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Has found us fully equipped with one of the most carefully selected stocks that the people of Houston and adjoining counties have ever before seen displayed in Crockett.

Our Dress Goods are the Latest

and most stylish productions of foreign and domestic looms. They are in all the latest style weaves and colors and at prices to suit anybody and everybody. The millinery is the most stylish and latest creations of the most noted artists of the world's fashion centers. A look in this department will convince any lady that her wish for the most stylish hat can be gratified for a very small amount of money.

DRESS GOODS.		Scratch Felt Street Hats, in all the late shades and shapes for..... 1.00	
52-inch Etamines in black, brown, gray, tan and castor, one of the most stylish fabrics shown, per yd.....	\$1.74	Beavers, in Gainsborough flats and Turban effects in black, blue, brown and gray, \$3.50 down to 2.50	A word about
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Chenille and Velvet Hat, in brown, trimmed with the late Coque de Roche feathers, at the low price of.....	6.00		
Valroy, latest Walking Hat, stitched effects, Chenille and button trimmed.....	1.85		
Stylish ready-to-wear or tailor-made Hat, navy blue and green combination, oxford and white, and browns. These are made up in a more or less elaborate trimming, which is required to suit more or less severe tastes, at from \$5.00 down to.....	1.75		

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and pure blood are inseparable. If your blood is bad, your health must suffer. Poor blood allows the body to lose vitality just as a poor fire under the boiler allows the steam to run down. From poor blood to impure blood is but a step, and impure blood is mother to a large percentage of human ills. Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic is an antidote for both poor and impure blood, for it is both a builder and purifier—a food and a medicine. It is the best combination of the kind known to medical science, and its success for nearly half a century has led to its endorsement by thousands of medical men who have been unable to find a substitute.

Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic

will insure you against the many evils resulting from impure blood. Scrofula, pimples, blotches, kidney disorders, rheumatism, gout, dyspepsia, female weakness, anemia, chlorosis, etc., are few of them; but the greatest evil, the greatest danger, is the general weakening of the whole system, which affords an opening for every passing disease.

The following is only one of the thousands of testimonials we have received:

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 10, 1901.
"I commenced using Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic when prostrate from a severe attack of rheumatism. After using three bottles all traces of this disease were completely eradicated from my system, and my general health was restored. As a blood purifier Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic has no equal, and I most sincerely recommend it to all persons suffering from indigestion, fatigue, rheumatism, and the many weakened conditions of the system produced by impure blood."
Margaret P. Yeasell,
No. 640 Second Ave.

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Every bottle of Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic has our "Crescent" trade-mark on the label. Don't accept a substitute—insist on Dr. Harter's.
Made only by
THE DR. HARTER MEDICINE COMPANY
DAYTON, OHIO
Makers also of Dr. Harter's Wild Cherry Syrup, and other well known Dr. Harter Medicines.
FOR SALE EVERYWHERE.

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Who would keep their children in good health should watch for the first symptoms of worms, and remove them with White's Cream Vermifuge. It is the children's best tonic. It gets digestion at work so that their food does them good, and they grow up healthy and strong. 25c at J. G. Haring's.

Proceedings of Republican Convention.

The congressional convention met at the opera house pursuant to call at 2 o'clock p. m. H. L. Price of Anderson county and J. W. Williams of Houston county; Price as chairman and Williams as secretary, temporary and permanent chairman and secretary respectively. The following business was transacted:

Committee on credentials and resolutions was appointed; the committee on credentials as follows: S. H. Stanton, E. B. Robinson, J. M. Griffin, H. L. Storm, E. A. Swanson; committee on resolutions: T. G. W. Tarver, C. W. Ellis, T. W. Ellis, Joseph Cuney.

Resolved, That we, the republicans of the Seventh congressional district of Texas, in convention assembled, declare our unwavering devotion to our president. We indorse his administration as being honorable, distinguished, business-like, without regard to sectional feeling, and free from prejudice, clear and conservative, and we pledge him our support as the republican candidate in 1904.

Whereas, appreciating the ability, usefulness, conservatism and business-like judgment of our State chairman, the Hon. Cecil Lyon, and realizing his great services to the State and the republican party therein, and appreciating his unselfish devotion to his party and its good, therefore, we heartily indorse him.

No candidate for congress was mentioned. Joseph Cuney of Galveston was elected chairman for the ensuing two years and H. L. Price of Palestine secretary. The meeting adjourned sine die.
H. L. PRICE, Ch'm.
J. W. WILLIAMS, Sec'y.

Ten Cent Cotton.

Houston, Texas, Sept. 18.—The following communication from Colonel E. S. Peters was handed the Houston branch office to be sent in:

To the Galveston News: After carefully going over your reports and figures and comparing them with other data I want to congratulate you and say they represent the true condition at this time and sustain the report of the statistics of Mr. John Hyde of the department of agriculture, issued on the 3d of this month.

The advance information given to the farmers and planters of the South by the department of agriculture saved them millions of dollars. The speculators and "knockers" have done everything in their power to discredit the report, but it still stands, and all evidence from the crop and reliable information only proves its correctness. The present large receipts only prove an early, immature and short crop. While I am adverse to making predictions, I have no hesitancy in saying that middling cotton will sell for 10 cents and above before another crop of cotton is placed on the market, provided the farmers will use good judgment and market the crop slowly.

In this connection I wish parties having insects of different kinds affecting the cotton plant to be sent to me here, so as to have the entomologist of the United States department of agriculture find out what kind they are, and especially the boll weevil from North Texas and the Territory, to prove definitely the district infected by that insect.
E. S. PETERS.

Beautiful Complexions

Are spoiled by using any kind of preparation that fills the pores of the skin. The best way to secure a clear complexion, free from sallowness, pimples, blotches, etc., is to keep the liver in good order. An occasional dose of Herbine will cleanse the bowels, regulate the liver, and so establish a clear, healthy complexion. 50c at J. G. Haring's.

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Palestine, Texas.

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All Orders Promptly Attended to.

WILL PAY EXPRESS CHARGES ON AMOUNTS OVER FIVE DOLLARS.

Shooting Scrape.

Monday night or Tuesday morning in Cafe Royal a disagreement originated between W. F. Kellum of Kennard Mill and a young man named Crawford who had been employed at the restaurant for a week and was on night duty. A cup was thrown at Kellum and shattered against the wall, after which he retired from the restaurant and it is said made considerable talk as to what he would do to Crawford as soon as he left the restaurant. When Crawford was relieved from duty he went into Chancey's saloon about 7 o'clock and there encountered Kellum who proceeded to enforce his threats by striking Crawford, who it is said is more of a boy than a man. Crawford reached for his pop and Kellum caught on and made a break for the front door, two shots following him in rapid succession, neither of which took effect. By this time Kellum was moving at a 2:40 gait and passing out the front door turned up the street and then through Brown's grocery store, making only a few steps from the entrance to the rear

of the building. He was evidently scared and the way he ran furnished no little amusement for those who witnessed the performance.

Kellum was arrested on a charge of assault and placed under bond to appear for trial on the 29th.

A warrant charging assault to murder was made against Crawford, who immediately left for parts unknown to the officers.—Lufkin Tribune.

Do You Want to Yawn?

Feel cold shiverings, aching in the bones, lack of energy, headache, and great depression? These symptoms may be followed by violent headache, high fever, extreme nervousness, a condition known as malaria. Herbine cures it. Take it before the disease gets a fair hold, though it will work a cure in any stage. J. A. Hopkins, Manchester, Kan., writes: "I have used your great medicine, Herbine, for several years. There is nothing better for malaria, chills and fever, headache, biliousness, and for a blood purifying tonic, there is nothing as good." 50c at J. G. Haring's.

EDITORS OF TO-DAY

EVOLUTION OF THE RESPONSIBLE NEWSPAPER MAN.

Position is Little More Than a Century Old—Francis Jeffrey, of the Edinburgh Review, the First of a Now Numerous Class.

The editor as he is now best known—the responsible conductor of a newspaper or periodical—is a comparatively recent production of civilization. He is, indeed, but little more than a century old. The word is much older, for it has been in use for nearly 300 years; but it originally meant, like the French "editeur"—publisher. And an editor of that kind was sometimes even called an "editeur"—a particularly ugly word. This use of the term, however, soon became obsolete, and from the beginning of the eighteenth century the world of readers has been familiar with the editor of the second kind—that is, one who prepares or revises and annotates and arranges the work of another, or of others, for publication.

A learned editor of the modern variety has lately laid it down that "a good writer will be a bad editor, and a good editor a bad stylist"; and his own use of the odious word "stylist" may be held to go some way to prove the truth of his dictum. But the statement is too sweeping to be accepted as it stands. It contains, of course, a measure of truth, for the qualities required for effective textual criticism, for the patient collation of texts and authorities; and for the various other kinds of detailed work regarded by modern scholarship as editorially important, are very different from those needed for original composition.

Then there is the third kind of editor—the responsible conductor of journal or periodical—who is hardly traceable much beyond the beginning of the nineteenth century. It is curious to recall now the primitive nature of the editorial arrangements which were made when the Edinburgh Review was started. The small band of northern scholars who cultivated literature on a little oatmeal seem to have thought that a review could be satisfactorily conducted by a committee of nearly a dozen. But this was soon found to be an impracticable arrangement, and the responsible authority was lodged in the Review's first real editor, Francis Jeffrey. Somewhat similar attempts have been made occasionally in later days to place the editorial authority more or less in commission, so to speak, though not with such a naive ignoring of possibilities as characterized the start of the Edinburgh Review, but such experiments have not usually been very successful.

Francis Jeffrey, in charge of the Edinburgh Review, was the real father of all who have since occupied the editorial chair of paper or periodical. It may be objected that magazine editors existed before Jeffrey's day, but it would be hard to show that any so-called editor exercised functions really corresponding to those of his present-day successor.

Goldsmith was for a while the chief writer in the review, the Monthly. He did back work of every kind—work which in later and more prosperous days he never cared to claim as his own, for it was written under hard and degrading conditions; but the real conductor of the Monthly was its proprietor, Griffiths, the bookseller, whom Smollett dubbed "illiterate," and whose power was shared by his wife. Goldsmith complained that all he wrote was tampered with by these worthies, who jointly filled the editorial chair. Cave, the bookseller, again, who founded the Gentleman's Magazine, was also its responsible conductor.

And in those cases where a magazine or other periodical publication was identified, not with a bookseller or publisher, but with a well-known writer's name, the writer was not an editor in the modern sense, for his business was to write, for the most part, his own paper, not to accept or reject, sift and arrange and correct the contributions of others. It was in this way that Defoe conducted his Review, Steele and Addison the Tatler, Spectator and Guardian, Fielding the Convent Garden Journal and Johnson the Rambler and Idler. Occasional numbers of one or other of these papers, or of the many other periodical publications—the Connoisseur, World, Adventurer and the like—might be written by a casual contributor, but in the main they were written, in each case, by the one or two men who started, and if the expression may be allowed, "ran" them.

Johnson did much to abolish the days and traditions of Grub street and to enhance the dignity of the profession of letters. Francis Jeffrey first invented the editorial chair with an authority which commanded respect.

Dickens and Hugo.

M. Swinburne calls Dickens "the greatest Englishman of his generation," and puts him only one place behind his idol Hugo, "the one greater and far greater genius then working in the world."

A HARD STRUGGLE.

When you have a bad back, a back that's lame, weak or aching it's a hard struggle sometimes to find relief and cure, but it's a harder struggle when the dangerr beset you of urinary disorders, too frequent urination retention of the urine with all the subsequent pains, annoyances and sufferings. There are many medicines that relieve these conditions, but you want a remedy—a cure. Read this statement; it tells of a cure that lasted:

Veteran Josiah Heller, place of residence 706 South Walnut St., Urbana, Ill., says: "In the fall of 1889 I procured Doan's Kidney Pills at Cunningham's drug store in Champaign, and after taking the remedy conscientiously I made a public statement of the results. I told how Doan's Kidney Pills relieved me of kidney trouble, disposed of my lame back and the pains across my loins, beneath the shoulder blades, etc. During the interval which has elapsed I have had occasion at times to resort to Doan's Kidney Pills when I noticed warnings of another attack, and on each and every occasion the result obtained was just as satisfactory as when the pills were first brought to my notice. At this time I just as emphatically indorse the preparation as I did several years ago."

A FREE TRIAL of this great Kidney medicine which cured Mr. Heller will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

WOMAN A CRACK RIFLE SHOT.

Young Canadian Carries Off Prizes at Shooters' Meet.

Over in Canada, in a picturesque little town called Dundas, lives a young woman, Miss Bibby by name, who is one of the crack rifle shots of the Dominion. She is a slender little creature, but she is nerveless and strong-armed, and has been addicted to shooting ever since she was a little girl; and, by the way, that's not so long ago, either. Miss Bibby uses the regulation Lee-Enfield rifle of the British army and the Canadian militia, and she has been admitted to membership in the Ontario Rifle association, an organization of the cream of the rifle shooting militiamen and rifle clubs, and she holds her own with the best of them. She is not a Canadian type, for there are very few of the women of the Dominion who take to rifle shooting as an accomplishment, but she has achieved some fame for herself and her town. Recently, at the annual matches of the Ontario Rifle association, held in Toronto, she won considerable prize money and defeated some of the crack shots of the province.

SHE CRIED WHEN SHE PUT HER CLOTHES ON.

This is what Miss Jessie Stephenson of 30 Hartington Road, Aberdeen, says when writing to the Proprietors of St. Jacobs Oil, the remedy which cured her:

"I was very bad with rheumatism. I could not put my clothes on without crying out. I always had to have assistance to dress myself. I obtained a bottle of St. Jacobs Oil, and after its contents were used I was much better. I used the contents of two more bottles, and now I am able to do my work as usual. I would recommend anyone troubled with rheumatism to use St. Jacobs Oil."

Miss Stephenson's present condition is a very great contrast to what it was before she used St. Jacobs Oil; then she was practically helpless, suffered the greatest agony—but now she is free from pain, and able to do her work. Surely such evidence as this is most convincing that St. Jacobs Oil "Conquers Pain."

Dr. Nestor Ponce De Leon of New York has been appointed medical inspector for the port of Havana. Dr. Ponce De Leon is a graduate of the Columbia university school of medicine and a descendant of the discoverer of Florida.

Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold

Laetive Bromo Quinine Tablets, Price 25c

When a man follows the races he finds himself far in the rear sooner or later—usually sooner.

THE BEST REMEDY IN STARCHING

can be obtained only by using Defiance Starch, besides getting 4 or more for same money—no soaking required.

At Gornegrat, on the Zermatt mountain railroad, stands the highest post-office in Europe. It is over 9,000 feet above sea level.

Actions of most men everlastingly knock the stuffing out of their good intentions.

Mrs. Carter H. Harrison, wife of the mayor of Chicago, has written a book of fairy tales. It has been known for some time that she had some literary work in hand, but she deprecated any suggestions that she was "an author."

A boon to travelers. Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry. Cures dysentery, seasickness, nausea. Pleasant to take. Acts promptly.

The census shows that there are sixty-five sewing machine factories in the country, whose annual output is worth \$21,000,000. The business has multiplied thirteen fold in the last forty years.

Don't you know that Defiance Starch besides being absolutely superior to any other, is put up 16 ounces in package and sells at same price as 12-ounce packages of other kinds?

An Indiana man married a widow whom he did not know was such. At their first meal she fondly led in eight children and seated them about the astonished groom. He suddenly lost his appetite and she her new husband as soon as a divorce court could act.

The Combination Oil Cure for Cancer was originated and perfected by Dr. D. M. Bye. It is soothing and balmy and gives relief from unceasing pain. It has cured more cases than all other treatments combined. Those interested, who desire free books telling about the treatment, save time and expense by addressing the Southern Office—DR. D. M. BYE CO., P. O. Box 408, Dept. A, Dallas, Texas.

Two Franciscan monks, dressed in the robes of their order, have just made the ascent of Mont Blanc, accompanied by three guides. They are stated to be the first priests who have ever accomplished the feat.

I do not believe Flax's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—JOHN F. SOYER, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 18, 1904.

Prof. A. W. Evans, of Yale University, and Percy Wilson, of the New York Botanical Garden, have gone to Porto Rico to enlarge the gardens collection of Porto Rican flora.

Defiance starch is put up 16 ounces in a package, 10 cents. One-third more starch for same money.

The pert sayings of childhood are apt to develop into the impudence of mature years.

LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND A WOMAN'S REMEDY FOR WOMAN'S ILLS.

Some women's ideas of being economical is to have their ball dresses cut lower.

Germany's annual consumption of beer works out at over thirty-six gallons per head of population.

DEFIANCE STARCH should be in every household, none so good, besides 4 or more for 10 cents than any other brand of cold water starch.

Work is to be started immediately on a twenty-five mile railway to connect Gwelo and Selukwe, Rhodesia.

POTNAM FADELESS DYES are fast to light and washing.

It's easy to believe one who speaks derogatorily of others or in praise of ourselves.

BREW'S SPECIFIC HEADACHE POWDER—the only harmless and sure cure for all headaches. Price 10c and 25c. Sent by mail upon receipt of price. Adolph DeWitt, 119 Alamo Plaza, San Antonio, Tex.

A GEM of Dublin photographers took a portrait photograph a few years ago that was practically life-size. It measured 64x33 inches.

WHY SUFFER WITH BACKACHE? I have suffered several years with backache, and after taking one bottle of Smith's Sure Kidney Cure, I have been cured. Since then I have not been troubled with my back. Too much cannot be said in its praise. Capt. WM. FORREST, Memphis, Tenn.

Price 50 cents. For sale by all druggists.

That serpent in the garden of Eden wasn't in the LL. D. class, but he understood human nature all right.

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

Lots of people find marriage a failure, but the grass widow considers it only a temporary embarrassment.

FITZ'S Permanently Cured. No fits or cramps since after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Sent for FREE 50c trial bottle and treatise. Dr. J. C. Kline, 149 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Truth may be stronger than fiction, but the average liar makes a desperate effort to supply contrary proof.

McCANE'S DETECTIVE AGENCY, Houston, Texas, for trained and reliable detective service.

During courtship he talks and she listens; after marriage the order is reversed.

WINCHESTER

FACTORY LOADED SHOTGUN SHELLS
"New Rival" "Leader" "Repeater"

If you are looking for reliable shotgun ammunition, the kind that shoots where you point your gun, buy Winchester Factory Loaded Shotgun Shells: "New Rival," loaded with Black powder; "Leader" and "Repeater," loaded with Smokeless. Insist upon having Winchester Factory Loaded Shells, and accept no others.
ALL DEALERS KEEP THEM



FOR IRRITATIONS OF THE SKIN, RASHES, Heat Perspiration, Lameness, and Soreness incidental to Canoeing, Riding, Cycling, Tennis, or any Athletics, no other application so soothing, cooling, and refreshing as a bath with CUTICURA SOAP, followed by gentle anointings with CUTICURA, the Great Skin Cure.

Millions of Women use CUTICURA SOAP for preserving, purifying, and beautifying the skin, for cleansing the scalp of crusts, scales, and dandruff, and the stopping of falling hair, for softening, whitening, and soothing red, rough, and sore hands, for baby rashes and chafings, in the form of baths for annoying irritations and inflammations of women, or too free or offensive perspiration, in the form of washes for microbive weaknesses, and many sanative, antiseptic purposes which readily suggest themselves, as well as for all the purposes of the toilet, bath, and nursery. CUTICURA SOAP combines delicate emollient properties derived from CUTICURA, the great skin cure, with the purest of cleansing ingredients and the most refreshing of flower odours. Nothing can induce those who have once used these great skin purifiers and beautifiers to use any others.

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Write the Lyon Manufacturing Co., 45 South 5th St., Brooklyn, N. Y., for a copy of "Points from a Horse Doctor's Diary."

Some people save up money by doing without something they want in order to be in a position to purchase something they don't want.—Chicago News.

"It was almost a miracle. Burdock Blood Bitters cured me of a dreadful breaking out all over the body. I am very grateful." Miss Julia Filbridge, West Cornwall, Conn.

The largest mass of pure rock salt in the world lies under the province of Galicia, Hungary. It is known to be 550 miles long, twenty miles broad and 250 feet in thickness.

If you don't get the biggest and best it's your own fault. Defiance Starch is for sale everywhere, and there is positively nothing to equal it in quality or quantity.

Employment of irons in Italian prisons has been abolished. Convicts are no longer to be yoked together as heretofore, and the cruel practice of manacling them to their beds is to be applied only in very exceptional cases.

There are forty-seven typewriter factories reported to the census bureau, with an annual product worth about \$7,000,000. The foreign sales for 1900 amounted to \$2,700,000.



DR. MOFFETT'S TEETHINA (TEETHING POWDERS)

Costs Only 25 cents at Druggists.

Or mail 25 cents to C. J. MOFFETT, M. D., ST. LOUIS, MO. My experience with your excellent medicine, TEETHINA. Our little girl, just thirteen months old, has had much trouble teething. Every remedy was exhausted in the shape of prescriptions from family physicians. Her bowels continued to pass off pure blood and burning fever continued for days at a time. Her life was almost despaired of. Her mother determined to try TEETHINA, and in a day or two there was a great change—now she had recovered the bowels were regular, and thanks to TEETHINA, the little babe is now doing well. Yours, etc., D. W. KEVLER, Editor and Proprietor Tuskegee (Ga.) News.

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The Crockett Courier.

W. B. PAGE, Editor and Proprietor
W. W. AIKEN, Publisher and Local Editor
CROCKETT, TEXAS.

TEXANETTES.

Concho county has plenty of grass.
Santa Fe shops at Cleburne are busy.
Sabine river was a mile wide last week.
Floyd county reports stock in fine condition.
Archer county had a four-inch rain fall Sept. 22.
Dallas is to have a chemical manufacturing plant.
Fall vegetables are being gathered at Wichita Falls.
Hog law carried at Bukville by a vote of 115 to 107.
Last week's rain injured cotton around Wimsboro.
Public schools in all Texas cities opened on Sept. 22.
Apple trees were in bloom in Grayson county last week.
Circuit and district Federal courts are in session at Waco.
Low land farms have been badly washed in Gregg county.
Evangelist Fife conducted a three weeks' revival at Amarillo.
Several houses were blown down near Farmersville Sept. 22.
Tioga, Grayson county, by a vote of 63 to 49, refused to incorporate.
Mexican boll weevil is operating on some Ellis county farms near Italy.
Wichita Falls' assessment is \$1,100,000, an increase over 1901 of \$300,000.
John Batsell had his left hand badly mangled in the Ennis oil mill gin.
Wichita county has best start of volunteer wheat and oats ever known.
Several diphtheria cases are reported around Gause. A few children have died.
Two and one-half inches of rain fell in Neeces county Sept. 23, breaking the long drouth.
Mississippi Valley Oil company of Beaumont, capital stock \$100,000, has filed its charter.
Walter Rollins, 5 years old, while bathing in the Colorado river near Ballinger, was drowned.
Aaron Nelson, colored, was convicted at Waxahachie of criminal assault and given ten years.
Dan A. Stuart the well-known sportsman, has purchased valuable property at Mineral Wells.
The eighty-five boiler-makers in the Texas and Pacific shops at Marshall have been given an advance of 10c per day.
Veal, Adkins & Gray Bros. of Stephens county shipped fourteen cars of cattle last week to St. Louis. They went from Strawn.
James McDonald, an Orange school-boy, while pitching a baseball twisted an arm so as to break it about three inches above the elbow.
The Texas, Red River and Southern railway will build a spur from Sherman to the large feeding pens recently built at south Sherman.
An old white man with nothing on his person by which he could be identified was struck by a train at Navasota and fatally injured.
State board of education purchased \$10,000 worth of Throckmorton county refunding bonds as an investment for the permanent school fund.
The Bowie Canning factory, at Bowie, is shipping out its first year's pack of Montague county peaches, blackberries, beans, tomatoes, etc.
Frank Reivers Fox, an old citizen of Brownsville, was dangerously cut with a knife in a saloon at that city. County and City Physician Layton was arrested.
John T. Penn, a well-known merchant tailor of Dallas, died in that city on the 22d after a lingering illness, caused by a cancerous growth in the stomach from which he had suffered several years. He was 45 years of age.
Harry M. Pease, who made quite a reputation during the Hogg-Clark campaign as a cartoonist, died several days ago at Chicago. His wife, who survives him was Miss Fife, formerly a resident of Houston.
Sixteen alleged crap shooters, four white and the remainder negroes, were rounded up on the Trinity river, seven miles from Wilmer, Dallas county and taken to Dallas. A posse of deputy sheriffs are alleged to have surprised the parties while they played.

ORANGE FLOODED.

HEAVIEST RAIN THAT HAS BEEN EXPERIENCED IN YEARS.

RICE SUFFERING DAMAGE.

Mrs. J. M. Thornton Struck by Lightning and Stunned, But She Will Recover.

Orange, Texas, Sept. 30.—The heaviest rain that has been experienced here in four or five years fell yesterday and some portions of the city were literally flooded, men wading in water up to their knees in many instances to get home. The mayor and street committee were out all day taking notes as to drainage, this being the first opportunity they have had to witness the practical workings of the new drainage system.

Reports from the county are to the effect that much damage has been done to rice by reason of the plant and grain being beaten down to the ground by the heavy rainfall.

The new telephone system reports about 100 phones burned out by lightning.

Mrs. J. M. Thornton, wife of the jailor, was stunned by a stroke of lightning which struck the telephone in her residence, and her life was despaired of for a short time, but after a few hours she recovered from the fearful shock.

Heavy Rains in Louisiana.

Vinto, La., Sept. 30.—Following the moderate rains of Saturday and Sunday came a heavy downpour of four hours' duration Monday morning. The heaviness of the rain together with the impassability of the roads, suspended all outdoor work and movements for the time being.

It cannot be learned to what extent the rice crop is damaged, but all that is now cut and standing in the field will certainly be spoiled.

Heaviest Rain in Fifty Years.

Berclair, Texas, Sept. 30.—The county and railroad bridges over Millers Creek and the railroad bridges over the Blanco and Medlo Creeks were washed away night before last. Parties who have lived here for fifty years say the rain is the heaviest in that time. Everything is under water and all trains have ceased running.

Damage at Falls City.

Falls City, Texas, Sept. 30.—The hardest rain ever known in the history of this section fell night before last. The San Antonio river is the highest ever known by the oldest inhabitant.

Colorado Rising at Wharton.

Wharton, Texas, Sept. 30.—The recent heavy rains are beginning to show a decided effect on the Colorado, which is rising fast, and the continued showers cause great discouragement among the cane and rice men.

Denison, Texas, September 30.

W. L. Clark, who was stabbed last Friday in a saloon row, died last night. J. B. White of Sterrett, I. T., has been arrested and lodged in jail by Sheriff Shrewsbury.

North Pole as a Health Resort.

New York, Sept. 30.—Commander Robert F. Peary, the arctic explorer, who has arrived here from the north on his way to Washington, where he will report to the navy department for duty, says it is his belief that the arctic region is one of the best places on earth for persons afflicted with pulmonary diseases. In proof of the health giving conditions there, he said that nearly everybody who went up there came back weighing more and in a much better state of health generally. He did not bring any Eskimos south, for the reason that those he brought several years ago experienced a hard time, many of them having succumbed to pulmonary diseases.

Union Husbands Wanted.

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 30.—The young women of the Clerks' union have completed arrangements for the organization of a girls' league, in which every member will pledge herself to marry no one but a union man and refuse absolutely to receive attention from any but men with their cards. The members will be single girls who are willing to marry if they find the right man and if he is a member of a labor organization.

Laredo.—Alexander Bros., of Jacksonville, have purchased a tract of land near here and will engage in the raising of onions on a large scale. They will put in an irrigating plant.

ZOLA'S TRAGIC DEATH.

The Great French Writer Lost His Life by Asphyxiation.

Paris, September 30.—Emile Zola, the novelist, who gained additional prominence in recent years because of his defense of the Jews and of former Captain Dreyfus, was found dead in his Paris house yesterday morning. Asphyxiation, resulting from the fumes of a stove in his bedroom, is given as the cause of death. M. Zola and his wife retired at 10 o'clock. Mme. Zola was seriously ill when the room was broken open this morning. At about noon she was removed to a private hospital where she recovered consciousness for a short time and was able briefly to explain to a magistrate what had happened.

M. and Mme. Zola returned to Paris from their country home at Medin yesterday. Owing to a sudden spell of cold weather the heating stove in their bedroom was ordered to be lighted. The stove burned badly and the pipes of the stove are said to have been out of order.

To the magistrate Mme. Zola explained that she awoke early with a splitting headache. She awakened her husband and asked him to open a window. She saw him rise and attempt to move toward a window, but he staggered and fell to the floor unconscious. Mme. Zola fainted at the same moment and was therefore unable to give the alarm.

Mme. Zola does not know of her husband's death and it is feared she may suffer a relapse when informed of it. It is thought tonight, however, that she will recover.

TEXAS KILLINGS.

Wharton, Texas, September 30.—At Lane City John Griggsby shot and dangerously wounded another negro. He was at once arrested and is in jail awaiting trial.

Wharton, Texas, September 30.—Last night Deputy Sheriff Abels brought in Ethel White, charged with cutting the throat of John Reed at Glen Flora yesterday. Reed was still living, but Dr. W. Davidson, his physician, gave little hope of his life. Both are negroes.

Vernon, Texas, September 30.—In a drunken row between Louis Britsch and another man known as "Frenchy" today the latter was stabbed in the abdomen and dangerously injured. Britsch is in jail. Both men were employed on the Denver section.

Hennessy, Texas, September 30.—Both Robert Harris and Louis Curtis, who were shot yesterday, are dead of their wounds. Oscar Fewox has been jailed at Madisonville on a charge of doing the killing. The trouble is said to have arisen over a settlement of crops and had been brewing for some time. Both the dead are negroes.

Residence at Georgetown.

Georgetown, Texas, September 30.—The residence of Mr. E. J. Johnson burned this morning at 6:30. Cause of fire not known, as there was no one at home; loss \$1350; house insured for \$650; furniture \$200.

Cotton Belt's New Engines.

Tyler, Texas, Sept. 30.—Within the last few days the Cotton Belt has received five new "battleship" engines of the Rogers make. These engines will be eighty-five tons without the tank and are capable of pulling on good track sixty loaded cars. This company will receive five more of these engines within the next ten days, which will swell the number of "battleships" in commission on the Texas division to eighteen. About eighty-five engines are in operation on the Texas division of this system.

Smallpox Near Sherman.

Sherman, Texas, September 30.—Several cases of smallpox have developed at Cedar Mills. County Physician Freeman has gone to that place today and will quarantine those who have been exposed. The disease is not in a violent form and no deaths have as yet resulted.

Noted Mexican Dead.

El Paso, Texas, September 30.—Viljaume Sauvelet, who played before nobility on the European continent, and who at one time was court musician to the mikado, is dead at El Paso, where he came for his health. He toured the United States with Edouard Remenyi.

Allee.—The shipments of cattle from this section continue, though no new contracts are being made for outside pasturage.

STREET CAR TIEUP

NOT A STREET CAR WAS RUNNING IN NEW ORLEANS SUNDAY.

DEMANDS OF EMPLOYES.

The Strike is Orderly and There is a Disposition on the Part of the Company to Arbitrate.

New Orleans, September 29.—Not a single street car was operated in the city yesterday, both sides devoting the day to preparation for the struggle. The union men established headquarters and arranged forces near the various barns, besides aligning the line men and other unions to aid in the cause. The street railway company advertised for 900 men and asked the mayor for two policemen for each car. Two hours later the advertisement was withdrawn and an effort was made to have the men return to work and submit the differences to arbitration. The street car men are considering this proposition, but up to midnight there is little prospect of peace. So far there has not been any trace of disorder.

The strike involves about 1500 men, none of whom appeared for work today.

The demands of the New Orleans Street Railway union are as follows: An eight-hour day and 25 cents per hour with a straight run; a recognition of the union; head pitmen \$80 per month; other pitmen, \$60 per month; car washers, \$50 per month; the pitmen and car washers to have 1.5 days off every month with full pay.

ORIGIN OF THE TROUBLE.

Trouble has been brewing between the New Orleans Street Railway company and the union for several weeks. After the Pearson syndicate secured control of all the traction lines in the city, as well as the electric and gas plants, the management began the work of cutting down the expenses and discharging old employees. This created discontent, but the company paid no attention to complaints and continued its policy of retrenchment. Prior to the consolidation there were four competing systems in the city, cars were run on two and three-minute schedules and the service was first-class. After the merger was effected the new owners took off a large number of cars and crews and began running on five-minute schedules. There was a protest against this step by the union, but the company asserted that it was acting within its charter rights and ignored the complaint. Recently the company purchased a large number of cars as big as the passenger coaches on the trunk line railroads and put them in operation. This had the effect of further reducing the number of employees, and the street car union began looking for a flaw in the agreement signed last April in order to find an excuse for a strike. The executive board of the union made an investigation and reported that the company had violated the agreement in several particulars, the most important of which is that the men are required to put in irregular hours instead of ten hours a day continuously, as stipulated in the contract. The union held a meeting, declared the old contract broken and formulated new demands. The company in reply claimed that it had not violated the old agreement and flatly refused to sign the new contract. Both sides were firm and the strike resulted.

Carnegie Library for Clarksville.

Clarksville, Texas, September 29.—The city council by formal ordinance has accepted Mr. Carnegie's gift of \$10,000 for a public library building, the city to appropriate \$1000 annually for maintenance of the same, and to provide a site. A special committee of citizens was appointed to solicit subscriptions for a site. Success is beyond doubt.

Cattle Shipments from Alice.

Corpus Christi, Texas, September 29.—A report from Alice says that seven train loads of cattle were shipped from there to interstate points this week, most of them going to better ranges. Now that the county has had heavy rains during the past week the shipping of cattle to better ranges will soon cease and grass will be abundant.

CLARKSVILLE.—J. R. Donaho, who has a farm near town, sold in this market seven bales of cotton of the long staple variety for 13 1-4 cents per pound.

LOUISIANA CONVICTS.

State Prison at Baton Rouge is Almost Depopulated.

Baton Rouge, La., September 29.—The present population of the Louisiana penitentiary is 1248. For the first time under its present management, if not in the history of the state, the local prison is practically depopulated. Every able bodied man is out at work in the field or upon the levees, only sufficient men being left in the walls to run the clothing and shoe factory. The consumptive hospital will be completed within the next two weeks, and this unfortunate class will be confined within its walls. Seven hundred bales of cotton have been picked at the Angola convict plantation and about 1500 bales are yet in the fields. The board of control has been particularly fortunate with this year's crop of cotton seed, having contracted with one oil mill to take it at \$17.00 a ton. The sugar mill and crusher for the Hope convict farm has been shipped to the plantation. Grinding is expected to begin about the middle of October.

Lipton as an Aeronaut.

London, September 29.—A news agency today makes the following announcement: "Sir Thomas Lipton, who was recently elected a member of the Aero club, contemplates a trip across the channel with the Hon. C. S. Rolls and in the event of the voyage being made in a balloon, Sir Thomas will be accompanied by his steam yacht, the Erin."

Inquiry was made tonight at the home of Sir Thomas Lipton in regard to the foregoing announcement. A personal friend of Sir Thomas in the latter's absence, said to a representative of the Associated Press: "Mr. Rolls is the youngest son of Baron Llangatock and is an enthusiastic and experienced aeronaut. I believe he proposed Sir Thomas as a member of the Aero club and that he proposed some ascensions, but beyond this what arrangements, if any they have agreed to, I am unable to say."

Cotton Pickers Scarce at Tyler.

Tyler, Texas, September 29.—Farmers of this county are experiencing some difficulty in getting cotton pickers. For the past two weeks negroes have been going in great squads from here to West Texas cotton fields and it is this class of negroes who contracted smallpox last year while away and brought it back and spread it among the race. Officers here recently, in order to get the cotton on the county farm picked, made raids on several negro dives, preferring vagrancy charges against the idle negroes and have picked up enough hands in this way to pick the county's cotton.

Attacked by Negroes.

Richmond, Va., September 29.—Patrolman J. K. Murray of the city police force was attacked by a crowd of negroes this afternoon and severely beaten. He was investigating yesterday's riot in which H. Y. Baber, a street car employe, was shot by a negro, when he came upon a group of excited negroes and ordered them to disperse.

The men attacked him and Murray drew his pistol and fired, wounding one of them. They closed on him, got his pistol away and were beating him when citizens rallied and drove them off. Several arrests were made.

ROSEBUD.—The artesian well here is progressing nicely and the promoters think they will be successful in getting water within the next thirty days they having passed the rock about 1900 feet down.

Mexican Cotton Pickers.

Monroe, La., September 29.—Mexican cotton pickers are rapidly displacing negro labor in the Ouachita river valley. Several colonies have been imported from Southwest Texas near the border of Mexico, and many more will follow. Two hundred Mexicans, employed by Captain L. D. McLain, arrived this week.

The Mexicans are rapid cotton pickers, and their charges are lower than those of the negro laborers, being only 40 cents per 100 pounds, while the negroes charge 50 cents.

Report on Pensions.

Washington, September 29.—The annual report of the commissioner of pensions for the fiscal year ending June 30 last shows the total number of pensioners on the rolls was 994,751, receiving \$136,742,567. Of this number there were in Texas 84,000 pensioners drawing an aggregate of \$1,094,841.

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United States Has a Right to Land Marines on the Isthmus for Enforcing Neutrality Laws.

Washington, September 27.—In regard to the protest against the landing of American marines on the Isthmus made to Commander McLean of the Cincinnati by Governor Salazar of Panama on the ground that the Colombian government has ample force to protect the lives and property of foreigners, it is pointed out here that the governor's argument takes in only one-half of the main treaty obligation with regard to the Isthmus assumed in the convention of New Granada, signed in 1846 by the United States and Colombia. The dominant factor which influenced the landing of the marines was the obligation which the United States took upon itself by the treaty of 1846 in these words: "The United States guarantees positively and efficaciously to New Granada by the present stipulation the perfect neutrality of the heretofore mentioned Isthmus with the view that the free transit from the one to the other sea may not be interrupted or embarrassed in any future time while this treaty exists."

Furthermore, in respect to the governor's reported declaration that he considered the landing of the United States naval force an attempt to secure the sovereignty of Colombia, attention is directed to this declaration in the same paragraph of the treaty: "The United States also guarantees the rights of sovereignty and property which New Granada possesses over the said territory."

So far neither the state department nor the navy department has been informed officially of the protest of the Panama government. It was stated at the navy department today that no mention of the protest was made in the long dispatch received from Commander McLean yesterday in regard to which only a general statement was made public. If Governor Salazar in making the security of the lives and property of foreigners his ground for protest against the presence of the American marines, he did so on the assumption that the transit was safe against interruption, then the officials here are not inclined to the same view. They point out that there would have been an interruption of traffic on the Isthmus on Wednesday when 300 insurgents attempted to capture a Colombian officer aboard one of the trains, had it not been for the presence of the Americans.

THOMPSON WAS SURPRISED.
Lincoln, Neb., September 27.—David E. Thompson, nominated by the president today to be minister of Brazil, said tonight that his appointment came as a surprise and he was not prepared to say he would accept. One of Mr. Thompson's latest enterprises is the establishment in Lincoln of an evening paper, the first issue to appear next Wednesday.

Takes Charge of Statesman.
Austin, Texas, September 27.—Mark L. Goodwin, recently city editor of the Fort Worth Telegram, arrived in town today and assumed charge of the Statesman Publishing company. The new company which will take charge of the paper has not as yet been organized, but Mr. Goodwin will be in complete charge and will direct the affairs of the paper in the future.

A Georgia Tragedy.
Columbus, Ga., September 27.—Information has reached the city of a double murder which occurred at Upatole, Ga. Luring a quarrel Arthur Comer instantly killed his wife, Louise, shooting her with a pistol. Shortly afterward J. W. Murphy, Mrs. Comer's father, went to his son-in-law's residence and shot him dead with the same weapon which Comer had used to kill his wife.

Engineer Hood Coming.
Galveston, Texas, Sept. 27.—Chief Engineer Hood of the Southern Pacific is expected to arrive here tomorrow. His visit is said to be simply one of his periodical inspection tours, but there is some effort being made to associate it with the enlargement of the Southern Pacific pier at this place.

GRAND JURY RECONVENED.

To Investigate Charges Against Yeldermann Brothers.

Brenham, Texas, September 27.—Sheriff League returned from Bryan Wednesday night, where he overhauled Sam Yeldermann and his wife, who were leaving the country. Sam Yeldermann was lodged in the jail at Bryan and his wife brought to this place.

Justice J. J. McCain came down from Burton with Jim Yeldermann on the early train Wednesday and spent a good portion of the day in the office of J. M. Matnis, Esq., who has been employed by the Yeldermann brothers for the defense.

Granville Smith, the colored man arrested, has made a statement which will be brought out before the grand jury.

Judge E. R. Sinks, after an absence of a week at his home in Giddings, came down Thursday and opened court, and has ordered the grand jury reconvened for the purpose of investigating the Julius Yeldermann murder, the arrest of Yeldermann's sons having been accomplished since the adjournment of the grand jury. The jury will reconvene Monday and start the investigation.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING.

Lumbermen May Withdraw Their Protection.

Beaumont, Texas, September 27.—The rapidly growing demand for lumber in Beaumont has caused the Texas Lumbermen's association to call a directors' meeting for this city on Saturday for the purpose of deciding whether or not Beaumont is to be placed on the list of protected cities. At present the protection is being given the local dealers and manufacturers and outside manufacturers can not ship in here, but the effort is being made to change this state of affairs and the meeting Saturday is to determine it. The whole State is interested in it from the fact that it affects every manufacturer in the State. There are three saw mills, five planers and other building here and three retail yards besides, and the situation therefore is complex to the lumbermen. The mills north of here and east want to ship in and some of the local people do not want them to. Of course, the outside mills can ship to the yard and the mills, but they can not ship to a man who wants to build a house.

Wells to Be Plugged.

Beaumont, Texas, September 27.—An enthusiastic meeting of oil producers who are largely interested in Spindle Top oil properties was held in the offices of the Moore-Skinner syndicate this evening. Mr. W. E. Griffiths reported for the finance committee that about \$2000 had been subscribed to be expended for the plugging of water wells on the hill. The water committee has reported on four wells that must be plugged. The meeting adjourned at 10 o'clock tonight to meet again at the same place next Tuesday evening, at which time contracts will be awarded for the plugging of the water wells.

Manager Griffiths of the J. M. Guffey Petroleum company today made the remark that the water is receding on Spindle Top and that to him the conditions there looked better than they have for some time.

Creditors' Meeting Called.

Lockhart, Texas, September 27.—Mr. Walter Aaron Alexander of Dale, Caldwell county, having been declared a bankrupt, notice has been given that a meeting of his creditors will be held in Austin, Texas, at the office of Franz Fiset, referee, at 10 o'clock a. m. October 11 for the purpose of proving claims and selecting a trustee.

A Knitting Mill For Weatherford.

Weatherford, Texas, September 27.—The directors of the Weatherford cotton mills have decided to add a knitting factory to the yarn mills, to be run with the same power. The machines will be put in as soon as the cotton mill machinery is all installed. Several cars of this machinery have arrived and it is being installed with all possible haste.

The Losses at Plainview.

Plainview, Texas, September 27.—In the recent fire here five buildings were destroyed and the total loss is in the neighborhood of \$50,000, with insurance of only 2 per cent. All of the stores, with one exception, on the west side of the square were destroyed.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

La Plata, Mo., had a \$30,000 fire. Anthracite coal brings \$20 per ton at New York.

Princess Rupert of Bavaria has given birth to a daughter.

Indian Territory and Oklahoma had much rain last week.

A large wheat acreage will be put in around Sugden, I. T., this fall.

Mrs. Magdeline D. Rode died at St. Joseph, Mo., from a spider bite.

British Rear Admiral Burgess Watson died at Valette, Island of Malta.

Samuel Grubb, a wealthy farmer, hanged himself near Oak Groves, Mo. Mississippi retail lumber dealers held their annual session last week at Greenville.

Dr. J. H. Davis of Earle, Ark., was shot and fatally wounded by Will Jackson, a negro.

Ebber L. Risk suicided at Anderson, Ind., because a singer would not become a Risk.

Heavy rains have extinguished the forest fires in southern Wyoming and northern Colorado.

Simon Oakland while unloading a shotgun near Elk City, Ok., was fatally shot through the right eye.

Frank Giles, a farmer, was run over and killed by a Rock Island freight train three miles north of El Reno, Ok.

The Photographers' association of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory held a two-day session at Oklahoma City.

The residence of Judge J. L. Brown at Oklahoma City was burglarized several nights ago and \$250 in money and checks were stolen.

Senorita Anna Campello, a lovely maiden of Argentina, is creating a sensation at Madrid by her ardent attentions to King Alfonso.

A large cotton deal has been consummated at Colbert, I. T., Lucraft Bros. sold to John King & Co. of Durant 450 bales. Consideration was \$20,000.

William Hooper Young, charged with murdering the Pulitzer woman, declares that a man named Charles Simpson Eiling did the dreadful deed.

France will abolish sugar bounty.

P. A. Simmons, a prominent Little Rock citizen, is dead. He was chief of the fire department from 1881 to 1890.

The inquiry at New York into the cause of the death of the late Nicholas Fish, the banker clubman, led to a man named Thomas J. Sharkey being held in the sum of \$10,000 bail.

The body of Mary Gruner, a dressmaker, was found in a room at New York. She had been strangled. A \$100 worth of dresses and jewelry were in the room.

H. Dreyfus of Memphis brought suit against George C. Bennett, owner of the Hopefield pool-room at Little Rock, to recover \$72.00, alleged to have been lost on horse races.

Vice Chancellor Emory of New Jersey has appointed Charles B. Carr receiver of the American Electric Vehicle company, a New Jersey corporation with \$6,000,000 authorized capital.

Sir Wilfred Laurier, Canadian premier, had an audience with the pope.

John C. McNeely, a well known Arkansas planter, died suddenly on his plantation near Little Rock last week.

Rev. Dr. W. J. Reid, pastor of the First United Presbyterian church of Pittsburgh, Pa., and stated clerk of the general assembly of that denomination for twenty-five years, died Sept. 21, aged 68 years, and known all over the United States.

The boiler of a pumping station was torn from its foundation at Marion, Ind., by an explosion and fragments went a block. Hundreds of people were in the vicinity at the time, but no one was hurt.

County Treasurer Thompson, charged with embezzling county funds to the amount of \$73,573 was arrested at York, Pa. On the preliminary examination the court placed the bond of the official at the sum of \$50,000.

A spreading rail which wrecked an Illinois Central railway freight train at Boaz, near Paducah, Ky., demolished twelve cars loaded with merchandise. Joe Milburn of Mayfield, Ky., was instantly killed. He was riding on a tank car.

The fifty-second annual statement of the Illinois Central Railroad company shows an increase in gross earnings for the past year amounting to \$2,928,549; increase in net earnings, \$2,852,802. The total gross earnings of the entire system were \$47,000,000.



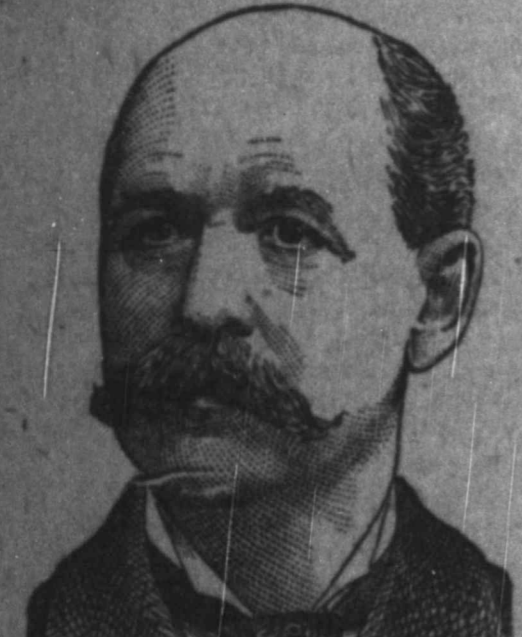
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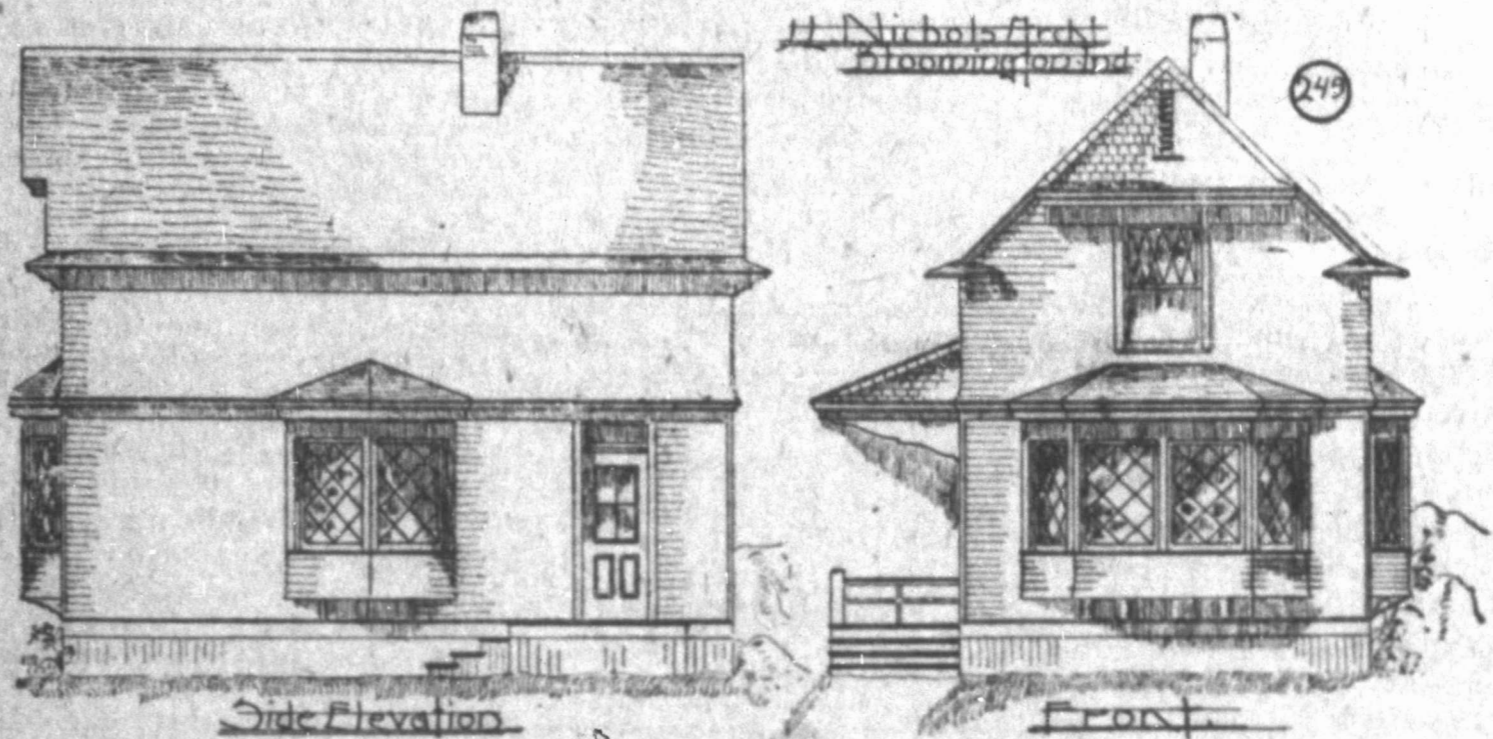
Part of an architect's business is to make housekeeping easy and economical. Beauty is also important. Nothing attracts more than an artistic house. It costs no more money than an ugly one. But you

must know how. It is the thought that is put into the construction that saves the money. It is the knowledge of design that enables the architect to form a simple, yet refined detail. A cozy ingle-nook, a dainty oriel window render a home doubly attractive, and should you wish to dispose of your property, a practical and attractive design will frequently double its value.

A few new features worked in this dainty little home makes it stand out quite prominent when compared with the ordinary five-room cottage. Note the beautiful bays and divans—such a cozy place for the large, easy pil-

lows, and just the place to show them off to advantage. The large open stairway gives a roomy effect that you cannot get in any other way. In the ceiling of the first story the joists are pine, dressed and varnished, on which is nailed a double floor, the under layer forming the ceiling. The rooms are not so large, it is true, but large enough to be easily furnished in artistic effects without expensive outlay. Large rooms half furnished look bad. Why not consider quality instead of quantity even in building a home?

Cost \$900, built first class in every respect.



HE WAS NOT IMPRESSED.

Old Indian Chief Turned Up His Nose at Gorgeous Trappings.

One of the civilians at the state house has a good one on the members of the gilded staff which he is telling with great glee, says the Cape Ann (Mass.) News.

Down in Old Town a few years ago, says the man who tells the story, they were entertaining the governor and his gold-encrusted staff.

The Indians were enjoying the staff as much as the staff were enjoying the Indians. One old chief of a lost tribe had been watching the gliding from a distance.

Finally he came up to one of the aids, who was standing a bit apart from the rest. He looked the colonel over. He studied him attentively from the front and rear and sides.

"Belong to the army?" he asked.

"No," said the colonel.

The Indian paused and studied the effect anew.

"Navy?"

"No."

Another long contemplation of the gold lace.

"Milesh?" queried the Indian.

There was withering contempt in the "No" of the answer.

The Indian went away back and sat down. He had run his limit, but still he wanted to know what all the trimmings stood for.

Once more he looked up to the colonel, and catching hold of his aiguillette, put the question squarely.

"What do you belong to, heh?"

"The governor's staff," replied the aid, adding a little strain to the double row of brass buttons that chased themselves down to his gold lace belt.

"Oh, h—l," said Lo, and he walked away with his head in the air.

WHERE BALLOONS ARE MADE

Immense Numbers of Them Turned Out On a New York Farm.

"You would be inclined to think you were dreaming," says a writer in Pearson's, Mr. McGovern, "were you to walk through the farm of Carl E. Myers, nine miles from the city of Utica, state of New York. Here can be seen, on constant view, in summer time, a large variety of aerial craft—airships that actually fly. Just as they do in the story books, doing strange things that you had supposed could never happen in reality.

Besides the array of new kinds of air craft, it is a fact little known that every American-made hydrogen balloon in use in the United States—whether by the government or by private individuals—is a product of this one farm.

Most striking among the things to be seen at the balloon farm is a flying machine that really flies; not merely a working model of an airship that 'flies' a few feet along a track on the ground, but a fully completed flying machine that soars into the actual skies as high as any bird—a machine that ascends, that turns and dives as readily as an eagle does.

Many other curious aerial vessels have been turned out from the Myers balloon farm, and some greater wonders are in course of construction. It is not only his own inventions that Mr. Myers constructs on his balloon farm. He makes all sorts of aerial contrivances—scientific blimps, freak

balloons, air vessels—for other inventors.

"The greatest number of the balloon farm products, however, are big hydrogen balloons."

WAR LOSSES, OLD AND NEW.

Perfection of Modern Weapons Has Had No Marked Result.

Mr. Maurice Low's highly interesting analysis of the cost of the Boer war and other wars, recently printed in the Tribune Review, and an article in the London Chronicle elaborating other phases of the same topic, suggest to some the conclusion that modern weapons and methods of battle have greatly lessened the number of casualties. That is a welcome conclusion, and it may be in a measure justified. But it is probably not as fully justified as some suppose. One writer says that "the perfection of modern weapons leads to an extraordinary reduction of casualties." But his own statistics in the London Chronicle scarcely bear out his enthusiastic belief.

Beginning with Marengo, he gives statistics of the number of combatants and the number of casualties in twenty-two important battles, in eleven wars, down to the present time. At Marengo the casualties were 21.7 per cent of the whole number of combatants; at Austerlitz, 13.5; at Jena, 17; at Eylau, that "bloodiest picture in the book of time," 24.3; at Borodino, 32; at "that world's earthquake, Waterloo," 24.7; at Inkerman, 18.2; at Gettysburg, 26.5; at Sadowa, 6; at Gravelotte, 9; at the third battle of Plevna, where the Turks moved the Russians down like grain, 19.5; at Santiago, 12; at Colenso, 5.5; at Paardeberg, 3, and at Spion Kop, 19.2. In the last three only the British combatants and casualties are reckoned, the number of the Boers not being known.

Now these figures do show a smaller percentage of casualties in the later than in the earlier wars. But the change is not uniform and is not always marked. Gettysburg was more destructive than Waterloo and nearly twice as costly as Austerlitz. Inkerman was worse than Jena. Plevna surpassed in destructiveness most of the Napoleonic battles. Our fight at Santiago fell little short of Austerlitz. In the Boer war the British losses at Colenso and Paardeberg were light, but at Spion Kop they were heavier than those at Austerlitz, at Jena, at Inkerman, at Sadowa, and at Gravelotte, and fell just short of equaling those at Plevna. Moreover, as the

writer quoted himself says, the Boer losses in these battles were probably much heavier than the British, and so, if they were taken into account, the proportion of casualties in this latest war would fall little short of that in the wars of old. Much has doubtless been gained for humanity. But not yet is war waged with rose-water.

Enjoys Joke on Himself.

Peter Lynch is a New York man who is philosopher enough to extract some fun out of a joke at his own expense. He suspects some one of having inserted an advertisement in the papers putting him on the matrimonial market. Mr. Lynch is handsome, passing rich, debonaire and 35. He is also a member of the exclusive Montclair Bachelor Club. He said: "There were 140 young women who wanted to marry me up to 6 o'clock last night. This morning I received twenty more proposals, all of them coming from women scattered through New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Connecticut. I belong to a bachelor club and would be subject to a heavy fine were I even to make the least semblance of a goatee on any number of the fair sex. Of course some of the boys think they are having a great joke on me, and have engaged other girl friends to push the gags; along, but I am a good healthy subject for them to practice on, and I guess I am having as much fun out of it as they are."

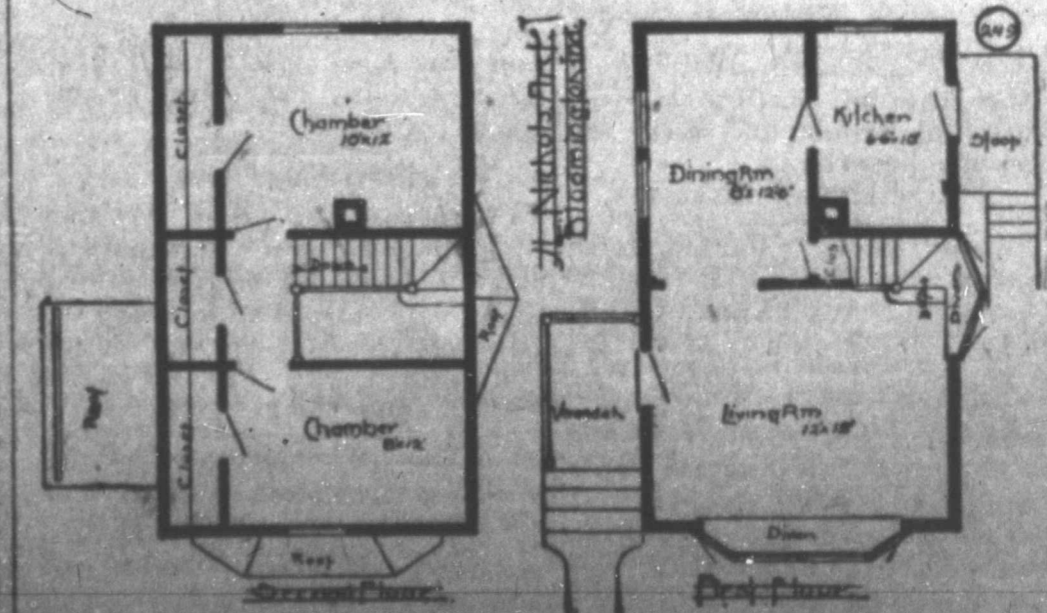
A Useful Barometer.

According to a French meteorologist a cup of hot coffee is an infallible barometer.

"Put a lump of sugar in the cup," he says, "and then watch the air bubbles which are formed on the surface. If they form themselves into a group in the center the weather will be fine. If they adhere to the cup, forming a circle, it is a token of rain or snow, according to the season of the year. Finally, if they separate from each other and occupy no fixed position, it is safe to predict that the weather will be changeable."

A Fairy Tale.

"And," said the good fairy, "for your noble deeds I will grant you any wish you may desire."
"I will choose," said the lucky person, "a ton of coal."
Hereupon there arose great consternation in the ranks of the fairies, which terminated in a proposition to arbitrate the matter in order. If possible, to compromise on a ton of diamonds.



Social Stems.

Buy it at the Big Store and save money.

Buy your fall suit to-day from King & Murchison.

Don't fail to see the Big Store's swell line of furniture.

Call on Castleberg Jewelry Co. for watches and clocks.

A Big Shop

For rent by H. J. Cunyus.

Buy a Thornton patent sun bonnet from the Big Store.

Guns to kill your hogs and salt to save them at JIM BROWN'S.

A swell line of jewelry at Castleberg's. Call and price before buying.

"Just tell 'em that you saw it" at the Big Store and they'll know it's cheaper.

Lot of empty whisky barrels, half barrels and kegs going cheap at Hyman's.

W. W. Wills of Lovelady was among those who called at this office last week.

The Big Store's "Walls Easy" shoe easily walks over any other on the market.

The New York Store is selling out at cost on account of going out of business.

For fine watch and jewelry repairing call to see Castleberg. All work guaranteed.

Remember that Holloway & Grebb keep fresh fish and the best beef in Crockett.

J. R. McIver and Lee Rogers were in Crockett Saturday from their river plantations.

For birthday or wedding presents go to the Castleberg Jewelry Co. They have a fine line.

When at leisure call and examine our stock of hats.

JIM BROWN.

Buy your drugs, medicines and school books from

SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO.

Don't fail to see our line of rich cut glass silverware before you buy.

CASTLEBERG JEWELRY CO.

Two shares of canning factory stock for sale cheap.

HYMAN HARRISON.

Buy your syrup barrels, kegs and bagging and ties from

JIM BROWN.

Buy your drugs, medicines and school books from

SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO.

For machines or machine attachments call on Castleberg Jewelry Co. at R. C. Stokes' old stand.

Those Ettamines, Zibilenes, Paquins and Melroses at the Big Store are great values for the price.

A Store House

(Near the postoffice)

For rent by Dr. H. J. Cunyus.

Hon. A. W. Gregg, democratic nominee for congress, was in Crockett Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Henry Bloch, proprietor of the New York Store, is selling out at cost to close out his business in Crockett.

District court, the show and the wet weather brought a great many people to town Monday. They all reported bad, muddy roads.

If you want a bargain see Bloch. He is selling out his stock at a great sacrifice on account of going to quit business in Crockett.

Now that the election is over, please come around and settle the difference between us.

HYMAN HARRISON.

Among those noted in town Monday were Dr. W. B. Collins of Lovelady, A. J. Knox of Antioch and J. S. Bruton of Lovelady.

Laugh and the World

Laughs with you, have chills and you chill alone. Cheatham's Laxative Chill Tablets cures, gives an appetite and strength. Most convenient chill tonic on earth. Can carry in the vest pocket.

COUNTRY MERCHANTS:

BUY OF THE BIG STORE.

Their Prices are Right. Call for Manager of Wholesale Department.

JAS. S. SHIVERS & CO.

Soda Water

Is the national beverage. When properly made there is no drink so healthful and refreshing. The making of it is an art. There must be attention to details, experience, knowledge, skill and conscience exercised in its handling.

We make it as it should be made. Pure carbonated water, genuine fruit syrups and abundant ice are the essential materials, and absolute cleanliness is our hobby.

B. F. CHAMBERLAIN DRUGGIST.

J. T. Crysop has rented the Pickwick hotel corner and will move his drug-store to that location.

Ladies, don't fail to attend Mrs. Bricker's opening. She will show you some beautiful millinery novelties.

Everything in the furniture line from an infant's high chair to a \$75 quarter sawed oak suit at the Big Store.

Mr. John Murchison's health is not improving as rapidly as was hoped for by his friends. He is still in West Texas.

Mr. E. H. Ivey of Belott, an old friend and subscriber of the COURIER from its first number, called to see us Wednesday.

Go to the Big Store and see that line of pretty street and tailor-made hats that is being displayed in their millinery department.

Weigh your cotton with Brashers, Lapsford, Satterwhite & Wilson at the Wilson cotton yard. Good water and yard for our customers.

Henry Bloch is going out of the dry goods business in Crockett and is closing out his stock at a great sacrifice. Now is your chance for bargains.

A new postoffice has been established five miles below Tadmor, in the eastern part of the county, and given the name of Plain. A Mr. Scurlock is postmaster.

George Calhoun shipped a car load of hogs from Grapeland to the Palestine packery last week and another this week. He realized good returns on them.

Fall Opening.

Mrs. Bricker will have her opening on the 3rd and 4th, Friday and Saturday. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Our garments are sold on their tailoring, on their fit, on the wear of the fit, as well as on their looks.

KING & MURCHISON, Merchant Tailors.

W. G. Creath reports a heavy rain at Tadmor, overflowing the creeks. T. A. Fuller says the rain was also heavy at Porter Springs, doing considerable damage to cotton.

Everything Comes

To those that wait, even now and then aches and pains, rheumatism, catarrh, neuralgia, and everything that hurts. Hunt's Lightning Oil keeps off everything except old age and death. Try it. 25 and 50 cts. Satisfaction or money refunded.

You Know What You Are Taking When you take Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic because the formula is plainly printed on every bottle showing that it is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. No cure, no pay. 50c.

We call the attention of our readers to the half-page ad. of Jas. S. Shivers & Co. on last page and the page ad. of Dan McLean on first page. These enterprising firms are offering some rare inducements for trade.

The Jewish New Year, 5663, Rosh Hashona, was observed by the Jewish population of Crockett Thursday by the closing of business houses and in other ways. Yom Kippur, the day of atonement, comes ten days later.

Fresh Bread Daily.

Mrs. Julia Aldrich desires to announce that she is now prepared to furnish fresh bread daily to her customers, having secured the services of a first-class German baker. Also cakes baked to order.

For Sale.

Kiefer pears by the bushel or wagon load at my orchard two miles from depot. Persons in country who want a wagon load for use or traffic can get them at orchard from now on at 50 cents a bushel.

W. B. PAGE.

Mr. J. T. Crysop, proprietor of the New Drug Store, has leased for five years the store on the Pickwick hotel corner where he intends to move his stock of drugs as soon as improvements can be completed. Mr. Crysop says he intends to increase his stock to twice the size and add a nice, up-to-date soda fountain.

For Sale.

My entire crop of tobacco at ten cents a pound where a whole bale is taken. A bale weighs from 12 to 18 pounds. It is genuine Havana and there is nothing better for smoking. Call at COURIER office before it is all gone.

W. B. PAGE.

After the convening of district court Monday, Judge Gooch ordered the sheriff to have the court room scoured and thoroughly cleaned. Court was held in the district clerk's office Tuesday, where the setting of criminal cases and civil suits was in progress, and during the time the court room was being scoured. The room had become dreadfully filthy from continuous use without scouring.

Commissioners' court met Monday morning in special session to receive and approve the rolls of the tax assessor. County Judge Winfree has been seriously ill for the past week and was unable to preside. The four commissioners, Calloway, Hail, Smith and Lively, were present, and Commissioner Hail presided. The rolls were approved by the court and turned over to Collector Brightman. On Tuesday afternoon Commissioner Hail became ill and the court was adjourned.

For many years we have been telling the people how to dress well and at the same time cut the price. But we are better doers than tellers. We are not only prepared to show the man from Missouri, but are to-day showing the men, young men and boys how garments can be made to measure, made to fit, made stylishly and shapely, at about one-half to two-thirds the price other tailors usually charge.

KING & MURCHISON, Merchant Tailors.

What's the Trouble

With your back, old man? Rheumatism? Too bad, too bad. I advise you to try Hunt's Lightning Oil. It is said to be a wonderful remedy.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

The Best Prescription for Malaria chills and fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. No cure, no pay. Price, 50c.

Now is the Time

To prepare for cold weather by replacing those old backs and jams in your fireplaces with

Blue English Fire Brick.

The cost is very little more than common brick and will last you a life-time. You will also find it to your advantage to get prices on all kinds of rough and dressed Lumber, Lime, Cement, Sash and Doors, Pickets, Moulding, and both Pine and Cypress Shingles, before buying elsewhere. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Houston Co. Lumber Company, T. R. DEUPREE, Manager.

Who is "Bill Dukey?"

For half a century or longer the United States was profoundly exercised over the question as to "Who struck Billy Patterson?" Interest in the matter stirred the entire country in a kind of a half-tragic and half-comic sense and the matter finally crystallized in the form of a standing and standard equivalent for something and somebody that no one knew aught of. This is preliminary to a statement of the interest and curiosity manifest on all sides on Tuesday morning of this week. On almost every one's lips was the expression "Who is Bill Dukey?" The oldest inhabitant was asked if he knew such a man in the county and the reply invariably was that there is not and never has been such a man in this county. Pressing the matter still further it was discovered that the ground for such an interest in "who Bill Dukey" was was round in the fact that 12 one-gallon jugs of whiskey came by express from Palestine, all billed to "Bill Dukey," Crockett, Texas. Just who "Bill" is or where he lives or what he is doing, no one seems to know but the chances are that such a character will turn up in due time. He may have trouble in establishing his identity, but he will probably find those who are willing to allege, and possibly swear, that the claimant for the aforesaid dozen jugs is the original, real and only "Bill Dukey" in the county, that they have known him from childhood and that he is the same now as before, without change or shadow of turning, etc. Just why "Bill" D. ordered one dozen instead of one is one of those mysteries explicable only to those making the order. He may have friends or there may be several of him or he may be going on a long trip through a drought stricken region or he may live a long way from the base of supplies. In any event the fact or the dozen facts rather give occasion for those specially interested in running down violations of the law to get together and consider the matter.

It is said that there were forty jugs in the express office on Sunday morning last and the report is current also that one Grapeland merchant sent a draft for \$135.00 at one time to an Ohio dealer in liquors to cover orders for that town.

Presbytery.

CARMONA, Tex., Sept. 24. EDITOR COURIER:—Please publish: Brethren—The Presbytery of Texas will meet in Crockett October 16, 1902, at 8:30 o'clock p. m. Please be present. J. H. BLAKE, Stated Clerk.

Stops the Cough and Works off the Cold. Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price, 25 cents.

REMEMBER WE HAVE THE BOIS D'ARC WAGONS.

Cheaper and better than any other. Call and see them.

J. C. WOOLTERS & COMPANY.

District Court.

On the convening of district court Monday morning the grand jury was sworn in as follows: H. F. Craddock, R. B. English, W. H. Holcomb, J. R. Richards, T. H. Phipps, G. M. Thompson, J. M. Worthington, M. M. Baker, Chester Kennedy, Dan Sheprine, C. A. Turner and Gid Webb. The courts elected H. F. Craddock as foreman and appointed E. L. Simpson door bailiff.

The judge, in his charge to the grand jury, especially charged them upon perjury in pensions; violation of local option laws; failure of duty of officers to report crime or to do their duty; commissioners' court's failure to repair court house roof; failure to provide new carpets for court room or to order the old ones removed, though they are filthy, filled with disease germs and liable to convey to lawyers, jurors, witnesses and the public, consumption, typhoid fever, smallpox and kindred diseases. The sheriff was ordered by the judge to take up and burn the carpet and scour the floor.

There were twelve divorce cases on the docket brought before last term of the court, and thirty-three divorce cases brought since last term. Of these, Judge Gooch has disposed of fifteen cases. He granted eight divorce cases and dismissed seven cases without granting a divorce.

Twenty-five civil cases (other than for divorces) have been instituted since last term of the court. Judgments by agreement, or by default for failing to file a defense, have been already rendered by the judge in about ten of these cases. The contested cases are but few. Juries have been demanded in only about five new civil cases. There are about as many more of the old civil cases on the jury docket. The civil docket is in that condition which lawyers call "distressingly light."

On the criminal docket there are four cases, under charge of murder, in which special venire have been selected, viz.:

State vs. Norris McKinney—set for Monday, October 20.

State vs. Felix Ray—set for Tuesday, October 21.

State vs. T. B. Payne—set for Thursday, October 23.

State vs. Maj. McMillan—set for Friday, October 24.

There are only eight other cases on the criminal docket to be called for trial, and all of these except two were found by the last grand jury, and were not arrested in time to secure a trial at last term. Five of these eight cases are for theft of hogs.

Compared to former terms of the court, this docket is gratifyingly small.

The grand jury of the present term had not made any report to the court up to Wednesday.

Judge John Young Gooch of Palestine and District Attorney J. M. Crook were both on hand at the opening of court.

Pretty Tough to Scratch

For a living and relief also Hunt's Cure will cure you of itch, tetter, ringworm, itching piles, eczema. Guaranteed by all dealers.

THE COURIER.

W. B. PAGE, Editor and Proprietor
W. W. AIKEN, Publisher & Local Editor

Democratic Ticket.

Election November 4, 1902.

- For Governor: S. W. T. Lanham.
- For Lieutenant Governor: George D. Neal.
- For Attorney General: Charles K. Bell.
- For Comptroller: R. M. Love.
- For State Treasurer: John W. Robbins.
- For Commissioner of General Land Office: J. J. Terrell.
- For State Superintendent of Public Instruction: Arthur LeFevre.
- For Railroad Commissioner: O. B. Colquitt.
- For Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: F. A. Williams.
- For Presiding Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals: W. S. Davidson.
- For Judge of First Supreme Judicial District: C. C. Garrett.
- For Congress—Seventh District: A. W. Gregg.
- For State Senator: Jas. I. Perkins.
- For Representative: C. C. Stokes.
- For District Attorney: Jas. McDonald.
- For County Judge: Porter Newman.
- For County Clerk: Nat E. Allbright.
- For County Treasurer: Hardin Bayne.
- For Tax Collector: John W. Brightman.
- For Sheriff: E. B. Hale.
- For District Clerk: J. B. Stanton.
- For County Attorney: John Spence.
- For Tax Assessor: Tony Gossett.
- For Representative: Coll Stokes.
- For Commissioner, Prec. No. 4: H. W. McElvey.
- For Commissioner, Prec. No. 1: H. P. Aldman.
- For Commissioner, Prec. No. 3: Abb Thomason.
- For Commissioner, Prec. No. 2: W. E. Hail.
- For Justice Peace, Prec. No. 1: John W. Saxon.
- For Constable, Prec. No. 1: A. W. Phillips.
- For Constable Precinct No. 3: Horace Rodgers.

Under the head of "democratic ticket" will be found the full state ticket to be voted for in November.

It will be to the interest of the democrats of Houston county to poll as large a vote as possible for the head of the state ticket in the November election.

Plenty of fuel is a great blessing. The coal strike might last always and no one in East Texas need suffer for fuel with such a bountiful supply right at our doors.

An exchange says: "Sheriff Weems of Brazoria county publicly announced that he was personally responsible for the safety of a negro accused of murder and there was no further talk of lynching." When more sheriffs take the same stand there will be fewer lynchings.

North Texas is coming to the front with some good horses. Henry Exall of Dallas recently sold a pair of fancy drivers which he raised to a gentleman from Hot Springs for \$2300. The buyer was attending the Dallas fair where he saw the horses in harness and being driven by Mr. Exall.

That a full vote should be polled at the November election is of the utmost importance to the democrats of Houston county. Our representation two years from now will be based on the county's vote for governor. Thus we can increase our representation in state and district conventions by polling as large a vote as possible at the November election.

One of the many advantages of East Texas is that we have plenty of fuel right at our doors. If a man has not the money to buy it with, he can take an ax and go to the woods and cut all he needs. A coal strike and famine does not affect us.

Crockett should have a business men's league. Merchants over the state having such organizations get together and consider matters of vital importance to their towns. Methods of drawing trade are discussed. Plans for building up the town are put on foot. But there is no such organization in Crockett, every fellow seeming to be for himself. The Crockett way of going after a thing is to circulate a petition among the business men for their signatures. Much can not be gained without organization and concerted action.

President Roosevelt had the second operation performed on one of his legs Friday. In an accident, when one of his secret service men was killed by a street car running into the president's carriage, the leg was bruised slightly, but not sufficiently to cause serious apprehension. Later the bruise inflamed and was operated on. In a few days the second operation was found necessary. The president is now confined to a lounge, but is able to give his attention to matters coming before him. Some fear is now entertained by his physicians that the bone may be involved in the injury.

Since the strike in the coal regions, hard coal has advanced in Washington City to \$90 a ton. This has led to many different inventions for a coal substitute and many applications at the patent office for patents on fuel-making schemes. One man has a grass scheme, another a pressed sawdust brick scheme and others believe the time has come for a revolution in the matter of fuel. Out of the plans offered it is hoped that some scheme may be found which will serve as a substitute for coal and remove the people from the nightmare of a coal famine for the coming winter. Some of the schemes are unique, if not amusing. If the fellow's grass scheme should be found practicable every housewife will be able to go out into the front yard each morning and gather the chief component of the substitute for coal, which is nothing more nor less than grass, and a few pushes of the lawn mower will secure it. A Fort Worth man has offered a prescription for compounding fuel. Real estate owners in the large cities of the north are beginning to feel one of the bad effects of the prolonged coal strike. People are giving up rented houses and going into flats where the contracts call for heating by the leases.

Texas Boys at Annapolis.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 30.—Chief Clerk Kicking of the Naval Academy at Annapolis has compiled a list of the new class of midshipmen who have entered the academy since May 1. The class contains 142 members. The Texas boys are: Paul Jones Bean of Bastrop, Wilson E. Madden of Crockett and Edwin B. Woodworth of Cuero.

"It Goes Right to the Spot"

When pain or irritation exists on any part of the body, the application of Ballard's Snow Liniment will give prompt relief. "It goes right to the spot," said an old man who was rubbing it in, to cure his rheumatism. C. R. Smith, Prop. Smith House, Tenaha, Texas, writes: "I have used Ballard's Snow Liniment in my family for several years, and have found it to be a fine remedy, for all aches and pains, and I recommend it for pains in the throat and chest."—25c, 50c and \$1.00 at J. G. Haring's

THE COUNTY'S TAXABLE WEALTH.

A Healthy Increase in the Property Valuation Over 1901.

Tax Assessor Henry Holcomb has just completed his rolls for 1902 which are now ready to be approved by the commissioners' court and turned over to Collector Brightman. An examination of the rolls shows an increase of \$587,790 total property valuation over 1901. Mr. Holcomb was assisted in compiling the statistics by Mr. Chas. Long. The 1901 rolls show a total valuation of \$3,568,585. The figures below show the total valuation for 1902 to be \$4,156,375, an increase of over half a million dollars:

Land.....	\$2,322,730
Town lots.....	254,995
Horses, 10,947.....	336,545
Cattle, 27,667.....	204,235
Jacks and jennets, 24.....	1,760
Sheep, 1,567.....	1,360
Goats, 1,671.....	1,055
Hogs, 19,224.....	21,970
Vehicles, 3,002.....	73,830
Merchandise.....	192,065
Machinery.....	17,480
Engines and boilers.....	64,555
Moneys of banks.....	65,500
Other than banks.....	36,600
Credits.....	17,890
Bonds and stocks.....	380
Corporation property.....	12,760
Miscellaneous.....	530,665

Total valuation,	\$4,156,375
State ad valorem tax.....	\$6,927.30
State school tax.....	7,482.75
State poll tax.....	9,874.50
	\$24,284.55
County ad valorem.....	\$20,790.48
County poll.....	1,645.75
	\$22,436.23
District school.....	\$598.34
Total tax,	\$47,319.12

Estray Notice.

Taken up by J. M. Worthington at Lovelady, Texas, and estrayed before R. T. Payne, justice of the peace, precinct No. 4, Houston county, Texas, one bay horse, about 16 hands high, branded G (with square box around) on left hip, about 8 years old. Also one bay horse with white star in face, branded L (with half circle over), about 8 years old. Appraised at \$50.00.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this Sept. 26th, 1902.
[L.S.] N. E. ALLBRIGHT,
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