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THE KNOX CASE.

Verdict of the Jury Not Guilty.

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The jury as completed is: W. T. Hall, John Parker, Scott Yarborough, J. S. Yarborough, J. D. Baker (1), J. D. Baker (2), J. F. Allen, T. J. Clark, John Pelham, W. H. Dickey Jr., J. W. Stubblefield, T. W. Langham. The jury in the main is from the northern part of the county and is regarded as a very good body of men. Speculation is freely indulged as to the verdict and a hung jury is generally predicted.

The State opened the case with Hill Ady in the witness box. By his own evidence he is made one of the conspirators and turned State's evidence because he believed one of the others would. He was in the box an hour or more and impressed those who heard him as a very willing witness. He rattled off what he had to say and in his eagerness to tell what he had to tell frequently overstepped the rules of evidence about hearsay testimony. He gave a history of the conspiracy from its conception to its consummation and the gibbets with which he told off the shocking details of the tragic affair caused many a spectator to shudder. The defense and the judge had trouble in restraining the witness' overflowing narrative within proper limits. The witness had his tale to tell and he was going to tell it.

"Don't fire," says Dick, "it aint no use, That's Deacon Peleg's tame wild goose." Says John Henry, "I dont care a cent, I've sighted and I'll just let her went."

After some confusion he explained by chart the road, the spring, the position of each accomplice on the road and what each one did. Witness didn't see Knox there that day nor did he know he was there until Knox afterwards told him he was there and the place he occupied. Ady told how many times each one of them shot and the kind of weapon each used. On cross-examination Ady admitted that he swore a lie before Justice Newton on the examining trial. The next witness was Ady's wife, a beautiful little woman with a face that showed she was trying to tell all she knew and to tell it straight. She knew little of importance. Several other witnesses were examined during the afternoon, among them Sheriff Waller, Justice Newton, a man by the name of Barret and Turner High. The evidence of Barret and High is material and, if not impeached, will have no little weight. Barret went into the box about 4 p. m. He told a very straight tale and although the defense made an effort to entangle and confuse him, it failed. Barret swore that he was going on the 9th, of July from Madison county, his home, to Groveton, that he travelled the road from Creek to Lovelady, that he saw Jack Knox sitting on the side of the branch near the road along which Ellenberg

was to pass on his return from hauling R. R. ties, that Knox had a gun and he supposed he was on a "stand" looking for deer. Barret passed Knox thus situated and after passing him several hundred yards he heard the reports of several pistol shots in the rear; he stopped to see if he could hear dogs running, thinking that the parties were hunting deer; not hearing any he went on to Lovelady where he bought something to eat and went thence to Groveton and thence via Trinity etc. home. On cross-examination the defense tried to break down the effect of the witness' testimony by asking him if he hadn't been run out of Madison and Leon counties for hog-stealing; if the citizens over there didn't give him so many days to leave and threatened to hang him if he didn't leave. All of this the witness stoutly and vehemently denied, admitting, however, that he had some enemies in those counties. We understand at the proper time the defense will impeach the evidence of this witness.

Turner High was put on by the state to relate a conversation he had with Knox before and also one with him after the assassination of Ellenberg. Turner's evidence was of no little importance and weight, if true, and no one doubts that Turner related it just as he recollected it. In order to be done with the business Turner was anxious to get on the stand and he was full, to the point almost of explosion, of a long and impressive narrative as to what he had heard Knox say before and after the tragedy. He knew it too and reeled it off in an unbroken volume with dramatic inflection of voice and action of hand. And when he had finished, he gave forth from the bottomless depths of somewhere a deeply-drawn effluvia of relief which meant that Turner had reached the bed-rock of his story, had told it all and told it correctly as he remembered it. Turner evidently experienced unspeakable physical comfort after the verbal *accouchement* through which he had just passed with painful solicitude as to what the issue might be. The defendant and his friends all enjoyed the relief which the happy suffusion on Turner's face showed that he felt after his delivery and the usual cross examination was omitted. He left the witness box with the elastic step of a two-year old and as one who had put aside burden. Judge Gill then adjourned court till 9 a. m. Monday.

MONDAY MORNING: Court convened at 9 a. m. The state put James Harvey and J. Barte on the stand to tell what had occurred at the meeting at Lost Creek Bridge. Tom Dickey and Sylvester Price also testified as to what had transpired at that meeting. Price stated that among other things said Knox had said that if Ellenberg came back into that country they would do him up.

Ambrose Jones was the next witness. At this time he lived on

Jack Knox's place. He testified to having a conversation with Knox previous to the killing of Ellenberg in which Knox said that Ellenberg had better not come back down in their section. He also said that when Knox was informed of the killing of Ellenberg he remarked that he had not a "nickel to give to have him buried."

Miss Josie Brooks was next introduced. Since the last trial this witness had spent a part of the time in Tenn. with her relatives. After the previous trial, as also at the *habeas corpus* proceeding before Judge Burnett she was a witness for the defense and her testimony tended to exonerate Knox and the others from the charge of killing Ellenberg. At this trial she seems to have turned squarely back on all she had testified to on previous trials and gave some damaging evidence for the state. She was examined at length and it is impossible to give a full summary of what she said. The most telling feature of her evidence was what she heard the night she stayed all night at Geo. McCullars'. That was after Ady had given the whole thing away. She said that on that night Knox, Sallas and McCullar were talking together on the front gallery, she went into the room near them and listened to the conversation. She heard Knox say—"Ady might have left out my children and not brought them into the matter. And we ought to have known that Ady wouldn't do as he was too fresh and they had known him only two or three years." She also testified to receiving letters while in Tennessee from Knox and others and the letters were produced for her to identify which she did. On cross-examination the defense undertook to break the effect of her evidence by making her admit that at the examining trial and at the other previous trial of Knox that she had sworn falsely, but said her people in Tennessee had told her "to swear the truth and that she was doing so now."

The state put on Luke Martin who testified to having heard Knox say that "Ellenberg was causing a great disturbance in the neighborhood and that he ought to be gotten rid of in some way."

Mrs. Ellenberg was next introduced and examined on certain details in the history of the tragedy. On cross-examination she was asked by defense if she didn't tell Mrs. Harrison in Clarley Long's kitchen that "she knew nothing of the case." She replied that she did not.

At this point the state rested and the defense opened their side.

The theory of the defense is to prove an *alibi* for Knox on the day Ellenberg was killed as also for Sallas and others. Mrs. Joe Sallas took the stand and told that, on the day Ellenberg was said to have been killed, her husband Joe Sallas was at home all day and that in the afternoon she and her husband set out potatoes; that Mrs. Coon and her daughter spent

the most of the evening there. On cross-examination she was asked if she wrote any letters to Miss Josie Brooks while she was in Tennessee. Her reply was that she had written one. A batch of letters was handed her for examination and among them was one that she thought she had written.

Mrs. Coon and her daughter followed for the defense next and testified that on the evening of the killing they were at Sallas' and that Joe Sallas was there all the afternoon.

Mrs. Knox, the wife of Jack Knox was the next witness for the defense. She testified at length as to the occurrences of the day of the killing. Said that her husband ate dinner at home with the family, after dinner went out on the gallery, lay down on a pallet, went to sleep and slept two hours or more, after his nap he went to the field and hooked fodder for an hour or such a matter, then returned to the house and remained there or near there till night. On cross-examination she was asked to identify a letter that Knox is alleged to have written Miss Josie Brooks in Tennessee. She said she thought the handwriting of one of the letters was that of Knox.

Miss Candice Knox testified substantially to the same that Mrs. Knox did about Jack's whereabouts on the afternoon of the killing. She didn't recognize the letter as that of her father's from the handwriting.

Wesley, son of Jack Knox, testified as above about his father being at home on the evening named.

Lymon, another son, gave the same testimony on this point.

On cross-examination Lymon was asked about the meetings at the bridge and school house. He told who was at each one and said that, at the meeting at Pierson's Spring, Hill Ady came up and asked them, Knox, Sallas and McCullar, to join him in putting Ellenberg out of the way, that his father flatly refused to be a party to such a proceeding and they all left and went home. At this meeting all or nearly all were armed with weapons of some kind.

The defense next put the defendant, Knox, on the stand. His testimony as to his whereabouts on the evening of the killing of Ellenberg was in substance the same as that of his wife and children. He spent the evening at home asleep, shocking fodder or working on a buggy.

TUESDAY MORNING: The defendant, Knox, took the stand again when court convened. For want of space, it is not possible to devote much to each witness. Reuben Westmorland of Madison county was put on by defense to impeach Dan Barret:—said Barret's character in Madison was very bad, had been indicted for hog-stealing etc. By agreement it was admitted that the same evidence would have been given by Hugh Hayes and

others from Madison. On cross examination Westmorland admitted going to one meeting of "The Regulators" in Madison county some ten or more years ago.

Miss Josie Brooks was re-called by defense. She was handed a letter post marked "Ducktown" Tennessee and asked if she wrote it. She replied: "I did not write the words, 'The Truth' in the letter; but the word 'Falsely'. She virtually said that the word falsely had been erased and the words, "the truth" inserted in the place. The expression in the letter was substantially as follows: "My friends (or people) here tell me that I did very wrong in swearing [or testifying] the truth etc." Witness said she used the word falsely, in place of the words, "the truth". Such a change, if made, caused her to say just the converse of what she intended to say. Earl Adams Jr. took the stand to explain some depositions or questions for depositions propounded to Miss Josie Brooks before she left for Tennessee. These depositions were taken and sworn to by her at the home of Geo. McCullars.

Henry Hyde for defense swore that he knew Barret by reputation and that such reputation was bad. Miss Elma McCullar was the next witness and testified that her father was at home all of the evening of the killing, that he didn't leave except to walk off with her grandfather; the family were all at home, that Mrs. Coon and her daughter came after dinner and left; Miss Josie Brooks was there that day.

Mrs. George McCullar testified to substantially the same as her daughter:—said George plowed in the morning and did not leave in the afternoon except with his father.

A. J. Dauphin, next witness for defense: I live on Lovelady and Pierson Spring road, was at home all afternoon on day of killing, sitting on front gallery most of the time and saw no one pass going to Lovelady.

Mrs. Luke Martin and Mrs. Clink Scales testified to the same effect. Mrs. Hill Ady was re-called by defense and questioned about a pistol of Joe Sallas which Hill Ady had.

Mrs. David McCullar, mother of George, was next witness: "Mrs. Ady told me that Hill Ady had Joe Sallas' pistol on day of killing."

G. W. Dauphin and Mrs. G. W. Dauphin were put on the stand and examined respecting those who had traveled the Lovelady and Pierson Spring road. Both testifying that they lived a short distance from this road, that they were at home all of that evening and saw no one pass the road going to Lovelady.

J. W. Batee was next called. He is the father-in-law of George McCullar. He testified at length about some of the meetings in that neighborhood and about a petition he brought Judge Burnett, asking

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PROLONG THE BEAUTY OF YOUTH.

While the saying "beauty is only skin deep" is a homely one, it is literally true. Nor does the truth of the statement at all affect or detract from the power of beauty. For loveliness is a power in itself which is well nigh irresistible. Women all recognize it, and men bow in humble submission before its shrine. It behooves one who wishes to cultivate beauty, therefore to study how she may secure the best possible effects from the advantages which she possesses.

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THAT MILLAN CASE

Reasons For the Commutation of The Death Sentence.

Facts Which Led to Recommendation of The Board of Pardons. Trial Rather Precipitate.

Austin, Texas, October 9.—In view of the indignation of certain citizens of Montgomery county over the action of the governor in continuing the sentence of Archie McMillan to life imprisonment. The correspondent asked for and was shown all the evidence in the case, as well as all papers filed with the application for commutation and on which the board of pardons recommended that the commutation be granted. This evidence and papers, as well as the recommendation of the board of pardons, is now on file in the secretary of state's office. McMillan, as is now well known, was sentenced to be hanged in Montgomery county on the charge of criminally assaulting Jennie Giles, a girl 9 or 10 years of age. The hanging was to take place on September 24, but the governor granted a respite of two weeks, in order to give the board of pardons time to investigate thoroughly the evidence and papers accompanying the application, asking for a commutation of the sentence.

Whatever McMillan's intentions may have been when he entered the unoccupied house with the girl, and where the assault is said to have taken place, the evidence placed before the board of pardons failed to show that actual rape was committed.

Accompanying the application for commutation were letters from the foreman of the grand jury that found the indictment, from the county assessor, from the representative in the State legislature and from prominent attorneys and citizens of Montgomery county, all expressing their belief that the sentence was too severe, and asking that it be commuted to life imprisonment. Statements laid before the board of pardons were to the effect that if the prisoner appealed his case he would be lynched on short notice and in order to prolong his life no appeal was taken by defendant's attorneys, two young men appointed by the court after it had been shown that McMillan could not employ counsel himself. The trial was conducted in much haste, according to statements filed with

the board of pardons by reputation and the jury, but a very few minutes in rendering its verdict. These statements also conveyed the intelligence that the mob in the court house had ropes ready to hang McMillan in case the jury failed to assess his punishment at death and that these were known to the jury. With the above facts before him together with the recommendation of the board of pardons, the governor commuted the sentence to life imprisonment, feeling that he was fully justified in doing so. He is not in the least perturbed by the indignation of certain Montgomery county citizens, and says officials burnt every day in the year would not turn him from the path of his official duty, as he conscientiously conceives it.

PORTER SPRINGS.

Ed. COURIER.—Permit me to call the attention of all, and especially of the farmers, to just one item which is causing a great loss to all of us. The loss sustained by the cotton growers of the South from the use of light weight bagging and ties is enormous when it is figured out. This light weight bagging runs 1 1/2 pounds to the yard and light ties 6 lbs. to the bale. Give the weight of the bagging and ties for a bale at 15 pounds. The heavy weight bagging and ties runs 2 1/2 pounds to the yard and the ties 9 lbs., thus putting the bagging and ties of this grade of goods at 27 1/2 lbs. In Liverpool 28 pounds are deducted for weight of bagging and ties. If there are only 15 lbs of bagging and ties as is the case with light weight there is a loss on each bale of 13 pounds. If heavy bagging and ties are used the loss is only 1/2 pound. At present prices the money loss on each bale wrapped in light weight bagging and ties is about 70 cents to the farmer. On a 15000 bale shipment from Crockett that means a loss of \$10,500. On a crop of 3 million bales in Texas there is a loss to the farmers of Texas of two million, one hundred thousand dollars. On a ten million bale crop it means a loss of seven million dollars. This, it will be seen, is a big loss to sustain and it all comes out of the farmers' pockets. So it is to the interest of all that cotton should be wrapped in the heaviest bagging and ties. It looks like all concerned would see this. The farmers at least should insist that their cotton be covered with the heaviest bagging and ties.

CRANE AND SAYERS.

The efforts of the Sayers organs to slander M. M. Crane will do Mr. Sayers no good. As for ourselves, we had not fully decided whom we would favor for governor, Sayers or Crane, being favorably inclined to Sayers, but if Mr. Sayers' friends are to make the campaign on what they suppose to be Mr. Crane's demerits, we are against Mr. Sayers. Sayers has merits sufficient upon which to run his race, and it is a most detestable method some of his friends have adopted. Notable among this number, is the Crockett Enterprise. No man who has any regard for the truth, will dare say that Crane is not of the highest order of intelligence, honor and integrity personally and officially.—THE ALTO NEWS.

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SHIVERS BROS. SAY:—

AS SURE AS TWO AND TWO MAKE FOUR

"There is a tide in the affairs of man which taken at the flood leads to fortune." The tide is coming. What are you going to do about it? Are you going to stand still and run the risk of being caught up in the flood or are you going to make sure of it by preparing for yourself an Ark of safety and therein float upon the placid waters of prosperity, to the Store of Shivers Bros? There you can find values to purchase, that are unprecedented, which to possess, dispels from your heart sadness and despair and causes to arise above the horizon the star of hope and to yourself you can muse if perchance you have on a pair of Tenent's Shoes:

I have ease, and I have wealth,
And my spirits are light as air;
And more than wisdom, more than wealth,
A merry heart that laughs at care.

Opportunities

Are as slippery as eels. Once they get away they are gone forever. Let us insist on you to take advantage of the opportunity we are daily presenting.

It would take weeks of toil to complete a list of the values we have to offer for a public that have encouraged us by their patronage, so we present only a few items, open for your consideration.

DRY GOODS

Round thread wire twist Plaids, 20 inch wide, 3 1-3 c, worth 4c per yard.
Round thread wire twist Plaids, 27 inch wide, 3 3-4c worth 4 3-4c per yard.
Cheviots, good quality, fast colors, 27 inch wide, 5c, worth 6c.
Cheviots, best made, fast colors, 27 inch wide, 7 1/2c, worth 8 1/2c.
Good quality Mattress Tick, 5 c, worth 6c.
Better " " " 6c, " 7c.
Best " " " 7c, " 8c.
Genuine A C A Feather Tick, 10c, worth 12 1/2c.
Apron check Gingham, 4 1/2c, worth 5 1/2c.
Good quality Calico, (dress styles,) 3 1-3c, worth 4c.
Good quality Linsey, 8c, worth 10c.
All wool Linsey, 15c, worth 17 1/2c.
Merrick's best Six Cord Thread, 5c per spool, or 7 for 25c.
Chadwick's best Six Cord Thread, 4c per spool, or 8 for 25c.

Double width Cashmere wool filling, fast colors, all shades, worth 15c per y. rd., our price 11c per yard.
The best Mixed half hose in Crockett, for 5c per pair.
The best Mixed half hose in Crockett for 10c per pair.

Clothing

Our line of Children's Youths' and Men's Clothing is the most Complete that we have ever had. Below you will find some Eye-openers in the way of Bargains:
Children's Suits, well made and good quality for the price, only 60cts. per Suit in any size from 5 to 14 years.
Children's Suits, better quality and better made, 85cts. per Suit, well worth \$1.25, in any size from 5 to 14 years.
Children's Suits still better quality, worth \$1.35, our price \$1.00 per suit in all sizes from 5 to 14 years.
Youths' Suits from \$2.50 up.
Men's Suits in Fall and Winter styles, from \$3.75 to \$10.00 per suit.
Men's Suits in Black (sacks and outaway,) from \$3.50 to \$12.50 per suit.

Hats! Hats! Hats!

Hats for Men. Hats for Boys. Hats at all prices from 20c up to \$3.00.

MILLINERY, Miss Ada Haile in Charge.

We are receiving the latest Designs in Millinery nearly every day from the Headquarters of Fashion, and we are prepared to furnish you anything from a simple Sailor to the most beautiful and stylish Hat that can be Created.

Dress Patterns.

The latest colors and shades in Dress Patterns, (no two alike,) with trimmings to match, at prices that will knock out all Competition.

GROCERIES

We carry in stock at all times a complete line of Staple Groceries, which are as low as the lowest and quality is always up to the standard.
SPECIAL: 10 lbs. Good Coffee for \$1.00.

Remember that if our goods are not as represented we refund the money. We are here to do a straight business and this we will do. We remain yours very truly,

SHIVERS BROS.

The young merchants who will treat you right.

Dealers in Dry Goods, Notions, Groceries, Hardware, Hats, Shoes, Furniture, Coffins, Etc.

MONDAY EDITION.

It is very amusing to see persons hurrahing and throwing up their hats for Reagan now, when not a century since they were ready to disembowel him.

If the COURIER has got to pander to lawlessness, or to pursue a policy of silence, when the laws of the country are broken, in order to get subscribers, the COURIER doesn't want subscribers thus obtained.

Weyler, the Cuban butcher, has been recalled. Before laying aside his commission he issued an amnesty for all Cuban exiles deported by his orders. It will take more than that to sweeten his memory of Cuban experience.

If yellow fever exists in Galveston, it is in such form and of such type as to cause few deaths and very little uneasiness. When it first appeared at New Orleans and neighboring points it was of the same mild nature. More recently it has become more malignant.

WHEN you hear a man say he is for Reagan for the Senate and you ask him, "why?", in not a few instances the answer will be "my great-great-great-great-grandfather voted for him in 1749 and it has become an heirloom-like sort of privilege in our family to do so."

The most grinding, grasping, greedy, insatiate and insatiable corporations in Texas to-day are the Express Companies. The charges are on the highwaymen order and little sympathy are they entitled to when they are held up by bandits and made to deliver for they are in the same business themselves though under the guise and semblance of law.

THERE is great complaint from Grapeland about the stealing of cotton. Is it possible that the officers up there and the grand jury can't get on to the guilty ones?

DR. GUIERAS and State Health Officer Swearingen are both coming in for a share of the criticism which the indignant citizens of Galveston and Houston are at present pouring out. Dr. Swearingen is being criticised for accepting the conclusions of Dr. Guieras unequivocally and without reservation. And it seems that the diagnoses which Dr. Guieras made of certain cases in Galveston, are repudiated by the local physicians as not borne out by the facts.

HOWEVER much we may differ with a man in his views on public questions, we admire in him the courage and the nerve to do his duty as he sees it and not as a howling mob may dictate. That is what Culberson did in the McMillan case. He commuted the punishment of McMillan from death to life-imprisonment not on his own findings in the case but because the Board of Pardons had so recommended and advised. He couldn't do otherwise than as he did for the Board of Pardons had so found in their investigation of the case. This explanation ought to satisfy any reasonable, well-balanced, truth-loving mind.

JAMES STEPHEN HOGG must always be saying or doing something to keep public attention directed to him. The latest is a distribute of ill-natured, ungentlemanly, uncalled for slurs and flings at the "country doctors" as he calls them who went down to Houston and Galveston to inform themselves respecting the nature of the trouble which was prevailing in those places at the time. He exhibits a degree of spite and littleness to-

ward these worthy gentlemen who were exposing themselves, that is utterly inexcusable and unprovoked. There are scores of physicians in the interior of Texas just as able, just as reliable and just as worthy as those in the cities of the state. Their practice shows, we venture, a percentage of recoveries as large as that of any of those distinguished city medicos for whom the Ex-Governor reserves all his praise.

EDITOR OF THE COURIER:

Admitting, of course, that a wanton or careless waste of funds is inexcusable in any aspect, nothing can be of greater importance to the general public than to have it established as a matter of general information that whenever a legal right is invaded, no matter how small the pecuniary loss entailed thereby, the citizen wronged can invoke the aid of organized government to administer to the fullest extent and in the highest possible degree of perfection, the justice as between the parties. It may be that the amount involved in the litigation is not more than \$50, while jury fees, officers, costs and time and the value of the use of public property may amount to several hundred dollars, and it may be that of this expense the litigants would be burdened with the risk of paying only a small part, the rest being thrown upon the public as a certain expense of public fund; yet the public has more at stake in the litigation than the litigant himself. The spectacle of a sturdy fight, supported by public institutions and by public sentiment, untrammelled by any haste to save expense, unembarrassed by

the advantage which unconscientious litigants and attorneys might take when the constituted ministers of justice forego their careful part in the inquiry, even though the amount in particular cases be small, such a spectacle deters others from the same species of wrong where amounts involved would be far greater. Once let it be known that courts hold paramount to abstract justice any consideration of dollars and cents, and the advantage of the strong over the weak, which it is the very end of organized justice to defeat, will be assured. For my part, I admire both sides in any stubborn contest over what they believe to be right.

The gem of justice gets its lustre from being ground in such a mill. The best citizenship not only withholds its own hand from wrong, but resists to the last trench the wrong offered to it, and the idea is well expressed in these anonymous lines:

"Say, what is honor? It is the finest sense
Of Justice that the human mind
can frame;
Intent each lurking frailty to disclaim,
To guard the path of life from all offense,
Suffered or done."

Whoever consistently cultivates this disposition ought to be welcome, whether as plaintiff or defendant to the assistance of the machinery of courts at any time and for any necessary length of time.

CREEK.

Creek is still on a boom, occasionally—that is, immigration now and then puts in an appearance; twelve new arrivals of late.

Mr. John Sandy has bought out the gin at this place and will put in a new outfit next season.

Mr. Bennet has moved into Dr. Beaver's house and will live here next year.

Rev. Mr. Lee preached his farewell sermon last Sunday in the Baptist church.

Harvey Bayne would fill a chair in the State Senate very acceptably.

Cotton all about gathered. There is a large top crop and most of it will open, with a continuance of this weather.

Ribbon cane is not so promising as thought for.

Potatoes almost a failure.
O. LEAHY.

Severe Snow in Western Texas.

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 14.—Passengers who arrived here on the Southern Pacific train from the West reported that they passed through a severe snow storm near Alpine, Tex., about 300 miles west of here, yesterday.

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. MAYES.
L. D. ROGERS.
M. BROMBERG.
A. H. WOOTERS.

IMPORTANT.

For the last past two weeks We made the people prices on a first class line of Cheap Goods, Perfect and New. We had every article that was advertised and freely and willingly gave them to those that called for them and remember that they have no' all been sold and that you can still have them at the advertised price as long as they last. The line of Women's Everyday Shoes [New goods] that we sold at 25c, We have sold quite a number of pairs at this price and still have two full cages left. So don't be afraid that you won't get a pair when you call for them.

THE CHANGE.

Our main object in this AD is to Call Your Attention to all the Newest Novelties and High Class Goods. We pride ourselves very much on this line, for we know and are positive in what we say that we have the very Newest and Up-To-Date Goods in the town.

CORSETS, CORSETS.

We have tried for years to get a Corset that would give first class satisfaction and comfort in every respect. We have found that perfection in the American Lady Corset; we sell every one of them with a strict Guarantee, that if not satisfactory in every way to you, then you may return it and get your money. With every two of the Corsets that we sell, we will give one life-size Water Color Portrait that would be an ornament to any home. Ask to see this Picture when in the store.

Muslin Underwear

LADIES, why worry yourselves to death cutting, sewing and making this class of goods when you can come to Our Store and buy them already made for less money.

LADIES and CHILDRENS KNIT UNDERWEAR.

Ladies and Childrens Separate Pants, Ladies and Childrens Undervests, Ladies and Childrens Union Suits. All of the above at very close prices.

Childrens Knee Suits,

Ladies we call your particular attention to this line of Childrens Reefer Suits. We have them in Velvet, Kersey and Cassimere, all the very Newest and Best.



WE ARE MILLINERY
MISSIONARIES.

We find there is a great field for Missionary work among HATS.

Bad example is the bane of the whole MILLINERY business. MISTAKEN MILLINERS SELECT BAD MODELS; they get on the wrong track in the beginning of the Season and they go wrong to the End.

WE ask you to Inspect our Models; they are the Pink of New fashion, the perfection of style, they are Economically Priced.



LADIES FINE SHOES.

Ladies we are now having made at the factory a very swell line of Ladies Shoes. They will all be stamped in W. V. McConnell's name. We do this only in the best class of goods, and Guarantee every pair to be equal to any brand of goods made. So when and wherever you see a pair with W. V. McConnell's name on them, you can rest assured that they are reliable in every respect, for we could not and would not allow this name on an inferior line of goods. Nothing but the very best will bear this name.

Clothing For Men and Boys.

Gents, when in need of a nice Suit in Black, Gray or Brown, Come to see us and get our prices. We firmly believe we can save you some money.

HATS, SHIRTS AND SHOES.

When you come to town to get one of these articles don't fail to let us know what we have in this line.

IMPORTED DRESS GOODS.

Mrs Louella McConnell who has charge of this lovely line of goods, has made a big success in this department and has been quite busy showing supplying the Ladies with some very lovely outfits. We are very anxious for you to Call and See OUR LINE of fine Dress Goods. Positively no two Patterns alike.

WE have all the very latest in Men's Furnishings, and can fix you up with as nice goods as you could get in any city in the United States.

OUR nobby line of Mens shep and plaid shirts have magnetised the trade. 12 doz have been sold since Oct. 1st. Why, even the ladies are wearing them.

OUR Men's medium weight all wool undersuits are just the thing for those who are not exposed all the time to out door work.

OUR line of Men's and boys hats are the latest and all new and perfect goods.

OUR line of Mens and boys Shoes have pleased all who have examined them and the result is that we have had to order twice since our return from market.

OUR line of half hose, the boys say they have been paying from 35 to 50c per pair for an article that we are showing for 25c.

OUR line of 5, 10 and 15c socks have no equal for the money.

OUR big value in Ladies 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25c hose are attracting the attention of ALL WHO WEAR HOSE, and our special value at 16 1/2 and 25c the ladies say they have been paying 25 and 35c per pair for.

OUR line of dongola springheel, hand-sewed cloth top school Shoes are bringing the Misses from far and near.

OUR aim as ever before and as ever will be is to give the people full value for every cent they spend with us.

OUR STORE is full of new and perfect goods.

OUR prices are in accordance with the hard times.

OUR invitation is Come, See, be convinced, make your purchases and go on your way rejoicing and spreading the good news THAT BILL McCONNELLS IS THE HOUSE.

RESPT.

W. V. McCONNELL.

LOCAL NEWS.

Over 5000 bales of cotton received at Crockett to date. The crop is not half marketed.

The COURIER has a first-class job printer now and can do any and all kinds of job work.

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

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

A motion and argument for a new trial will be made before Judge Gill in the case of the "Long heirs vs J. B. Smith et al."

Some ten or a dozen more new subscribers this week and among them such substantial citizens as E. H. Calloway, Geo. W. Whitley and B. G. Kilgore.

A letter from a Chicago patron says: "Our business brings us in touch with about 2800 country weeklies and we are frank to say that the Courier stands at the head of the list."

Notice 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.

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.

We have ordered a complete new outfit—fall-dress so to speak—for the Courier in the way of new type and in an issue or two we will send out the neatest, the cleanest, most attractive country weekly in the state.

To The Public.

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

Come round and look at the new goods in my shop—Cut-glass ware and Silver ware of latest designs. Novelties of all kinds in Sterling silver. Watch and Jewelry repairing a specialty.

J. A. BRICKER & Co

"Many have said their children would have died of croup, if Chamberlain's Cough Remedy had not been given," write Kellam & Ourren, druggist, Seayiew, Va. "People come from far and near to get it and speak of it in the highest terms. This is equally true of this remedy in every community where it is known. Buy a bottle at B. F. Chamberlain's drug store and test it for yourself.

When a man delays paying for his paper for two or three years and then comes round and finds it three or four dollars, he feels very much out with the paper and thinks he ought to have some credit somewhere. The way to avoid this is to pay up promptly each year. We are needing the money very much in our business now and appeal to our subscribers to come round and help us, especially those who have been receiving the paper for more than a year.

A thorough paralysis of business everywhere is resulting from this so-called yellow fever panic. And after all, it turns out not to be yellow fever.

THE KNOX CASE.

Thursday was the day set for trial of Knox et al. On account of absence of one witness, Barret, the State had to ask to have the case passed until an officer with an attachment could go to Weldon for Barret. The case was passed and Deputy Hail dispatched for the absent witness. Friday morning the witness had still not put in his appearance, and the case was passed till 1 p. m. On reassembling at one, both sides announced ready for trial, the State in the meantime having heard that the absent witness was on his way in charge of an officer. The process of empanelling a jury to try the defendant proceeded.

Only a part of the venire in this case was on hand, about 30. Some of these were excused because they were witnesses in the case and for other reasons. District Attorney Jones is being aided in the case by County Attorney Joe Adams and John I. Moore. The defense is represented by Earle Adams, Sr. and Jr. The special venire of 30 less those excused were soon exhausted and then the jury for the week was passed on and that exhausted. Up to that time seven jurors has qualified themselves, the State having used 8 of its 16 peremptory challenges and the defense only two. The Sheriff, and D. R. Stubblefield as special deputy, were then dispatched to the country for 30 talesmen to complete the jury and the court adjourned to 9 a. m. Friday. The seven who had been accepted by both sides were:

W. T. Hail, D. J. Baker (1), D. J. Baker (2), J. F. Allen, W. H. Dickey, John Parker and John Stubblefield. The only two which

the defense rejected were Dock Kyle and W. E. Cannon. The eight knocked off by the State were: C. N. Granberry, R. B. English, L. H. Morrow, W. T. Connor, W. H. Brown, L. H. Morrow, J. W. Simmons, S. J. Patton, H. J. Arledge and J. B. Stanton, two of the special venire were fined ten dollars each for failing to be present.

There is general interest in the trial and its outcome and the court house is crowded daily by onlookers and witnesses. There are some forty or fifty witnesses in the case. Public interest is so intense that outsiders follow the case in all its details with all the curiosity and concern of those representing the different sides. [Friday 8. p. m.]

SATURDAY MORNING: Court reconvened at 9. with 30 talesmen in the box from which to complete the jury. Examination of talesmen proceeds with touching their qualifications. The jury is completed by the addition of the five following jurors:

John Pelham, Scott Yorborough, J. S. Yorborough, T. J. Clark, T. W. Lingham.

Further particulars of the trial will be found in Friday's edition of this issue.

Few men in this country are better or more favorable known to the drug and medicine trade than Mr. E. J. Schall, buyer in the proprietary medicine department of the Meyer's Bros. Drug Co., St. Louis. He says: "My boy came home from school with his hand badly lacerated and bleeding, and suffering great pain. I dressed the wound and applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm, freely; all ceased

and in a remarkably short time: it heald without leaving a scar. For wounds, sprains, swellings and rheumatism, I know of no medicine or prescription equal to it. I consider it a household necessity." Sold by B. F. Chamberlain, druggist.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

ED. COURIER:—I have the cheapest farm in the county for sale or rent. But if I can find a gentleman who is able to pay for his year's rations, I will turn over to him everything and farm on halves, throwing in land, plows, mules, cows, cooking-stove and kitching implements. Everything in good shape and everything on hand needed on a first-class farm. He will only have to feed stock and I will furnish the feed. 150 acres in cultivation. It is my home place.

J. R. B. BARBEE,
Lovelady, Texas.

"I can't see how any family lives without Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy," says J. R. Adams, a well known druggist, of Geneva, Ala., in a letter inquiring the price of a dozen bottles; that he might not only have it for use in his own family, but supply it to his neighbors. The reason some people get along without it, is because they do not know its value and what a vast amount of suffering it will save. Whenever it becomes known and used it is recognized as a necessity, for it is the only remedy that can be depended upon for bowel complaints, both for children and adults. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain, druggist.

The Banner County of East Texas IS HOUSTON

Reasons for its Advantages, its Inducements to the Men of Capital, Trade and Labor and all Who Seek Good Lands at Low Figures, Good Society, Good Schools, in Short all Those Conditions Which Contribute to Success in Any Enterprise.

Houston County is situated in Eastern Texas, in latitude 31 1/2 degrees north, longitude 95 1/2 degrees west, 100 miles north of Houston and 140 miles north of Galveston. The county is bounded on the east by the Neches and on the west by the Trinity River. The county is one of the oldest and largest in the state, embracing an area of 680,000 acres of land.

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

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

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

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

CLIMATE AND WATER. The climate of this section is very mild and healthful. The temperature rarely goes over 90 degrees or below 25 degrees above zero.

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

LAND IN CULTIVATION. Of the land in the county, about 100,000 acres are in cultivation, and the balance of 680,000 acres is virgin prairie and forest.

SOILS. We have the greatest variety of soils adapted to the cultivation of all farm products grown in the temperate zones. There are the black waxy, the black loam, the stiff black sandy, the gray sandy, the red chocolate, alluvial and scores of other kinds. Nine-tenths of the area of the county was origi-

nally timbered. Nearly one-tenth of its prairie land is of the best quality and is being cultivated with all the improved agricultural implements.

TIMBER. The timber in Houston County is of all kinds and in almost unlimited supply. There are magnificent forests of long-leaf and short-leaf pine, red oak, white oak, post oak, live oak, cypress, ash, walnut and gum. There are also in fine supply: holly, beech, maple, sassafras, cherry and magnolia. As an evidence of the fine timber, we cite the fact that at the "Spring Palace" in Fort Worth, Houston County took the first prize gold medal for the best timber exhibit. A furniture factory, or any other using hard wood, would do well here. Fine lumber can be had at 6 to 18 per 1000 feet.

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

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

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

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

A CHANCE. One branch of industry has been nearly overlooked here. We refer to the production of tobacco. The soil in portions of the county is particularly adapted to tobacco culture and there are thousands of acres that will produce the very best quality of tobacco grown. The people are not familiar with the business; but there are fortunes here awaiting the men who bring a knowledge of tobacco raising and curing to Houston County. Thirty years ago tobacco was one of the money crops of this section. The people have lost sight of it for the cotton crop. This year many farmers are wondering the different varieties of tobacco seed, including the "Connecticut Leaf," White Burley and other kinds of plug leaf. We have recently tried the Genuine Havana tobacco and find that, where the farmer has the proper knowledge of curing same, the yield is from \$200 to \$400 per acre, our Havana tobacco bringing 40 to 50 cents per pound in the New York market. New York buyers all agree that it is impossible to grow such tobacco in Texas,

and will only believe that we grow it upon affidavits of the best men in the state. Money, land and assistance will be furnished expert tobacco growers and warehousemen. We only need a good class of men, who understands this industry, to quadruple the value of all tobacco lands in the county. These are all facts, can be proved and are deserving of attention.

In 1894 Houston County produced 30,000 bales of cotton, 900,000 bushels of corn, more first-class ribbon-cane syrup than could be used at home, and enough meat for home use. Besides these crops, oats, sorghum, peas, hay and peanuts enough to fatten all stock on hand through the winter.

The oak forests produce mast in abundance to keep hogs in good condition the year round.

WORTH THINKING ABOUT. Is the fact the crops raised here are absolutely without fertilizers, the soil simply being broken and seed planted. There is not a country in the world that can make a better showing than this.

The county is in better condition than ever before, notwithstanding the hard times, and the merchants are more prosperous, while the farmers are better off, financially, than for years past, despite the low prices of staple products.

Science Utilizes All The Ox. In an article on the "Wonders of the World's Waste," William George Jordan, in the October Ladies' Home Journal, details how science at the present day utilizes the ox. "Not many years ago,"

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IMPORTANT.

For the last past two weeks We made the people prices on a first class line of Cheap Goods, Perfect and New. We had every article that was advertised and freely and willingly gave them to those that called for them and remember that they have no' all been sold and that you can still have them at the advertised price as long as they last. The line of Women's Everyday Shoes [New goods] that we sold at 25c, We have sold quite a number of pairs at this price and still have two full cages left. So don't be afraid that you won't get a pair when you call for them.

THE CHANGE.

Our main object in this AD is to Call Your Attention to all the Newest Novelties and High Class Goods. We pride ourselves very much on this line, for we know and are positive in what we say that we have the very Newest and Up-To-Date Goods in the town.

CORSETS, CORSETS.

We have tried for years to get a Corset that would give first class satisfaction and comfort in every respect. We have found that perfection in the American Lady Corset; we sell every one of them with a strict Guarantee, that if not satisfactory in every way to you, then you may return it and get your money. With every two of the Corsets that we sell, we will give one life-size Water Color Portrait that would be an ornament to any home. Ask to see this Picture when in the store.

Muslin Underwear

LADIES, why worry yourselves to death cutting, sewing and making this class of goods when you can come to Our Store and buy them already made for less money.

LADIES and CHILDRENS KNIT UNDERWEAR.

Ladies and Childrens Separate Pants, Ladies and Childrens Undervests, Ladies and Childrens Union Suits. All of the above at very cheap prices.

Childrens Knee Suits.

Ladies we call your particular attention to this line of childrens Reeler Suits. We have them in Velvet, Kersey and Cassimere, all the very Newest and Best.



WE ARE MILLINERY
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We find there is a great field for Missionary work among HATS.

Bad example is the bane of the whole MILLINERY business. MISTAKEN MILLINERS SELECT BAD MODELS; they get on the wrong track in the beginning of the Season and they go wrong to the End.

WE ask you to inspect our Models; they are the Pink of New fashion, the perfection of style, they are Economically Priced.



LADIES FINE SHOES.

Ladies we are now having made at the factory a very swell line of Ladies Shoes. They will all be stamped in W. V. McConnell's name. We do this only in the best class of goods, and Guarantee every pair to be equal to any brand of goods made. So when and wherever you see a pair with W. V. McConnell's name on them, you can rest assured that they are reliable in every respect, for we could not and would not allow this name on an inferior line of goods. Nothing but the very best will bear this name.

Clothing For Men and Boys.

Gents, when in need of a nice Suit in Black, Gray or Brown, Come to see us and get our prices. We firmly believe we can save you some money.

HATS, SHIRTS AND SHOES.

When you come to town to get one of these articles don't fail to let us show you what we have in this line.

IMPORTED DRESS GOODS.

Mrs Louella McConnell who has charge of this lovely line of goods, has made a big success in this department and has been quite busy showing supplying the ladies with some very lovely outfits. We are very anxious for you to Call and See OUR LINE of fine Dress Goods. Positively no two Patterns alike.

WE have all the very latest in Men's Furnishings, and can fix you up with as nice goods as you could get in any city in the United States. OUR nobby line of Mens shep and plaid shirts have magnetised the trade. 12 doz have been sold since Oct. 1st. Why, even the ladies are wearing them.

OUR Men's medium weight all wool undersuits are just the thing for those who are not exposed all the time to out door work.

OUR line of Men's and boys hats are the latest and all new and perfect goods.

OUR line of Mens and boys Shoes have pleased all who have examined them and the result is that we have had to order twice since our return from market.

OUR line of half hose, the boys say they have been paying from 35 to 50c per pair for an article that we are showing for 25c.

OUR line of 5, 10 and 15c socks have no equal for the money.

OUR big value in Ladies 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25c hose are attracting the attention of ALL WHO WEAR HOSE, and our special value at 16 1/2 and 25c the ladies say they have been paying 25 and 35c per pair for.

OUR line of dongola springheel, hand-sewed cloth top school Shoes are bringing the Misses from far and near.

OUR aim as ever before and as ever will be is to give the people full value for every cent they spend with us.

OUR STORE is full of new and perfect goods. OUR prices are in accordance with the hard times.

OUR invitation is Come, See, be convinced, make your purchases and go on your way rejoicing and spreading the good news THAT BILL MCCONNELLS IS THE HOUSE.

RESPT.

W. V. MCCONNELL.

LOCAL NEWS.

Over 5000 bales of cotton received at Crockett to date. The crop is not half marketed.

The COURIER has a first-class job printer now and can do any and all kinds of job work.

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

When you come to town don't forget to call at the city saloon when in need of any thing kept in a first class saloon.

A motion and argument for a new trial will be made before Judge Gill in the case of the "Long heirs vs J. B. Smith et al."

Some ten or a dozen more new subscribers this week and among them such substantial citizens as E. H. Calloway, Geo. W. Whitley and B. G. Kilgore.

A letter from a Chicago patron says: "Our business brings us in touch with about 2800 country weeklies, and we are frank to say that the Courier stands at the head of the list."

Notice 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.

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.

We have ordered a complete new outfit—fall-dress so to speak—for the Courier in the way of new type and in an issue or two we will send out the neatest, the cleanest, most attractive country weekly in the state.

To The Public.

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

Come round and look at the new goods in my shop—Cut-glass ware and Silver ware of latest designs. Novelties of all kinds in Sterling silver. Watch and Jewelry repairing a specialty.

J. A. BRICKER & Co

"Many have said their children would have died of croup, if Chamberlain's Cough Remedy had not been given," write Kellam & Ourren, druggist, Seayview, Va. "People come from far and near to get it and speak of it in the highest terms. This is equally true of this remedy in every community where it is known. Buy a bottle at B. F. Chamberlain's drug store and test it for yourself.

When a man delays paying for his paper for two or three years and then comes round and finds it three or four dollars, he feels very much out with the paper and thinks he ought to have some credit somewhere. The way to avoid this is to pay up promptly each year. We are needing the money very much in our business now and appeal to our subscribers to come round and help us, especially those who have been receiving the paper for more than a year.

A thorough paralysis of business everywhere is resulting from this so-called yellow fever panic. And after all, it turns out not to be yellow fever.

THE KNOX CASE.

Thursday was the day set for trial of Knox et al. On account of absence of one witness, Barret, the State had to ask to have the case passed until an officer with an attachment could go to Weldon for Barret. The case was passed and Deputy Hail dispatched for the absent witness. Friday morning the witness had still not put in his appearance, and the case was passed till 1 p. m. On reassembling at one, both sides announced ready for trial, the State in the meantime having heard that the absent witness was on his way in charge of an officer. The process of empanelling a jury to try the defendant proceeded.

Only a part of the venire in this case was on hand, about 30. Some of these were excused because they were witnesses in the case and for other reasons. District Attorney Jones is being aided in the case by County Attorney Joe Adams and John I. Moore. The defense is represented by Earle Adams, Sr. and Jr. The special venire of 30 less those excused were soon exhausted and then the jury for the week was passed on and that exhausted. Up to that time seven jurors has qualified themselves, the State having used 8 of its 16 peremptory challenges and the defense only two. The Sheriff, and D. R. Stubblefield as special deputy, were then dispatched to the country for 30 talesmen to complete the jury and the court adjourned to 9 a. m. Friday. The seven who had been accepted by both sides were:

W. T. Hail, D. J. Baker (1), D. J. Baker (2), J. F. Allen, W. H. Dickey, John Parker and John Stubblefield. The only two which

the defense rejected were Dock Kyle and W. E. Cannon. The eight knocked off by the State were: C. N. Granberry, R. B. English, L. H. Morrow, W. T. Connor, W. H. Brown, L. H. Morrow, J. W. Simmons, S. J. Patton, H. J. Arledge and J. B. Stanton, two of the special venire were fined ten dollars each for failing to be present.

There is general interest in the trial and its outcome and the court house is crowded daily by onlookers and witnesses. There are some forty or fifty witnesses in the case. Public interest is so intense that outsiders follow the case in all its details with all the curiosity and concern of those representing the different sides. [Friday 8 p. m.]

SATURDAY MORNING: Court reconvened at 9, with 30 talesmen in the box from which to complete the jury. Examination of talesmen proceeds with touching their qualifications. The jury is completed by the addition of the five following jurors:

John Pelham, Scott Yorborough, J. S. Yorborough, T. J. Clark, T. W. Lingham.

Further particulars of the trial will be found in Friday's edition of this issue.

Few men in this country are better or more favorable known to the drug and medicine trade than Mr. E. J. Schall, buyer in the proprietary medicine department of the Meyer's Bros. Drug Co., St. Louis. He says: "My boy came home from school with his hand badly lacerated and bleeding, and suffering great pain. I dressed the wound and applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm, freely; all ceased

and in a remarkably short time: it healed without leaving a scar. For wounds, sprains, swellings and rheumatism, I know of no medicine or prescription equal to it. I consider it a household necessity." Sold by B. F. Chamberlain, druggist.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

Ed. COURIER:—I have the cheapest farm in the county for sale or rent. But if I can find a gentleman who is able to pay for his year's rations, I will turn over to him everything and farm on halves, throwing in land, plows, mules, cows, cooking-stove and kitchen implements. Everything in good shape and everything on hand needed on a first-class farm. He will only have to feed stock and I will furnish the feed. 150 acres in cultivation. It is my home place.

J. R. B. BARBER,
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"I can't see how any family lives without Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy," says J. R. Adams, a well known druggist, of Geneva, Ala., in a letter inquiring the price of a dozen bottles, that he might not only have it for use in his own family, but supply it to his neighbors. The reason some people get along without it, is because they do not know its value and what a vast amount of suffering it will save. Wherever it becomes known and used it is recognized as a necessity, for it is the only remedy that can be depended upon for bowel complaints, both for children and adults. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain, druggist.

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Read the Advantages, the Inducements to the Men of Capital, to the Farmer and all Who Seek Good Lands at Low Figures, Good Society, Good Schools, in Short all Those Conditions Which Contribute to Success in Any Enterprise.

Houston County is situated in Eastern Texas, in latitude 31 degrees north, longitude 95 degrees west, 100 miles north of Houston and 140 miles north of Galveston. The county is bounded on the east by the Neches and on the west by the Trinity River. The county is one of the oldest and largest in the state, embracing an area of 680,000 acres of land.

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

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

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

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

CLIMATE AND WATER. The climate of this section is very mild and healthful. The temperature rarely goes over 90 degrees or below 25 degrees above zero.

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

LAND IN CULTIVATION. Of the land in the county, about 100,000 acres are in cultivation, and the balance of 680,000 acres is virgin prairie and forest.

SOILS. We have the greatest variety of soils adapted to the cultivation of all farm products grown in the temperate zones. There are the black waxy, the black loam, the stiff black sand, the gray sandy, the red chocolate, alluvial and scores of other kinds. Nine-tenths of the area of the county was origi-

nally timbered. Early one-tenth of it is prairie land of the best quality, and is now cultivated with all the improved agricultural implements.

TIMBER. The timber in Houston County is of all kinds and in almost unlimited supplies. There are magnificent forests of long-leaf and short-leaf pine, red oak, white oak, post oak, live oak, cypress, ash, walnut and gum. There are also in fine supply: holly, beech, maple, sassafras, cherry and magnolia. As an evidence of the fine timber, we cite the fact that at the "Spring Palace" in Fort Worth, Houston County took the first prize gold medal for the best timber exhibit. A furniture factory or any other using hard wood, would do well here. Pine lumber can be had at 6 to \$8 per 1000 feet.

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

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

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

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

A CHANCE. One branch of industry has been nearly overlooked here. We refer to the production of tobacco. The soil in portions of the county is particularly adapted to tobacco culture and there are thousands of acres that will produce the very best quality of tobacco grown. The people are not familiar with the business; but there are fortunes here awaiting the men who bring a knowledge of tobacco raising and curing to Houston County. Thirty years ago tobacco was one of the money crops of this section. The people have lost sight of it for the cotton crop. This year many farmers are ordering the different varieties of tobacco seed, including the "Connecticut Leaf," White Burley and other kinds of plug leaf. We have recently tried the Genuine Havana tobacco and find that, where the farmer has the proper knowledge of curing same, the yield is from \$200 to \$400 per acre, our Havana tobacco bringing 40 to 50 cents per pound in the New York market. New York buyers all agree that it is impossible to grow such tobacco in Texas,

and will only believe that we grow it upon affidavits of the best men in the state. Money, land and assistance will be furnished expert tobacco growers and warehousemen. We only need a good class of men, who understands this industry, to quadruple the value of all tobacco lands in the county. These are all facts, can be proved and are deserving of attention.

In 1891 Houston County produced 30,000 bales of cotton, 900,000 bushels of corn, more first-class ribbon-cane syrup than could be used at home, and enough meat for home use. Besides these crops, oats, sorghum, peas, hay and peanuts enough to fatten all stock on hand through the winter.

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Special Cut Price Sale Continued

Until Saturday night at 9 o'clock Nov. 13th. After which time we reserve the right to sell everything at its value. There is \$100.00 in the First National Bank of Crockett that will be paid to any man, woman or child that can show us where there has been a single misrepresentation made in this ad. Notice how much you will save by attending this cut price sale.

All Staples as low and lower than we have ever had them.
No. 3 Irish frize worth 15c, cut price 10c.
Ginghams worth 6c in Staple and fancy checks, cut price 4c.
Extra fancy dress ginghams worth 9c cut price 7c.
Listen here! in something that has been appreciated and will not last long. Novelty French Ginghams in gray, tan and brown dim, stripe of the new novelty effect will make a very handsome dress for any lady cheap at 11c, cut price 7c.
Outing flannel in all the new colors, very handsome childrens school dresses and wrappers worth 10 and 12c cut price 8c.
Real Manchester No. 2 chambray in dark blue and dim stripe worth and always sold for 12 and 15c, cut price 7c per yd.
All shades in blue, brown, pink and gray chambray worth 9 and 10c, cut price 7c.
A handsome line of cotton suiting in all the new colors and roman stripes worth 8c, cut sale price 6c per yd.
Ladies notice this. Johnson's double width book fold percale guaranteed not to fade worth and

sold all over the world for not less than 10c per yard, cut price 7c.
All handsome dark red figured style for shirt waist and dresses, french percale in roman stripes and plaids worth 15 and 16c per yard, cut price 12c.
Here is a bargain that should interest the mother of every little boy; genuine book fold double width french cheviot will laundry like linen in stripes and checks for boy's waists cheap at 12c per yd., cut price 7c.
Hamilton Alpaca worsted all wool one way worth 9 and 10c. cut price 5c per yard.
Double width brocade cashmere in all new changeable colors will make a very neat dress worth 15c per yd., cut price 10c.
All wool each way double width novelty dress goods, same as we have been selling for 29c per yd., cut price 22c.
Don't forget our novelty dress patterns, no two alike, very handsome styles all the latest, worth and sold at \$4 per pattern, cut price \$2.95 each.
All the new patterns will be marked at cut prices.
Childrens nice ribbed fleeced lin-

ed union suits price 35c, cut price 25c, also Misses and Womens in higher price goods all at the cut price. Ladies vests for less money than you ever bought them.
See our line of hose for misses and women. Ladies blk seamless and stannless the best 15c hose in town cut price 10c per pair.
Childrens stainless blk ribbed hose worth 9c cut price 5c, per pair any size from 6 to 9.
Gentlemen listen! having closed out the entire lot of 127 doz french percale \$1.00 shirts our cut price is 20c each. You do yourself an injustice if you fail to see this line before the sizes are broken. Colored plaid bosom shirts worth 75c cut price 40c each. Mens heavy work shirts will cost you 50c in any store in Crockett our cut price 35c each. Mens medium heavy work shirts sold in nearly all the stores at 30 and 35c our cut price 20c each, also cut prices on overalls.
Hats! We cannot describe but only ask that you examine our cut prices on styles in show window can fit you in any of the styles.
SHOES.
Listen, the same knife that butch-

ered the cow cut prices after the hide was made into shoes. 35 doz 420 pairs of Hamilton Brown's \$1.50 shoes for men in Cong. or Lace cut price \$1.10. Hamilton Brown's \$2.50 shoes for men in lace or congress cut price \$2.00.
Hamilton Brown's \$3.00 french calf skin for men, cut price \$2.25. All heavy Shoes at cut prices.
Ladies \$2.50 Hamilton Brown glaze dongola patent tip globe toe sizes 2 2 1/2 3 3 1/2 4 and 6, cut price \$1.75.
Hamilton Brown's Ladies \$2.50 stamped button or lace pointed toe sizes 3 to 4.
Brown's \$2.25 queen bee coin toe any size, cut price \$1.75.
C. M. Hendersons Ladies \$2.50 Dongola Berlinae toe any size, also Cloth top madrid toe and common sense heel and toe any size, cut price \$1.50.
Hamilton Browns Ladies \$2.00 French Dongola patent tip, coin toe Button or Lace, heel or spring heel, cut price \$1.50.
Brown's \$1.75 and \$2.00 pointed toe lace Boys shoes, sizes 13 to 2s and 3 to 5, cut prices \$1.25 and \$1.50.
Brown's tan lace boys \$1.50 shoes

sizes 12 to 2s cut price \$1.00.
Brown's \$1.25 Lace, coin toe shoes for boys cut price 95c, sizes 2 to 5s.
Ladies Romio 45c overshoes cut price 25c any size 3 to 8.
Brown's Bronz kid button spring heel Misses \$1.75 shoes sizes 9 to 2, cut price \$1.00.
Hamilton Brown's \$1.75 Rosamond ox blood kid lace spring heel sizes 6 to 12 1/2, cut price \$1.00.
Ladies don't miss the special cut price cape and wrap sale.
Brown Kerzey double cape and collar richly trimmed in braid and thibet fur, cheap at \$2.25 cut price \$1.50.
Black and Tan extra quality Kersey richly trimmed in braid and thibet fur double cape and collar, cheap in any city at \$2.50, cut price \$1.75 up to the finest plush capes ever brought to this market.
We realize that we have said much in the above but knowing that we have every article just as described we sign our names with pleasure knowing that hundreds of souls will be made happy and appreciate the effort we are making to help them.

McCLEAN & WILSON.

LOCAL NEWS

Eat at Gooday's.
Best meal in town at Gooday's.
The top crop will be equal to nothing.
E. E. Parker has moved back to Lovelady.
The oil-mill has bought a thousand tons of seed.
Gooday can give you a meal or a lunch at all hours.
Louis Berry is going to Cleburn to take charge of a hotel.
Mrs. Amelia Collins is dangerously ill from dengue and complications.
Gooday is the Crockett Bakery and Restaurant. North West corner square.
Go to the Crockett Bakery for bread and cakes (Gooday.) North West corner square.

CASH! CASH!! CASH!!!

When you come to town look for "THE CASH STORE"
It is "loaded down" with CLOTHING and SHOES at Cotton Prices.
BOY'S SUITS from 75c up.
MEN'S SUITS, Coat, Vest and Pants from \$2.00 up.
YOUTH'S SHOES from 25c up.
LADIES AND MEN'S SHOES from 72c up
I am not selling at COST, but when you price at other Stores you will think they are selling from 25 to 50 cents above Cost.
R. M. ATKINSON.

Hitch Your Business to a Live Wire...
I can sell you any kind of Drugs, Toilet and Fancy Articles, Fine Perfumes from the leading manufacturers, such as Palmer, Pineau & Co. All kinds of Patent Medicines, Oils etc.
Prescriptions Carefully and Accurately Compounded at all Hours...
A full line of School Books just received. The season for ice tea is here. Try me for an extra quality. Tea—I can sell you an extra fine quality.
B. F. CHAMBERLAIN, Druggist to Please.

George Caton and Mrs. Caton will keep the hotel at Lovelady which Mr. Cone had.

Let us hear from those in charge of the new church enterprise. Has the scheme failed or not?

Mrs. S. E. Marshal and Mrs. Rosa Benedict of Whiteright are visiting Mrs. Thomas Self.

The scrip of jurors is still at par and they get their money when they present their vouchers.

The jurv in the George Calhoun Jr. case rendered a verdict of not guilty without leaving their seats.

The COURIER never published such prices from any city as McLean & Wilson's cut prices this week.

Charley Kennedy, a promising young man and merchant of Agusta, was in Crockett a while last week.

S. H. Tigner, a new comer to our county and one highly pleased with it, was in Crockett Friday and renewed his subscription.

Louis Mahler, a German who used to live down on the river and who sold out to Ab. Thomason and went to Europe, is talking of coming back to Texas.

If Crockett, Lovelady and Grapeland will give Tucker Baker adequate encouragement, he will give the public some excellent attractions this winter at the opera house.

J. L. Whitescarver, an old and prominent citizen of this county will spend the winter at Austin, having his eyes operated on for loss of sight. He is nearly blind.

What a shame and pity it is that these ladies have to be brought before the court and forced to take the stand to throw light on the wicked conduct of men!

The land agent who is now selling colonies in Angelina writes the editor that he is ready to go to work in Houston; that there is no trouble to get the people to come and settle.

The city council will not give one cent to keep the fence in front of school-house in order but it is very clever in having wood thrown down on it and breaking the wires after they have been stretched by private means.

We find evidences every week to strengthen us in the belief that we were right in saying that we need some legislation on the subject of selling cotton in the seed. This time the evidence comes from Grapeland.

If the twenty-five thousand dollars which were put in that oil mill had been used in the erection of a flouring mill, there would have been much greater good from it to the county than from the present mill. The dividend on the stock could hardly have been less than it has been on the stock of the present concern.

Cotton is lower now than it has been in forty years with one exception: It is down now to about what it costs to make it. It can't go much lower and it would seem that a reaction is necessary.

Some people think McLean & Wilson have been selling goods cheap all the time. But they were certainly just fooling a long with the trade from the way they are making prices now.

Tyler merchants are laying down carloads of wheat of the Mediterranean variety for farmers to sow. Smith county farmers are going to try the experiment of wheat raising for home consumption.

Some of McLean & Wilson's friends are almost afraid that Wilson will be arrested and carried back to the market, the prices they are making now look suspicious and people are wondering how he got the goods.

John Parker, now serving on the Knox jury, is one of a numerous family. They have had near Grapeland two years, now, a Parker reunion in which some seventy or eighty odd decendants participated.

One side of the Courier is printed early Monday morning and is known as the "Monday Edition." The other side is printed on Thursday evening and is known as the Friday Edition. This explanation will clear up, may be, what seems at times to be inconsistencies.

The grand jury reconvened Monday and have got down to work. Their object is to vindicate the law and to bring violations thereof to justice. This is the correct view and a very commendable one. We apprehend however, that many of the bills which they are finding will not stick for the reason the

people will swear one way before the grand jury and some other way before trial jury. In the course of six months we opine that many of the bills found by the present grand jury will meet the fate of others, that is, dismissed or thrown out of court. And to find such bills is a waste of time and money. In saying this we mean no reflection on the jury for their record is an admirable one but only to put them on notice that they may profit by the experience of their predecessors.

A communication from Porter Springs in this issue should be read by every farmer, ginmer and merchant. It shows up the great loss which the people of the cotton belt sustain from the use of the light bagging and ties instead of the heavy. The Liverpool cotton factors deduct from every bale in paying for it 28 pounds for bagging and ties. If the cotton is covered with the light weight bagging which weighs only 15 pounds, it is obvious to every one that there is a money loss on every bale of 13 pounds multiplied by the price of cotton. At present prices the loss is about 70 cents on every bale and the loss to the county from the use of light bagging and ties is, as our correspondent argues, on a crop of 20,000 bales, 14,000 dollars—a big item and one worthy the attention of ginners and merchants. The merchant may, and does, make a few cents more on the sale of light weight bagging and ties but there is a big loss to the county, the state and the entire cotton belt by the use of such light weight material. On a ten million bale crop, the loss from light weight bagging and ties would be seven million dollars as our correspondent puts it. This is too big an item to be overlooked and neglected.

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the Judge to remove Ellenberg out of the country. Ed Tyler was the next witness: He testified that the feeling between Ady and Ellenberg was very bitter; that they had fought while working the road and that he heard Ady remark "I will get him yet" referring to putting Ellenberg out of the way.

John Crofford took the stand next for defense. He was in jail at the same time Ady was and was indicted for shooting a negro. He swore that Ady told him in jail that he (Ady) killed Ellenberg, that those other parties had nothing to do with it, but that he had to put them in to save himself. On cross examination, witness stated that Ady was a stranger to him and had never seen him before the night they spent together in jail.

State's attorney asked witness if there wasn't an agreement between him and Knox et al. by which he (Crofford) was to testify in Knox's behalf and Knox was to testify in a hog-stealing case against the negro, Bud Polk, who was the main witness against Crofford in the shooting-scrape. Ab. Thomasson went on next and told what Sylvester Price had told him, which was to impeach Price's testimony for the state.

James Sallas was next: He swore that Price told him that Joe Sallas told him (Price) that "they had met in Tatabogue bottom for the purpose of putting Ellenberg out of the way, that he (Joe Sallas) had a rope to hang him, but didn't and finally remarked—"I'll hang him, we will get him yet."

Miss Harrison was the next witness and was put on to contradict the testimony of Mrs. Ellenberg as to her saying, "she knew nothing of the case."

Wm. Thompson, brother-in-law to George McCullor, took the stand for defense. He said he was present at George McCullor's when Miss Josie Brooks' depositions were taken, heard her ask for a copy of depositions.

Rube Watts was put on next by defense: He was at home all afternoon of killing, his home is near Lovelady and Pierson Spring road, sitting on gallery most of the time, did not see Dan Barret or any one else pass the road that evening going to Lovelady. Said he had tried to induce Hill Ady to tell all about the tragedy by promising him a part of the reward of \$250. Jim Hart for defense testified that he lives near the Lovelady and Prairie Spring road, was at home all afternoon of that day, didn't see Barret or any one else pass that afternoon going to Lovelady. David McCullar was the next and last witness for defense. He testified to going to George McCullar's on day of killing, found George there and remained with him rest of evening.

Here defense closed. Up to this stage over fifty witnesses had been examined by the two sides.

The state opened on rebuttal evidence and put Kale Summers and his son on stand. Both of them were in Crockett that day, left Crockett about 10 a. m. for home, passed George McCullar's about 3 p. m. where, it was testified by several witnesses for defense, all of the family, and David McCullar, Miss Josie Brooks were. They saw no one about the place except a lady and perhaps another person. They also passed Jack Knox's shortly after and did not see Jack Knox about the place; they also passed Joe Sallas and saw no one

but Mrs. Ada Sallas who was sitting inside of door or hall. This evidence was important in traversing the testimony of several witnesses for defense who had sworn that George McCullar and all of his family were at home that evening, that Jack Knox and the most of his family were at home and part of the time at work in the field and that Joe Sallas was at home and he and his wife were setting out potatoes part of the time.

WEDNESDAY MORNING: Court convened at 8:30 a. m. The state put J. P. Gant and M. B. Newton on the stand to prove that Barret was in Lovelady about the time of the killing of Ellenberg; were not positive that he was there on the day of the killing, but it was on or about that day. The Roberts brothers from near the river were put on by the state to prove that the character of Barret was good.

Miss Josie Brooks was recalled again by the state and the letter she wrote from Ducktown, Tenn., to Mrs. George McCullar submitted for her inspection. She explained the letter and stated that in two places at least the words she used had been erased and other words inserted which made her say just what she didn't mean to say. She insisted that the words "story" or "falsehood" had been rubbed out and the words "the truth" substituted therefor. Just at this point a dramatic incident occurred. In reply to some remark from the defense she, with admirable coolness, deliberation and self-possession, pointed her finger at the group around defendant and said: "I believe that man right there changed the words in that letter." With this remark she left the stand. It is not known to whom she pointed. In the group were the defendant, defendant's counsel, George McCullar and a brother or two of Defendant Knox.

The Dauphin brothers were put on to identify the handwriting of some document which we failed to catch. Herbert Speer also took the stand for the same purpose—to compare signature of Sallas with that of his to a mortgage given Mainer & Monday.

The State put Judge Winfree on as an expert on handwriting. He was given the letter of Miss Josie Brooks to Mrs. George McCullar and was asked if there had been any changes in the letter. He testified that there had been two clearly and possibly three. The words "The truth" had been substituted for the words "falsely or story" which had been erased. H. F. Moore, cashier of bank, was the next witness. He testified substantially the same as Judge Winfree about the changes in the letter. He also swore there was a difference in the handwriting where the changes were made but it might have been written by the same person. Sam Gilbert was put on to swear to the good character of Barret but his evidence was excluded. Van Goodrum was the next witness—swore that Right told him that the Knoxes were trying to ruin the reputation of Barret but he didn't propose to permit it. (we failed to catch the evidence of this witness clearly.) Van Goodrum on cross-examination denied telling Rube Watts that he would have a man at court to swear that he saw Jack Knox on the road near the place where Ellenberg was killed. On cross-examination he was asked if he had offered a reward to catch the guilty parties. He denied that he had but said that he offered to put \$100 in a common pot at Lovelady to pay for a detective to ferret it out. He was asked if he didn't agree to get up the evidence for the prosecution. He replied that he did not. "Knox and I are not friends

nor are Rube Watts and I". Sheriff Waller recalled on Knox's evidence in the trial of Ellenberg. Didn't recollect it. The depositions of Miss Josie Brooks were offered by state and ruled out.

State offered the letter of Sallas to Miss Josie Brooks but were ruled out by Judge J. F. Davis, T. J. Dwyre, M. B. Johnson, Frank Smith and G. M. Thompson were put on stand to testify as to standing of Van Goodrum for truth and veracity in his neighborhood. Dwyre's evidence was ruled out as also that of Johnson. The others swore that Goodrum's character for truth in his neighborhood was bad.

STILL ANOTHER CAR LOAD.

... OUR LARGE STOCK which we had laid in for the Fall trade DID NOT HOLD OUT and we have bought a second time.

The Cause of OUR Business increasing so rapidly is very easily explained.

The People now recognize the fact that we sell the BEST GRADES of FURNITURE at LOWER PRICES than they can buy Shoddy Stuff at other places.

We could not afford to sell anything but FIRST CLASS GOODS as WE are here to stay and have already established a reputation for selling HONEST GOODS AT HONEST PRICES.

We are expecting a Car Load of Furniture in about ten days which is of the Latest Styles and the best workmanship in the market.

Call and look at Our Goods whether you want to buy or not.

Thanking you for your past liberal patronage, we are Very Truly yours,
ANDERSON & NEWSON,
Furniture and Undertakers Supplies.

Fire, Life and Accident Insurance.

27 LEADING AMERICAN AND FOREIGN COMPANIES. 27

The wet season is over and we are sure to have our share of fires.

D. M. GRADDOCK, Agent,

CROCKETT, TEXAS.
Office in Chamberlain Building opposite First National Bank.

Thursday morning at about 11 they filed into court with a verdict of "not guilty." The jury took but two ballots. On the first, it stood 9 for acquittal, 3 not voting. On the second ballot, they all voted for acquittal.

The Way To Do It. There was a preliminary meeting of some thirty or more farmers at Grapeland on Friday last the purpose of which was to organize a Fruit and Vegetables Growers' Association. They attended to some preliminary matters and called another meeting for Thursday night, November the 4th. Now, this movement is in the right direction and we hope to see them organize and go into the planting of vegetables and fruits on a large scale. It is the only hope or prospect of relief that we can see for the farmers of this section. The COURIER chronicles this movement with pleasure and hopes to hear more of it in the future. Our columns are open for the aid and advancement of the enterprise in any way we can. Any time we can serve this laudable and worthy undertaking, we shall do so with pleasure. Organize and push the enterprise and success will come.

Sheriff Waller in summoning talemens for the Knox jury went to Grapeland. He found quite a number of farmers in session over a local enterprise. As he came up on them, a few divined his mission and jumped through the windows of the house they were in and took to the bushes.

There was a tickled, happy looking group of Grapelandites in Crockett last Saturday. It was Bill Lively, Ben Gray, Frank Paris, B. F. Hill, the Dunnams, Jno. Spence, Robert Brooks and a few others who escaped the Knox jury.

The case was given to the jury Wednesday Afternoon at 6 o'clock.

The Verdict. The case was given to the jury Wednesday Afternoon at 6 o'clock.

MANGUM ON—Cotton!

CROCKETT, TEX., 10-18, '97,
Editor Courier:

Permit me to say to the people through your columns, that I think the yellow fever scare is over, and we can now get down to business.

Cotton is unreasonably low, but from present indications it will go much lower before it turns. I believe the market will react, but when, is another matter; it may be within a few weeks or it may be months and the vital question is, what shall we do? Hold on and wait for the rise or sell our cotton as soon as we get it ready?

I've got no advice to give, but it is a safe rule to let every day take care of itself, and acting on that idea I am prepared to buy all the cotton you can bring me, and will pay full market value for it.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN MANGUM.

WANTED.
10,000 Bales of Cotton.
5000 Dry Hides.
10,000 Coon Skins and other Peltry.

5000 pounds beeswax.
Now don't stand back: bring it along. I mean business. Let the price be high or low, I'm ready for you. Keep the wheels turning; you'll come out best in the long run.
Respectfully,
JOHN MANGUM.

P. S.—Things not wanted at any price:
Mixed, packed, plated or mortgaged cotton. Parties selling same will be held strictly accountable. M.

MY PRICES:

I will sell you today the following goods at prices named, to wit:

- Best Peaches—best grade California packed, No. 3 size, 3 cans for..... 50
- No. 2 size 2 cans for.... 25
- Pie Peaches, No. 3 size, 4 cans for..... 35
- Pears, best grade, No. 2 size, 2 cans for..... 25
- Baking Powder, "Jack Frost" none better made, 1 lb can "Clover Leaf," the best cheap powder on the market, 1 lb can..... 10
- Okra and Tomatoes, per can 10
- Grated Pine Apple, unquestionably best made, per can Blackberries, per can 10c, 3 cans for..... 25
- Pine Apple, eyeless and coreless, 3 cans for..... 50
- Nunsen's preserves, 1 lb cans 2 cans for..... 25
- Condensed Milk, Magnolia Asparagus, large can..... 20
- Corn, a good quality, 3 cans 25
- Corn, extra good, 10c per can, 4 cans for..... 35
- Marrow Fat peas per can 10
- Broiled Brook Trout, sauced, "Happy Hit," per bot. 15c 2 for..... 25
- 15 lbs Bucket of Jelly,.... 60
- 15 lbs Best Head Rice,.... 1 00
- 8 lbs Arbuckle or Apex roasted Coffee..... 1 00
- 10 lbs good Green Rio Coffee 1 00
- 8 lbs Better Green " " 1 00
- 6 lbs Choice Peaberry " 1 00
- 5 lbs Best Lump Starch for Best Parlor Matches, 3 pks Dental snuff, 10c per can, per bottle..... 20
- Choice Mackerel, 20 fish in kit, for..... 85
- Choice large Mackerel, 12 to 15 fish in kit, for..... 1 10
- Choice large Pot Mackerel, 3 for..... 25
- Cod fish, 1 lb bricks..... 10
- Dill Pickles, per pound..... 10

Satisfaction guaranteed in every thing I sell you or money cheerfully refunded. Spot Cash and One Price to All. Honest Weight and measure are my mottoes: If you want your money's worth see me before buying.

Respectfully,
JOHN MANGUM.

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