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Betrothal.

On the evening of the 24th, at the suburban home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. May, many of their friends were called together to celebrate the announcement of the betrothal of their daughter, Miss Grace, to Mr. M. P. Jensen. The evening was a most delightful one, and, too, all had the pleasure of meeting Miss May's friends of Kingston, Ohio, Mr. Fred Long and sister, Miss Nell. With all the improvements that have been made over the military engagements, the old Cupid's bow and arrow are sufficient for the matrimonial engagements, and some time he does not delay his work long. He knew Miss May had a real heart somewhere, and he went out with a search warrant to find it. She having been here for only one year, coming from Ohio, and he six months ago hailing from Minnesota. As two cards belonging to one deck, they have been shuffled together, and we think the fates must shriek at the turn of Fortune's wheel in their favor.

Miss May is one of those charming ladies whom to know is but to love. She is very popular in the social realm as well as with those out of it. She is a favorite with all in the Calendar club to which she belongs, and is a reminder of "sweet May" days which we are ready to welcome in all months.

Mr. Jensen, who is in every way worthy of the prize he has won, comes of one of the old families of Denmark, and a native of the United States. He is assistant cashier of the First National bank here and comes with gilt edge recommendations. He, too, has made many warm friends here. As they received the congratulations they looked as if some angelic messenger had sent them tidings of great joy. Tennyson says, "They sin who tell us love can die." Our wishes are that sweet harmony will forever wag its silvery tongue, and as they tread the path of roses, they may lose sight of all the thorns beneath. I. C.

Mayor Beasley Makes Statement.

To the People of Crockett:

As an election has been ordered for mayor, city attorney and two aldermen to serve for two years, I think it but right that you should receive a report of the acts of the retiring administration. Since the school affairs have been in the hands of trustees, elected by the people, the city council has only been charged with the assessing and collecting of the taxes for school purposes, the other duties being discharged by the trustees. The city has been fortunate enough to change the school bonds from the original purchasers to the county, and the bonds have been promptly cancelled as the money has been collected. For the past twelve months, through the diligence of the city attorney and marshal, the taxes have been collected more promptly and the funds available for street work applied to a better advantage than formerly. Through the efforts of efficient officers of the police department, to a commendable degree, respect for and obedience

of the laws and ordinances of the city has been maintained.

My personal efforts as mayor and health officer have been directed to the general welfare of the public. The city finances have been so handled that the scrip is at par. With the financial depression now existing and the consequent decrease in valuation of property it would seem that a decrease in the taxes ought to follow.

Having been requested to become a candidate for re-election to the office of mayor, I desire to state that I would serve if a majority of the voters should so decide, but I would dislike very much to enter into a scramble that would engender hard feeling and bitterness or cause more strife among people who have honored me far beyond my deserts.

S. T. BEASLEY.

Confederate Column.

I presume to offer the enclosed lines to the "D. A. Nunn Chapter," U. D. C., not that I vaunt them as poetry, but the lines will express to those patriotic ladies the heart's emotions of one of "Stonewall Jackson's foot cavalry." Also Gen. Gordon was my major, lieutenant-colonel and colonel successively, and was my corp commander at Appomattox. He took personal care of me and corresponded with my mother regarding my welfare.

A. D. WALLACE,
Rosebud, Texas.

"DIXIE."

The shadows long are falling,
The sun is sinking low
For those who loved Dixie
In the happy days ago
Who gave their hearts to Dixie
As a lover to a bride
And bowed their heads in sorrow
When she was crucified
And bowed again with years of toil,
But not remorse or shame,
They yet will dream of her, their love,
Her glory and her fame.
Will dream of her, the beautiful,
The daughter of the sun,
The fairest region of the earth
That beamed his light upon
Few sons are they still left to mourn
The glory that is gone,
To hang their harps on willows o'er
The stream of Babylon
But, when the warning trump shall sound
The last grand reveille,
They'll sing their poems to Dixie land
The southern jubilee.

Though led in captain's chains to grace
The victor's chariot wheel,
And bade to give to word the song
Their hearts can never feel.
The song of praise to valiant hero
That swept athwart their land,
And marked the path like feudal lord
With cruel blade and brand.
Still trusting hearts they have for Him,
Their Father and their God,
Whose wisdom gave the stern decree,
"Pass ye beneath the rod."
'Twas Heaven's will—they knew not why,
Enough for them to know
That Love Divine deals every stroke
And blesses every blow.
And as the cycles mark their flight
Adown the course of time,
Still lives and leans their faith on Him,
Enduring and sublime;
That not in vain for Dixie's cause
Her sons in harness died,
Or suffered all the Northman's rage
Of insolence and pride.
Her sons will live and joy to see
Her cause, her honor justified.

So Sweet and Pleasing in Tastel

Mrs. C. Peterson, 625 Lake St., Topeka, Kan., speaking of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, says: "It has never failed to give entire satisfaction, and of all cough remedies, it is my favorite, and I must confess to my many friends that it will do, and has done, what is claimed for it—to speedily cure a cough or a cold; and it is so sweet and so pleasing in taste." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottle at Smith & French Drug Co's.

Subjects of Thought.

From the Rusk County News.

We may pray for anything not wrong in itself with perfect freedom if we do pray selfishly. But the answer to the prayer may be as it was to Paul, not the removal of the thorn, but instead a growing insight into its meaning and value.

It never was an easy thing to live a Christian life, and it never will be in this world. But a little thing like that don't stop us in every day affairs. Why should it stop us anywhere else?

The source of agreeableness or disagreeableness is in the thought life we lead. It is in thought that the social climate is made. Think pleasantly and you will act pleasantly.

And never pretend that thou hast a heart to pray while thou hast no heart to give, since he that serves mammon with his estate cannot possibly serve God with his heart.

Your destiny will not depend on any chance of the moment; you are fixing it yourself in your choices and acts, in your habits and life.

Young man, the world may possibly think less of you than you do of yourself, but it certainly won't think more.

The men called great who have risen to distinction are not always men of brains, they are men of aptitude.

All the acts of a man inscribe themselves in the memories of his fellows, and in his own manners and face.

Our business undoubtedly is not to see what is dimly at a distance, but to do what lies clearly at hand.

If you would hit the target, aim a little above it. Every arrow that flies feels the attraction of earth.

Better throw a stream on the smoke of your imaginations than wait for the flame of a sinful deed.

Health is the second blessing that we mortals are capable of; a blessing that money cannot buy.

It is better to sacrifice one's love of sarcasm than to indulge it at the expense of a friend.

He alone is an acute observer who can observe minutely without being observed.

If things have gone against us there is still room to rejoice that it was not worse.

To forgive a fault in another is more sublime than to be faultless oneself.

Those who make the worst use of their time most complain of its shortness.

Selfishness is poverty; it is the most utter destitution of a human being.

Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon George Lester, and the unknown heirs of George Lester, deceased, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said Third Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Crockett, on the first Monday in March, 1904, the same being the seventh day of March, 1904, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 12th day of January, 1904, in a suit, numbered on the Docket of said Court No. 4844, wherein B. B. Warfield and C. C. Warfield are Plaintiffs, and Martha J. Marsh, Thad Marsh, and Martha Marsh, Minter Allen and husband, Dave Allen, Cory Grounds and husband, Bill Grounds, Fannie Calhoun and husband, Charlie Calhoun, Robert Marsh, the unknown heirs of W. F. Richardson, the unknown heirs of Daniel Daily and the unknown heirs of J. E. Marsh are Defendants, and said petition alleging that Plaintiffs are the owners in fee simple of the following described tract of land, to-wit: Situated in Houston County, Texas, and known as the George Lester 320 acre survey. Beginning at the S. E. corner of R. M. Bridges survey, whence a P. O. brs. E. 3.8 vrs., a P. O. mkl. B. M. brs. S. 77 E. 7 vrs. Thence S. 30 w. at 1344 vrs., stake whence a hickory brs. S. 37 w. 6.5 vrs., a R. O. brs. S. 3 w. 9.3 vrs., mkl. G. L. Thence N. 60 w. at creek, course N. E. 60 at 1344 vrs., stake whence a R. O. mkl. G. L. brs. N. 37 E. 10 vrs., a R. O. brs. N. 25 w. 10 vrs. Thence N. 30 E. at 1344 vrs. to said Bridges S. W. corner, a stake whence a P. O. mkl. B. M. brs. N. 15 w. 5.5 vrs., a dog wood brs. N. 15 E. 6.2 vrs. Thence S. 60 E. at 1344 vrs. to the place of beginning, containing 320 acres. That Plaintiffs are now in possession of above described tract of land, and they and those under whom they claim, have been in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of same, using, cultivating and enjoying the same for more than five years continuously before the filing of this suit, under duly recorded deeds and paying taxes on same during said period. That Plaintiffs own same as follows: Deed from Unknown Owners by J. R. Sheridan, Tax Collector of Houston County, Texas, to R. M. Atkinson, J. W. Hail and Madden & Lipscomb, dated April 3, 1894; deed from A. D. Lipscomb to W. H. Denny dated March 4, 1901, conveying grantors' interest in said land; deed from J. W. Madden to J. W. Hail, dated Jan. 1, 1902, conveying grantors' interest in said land; and by judgment dated April 16, 1901, in cause No. 4882 in the District Court of said Houston County, entitled the State of Texas vs. Unknown Owners et. al., (J. W. Hail et. al. Interveners). That Defendants have some claim on said land which is a cloud on Plaintiffs title. Wherefore Plaintiffs pray for judgment forever quieting their title and removing all cloud therefrom and for general and special relief.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

witness, J. B. Stanton, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, this 12th day of January, 1904.

J. B. STANTON,
Clerk, District Court, Houston Co.

A Favorite Remedy for Babies.

Its pleasant taste and prompt cures have made Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a favorite with the mothers of small children. It quickly cures their coughs and colds and prevents any danger of pneumonia or other serious consequences. It not only cures croup, but when given as soon as the croupy cough appears prevent the attack. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

One advantage of being rich is not having to appear so.

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MEXICAN INDIAN MAIDENS.

They Take the Initiative in Love Affairs and Do the Courting.

The custom of Mexico requires the Indian girl to do all the courting. She is just as bashful as the young swain whom she wishes to fascinate, but she has to take the initiative in love affairs. The young people meet only at the feasts, and after she has got mildly under the influence of the native beer that is liberally consumed by all she tries to attract his attention by dancing before him in a clumsy way up and down on the same spot. But so bashful is she that she persistently keeps her back turned toward him. She may also sit down near him and pull his blanket and sing to him in a gentle, low voice a simple love song, such as "Beautiful man to be sure." If occasion requires, the parents of the girl may say to the parents of the boy, "Our daughter wants to marry your son." Then they send the girl to the boy's home that the young people may become acquainted. For two or three days perhaps they do not speak to each other, but finally she playfully begins to throw pebbles at him. If he does not return them she understands that he does not care for her. If he throws them back at her she knows that she has won him. She lets her blanket drop and runs off into the woods, and he is not long in following her.—Carl Lumholtz in "Unknown Mexico."

Change of Air.

The usual miraculous benefits which are associated with change of air in the popular belief are in reality derived when they occur from change of environment, qua change of habits of life. In a great many instances the measure of benefit obtainable would be as effectually secured, and at much less expense, by more change of habits, without the fatigue and inconvenience of change of domicile. The overworked city clerk might advantageously take to driving a cab, while the cabman would find it a relief to discharge for a time the functions of caretaker of a deserted house. Many an overworked physician would experience a distinct improvement were he to qualify as chauffeur, with no other object in view than to cover space, and there are few domestic servants whose health would not be sensibly modified by a brief experience as milkmaid or glazier should the season lend itself to that pursuit. The "literary gent," whose brain is sterile of new ideas, might recuperate his energies by usurping the role of a sick man and remaining in bed for a week or two.—Medical Review.

A Spider and a King.

On the ceiling of one of the rooms in Sans Souci, the world renowned palace of Frederick the Great in Prussia, is the painting of a huge spider with its web. The reason for this odd decoration is that one morning just as the king was about to drink his usual morning chocolate in this room he turned aside for something, and when a moment later, he took up the cup he noticed a small spider had fallen into it. Immediately upon giving an order for a fresh cup a pistol report was heard, and it was discovered that the cook had shot himself. The reason for this, it was later found out, was that he had poisoned the chocolate, and of course when a fresh cup was ordered he supposed his treachery had been discovered. It was in remembrance of this narrow escape that Frederick ordered a spider's web to be painted on the ceiling.

A Consoled Widow.

"Yes," said Coyote Jim, "we did make a mistake once, stranger, but we squared it up all right."
"How was that?" asked the tenderfoot.
"One day a feller come through town," explained the native, "riding two ways for sundown, an' somebody yelled he was a boss thief. In course we rounded him up an' strung him afore we found he'd only stole a clotheshorse from his wife to trade for hicker. But we held a meetin' right after, an' the widder got our washin' for the next year, so she never lost nothin' by it, an' she got her clotheshorse back too!"—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Not Less Devoted.

"You used to sing 'Every Morn I Send You Violets' before we were married," said Mrs. Brimkin with a sigh.
"Yes," answered Mr. Brimkin, "but my devotion has taken a more practical form. Every month I pay the treat bill."—Washington Star.

Consoling.

He—Darling, I have lost my position. She—Never mind, dear. Think how small your salary was.—Town and Country.

A Secret Society.

Mabel—A lot of us girls have established a secret society, Jack.
Jack—What are the objects of it?
Mabel—Why, we meet together and tell secrets, of course.

Funny Comparisons.

Tom—My father's so tall he can look over the garden wall.
Dick—So my father—with his hat

Jacob's Ladder.

Among long staircases the world over none, it is safe to say, is so long or difficult of ascent as "Jacob's ladder." This remarkable flight contains more than 700 steps, all rising with the same lift in the same direction. The steps rise at an angle of exactly forty-five degrees.

"Jacob's ladder" ascends a particularly steep hill at St. Helena. The steps are naturally the most direct route to the summit of the hill and despite their great length are traversed daily by hundreds of wayfarers. There are said to be many persons who from long practice are able to ascend the steep stairway at a rapid pace without once stopping for breath.

The Most Costly Hair.

Every year, two or three days after the fete of St. John, a market of human hair is held at Limoges. Girls, matrons and old women from the country around bargain to obtain the best price for their tresses, which are shorn off in the market place. White hair always fetches the highest price, because the color cannot be produced with dyes. It is often worth \$25 per pound. Gray hair comes next in market value, then flaxen colored, golden auburn, light and dark brown, in that order. The cheapest is black hair.

Those Boston Parrots.

Stranger—I would like to have a tooth pulled.

Dentist—A man who would like to have a tooth pulled must be a lunatic. Guess you'd better go to the nearest asylum.—Boston Transcript.

The worst feeling in the world is the homesickness that comes over one occasionally when he is at home.—Atchison Globe.

Inflammatory Rheumatism Cured.

William Shaffer, a brakeman of Dennison, Ohio, was confined to his bed for several weeks with inflammatory rheumatism. "I used many remedies," he says. "Finally I sent to McCaw's drug store for a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, at which time I was unable to use hand or foot, and in one week's time was able to go to work as happy as a clam." For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

Charges Against Printing Firms.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 26.—Complaint has been made to the state authorities that a St. Louis printing concern and two of the larger printing houses of Texas have formed a combine or trust for printing the necessary election blanks for each county in Texas, and that they have raised the prices for the work to an exorbitant degree. In many counties the cost of printing the necessary blanks runs as high as \$2000. An investigation of the matter will be made in the interest of the small local printers throughout the state.

Cures Sciatic Rheumatism.

Mrs. A. E. Simpson, 509 Craig St., Knoxville, Tenn., writes, June 10th, 1899: "I have been trying the baths of Hot Springs, Ark., for sciatic rheumatism, but I get more relief from Ballard's Snow Liniment than any medicine or anything I have ever tried. Enclosed find postoffice order for \$1.00. Send me a large bottle by Southern Express." Sold by Smith and French Drug Co.

Children's Coughs and Colds.

Mrs. Joe McGrath, 327 E. 1st St., Hutchinson, Kan., writes: "I have given Ballard's Horehound Syrup to my children for coughs and colds for the past four years, and find it the best medicine I ever used." Unlike many cough syrups, it contains no opium, but will soothe and heal any disease of the throat or lungs quicker than any other remedy." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at Smith & French Drug Co's.

Half the world lives and is happy by means of illusions.

Proper Treatment of Pneumonia.

Pneumonia is too dangerous a disease for anyone to attempt to doctor himself, although he may have the proper remedies at hand. A physician should always be called. It should be borne in mind, however, that pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of the grip, and that by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the threatened attack of pneumonia may be warded off. This remedy is also used by physicians in the treatment of pneumonia

with the best results. Dr. W. J. Smith, of Sanders, Ala., who is also a druggist, says of it: "I have been selling Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and prescribing it in my practice for the past six years. I use it in cases of pneumonia and have always gotten the best results." Sold by B. F. Chamberlain.

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Witness, J. B. Stanton, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

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St. Louis 1904

World's Fair News FROM HEADQUARTERS.

St. Louis 1904

ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT

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He Got Wise.
Mrs. Hayrick—Reuben, I wish you'd git baby a rubber ring to cut his teeth on.
Mr. Hayrick—Give him that gold brick on ther parlor mantel. I cut my teeth on it, al right.

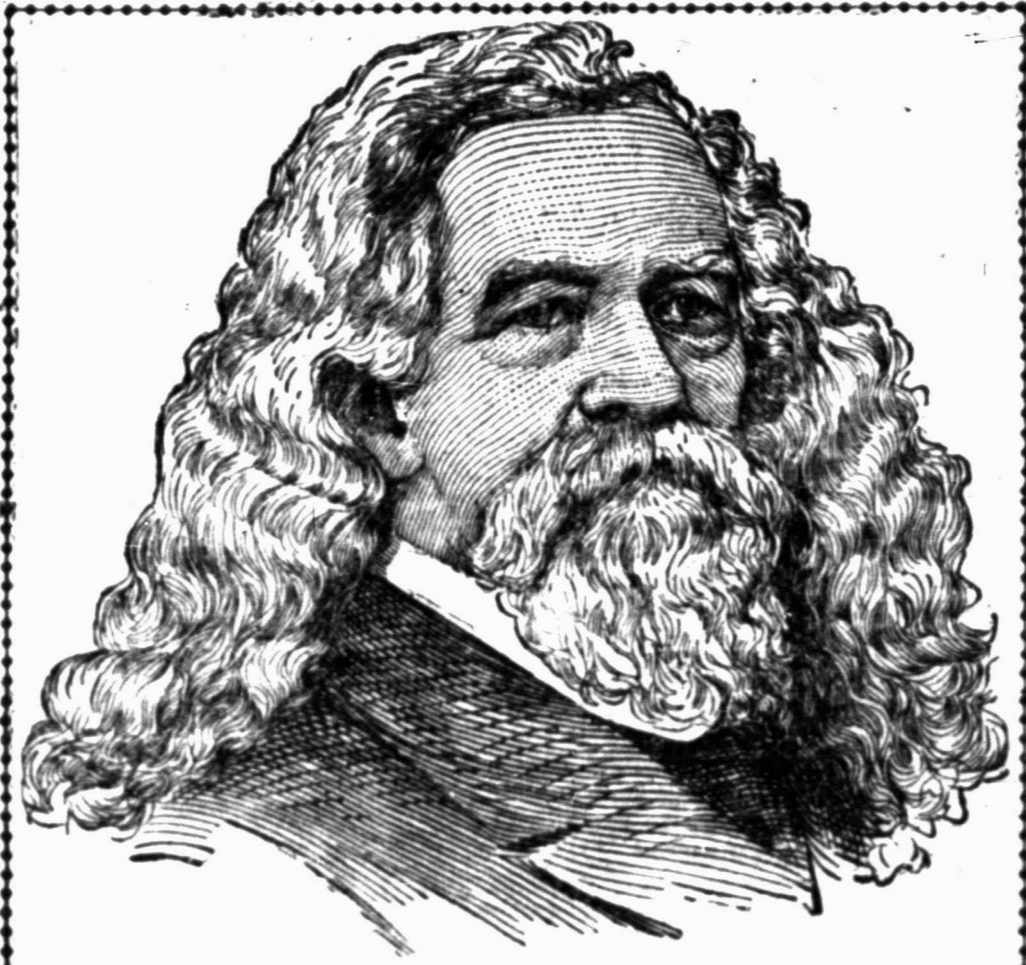
Well Acquainted with Greek.
Miss Kulcher—Of course, Mr. Freschmann, you are quite familiar with Greek.
Mr. Freschmann—Oh, yes, indeed. I know Greek the minute I see it, the letters are so funny looking, you know.

Couldn't Be Both.
"He's an egotist of the worst kind," said the first actor, speaking of another, "he's determined to be different from every one else in his profession."
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Juvenile Theory.
"Can any one tell me," queries the teacher of the primary class, "what causes the saltiness of the ocean?"
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—Isaac Brock.

Pe-ru-na Used in the Family for Years.

Mrs. E. West, 137 Main Street, Menasha, Wis., writes: We have used Peruna in our family for a number of years and when I say that it is a fine medicine for catarrh and colds, I know what I am talking about. I have taken it every spring and fall for four years and I find that it keeps me robust, strong, with splendid appetite, and free from any illness. A few years ago it cured me of catarrh of the stomach, which the doctors had pronounced incurable. I am very much pleased with Peruna.
—Mrs. E. West.

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In a later letter she says: "I am only too thankful to you for your kind advice and for the good health that I am enjoying wholly from the use of your Peruna. Have been out to the Yellow Stone National Park and many other places of the west, and shall always thank you for your generosity."—Mrs. F. E. Little.

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Rev. J. N. Parker, Utica, N. Y., writes: "In June, 1901, I lost my sense of hearing entirely. My hearing had been somewhat impaired for several years, but not so much affected but that I could hold converse with my friends; but in June, 1901, my sense of hearing left me so that I could hear no sound whatever. I was also troubled with severe rheumatic pains in my limbs. I commenced taking Peruna and now my hearing is restored as good as it was prior to June, 1901. My rheumatic pains are all gone. I cannot speak too highly of Peruna, and now when eighty-eight years old can say it has invigorated my whole system."—Rev. J. N. Parker.

Mr. W. B. Schnader, of Terre Hill, Pa., writes: "I got sick every winter, and had a spell of cold in February, 1899, I could not do anything for almost two months. In December, 1899, I saw one of your books about your remedies. Then I wrote to Dr. Hartman for advice, and he wrote that I should commence the use of Peruna, and how to take care of myself.

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EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Green bugs are reported in wheat fields near Midlothian.

The Windsor Hotel annex at Abilene was burned at a loss of about \$3500.

High Japanese officials have started to the United States and England for the purpose of negotiating war loans.

M. Buncue-Varilla, the Minister from Panama, has cabled his resignation as such to the president of the Republic.

Among those on board the Korea which was seized by the Japanese at Nagasaki, is Bishop Hendrick of Rochester, N. Y.

The new Batson Prairie oil field is going through the broil of litigation over titles peculiar to the development of all Texas oil lands.

While the ticket agent was absent from his office a few minutes at the Jefferson station one day last week, some one tapped his till for about \$50.

The annual revenue from the real and personal estates of the French Nation is \$38.60 per capita or \$154.40 per family, which for France is estimated at four persons.

The Pintsch Gas Company's plant at Texarkana was damaged by fire to the extent of \$2000 Friday morning. This is the plant which supplies all railway trains at that point.

The postoffice at Reisor Station, ten miles southwest of Shreveport, La., was broken into and \$15 worth of postage stamps stolen. A quantity of canned goods were taken from the store of M. W. Reisor, postmaster.

Louisiana has passed a quarantine law prohibiting the transmission into or through that state any cotton seed or seed cotton from a weevil infested section of Mexico or Texas, and attaches penalties for violation.

J. T. Furley has reported to the Southwestern Mining Association of El Paso that he had struck an eighteen-foot vein of coal at a depth of 240 feet while boring a well on his ranch twenty miles north of Fort Hancock.

Practically all food-stuffs except eggs have reached extremely high prices in New York, owing to unfavorable weather. Fish, clams, oysters and lobsters are most affected. Oysters never have been so scarce. Lobsters, which have been growing scarcer for years, are now hardly obtainable.

The World's record for individual bowling has been broken by Homer Elliott of Denver. In the state tournament now on he rolled 712. The previous record was made at Indianapolis about a year ago, when 676 was scored.

Secretary Hay and Minister Bunau-Varilla at 10:30 Friday forenoon, exchanged ratifications of the Panama canal treaty at the state department.

Gen. Charles Dick, of Akron, will be elected to succeed the late M. A. Hanna as United States Senator from Ohio.

Mrs. Adeline Lambright of McCloud, O. T., aged fifty-eight years, died of pneumonia at McKinney while on a visit to her sister, Mrs. W. M. Glenn.

Mr. Bryan spent a couple of hours in conference with Mayor McClellan of New York, the other day and did not discuss politics during the time, so he says.

James Warden, aged 102 years, supposed to be the oldest expounder of Methodism in the world, is dead in the Baltimore county almshouse. He was born in England and was licensed to preach in 1824.

Charles Larroussic, chancellor of the French Legation at City of Mexico, who is alleged to have embezzled \$2000 legation funds and \$6000 money of Minister Blondel, has been arrested at Salina Cruz and will be returned to face his accusers.

The treaty of arbitration between France and Spain had been signed. The terms are identical with the recent arbitration treaties concluded between France and Great Britain and Italy and Great Britain.

At Park, a village five miles west of Texarkana, Tom Goodwin, a young man, was shot through the left shoulder and seriously, though not fatally, wounded. Jim Wylie, another young man, was later arrested charged with the shooting.

A FURIOUS FIGHT AT PORT ARTHUR.

Fifteen Japanese Battleships Open Bombardment. Russian Cruisers Damaged.

Yen Kow, March 1.—Fifteen Japanese warships appeared at Port Arthur at 10 o'clock yesterday morning and opened a furious bombardment. The cruisers Novik, Askold and Bayan, with four torpedo boats, steamed out to meet the attack, but were forced to retire.

The Askold was in a sinking condition and the Novik badly damaged. A torpedo boat was sunk and the Retvizan was again damaged.

The bombardment lasted two hours and the Japanese fleet then withdrew in perfect order. Some Russian artillery has proceeded to Pigeon Bay.

Assault on All Sides. Chee Foo, March 1.—Insistent reports are heard that the Japanese have begun a general movement by land and by sea on the Russian position at Port Arthur. A terrific northeasterly storm, with snow, has been raging here since yesterday and shows no abatement. According to Japanese information, the stormy weather has delayed the plans for the investment of the Russian fortifications, for it has been impossible successfully to maneuver small war craft and landing rafts in the heavy seas.

The bays on all sides of Port Arthur were contacted by the Russians, but it is understood the Japanese have ingeniously deranged all these mines except in the immediate vicinity of Port Arthur by floating over the mined spots deeply stone laden barges at the ends of long hawsers, allowing the wind and tide to

swing them over the submarines, which exploded harmlessly.

Preparing for a Siege. Tokio, March 1.—Advices reach the government from China to the effect that the Russians in Port Arthur are distributing rations sparingly, as though a siege were in progress. It is said that the garrison authorities do not doubt that the Japanese will shortly be upon them, and that the support they would naturally expect from Russia may be fatally delayed. It is said that Gen. Stoessel, the commandant of the garrison, is taking the most rigorous measures to bring about order among her soldiers, whose indulgence in drunkenness, pillage and outrage has seriously impaired their military efficiency.

Orders to Japanese Fleet. Liao Yang, March 1.—Foreigners living at Yin Kow say the Japanese fleet has received orders to attack and capture Port Arthur by March 1 at all costs.

A Russian Threat. St. Petersburg, March 1.—If any attempt is made to lay a cable from the island of Guam during the continuance of hostilities it will be regarded as a contraband of war under the proclamation promulgated yesterday. A pointed out to the correspondent, he proclaimed is specific on this question and it is not believed here that the United States will undertake or authorize such a cable now, as it would constitute a breach of neutrality, according to the Russian view.

FIGHT WITH MOROS.

All Killed or Captured—Refused to Surrender.

Washington, March 1.—Gen. Wade in a cablegram to the war department, dated Manila, Sunday, advises the department of the report of Gen. Wood concerning an engagement at Kolo on the 14th inst., with with the remnant of Hassan's Cotta Moros. The American expedition was in charge of Maj. Hugh L. Scott. During the fight, Gen. Wood states, firing was twice stopped to give the Moros a chance to surrender, but they refused. The remainder, he adds, with the exception of Hassan, is either dead or captured, and Hassan is located.

Second Lieut. Eugene West, First Battery Field Artillery, was seriously wounded in the thigh. In addition to Lieut. West the following also were wounded: Hurlburt, Troop I, Fourteenth Cavalry, right side; Hinderer, Troop I, Fourteenth Cavalry, shoulder; White, Eighteenth Battery Field Artillery, right knee; Callaway, Troop M, Fourteenth Cavalry, right arm; Cox, Eighteenth Battery, Field Artillery, shoulder; Hanigan, Troop K, Fourteenth Cavalry, thigh; slight.

Friendly Dattos, Gen. Wade states, assisted the troops in the attack.

Report From Manila.

Manila, March 1.—Gen. Wood reported, under date of Feb. 15, an engagement with the datto under Hassan of Jolo. Lieut. West and six privates were wounded. One has since died. The Moro loss was heavy. Hassan succeeded in making his escape. His original force of 3,000 has now been reduced to fifteen. The island is now under control of the American authorities, and influential Moros are aiding in the pursuit of the outlaws. The members of constabulary who revolted at Vigan are all in custody. The arms and ammunition taken by them have been recovered and the troops have returned to their station.

Land Scheme at Brownsville.

Brownsville, Texas: A syndicate of Brownsville and outside capitalists has just closed a deal for 2,600 acres of land within and adjoining this city. This land will be divided into town lots and small tracks for truck farming, etc., and placed upon the market. It is expected that this will help materially in rebuilding the town.

Suffered Relapse.

Chicago: President William R. Harper of the University of Chicago has suffered a relapse of his recent attack of appendicitis and again is under the closest attention of his physicians. His exact condition is not known to other than his personal friends and members of his family.



The King of Korea. Abe Mulkey at Alice, Texas. Abe Mulkey is leading a revival, promoting at Alice of the old-time religion. At the sunrise meeting strong men fall on their knees calling on God for mercy, and at all the services the spirit of God is with the people. All the business houses in town close every morning for the 10 o'clock services, Mexican merchants most cheerfully joining the movement.

Chinese Movement.

New York: A special from Tien Tsin says: The military movement toward the Manchurian border has begun. Five thousand Chinese cavalry left this place Tuesday destined for Shan Hai Kwan, on the boundary line between Chihl province and Manchuria, at the sea end of the great wall.

Katy Ticket Office Robbed.

Muskogee, I. T.: Sunday night at a late hour some one entered the Katy ticket office by prying open a window, robbing the cash drawer to the amount of \$68. No clew as to the culprit's identity has been discovered.

Col. Roblee Killed.

El Paso, Texas: Col. R. M. Roblee, formerly of New York, was thrown from his buggy here Wednesday and killed. An automobile caused the horse to take fright. Col. Roblee was prominent as a mining man.

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Gentlemen:—I have been engaged in the practice of medicine in this section for ten years. This is a very sickly climate, on the Bayou Bartholomew, near the Arkansas River. It is particularly malarious and miasmatic; we meet with many and various abnormal conditions of the human family, prominent among the cases in which I have been called upon to prescribe is kidney disease. Many of these disorders manifest themselves by pains in the back, often extending to other parts of the body; sometimes headache is present, caused by uramic or chronic uric acid poisoning, soreness in region of kidneys, cloudy, thickened and foul-smelling urine, discharges of pus or corruption; inflammation of the kidneys, extending to the bladder, is caused by excess of uric acid and decomposition of the urine. Hemorrhage is sometimes met with, caused by high state of inflammation or congestion.

There is no class of diseases a doctor is called oftener to treat than the variety of kidney diseases, in many of which the patient will have chills or rigors, followed by fever, a result of the kidneys failing to eliminate the uric acid poison from the system. Such cases require the kidneys restored to their natural functions, then the poison and foreign substances are removed—shock to the nervous system averted, and natural health restored.

I have, for some time, been using Doan's Kidney Pills in these many manifestations and with uniform success, curing most cases. I can further say that even in hopeless cases where they have waited too long, Doan's Kidney Pills afford much relief and prolong life. I can recommend the pills in conditions of excessive or deficient secretion of urine, as also in convalescence from swamp-fever and malarial attacks, as verified by the following cases in my practice.

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CASE 2. MRS. SMITH, Tarry, Ark., age 20, mother of four children. Had female complaint and kidney trouble, manifested by pain in back and urine irregular, sometimes very clear, changing to cloudy, and with much sediment on standing in chamber. Gave local treatment for female complaint and prescribed Doan's Pills, after using six boxes she regards herself as cured.
CASE 3. BERT PARK WINNIE, Ark., age 21. Had severe case of malarial hematoma or swamp fever. Gave necessary liver medicine calomel and padoph, and morph sulph, to relieve pain and ordered Doan's Pills for the high state of congestion and inflammation of the kidneys. Recovery resulted in two weeks. Prescribed Doan's Kidney Pills to be continued until the kidneys were thoroughly strengthened and all pain in back subsided.
CASE 4. ELLIEN FELLIOTT, Tarry, Ark., age 34. Pain in back and legs and headache. Uric acid poisoning. Prescribed Doan's Kidney Pills. After taking several boxes pain subsided—urine became normal, or natural, and patient able to resume his work.

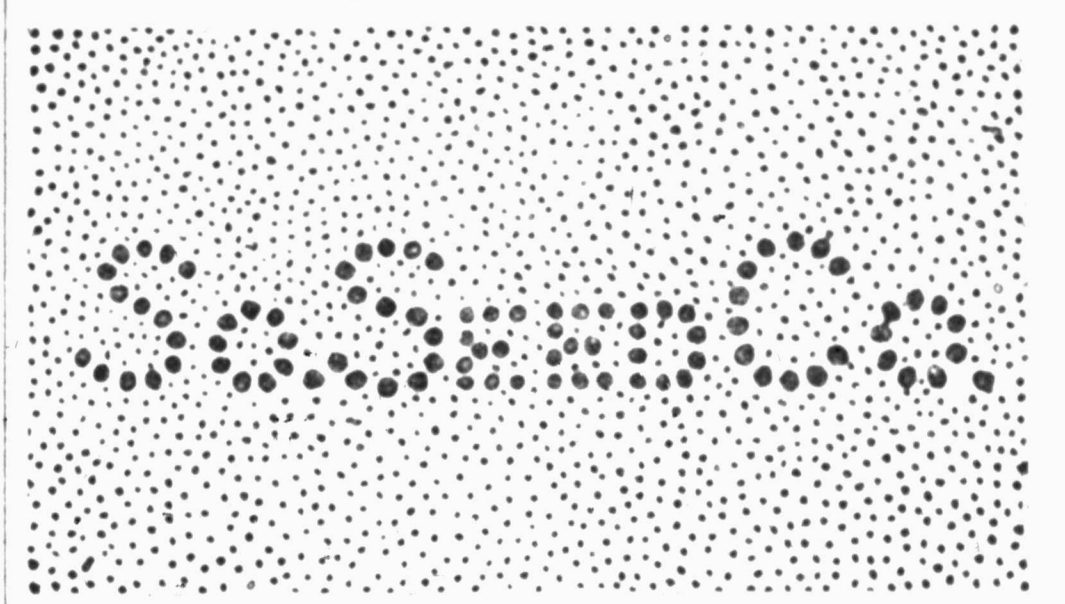
These are a few of the typical cases in which I have used Doan's Kidney Pills. In a great many instances I use them alone with curative results, while with some others indicated remedies are associated.

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VALUABLE PRIZES FOR THE FIRST CORRECT OR NEAREST CORRECT ANSWERS.

WE WILL GIVE ABSOLUTELY FREE To the one who sends the first correct number of dots an Automobile, or Matched Driving Team, Harness and Carriage, or a Matched Work Team, Harness and Wagon, worth \$200. To the second correct or nearest answer, an Upright Piano, or 40 acre Farm worth \$400. To the third correct or nearest answer, a 20 acre Farm worth \$200. To the fourth \$100. To the fifth \$50.00. To the sixth Sewing Machine worth \$10.00. Seventh, Gold Watch worth \$15.00. Eighth, \$25.00. Ninth, Double Barrel Shotgun worth \$5.00. Tenth, \$25.00. Eleventh, \$15.00. Twelfth, \$10.00. To the next ten correct answers, \$5.00 each. C. O. D. Next one hundred, \$2.00 each. Next fifty five, \$1.00 each. A GRAND TOTAL OF \$2,000.

We Want to Build Up the Largest Seed Business in the South.

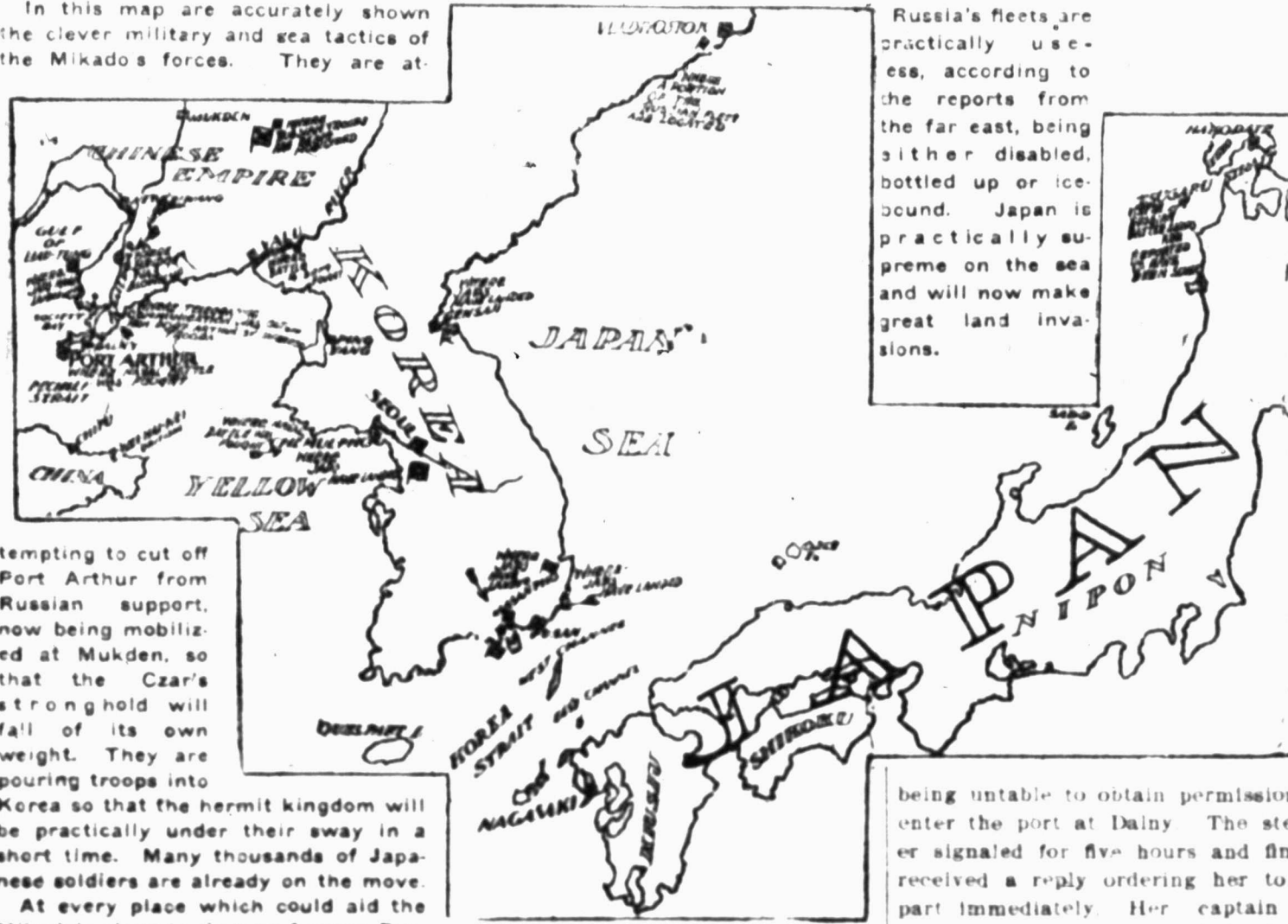
As an inducement to you to use our seeds, we make this liberal offer. Take a little time and count the dots and send us your order for seed. If we can induce you to send us a trial order, we know that you will remain our customer. We sell only the best seeds and we guarantee satisfaction. A satisfied customer in your town means that you will recommend our seeds to many more and thus we will build up a large business. This \$2.00 means much to you, but it means much more to us if you are a satisfied customer. After you have tested our seed and find them all we claim for them, you will send us your future orders and tell your neighbors about them. They will send us their orders, and we will gain thousands of new customers. You can readily see what this will mean for us—just what we are striving for—the largest business in the South, and to gain this end, we can well afford to give away the valuable prizes mentioned above. Now is the time to begin planting your gardens. You must have seed to plant. Why not spend a few moments counting the dots, get the best seed that money can buy for less than you can buy them from your retailer, and in addition, get one of those valuable prizes free. Somebody will win them. Why not you? In order to give our customers at a distance an equal showing with the ones nearer to us, we are going to enter estimates from the date and time of postmark at mailing office. This gives everyone an equal chance. Read your guesses in early and get one of the first prizes. Write your guesses as below for the amount of seed you want. Send postoffice or express money order or registered letter. On orders of 50 cents and above, you may deduct the fee for money order. Conditions for contest: An order for a 25 cent assortment of our Garden Seed will entitle you to one count. A 50 cent order to three counts. A \$1.00 order to eight counts. Each assortment will contain more good seed than you can buy elsewhere for double the money.

Southern Seed Company, Lumberton, Miss. I enclose \$..... for..... assortment of your garden seed and..... counts. My counts are 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7..... 8..... 9..... 10..... 11..... 12..... Name..... Do not send stamps. Address..... This contest closes April 30. No one connected with this paper will be allowed to enter contest.

The Russian government will establish Only 20 per cent of Italian and 4 per cent of the Greek immigrants are to be in Persia.

General News Summary.

In this map are accurately shown the clever military and sea tactics of the Mikado's forces. They are at-



tempting to cut off Port Arthur from Russian support, now being mobilized at Mukden, so that the Czar's stronghold will fall of its own weight. They are pouring troops into Korea so that the hermit kingdom will be practically under their sway in a short time. Many thousands of Japanese soldiers are already on the move.

At every place which could aid the Mikado's plans to destroy forever Russia's influence in the far east land forces have been landed by the Japanese and are ready to battle.

Russia's fleets are practically useless, according to the reports from the far east, being either disabled, bottled up or ice-bound. Japan is practically supreme on the sea and will now make great land invasions.

WAR NEWS.

London, Feb. 26.—War correspondents and Europeans in Japan, commenting in amazement on the success of Japanese officials in preserving secrecy regarding all the operations of war, declare this "conspiracy of silence" is not confined to government and service circles, but that it extends to every section of the community. All classes of people are submitting with marvellous patience to being deprived of news, which harshly they recognize as imperative to the success of the cause. It is undoubtedly in pursuance of this policy that no Japanese account of the Port Arthur attacks has yet been published, and none is expected till Admiral Togo has completed his designs there.

In the meantime if the report from Yin Kow of a Japanese landing near Vladivostok should prove correct, a most important and new development in the Japanese operations will have been revealed, as it points to an attack on Vladivostok, from which Possiet Bay is only a little over seventy miles distant. The report that the railroad has been cut between Harbin and Vladivostok may possibly connect with these operations, but until more reliable information is forthcoming, this report must be received with reserve.

It has already been reported from Tokio that certain Russian forces were concentrating on Possiet Bay.

Almost all the English newspapers in discussing Viceroy Alexieff's reports, incline to the belief that Admiral Togo succeeded in so far as to make the channel impassable for large battleships, even if it is still free to smaller craft, and presume that the report of a second attack, if it did occur, was devoted to an attempt to sink further obstacles to navigation.

The Morning Post yesterday devoted a long editorial article to the historical record of the rapid growth of American activity in Far Eastern affairs, comparing the present attitude of the United States with her passive interest in the China-Japanese war. The paper remarks on the notable pro-Japanese feeling in the United States, and contends that American friendship for the empire of Russia was always artificial. Admiral Dewey's guns, the paper says, literally shattered the superstition that Russia was the appointed friend and Great Britain the appointed enemy of the United States.

"We believe," the Morning Post concludes, "that the appearance of America in international affairs, and her unmistakable hostility to Russia, is destined to become epoch-making, if not epoch-making."

WORKING HOBSON'S GAME.

London, Feb. 25.—The correspondent of the Chronicle at Harbin says that information has been received here that the Japanese early yesterday morning made another attack on Port Arthur. They tried to repeat the splendid coup of Hobson, who, at the risk of his life, sunk the bulk of the Merrimac at the mouth of the harbor

of Santiago. The Japanese sent three merchant steamers into the channel of Port Arthur, with the object of blocking the Russian squadron. The battleship Retvizan, which was damaged at the first attack on Port Arthur, and since has remained on the rocks, fired on the aggressors and sunk them all at a distance from the channel.

Four Transports Were Sunk.

Chee Foo, Feb. 25.—The Japanese again attacked Port Arthur Tuesday night. The heavy firing was heard at this distance. During the engagement the Japanese attempted to land at Secoy Bay, but were repulsed. Four transports were sunk by the forts while trying to enter the channel. The engagement lasted nearly an hour, after which the Japanese retired. Their losses were four ships sunk.

A Chinese steamer, the first merchantman cleared from here for Dalny, was forced to return yesterday.

being unable to obtain permission to enter the port at Dalny. The steamer signaled for five hours and finally received a reply ordering her to depart immediately. Her captain reports that she sighted part of the Japanese fleet twenty-eight miles off Dalny.

Another Version of This Affair.

London, Feb. 25.—The correspondent of the Standard at St. Petersburg says:

"I am in a position to state that the Emperor has received a telegram from Viceroy Alexieff, stating that the Japanese Tuesday night sent four torpedo boats and some old steamers to Port Arthur, with the intention of sinking the latter in the fairway of the harbor, thus blocking the entrance. The Retvizan, the repairs to which have been nearly completed, opened fire on the flotilla, the forts followed suit, with the result that one Japanese torpedo boat was sunk, one ran aground and the two others were damaged. Wednesday morning two injured vessels were visible out at sea. Several torpedoes were found intact in the harbor and picked up by the Russians."

WAR NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

London, Feb. 27.—Strategists apparently are satisfied that the Japanese have landed at Possiet Bay, and that their object is either to attack Vladivostok or threaten Kirin. Harbin and the Russian communications generally. Military men in Berlin scout the report of a landing and point out that the garrison at Hunchin is reported to consist of two regiments, and that they would not have fled without firing a shot. Gen. Pflug's report that eleven Japanese warships had been seen off Vladivostok tends to strengthen the reported landing at Possiet Bay is a good harbor, but in winter it freezes for five miles from shore. It is fortified and formerly at least was an important military post. As high as 10,000 men have been kept there. During 1894, the year of the Japanese-Chinese war, the fortifications alone called for a good sized garrison. If the Japanese have landed there they must be credited with a daring bit of strategy.

Reports from both Tokio and St. Petersburg indicate that the Japanese failed in their attempt to close Port Arthur channel. Volunteer crews of merchant sailors were on the sacrificed steamers, it being found impossible to decide between the naval men who wished to share in the glory.

Solemn religious services, participated in by the czar and leading generals, show how deeply Russia has been affected by her reverses. A sacred ikon, venerated for centuries, will be sent to the front.

The time of Gen. Kuroptkin's departure for Manchuria is made doubtful by conflicting reports. He is said to have demanded that the army in the Far East be increased to 400,000 men.

Korea will aid Japan with 30,000 troops. Korean warriors do not rank very high as fighters.

JAPS GOING BACK.

They Have Been Ordered to Report at San Francisco.

San Antonio: Five Japanese, the vanguard of an extensive homeward movement of the Japanese from Mexico and the United States, reached this city Thursday en route to Japan.

They went from Fukushima to Mexico, where they have been working for the past six months. T. Shishido, the spokesman of the party, says that there are 3,000 Japanese on Mexican plantations, and that they have all been called to arms for the Japanese reserve.

Mr. Shishido says that the call has gone out through the Japanese consuls in Mexico, and that their instructions

are to report to the Japanese consul at San Francisco for transportation to Japan.

He says that perhaps three-fourths of the able-bodied Japanese in Mexico will return home for the war.

Anchored in Suez Gulf.

Suez: The Russian squadron from Jibuti is reported to be anchored in the Gulf of Suez, twenty-five miles south of Suez. The torpedo boat destroyer which had already entered the canal bound north, sailed south again to join the squadron.

Mine Cave-In.

Butte, Mont.: Five lives were lost by a cave-in of earth and rock in the Minnie Healy mine Thursday. The accident occurred on the sixth floor of the 1000-foot level.

Texas News

Of the Week

Postoffice Robbed.

Waco, Texas: Safe blowers got in their work at Ross, a little station on the Texas Central ten miles north of this city, Wednesday night. The store of S. B. Jones & Son was entered and the safe blown open. Forty dollars' worth of stamps were secured, but very little money. The Ross postoffice was located in the store, and besides the stamps a quantity of small change was taken. Sheriff Baker and deputies visited Ross Thursday, but were unable to secure any clue as to the men who did the work.

Increased Cotton Acreage.

Dayton, Texas: Farmers are quite busy plowing and planting. The high price of cotton has stimulated the farmers and an increased acreage will be planted. Charles Wilson received twenty-four sacks of cotton seed of an early variety from the agricultural department to be distributed to farmers around Dayton, and a specialty will be made of this seed to determining the question whether early maturing cotton will shut out boll weevils. A good rain a few days ago has put the ground in fine shape for farmers.

Robbed the Butchers.

Fort Worth, Texas: A daring hold-up occurred Wednesday morning about 5 o'clock under the Missouri avenue viaduct in the eastern part of the city. Wise and Tension, the proprietors of a butcher shop at 1535 Calhoun street, were the victims. They were on their way to their place of business and had about \$75 on their persons. They were held up by two masked men who used revolvers. One of the bandits held his weapon on the victims while the other relieved them of the money they had, which they were taking to their shop.

Wreck on Santa Fe.

Cleburne, Texas: A wreck occurred on the Dallas branch of the Santa Fe Thursday morning. A passenger train ran into freight which was stopped near Alvarado. The caboose was turned over and a car of cotton caught fire from the engine and was burned, as was the engine. The baggage car and passenger coaches were saved and none of the passengers seriously injured.

Electric Road.

Waco, Texas: Colonel James B. Baker of this city Thursday morning received a letter from a well known promoter proposing to build an electric road from Waco to Hillsboro and to connect with one there to go to Waxahachie and Dallas. Such a line would be a very fine one, and Colonel Baker and other capitalists will take the matter up and see what there is in the scheme.

A Farmer in Bankruptcy.

San Antonio, Texas: William N. Albrige, a farmer at Staples, Guadalupe, filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy Friday. Liabilities, secured, \$19,389.45; unsecured, \$1,759; bills which ought to be paid by other parties, \$1,145.90; assets, real estate not exempt, \$28,200; exempt, homestead and household goods, \$12,665.

Texarkana Pintsch Gas Works.

Texarkana, Texas: Fire broke out Friday morning in the Pintsch Gas Company's plant at Broad and Hazel streets and damaged the same to the extent of about \$2,000, covered by insurance. It is thought the company will be able to resume business within a week or ten days.

Perjury Charge in Jett Case.

Jackson, Ky.: The grand jury on Thursday returned indictments against B. F. French, attorney for Curtis Jett and Ed Callahan, former sheriff of Breathitt county, on the charge of subordination of perjury in the late Jett-White murder trials.

Eggtown Shipments.

Luling, Texas: David Gregg shipped via express Thursday 330 dozen eggs and Julius Meyers shipped via express the first part of this week 360 dozen eggs. These eggs are bringing fancy prices and are a great help to the farmers in this section.

Beeves Sold at Shiner.

Shiner, Texas: Charles Welhausen of this place sold to J. H. Fisher of Wheeler 100 fat beeves. They were shipped from here to Seguin. There are about 450 beeves on feed here.

The sea is said to be gradually eating away the French coast, having in the last five years swallowed up no less than 460 acres.

It's Everywhere.

The huts of the poor, the halls of the rich, Are neither exempt from some form of itch, Perhaps a distinction may be made in the name, But the rich and the poor must scratch just the same. O, why should the children of Adam endure, An affliction so dreadful, when Hunt's Cure does cure All forms of itching. Price 50. Guaranteed.

Tibet, "the roof of the world," is a tableland three times as large as France.

Moravian Barley and Spelts.

Two great cereals makes growing and fattening hogs and cattle possible in Dak., Mont., Idaho, Colo., yes, everywhere, and add to above Salzer's Billion Dollar Grass, Teosinte, which produces 80 tons of green fodder per acre, Salzer's Earliest Cane, Salzer's 60 Day Oats and a hundred of other rare farm seeds that he offers.

JUST CUT THIS OUT AND RETURN IT with 10c in stamps to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La. Cross, Wis., and get their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples. (W. N. U.)

Among the people of native stock in Massachusetts there are each year 12,000 more deaths than births.

The Effect of Sleeping in Cars.

Is the contracting of cold, which often results seriously to the lungs. Never neglect a cold, but take in time Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullein—nature's great cough medicine.

At druggists, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 a bottle.

Japan's area corresponds to that of California, and Korea's to that of Kansas.

It is not true that the Mediterranean is tideless. The springs on the east coast of Sicily rise fully four feet.

Profits in Pecan Raising.

Some of the finest pecans in the world are said to be raised in Florida, where the industry is becoming important. A long time—eleven years—is required for a pecan grove to come to maturity, so that it requires patience to wait for the profits, but there are records of single trees yielding as much as \$16 worth of nuts in a single season. In Jacksonville, twenty-six trees, lining an avenue, yielded 800 pounds of nuts that sold for \$60 in cash. And at the same time the trees adorned the avenue and added greatly to its attractiveness.

In Another Tangle.

"By Jove, old chap!" said Mr. Makin-brakes with enthusiasm, "your wife must have been a mighty handsome woman when she was young. Even in all these years she hasn't changed so much—though, of course, it couldn't have been many years since she was young and hand—but when you come to think how little it takes to make some people look old, you know, you wonder how she manages to conceal the ravages—that isn't exactly what I mean, but she's the youngest looking woman for her—for her—have you got a match? My cigar has gone out."—Chicago Tribune.

The oldest bank note in the British Museum. It was printed in China in 1368, ninety-two years before the birth of Guttenberg, the reputed inventor of printing.

DOCTOR'S COFFEE

And His Daughter Matched Him.

Coffee drinking troubled the family of a physician of Grafton, W. Va., who describes the situation briefly:

"Having suffered quite a while from vertigo, palpitation of the heart and many other derangements of the nervous system and finding no relief from usual methods of treatment, I thought to see how much there was in the Postum argument against coffee.

"So I resorted to Postum, cutting off the coffee and to my surprise and satisfaction have found entire relief from all my sufferings, proving conclusively the beneficial effect of coffee and the way to be rid of it.

"I have found Postum completely takes the place of coffee both in flavor and in taste. It is becoming more popular every day with many of our people and is having great demand here.

"My daughter, Mrs. Long, has been a sufferer for a long time from attacks of acute indigestion. By the dismissal of coffee and using Postum in its place she has obtained complete relief.

"I have also heard from many others who have used your Postum very favorable accounts of its good effects.

"I prescribe Postum in place of coffee in a great many cases and I believe that upon its merits Postum will come into general use." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look for the famous little book "The Road to Wellville," in each package.

An argument isn't always worth the time it takes to convince your opponent.

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.

Engine drivers working from Crews to London and back have to notice no fewer than 570 signals.

Steam launches with glass bottoms are now at the service of those who wish to view the marine growth about Catalina Island, California.

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

Even the silk covered umbrella has its ups and downs.

When a girl doesn't know which way to turn she generally turns pale.

The manufacture of wooden shoes or clogs is quite a picturesque industry of Wales. There is a large demand for these shoes, for they are the popular footwear, not only for the Welsh countryfolk, but for hundreds of men, women and children who work in the factories.

You never hear any one complain about "Defiance Starch." There is none to equal it in quality and quantity, 16 ounces, 10 cents. Try it now and save your money.

"Triplets," said wee Willie Winkle top with a very knowing air, "always come to poor families. It's when God sends them a whole line of samples to pick from and they hasn't enough money to pay the expressman to take two of 'em back."

Try One Package.
If "Defiance Starch" does not please you, return it to your dealer. If it does you get one-third more for the same money. It will give you satisfaction, and will not stick to the iron.

A query frequently raised by the German press is how American manufacturers pay wages at least twice as high as are paid in Germany, are able in many cases to produce their wares cheaper than they can be produced there.

For \$1.65 Money Order.
The John A. Salzer Seed Co., La. Crosse, Wis., mail postpaid 18 trees, consisting of Apricots, Apples, Crabs, Cherries, Plums, Peaches and Pears, just the thing for a city or country garden, including the great Bismark Apple, all hardy Wisconsin stock, are sent you free upon receipt of \$1.65.

AND FOR 15c SEND THIS NOTICE.
You get sufficient seed of Celery, Carrot, Cabbage, Onion, Lettuce, Radish and Flower Seeds to furnish bushels of choice flowers and lots of vegetables for a big family, together with our great plant and seed catalog. (W. N. U.)

An Adamless Eden sort of a bank is projected for New York city. It is to be capitalized and officered by women and will solicit the patronage of women exclusively.

Pink's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SANBORN, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1908.

In Copenhagen an apartment house has been opened containing twenty-five suites of four rooms each. There is only one kitchen, and meals are sent up by the dumb waiters. The cost of a suite, with meals and care of the rooms, is about \$225 a person a year.

The Out Wonder.
The Editor must tell its readers of this marvel. It originated with the largest farm seed growers in the world, John A. Salzer Seed Co., La. Crosse, Wis. It has stiff straw, stands up like a stone wall, is white, heavy, and has long ears, filled to the tip with fat, plump kernels. It is a great stoofer, 80 stocks from one kernel.

IF YOU WILL SEND THIS NOTICE AND 10c IN STAMPS to above address, you will get a sample of this Out Wonder. It is the best in 1909, in 40 States from 25c to \$10 per acre, together with other farm seed samples and their big catalog. (W. N. U.)

The biggest money ever exhibited is a gorilla six feet ten inches high, with an arm spread of nine feet three inches, from the Comeroons, West Africa. He stands with his skeleton by side him in the museum of Hamburg.

Minnesota will establish a sanitarium to which county commissioners may send free indigent persons suffering from incipient consumption.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, cures wind colic. No bottles.

Some men never appreciate home until they are miles away from it.

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES produce the brightest and fastest colors.

Temptation is the balance in which character is weighed.

The United States mint at San Francisco is the largest institution of the kind in the world.

A foreigner cannot own land in Japan.



CUPOLA SKETCHES
BY ERIC WILSON

Success.
When I am gone
And other men are trying where I tried
To stem the billows of life's rushing tide,
If those who knew me best may pause
To miss
From memory but a rose upon the moss,
And say "He strove with earnestness of heart
To do whatever was his given part."
Then will I not have lived entirely vain,
And dying, will have left a sweet refrain.

When I am gone!
If some true man, or buoyant hearted soul,
May stop beside my grave to read the scroll,
And reading, think of how I cheered the weak,
Or helped the sick and weary climb the bleak
And jagged stones to rest and hope anew,
Or shielded aught from stormy winds that blow,
Then will my living have been right indeed;
Replete with greatness in a world of need—
When I am gone!

When I am gone
And in some quiet churchyard rests my bier,
If she I love will there but drop a tear,
And gently say within her loving heart,
I did the best I knew, the loyal part,
If she will miss me now and then somewhat,
And dwell upon small virtues not forgot,
And just aside the follies of my reign,
My living will not be completely vain.
When I am gone!



"AN OLD LANDMARK"—ONE OF WILSON'S IDEAL MOMENTS.

Between Worries.
A company has been formed to manufacture pure electric water. The nectar is said to be very palatable; does not injure the liver or give one electric lights.

Weep copiously, dear ones, the ping pong ball is dead. After the obsequies, you may trade your outfit for a phonograph and annoy the neighbors.

Yes, girls, this is the open season for bachelors. Aim high and slightly ahead, so as to catch 'em on the run.

If a twelve-foot snake takes its tail in its teeth and eats its way around to the back of its neck, how many times will the said tip of the said tail pass any given tooth? asks an editor. Ah, the curse of strong drink!

C. K. Sober of Lewisburg, Pa., is devoting 600 acres of land to the cultivation of 75,000 chestnut trees. Cruel wretch! Are there not chestnuts enough already?

Many a young man has gone to the postoffice expecting a letter from his love, and received instead a dun from his "wash lady." Life is not all love letters.

The poems we "ought to know" are all right, but the kind we write are the ones you want to forget as soon as you can. Or before you can, as they won't stand preserving.

SLIGHT CAUSES FOR WAR.

Bloodshed Often Begun With Very Little Provocation.

At least it was no small matter that brought Russia and Japan to hostilities. There was a good deal of truth in the saying that England drifted into the Crimean war without knowing exactly why it did so. No less accurate was Lord Palmerston's familiar declaration concerning the Schleswig-Holstein troubles. Only three men in Europe, he said, ever knew what those war making troubles were. Two of the men died before the war broke out and the third forgot what was the point in dispute. A slighting reference by Frederick the Great to Mme. Pompadour was one of the exciting causes of the seven years' war. An overturned glass of water was one of the contributing elements to another. The omission of a simple "etc." was the peg upon which an earlier one was hung. The theft of a lady's petticoat brought Moors and Spaniards to bloodshed. The smashing of a mandarin's teapot was the basis of a war between the imperial forces of China and hill tribes which lasted for generations.

The Most Common Disease.

Yorktown, Ark., Feb. 29th.—Leland Williamson, M. D., a successful and clever local physician says

"There is scarcely another form of disease a physician is called upon so often to treat as Kidney Disease. I invariably prescribe Dodd's Kidney Pills and am not disappointed in their effect for they are always reliable. I could mention many cases in which I have used this medicine with splendid success, for example, I might refer to the case of Mr. A. H. Cole.

"Age 31, greatly emaciated, some fever, great pain and pressure over region of kidneys, urine filled with pus or corruption and very foul smelling and passed some blood. Directed to drink a great deal of water, gave brisk purgative and Dodd's Kidney Pills. The pills were continued regularly for three weeks and then a few doses every week, especially if patient felt any pain in region of kidneys. Cured completely and patient performed his duties as farm laborer in four weeks."

"Dr. Williamson has been a regular practitioner for over twenty years and his unqualified indorsement of Dodd's Kidney Pills is certainly a wonderful tribute to this remedy."

In Russian schools pupils are allowed to choose between learning French and German, and 70 per cent choose German.

Beyond Expression.

G. W. Farlowe, East Florence, Ala., writes:

"For nearly seven years I was afflicted with a form of skin disease which caused an almost unbearable itching. I could neither work, rest or sleep in peace. Nothing gave me permanent relief until I tried Hunt's Cure. One application relieved me, one box cured me, and though a year has passed, I have stayed cured. I am grateful beyond expression."

Hunt's Cure is a guaranteed remedy for all itching diseases of the skin. Price 50c.

When caught "red handed," a Paris shoemaker confessed that he had trained several dogs to steal food for him.

LOW COLONIST RATES.

The Southern Pacific announces that from March 1 to April 30, inclusive there will be on sale daily low colonist one-way tickets from all points in Louisiana and Texas to points in California, affording an opportunity for men of limited means to travel to the Pacific coast at a very small cost. These periodical low rates have proven very popular, and it is quite likely that many will take advantage of them during the period indicated. The Southern Pacific operate free reclining chair cars and Pullman tourist sleepers all the way through, which, with the use of cinderless, oil-burning locomotives, make travel far more comfortable than ever before. Those desiring information can obtain same by applying to nearest agent or writing T. J. Anderson, G. P. A., at Houston, or F. E. Batters, A. G. P. A., at New Orleans.

Steamer for Fruit Only.

From a Thames dockyard the other day was launched the first steamship ever built, in which the whole of the internal space, except what is required for the engines and bunkers, is to be devoted to the transportation of fruit. It will carry a dead weight cargo of 5,000 tons. Cool air is kept systematically circulating throughout every part of the fruit space. The steamship will carry bananas, the annual importation of which into England has increased, in three years, from 1,500,000 to 5,000,000.

Men have a more acute sense of smell than women.

There is a time for all things. The time to take Simmons' Cough Syrup is when afflicted with sore throat, hoarseness, coughs or colds. It is guaranteed to cure. Price 25 and 50c.

Not one-fourth of the land in Colombia is settled or individually owned.

Nearly every city in the interior of Egypt is now lighted by electricity.



Miss Nellie Holmes, treasurer of the Young Woman's Temperance Association of Buffalo, N. Y., strongly advises all suffering women to rely, as she did, upon Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Your medicine is indeed an ideal woman's medicine, and by far the best I know to restore lost health and strength. I suffered misery for several years, being troubled with menorrhagia. My back ached, I had bearing-down pains and frequent headaches. I would often wake from restful sleep, and in such pain that I suffered for hours before I could go to sleep again. I dreaded the long nights as much as the weary days. I consulted two different physicians, hoping to get relief, but finding that their medicine did not seem to cure me, I tried your Vegetable Compound on the recommendation of a friend from the East who was visiting me. "I am glad that I followed her advice, for every ache and pain is gone, and not only this, but my general health is much improved. I have a fine appetite and have gained in flesh. My earnest advice to suffering women is to put away all other medicines and to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Miss NELLIE HOLMES, 540 No. Division St., Buffalo, N. Y.

Miss Irene Crosby, prominent in Social Life in East Savannah, Ga., adds her testimonial to the value of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.



DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—"It always gives me pleasure to find an article of real value and unquestioned merit. I have found Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound well calculated to relieve and cure the various troubles arising from irregularities and menstrual pains.

"Much suffering could be spared if we only paid more attention to proper living and diet, but as long as women do not do this, your Vegetable Compound has come to the front as a true friend in need. I have been very pleased indeed with the relief it has brought me. I find that I have perfect health now, and that my mind is also more clear and active since I used your Vegetable Compound. It has been of great benefit to me, and I gladly recommend it. Very sincerely yours, Miss IRENE CROSBY, 313 East Charlton St., East Savannah, Ga."

Remember that every woman is cordially invited to write to Mrs. Pinkham if there is anything about her case or symptoms she does not understand. Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free, and is cheerfully given to any ailing woman who asks for it.

\$5000 FORFEIT if we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness. Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co., Lynn, Mass.

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Point of View.
"So the ladies have started a new fad, eh?"
"Yes, they are hand-painting their stockings now."
"I suppose the styles next spring, then, will cost a lot of money."
"How's that?"
"Why, first, it be way up, won't they?"

Social Items.

Ear corn for sale at the Big Store.

Schotten's coffee at Billy Lewis & Co's.

Pearl tapioca at Billy Lewis & Company's.

C. E. Young of Palestine was here Sunday.

All kinds of cereals at Billy Lewis & Co's.

Tom Oliphant of Huntsville was here last week.

Reuben's infant shirts, all sizes, at the Big Store.

Everything in feed stuffs at Billy Lewis & Co's.

The best assortment of brooms, is at Billy Lewis & Co's.

Billy Lewis & Co. keep Hyman's pickles in every form.

Mrs. Bricker has a beautiful line of bonnets, white and colors.

Swiss lace and bobbinet curtains are cheap at the Big Store.

Mrs. Bricker is expecting more new spring millinery this week.

Buy your muslin underwear from the Big Store. It's cheaper.

They look like new when you have them pressed at Kennedy's.

Chrysolite pans, coffee pots, boilers, etc., at Billy Lewis & Co's.

Miss Maggie Foster is spending the week with relatives at Kennard.

W. A. Norris and H. S. Jopling were here from Groveton this week.

The Big Store can fit your foot with shoes that fit your pocket in price.

You get the best vinegar at Billy Lewis & Co's, for 25c per gallon.

Another car of King's New Improved cotton seed at the Big Store.

5000 feet of good fencing at \$2.00 per thousand at the Big Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Morrison of Kennard were visitors to Crockett Friday.

Miss Eloise Evans of Houston is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. B. Sears.

Don't forget that Dr. Knapp, the boll weevil expert, will be here Saturday.

New millinery at Mrs. Bricker's—up to date, ready to wear. School hats.

Miss Ada Haile, the millinery buyer for the Big Store, is now in the markets.

Fresh country ground meal out of selected white corn at Billy Lewis & Co's.

Buy corn and cotton planters, harrows and middle bursters from the Big Store.

Arrived.

A beautiful line of san-silks at the Big Store.

The Big Store is selling their rugs and art squares at a greatly reduced price.

Just Arrived.

A car of choice alfalfa hay at the Big Store.

Four automobiles and \$900 in cash given away at King & Millar's, the tailors.

Don't buy your spring dress or hat until the Big Store's up-to-date line arrives.

Armour's canned meats and Numsen's canned vegetables at Billy Lewis & Co's.

Buy a shaving outfit from Crysap and save \$25 or \$30 a year in your barber bill.

Don't Go Wrong

This New Year, make it a point to buy your Drugs from us. It will be to your interest, because we sell you only the best. We make close prices and we give you your money's worth. Come and see us.

B. F. Chamberlain,

THE DRUGGIST.

Don't fail to be in Crockett Saturday. It will be a big day for the cotton growers.

At Billy Lewis & Co's, you get three 2-pound cans of Numsen's string beans for 25c.

Mrs. T. D. Craddock and Miss Mittie Baker visited at Palestine Saturday and Sunday.

Give us your order for your Easter suit or pants.

KING & MILLAR.

If you are looking for fine stationery you need go no farther than Crysap's. He has the finest.

Miss Emma Fulgham, who is teaching school near Grapeland, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Full line of cutlery, violin and guitar strings, rubber goods and fish hooks and lines at Crysap's.

Let every farmer come to town Saturday and hear the testimony of Dr. Knapp against the boll weevil.

For Sale.

One well boring outfit. Apply to Jas. S. Shivers & Co., incorporated.

Mrs. Geo. Smith of Kennard is spending the week with her mother, Mrs. J. A. Bricker, who has been ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Bromberg of Galveston arrived in Crockett Wednesday on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. M. Bromberg.

Miss Lena Bromberg has returned from Beckville, where she has had a position in the public school since last fall.

Dan McLean returned Sunday night from St. Louis. His family joined him at Palestine, where they have been visiting.

Now is the time to leave your orders for your Easter suit and get an automobile free.

KING & MILLAR.

Coll Mitchell, a negro, was arrested for horse-theft Monday by Deputy Sheriff Deb Hale. The negro's bondsmen gave him up.

Every farmer in the county should be on hand to hear Dr. Knapp's lecture on the boll weevil problem Saturday at the court house.

J. T. Crysap is recovering from an attack of the grip. Dr. Hall and W. H. Denny, we regret to say, are not recovering as rapidly as would please their friends.

The COURIER editor does not want the credit for anything he does not deserve, so hereafter any article appearing in this paper will be properly credited or signed by the contributor or marked so that the public will know he did not write it. Any unsigned or uncredited article will be from the editor.

Crockett does not often have the opportunity of hearing as distinguished a singer as is Mrs. Kate Bridewell Anderson. She should be given a full house by our people on her visit here next week.

The taxpayers are the ones who keep up the experiment stations. They should receive some benefit and the way to get it is from the man at the head of the experiment. Come and hear Dr. Knapp's lecture Saturday.

Dr. Knapp of Houston, the government boll weevil expert, will be in Crockett Saturday and deliver a lecture at the court house on how to grow cotton in spite of the boll weevil. Let everybody turn out on that day and hear him.

A. N. Henry left Tuesday night for Groveton where he will conduct a merchant tailoring business. He has lived in Crockett over two years and by his gentlemanly bearings has endeared himself to our people, all of whom regret his departure.

J. A. Ragland announces in this issue of the COURIER for county attorney. As are all the other candidates, Mr. Ragland is running subject to the action of the democratic primaries, as well as on his qualifications for the office. He solicits your vote.

Miss Ethel Wootters very pleasantly entertained a few couples Friday evening complimentary to Miss Long of Ohio and Miss McCord of Cameron. On Tuesday evening Miss Mary Howard entertained a few of her friends in honor of Miss Evans of Houston and Miss Long.

Mrs. Bella Romaine's residence east of Crockett was destroyed by fire Saturday morning, furniture and all. She carried no insurance and the loss is severely felt by her. The house was too far out for any assistance to be rendered by our people in the matter of saving household goods.

Mr. Fred Long returned to his home in Ohio Saturday night, after spending the week in Crockett. He expressed himself as being delighted with our country, climate and people. The COURIER hopes that Mr. Long may yet decide to make investments here. His sister, Miss Nell Long, will remain in Crockett for some time as the guest of her friend, Miss Grace May.

D. J. Cater of Lovelady announces for county treasurer. He is a good man for the place and is well qualified. He served as postmaster at Lovelady for some time and gave eminent satisfaction, there being none to complain, more than usually falls to the lot of a man in public service. He wants the office because he needs it and needs your vote to get what he wants.

A friend in another county in writing to the COURIER says: "The COURIER is the best all-round county paper I receive and I wish you continued success." We thank him for his words of encouragement. The average subscriber never looks for the good points of a paper, but on the other hand is always ready to find fault, which makes us appreciate our friends remarks all the more.

W. J. Chaffin of Grapeland was in Crockett Thursday. He said that two of Geo. Tyer's shoats, which were bitten by a dog a short while back, had gone mad and had to be killed. It was expected that other stock bitten by the same dog would have to be killed. All dogs bitten by another dog where there is a suspicion of hydrophobia should be promptly dispatched, or a human life may pay the forfeit for the negligence.

City Ordinance.

Be it ordained by the city council of the city of Crockett, Texas, that an election be held on the 5th day of April, 1904, to elect a mayor, a city attorney and two aldermen, and Johnson Phillips is hereby appointed manager of same. Passed unanimously. 4t S. T. BEASLEY, Mayor. CHAS. LONG, Secretary.

Scott Sykes and Levi Rogers, two negroes, engaged in a fight Sunday night at the house of Scott near the railroad. Scott came out of the fight with a razor cut on his head and Levi had his head badly beaten up with a club. Scott came very near being scalped. Constable Phillips arrested both negroes and locked them up. The row was about Scott's wife, who was the cause of his house being blown up about three years ago.

A contributor from Lovelady sends the COURIER a long article for publication this week, which he terms "an account of a wonderful discovery." He says: "I hope you can find room for it, for it will be better reading than advertisements of Hood's Sarsaparilla or Citations by Publication." As we believe our readers are about up on the latter, we will give them our contributor's article next week. A change of diet is as good for the mind as it is for the stomach and our readers may well prepare themselves for a feast for the imagination next week.

In Oil Sand.

The Corsicana oil company operating in Houston county had a telephone line constructed to their site of operations on the Driskill place, 10 miles northeast of town, last week. Tuesday of this week Mr. Z. D. Driskill called up the COURIER office by telephone and informed it that boring for oil was now under headway and that the drill was in oil sand. The expectations of those interested are at fever heat and nothing short of a gusher is anticipated. The COURIER hopes to see this company successful in its operations.

Lovelady Has an Artesian Flow.

Dr. W. B. Collins of Lovelady is the discoverer of an artesian flow of water that is valuable. The doctor thought he had oil indications on his land and quietly went about seeing what there was in it. He bought a well boring outfit and began probing. The more he probed the better satisfied he was that there was oil deeper down and he continued to probe. While not yet finding oil, his energies have been rewarded by the bringing in of a valuable artesian well, which is all the more valuable since this section has been considered out of the artesian belt. Lovelady can now be furnished with pure artesian water at a nominal cost.

A Rare Musical Event.

Mrs. Kate Bridewell Anderson, a noted church and concert singer of New Orleans, more lately of Salt Lake City, has just closed a successful concert tour of southern cities—Charleston, Atlanta, Birmingham, New Orleans and others. She has received glowing press notices wherever she has appeared. Her sister, Miss Carrie Bridewell, is a famous opera singer of Nordica's company. Mrs. Anderson is now visiting in Houston and has been the honoree of many musico-social attentions. Though, as a rule, she does not visit small towns, she has consented to give a song recital in Crockett one evening next week, under auspices of Dorcas Society of Baptist church. She will be assisted by some of our best local

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talent. To hear her will be a treat to all music lovers. While here she will be the guest of Mrs. W. C. Lipscomb, an old school friend.

Mrs. Wortham Gone.

Mrs. Nannie B. Wortham, mother of Miss Willie Wortham, and sister of Dr. J. L. Hall, Austin Hall and Mrs. N. B. Barbee, died at the home of Dr. Hall Friday night. While death was not the immediate result of la grippe, it was superinduced by that disease. A complication of diseases set up in the wake of la grippe, and the patient having gone through a siege of the latter and her system being weakened was not able to withstand the former.

Mrs. Wortham was an old and esteemed resident of Crockett and belonged to one of the town's oldest families. Her death is a sad loss to the community, to which she proved a kind neighbor and a friend to the needy.

Funeral services were conducted at Glenwood cemetery Saturday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock by Rev. S. F. Tenney, pastor of the Presbyterian church, of which church Mrs. Wortham was a devoted member.

All Eyes on St. Louis.

The eyes of all the world will be turned toward St. Louis during the year 1904. Everybody will want to get, from first hands; the news of the greatest World's Fair which the world has ever seen. Our readers are advised, therefore, to subscribe for the greatest St. Louis newspaper—a newspaper which acknowledges no equal or rival in the West, and which stands in the front rank among the great newspapers of the world. Subscribe for the St. Louis Globe-Democrat and get all the news of the World's Fair, all the news of the national campaign, all the news of all the earth. See advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

A Physician Writes.

"I am desirous of knowing if the profession can obtain Herbina in bulk for prescribing purposes? It has been of great use to me in treating cases of dyspepsia brought on by excesses or overwork. I have never known it to fail in restoring the organs affected to their healthful activity." 50c bottle at Smith & French Drug Co's.

THE COURIER.

W. W. Allen, Editor and Proprietor

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the democratic party:

- For District Judge
B. H. Gardner
- For Sheriff
A. W. Phillips
John C. Lacy
Jim Barbee
S. M. Holcomb
- For County Treasurer
T. C. Lively
D. J. Cater
- For County Clerk
C. G. (Gershom) Lansford
Nat E. Allbright
- For Tax Collector
J. W. Brightman
J. R. Sheridan
- For District Clerk
Nat Patton
J. B. Stanton
John A. Goolsby
- For County Attorney
L. A. Sallas
John Spence
J. A. Ragland
- For Tax Assessor
Bailey Hatchell
- For Commissioner Prec. No. 2
J. E. Bean
- For Commissioner Prec. No. 3
W. J. Peacock
J. D. McCollar
- For Commissioner Prec. No. 4
H. W. McCelvey
J. E. Smith
- For Constable Prec. No. 1
O. B. (Feb) Hale
Bony Satterwhite

MORE ABOUT THE RAILROAD.

For some months past a new trunk railroad from Kansas City to Houston has been talked of, and of late the scheme seems to be assuming definite shape.

P. W. Bean, of Kansas City, one of the promoters, has recently made a trip over the proposed route, much of the trip being covered by private conveyance, and he has declared the proposed route traverses more unoccupied territory and a richer territory than any other that could be proposed.

Mr. Bean was in Crockett a short time ago, and left that town in a private conveyance for Houston, and a recent press dispatch from Grand Saline says Mr. Bean has about located the route, and that the survey will soon begin at or near Athens, thence to Palestine and Crockett, and that the first miles of road built will likely be between these points.—Anderson County Herald.

Indications point to the early construction of the Kansas City and Houston road. Of course, some big railway system, reaching Kansas City from the north and seeking an outlet over its own rails to the gulf, is behind the project, but it is merely conjecture as to what system it is behind the projected line.

The COURIER is edited from its own editorial room. While it does not know of any other living soul that would claim them, still the COURIER desires to say that its editorials are not written in any lawyer's office (which may be a self-evident fact) nor is its local news supplied from any merchant's desk, nor at the suggestion of any set or individual. The COURIER believes in independent thought and action and is dictated to only by its own conscience and reason. As to the soundness of its reasons, we leave that to the reader.

NEGROES RETURN SATISFIED.

Hearne, Texas, Feb. 25.—During the past four or five months labor agents from Louisiana have visited Robertson county in search of labor to be used on the plantations in that state. During the past two or three weeks several of the negroes who left here have come back and say they are satisfied with the Brazos bottom and they claim that they do not find things in Louisiana as they are represented. Those who have

come back say it is only a matter of a short time before all will return, provided they can make necessary arrangements for transportation.

The above item appeared in the Galveston News. It proves that things were not as pictured to the negroes by the labor agents and that if a few have returned dissatisfied, many more would do so if they but had the means. They will continue to drift back, however, until they have all returned, if the planters who have them in hand have not such a hold on them that an attempt to do so would be useless.

CITIZENS AGAIN VINDICATED.

Were Charged With Intimidating a United States Marshal.

On Thursday of last week one of Mr. Roosevelt's appointees, A. J. Houston, in the capacity of United States marshal, appeared in Crockett and cited two of our citizens, Messrs. J. W. Hail and Jim Brown, to appear before the Federal commissioner at Palestine, Hon. W. B. Rogers, on a charge of intimidating and interfering with the said Houston in the discharge of his duties as an officer of the United States court. Messrs. Hail and Brown returned to Palestine with the said Houston and at Palestine Hyman Harrison, a former citizen of Crockett, was also cited. The three gentlemen above mentioned were placed under bond to appear before the Federal commissioner Monday and show cause why the charge should not be sustained against them. Harrison lives at Palestine where he is engaged in business. Sunday night Messrs. Hail and Brown went to Palestine, accompanied by their attorneys and quite a number of our citizens, and were ready for an examination Monday, which was taken up, but not concluded until Tuesday. To intimidate and interfere with a United States officer is quite a serious charge when it is well-grounded and founded on the facts and a crime not to be considered lightly when so grounded. But it seems that Houston's charge was not well-grounded, neither was it founded on the facts. The case was thrown out of court by the commissioner and the accused parties thoroughly vindicated of any offense against the law. Will Mr. Houston take this as a sharp rebuke for his over-zealous desire to involve our citizens in trouble and leave off, or will he, to vent his personal spleen, concoct some other scheme born of malice and again play a losing hand? If Mr. Houston is wise he will play "quits," for his efforts in the future will avail him about as much as they have in the past. The COURIER has nothing personally against Mr. Houston and would like to advise him confidentially and in a friendly way that he is making a jack-ass of himself. We say this with all respect for the court of which he is an officer.

The following clipping is taken from Tuesday's Palestine Visitor, an afternoon paper edited by Deming & Gibson:

CASES DISMISSED.

The charges preferred by U. S. Marshal A. J. Houston against Hail and Brown of Crockett and Harrison of Palestine, and called for trial yesterday before United States Commissioner W. B. Rogers in this city, consumed the entire day and adjourned until 9 o'clock this morning.

When court convened the cases were promptly dismissed by the commissioner. In pursuing this course the commissioner showed his fairness and good judgment—though, in fact, no other course was left open for him, for indeed there was not a scintilla of evi-

dence introduced against any of the defendants. And while, according to Marshal Houston's own testimony, if the law in regard to this case was violated the marshal himself was the guilty party. Some of his acts, while if not unlawful, were very irregular to say the least of it, and equalled the acts of the scalawag carpet-baggers during reconstruction times.

It is the general opinion that defendants have a splendid cause for damages against the marshal and his bondsmen, but whether they will take advantage of the opportunity The Visitor is not in a position to say.

All the News of Grapeland.

EDITOR COURIER: After an absence of a couple of months, your correspondent is again among your numerous readers, to rejoice with them, or be sad as the case may be.

The farmers of this section are further ahead with their work than ever before—they all, with few exceptions, have all their land broke, quite a number have already planted corn, and the balance will most all finish this week. Irish potatoes all planted, and some are coming up. The people as a general thing have been gardening in dead earnest for the past two weeks. Lots of vegetables nearly large enough for table use. Ever since the rain on the 18th and 19th insts., we have had beautiful weather. Peach, plum and pears in full bloom. Shade trees are coming, too.

Our town is unusually dull at present writing. Farmers are coming to town only when compelled to, yet business is better than any person would suppose under the circumstances. Our merchants seem to be doing a limited credit business in spite of the boll weevil ravages.

There have been several car loads of early cotton seed sold here, and the farmers will put it in the ground sooner than ever before, so as to get, if possible, to maturity ahead of Mr. B. Weevil.

Jack Stablefield, formerly of Grapeland, now of Abbot, is in Grapeland this week visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Maggie Hogue, nee Campbell, formerly of this place, now of Palestine, is spending this week with us visiting relatives and friends. Mr. Hogue came down with her, but returned home next day.

Mrs. Dr. Elliot and sister, Miss Clara Rice, were in the city this week visiting and shopping.

Dick Stablefield will move this week to Elkhart, where he will go into the livery business, provided Elkhart gains the suit now pending between Grapeland and Elkhart for possession of the aforesaid Richard, as Grapeland contends for him as strictly Grapeland property, therefore has entered suit against Elkhart "to try the rights of property."

The lumber trade here is very active as J. J. Brooks, J. E. Hollingsworth and B. C. Williams are all shipping lumber from here to various points.

Mr. Blalock has opened a family grocery in the store room of J. Owens & Co. Said business is strictly under the management of Esquire J. A. Davis.

Our school is progressing nicely under the present corps of teachers. The roll has increased to near 180 pupils.

Health of our community is as good, if not better, than it has ever been at this season of the year. More anon. Adios.

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