotton weighed the same in Houston as in Crockett by the same scales the element of climate would be eliminated and the loss in weight would then turn exclusively on the question of correctness of the scales.

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THE COURIER.

W. B. PAGE, Editor.

THE COURIER has no war to make on Hon. Joe Sayers or his record. He is an honorable man and his record in Congress is a splendid one. Our opposition to his candidacy for governor grows out of the fact that his political training has placed him out of touch with public questions of state interest.

IN our issue of next week we propose to have something to say to Judge Reagan's three column attempt to exonerate himself from the charges which the COURIER and other papers made with reference to his vote on the reduction of cotton freight rates, the regulation of the wharf company's tariff and the control by the commission of the express charges. We would have done so this week but have been pressed for time to do so.

Poor Old Spain, that was once mistress of the seas of a hemisphere, whose name at one time was the synonym of power, the symbol of austere dignity, royal pomp and pageantry, the amplitude of whose territory was such that the sun never set on it, has long since fallen from the rank of notions of the first power and to-day is threatened with an internal revolution that may possibly wipe its name as a monarchy from the map. The influence of the form of government which Jefferson and Washington builded is still marching on, transforming some governments into republics and liberalizing others in such measure as to give the people a voice in their government. The example of the Great Western Republic is still potent for good. A hundred years hence may possibly reveal a republican form of government where the word of the Czar of all the Russias is law.

WHEN Judge Reagan intimates in his blast of a few days since that the COURIER got its information from Governor Culberson or any one close to Governor Culberson he misrepresented the facts. The COURIER has kept watch of the proceedings of the commission from its inauguration to the present, has noted every move by the commission collectively and individually and is fully posted as to its doings and the records of its members without going to Governor Culberson or any one else. The action of the commission against the Galveston Wharf Company is a matter of public record and public newspaper notoriety as also the questions of Express regulation and Cotton-freight reduction. We watched these questions and their adjudication with more than ordinary interest and eagerness and when the action of the commission thereon was final and conclusive the editor of the COURIER knew exactly what had been done by the commission and by each commissioner too. This fling or slur at Governor Culberson by Judge Reagan is characteristic of him. The bond of friendship and the ties of gratitude never stand in the way of Judge Reagan's ambition. When Sir Oracle speaks, other dogs must hunt their holes or bay the moon. Nothing is too sacred, no bond of friendship of too long standing, no tie of gratitude for past favors too strong that they shall thwart the judge in his purposes or stand in the way of his ambition.

THE COURIER does not believe there is any probability of the suspicious case of fever at Grapeland developing into yellow fever. It is well to exercise prudence and precaution, but it sometimes goes too far and much harm results. The trade of the little town of Grapeland will be very seriously damaged by this report.

ALL hale to the boys of Baylor University in their struggle with Brann! Our sympathies go out to them and we can but hope that they will succeed in muzzling his foul mouth. Any man who, directly or indirectly, by bold assertion or by innuendo casts any slur or stain or reflection on the character or conduct of any pure, good woman deserves to be treated as the students and the people of Waco have treated Mr. Brann.

THE fact that your uncle John H. Reardon's compromise made by Attorney General Crane with the Southern Pacific Railway company, is all the people of Texas want to know about the affair before affixing the seal of their approbation to the entire transaction.—Willis Index.

The above is from a Joe Sayers' paper. Now, how does the endorsement of your "Uncle Johnny" Reagan give strength to the statement of Attorney General Crane? Perhaps our Willis neighbor doesn't know all the facts as developed by the record. Your "Uncle Johnny" Reagan's position in the compromise episode is more in need of explanation and bolstering than Attorney General Crane's is. Crane's success over the combined forces of the Southern Pacific and allied interests is a brilliant triumph for the law department of our government and a highly creditable vindication of Mr. Crane's interpretation of the law.

BOB BURDETTE was before a Crockett audience on Thursday night for the first time in a "Twice Told Tale." For two hours the packed house listened to his happy delineation of the life and experience of a boy from the time he puts on trousers to the time he puts trousers on something else. The large and cultivated audience roared with convulsions of laughter at the portrayal of some experience in the life of every one present. There was not a man or boy in the house but had gone through the very things which he pictured. The people of Crockett are indebted to the Lyceum Association for this rare treat. And Judge Aldrich deserves much credit for organizing the association which is a permanent institution. The Lyceum Association will have other attractions to follow and we are assured for the coming winter that many attractions of a high order will be presented here under the same auspices.

The New Church.

MR. EDITOR:—Please tell all concerned that the new church fever has not cooled off by a great deal. We are making brick by the hundreds of thousands on our brick yard and paying for them as we go. We expect to complete the enterprise begun. Let no one suppose we have in any degree cooled off. For a time the committee appointed to solicit subscription, left off soliciting that our citizens might have time to take their bearings and ascertain what they would be able to give. Now that we have advanced sufficiently far in the season to know what we can do it is hoped every one who can will subscribe liberally and pay as called on. We calculate on building an elegant brick structure of modern style which will be a credit to the community. All our citizens are interested in it. Every

one should aid as much as possible. Such a building as we have determined to erect will tend to enhance property in the town. Every interest will profit by such buildings. We believe none are so selfish as to receive all profits and aid the work in no way. Let all help in building this church and when our sister denominations decide to build, why of course, Methodists will in turn assist. Good church houses are public benefactions therefore the public should feel interested in them. Of course if we are paying as we go we are also collecting as we need it. So we hope all who subscribe will pay some or all of what they put down when called on.

Now allow me to say to the Methodists in particular. You are looked to to take the lead in this matter, if you do nothing or but little why of course you need not expect others to take hold. The issue is now made, the step has been taken, we cannot afford to falter. The step was taken by action of the Quarterly Conference. It is not thoughtlessly precipitated on you. Seven of as wise and prudent men as could be found in your number decided to take the step. Their action is yours. Now let every one stand by them. The times may be hard, but by the blessings of God we can build. Come on my comrades, my brethren and in a short time we can say "so build we the wall and all the wall was joined together unto the half, for the people had a mind to work." Neh. 4:6.

Respectfully,

A. S. WHITEHURST.

A Tam O'Shanter Ride.

We were not there but we have seen one who was. The scene was in the Tantabogue Bottom on the road from Lovelady to Weldon. The hour wasn't the hour exactly of warlocks and witches but it was past the trysting hour when lovers meet and woo; in fact the somber gloom of darkness had set in and the Tantabogue Bottom was wrapped in the vestments of night. A denizen of the prairie had to return along this road and through this bottom from a mission of mercy—having gone to Lovelady for a doctor for a member of his family. His name begins with a round letter of the alphabet. He had always had a dread of that bottom and during day-time even as he passed through it, he urged his horse on and whistled with the make-believe nonchalance of a school-boy passing a country church yard. He was in a hurry to return before darkness set in for he had an idea that the brownies and spooks would have a dance on the bottom green that very night. And of all things frightful and abhorrent, spirits, and dwellers of the spirit world had less attractions for our friend than all else. He shuddered at the thoughts of ghosts and would go into convulsions at the whistling of the wind through the trees or the soul-harrowing shimmer of a bed-sheet at the midnight hour on the clothes line if he was returning home at that hour. Notwithstanding all this our friend was in no hurry to return. Lovelady's mountain dew had refreshed him.

"The minutes winged their way with pleasure Kings may be blest but our friend was glorious. Over all the ills of life victorious." Still he thought of his ride and that bottom and somehow a presentiment would steal over him that would make him feel uneasy and creepy. He dreaded it. But like Tam, "No man can tether time or tide

The hour approaches our friend must ride."

After bushing himself inwardly with liquid refreshments he supplies himself with a good round chunk of cheese.

Thus fixed, "So mounted on his good mare Meg A better never lifted leg; He skelps along with prudent cares. Lest bogies catch him unawares, Tantabogue is drawing nigh Where ghosts and howlets nightly cry."

He rides on all unconscious of what is ahead of him. Suddenly his good steed snorts and shies and jumps. Our friend's eyes, if they could have been seen, would have looked like poached eggs. His heart comes to his mouth, his hair stands erect. "The Devil sure" was the only exclamation that passed his lips as he gazed and became transfixed at the unearthly sight before him. It moved. The sheeted dead walking forth could not have stricken him with more terror. He sinks the spurs into his horse and shies around it. As he did so came the explosion of a pistol and then another and another and another and another. Then began a race against time that the records of Joe Patchen and Star Pointer could not have beaten. He never looks behind but ahead always, his spirited steed responding eagerly to every wish and swipe of his old hat which he had worn into thread as a squirt. Ahead of him in the distance is the bridge which once across he thought he was safe. As he spurred and lashed for the bridge he thought he could hear them following him in hot pursuit.

"Ah, 'Sis!' Ah, 'Sis!' thou'll get thee fair In h— they will roast thee like a herring In vain thy Kate awaits thy comin."

He spans the bridge but his speed he stops not. Along the dusty, hard roads of Nevel's Prairie might have been heard that night the click-et-y click of Sis's horse. And the cheese! oh! where was that! "Ask Sis". Lovelady, Oct. 5th. SPOOP.

Cotton Seed Advanced.

I will pay 13 cents a bushel for all cotton seed delivered at Lovelady.

Those interested are now beginning to realize the great increase in cotton acreage. It is believed that the increase on Nayil's Prairie is in excess of 50 per cent and it will nearly reach that all over the county.

Professor King left for Austin Friday evening. He realizes the tremendous responsibilities of the position he fills. He also keenly appreciates the fact there are those who would not hesitate to use any means to have their books introduced in the schools of the state and will make the attempt if they think there is a remote possibility of success. Professor King is fully aroused as to the schemes of these gentlemen and will be able to spot them as soon as they show themselves.

Found Nearly Dead in the Road.

As D. L. Burton and Will Dunderwood were going to the home of the former on Friday morning, (today,) they found Abram Wyley (Col.) lying in the road nearly dead from loss of blood from knife wounds. He was found on the Porter's Springs road about five miles from town. They got out, poured water on him and revived him sufficiently to examine him. He was cut in the stomach in several places and in quite a number of other places. We judge the wounds are very serious. He has been living on C. Stokes' place on the Trinity. We have heard nothing as to the cause of the trouble or whom the trouble was with.

Thackeray's Gallantry.

A good story of the novelist Thackeray is told in the "Bookman." Mrs. McLean of Brooklyn, N. Y., was a short, slight woman, and when she reached the London Crystal Palace on the day of the opening the crowd completely hemmed her in. She could not catch a glimpse of a single royalty or celebrity. Tears of chagrin sprang to her eyes as she realized her disappointment and the price of it. A "distinguished-looking Englishman," as she afterward described him, who stood beside her, grasped the situation at a glance, and saying, "Permit me, Madam," he closed his hands around her waist and lifted her as he would a child above the crowd, holding her there as long as he could, and pointing out the Queen, the Prince Consort and the other royalties and celebrities. After he had set her down and rested himself, he raised her again and then a third time. When she thanked him, he said, simply: "I am always glad to do a favor for an American." All that summer she tried in vain to identify her "distinguished Englishman," but finally came home without learning who he was. Years afterward, in Plymouth church, when the lecturer of the evening entered with Henry Ward Beecher, she turned to her husband and exclaimed, "That's my Englishman!" It was Thackeray, whom she met later and entertained at her home, recalling the incident to their mutual satisfaction. Who but the creator of Colonel Newcome could have dared to attempt so unconventional a kindness, or have done it with a quick tact and delicacy that gave no offense?

Useful Bacteria.

Since the existence of countless millions of infinitesimal organisms is an admitted fact, the lay mind has fallen into the habit of calling everything in the way of bacilli, bacteria and microbes emissaries of evil. It was by the merest accident that the existence of benevolent bacteria was made known, and now these critics find, to their astonishment, that there may be quite as many good bacilli as bad. Indeed, the good ones are credited with sustaining life as well as prolonging it; of keeping us in good health, and making mere existence a pleasure when normal conditions prevail. A laboratory presided over by graduates of the Boston Institute of Technology is now engaged in cultivating the bacteria of cream. A certain quantity of these organisms is put into the milk, whereupon the cream rises and goes through all of the processes necessary for the production of perfect butter. If cheese is to be produced there is a culture specially for this purpose. So well satisfied were the projectors of the plan of the feasibility of their undertaking that they are equipping their laboratory with every necessary appliance and providing in every way for the successful carrying out of the experiment.

In a pneumatic painting nozzle recently patented, a long, narrow slit is formed to discharge the paint with an air outlet above and one below to spread the paint over the surface as it flows from the reservoir attached to the nozzle, the air being supplied through tubes by bellows or an engine on the ground below.

Electricity for medicinal purposes can be easily generated by a new instrument shaped like a watch and nearly the same size, containing a magnet and two coils of wire attached to a spindle, near the ends of the magnet, the spindle being revolved by means of a coiled spring, which is wound by the stem of the watch.

Mrs. Marjann Mason Greely is a woman of fine literary attainments; she took a course at the Sorbonne in Paris, and is now studying at Barnard college. She is a person of advanced but not aggressive, ideas, and is womanly and charming. Mrs. Thomas A. Edison is a very beautiful woman. She looks like an Italian, with soft brunette coloring and a superb complexion. She knows very little of her husband's scientific work, but devotes much time to reading detective novels with him, a form of literature of which he is very fond.

High-Priced Bumblebees.

Many years ago the farmers of Australia imported bumblebees from England and set them free in their clover fields. Before the arrival of the bees clover did not flourish in Australia, but after their coming the farmers had no more difficulty on that score. Mr. Darwin has shown that bumblebees were the only insects fond of clover nectar which possessed a proboscis sufficiently tube-like flowers, and, at the same time, a body large enough to bend down the clover so that the pollen would fall on its back, and thus be carried to fertilize other flowers of the same species. According to a writer in the Science News, the bumblebees of Australia cost the farmers there about half a dollar apiece, but they proved to be worth the price.

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LOCAL NEWS

R. T. Murchison is engaged in collecting for Lipscomb & Lipscomb.

Cotton is rolling in at the rate of 150 bales a day. Middling today in Crockett is worth 5 5-16

J. B. Cunningham, J. C. West, F. J. Ware, E. H. Henderson, J. H. Pool and E. W. Davis were in to see us the last of the week.

Mr. Sory's son, living near Grapeland, accidentally shot himself in the back last Saturday with a shot gun. The wound is not serious.

Tucker Baker has leased the opera house, put in electric lights and is going to give the people of Crockett, the coming season, some fine attractions if they give him the encouragement to do so.

The best worked section of road that we have seen in the county is the five-mile section from Crockett out on the Grapeland road. Murdoch Murchison, Jr., is the overseer.

Judge Gill informs the Courier that A. C. Green of Anderson county will make \$1500 clear on his crop of tobacco this year on 40 acres of land notwithstanding the dry season.

Corrine Alston who presided over the hat trimming and kinshipments of W. V. McConore will be with him again in the coming season.

Anderson County Fair will be the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th of the month. They are going to Houston County Day and are going at a low rate will be for Houston county attendance.

W. Aiken of Henderson and Marr of Warren, Arkansas, present engaged at work on the jury. From now on we will be able to assure our patrons that we will be on time strictly.

A graded school (white) open to 275 scholars. It will grow to 300 when all are in. The faculty of the institution this year are as follows: Prof. Walker principal; Miss Annie Williams, Mrs. A. R. Spence, Miss Mary, Mrs. Lucy Collins, Miss Arrington, Miss Del. Brumby.

John McElvey place was at public outcry Tuesday in tracts, 100 acres in one tract including residence and gin house 40 acres in second tract. It all knocked down to Cicero for \$300 for first tract and \$100 for second tract. W. H. Denney and S. M. Bruce were other bidders. The property was sold on twelve months time without interest.

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A man by the name of Hartley, a "trusty" from Huntsville penitentiary, was in Crockett during the summer working on the ice-plant for Dr. Smith. The latter talked with him a great deal and had become interested in his history and future. A few days since Hartley was put in the pen under guard to prevent his lynching by a mob for the raping of a little girl.

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J. W. Boatwright of Tadmor has bought the Walker place on Hickory Creek from J. D. Sims.

The COURIER got a dozen new subscribers this week seven or eight of which from one section.

Burdette.
John Wakefield, Charley Monday, Walter Gantt and K. D. Lawrence came up from Lovelady to hear Bob Burdette in a "Twice Told Tale." They enjoyed the treat immensely, especially John Wakefield, and even one in the house seemed to enjoy his enjoyment of it.

District Court.

The following is the civil docket: W. W. Bodenheimer vs. W. L. Simpson—set for Monday, sixth week.

Frank Jones vs. H. M. Barbee—set for Monday, second week.

David Griffin vs. H. M. Barbee—set for Monday, second week.

M. Harrell vs. Smith—set for Monday, second week.

W. T. Bounds vs. Lou Bounds—divorce granted.

J. C. Wootters et al vs. Will Berry—dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

H. H. Foster vs. M. C. Foster—divorce granted at cost of plaintiff.

T. J. Davis vs. J. J. Davis—set for Monday, second week.

J. C. Wootters et al. vs. Berry & Hedge—dismissed as to G. R. Berry; judgment by default as prayed for against Richard Hodge and foreclosure vendor's lien.

E. E. Williams vs. H. N. Robinson—set for Wednesday, second week.

E. E. Williams vs. J. F. Adams—set for Wednesday, second week.

J. A. Corley vs. County Attorney—election contest; dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

M. E. and W. Y. Jones vs. Willis M. Poole et al.—set for Tuesday, sixth week.

J. R. B. Barbee vs. Insurance Co. three cases—set for Thursday, second week.

T. D. Craddock vs. J. F. Taylor et al.—judgment for plaintiff; cost taxed against plaintiff.

W. E. Mayes vs. W. D. Dechard—judgment for plaintiff for \$2,647.50 and costs.

America Kelley vs. William Kelley—divorce granted.

F. G. Edmunston et al. vs. John Leutwyler et al.—judgment and foreclosure as prayed for.

T. J. Clark et al. vs. Lucy Clark et al.—set for Saturday, first week.

Craddock & Co. vs. L. J. Hoyer—judgment and foreclosure as prayed for, clerk to assess damages.

E. M. Collins et al. vs. E. M. Morehead et al.—injunction as prayed for with bond of \$400; Geo. E. Darsey appointed receiver; cause set for Friday, second week.

Ex parte J. H. Smith—disabilities removed as prayed for.
Lillie Hayes vs. George Hayes—

divorce granted.

Wm. Rhodes vs. Clara Rhodes—same as above.

Henry Hail vs. Ella Hail—divorce granted.

Annie Christian vs. Geo. Christian—divorce granted.

Below is the criminal docket:

State vs. Elbert Rogers—murder; set for Tuesday, sixth week; venire forty jurors.

State vs. Ed. King—murder; set for Monday, sixth week; venire forty jurors.

State vs. A. J. Knox, George McCullough and Joe Sallas—murder; set for Wednesday, third week; venire sixty jurors.

State vs. J. W. Howell—murder; set for Thursday, sixth week; venire 75 jurors.

State vs. John Crawford—murder; set for Wednesday, sixth week; venire sixty jurors.

District Court was occupied Thursday and Friday, on the case known as the "Long heirs vs. Wootters and J. B. Smith." All of Thursday was taken up with the evidence and a part of Friday. The attorneys on both sides are making a stubborn and an elaborate fight. The Young attorneys, D. A. Nunn Jr. and A. D. Lipscomb, are on opposite sides and are displaying signal ability in the management of their respective sides of the case.

LATER.
The case went to the jury about 4 p.m. Friday. Only one speech was made and that by D. A. Nunn Jr. for the defense. The jury came into court Saturday morning about 11 and rendered a verdict for the defense, J. B. Smith.

Hon. Jno. B. Peyton of Trinity was up Thursday.

H. D. Barnett and bride, Mrs. Beulah Barnett, left the night of the wedding for Houston and will go thence to their future home, Nacogdoches.

COLTHARP.

EDITOR COURIER:—Please allow me to write a letter as I see others are writing them. I noticed a letter in your paper from a colored man from Tennessee who calls on the negroes of that state to organize and put down this rape business. I endorse every word of that letter and I hope the colored people of Houston county will read that letter and come together in this county and organize against such cases so that white ladies can feel just as safe as they used to feel in slavery times and as they now feel among white people. I believe it is the duty of every good man, white and black, to protect helpless women from these outrageous villains. I notice what Mr. Tenney says about these mob cases. We don't claim that we mob such people but they just receive their just portion and dues. We thank the white people for our schools.
FRIEND.

YELLOW FEVER.

We had hoped that all grounds for yellow fever fright or sensationalism had passed away. But it broke out afresh on Friday. This time the suspicious case is at Grapeland. The suspect is a young man who, we are informed, had just returned from Beaumont where according to Dr. Swearingen there had been a case of yellow fever. Dr. Meriwether, the health officer at Grapeland, wired the officials at Crockett of the suspicious nature of the case—the symptoms being unlike those of any of our common fevers. He also wired Dr. Swearingen, State Health officer to come and examine the case. The people at Grapeland have isolated the case and put guards around it until further developments.

LATER.
Since the above was written

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State Health Officer Swearingen went to Grapeland and after an examination of patient who, it was thought, showed suspicious symptoms, pronounced the case one of malarial fever.

NOTICE.
All members of the Greenwood Cemetery Association and others who feel an interest in the cemetery are requested to meet at Public School Building, Friday, Oct. 15th. 4.30 p.m.

Since State Health Officer Swearingen declared the case at Grapeland one of Malarial fever Crockett has raised the quarantine against Grapeland.

J. L. & W. C. LIPSCOMB,
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