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CROCKETT,

TEXAS

War Reminiscences.

[By W. D. Pritchard, Crockett, Texas.]

The organization of the army of Northern Virginia was completed during the winter of 1861. As regiments arrived they were formed into brigades, brigades into divisions and divisions into corps and as far as possible troops from each state were thrown together, and when the winter ended and active operation commenced in the spring we mustered the finest body of volunteers ever marshaled upon any field. The chivalrous and gallant sons of the South had gathered on the border land to defend the sacred honor of their country and if needs be die for the cause they loved so well. How well they kept this sacred trust, how unflinchingly they met the foe and how nobly they defended that honor history has already told us.

It is of some of these men I wish to speak more particularly; as has been stated the first Texas had gone on in the summer; later the 4 and 5 Tex followed; these three regiments with the 18th Georgia constituted the Texas Brigade with Louis T. Wigfall as commander. When he was elected to the U. S. Senate Gen. Whiting took command. It is the memory of these men and their deeds I wish to keep alive in the hearts of the people of Texas. I trust I may be pardoned if I should indulge in a little of the well earned pride we all feel in having been members of that famous old Brigade. "Those gallant men of blood."

Before speaking of the Texans I want to say a word for the 18th Georgia or as they called themselves the 3 Texas. Arriving in Va. at a time when the Georgia brigades were all full they were attached to us; being thus thrown with men who already had a reputation, they felt the importance of their position and determined to maintain their honor. This they did, for amid the many perilous scenes of our early campaign they were ever with us. Where the shot fell thickest, where death's frightful carnival was highest, the gallant Col. Worford with his noble men could be found, they shrank from no duty, quailed at no danger. When the battle raged the hottest, when the hope seemed most forlorn we could look to the right and always find "Georgia". We that survived that dreadful war feel honored to grasp the hand of those gallant Goober Grabblers and call them brother. No truer, nobler or braver men ever fixed a bayonet or tore a cartridge. And as an evidence of their appreciation.

While in Richmond, attending the reunion, I met a Mrs. Lester of 314 North 29th Street, who told me she still had the beautiful silver pitcher presented her by the 18th for kindness shown them while camped at Fredericksburg. It had set for these long years upon her center table, the pride of the household, too sacred for use;

a beautiful bright monument to the memory of those glorious men. With tearful eyes and quivering lips, she asked me to tell the "boys" she loved them still. They were southern men, native to the manner born. And the grand old state of Georgia can reflect much credit upon herself by showing distinguished honor to the now thinned-rank of the 18th Georgia. As for our boys they were from every state in the south as well as from Texas.

Bold, daring spirits that had left the quiet and more peaceful homes of the east to seek their fortunes in the far west. And when their country called were the first to answer. They were from every walk of life, all met upon a common level, for a common cause; inured to the hardships of frontier life, they laughed at fatigue; accustomed to the perils of the wild west, they knew no danger. With spirits as free as the proud bird of our country they recognized few equals and no superiors. They submitted to discipline for discipline sake, and yielded obedience to orders for their country's cause. With soul as warm and generous as is the virgin soil of their native state, with hearts as large as are the borders of our beloved Texas, they scorned to do a mean thing. Ever ready at the bugle call, they feared no foe. As fierce in fight as the Cougar that roams in the western hills. Their charge like the blizzard that sweeps the boundless plains carried everything before it. And yet when the carnage is over, when the last armed foe retires, "when the battle is lost and won" returned to succor the fallen. And as gentle as the breeze from the Gulf they move among the dead and dying ministering to their comfort—the highest type of a noble soldier. And were it mine to select a fitting emblem I would of the violet and the laurel weave a chaplet with which to crown the memories of those gallant men.

"Nor wreck, nor change, nor winter's blight,

Nor time's remorseless doom,
Shall dim one ray of Glory's light
That glides your deathless tomb."

Broke Their Necks.

One of the most peculiar accidents that we have ever heard of up to date happened to Bill and Frank Beavers Saturday night, and that they are living and haven't any broken limbs is nothing short of a miracle. They had gone out in the country after a cow and Bill had come back to town after something and was going back at full speed and Frank had gotten tired of waiting for Bill and had started back at full speed to hunt him, and the two horses came together in front of Ike Lanceford's residence, breaking both of their necks and throwing their riders a distance of about sixty feet. Why it did not kill both boys is something that can't be accounted for.

A Card From the County Commissioners.

The Enterprise, having undertaken to criticize the action of the Commissioners' court in awarding the contract to publish the delinquent tax list of Houston County to its competitor, the COURIER, we desire to give our reason for the course we have pursued. We were influenced by the following considerations.

1st. The COURIER has a large circulation, going into every section of the county and reaching almost every family in the county, while the circulation of the Enterprise is so small that it does not deserve to rank as a bonafide county paper. We understand the purpose of the publication of this list to be to give notice to persons whose lands are included in same in order that the owners may redeem it if necessary, or show a mistake if one has been made. We believe the very object of the law would be defeated by awarding the contract to the Enterprise on any terms.

2nd. We do not consider this a mere question of dollars and cents, but a duty that we owe to our constituents to give the largest possible notice to this list as valuable rights and important property interests may depend upon it, which includes delinquent taxes from 1885 to 1896—for ten years, and not for one year as the Enterprise would have you believe, from 1895 to 1896. It is an immense thing and the law fixes the rate for publications to be taxed to the individual.

3rd. The Enterprise should not be regarded as a proper competitor for this work, not having a suitable printing press and until recently relying entirely upon the kindness and courtesy of the COURIER for the use of its press even in its regular issues. We do not consider it a permanent institution of our county, and consequently not to be considered in an important business matter like the one under our consideration.

When the Enterprise man approached the court on this matter the day he refers to in his column of this week's issue he did not make any proposition to the commissioners whatever as to the price for doing the work, or even make them a bid, though the court requested him to turn his attention to the commissioners who were present and they would state to him personally their reasons for not awarding him the contract for printing the delinquent tax list, their objections being as has been stated above.

Being conscious of our rectitude we give publicity to this statement in the full confidence that we will be indorsed by our constituents. E. WINFREE, County Judge.
T. C. LIVELY, Com. Prec. No. 1.
W. E. HAIL, " " " 2.
G. M. THOMPSON, " " " 3.
C. B. ISBELL, " " " 4.

Editor Shook of Alto was here last week.

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Good Gray Water proof Mackintoshes with capes, Worth \$3.50 at \$1.98.
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We have them at prices so low that you need not be without them and sleep cold.

We have each and every one of the above articles just as described above now, but we may not have any of them two weeks from now, hence it would be an injustice to us if you come in next Jan. and ask for something we advertise now, and because we are out of it, accuse us of advertising something we have not got.

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Atlanta, Ga.

The criticisms must have been very keen that could have provoked the following from Ex President Cleveland:

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 13.—The Times Herald prints the following: Princeton, N. J., November 12.—To the Editor: I do not care if all the synods and presbyteries in the country were to offer an adverse decision it would be no good reason why I should alter my opinion. I am very sorry Mr. Shields has been bothered over the matter, as he is an old and very dear friend of mine. Otherwise the action of the presbytery does not affect me in the least. When I signed the petition for the liquor license for Princeton I in no sense committed a wrong, and if the same proposition came up for my consideration again I would do the same thing. Grover Cleveland.

A man can never grow great enough to trample morality under foot with impunity. If he does wrong he is sure to be called to account.

GAMBLING is the great vice of the age. It leads to dishonor, disgrace, poverty and suicide. There is a lesson for the young man in the following report from the greatest gambling resort in the world, Monte Carlo:

The budget of Monte Carlo shows that the profits for the year ending October 31 were 5,000,000 francs below those of the previous year. No reasons are assigned for this falling off. The bank's outlay include 2,000,000 francs to the Prince of Monaco; police and grounds, 1,500,000 francs; salaries, 1,000,000 francs; orchestra and sports, 800,000 francs; payments to ruined gamblers, 100,000 francs and for the prevention of suicides, 100,000 francs. The number of suicides during the year was 35 persons.

A Missouri schoolma'm has been dismissed for showing her pupils how to play craps. While her duty was to teach the young idea how to shoot, craps is barred. She should have taught them old maid.—Houston Post.

From the Lone Star State comes the following letter, written by W. F. Gass, editor of the Mt. Vernon, (Tex.) Herald: "I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in my family for the past two years, and find it the best remedy for colic and diarrhoea that I have ever tried. Its effects are instantaneous and satisfactory, and I cheerfully recommend it, especially for cramp colic and diarrhoea. Indeed, we shall try and keep a bottle of it on our medicine shelf as long as we keep house." For sale by B. F. Chamberlain druggist.

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

Farmers And Business Men Talk Over the Situation—Will Support Home Industry.

Austin, Texas, November 13.—At a mass meeting of farmers and business men of Travis county held to-day at 2 o'clock the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, The agricultural, commercial and industrial interests of Texas are suffering and a general depression exists, which is felt by all classes and callings; and

Whereas, The condition of affairs must continue so long as the producers are dependent upon other communities to manufacture their raw products; therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That the participants of this meeting hereby pledge themselves to patronize home industries in preference to all others, price and quality being equal; and we further agree to give our trade to dealers who favor home factories by pushing the sale of home-made goods.

2. That we recommend and urge the formation at once of Home Industry clubs in every voting precinct in Travis county and that the participants of this meeting pledge themselves to assist in organizing said clubs.

3. That it is the sense of this meeting and is hereby recommended that each club so organized appoint or elect one or more representatives to attend county meetings for general conference and cooperation.

4. The object of this organization is to promote the establishment of home manufactories so as to provide a market for the products of our soil, thereby encouraging the production of diversified crops.

5. That we recommend that a card containing every manufactory and industry of Travis county be listed alphabetically and furnished every family in this county, as a guide, giving the articles made by each factory, and the merchants who obligate themselves to patronize them, including their address and location.

6. That it shall be the duty of the representatives named by the various clubs of the city and country to devise ways and means of encouraging and promoting the establishment of factories and the cultivation of a diversification of products best adapted to the mutual interest of the producer and the manufacturer.

7. That we recommend that all factories and industries now in existence in this country unite with these clubs and furnish them with a list of the articles that are being produced by them so their merits may be fully tested and their industries encouraged.

It often happens that the doctor is out of town when most needed. The two year old daughter of J. Y. Schenk, of Caddo Ind. Ter, was threatened with Croup, he writes. "My wife insisted that I go for the doctor at once; but as he was out of town, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy which relieved the child immediately." A bottle of that remedy in the house will often save the expense of a doctor's bill, besides the anxiety always occasioned by serious sickness. When it is given as soon as the croupy cough appears, it will prevent the attack. Thousands of mothers always keep it in their homes. The 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by B. F. Chamberlain druggist.

The "new woman" is making her influence felt in every enterprise. Sixty up-to-date females will sail from New York December 1 for the Klondike, and it is dollars to cents they will make things lively for the fellows at the end of the line when they get there.—Houston Post.

AS VIEWED BY DEMOCRATS.

From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

THE ADMINISTRATION REBUKED.

A year ago McKinley carried the State of New York by 268,469 plurality. Now it has been carried by the democrats with a plurality estimated at 50,000. But the administration journals claim this is "not a rebuke to McKinley." What, then, does the political revolution in the Empire State mean?

It is asserted by the republican organs that President McKinley refused to take part in the New York contest, and therefore the overwhelming republican defeat can not in any way reflect on him. But his administration did take a very active part in the election in the person of Secretary Bliss. He threw all the weight of his influence for General Tracy in the municipal campaign and made issue that he was the candidate of the administration's party. He called the Low republicans traitors. There was no possibility of doubting the fact that the McKinley administration was strongly interested in the election of Platt's candidate. The result was not only the overwhelming defeat of Platt's candidate for the mayoralty, but also of the Platt candidate for chief justice of the court of appeals. The State went with the city to the democracy, the McKinley plurality of over 268,000 was wiped out and a democratic plurality of some 50,000 substituted.

That is what came of the interference of a member of McKinley's cabinet, who would not have meddled without the consent of his chief. The administration was rebuked for not keeping to its legitimated business, as a previous republican administration had been rebuked in a New York election.

One result of the elections this year will be the disappearance of the gold democracy as an organization. The excuse for keeping it alive as "something for the democracy to rally to" no longer avail. The democrats have "rallied" in such vigorous fashion that everywhere republican majorities have been cut down or wiped out altogether, but they did not rally to the gold standard.

In Ohio the total vote cast for the gold democratic ticket has not yet been ascertained, and it may only be found by a high powered microscope. Out of almost 64,000 votes in Cuyahoga county on governor the gold democrat candidate received 320, or less than half of 1 per cent. He had but little over one-fifth of the vote given the socialist labor candidate, and less than one-tenth the vote given the prohibition candidate.

To The Public.

All parties who have papers deposited in this office for record are requested to call and get same. I am moved to make this request by the fact that fire-proof vault space is limited and valuable papers might be misplaced or destroyed for this reason.

An additional reason for the request is that on December the first the new fee-bill enacted by the last legislature goes into effect and all papers filed for record on and after that date will be recorded and charged for according to the fees of the new bill. The provisions of the said new fee-bill also make it imperative that all fees for record-work shall be paid in cash.

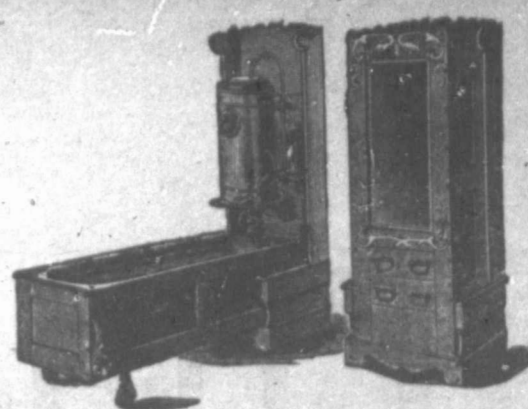
N. E. ALBRIGHT,
County Clerk, Houston Co.

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CROCKETT, TEXAS

SHIVERS BROS. SAY:

Since 1873 when J. S. Shivers the Founder of the Firm of Shivers Bros. hung his little sign out to be viewed by a few passing citizens who resided within the vicinity of its location, little did he know that 24 years of success would be allowed to crown his efforts. From this beginning, 7 miles West of Crockett at the cross roads with a small stock of goods to an attitude high above competition he has risen.

When he, J. S. Shivers launched his bark upon the commercial seas, little did he have as cargo, but to-day Shivers Bros. his successors, have a ship containing Twenty times as much space as the bark first launched, filled to the uttermost with good seasonable goods bought from First hands for the cash; no second hand, shop worn or fire damaged goods on board. As they on their journey go through life, they are distributing to willing purchasers their Cargo. Many are the hearts that are made glad and to leap with joy, for during these years of tempestuous voyage it has been the determination of the Founder, J. S. Shivers and his successors, to pursue the course that was mapped out in the beginning, vary not to the right nor to the left but pursue the right way, rendering unto all men that which was theirs, paying 100 cents on the \$1, satisfaction to all or money refunded for purchases of and from said Cargo. This bark launched 24 years ago and will ride on the tempestuous sea of mercantile uncertainty for a quarter of a century pursuing the same course as was intended by the founder and builder thereof. All those who desire to become possessed of some of the valuable Cargo above spoken of will observe their own interest by embarking at once to the store of Shivers Bros. wherein the Cargo is now stored, safe from the storms of the elements but not safe from the hunters of values that cannot be duplicated in this County

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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 cutaway,) from \$3.50 to \$12.50 per suit.

DRY GOODS.

Double width Cashmere wool filling, fast colors, all shades, worth 15c per yard, 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.

Hats! Hats! Hats!

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

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MONDAY EDITION.

THAT HOGANSVILLE AFFAIR.

It will be remembered by our readers, that among the early official acts of President McKinley was the appointment of a negro by the name of Loftin, to be postmaster at the little town of Hogansville, Ga. It will also be remembered that this was done over the protest of about nine tenths of the business men and best citizens of the place. It seems that as a result some parties feeling deeply aggrieved at such an affront, assaulted Loftin. This raised a mighty howl in the north. The Northern Republican Press, wholly unmindful of the feelings or interests of southern citizens bitterly denounced the assault and undertook to justify the appointment of Loftin. The people of Hogansville denied their responsibility for the assault, and demonstrated that it was merely the acts of individuals and not the act of the community.

They further emphasized their protest against such an outrage by refusing to patronize the post office. Then the great president of the United States and his postmaster general undertook to force the good people of Hogansville to patronize this negro, who had been thrust upon them, and their methods are set forth in a recent dispatch from that place as follows.

Hogansville, Ga., Nov. 8.—The war against Postmaster Loftin has broken out again with renewed vigor. Arrangements have been made with the sympathetic adjoining towns to send mails intended for Hogansville from their offices by messengers, travellers, drummers, &c., are all commissioned to handle mail. This evening an Atlanta drummer had his satchel filled with letters which he was to mail from Atlanta. The mail boxes on the rail trains are locked before reaching this place, but the

passengers accept the mails and it is deposited in other offices all the way from Atlanta to Montgomery.

From which it will be seen that the entire power of the sweet-scented republican administration will be brought to bear to compel the people of a southern town to do as they please. The very spirit of tyranny is behind the course of the administration and only shows that the rack and torture would be invoked if they dared to do so. The will of the people should be respected. Southerners will always resent such affronts as this, and resent them at the polls, where a solid south may be expected as long as obnoxious tyranny forces it to be solid.

THE BIMETALLIC COMMISSION.

The political makeshift commonly known as the Bimetallic Commission has had its little day, jaunting among the dignitaries of Europe and has now turned its face homeward. The result is told in the following brief report taken from the Youth's Companion:

The bimetallic commission, appointed by the President last April, consisting of Senator E. O. Wolcott, Ex-Vice-President Stevenson and Gen. Charles J. Paine, has been busy for several months seeking the approval of European governments to an international conference looking to the establishment of a ratio of value for coining between gold and silver, and a more extended use of the latter metal. The commission secured a certain measure of cooperation from France, and seems to have made some impression on public sentiment in England; but Lord Salisbury, after consultation with the government of India, declined to consider the question of reopening the Indian mints to silver coinage, which had been made, or to participate in arrangements for a conference. As Germany is not prepared to act in the matter if England does not do so, the refusal of

England makes the holding of a conference impracticable.

The long and the short of it is that bimetalism by international agreement is only the phantasmagion of some unbalanced intellects. It has passed the stage of being a remote possibility. If it ever comes it must come in some other way. The regular democracy may be wrong in believing that the free coinage advocated in the Chicago platform will accomplish it, but all hope of any sort of international agreement is the wildest delusion. If the natives ever adopt bimetalism it will be when they are driven to it. We pin our faith to the wisdom of democracy and will follow where she leadeth, profiting by her mistakes, and rejoicing in her triumphs.

THE RENT PROBLEM IN THE WEST.

In many of the western counties of this state the rent question has assumed alarming proportions. The land lords seem to have grown more and more exacting, demanding a fixed rental of from \$4. to \$9. per acre, and demanding further that a certain acreage must be planted in cotton. The result has been disastrous to many of the tenants. This plan has worked well enough when good crops have been produced, but in years like this, with its short crop the tenants have been compelled to stand by and see their entire crop eaten up by rent. They have become rebellious, and have had many meetings in which they have resolved to submit no longer to such conditions, and have in some cases gone so far as to threaten violence in case such demands were not relaxed. The worst conditions seem to exist in Bell, McLennan, Williamson, Ellis and other adjoining counties in that section, where it is bad enough throughout

the entire west. The following report from Luling lands some hope to the outlook, in that section:

Luling, Texas, November 10.—The farmers on the black prairie lands of Caldwell and Hayes counties have for the past three years rented their lands to tenants for a money rent of from \$4 to \$4.50 per acre. Where this was not the case and the landlord received a part of the crop for rent, it was stipulated that a certain acreage of cotton was to be planted, thereby insuring the landlord to a reasonable extent of about the same amount as though the rent had been paid in cash. It is understood now that the renters have become dissatisfied with that sort of contract and demand that the landlords rent for a third and fourth of crops, the renter to use his own judgement as to what he shall plant, and that the landlord shall not, as has been frequently done heretofore, have the right to employ hands and put them in to clean a crop, if in his judgment it is liable to loss from lack of work, and charge it up and take his pay out of the crop after it is gathered. A move is on foot to have a general meeting of landlords and tenants when an effort will be made to arrange matters for their mutual benefit. There is the best of feeling prevailing and no threats or other unpleasant conditions exist. The landlords are ready and anxious to meet the desires of their tenants when possible. It is to be hoped that this agitation will not parallel the fence cutting mania that raged in the west several years ago and that no caustic legislation will be needed as was required to suppress fence cutting. We can suggest at least one remedy that occurs to us as fully equal to the emergency; that is, that all tenants who are suffering from exaction come to East Texas, where lands are cheap and produc-

tive, and which seem specially designed by providence for the benefit of the poor man. East Texas opens her arms and invites all the oppressed tenants of the west to come over and find rest from oppression and extortion. That the conditions are hard and trying can easily be shown by an illustration. For instance take the case of a tenant who rents fifty acres of land at six dollars per acre, making his total rent three hundred dollars—say he is required to cultivate thirty acres of the land in cotton and twenty in corn and other products. It happens to be a bad crop year and he produces only ten bales of cotton and three hundred bushels of corn. At present prices it will require all of his cotton crop and nearly all of his corn crop to pay his rents, leaving him absolutely nothing for the support of his family. This is not an impossible or improbable case. It certainly has occurred and will occur again. Many of the oppressed tenants are excellent farmers and we can afford to encourage them to come to our hospitable section. Let something be done to invite them, here.

It seems that even the great Bob Fitzsimmons is nothing more than a man. He was initiated according to a special program in a certain lodge of the Elks contrary to the established order of things and the lodge was promptly suspended. There is no royal road by which Bob can be either a gentleman or an elk.

The latest laws from about Waco is that many of the landlords are acceding to the demands of tenants on the money rent questions—this is gratifying.

QUARANTINE has been raised against New Orleans, Memphis and all other points including Mexico and South America.

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THE KNIFE STILL HOLDS HER EDGE AND The DOG HIS GRIT.

We All want it, We All claim it, But Who has it?

Is it a merchant who can fill an advertisement with the most silly, unbusinesslike, sarcastic language or is it McLean & Wilson who in two years have broken the business record and is each day making a new one that Crockett never knew. Our competitors are our friends, we do not wish to break them down and wish them all success, but as for impossibilities in business we Know None.

Two years ago we were called little fish and advised to stay close to the shore, but today we swim over the pond with ease and at our leisure, knowing Thou Canst Not Kill. We do not say that we are always the first to introduce every thing new in Dress Goods, Silks, Ribbons, Belts, Girdles, Ties, Shirts, Shoes etc. but it has been confessed in every heart that we are the first to introduce the right prices on these goods. There are many things introduced that prone to be failures in the way of style and the only way the wholesale men have to get rid of such goods is to tell some merchant who believes everything they tell him and is determined to be the very first to introduce everything new in his town that is style. In less than ten days he is telling his customers just what the wholesale man told him and gets mad if they dont believe it. There are many things introduced that we never pay an attention to, for the reason it is not style and will never be. The young men all know when we introduce a new fad and that it is correct in any city. We think some of our competitors will have a hard time making the people believe they have been disappointed when they know they have bought goods in our store for less than the merchant himself paid for them. This competition, we know is hard but we hope it is helping people who need it.

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 4 c.
Extra fancy dress gingham worth 9c cut price 7c.
Listen here! in something that has been appreciated and will not last long. Novelty French Gingham 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 12 1/2c cut price 8c.
Real Manchester No. 3 chambray in dark blue and dim stripe worth and always sold for 12 and 15c, cut price 7 1/2c per yd.
All shades in blue, brown, pink and gray chambray worth 9 and 10c, cut price 7 1/2c.
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 styl. for shirt waist and dresses,

french percale in roman stripes and plaids worth 15 and 16 1/2c per yard, cut price 12 1/2c.
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 12 1/2c 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 20c.
Dont 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 marked at cut prices.
Childrens nice ribbed fleeced lined 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 stainless 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.
Col. plaid bosom shirts worth 75c cut price 35c 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 butchered 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.
Please notice we advertise sizes in shoes that you may not be disappointed. Hamilton Brown's

French Dongola Common Sense heel and half opera plain toe stamped on bottom \$2.50 and we guarantee every pair to be worth \$2.50, Cut Price \$1.75, sizes 2 1/2 3 and 3 1/2.
Brown's \$2.25 queen bee coin toe any size, cut price \$1.75.
C. M. Hendersons Ladies \$2.50 Dongola Berline 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.
Browns \$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.
Hamilton Brown's french dongola pointed toe, pat. tip, sizes 1 1/2 2 1/2 3 1/2, stamped on bottom \$2.50 and never sold for less in any city, our Cut price is \$1.75.
We guarantee every pair of these shoes to be worth just what they are stamped \$2.50. Hamilton Brown's French Dongola, pat. tip, globe toe, sizes 2 1/2 3 1/2 and 6, stamped \$2.50, our Cut Price \$1.75.
Browns tan lace boys \$1.50 shoes

sizes 12 to 2s cut price \$1.00.
Browns \$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.
Browns Bronz kid button spring heel Misses \$1.75 shoes sizes 9 to 2, cut price \$1.00.
Hamilton Browns \$1.75 Rosamond ox blood kid lace spring heel sizes 6 to 12 1/2, cut price \$1.00.
Ladies dont 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 Kerzey 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.
This special Cut Price sale will be continued until Saturday night at 9 o'clock, Nov. the 26th, after which time we reserve the right to put the prices back up and get as much for our goods as our competitors are getting. The story of the Dog and Knife continued.

McLEAN & WILSON.

LOCAL NEWS.
Eat at Gooday's.
Best meal in town at Gooday's
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.
Dr. H. J. Cunyus, dentist, Crockett, Texas. Office over Arledg, Kennedy & Co's Grocer Store.
We never knew pecans to be so plentiful and cheap before. They are now selling on our streets at one dollar per bushel.
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.
Col. Earl Adams returned Friday from Tadmor, where he had gone to see his brother-in-law, Mr. R. R. Harvin. He reports that Mr. Harvin is greatly improved and practically out of danger.
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.
To The Public.
Come round and look at the new goods in my shop—Cut-glass ware and Silver ware of latest designs. Novelty of all kinds in Sterling silver. Watch and Jewery repairing a specialty.
J. A. BRICKER & Co.

Gooday can give you a meal or a lunch at all hours.
A negro named Freeman Hicks attempted to board a freight train at the Crockett depot last week. He was run over and so badly injured that he died. He was buried Friday at the expense of the county.
Among the creditors of John Mangum, who recently failed in business, are quite a number of farmers who deposited their cotton with him and received advances on it. It is to be hoped that he will be able to settle in full with these at least.
Many of the farmers of Houston county have been reading Bill Arp's inimitable letters for years. Next month they will have the opportunity of seeing and hearing him and we trust that many of them will avail themselves of the opportunity. The exact date will be announced in a short time.
A. D. Lipscomb left for Waco on Friday evening in search of some important documentary evidence to be used in the case involving the old academy lot. It is thought that the original deed from Col. Long to the trustees can be found among the papers of Dr. Frank Corley. If so this will simplify the controversy very much.
We learn that a negro is dangerously sick in south Crockett near the colored school building. He is a railroad employe and when taken sick had about sixty dollars, which another negro took and gambled it away leaving the sick negro in a destitute condition. Some charitable colored women raised enough money to procure the services of a physician and Dr. Smith Wootters was called in to attend him.

Miss Anna Denny, whose departure for Fort Worth we announced last week, has gone to attend a special course in Kindergarten instructions. She expects to be absent for a year or more, visiting her brother, Judge S. A. Denny, of Archer City, before returning. We also learn that Miss Addie Madden, daughter of Secretary of State Madden, is taking a course in stenography and typewriting. We commend the cause of both of these young ladies. We believe that every girl should be taught to be self-supporting.
A little child of J. R. Hays, living near Colquitt Ga., overturned a pot of boiling water, scalding itself so severely that the skin came off its breast and limbs. The distressed parents sent to Mr. Bush, a merchant of Colquitt, for a remedy, and he promptly forwarded Chamberlain's Pain Balm. The child was suffering intensely, but was relieved by a single application of the pain Balm. Another application or two made it sound and well. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain druggist.
ESTRAY NOTICE.
Reported to me by T. C. Lively, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1, Houston County, Texas: The following described animal: One Bay pony mare, 10 hands high, 5 years old, no brand, white star in face, white speck on right shoulder and right thigh, left hind foot white.
In care of C. P. Allen, 10 miles East of Crockett. Filed for record Oct., 15 h, 1897.
Given under my hand and seal of office Nov. 3rd, 1897.
N. E. Allbright,
County Clerk,
Houston Co., Texas.

The Town Cow.
The town cow we have with us always. She walketh our streets with a high head and a proud air. She sniffeth the air and smelleth the farmer's wagon from afar. She proceedeth directly thereto and wadeth into the same without ceremony. The farmer is kind to his beast—he filleth up his wagon with wholesome oats and fodder and corn, and thinketh that his weary team will be regaled therewith, but the town cow is wiser in her day and generation. She knoweth better. She knoweth that all things work together for her good. No sooner hath the farmer's wagon arrived in town than she hasteth thereto and with great gusto devoureth his provender. The farmer's team hath not wherewith to regale itself and after many hours wendeth its way home with an empty stomach and a heavy heart. The city father sitteth by and observeth all this and laugheth in his sleeve and his soul is filled with mirth as the cow standeth on her nether limbs and cheweth the farmer's provender, and it never entereth his mind that such things ought not to be. The farmer's soul is vexed; his wrath is kindled not a little; his tongue is loosened at both ends and he sweareth in his impotent rage at the cow. It doth occasionally happen that some festive cuss sprinkleth a little "high life" upon the cow, but she loveth it not. She lifteth her tail aloft and rusheth madly away, but she cometh again, and seeketh what she may devour.
Twice ever thus from childhood's hour And shall be for evermore.
Great is the town cow! Great the city fathers, but the farmer, he is "nit." He hath no rights that either doth respect. He must remain at the mercy of the town cow.

That Telephone Line.
Austin, Texas, Nov. 11th, 1897.
Mr. W. B. Page, Crockett, Tex.
Dear Sir:
In reply to yours of the 8th inst., will say that we have not the least doubt, at this time, but that our Company will want to establish a telephone exchange in Crockett in connection with our long distance system from Palestine to Houston. We can do nothing towards building a line until right of way has been secured. Our right of way force will take this matter up soon and it will be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible.
Yours Very Truly,
E. K. BAKER,
General Superintendent.
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. BARBER,
Lovely, Texas.
For Sale.
My farm, 2 1/2 miles from Crockett, on railroad, 155 acres of land, in a high state of improvement. For particulars call on or address
W. B. Page,
Crockett, Tex.

THE BANNER COUNTY OF EAST TEXAS IS HOUSTON

Read of Its Advantages, Its Inducements to the Man 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 31½ degrees north; longitude 95½ 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.

RAILROADS.

The Great Northern branch of the International & Great Northern runs north and south through the center of the county; the Trinity & Sabine east and west near the south boundary line; the Tyler 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.

SCHOOLS.

Houston County has the best system of public free schools in the State of Texas. The city free schools of Crockett run nine months and the county free 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.

CHURCHES.

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

Debt and tax rates are very small. The bonded debt of the county is being rapidly liquidated and the total state and county tax is only 67½ 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 it is prairie land of the best quality, and is easily 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, linn, 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 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, 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, figs, 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 warehouse-

men. 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 are 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.

Crockett, the county seat, is located near the center of the county, on the I. & G. N. railroad, and has a population of about 3000. The population has more than doubled in the last five years. The town site is high and healthy, with perfect drainage. First-class business houses, schools, churches, newspapers, etc. An oil mill in operation and many new enterprises in hand.

Lovelady, twelve miles south, and Grapeland, twelve miles north, are towns of 500 inhabitants, both located on the I. & G. N. R. R., and possessing good locations, good schools, churches, stores and first-class society.

There are thriving hamlets all through the county, located in pleasant neighborhoods and possessing stores, schools and churches. Among these are Augusta, Weches, Tadmor, Ratcliff, Colthorp, Daly, Porter Springs, Creek, Weldon, Holly, Pennington, Beloit and Daniel. Besides these there are over thirty cotton gins and lumber mills in the county, and at each of these are pleasant neighborhoods, usually having schools and churches.

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

The above is a careful and conservative statement of facts in regard to a fine country that has been too long overlooked.

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

HOW TO REACH HOUSTON COUNTY.

Crockett, Texas, the county seat of Houston County, is located directly on the great artery of commerce, extending from St. Louis on the North to Houston and Galveston on the South, as shown by map.

Crockett is one of the principal stations on the Gulf Division of the INTERNATIONAL & GREAT NORTHERN R. R., which road with its connections, forms the short line between principal points in Texas and St. Louis and Chicago, Etc.

Crockett, Grapeland, Lovelady and other points in Houston County, can best be reached via the International Route, passing as it does directly through the county North and South.

Cotton Crop And Prices.

From the Houston Post.

Houston, Texas, November 10.—Can we see any indication of Mr. Neill's 10,500,000 bales on this crop? Do you believe the receipts at the ports have been retarded 250,000 bales by the yellow fever and quarantine restrictions? Increase at Galveston and the Atlantic ports does not indicate it. The visible supply is 505,000 bales less than last year. Receipts in interior the past week were 54,413 less than same week in 1894. Movement into sight for the week, 113,918 bales less than 1894. Receipts to date less than last year. Nothing yet to show or indicate excess in crop. Nothing to prove that even 9,750,000 bales will be reached.

Consider a moment the value of receipts necessary to add one million of bales to last year's crop, or to reach the big crop of 1894-1895 of 9,901,000 bales, and you will pause for further consideration when you think of Mr. Neill's figures. In October and November, 1894, cotton put on a second crop, the largest in its history in this country—continued to grow and mature. Picking progressed into the spring months. No such condition exists now. Our general information is that in ten weeks this crop has matured and more than three-fourths gathered. Frosts have occurred in many districts, and only in favored localities will the top crop make material difference. This sudden volume of cotton gathered in a short time is misleading the world in the crop. See no reasons to change our views of maximum figures, 9,750,000 total crop; 2,750,000 for Texas.

With the big crop figures and views, combined with sentiment, influence and interest of the future exchanges against cotton, backed by the same interest of large buyers and handlers of cotton holding off and letting the full weight be felt, prices have declined to a lower price than the most sanguine anticipated, and lower than in fifty years past with one exception. Each day it is said, "lack of support to spot cotton"—the combined interest in direct opposition to that of the producer who is now selling his cotton below cost of production. They could by the same combined power refuse to sell cotton for even one week, and enhance its value 1 cent per pound. Prices have declined from 7c to 5 5/8 in New York contracts, with slight reaction at any time. Spot cotton in interior is selling below 5 cents. One extreme brings about another. The spring months in contracts offer better investment at and below 6 cents than best realty in the State of Texas. Once the trade realizes the big crop estimates and surplus expected exists only in the mind, and figures on paper, in excess it may be of three-fourths to one million bales actual cotton and the sentiment will change. The speculator, the big and small buyer, the consumer and even the producer will want some of it and a rapid advance of 1 cent per pound is reasonable, 2 cents possible. The changes can not be effected in a day; but the very low price is attracting attention and investment buying taking place daily. Those holding cotton must be patient to reap the reward certain to come. And we call special attention to the closing remarks in Messrs Landauer & Co.'s last circular. They are directly to the point in issue. Don't wait too long, but secure some of this big opportunity for investment in an article unperishable.

Yours truly,

RULER.

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Houston County.

Real Estate and Land For Sale
B. F. DUREN & SON.

21 acres, Henry Masters league, 2 miles east from the town of Crockett, on Crockett and Centralia road. Level post oak land. Will make a nice little farm.—Unimproved.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

615 acres, John Gregory League, 1½ miles south from Lovelady on Tanta-hogue Creek—all unimproved. Very fine land.

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

UNIMPROVED TRACTS.
320 acres, W. E. Hayes Hr., 11 miles east from Crockett.—Fine land.

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

248 acres, W. Gillard Hr., 14 miles east from Crockett.—Fine land.

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

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

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

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

132 acres, J. Smith Hr., 8½ miles north-west from Crockett.—Blackjack and hickory timber.

227 acres, O. M. Vinton, 16 miles south-east from Crockett. 207 acres, Wm. Cruz, 16½ miles south-east from Crockett. 350 acres, John Edens, 18 miles north-west from Crockett.—Red oak timber.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

No charge for examining titles to said land. Abstracts of title furnished upon application. For terms and further information in regard to lands etc, apply to

B. F. DUREN & SON,

Office in Court House, Crockett, Tex.

DOWN! DOWN, DOWN! DOWN!

Did you hear it fall? Yes! You have heard it to your sorrow. Cotton continues to decline and it's now time that something else should follow, and we have taken the responsibility on our own shoulders to make you prices this week and its equal has never been known in the town of Crockett.

<p>Listen.</p> <p>Yard wide L. L. Domestic, 4 yds to the pound at 4c a yd.</p> <p>Good Cotton Flannel long nap 4c yd.</p> <p>Table Oil Cloth, nice Patterns 10 cents a yd.</p> <p>Hamilton Alpaca Worsted, wool filling at 4c a yd.</p> <p>Brocaded Worsted in several colors, wool filling at 8c yd.</p> <p>Dress Gingham, Bright patterns at 3½c a yard.</p> <p>All wool Eiderdown in pink, blue, white and red at 20c a yd.</p> <p>Outing flannel in plaids, just the thing for ladies' dresses and waists at 5c a yd.</p> <p>Solid color outing Flannel, the proper thing for a winter night gown or skirt at 6c a yd.</p> <p>Irish freeze that others are asking 12½ and 15c for, we will let go at 9c a yd.</p> <p>Real Manchester striped Chambray, No. 3, pink, blue and brown at 7c a yd.</p>	<p>Imported Novelty Dress Patterns.</p> <p>Ladies we call your attention again to this department. We know we are correct when we say that we have sold the finest dress patterns this season, and more of them than any other house in the city. Come in and see these lovely Patterns, no two alike. Mrs. Louella McConnell will take great pains in showing you this line with beautiful trimmings to match and will assist you in every way she can to help you select and get you a handsome dress.</p> <p>Ladies' Fine Shoes</p> <p>Ladies listen, this is one chance in a lifetime. We have just purchased, in Ladies' shoes, an extra fine French kid button shoes, hand sewed, pump soles, goods that we have seen sold in this town at \$3.50 and \$4.00 a pair, they run in sizes from 1½ to 5½, some of these shoes cost as high as \$2.50 a pair to manufacture; we bought them so we can sell them to you at \$1.98 a pair, and when they are sold out it may be that you will never get them again at this price. Come everybody and see these goods.</p>	<p>Another Hard Hitter.</p> <p>Hamilton Brown's Ladies' \$2.50 stamped, button shoes in sizes 3 and 3½ at \$1.50 a pr.</p> <p>Ladies' Glove grain button shoes, solid goods, sewed and riveted at 75c a pair.</p> <p>Baby button shoes at 15, 20 and 25c a pair.</p> <p>We have thousands of dollars worth of shoes and everybody knows that we sell more shoes and better shoes for less money than any house in the city.</p> <p>Men's Shoes.</p> <p>Men's solid bottom, buckle plow shoes at 90c a pr.</p> <p>Men's Sunday shoes in lace and congress at 75c a pr.</p> <p>We carry all the latest in Men's fine shoes and are continually introducing something new.</p> <p>Men's Genuine Calf shoes, in congress and lace, stamped \$2.50 on bottom and never sold for less until this sale, we will let go at \$1.50 a pair.</p> <p>Men's and youths' coarse boots, good stuff, at \$1.00 a pr.</p>	<p>Gents' Furnishing Goods.</p> <p>We have the very latest in Mens plaid bosom shirts, guaranteed best goods, no trash in these shirts, they sell everywhere at \$1.25, we will make the price 69c each.</p> <p>Men's white laundried shirts 35c.</p> <p>Men's col. laundried Negliges shirts at 25c.</p> <p>Men's new velvet band hats stamped Rothchild Bro. Sole Agents, they are worth \$3.00 but we sell them for \$1.75.</p> <p>Scrivens Patent Elastic Seam Drawers, all sizes, you all know what these goods are worth, we continue the sale at 75c a pr.</p> <p>Men's Roman Stripe Ties and bows, the very latest in neckwear, price 35c now down to 19c each.</p> <p>Men's Quoyt Suspenders selling the world over for 25c, our price still goes at 12c a pr.</p> <p>Clothing.</p> <p>Men's Fall suits in navy blue at \$2.50.</p> <p>Men's \$6.00 suits reduced to \$4.50.</p> <p>Men's all wool imported clay worsted suits, French make at</p>	<p>\$7.45</p> <p>Childrens knee suits for 35c, 50c, 75c up to \$3.45.</p> <p>We have an elegant line of suits. Come in, we may suit you and the price won't be much.</p> <p>Capes and Jackets.</p> <p>Ladies jackets from \$1.00 to \$5.</p> <p>Ladies Capes from 75c to \$8.50 each.</p> <p>Millinery.</p> <p>Our trade on Millinery has been greater this season than ever before. Our book shows that we have sold more hats than in any one season before.</p> <p>Ladies' walking hats 15, 35, 50c up to \$1.50.</p> <p>Ladies' trimmed felt hats at 25, 50, 75c up to \$12.50 each.</p> <p>Ladies' Facinators, 25, 35, and 50c each.</p> <p>Misses Tam O'shantas from 15c to \$1.25.</p> <p>Ladies' Sailors from 20c to \$1.40.</p> <p>Ladies don't forget that we carry the best Corset made for \$1.00. If not as represented we will cheerfully give your money back.</p>
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W. V. McCONNELL.

LOCAL NEWS

Eat at Gooday's.

One price to all—25c. a meal at Gooday's.

Ladies' black satin girdles at 25c each at W. V. McConnell's.

Sporting goods a specialty this season at Arledge & Kennedys'.

Fine home-made candies at GOODAY'S.

The Red flour is sold by Arledge & Kennedy. None better.

Guns and ammunition at the lowest prices at Arledge & Kennedys'.

You will find a good stock of Crockery, Glassware, Lamps and tinware at Arledge & Kennedy.

E. E. Fortson has excepted a position with Dunman & Powers as book keeper and collector. Mr. Fortson was formerly with the Terrill Light and Ice company.

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. They make exquisite odors. 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.

Buck's cooking and heating stoves sold at Arledge & Kennedys'.

Xmas is coming, get your fruit cake ingredients at Arledge & Kennedys'.

We are informed that Bill McConnell wears a No. 12 smile, because it is a boy.

Mrs. Carroll Downs left Wednesday night to join her husband at Knoxville, Tenn.

Arledge & Kennedy have a large stock of canned goods at Galveston prices by the case.

Bread and cakes fresh daily at Crockett Bakery (Gooday's) northwest corner square.

The Lovelady sports will have their annual game hunt on Thanksgiving day; and their supper on night of 26th. A cordial invitation is extended to the hunting fraternity throughout the country to participate.

Oysters, Oysters, Oysters, served in any style and at all hours at Franks'. One door east of Post Office.

Your attention is called to the nicest line of Candies ever brought to Crockett at Arledge and Kennedys'.

Two hundred and fifty cases of fresh canned goods just received at Arledge & Kennedys' to be sold at cut prices.

Hon. S. B. Cooper was in the city this week mingling with his friends and incidentally looking after his political interests.

Mr. C. R. Sherrill, of Waco, is on a visit to his father-in-law, John Mangum, where his wife preceded him some time ago.

A negro was arrested and jailed on Saturday night for carrying a pistol—a too free use of the weapon as a noise maker led to his arrest.

Rev. W. F. Hatchell of Atlanta, Texas, has been on a visit to relatives near the city this week. He is pastor in charge of the Atlanta church.

You can get for one dollar a day at the Aldrich House, such a meal as you will have to pay two dollars for at the other hotels. Good rooms. Come and stop with Mr. Coll.

The case of W. M. Ford vs. Van Goodrum and others, was tried in the county court Tuesday resulting in a verdict for the plaintiff Ford, who returned to his home rejoicing.

Hon. B. F. Frymier will return to Houston this week. He has been benefitted by his visit to Crockett. Mrs. Frymier will remain a while longer with her friends in Crockett.

Cattle are commanding a good price. W. E. Mayes recently sold a number of steers at \$35.00 to \$40.00 per yoke. A little of every farmer's spare time devoted to stock raising would bring in a golden harvest.

A Sunday School Institute will be held at the Baptist church on Thursday night before the fourth Sunday in this month and will continue to include the fourth Sunday. Dr. J. C. Boykin, of the State University, has been invited to be present.

Jehu Beeson, of the Antioch community, was a caller at the COURIER office last week. Mr. Beeson says it is a mistake about the recent cold spell killing the top crop of cotton; that he has cotton on his farm that will make a good top crop, notwithstanding reports to the contrary.

The following messengers to the great Baptist convention at San Antonio have returned: Rev. R. E. Morris, D. J. Kennedy, Frank Edmiston and Mesdames Virginia Collins and G. H. Bayne. Miss Hattie Belle Arledge will remain with friends in the Alamo city, while Miss Lucia Wootters will visit friends in Austin.

We desire to keep the Lyceum before the people because we know it to be a good thing and worthy of their patronage. During the winter and spring we will have the privilege of hearing Bill Arp in his celebrated lecture, "The Cavalier and the Cracker," Frank Beard in his famous "Chalk Talks," Col. Ham in the "Snolligoster in Politics" and Gen. Gordon in "The Last Days of the Confederacy," and for the music-loving element we will have the Boston Ideal Club and the Mozart Symphony Company.

We presume that the usual thanksgiving service will be held at one of the city churches this year.

Aldrich & Newton received a car of furniture this week which they are opening up as fast as possible and have a line which eclipses anything ever seen in Crockett—next week's ad will tell you all about it.

Attention, Road Overseers!

On this day, November 15, 1897, it is ordered by the commissioners' court that the road overseers of the different roads in the county be required to have their roads in good condition by December 25, 1897, or work the time required by law, or else the commissioners will be required to report them to the grand jury in accordance with the law governing such cases.

Published by order of commissioners' court.

District Court Proceedings.

T. J. Keene had his disabilities as a minor removed. He is now invested with all the attributes and privileges of manhood save the right to vote. He must wait until he is twenty one for that.

Oscar Steed was tried for rape on a little negro girl, and contrary to expectation of many was promptly acquitted. He was represented by J. M. Crook and John I. Moore under appointment of the court. Demps Moton was arraigned on a charge concerning of a hog and received permission to board a couple of years in the pen.

Andy Thompson, for burglary, was given two years.

Sloan Emerson plead guilty to incest and was given two years.

John Crawford plead guilty to theft and was given two years.

Cato Taylor for assault with intent to murder Berry Daniels was given two years.

THE COURIER.

W. B. PAGE, Editor.

WOLCOTT RETURNS

AFTER A THOROUGH TEST OF THE MATTER BY THE COMMISSION THEY ADMIT

BIMETALLISM IS A FAILURE.

England Flatly Refused to Have Anything to Do With the Movement.

From the Galveston News.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 12.—(Staff Correspondence.)—The envoys and plenipotentiaries extraordinary sent out from the country in the persons of Senator Wolcott, ex-Vice President Stevenson and a man by the name of Paine, to induce the countries of Europe to enter into an agreement for the free and unlimited coinage of silver, have announced that they are at the end of their row, so to speak. Wolcott has returned home to make a report to McKinley. Stevenson is still in Europe, taking what he terms a much needed rest, and Paine is lost as far as the world is concerned. The junketing tour—for that was all there was in it—was provided for to carry out the humbuggery which the republican party at its presidential convention at St Louis perpetrated in its promises to do all in its power to bring about a universal bimetalism. There was not a man in that party, or in any other party, for that matter, who expected anything to result from the effort to get England into a bimetallic conference. But the party had promised to do something, and so this bevy of not altogether wise, but exceedingly attractive, gentlemen was sent out on the waters to find if there was any bimetallic land in sight. So, when they returned and announced that there was nothing satisfactory in the prospect, there have been but few expressions of disappointment.

England, after being bored, perhaps with the importunities of these gentlemen, and who were aided by some French bimetalists, flatly refused to have anything to do with any movement looking to universal bimetalism. It is true that at one time the Bank of England announced that it would hold a limited amount of silver as a part of its reserve, and forthwith the news was gladly spread all over this country that that country was weakening, and that in time she would gladly contribute her aid to placing silver on the same plane with gold in the mints of the world. But the English people arose en masse and objected to anyone in authority in their country going even as far as the Bank of England had gone, and at once the powers there came straightway down. So, when the next step was taken, which was no more nor less than a request that England would at least open the Indian mints to the coinage of silver, John Bull, in a most surly way, growled that he would do nothing of the kind, and that ended the matter.

And herein is where we have a lesson. It has all along been contended that we could enter into the experiment of free coinage without the aid or approval of any other nation. When the bimetallic fake was entered into, the first thing to be done was to secure the co-operation of France and Germany. If the other European

countries could be induced to take up our contention and make it their own, then we would be in a condition to almost take the English lion by the beard. We did get France to come to our way of thinking to a certain extent, and then we approached England with our proposition. We received a refusal, as I have stated, and then all further proceedings were declared off for the time being. Now, if the assertion was true that we could enter into the experiment of free coinage without any co-operation on the part of other nations, why should we not have gone into it with France? Or, rather, why should we have not made an agreement with the French nation that we would do it? The reason is that France and the other countries of Europe understand that they must do in the matter of financial policy, just what England does. More than this, they understand that if either of them embarks on a policy different from that of England they will be bankrupted in a jiffy. That is all there is about it, and when France received her answer from England she would have nothing more to do with the matter, other than, of course, to assist in a theoretical way the views of this country, or rather of a party in this country, but would go no further in the line of doing anything of a practical kind.

As I have said, there was no disappointment, generally, over the result of the junket of Messrs. Wolcott et al. Here and there some man has been heard to make suggestions as to what ought now to be done. The latest voice raised is that of the ever present Bill Chandler of New Hampshire. Mr. Chandler is a senator from his state and he has a free and easy pen, which he always has close to the ink and paper. He is an ardent bimetalist, so he says, and also a consistent republican. He argues his position well, but unfortunately his character for a disposition to have amusement out of everything and everybody is so great that half of those who read him do not take him seriously. Besides this, it is generally believed that he has a desire to embarrass McKinley, for whom he has never had any respect. He was a Reed man. He is an eastern man. And those who know his capacity for mischief, though they may believe in the wisdom of what he may say, for he is wise in his generation, yet stand afar off from him because of their lack of confidence in his sincerity. It is therefore unfortunate for those who, in their love for the distressed or rather in their sympathy for them, rely on legislation to aid them to bimetalism, that Senator Chandler should have been the first spokesman for them after England turned its back. But a shifty man is Chandler, almost as shifty as Mallard, whom Carlisle made the typical shifty man of all the world. Mallard led the Monads from Paris to Versailles, he beating a drum, and at last, when the point of destination was reached, drummed his follower away from their original design.

Chandler now admits that the cause of bimetalism has received a most grievous blow. He admits that the republican party has been badly hurt by the failure, but shifty, he suggests that we turn from Europe and lean on the arm of the republics south of us for aid in our efforts to re-establish silver as a money metal. He, to go a little into details, suggests another Pan-American congress, at which the American countries, we leading, shall enter into the free and unlimited coinage of silver, and tell the European countries that they may go where the sinners are eter-

nally in unrest. We had a Pan-American congress. This was under the inspiration of Mr. Blaine. It had for its object the establishment of trade between this country and eternally revolutionary republics to the south of us. As far as appearances were concerned, it was a success. But after the expense of millions of dollars on the part of this country, and in spite of the protestations on the part of the neighbors, it is discovered that our trade with them has not grown to any pretensions and the increase could have been better made by half a dozen drummers with good goods than by the participation of the statesmen who controlled it.

The suggestion of Chandler is but the buncomb of the man. He sees that his party, after its protestations that it could do something in the line of bimetalism, be held responsible, not for a failure, but for a fraud. And he now intends to go on with the deception. And so, after all, the whole thing has not been without its benefits. The country has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars in the deception. It has paid all expenses. The democrats have been cajoled into looking on the fraud with some degree of kindness, because Stevenson was put on the commission. Wolcott was placed on it to help himself out in his state, which was and is standing to kill him when he shows his head. The expense has been great. But after all, it will have demonstrated what a few people in this country knew all the time, and which the rest of the people will know in time, that bimetalism is impossible. And this is of value. There are those who believe in silver monometallism, and there are those who believe in bimetalism. There can not be two standards of value any more than there can be two measures of a bushel of corn, one holding less than the other. So, even if the expense has been high, even though there has been the very worst political charlatancy in the whole affair, yet we ought to be glad that at last the contest has been brought down to its true basis, that is the fight between the gold basis and the silver basis. And the fight will be waged that way in time. W. G. S.

The Great Adam Forepaugh and Sells Brothers' Show Consolidated.

The above named aggregation of wild beasts and arenic attractions is to exhibit in Crockett on Nov. 30th, and its consummation was referred to by the New York Mercury—the very highest authority on such matters—as follows:

"Mr. J. A. Bailey, sole owner of the Great Adam Forepaugh Show has just concluded arrangements with Messrs. Ephraim, Louis and Peter Sells, by which the show, owned by the latter and known as Sells Brothers' Enormous railroad shows is consolidated with the Forepaugh Show, thus making the new show one of the largest in the world."

"The combination thus effected will have a most tremendous influence in the future upon every other show in the country except the Barnum & Bailey Greatest show on earth, owned solely by J. A. Bailey, and the Buffalo Bill Wild West Show, in which Mr. Bailey has a joint interest."

The owners of some inferior shows, as might be expected, have resorted to various disreputable schemes to discredit and belittle this potential enterprise, but are squarely rebuked and contradicted by the press over a hundred cities, from New York to San Francisco, which unite in declaring that it assures all a great deal more entertainment for the established price of admission than has ever heretofore been given, while at the same time tending to protect them from the incursions of second-class and often disreputable shows. These are the two largest shows on earth and will show everything as advertised at Crockett on November 30th.

CROCKETT, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30th.

THE ONLY EXHIBITION OF HEROIC SIZE AND FAME. Based on Millions, True, Moral, Glorious.

2 Biggest Menageries, 2 Biggest Circuses, 2 Biggest Hippodromes.

The Great ADAM FOREPAUGH SELLS BROTHERS SHOWS Consolidated.

A PERMANENT UNION OF THE WORLD'S ACKNOWLEDGED AMUSEMENT GIANTS.

Where others foist cheap trash upon you It gives 2000 tons of rarest moral entertainment.

ITS Trains of Monster Cars Would Transport Them All! ITS Stupendous Spread of Tents Cover Them All! ITS Capital Permanently Invested Buy Them All! ITS Double Street Parade Overwhelms Them All! ITS Magnitude and Power Confounds Them All! ITS Fame and Good Name Dwarfs Them All!

The One and Only Double Circus Maximus

4 Rings, 2 Olympian Stages, Incredible Aerial Flights. Revolving Pedestal of Art. Double Companies of Champion Principal Performers.



We have a school of phenomenal Performing Sea Lions and Seals no one else has.

Unrivaled Male and Female Bareback Riders, Clowns, Lepers, Tumblers, Athletes, Acrobats, Olympian Stars, High-air Heroines, Daring Charioteers, Dashing Lady Jockeys, Doves, Troupes, Families and Aquariums of Huge, Savage, Amphibious, Beautiful and Cunning Wild Beasts, Birds and Aqueous Marvels, in Phenomenal, Novel and Mirthful Acts. We have double

magnificently complete zoological collections

Colossally combining the 2 most famous and enormous menageries ever moved, whose multitude of perfect, and in many conspicuous instances ONLY, captive savage representatives are unequalled in numbers, variety, size and quality by any other exhibit—national or individual, on earth, and single specimens in which actually cost more, would sell for more, and are better worth seeing than the entire menageries of other shows. NO ONE ELSE HAS THEM.

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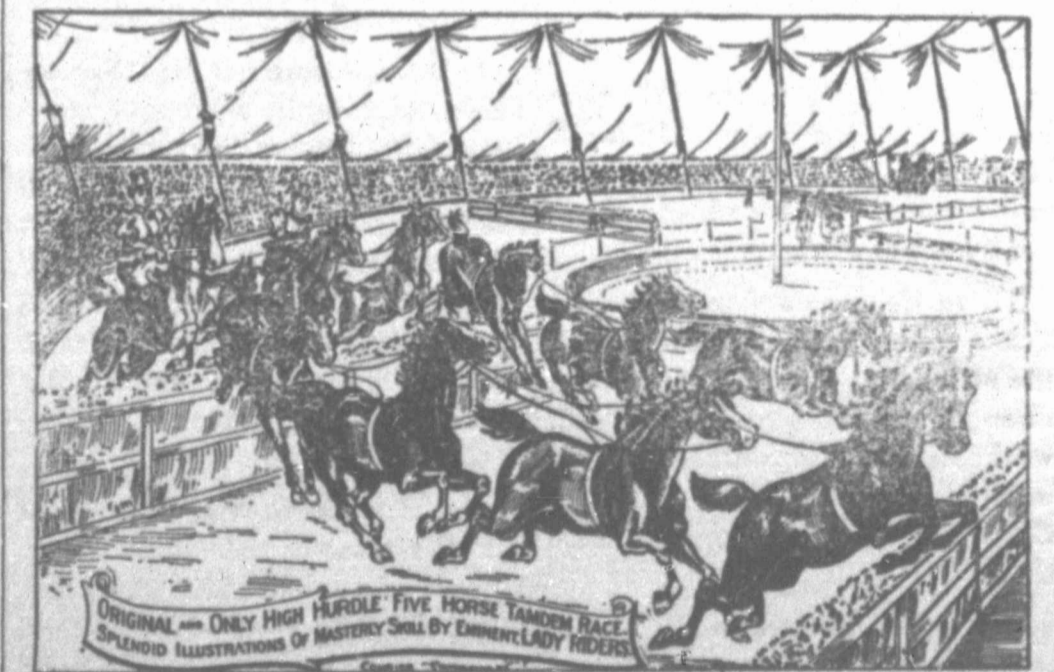
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