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REPORT OF THE CONDITION

Farmers & Merchants

NATIONAL BANK,

AT CROCKETT,

In the State of Texas, at the close of business, June 9th, 1903.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$90,961.94
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	9,077.00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	1,015.63
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	2,678.23
Due from State Banks and Bankers	3,515.37
Due from approved reserve agents	2,537.29
Checks and other cash items	708.44
Notes of other National Banks	290.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	61.30
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	\$2,478
Legal-tender notes	2,000
	4,478.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	625.00
Total	\$131,908.71
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund	4,300.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	4,607.58
National bank notes outstanding	12,500.00
Due to other National Banks	1,276.97
Due to approved reserve agents	83.35
Individual deposits subject to check	48,344.26
Notes and bills rediscounted	16,966.55
Total	\$131,908.71

State of Texas, County of Houston, I, Arch Baker, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ARCH BAKER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of June, 1903.

J. W. YOUNG, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
B. F. CHAMBERLAIN, } Directors.
JOE ADAMS, }
D. M. CRADDOCK, }

No. 4694.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

First National Bank

AT CROCKETT,

In the State of Texas, at the close of business, June 9th, 1903.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$218,451.86
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	10,915.18
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	50,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	1,480.00
Stocks, securities, etc.	1,866.15
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures	5,000.00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	8,254.47
Due from State Banks and Bankers	3,529.46
Due from approved reserve agents	24,179.53
Checks and other cash items	606.40
Notes of other National Banks	1,000.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	440.00
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	\$11,107.52
Legal-tender notes	5,000.00
	16,107.52
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	2,500.00
Total	\$344,058.52
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund	29,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	37,488.90
National bank notes outstanding	50,000.00
Due to other National Banks	12,972.84
Individual deposits subject to check	178,646.78
Total	\$344,058.52

State of Texas, County of Houston, I, H. F. Moore, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. F. MOORE, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of June, 1903.

C. W. MOORE, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
JAS. S. SHIVERS, } Directors.
J. C. WOLFFERS, }
JOHN B. SMITH, }

Ten Years in Bed.
R. A. Gray, J. P. Oakville, Ind., writes, "For ten years I was confined to my bed with disease of my kidneys. It was so severe that I could not move part of the time. I consulted the very best medical skill available, but could get no relief until Foley's Kidney Cure was recommended to me. It has been a Godsend to me." Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

BACK IT UP.

Advertising Alone Will Not Make a Successful Business.

The strong ad., says a writer in the Denver Post, is not a bit stronger than the weakest link of the store that sends it forth on its mission of education and persuasion. The best business bringing ad. ever written will fall short in its full measure of return unless it is backed by the goods advertised at the price advertised and by salesmen who have the interest of the business at heart.

The power of advertising is no longer questioned by successful business men. It is the heart, mind and soul of progression. The "standstills" and "slide backs" of the business world are the only kind who have the temerity to say, "Well, I don't know whether advertising pays or not." Their most successful opponent is the one who most judiciously uses printers' ink. That alone should be sufficient proof of which is right and convincing evidence of who is wrong.

If your advertising does not pay there is a good reason for it, and you alone are responsible for that reason. There's no other way to work out the problem but through yourself and the salesmen that represent you.

From personal observation and conducted with a purpose in view I have learned that every failure, without an exception, in the field of advertising can be directly traced to the people who meet the people who come in response to your publication. Sometimes—yes, many times—your sales people are so indifferent to your interests that they do not even take the trouble to read your own ads.

What kind of a figure can such a clerk cut when he meets the customer that has read your ad? Makes you ponder a bit, does it not?

The life of your ad. is destroyed by the lifelessness of your help, and you must inject new life into your help or get new help with life. If you can't make clerks interested enough in your business to do their part as if they were the owner of that business then you have no business to be in business, for all your efforts will spell failure in the end.

Tomato Culture in the South.

The place where tomato culture can be said to have attained its highest degree of perfection is Crystal Springs, Miss., and the methods employed by the growers of that section can be advantageously followed by every gardener, if not commercial grower. The unusual feature of the system consists in pruning the plants, and the plan has been followed by the writer in his home garden since 1895, when he learned of it in the Florida winter tomato section.

Coincident with the appearance of the third leaf of a young tomato plant will come a sucker or branch and as the plant grows, additional suckers will appear in the axil of each leaf until a vigorous plant will have twenty or more branches, the larger ones having branches of their own, and the whole plant

spreading over an area of ten or twelve square feet. Such a plant of course requires an immense amount of soil nutrition and moisture to support its foliage. The Crystal Springs planters set their tomatoes somewhat nearer than do ordinary growers—as close as three by three and one-half feet—and when the first sucker is two inches long it is pinched out, as are likewise all suckers appearing thereafter. Before the plant begins to fall, light pine stakes are driven in the ground and the plants tied to them with ordinary white cotton strings. The tomato is then trained up this stake, requiring three or four tyings, until it reaches the top, four feet from the ground. Then the bud is pinched out. This gives a plant with about twelve or fourteen great leaves, four times the size of the ordinary tomato leaf, and five or six clusters of magnificent, perfect fruit. The patch now looks like a diminutive orchard loaded with fruit. Bushels of ripe tomatoes are in plain sight as the eye wanders over the field. Under this method there is no danger of tomatoes rotting or mildewing; they ripen seven or eight days earlier than if the plants are left to their own devices or stalked in the ordinary way, and it is practicable to get through the rows at any time and keep down objectionable weeds, and perhaps the most important, the plants having a comparatively small leaf surface for transpiration do not require nearly so much moisture to mature their fruit.

If a somewhat bushier plant is desired, the vine can be trained to two instead of to a single stem.—Scientific American.

A TEXAS WONDER.

Hall's Great Discovery.

One bottle of the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. It not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months treatment and will cure any case above mentioned. Dr. E. W. Hall, sole manufacturer, P. O. Box 629, St. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by all druggists. Smith & French Drug Co., Crockett.

CROCKETT, TEX., Jan. 30, 1903.

Dr. E. W. Hall, St. Louis, Mo. Dear Sir:—I have used your Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, for Kidney and Bladder trouble with good result and I cheerfully recommend it.

Yours truly, F. P. PARKER.

Was Wasting Away.

The following letter from Robert R. Watts, of Salem, Mo., is instructive. "I have been troubled with kidney disease for the last five years. I lost flesh and never felt well and doctored with leading physicians and tried all remedies suggested without relief. Finally I tried Foley's Kidney Cure and less than two bottles completely cured me and I am now sound and well." Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

During the summer kidney irregularities are often caused by excessive drinking or being overheated. Attend to the kidneys at once by using Foley's Kidney Cure. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Young People's Society Christian Endeavor, Denver, July 9-13.

Mr. John R. Reeves, Chairman of the Transportation Committee for Texas, announces that the I. & G. N. and The Denver Road (Ft. W. & D. C.) has been unanimously declared the "Official Route" from Texas to the Denver Convention, and all arrangements have been made for the entire Texas Delegation to concentrate in Fort Worth on the morning of July 7, and leave there on the Ft. Worth & Denver train at 9:45 a. m., arriving Denver the afternoon of July 8.

Low excursion rates will be in effect from all points on the I. & G. N. to Denver and return, and we operate a Through Sleeper daily from Galveston, Houston, Waco and intermediate points to Denver, via Fort Worth and The Denver Road, and Through Sleepers and Chair Cars daily from San Antonio, Austin, Taylor and intermediate points to Fort Worth.

Remember the Official Y. P. S. C. E. train will leave Fort Worth morning of July 7th, and to join

this train, parties from San Antonio, Austin, Galveston and Houston should take trains on the evening of July 6, via I. & G. N. Agents will give complete information and arrange Sleeper Reservations. D. J. PRICE, G. P. & T. A., I. & G. N. R. R., Palestine, Texas.

Belott.

EDITOR COURIER: We out at Belott are having plenty of rain and also have plenty of grass and a few cotton weevils, but they have not eaten any wire fences yet. Some of the farmers have looked over cotton for the weevil, but did not find many.

The children's day, that was to be on the fourth Sunday in June, will not be on account of not getting their literature.

Good luck to the COURIER.

W. O. LOCKEY.

Chronic bronchial troubles and summer coughs can be quickly relieved and cured by Foley's Honey and Tar. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

No good health unless the kidneys are sound. Foley's Kidney Cure makes the kidneys right. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

HAS ARRIVED.

DR. EUCLID BRITAIN IS AT THE CROCKETT HOTEL.

He is a Wonderful Healer of Diseases— You can be Cured

Without using any kind of medicine, surgical instruments or exposure of your person, and you can be treated without removing your clothing. Dr. Brittain comes to Crockett highly recommended by some of the best citizens from all over Texas.

CONSULTATION FREE.

WILLIS, TEXAS, June 5, 1903.

We, the undersigned citizens of Willis, Montgomery county, Texas, take pleasure in recommending Dr. Euclid Brittain to the SUFFERING AFFLICTED PEOPLE as being a successful HEALER OF CHRONIC diseases. He has effected wonderful cures here of many diseases when medicine had failed.

A. S. CHAMBERS, J. P.
M. A. ANDERSON, Sheriff, Montgomery Co.
MRS. MATTIE EDWARDS, (a patient.)
FRED PETERS.

CONROE, TEXAS, June 4, 1903.

Afflicted people, I want to tell you that Dr. Brittain is a gentleman, and a successful healer of chronic diseases. My wife's bowels were badly constipated, her liver, kidneys and back were in an awful condition. Sickness for seventeen months had reduced her to nothing but skin and bones. I had given up all hopes of her ever getting well. The best doctors in our county had treated her; they all failed, but thank God, Dr. Brittain has got her up, free from pain. She eats and sleeps, goes to the country eight miles—and the doctor has made other wonderful cures here.

MRS. MARY E. BALL,
J. M. BALL, (her husband.)

We the undersigned know J. M. Ball, and know him to be a truthful man, and can recommend him as such, and we believe that the above statement made by him is in all things correct.

R. J. SULLIVAN, Atty.
J. T. RUCKS, County Judge.
LEE H. FRAZER, Editor.
C. T. DABY, Co. Court's T.
F. W. PETS, Depy. Sheriff.
M. C. KELLEY, J. P.

Seasonable . . . Your House Furnishings for



LACE CURTAINS

Ruffled Net Curtains, trimmed with lace insertion and edge, 2½ yds long, a pr \$1.48
 Ruffled Net Curtains, lace insertion and edge, 3 yards long, a pair2.48
 Nottingham Lace Curtains, ecru only, 2½ yards long, a pair60c
 Nottingham Lace Curtains, 2½ yards long, a pair75c
 Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 yards long, a pair98c
 Irish Point Lace Curtains, handsome patterns, 3½ yards long, a pair3.25
 Arabian Net Curtains ecru only, 3½ yds long, a pair3.25
 Dotted Curtain Swiss, 36 and 40 inches wide, a yard, 14c, 15c and19c

. . . Your house should look cool and airy for the summer, and we have the suitable things to make it look that way. We have such a variety of goods and prices that we feel sure every one can be pleased.

Fringed Damask Dollies, round or square, 8 in., 14 in. and 16 in., each 7½c, 10c and25c

Bleached Linen Napkins, 14, 18, 20 and 22 inches, a doz., 75c, 85c, 1.00, 1.25 and1.75



58 inch Table Damask, bleached, a yard50c
 64 inch Satin Damask, bleached, a yard74c
 72 inch Satin Damask, bleached, a yard1.24
 70 inch Satin Damask, half bleach, a yard98c
 Red and Blue Damask, a yard, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c and50c

Embroidery Material.

We have a large assortment of linen pieces, hemstitched and stamped, ready to be embroidered; also, the heavy linen pieces for the Mount Mellick work. All kinds and colors of embroidery silks.



We have a full line of Carpet Samples, from which you can make your selections, and we will order them for you. Any kind you want, any price you want.

Counterpanes.

9-4 Hemmed Counterpane, for80c
 10-4 Fringed Counterpane, for1.25
 10-4 Fringed Counterpane, extra heavy, for1.48
 10-4 Heavy Woven Quilt1.74
 11-4 Marseilles Quilt, crochet edges, 5.48

JAS. S. SHIVERS & CO.,

PROPRIETORS OF "THE BIG STORE."

**THEDFORD'S
BLACKDRAUGHT
THE GREAT
FAMILY MEDICINE**

Theford's Black-Draught has saved doctors' bills for more than sixty years. For the common family ailments, such as constipation, indigestion, hard colds, bowel complaints, chills and fever, biliousness, headaches and other like complaints no other medicine is necessary. It invigorates and regulates the liver, assists digestion, stimulates action of the kidneys, purifies the blood, and purges the bowels of foul accumulations. It cures liver complaint, indigestion, sour stomach, dizziness, chills, rheumatic pains, sideache, backache, kidney troubles, constipation, diarrhoea, biliousness, piles, hard colds and headache. Every druggist has Theford's Black-Draught in 25 cent packages and in mammoth size for \$1.00. Never accept a substitute. Insist on having the original made by the Chattanooga Medicine Company.

I believe Theford's Black-Draught is the best medicine on earth. It is good for any and everything. I have a family of twelve children, and for four years I have kept them on food and healthy with no doctor but Black-Draught. A. J. GREEN, New Orleans, La.

New Through Sleeping Car Line to Colorado.

Announcement is made that, effective June 1st, the International & Great Northern and Fort Worth & Denver City R'y Lines will establish New Through Sleeping Car service between Galveston and Houston, Texas, and Denver, Colorado.

This is one of the best and most important moves made by the International & Great Northern toward firmly establishing its new-

ly completed Galveston-Houston-Fort Worth Line with the better part of the traveling public, because of the fact that Colorado is by far the most popular resort section of the country, being visited by thousands from the South and Southwest every season. The "Denver Road" being the pioneer and short line or outlet for practically all Texas to the Northwest and having enjoyed the great bulk of such travel for years, the International & Great Northern is fortunate indeed in having effected the joint through car arrangement referred to, and it may safely be predicted that through such co-operation the tide of tourist travel to Colorado resorts will be materially increased.

COMPOSITION.

How Crockett May be Made a Cleaner, Prettier Town.

Crockett may be made a cleaner, prettier town by widening the side walks and paving the principal streets. This is the city's business and it ought to be attended to. Crockett should have a system of waterworks for the city's convenience and sewerage for the city's benefit and health. A visitor walking about the town would think that everybody looked out for number one instead of the town. We ought to plant shade trees around the town on the sidewalks for shade and appearance. The people should see that their houses were painted and nice looking. Some of them look like they need it. The people should also see their fences were painted and straight. Some of the fences around town look like they were tired of life.

If you can't afford a new fence

then build up your old one and paint it.

Crockett ought to have nice lawns, flower gardens, and vegetable gardens. You ought to attend to the first two as a matter of pride and looks, and if you don't attend to your vegetable garden you won't have anything to eat. Speaking about flowers, you don't see any in the court house yard or ivy climbing its old bare stone walls.

The seminary has flowers and the court house ought to. The court house represents the center and the interest of Houston county.

We also ought to see that there is no paper, trash and hogs on the streets. The town ought to see after the hogs, but it's our place to look after the paper and trash. The center of paper and trash is about the post office.

People of Crockett, wake up and declare in the future that Crockett will be made a cleaner, prettier town. Join the Civic Club and look after its interest.

Look at the cemetery. The graves are going to decay, the fences are falling down and going to ruin. The civic club is making an effort to clean it up now.

Crockett hasn't been attended to in the past, but look into the future and turn over a new leaf. If everybody would try to make Crockett a more attractive town and lower the prices on town lots Crockett would begin building up.

WILL N. LIPSCOMB,
Without aid. 8th Grade.

More About the Bell Weevil.

PORTER SPRINGS, TEXAS.
 EDITOR COURIER:
 "There is nothing new under the sun," nevertheless the following may be of some benefit. While in conversation with Mr. J.

T. Simmons we decided to try coaloil applied directly to the pests, so we gathered five or six of the hibernates and touched them with the oil; they all save one, that we saturated died and I believe that one would had we put a little more on. We just did touch the only one that showed any vitality after a few seconds. Now some may say they sulked, but not so, because I applied a lighted match to one to ascertain positively whether or not it was dead and it was, although I am satisfied it was not of the Stubblefield variety, as the fire brought back not its vitality.

The plan we arrived at is this: take a very small mop, go over the cotton and touch the weevil while in the stalk, this can be accomplished much faster than picking them, besides the little amount of oil that touches the stalk will not damage it, but be of service to keep them off to some extent. We are going to try it and would like to hear from all who will try the same. They are here in quantities and are doing up the cotton as fast as the squares come.

W. D. McCARTY.
 June 15, 1903.

KIDNEY DISEASES

are the most fatal of all diseases.

FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE is a Guaranteed Remedy

or money refunded. Contains remedies recognized by eminent physicians as the best for Kidney and Bladder troubles.

PRICE 50c. and \$1.00.

Foley's Kidney Cure makes kidneys and bladder right.

LOOK OUT FOR MALARIA.

An epidemic of Malaria is sure to follow the wet season and the high waters which have prevailed all over the South. Malarial and kindred fevers will develop to an alarming extent. General health conditions will be bad; every precaution should be taken.

The System Must Especially Be Fortified to Resist Malarial Attacks.

A trial of fifty years has demonstrated that for this emergency, Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic has no equal. Iron is the fighting element in the blood, and the kind of iron supplied by Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic is just the kind the system requires to successfully combat malarial conditions. Don't wait until you are attacked. Take it now and fortify yourself; it is an absolute safeguard and, at the same time, it is the best tonic and invigorant for the entire system. On the other hand, quinine disturbs the system and its cumulative poison begets greater physical troubles than those it is employed to remedy.

Where a bad case of chronic Malaria already exists, take DR. HARTER'S FEVER and AGUE SPECIFIC. It is guaranteed to cure. Price 60 cents. BUT IF YOU WILL

Take DR. HARTER'S IRON TONIC

You Won't Have Malaria. Price \$1.

All dealers handle, or send to DR. HARTER MEDICINE CO., Dayton, Ohio.

Houston, Tex., Aug. 1, 1901.
 "I have used Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic myself and in my family for over twenty-five years, and can heartily recommend it. I regard it as particularly valuable to ward off malarial and other fevers."
 J. H. HAYES,
 Land and Emigration Agt., Frisco Line.
 (\$2,000 guarantee that above testimonial is genuine.)

D. A. NUNN. D. A. NUNN, JR.
NUNN & NUNN,

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,

CROCKETT, TEXAS.
 Will practice in all Courts, both State and Federal, in Texas.



Miss Malinda Smith has just completed a journey of 600 miles to marry a man she never had seen before. She had never been 20 miles from home before she undertook this trip and she was fifty years old at the time, at that. Malinda lived down in Indiana and she became lonesome for some one. At the age of fifty she began to think she had lived alone long enough. In order to tempt Cupid, some time ago she put a nicely worded notice in a matrimonial paper. It pays to advertise for a husband as well as for anything else. Malinda soon began to get numerous answers to her ad. Among the many suitors for her hand and heart was J. R. Wampler, a prosperous farmer living near Big Rapids, Mich. An exchange of loving letters soon culminated in an engagement. It was not convenient for him to come to her, so it was arranged for Miss Malinda to go to Michigan, and after they had seen each other, if both parties were pleased, marriage should follow. Miss Malinda left for Michigan the first of last week. A few days since she wrote her friends here that on Friday she and Mr. Wampler were married, and had gone to housekeeping on the farm just like old folks. Malinda had never been fifty miles from home before, but for the sake of her husband she made the trip of over 600 miles alone, got her husband, and is happy.

A Parisian bank clerk was to have been married the other day and visited a barber to be shaved for the ceremony. During the operation he sneezed, and, although the barber did his best to avoid accident, a slice of the bridegroom's nose was cut off. Later in the day the bride declined to enter matrimony with a man whose nose was incomplete.

Of all the eccentric weddings the following is about the limit. Elek Bujda is a Hungarian who has turned burglar. Miss Rosie Schwartz is a German who had turned boarding-house keeper. One night when Miss Rosie went to her room for the night she found Elek under the bed. Immediately there was a hubbub, boarders scurried about, policemen came, and the unfortunate burglar was arrested. The next morning in police court Miss Rosie looked at the burglar two or three times and found that he was handsome. She knew that he was bold or he would not have invaded her home. She also knew that he was dashing. He had proved that when he tried to get away after the alarm had been raised. So, instead of prosecuting him, she decided to marry him. There is a scarcity of detail to show just how this change in sentiment came about, but the marriage license proves that it did. When the prosecuting attorney suggested that he ought to send out for rice, the magistrate thought that there was no need for this, but he did his part by having one of the policemen who arrested the burglar act as his best man at the ceremony.

The college girls and society dames of fashionable Bryn Mawr, exclusive suburb of Philadelphia have adopted lambs as pets. Their fleeco is kept beautifully white and fluffy, and the owner's favorite color in a wide band of ribbon adorns the neck of each pet. They are led through the streets and lie in the lap of their mistresses as contentedly as a poodle.

Up to the present moment heavy lace is most in favor—the heavier the better in fruit designs, those in grapes being particularly favored—indeed, exceedingly heavy bunches of grapes of cordlike lace are applied upon lighter laces. Among embroideries those known as English embroideries are the most worn by women with the greatest pretensions to chic. Real English embroideries, however, are expensive, but their imitation is so cleverly done that they are in every one's reach.

As a child, Clara Barton, founder of the Red Cross Society, disliked dolls, and the only playthings that appealed to her more than pet animals were wooden soldiers.

De Your Feet Ache and Burn? Shake into your shoes, Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It makes tight or New Shoes feel Easy. Cures Swollen, Itch, Sweating Feet, Corns and Bunions. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

In the war between the United States and Mexico of fifty-four years ago 112,000 troops were employed on the American side. Of these 8,000 are still alive.

"In the good old summer time" drink Dr. Pepper. It leaves a pleasant farewell and a gracious call-back. At all Soda Fountains 5c per glass.

A tract of 20,000 acres in Western Kansas has been bought by Indiana and Ohio capitalists for raising Angus cattle.

Hall's Catarrh Cure Is taken internally. Price, 75c.

Unless a man has good backing he is seldom able to put on a bold front.

It sometimes happens that marriage is a failure because the husband is unable to pay alimony.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

"Do you live whain your income?" "No—I live without one."

The Best Results in Starching can be obtained only by using Defiance Starch, besides getting 4 oz. more for same money—no cooking required.

Sin becomes less hurtful as it becomes more hateful.

New Zealand has an ivy tree which has a thick, short trunk and heavy branches. It is not a climbing plant.

When You Buy Starch buy Defiance and get the best, 18 oz. for 10 cents. Once used, always used.

The rule of the Czar extends over twice as much contiguous territory as any other power in the world.

Some people who like hops drink beer and some eat frog's legs.

I do not believe Plac's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds—Jones F. Byrne, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 18, 1902.

Each of Germany's eight colonies, except Samoa, receives subsidy greater than the revenue it yields.

An analysis of the college opportunities of the 3,227 most eminent graduates seem to show that the best college is the small, non-sectarian, exclusively male, New England school situated in a town of more than 20,000.

The Pope has appointed a permanent commission on biblical studies in special relation to recent results of researches into the historic development of scriptural works. The commission consists of forty members.

The immense indirect cost of warfare is illustrated by the fact that the Spanish-American war cost a million dollars a day for over a year, although hostilities occupied but three months.

The tenant under the contemplated Irish land bill will pay annual purchase installments for sixty-eight years, which are 20 per cent less average than he now pays annual rent.

This Will Interest Mothers. Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, Cure Fevers, Colic, Stomach, Teething Disorders, and regulate the bowels and destroy Worms. Sold by all Druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

True greatness is ability to serve coupled with a meek and quiet spirit.

Look for this trade mark: "The Clean, Cool Kitchen Kind." The stoves without stoves, ashes or heat. Make comfortable cooking.

It is 101 years since the first census was taken in England.

FOR

IRRIGATING MACHINERY, COTTON GINS, WELL DRILLING MACHINERY, STEAM ENGINES, GASOLINE ENGINES, STEAM BOILERS, TANKS, WINDMILLS, PIPE, PUMPS, CYLINDERS, ETC.,

ADDRESS
F. F. COLLINS MFG. CO.,
SAN ANTONIO, TEX.

AN EXQUISITE REQUISITE for hot weather. Cools the blood and quenches the thirst.

Hires Rootbeer

A package makes five gallons. Sold everywhere, or sent for 25 cents. Hires of Indianapolis. **Charles E. Hires Co.,** Baltimore, Pa.

With the old surety.

St. Jacobs Oil

to cure

Lumbago and Sciatica

There is no such word as fail. Price, 25c. and 50c.

WINCHESTER

'NEW RIVAL' BLACK POWDER SHELLS.

It's the thoroughly modern and scientific system of loading and the use of only the best materials which make Winchester Factory Loaded "New Rival" Shells give better pattern, penetration and more uniform results generally than any other shells. The special paper and the Winchester patent corrugated head used in making "New Rival" shells give them strength to withstand reloading.

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An old minister returned to his alma mater after forty years of ministerial service, and was being conducted over the old place.

"Same old corridors!" he ejaculated as he entered; "same old corridors!" They took him to the dining-hall. "Ah, me! same old dining-hall!" Then he opened a study door. "Same old study—same old study!"

Half round the fire a screen was drawn, and behind it he saw a student talking with a young lady.

"Dear me!" exclaimed the old minister, pensively, "same old practice! same old practice!"

The student sprang up, indignantly. "Excuse me, sir, this is my sister!" A smile broke over the ancient one's face.

"Ah, and the same old explanation: same old excuse!"

When Mother Died.

They told me in the night that she was dead,
And then I knew from out my life had fled

All beauty: that thenceforth my pathway led
In lonely lands; that I should miss the red
Of woodland roses and the morning's glow.

For she was my best friend! The words she said
In prayer each night beside my trundle bed

I still recall; the pillow then she spread
With such a touch that I no more can know!

She sought the smoothest ways for me to go,
And her sweet faith brought all the mountains low.

The seeds of kindness that she planted grow—
Are blooming now unharmed by frost or snow.

By crystal dews from heaven nightly fed.

And when I dwell upon the long ago
Her smile to me is bright as was the bow
To those upon the flood; I miss it so.
Now when the winds unbridled wildly blow

And rains descend on my defenceless head!
—Alonso Rice in Indianapolis Journal.

Old Adage Affirmed.

Among several amusing incidents related by Judge Alfred C. Coxe of the United States Circuit court in a lecture delivered to Columbia students was the tale of a young lawyer who came before the Supreme court to argue a case in which he was both counselor and defendant. "I once heard an old French adage," he said, "which said that he who argues his own case has a fool for a client. Despite this, however, I propose to present the defendant's side in this case, as I know more of it than any one else."

Then the young lawyer went on to offer his argument. Before he went back to his home in St. Louis he left word with a friend to notify him by wire as soon as the court's decision was handed down. A week later he received a telegram which read: "Old French adage affirmed."—New York Times.

Papa's Suggestion.

Pretty Daughter—I really must have a new riding habit, papa, dear.

Her Father—I can't afford it at the present stage of the game.

Pretty Daughter—But what am I to do?

Her Father—Well, you might get into the walking habit.

Beginning of Cattle Trade.

Live cattle were first landed in England from America in May, 1861, but the regular traffic did not begin until 1876.

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Cloudburst and Flood Swept Away Entire Town of Heppner, Oregon.

Three Hundred Victims' Bodies Found at Ione, Seventeen Miles Distant—A Twenty-Foot Wall of Water Rushed Down The Little Stream—Portland's Aid.

Portland, Oregon: Following a cloudburst, a wall of water, twenty feet high, rushed down the gulch of Willow creek at dusk yesterday and drowned nearly half of the 1250 inhabitants of Heppner, Ore. The furious water carried away the residence part of Heppner. So great was the force of the water that boulders weighing a ton were rolled along the gulch, crushing everything in their path. Wire bridges and railroads were swept away. The most reliable reports tonight say that the loss of life at Heppner will be at least 500, though the number of dead probably is larger.

A report from Ione, seventeen miles from Heppner, says that 300 bodies carried there by the flood have been recovered. The flood came with such suddenness that the inhabitants were unable to seek places of safety, and were carried down to death by the awful rush of waters. Some of the business part of Heppner, which is on high ground, escaped.

Early in the afternoon a thunderstorm occurred, covering a wide region of country, and later a heavy rainstorm set in, many of the small streams overflowing their banks in a short time. Bridges were swept away like straws, and the darkness of the night soon made the situation appalling.

As soon as possible after the flood subsided the work of relief was begun by the surviving residents. Dozens of bodies were found lodged along the bends of the stream, and in several places they were piled two or three deep. Up to 2 o'clock this afternoon 200 bodies had been recovered within the town.

Many of the buildings not carried away were moved from their foundations or toppled over. Hundreds of horses, cattle and sheep that had gone into the creek bottoms for water perished.

As soon as possible news was sent by courier to the nearby towns, asking for relief for the stricken people. The Oregon Railway and Navigation Company started a relief train with doctors and supplies from the Dalles shortly after noon with a party of 100, including three doctors, four nurses and supplies of all kinds.

At 1:30 this afternoon a relief train with doctors and supplies started for the scene from Portland. The citizens of Portland started a relief fund as soon as the news of the disaster spread over the city, and within a few hours \$5000 was raised.

Supplies will be rushed to Heppner as soon as they can be collected. Fifteen buildings in Lexington, nine miles below Heppner, on Willow creek, were washed away, but with no loss of life, the inhabitants having time to save themselves from the surging torrent.

At Ione damage was done to buildings, though no loss of life is reported.

Heppner is a town of about 1250 inhabitants, the county seat of Morrow county, at the terminus branch of the Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company. Farming and stock raising are its chief industries. Willow creek, which is given as the cause, is an ordinary small stream, and early reports indicate that the flood was caused by either one or two cloudbursts.

Charges Against Lax Are Serious.

Greenville, Texas: The charge against the man Lax, whose arrest at Lone Oak was mentioned Friday morning, is more serious than first reported. It seems that his stepdaughter, Maud Ross, had given birth to a child, which fact was discovered by a neighbor.

She reported what she had seen and an uncle of the girl, W. F. Hillen, made complaint against Lax. The girl's mother is dead and she is the housekeeper for her stepfather, who will now have to answer to the triple charges of murder, criminal assault and incest. It is stated that the girl is only 14 years of age. Lax was brought here in chains and lodged in jail.

Vox Populi Postoffice Robbed.

Altair, Texas: Unknown parties robbed the postoffice at Vox Populi on the night of the 13th. Something like \$24 in cash and a few stamps were stolen. It is understood the postmaster has a clue to the guilty parties.

A New Gusher.

Sour Lake, Texas: Certain business men of Sour Lake were informed this afternoon that a gusher had been struck on Broussard's farm eight miles east of Sour Lake and three miles north of China. Bailey Le Bleu was sent to investigate. He later telephoned the Sour Lake parties that the report was correct, and furthermore that the new gusher is the largest he has ever seen, even surpassing any of the famous Spindle Top gushers.

Jones Murder Trial.

Charlotte, N. C.: A special term of the Wilson county supreme court for the trial of the thirteen men accused of the murder of Insurance Agent Percy Jones of Arkansas at Perry, May 15, convened this morning. The morning session was consumed in the selection of the jury. Every member of the Wilson bar, with one exception, is employed by the defendants.

Fort Worth-Dallas Double Track.

Fort Worth, Texas: T. S. Mahoney, connected with the constructional department of the Texas and Pacific, said today that the company was to double track the line between Fort Worth and Dallas, thirty-two miles. The work is now under way. This step was made necessary by the increased traffic over the line. When completed passenger trains will make the run in less than forty-five minutes.

Laundry Workers in Chicago Voted

against declaring another strike.

Subway Strike is Over.

New York: Official announcement has been made at the weekly meeting of the Central Federated Union of the abandonment of the strike by the subway excavators. This means that over 20,000 men will apply for work unconditionally.

The letter stated that the union would be built up, and intimated that at some future time its demands, which it failed to enforce this time, will be submitted again. The strike has been in force several weeks and greatly delayed work in the uncompleted portions of the rapid transit tunnel.

Negro Kills Child.

Richmond, Ind.: While attempting to get away from the officers here this evening, who were raiding a resort, at 6 o'clock, Charles Moore, 14 years old, a son of Edward Moore, was shot and probably fatally wounded by Granville Bunday, a colored policeman.

Ocean Romance.

New York: Miss Pauline Schroeder of Omaha, Neb., who was a passenger on the Ward line steamer Seneca, has become the bride of Captain Frank W. Irvine of the Seneca. Miss Schroeder was a passenger on the liner, having come aboard at Tampico, Mexico, where she had been on a visit to her father and brother. She and the captain met for the first time on the voyage to New York and were married when the ship reached port.

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"An average man, my dear," replied the knowing mother, "is a man who will make a chump of himself if given the opportunity."

When Arbitration Pays.

Chawley—Do you believe in international arbitration?

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RIO GRANDE A TORRENT.

The Levee at El Paso Expected to Break at Any Moment and Do Great Damage.

El Paso, Texas: Hundreds of laborers have been at work today mending weak places in the levee which protects one-third of the population of El Paso from the flood waters of the Rio Grande, which is now a raging torrent. The population of the low grounds numbers about 10,000, and these would be driven from their homes should a break occur tonight.

The river continues to rise steadily and the velocity of the stream has increased with its volume until many points of the levee where the current and its eddy touches have been eaten away and large forces of men under the chief of police and city engineer have fortified them with bags of sand.

The headgates of the canal, one mile above the center of the city, is considered the weakest point and the repairing forces are concentrated there. At one time during the day when it was feared that a break was about to occur an alarm was sounded

on a local levee whistle and a thousand people hastened to the spot. Numbers of these were put to work shoveling sand to fill the crevasses.

A telephone message from a merchant named Miller, at White Spur, N. M., eight miles above the city, informed the chief of police tonight that a lake five miles square and of unknown depth had formed behind the levee at that point, and was in immediate danger of breaking all obstructions and descending the stream. This report caused great alarm, and it is now feared that a break will occur during the night.

The levee is closely patrolled and half a dozen mounted men are marching the levee to give the alarm to the people of South El Paso, should anything happen during the night.

Today the river broke through into its old channel south of the city and is once more flowing around the horse-shoe curve, across which a "cut off" was built at heavy cost.

FUED'S VENGEANCE.

Principal Witness Against White and Jett Victim of Firebugs.

Jackson, Ky.: At 6 o'clock this morning Joe Redman, a watchman at the lumber yard of Swann & Dad, discovered flames issuing from the roof of Ewen's hotel, situated on the mountain side, 300 yards from the depot. The alarm was given and Lieutenant Kinard, with the provost guard, turned out to render assistance. Soon hundreds of people were on the scene.

Heroic work on the part of the soldiers and citizens saved possibly the entire south side of the town.

The Ewen hotel is at the end of a long row of miners' cottages, all of which were in grave danger. When those in the hotel were notified, the fire was under such headway the guests who had not arisen had only time to save part of their clothing.

Mrs. Ewen and her children were poorly clad and lost everything. The hotel and furniture had been insured, but only a week ago Captain Ewen was notified that, on account of threatening conditions, the company had decided to cancel his policy. The house and fixtures were valued at about \$10,000. The property represented the savings of a lifetime, and Ewen and family are tonight homeless and dependent upon the hospitality of the troops in camp.

Gray and Jim Haddicks and Jerry Luntz, workmen at the Swann & Gray lumber yard, reported having seen Joe Crawford and Ed Tharpe, wagoners for the Hargis Bros., come across the bridge and return just before the blaze was discovered, and Mayor Allen ordered these men arrested. They were taken into camp by the soldiers. Gray Haddicks was detained by the provost guard as a witness.

Decided Upon Prince.

Belgrade: At a conference of senators and deputies held late tonight it was unanimously resolved that the constitution voted by the great National assembly in 1888 should be put into force, and that Prince Peter Karageorgevitch should be unanimously elected king at tomorrow's joint meeting of the skuptchina and the senate.

Hendrick for Bishop.

Rome: The commission of five cardinals entrusted with Philippine affairs has decided to propose to the pope the appointment of the Rev. T. A. Hendrick, of Rochester, N. Y., as bishop of Cebu, P. I. The vatican wish has fulfilled its most complete promise regarding the Philippine islands by sending there four American bishops.

Ex-President Cleveland will not make tour to the Southwest this year.

To Resume Traffic.

Guthrie, O. T.: The Rock Island announces that through traffic will be installed tomorrow over the extension from Chickasha, I. T., to Mangum, O. T. During the recent flood thirty-two miles of track and several important bridges on this branch were washed out.

The attorney of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association will appear before the interstate commerce commission.

Cut Worms in Louisiana.

New Orleans, La.: Cut worms are playing havoc with cotton and corn in Concordia, Texas, Ouachita, Richard and Madison parishes, Louisiana, and Yazoo, Washington, Sunflower, Sharkey, Bolivar and Issaquena counties, Mississippi. The farmers have so far been unable to stop the ravages of the pest and a shortage in those parishes and counties is certain. The situation is beginning to look decidedly gloomy for the farmers in the region affected. Seed is scarce and the season is late for replanting cotton. Half price for seed for replanting.

Shooting Affray.

Galveston, Texas: Last night Wm. N. Pleasants and Tom Tyler, two negroes, had a difficulty about a debt, which resulted in Tyler having his carcass perforated with birdshot, discharged from a shotgun in the hands of Pleasants. Tyler is in the John Sealy hospital undergoing repairs, and Pleasants is pleasantly located in the county jail awaiting the results of Tyler's injuries. The surgeon in charge at the Sealy hospital reports that Tyler's wounds will not prove fatal.

Boy Dragged to Death by a Mule.

Belton, Texas: Watt, the 13-year-old son of Mr. Watt Breedlove, a well-to-do farmer living six miles north of town, yesterday after dinner started to work riding a mule, which became frightened and ran away. The boy became entangled in a rope around the mule's neck and was dragged about a quarter of a mile. He was dead when reached, his skull being crushed.

Son Kills Father.

Eastman, Ga.: Dr. T. J. Buchanan, of Eastman, whose brother is a member of the legislature, was shot and instantly killed today by his son Ogletree. The father had seized a pistol and threatened to kill his wife and children. The wife attempted to wrest the weapon from him. The son, hearing the scuffle, ran into the room with a pistol in his hand. It is supposed the discharge of the latter weapon was accidental, the ball passing through the father's heart.

Hood's Brigade Reunion.

Marlin, Texas: Mr. John M. Jolly, of this city, has received a letter from Hon. George A. Branard, of Houston, secretary of Hood's Texas Brigade Association, in which he states that he will be on hand June 26 and intends bringing with him the old flag of the Fifth Texas. He also stated that several others had signified their intention of coming, among them some of the most prominent men in the state.

Rain reports indicate downpour was general all over the state.

All of the Crew Saved.

Portland, Me.: The captain and crew of the schooner Washington B. Thomas, wrecked yesterday off Old Orchard, were all saved. Captain Leonard's wife was accidentally killed in the cabin and one or more of the crew suffered broken legs or other injuries.

Sixteen feet rise at Laredo. A man clinging to a log calling for help was swept down the stream.

Texas

A Record of the Events of the Week that Are of Especial Interest to the People of Texas.

Woman Choked to Death.

Dallas, Texas: An unusual murder was reported to the police at midnight. Norah Brown was choked to death in the house of Mamie Sanders on Market street, by a man for whom the police are searching.

Murder Trials at Livingston.

Livingston, Texas: In the case of the State of Texas against Clonus Chambless for the murder of Abel Murphy, the jury returned a verdict this morning for murder in the second degree and assessed the penalty at five years in the State penitentiary. Defendant was only 15 years of age when the offense was committed.

The case of Nat Baker was called this morning for the murder of Yancy Copeland, and after exhausting the special venire and obtaining eight jurors, the court adjourned to enable the sheriff to summon thirty additional men.

Children Bitten by a Mad Dog.

Nacogdoches, Texas: Mr. James Owens, a farmer living six miles from town, had two of his children bitten early yesterday morning by a mad dog, the little boy was bitten in the nose and cheek and the little girl on the arm and hand. Mr. Owens left this morning in company with Mr. William Reed for St. Louis to give them the benefit of the Pasteur cure. Mr. Reed was bitten last year by a rabid dog and went to this institution and was permanently cured.

London Report of a Burial.

London: A special dispatch says that the bodies of King Alexander and Queen Draga were buried in a large pit, dug in the village of Rakovitsa, and that as a mark of ignominy the bodies of their murdered relatives and those of the ministry killed were placed above them, and then the common grave was filled with earth.

Rusk furnace output of iron is of very high grade.

Colored Knights of Pythias.

San Antonio, Texas: The grand lodge of colored Knights of Pythias, in its session today, re-elected practically the entire old board of officers and selected Paris, Texas, as its next meeting place. At the night session three hours were spent in discussing the proposed revision of the constitution of the order. The convention will be concluded tomorrow with a street parade in the afternoon and a public installation of officers at night.

Toes Cut Off by a Car.

Marshall, Texas: E. S. Parnell, a helper at the Texas Southern shops in this city, met with a painful accident. Yesterday Parnell, who was trying to block a running car, slipped, his left foot crossing the rail. The car ran over the same, amputating the toes. The wounded man was attended to by Drs. Taylor and conveyed to his home in North Marshall.

Web Worms Destroying Crop.

Denison, Texas: Startling reports have been received here as to the damage done by the web worm. It is estimated that half of the crop of cotton has been destroyed. Hugh Tumnulty, a prominent farmer at Warren Flats, states that they are attacking corn, and have already destroyed a forty-acre field of oats and many fields of grass. The grass is colorless and falls flat to the ground. A stiff norther is blowing here.

Girls' Industrial School.

Denton, Texas: The building committee of the Girls' industrial school is in session here inspecting the building and will probably make some few changes in the interior arrangements of the boilers, etc. Rosser Thomas of Bonham, Mrs. Stoddard of Fort Worth and John A. Hann of this city, comprising the committee, were all present.

Troy Postoffice Changed Hands.

Troy, Texas: The Troy postoffice changed hands today, Robert Elliott being the new postmaster, vice Deater A. Robertson, resigned.

THE SWEET GIRL GRADUATE.



Grasshoppers Are in Bexar County.

San Antonio, Texas: Grasshoppers in countless numbers have appeared in the Coker neighborhood in this county, twelve miles north of San Antonio on the Salado, and are playing havoc with growing crops, whole fields of cotton having been destroyed by them. The grasshoppers are very large, most of them being two inches long, and when they strike a cotton patch they make quick work of it. They are moving towards the northwest.

Offer for Taylor's First Bale.

Taylor, Texas: A resident cotton buyer, representing a Houston firm, published a card in the local paper offering 12 cents a pound for the first bale of the new (1903) crop of cotton marketed in Taylor the coming season.

Carnival Preparations.

Palestine, Texas: Mr. George Harris of this city has just returned from Sherman, Texas, where he has been to see the closing exercises there, of the college, and also to see the management of the schools in regard to arranging for the Burdett Carr cadets to be here and be a part of the program for our coming carnival. This company of young ladies attended the New Orleans reunion, and while there they were the cynosure of all eyes, and will, if brought here, be quite an addition to our already attractive program.

Tomato Crop Short at Appleby.

Appleby, Texas: The tomato crop is very short around here this year. There are only seven acres of tomatoes planted. The worms are doing much damage to the plants. Tomatoes have begun to ripen and they will commence to ship tomorrow.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

George Reinhardt was stabbed thirteen times at Crowley, La., but may recover.

Tom Hill's child was kicked by a horse at Whitney and its skull crushed.

Wm. McCarver, a Katy engineer at Denison, was severely injured by a freight train.

Lewis Hogue has been arrested at Mount Pleasant on a charge of criminal assault.

J. R. Collier has been arrested, charged with the killing of J. D. Kirk at Mumford.

W. I. Mayfield was killed near Pilot Point by his son, Bert Mayfield, who has surrendered.

Lucy Williams, colored, of Fort Worth, was severely burned by an explosion of gasoline.

M. F. Hiatt's music and jewelry store was burned at Belton. Loss \$2500 with insurance.

William H. Sutton had one of his legs broken in jumping from a freight train near Fort Worth.

Walter Yoakum shot and killed George Murray at Denison Monday evening. Both parties are negroes.

J. R. Robertson was seriously injured at Sherman by being struck by a Houston and Texas Central train.

Tuesday at New Orleans 13 1/2 cents was bid for cotton for July delivery, the highest price since 1879.

Hillsboro has made a test case of the Sunday law with regard to the right of a dealer to sell cigars on Sunday.

Paul Green died at Beaumont from the effect of injuries received last Friday by being run over by a freight train.

The three-year-old daughter of Januarius Piperi of Galveston died from the effects of eating Electric roach paste.

Will Kessler, Adolph Riptler and Russell Burns escaped from the Houston jail, where they were confined to answer felony charges.

The Brownwood Business league is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Carnegie increasing his donation to the public library from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

John Lloyd was accidentally struck with a sledge hammer in the hands of a fellow workman at Chickasha, I. T., and probably fatally wounded.

Grasshoppers have appeared in great numbers in Bexar county. It is thought that recent floods drove them out of Kansas.

About 9:30 Monday evening G. D. Owens of Temple was shot and mortally wounded while sitting in front of a saloon. W. T. Long is under arrest.

Big Springs' new phone system has been in operation since the 1st, and is giving perfect satisfaction. The company owning the old system has closed up its office.

At the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Alliance Milling company of Denton, J. W. Cook was re-elected president; J. N. Rayzor, first vice president and general superintendent; Ed F. Bates, second vice president and manager of ice factory; George Cobbs, secretary. All the old board of directors were re-elected.

L. H. Hampton of the Lugg ranch in Irion county had one of his legs broken by a horse falling on him.

Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Schwarz of Hempstead celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last week.

An entire passenger train of the International and Great Northern, forty-five miles from Laredo, left the track, but no one was hurt. One hundred yards of track was torn up.

Palmer voted down a proposition to levy a special road and bridge tax.

The plans and specifications for the Storck Opera House are in the hands of contractors. The building will be perfect in all its parts and will be a splendid addition to the architectural beauty of Palestine.

A. E. Queenberry, aged 85, one of Collin County's pioneers died at his home at Rowlett Wednesday from old age. He had served as a deacon in the Rowlett Baptist Church fifty years, and was probably the oldest Odd Fellow in Texas.

Thomas Mulcahy, superintendent of the Jefferson Iron Company at Jefferson, was probably fatally burned by a gas explosion at the furnace and C. E. Gibson, the engineer, was seriously burned.

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Mrs. EVA BARTHO.



An exchange admonishes woman to weep in memory of the man who invented the tissue paper dress pattern. He is dead; yet will his work live after him. Several hundred years ago some individual whose name Fate has since frowned upon invented a basque pattern. To this very day, in the rural districts, may be seen its likeness on feminine busts. What manner of forgetfulness, then, shall cause our minds to wander from the man who originated the "complete tissue pattern in the latest style for 10 cents?" Between the two patterns there is a social chasm as bottomless as a Dante could conceive, and yet the parallel of constancy to each may be appropriately drawn. The tissue pattern develops furbelows and founces wonderful even to the costumer's art. Its product is seen on the fashionable boulevards as frequently as the basque-pattern's polka-dot vies in pastoral hamlets where Mirandy wears a calico sun-bonnet, and little Willie's sweater is a grain sack with holes for the neck and arms.

In their strata of life each is invaluable. Without them are dress-makers' bills that mesmerize the bank account, put crimps in papa's whiskers and scare the romantic Montgomerys from the lamp of matrimony, lest they perish like pillars of salt in a cow-lick, sacrifices on the altar of love.

The provident wife will never hesitate. She will use one or the other, and, incidentally, will not forget, figuratively, to drop a flower on the tomb of the man who invented the old basque pattern, or his more recent brother, the genus homo who conceived the tissue diagram.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" has been barred from the New York school libraries. One by one the atrocious iconoclast is devastating old landmarks. Irving's to-day is being pushed aside by to-morrow, to be in turn usurped by its successor of the day after. It is even so with the sign boards we have been wont to read along the way; but in the laying waste not always is judgment used. The enemies who marched against "Uncle Tom's Cabin" in the schools might better have leveled their ordnance against "Uncle Tom" on the stage. The book is a true picture of the civil war time; the play is a dwarf-child of deformity. There was a time when "Uncle Tom's Cabin," as shown in histrionic world was a masterful effort. To-day the best actor in the average "Tom show" is the donkey. It seems nothing sort of miraculous that the modern Simon Legrees are not decapitated on the spot. The late P. T. Barnum remarked, once upon a time, that the American people will "stand for" considerable, but the Simon of to-day is certainly considerable, and then some. There are others! Leave Uncle Tom in the school libraries, but in the interest of suffering humanity, bar him from the stage.

The young woman who bet 1,000 kisses on election and lost to a young man grasping enough to claim the entire 1,000, is no longer the limit. In an Illinois town an editor ran for mayor. How he secured the nomination is not known, but it is presumed nobody was looking at the time. There lived in the place an amorous young woman who bet that an editor couldn't be elected to so important a civic position. So positive was she in her horoscopic analysis that she wagered a wheel-barrow ride with a young man of the town. The loser was to wheel the winner through the main street in a "mud" cart. The woman's foresight was not as good as her hindsight, and she lost, making good her bet after the horrid winner had insisted. A great crowd gathered to see the sight. Fancy a woman pushing a man-laden wheelbarrow the length of the business street! Those who saw the fiasco say she squared away nobly in the muddy street, spat on her hands, rolled up her—well, this thing has gone far enough! But it is surmised that hereafter she will be less positive in her powers of prophecy.

Once again the files are in our midst.

JOKE ON SWEET CHARITY.

And the Colored Porter, He Thoroughly Enjoyed It.

The other day a colored porter from one of the hotels was sent to buy some tin cups. After making the purchase he started back to the hotel and met one of the hostlers' best patrons—a commercial traveler—and the latter asked the negro to carry his sample case to a Washington street store.

A few minutes later the negro, sample case, and tin cups, were in front of the store. The traveling man was in the store. While waiting for him; the negro sat down on the sample case, and in less than a jiffy fell asleep. One of the tin cups was in his hand, and it fell forward, as does the cup held by a blind man.

Perhaps you won't believe it, but that negro collected 43 cents while he slumbered. Passersby thought him a blind mendicant. And maybe that porter didn't enjoy the joke! He did—dead he did.—Indianapolis News.

What One Man Said.

At the City Federation meeting in the Waldorf there were many amusing incidents. Husbands of the broad-minded women tarried in the ante-room waiting for their spouses to go home. One of these patient escorts was Leroy Sunderland Smith. He gazed through the glass doors once, sighed and returned to his chair. Men would come, inquire for their wives, and then retreat to the cafe below. One man heard a few minutes of a certain paper. He said: "If these women's clubs did not struggle with the problem of how to raise other women's children they would have no excuse for being." He flung out the last words savagely and then disappeared to the place where highballs are concocted.—New York Press.

The death rate of the globe is estimated at 68 a minute, or 97,920 a day, or 35,740,800 a year. The birth rate is 70 a minute, 100,800 a day, or 36,792,000 a year, reckoning the year to be 365 days in length.

Dr. Ekenberg, a Swedish scientist, has invented a machine for converting skim-milk into a powder which, when dissolved in water, gives the properties of ordinary milk.

"Contentment," said Uncle Eben, "is sumpin' dat money can't allus buy; it is likewise sumpin' dat poverty kin generally smash."

The late Sir Oliver Mowatt of Ontario had been a prime minister practically as long as Mr. Gladstone and Lord Salisbury put together.

Prof. Braun of the University of Strasburg has undertaken to heat a room in Munich by a flashlight in Nuremberg, 100 miles distant.

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