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## Dan J. Kennedy Says:

The Melon Called for Last Week  
Came in all O. K.

We knew the season was late this year, but believed the melons were here and only needed a little persuasion to bring them out. MASTER FRANK ELLIS was the first to respond, and got the hat. We put the melon on display at the store front, and amused ourselves by seeing the people smile as they passed by and saw it.

A nice melon, like a sweet child, a beautiful woman or a well selected stock of DRY GOODS, SHOES, HATS, GENTS' FURNISHINGS, etc., as you can see at the YELLOW FRONT STORES, together with the PRICE, which is ALWAYS the LOWEST, will always bring smiles. The kind and liberal patronage which these goods and prices bring us also makes us smile. "Laugh and the world laughs with you," etc. Don't forget that we still have lots of the bankrupt stock yet to close at cost. We can't duplicate these prices any more after the stock is all sold. Yours truly,

**YELLOW FRONT AND RACKET STORES.**

**DAN J. KENNEDY, Proprietor.**

### A PRACTICAL VIEW.

#### Newspapers Should be Conducted on Business Principles—Why Some do not Succeed.

From an address delivered at the annual meeting of the Texas Press Association at San Antonio, May 6-7, by S. J. Thomas, Proprietor of the Comanche (Tex.) Chief.

I knew a merchant once who built a store and filled the shelves full of goods such as the people wanted. He bought as low as he could and sold for a profit, taking as little chance of loss as possible. He had no deadhead customers. Church societies, library and school associations, cemetery clubs and picnicking parties all paid for their supplies at this man's store, not always at a profit to the merchant, to be sure, but never at a loss. His biggest money was made on the coffins that he sold for his deceased customers and on the shrouds and hearse he furnished to convey them to their last resting place.

When an enterprise of great pith and moment to the town came up for consideration he was in the van of the movement, giving liberally of his advice and means, but with an ultimate view to his own personal profit.

This man's bank account grew apace with the years. He built a handsome residence on the highest topographical eminence of the town and was applauded by the people as a shrewd man and one of the most prominent citizens of the community, worthy of any honor and the greatest emulation. He died and a cortege that would do honor to a king followed his bones to the grave.

Again I knew another citizen of the same community. He was a newspaper man, but the people called him a printer. He erected a shanty one door south of the wagon yard, bought an outfit on the installment plan and in his salutatory apologized for his entry into the business circles of the town. He pleaded with the merchants to patronize home industry, leaving understood between the double leaded lines that no matter whether he was patronized or not he would still be found working to build up the business of these same merchants.

He pleaded with the public to

take their local paper for the good of the town and county. He filled his columns with free notices of all kinds of pay entertainments, cards of thanks, obituaries, fifth Sunday meetings, and charged low prices for a few poorly printed advertisements, inartistically set and really worth nothing to the advertiser. He gave notice that cord wood, stove wood and country produce would be accepted in payment for subscriptions, and was constantly dunning his subscribers through the columns of his paper, urging payment on the poverty plea that "we are hard up and need the money."

Not a merchant in town painted a canvas sign in large letters and hung it in front of his door proclaiming his stand on every irritating public question, but this man jumped into every local option fight and made half his subscribers mad, mixed up with every school election and generally adopted a dare devil policy that would have ruined a merchant who had the temerity to adopt it.

This man was looked upon by everybody as a useful foot mat of the community, and to show the appreciation in which he was held he was elected secretary of his lodge and secretary of every other public and private gathering, positions which he obsequiously accepted as the ne plus ultra of public honors to which he was entitled by virtue of his position as public scribbler. He rented a house in Poverty flat and meekly and smirkingly jogged along to the grave.

He died, and his widow inherited his printing outfit, together with all right, title and interest in various and sundry incontrovertible assets and things that were doleful reminders to her of the husband's financial altruism and incompetency.

Note the contrast between the methods of the merchant and those pursued by the newspaper man. And yet the picture is not untrue to life.

I believe that the journalist is as surely called by divinity to his trade as is the minister of the gospel and in exactly the same way. And yet I do not believe he is more favored of God than the man who adopts any other vocation. Men are called into every

line of business by specific impressions and special adaptation. The merchant should never go behind the counter if he does not feel a call to that line of work. The newspaper man should never write a line unless he be divinely called to the work—adapted to it by nature, and nature is God made manifest.

And yet there is a point I wish to make here: We as "archimedean levers," "opinion molders" and "country savers" have laid to our souls all these flattering unctious until we have come to believe that our business is strictly evangelical; that we are crusaders and reformers, with mighty duties to perform, mighty works to accomplish, and that the miserable wretch of a scribbler who would be so sordidas to even think of the dollar in connection with his business is an earthy product, unfit for the heavenly associations of this noble craft.

If you will pardon my presumption in veering from the line of flattery to which we are accustomed, permit me to say that the newspaper man is no better than any other honest citizen who is trying to earn an honest living. And, mark you, his duties and responsibilities are no greater. It is no more his duty to inaugurate a crusade for any reform in his community than it is the lawyer's and the merchant's.

The mission of the newspaper is primarily to make a living for its proprietor and if possible to give him a surplus—in other words, to make money out of the business—and the paper is a success or a failure in proportion to its money earning capacity. The man who enters the profession with any other quixotic idea is a crank to start with and will be a failure to wind up with. The editor offers the product of his brain or his imagination, as the case may be, for so much consideration, and the public accepts it or declines it on that basis. The people want the news, and the newspaper offers to gather it and deliver it to them for a stipulated price. This is not a doctrine of sordidness, but it is practical business.

Of course I do not mean that the editorial opinions of the paper should be subject to bargain and sale. They should not be under

any circumstances. But the merchant who permits the public to rifle his shelves and purloin his goods can hope for success, with as much prospect of securing it, as the newspaper man who donates his space to individuals who ask it for selfish or unimportant ends.

Now, granting my premise that the journalist should first of all make his paper a paying proposition, I submit in a general way my idea of the best and surest means to this end.

He must be industrious and painstaking, with the ability to calculate profit and loss and with the acumen to forecast with reasonable certainty the result of every undertaking in the mechanical department of his shop.

He will recognize the fact that civilization and all development begin and end at the home. The hearthstone is the basic sill of all our worth individually and collectively. The editor should print nothing that the mother is not at liberty to read to her babies at her knee, that the innocent girl or boy with inquisitive mind is not free to peruse. The key to a big subscription list is the confidence and the good will of the women.

He will get all the news, bar out salacious matter, trim out the sensational and print the residue in an attractive and readable shape.

He will have opinions and will dare express them. It pays.

He will give his paper a distinct personality and make it a force for good in his community. The engineer looks upon his engine as a thing of life and speaks of it as "she" or "he," never "it." Every throb of its sides is the pulsation of a thing of life over which he exercises control. And so the editor should regard the sheet over which he presides as a thing of life, speaking second hand to the people, his vicegerent in the homes of his readers. It pays.

Above all things, he will refrain from making his paper anybody's organ, not even his own. There is no more pitiable or deplorable state into which he can fall than that of an organ grinder. A paper should have its convictions and cling to them tenaciously. It may with propriety be partisan in politics, but when it becomes so partisan that it upholds its party in any and every act, excusing it here and applauding it there, always abusing the opposition and never finding aught of merit in its men or measures, it becomes vicious and departs from the true spirit of journalism. It is a losing policy in the long run.

For sick headache take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and a quick cure is certain. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

## W. V. BERRY,

Prop. Pickwick Hotel AND REAL ESTATE DEALER

CROCKETT, TEXAS.

List your lands with me, as I am in a position to find ready sale.

### A Strong Endorsement.

It is a pleasure to the Herald to refer to the very strong endorsement given to our friend and fellow citizen, the Hon. Benjamin H. Gardner, by hundreds of his neighbors in this county. This endorsement, we take it, is not given merely as a compliment to a home man, but is an earnest of the high esteem in which Judge Gardner is held as a citizen, a man, as a lawyer, and as a candidate in every way qualified to serve his district as judge. Those who know Judge Gardner best esteem him most, and because his home people know him as a man fully trustworthy of the honor they gladly give him the warm endorsement that has been presented to him in the form of a letter signed by hundreds of his friends.—Palatine Herald.

### Republican Notice.

In compliance with the Terrell election law, you are hereby notified to meet in county primary nominating convention, at Crockett, Texas, July 2, 1904, this being primary nominating day, to nominate a county and precinct ticket, to elect delegates to the state and all district conventions, and to elect a chairman and secretary of the executive committee, also to elect members of the executive committee. Precinct chairmen are requested to elect delegates to the county primary July 2, 1904. All candidates for county and precinct offices are requested to meet in convention on the above mentioned day.

TOM G. W. TARVER,  
Chm. Rep. Ex. Com., Houston  
County.

### Sued by His Doctor.

"A doctor here has sued me for \$12.50, which I claimed was excessive for a case of cholera morbus," says R. White, of Coachella, Cal. "At the trial he praised his medical skill and medicine. I asked him if it was not Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy he used as I had good reason to believe it was, and he would not say under oath that it was not." No doctor could use a better remedy than this in a case of cholera morbus, it never fails. Sold by B. F. Chamberlain.

### Acute Rheumatism.

Deep tearing or wrenching pains, occasioned by getting wet through; worse when at rest, or on first moving the limbs and in cold or damp weather, is cured quickly by Ballard's Snow Liniment. Oscar Oleson, Gibson City, Illinois, writes, Feb. 16, 1902: "A year ago I was troubled with a pain in my back. It soon got so bad I could not bend over. One bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment cured me." - 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

# AN EVENT OF PRIME IMPORTANCE

## THE NEW YORK STORE

### WILL HAVE A LINEN SALE FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

HOT weather has come in full force, and people will soon be nearly through with their summer buying, so we've decided to get our share of the trade while it lasts. Therefore we have put new prices on our goods, and they're way below the former prices. For two weeks our specialties will be the things mentioned in this ad.

<p><b>Towels and Crash.</b></p> <p>With a brand new supply of these useful articles we are sure we can please everybody. You should see them.</p> <p>24x52 in. Pure Linen Towels, with knotted fringe or hemstitched, regular 75c quality, during this sale, a pair.....50</p> <p>Same size in Linen Huck Towels, 75c quality for.....50</p> <p>Same size, lighter weight for.....35</p> <p>Large Cotton Towels, 30c quality for 20.....25</p> <p>Large Bath Towels 40c quality for.....25</p> <p>Cotton Crash, 5c quality, a yard.....03</p> <p>Cotton Crash, 7c quality, a yard.....05</p> <p>Linen Crash, 10c quality, a yard.....07½</p> <p>Linen Crash, 12½c quality, a yard.....10</p> <p>Linen Crash, 15c quality, a yard.....11</p>	<p><b>Counterpanes.</b></p> <p>There's never a time that a housekeeper doesn't need them. Better get them now.</p> <p>11-4 Bleached, \$1.50 quality for...\$1.10</p> <p>11-4 Bleached, \$1.75 quality for... 1.25</p> <p>Marseilles Quilt, \$3.00 quality for 2.00</p> <p><b>Linen Trousers.</b></p> <p>Any man or boy can be fitted here, and just think how cheap these trousers are. You'll need them right away. Prices 75c to.....\$1.00</p> <p><b>Sun Resisters.</b></p> <p>An immense lot of Umbrellas and Parasols, with good covers, strong frames and easy handles, any kind you want, from 25c to.....\$5.00</p>	<p><b>Embroidery and Lace.</b></p> <p>In all our days we never saw a prettier lot of trimmings. Any quality, width or style you want in edging, insertion or all-over, white and cream, TO BE SOLD AT HALF PRICE.</p> <p><b>Summer Clothing.</b></p> <p>People are finding out the good qualities of our Clothing, and we have sold a great deal. We have such a big stock, though, that we must sacrifice it.</p> <p><b>Straw Hats.</b></p> <p>All sorts and kinds, for men, women and children, and we are going to sell them for half price, to close them out at once.</p>	<p><b>Table Linen.</b></p> <p>This is an opportunity to lay in a supply of linen at prices that do not often prevail. These prices for two weeks only:</p> <p>Bleached Table Linen, 40c quality for...25</p> <p>Bleached Table Linen, 50c quality for...35</p> <p>Bleached Table Linen, 75c quality for...50</p> <p>Bleached Table Linen, \$1 quality for...67½</p> <p>Red Table Linen, 40c quality for.....25</p> <p>Red Table Linen, 50c quality for.....35</p> <p>Fringed Napkins, a dozen for.....40</p> <p>Fringed Napkins, a dozen for.....50</p> <p>Book-fold Napkins, large sizes, various patterns and qualities, per dozen 75c to.....\$1.50</p>
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Yours Very Truly,  
**HENRY BLOCH.**

#### THE NEW TEXAS. Recent Development in Which an Old Country Becomes New.

(Extract from an article written by J. E. Jones of Kilbourn, Wis., and published in the Kilbourn Reporter.)

This section, Eastern Texas, is not new by any means. It was the first settled by white men. Houston county, of which Crockett is the county seat, was the centre of the earliest settlements, on the old San Antonio trail. Therefore it is commonly asked "Why this recent discovery of great productions?" All of this has been there, it is true, since the days of Spanish and French occupation. It was before and during the war the great cotton belt. Its great forests of mighty oaks, pines and other timber have been there for ages. The wonderful climate and inexhaustible soil were there since the last glacial period. Wild horses and cattle fed on the most nutritious grasses on boundless plains when Marquette floated down the Mississippi—yes when Columbus discovered America. Planters grew rich from the shiftless, shallow cultivation of the soil by slave labor before the war, and fruits and vegetables went to waste for lack of markets. But the war came with its demoralizing effect, the old-time planter became a memory, the slave labor went with peace, and plantations became deserted wastes, vast fields but barren deserts. The terrible experiences, the sacrifices, self-denial, and privations of the war left the people numbed and disheartened. After the long, frightful strain there came a period of exhausted helplessness. People gradually took up the new order of living and began to live over again. Even

before outside capital and new blood came in the nation had demonstrated the new possibilities. It is a mistake to suppose that new Texas is entirely made by another people. The descendants of Texas are making a new country and the native Texan today dominates among the best farmers, the brilliant lawyers, the educated professions and the cultured, beautiful women.

But capital was lacking. And for this the doors were opened and the money and energy of the great heart of the nation was welcomed. And it came in the same spirit in which it was invited. No thought of sectional differences, no jealous rivalries, no envious ambitions enter into the social relations of the Texan and the "Yankee." All are harmoniously working for the making of a great empire. That generous, hospitable, sociable, courteous spirit for which the old-time South was noted is in marked evidence in Texas. The new comer is made to feel at home from the start, and if ever any question of sectionalism or politics intervenes the new comer must force it himself. To the frequent question, "Is a northern man received in a friendly way down here?" the native Texan replies in a surprised manner, "Why not?"

While Eastern Texas has poor spots as well as any other state the rule of well-timbered, deep rich soil prevails. Rains are as plentiful as in the best states north, water courses are numerous and all similar conditions are equal to the most favorable of other localities. But beyond all of this lie the differences. The soil and climate produce as do the other localities. The red clay land grows peaches of incompar-

able flavor. Every vegetable known can be successfully and abundantly grown. All sorts of berries and small fruits are produced. Pecans, figs, tobacco and similar products thrive. From two to four crops can be grown on the same land each season, and coming far in advance of all other localities find ready market in the north. Men say it is especially adapted to truck farming, then say it is also especially adapted to fruit, then remember tobacco and later suggest cotton, and lumber, and stock, and finally conclude by declaring it is especially adapted to anything on earth. Land can be bought cheap on favorable terms, taxes are low, schools are numerous and good, people are congenial and conditions are just simply perfect. While I am ever loyal to Wisconsin and will not admit its superiority anywhere, if a man is determined to leave here I would advise Texas as a home.

Of Crockett, the market town and city, much more might be said by one of more intimate acquaintance. It is the county seat, has about 4000 inhabitants and many charming homes. There are many churches, fine schools, an imposing, handsome court house, many business establishments carrying large stocks of goods. The people are cultured and hospitable. They are ambitious for the development of the country and earnestly strive with new settlers from any section. The town has electric lights, a large ice plant which can manufacture all ice required and has no saloons.

#### Accept No Substitute.

There is nothing just as good for Malaria, Chills and Fever as Dr. Mendenhall's Chill and Fever Cure. Take it as a general tonic and at all times in place of quinine. If it fails to give satisfaction mail the front of the carton to J. C. Mendenhall, Evansville, Ind., and get your money back. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

#### Parker Instructions.

According to Tuesday's dispatches, all indications pointed toward the state convention instructing the national delegation for Judge A. B. Parker for president.

#### That Tired Feeling.

If you are languid, depressed and incapable of work, it indicates that your liver is out of order. Herbine will assist nature to throw off headaches, rheumatism and ailments akin to nervousness and restore the energies and vitality of sound and perfect health. J. J. Hubbard, Temple, Texas, writes, March 22, 1902: "I have used Herbine for the past two years. It has done me more good than all the doctors. When I feel bad and have that tired feeling, I take a dose of Herbine. It is the best medicine ever made for chills and fever." 50c a bottle. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

#### Have You a Cough?

A dose of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will relieve it. Have you a cold? A dose of Herbine at bed time and frequent small doses of Horehound Syrup during the day will remove it. Try it for whooping cough, for asthma, for consumption, for bronchitis. Mrs. Joe McGrath, 327 E. 1st street, Hutchinson, Kan., writes: "I have used Ballard's Horehound Syrup in my family for 5 years, and find it the best and most palatable medicine I ever used." 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

#### Thrown from a Wagon.

Mr. George K. Babcock was thrown from his wagon and severely bruised. He applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely and says it is the best liniment he ever used. Mr. Babcock is a well known citizen of North Plain, Conn. There is nothing equal to Pain Balm for sprains and bruises. It will effect a cure in one-third the time required by any other treatment. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

### EXTREMELY LOW RATE

To the Great World's Fair  
St. Louis  
TUESDAY, JUNE 28th

VIA  
I. & G. N.

The I. & G. N. will operate a Coach Excursion to St. Louis, leaving Texas Tuesday, June 28. Very low rates will be in effect. Tickets good to return within seven days from date of sale, which approximately allows six days in St. Louis.

From Palestine	\$12.00 round trip
.. Houston	16.50 ..
.. Galveston	17.50 ..
.. Austin	17.75 ..
.. San Antonio	18.65 ..
.. Waco	18.25 ..

From all other points in proportion.

Through Chair Cars and Coaches to St. Louis without change

Coach Excursion Tickets will not entitle passengers to Sleeper accommodations.

THREE SWELL TRAINS DAILY

Arriving St. Louis  
Morning, Noon and Evening

Don't miss this opportunity. See I. & G. N. Agents for full particulars or write

D. J. PRICE,  
Gen. Pass. & Ticket Agent,  
Palestine, Texas.

#### EASTERN TEXAS RAILROAD CO. TIME TABLE NO. 5. Effective 1:00 a. m., Wednesday, December 16, 1903.

WEST BOUND Train No. 1	STATIONS	EAST BOUND Train No. 2
Leave a. m.		Arrive p. m.
7 00	Lufkin	4 15
7 23	Carnthers	3 57
7 40	Chancey	3 39
7 57	Pine Island	3 15
8 15	Druso	3 00
8 35	Hagerville	2 40
8 50	Kennard Mill	2 25
9 15	Kennard	2 00
Arrive a. m.		Leave p. m.
		Trains run daily except Sunday.
		R. W. MILLER, Traffic Mgr.

There is a preacher in Manchester who has been expressing his regret that Britain spends £3,000,000 a year on diamonds, "a stone whose history is associated with every class of crime and vice."

In France the lady bank clerk has come to stay. The Credit Lyonnais was, a French correspondent points out, the first bank to employ women. There are now in that great institution 1,000 lady clerks.

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

In certain Swiss cantons all dead people, rich as well as poor, are buried at the public expense. Coffins and all funeral necessities are furnished by government undertakers.

Piso's Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs. — Wm. O. EMBLEY, Vanburen, Ind., Feb. 10, 1900.

For wearing a crest upon a finger ring without a license, a man was fined \$5.75 in a London court the other day.

Superior quality and extra quantity must win. This is why Defiance Starch is taking the place of all others.

Americans buy about \$500,000 worth of licorice root annually in Smyrna. The licorice from it is used almost entirely in chewing tobacco.

Jenks has just joined a beneficiary order because his wife ordered him to join.

Only a woman is capable of arriving at a conclusion without using either reason or judgment.

The office of premier of Great Britain, as such, does not carry with it any salary.

Some men lie too much in bed and some lie too much out of it.

Hands are better than wings in this world just now.

Science is simply the search into the mind of the Supreme.

Some mothers save slipper soles and spoil children.

Good intentions should never grow cold if hell is paved with them.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound A Woman's Remedy For Woman's Ills

FREE to WOMEN A Large Trial Box and book of instructions absolutely Free and Post-paid, enough to prove the value of Paxtine Toilet Antiseptic



The formula of a noted Boston physician, and used with great success as a Vaginal Wash, for Leucorrhoea, Pelvic Catarrh, Nasal Catarrh, Sore Throat, Sore Eyes, Cuts, and all soreness of mucus membrane.

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CANCERS CURED. Cancer, Tumors, Scrofula, Skin Diseases, Catarrh and Piles by DR. J. W. HARRIS

THE DAILY FLY KILLER Destroys all the flies and mosquitoes in dining room, sleeping room and places where

SEVEN AND THIRTEEN

MOST POPULAR NUMBERS IN A MAN'S MIND.

Nine out of Ten Will Think of One of These If Asked to Pick Out a Figure in His Mind—One Man Put It to the Test.

"Ask a man to pick out some number between one and ten, and you can tell him nine times out of ten what number he has selected, though his selection is made mentally," said a man who is fond of the old things.

"Correct," said the man to whom they had been handed, and the five men were a bit bewildered for the moment by the fact that they had all hit upon the same number and that I was able to tell what the number was.

"Religion had to bend. Darcy had no use for too straight laced a faith. The Rev. V. B. Carroll, a Southern clergyman, tells the following story:

"We were driving out one Sunday from Decatur, when we came upon a negro with a club in his hand and a freshly killed possum on his shoulder. We stopped to examine his prize, and the colonel said:

"My friend, do you know it is Sunday?" "Sartin, boss."

"Are you a religious man?" "I are. I see just on my way home from church."

"And what sort of religion have you got that permits you to go hunting on Sunday?" "Religion? Religion?" queried the man, as he held the 'possum up with one hand and scratched his head with the other.

"Does you 'spect any black man in Alabama is gwine to tie hisself up to any religion dat 'lows a 'possum to walk right across the road ahead of him an' sit away free? No, sah! A religion which won't bend a little when a fat 'possum heads you off couldn't be 'established 'round here by all the preachers in the universe."

Chicago's Mail Order Business. The mail order business of Chicago amounts to more than \$50,000,000 a year.

Presidential Year Bugaboo. The business man to his wife: "To cut expenses down, my dear, is absolutely needful!"

No chromos or cheap premiums, but a better quality and one-third more of Defiance Starch for the same price of other starches.

Extraordinary qualities are possessed by the River Tinto, in Spain. It hardens and petrifies the sand in its bed, and if a stone falls in the stream and alights upon another, in a few months they unite and become one stone. Fish cannot live in its waters.

Dickey's Old Reliable Eye-water cures sore or weak eyes. Don't hurt. Feels good.

Of all the paper produced in the United States, New York uses one-eighth for its newspapers. It is estimated that 11 the paper mills of this country turn out about 4,000 tons each day, and of this the newspaper presses of its chief metropolis, consume 500 tons.

A Hungarian writer, Dr. Emu Reich, declares that the number of distinguished women workers in America in the domains of art, letters and science is ludicrously small compared with the number of brilliant women authors and women painters of Europe.

Olaus Magnus wrote in the middle ages of a sea serpent 200 feet long and 20 feet thick which haunted rocks and caves near the sea coast, the old writer adding, "and he puts up his head on high like a pillar and catcheth away men, and he devours them."

A German professor says that over a large area of central Russia the magnetic needle does not point north or south. It is in one part deflected to the west, and at another part deflected to the east, and at one place it points due east and west.

Old Soldier's Story. Sonoma, Mich., June 13.—That even in actual warfare disease is more terrible than bullets is the experience of Delos Hutchins, of this place.

Treasure hunting has become the principal occupation of the islanders of Martinique. They dig day and night among the ruins caused by the eruptions of Mont Pelee for gold and other valuables.

\$100 Reward, \$100. The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity.

Thorium, which gives light from a gas mantle its intensity, was a curiosity twenty years ago, but hundreds of persons are now making a living digging it in North Carolina, and the annual output is worth \$500,000.

The difference between charity and philanthropy is the length of the news paper free space.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 3 1/2-pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents.

Those Who Have Tried It will use no other. Defiance Cold Water Starch has no equal in Quantity or Quality—16 oz. for 10 cents. Other brands contain only 12 oz.

Sycamore is an exceedingly durable wood, and a statue from it now in the museum of Gizeh is reported sound and natural in appearance, although nearly 6,000 years old.

When a small boy gets his finger caught in the pantry door it isn't the jam he is looking for.

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of J. C. Watson.

The masculine idea of an intellectual woman is one who is as thin as a match and wears glasses.



It is the purest, cleanest starch made. It is free of injurious chemicals. It can be used where ordinarily you would be afraid to use starch of any kind. That's Defiance. Your grocer sells it. THE DEFIANCE STARCH CO., OMAHA, NEB.

SECOND HAND PIPE. We have on hand a lot of SECOND HAND black pipe and socket joint casing, which we offer, subject to prior sale, at the following prices per 100 feet.

Alamo City Commercial College and the ALAMO CITY BUSINESS COLLEGE Combined. Most elegantly and richly equipped school South, North, East or West, it matters not. Open all the year.

Defiance Starch advertisement text: Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance.

CATARRH. K'hawking and Spitting, Dropping into the Throat, Foul Breath, CURED THROUGH THE BLOOD. By Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.)

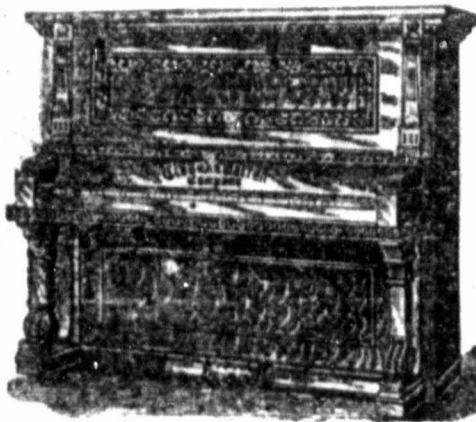
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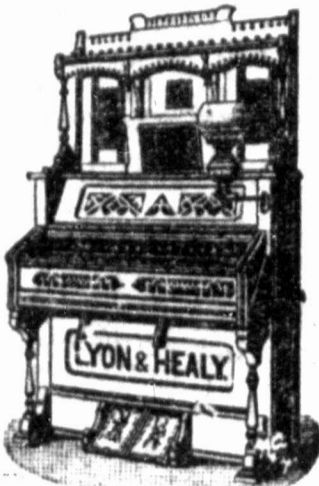


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**CURRENT • TELEGRAPH • TOPICS**

**More Than Six Hundred Lives Lost.**

**Awful Fate of an Excursion Party.**

New York, June 16.—One of the most appalling disasters in the history of New York, tragic in its immensity, and deeply pathetic in the tender age of most of its victims, took place today in the East River at the entrance to Long Island Sound, within a short distance of the New York shore and within sight of thousands of persons, the majority of whom were powerless to minimize the extent of the catastrophe. By the burning to the water's edge of the General Slocum, a three-decked excursion steamer, the largest in these waters, more than six hundred persons, the majority of whom were women and children, were burned to death or drowned by jumping overboard or by being thrown into the whirlpools by the lurching of the vessel and the frantic rush of the panic-stricken passengers.

Sunken Meadows. At this point, just as crowds were watching the gaily decorated steamers from the shore, the General Slocum took fire, and as the age of the vessel—she was built in 1891—had resulted in the thorough seasoning of the woodwork of which she was almost entirely built, she was soon a mass of flames.

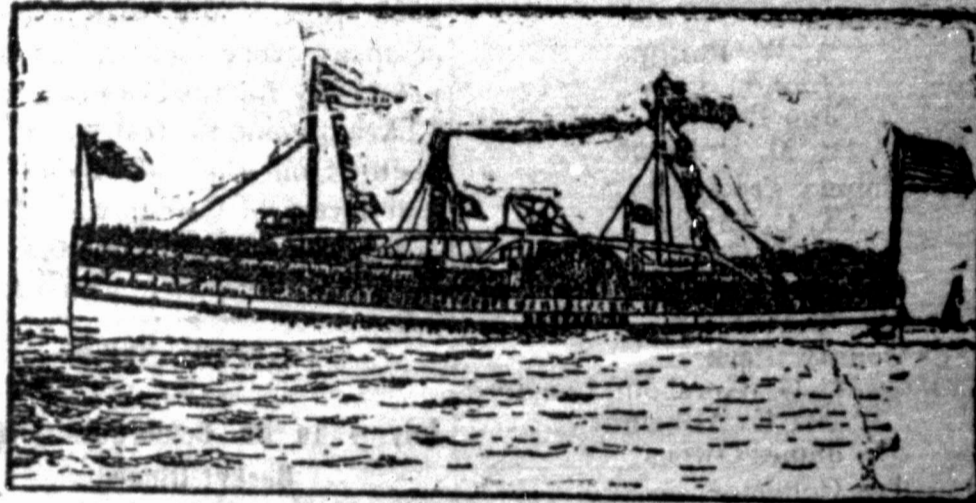
his course for North Brother Island, one of the twin islands, a half mile away, where the boat, partially burned, was beached. She sank near this place at 12:25 o'clock in the afternoon, two hours and twenty-five minutes after the fire was first discovered.

**THE SLOCUM VICTIMS.**

New York: With unceasing effort search is going on for the bodies of

The fire is said to have broken out

**EXCURSION STEAMER GENERAL SLOCUM.**



(Vessel Burned in Hell Gate, East River, With Great Loss of Life.)

in a lunch room on the forward deck through the overturning of a pot of grease. The wind was high and all efforts to subdue the fire were futile.

At 13th street there are several lumber yards and oil tanks, and as Capt. William Van Schaik, in command of the General Slocum, started to turn

those who perished Wednesday on the Gen. Slocum. What the list of victims will total one scarce dare venture a guess.

Police and Health Department officials have placed the number at a figure as high as one thousand and more, but tonight it would seem that the maximum fatality will not largely exceed 700. All day long the searchers kept up their eternal vigilance and at dusk there had been recovered 356 bodies, for the greater part women and children. Up to dusk 499 bodies had passed through the morgue, and of these more than 300 were identified. Streets leading to the morgue were blocked and only with difficulty could the police keep clear the passages leading to the long row of coffins for those who came to search for the missing.

Up the Sound, where the hulk of the Gen. Slocum lies submerged, showing only a paddle box, scores of small craft aided the tugs in grappling for the victims. Divers went down time and time again, and when their work ended they declared there were no more bodies in the wreck. A score of times a diver reappeared after his plunge with the body of a woman or a child. Two of them coming to the surface together on one occasion had in their arms two little girls, sisters, clasped in each other's embrace, and their mother, it was thought, whose dead and tightly clinched the skirts of one of them.

**Miners Departed.**

Antonito, Colo.: Thirty-six union miners and sympathizers departed from the Cripple Creek district were unloaded from the special train near the New Mexico line today and were driven over by the guard under command of Lieutenant Colonel Kennedy. They were moreover warned not to return to Colorado. Nevertheless, after the departure of the troops, the departed men walked back to this town, five miles north of the line, where a meal was furnished them by citizens.

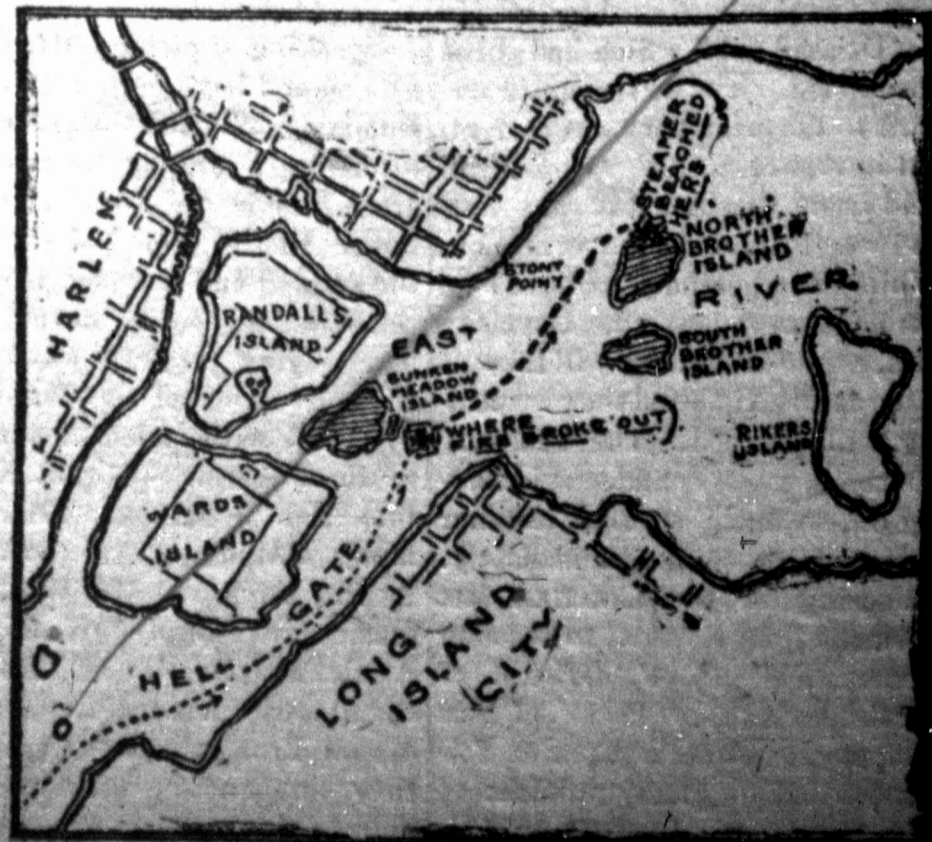
**THE BURNING BOAT DRIFTING DOWN THE RIVER.**



Hurried sketch of scene by a New York newspaper artist.

School of St. Mark's German Lutheran Church, the congregation of which is drawn from the dense population of the lower East and West sides and the General Slocum had been chartered to carry the excursionists to Locust Grove, one of the many resorts on Long Island Sound. It is variously estimated that there were between 1,500 and 2,500 persons on board the General Slocum when she left the pier at Third street, East River, though the Knickerbocker Steamship Company, which owns the Slocum, officially states that the number of passengers was 873, that being only one-third of the vessel's capacity. It is thought however that there were several hundred children in arms for whom fares are not usually charged on these trips. The scene on the deck of the steamer as she proceeded up the East River was one of merrymaking customary on such occasions. The mass of flags fluttered in the June breezes the bands were playing and children were singing dancing and waving handkerchiefs in answer to the salutations of those on shore or from passing steamers. At the extreme end of Randall's Island, off 135th street, there is a stretch of water known as

his vessel toward the shore there, he was warned that it would set fire to the lumber and oil tanks, and as Capt.



Map Showing That Portion of the East River Where the General Slocum Was Burned and Hundreds of Lives Sacrificed.

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**Woman Makes Unique Plea.**

Mrs. Claude Watney, a London woman, has broken all feminine records by refusing to pay for a miniature because it makes her look too young. The miniature was done by a well-known artist, who was to receive \$2,000 for the work. But Mrs. Watney declares that the artist made her look like sweet 16 and therefore ridiculous, and that the portrait, although "pretty," is very unlike herself. Hence the refusal to pay by the sitter and suit to recover by the artist.

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## Local Items.

Get Mason's jars at T. D. Craddock's.

The Big Store will not be opened July 4th.

Calvin Bay of Kennard spent Sunday here.

You can buy slippers cheaper at the Big Store.

Cool off at the fountain at Crys-up's drug store.

Go to the Big Store, they'll treat you right.

Buy Kokomo hog fencing from T. D. Craddock.

The Big Store sells gent's furnishings cheaper.

The Big Store will be closed Monday, July 4th.

Fine knives and razors at Crys-up's drug store.

Buy lawns from the Big Store, they sell 'em for less.

Have your prescriptions filled at Crys-up's drug store.

The Mitchell wagon is the best. Sold by T. D. Craddock.

Crys-up's drug store always handles a fine line of perfumes.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Arledge are visiting relatives at Marlin.

Lawn swings at the furniture store cheap. NEWTON & SIMS.

Mrs. Olliphant of Huntsville is being entertained by Mrs. A. H. Wootters.

Shoo Fly will keep the flies off your cows. Sold by T. D. Craddock.

Major J. C. Wootters was able to be up and out for a drive Sunday afternoon.

If you will let the Big Store sell you your shoes you will get better goods for less money.

The friends of W. H. Denny are glad to note some improvement in his condition.

Miss Ima Bradberry of Franklin is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith on Grace street.

Lace lisle and silk gloves and mitts are being sold at a very low closing price at the Big Store.

Lace curtains at a bargain at the furniture store.

NEWTON & SIMS.

Need a street or dress hat? The Big Store has an elegant line that they are offering at a bargain.

Crys-up's drug store has a new shipment of International Stock Food in 25c, 50c and \$3.50 packages.

On Monday, July 4th, the Big Store will have its annual picnic. Therefore, the store will be closed on that date.

Mrs. J. Valentine, her son, Jimmie, and daughter, Miss Viola, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Peck at Corsicana.

How about that solid oak, three piece suit furniture for \$13.50 at the furniture store.

NEWTON & SIMS.

Hyman Harrison of Palestine was here Sunday on his way to Galveston where he was to be married Wednesday.

Buy Leggett & Platt's noiseless springs, because they are the best. At the furniture store.

NEWTON & SIMS.

Miss Ethel Wootters left Wednesday afternoon for Huntsville, where she will be the guest of Mrs. Della Eastham.

Coffins from five dollars up to the best metallic at the furniture store. Calls promptly answered night or day. Your business appreciated. NEWTON & SIMS.

## The Soda Water Habit

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THE DRUGGIST.

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NEWTON & SIMS.

Wootters Smith came home sick from Nacogdoches last week, but is able to be out this week and has gone to El Caney to recuperate.

Marshall Miles, who has been teaching school at Seymour, in the Panhandle, during the season just closed, is again at home for vacation.

A party composed of Mr. and Mrs. Walker King and son, John King, W. A. R. French and family and Wootters Smith are at El Caney this week.

Mrs. J. H. Painter and little girl, Lucia Painter, arrived Friday evening from Liberty and are the guests of Mrs. Painter's mother, Mrs. J. H. Wootters.

Houston county made a good corn crop last year, but it did not last until the new crop came in. As a rule it never does. Plant more corn and other feed.

D. A. Nunn, Jr., Col. Earle Adams, J. G. Matlock and H. J. Castleberg represented Houston county's delegation to the state convention at San Antonio Tuesday.

The statement of the condition of the First National bank, as published in this issue of the COURIER, shows individual deposits to be over a quarter million dollars.

Emancipation day passed off quietly at Crockett. The negroes had a barbecue Tuesday in the grove southwest of town, which was somewhat interfered with by the rain.

One of Crockett's accomplished pianists, Miss Frances Wootters, has been honored by the World's Fair management with an invitation to play in the Texas building some time during August.

Miss Evie Hail arrived Friday evening from Kennard to be with her parents and attend Tuesday evening's wedding. Thursday she returned to Kennard where she is instructing a class in music.

### Ladies, Take Notice.

From now on I will be prepared to shampoo ladies' hair, answering all calls very promptly. Price \$1.00. F. P. GANDOLPH, Tonsorial Artist.

### Kentucky News.

Lang Bros., Druggists, Paducah, Ky., write: "We sell more of Dr. Mendenhall's Chill and Fever Cure than all other remedies combined, having retailed over 700 bottles in one season. The physicians here prescribe it and persons who once use it will have no other." Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

Complete write ups of the Shivers-Worthington wedding, taken from a Corsicana paper, and of the Harrison-Bromberg wedding, taken from a Galveston paper, will appear in the COURIER in its next issue.

The refreshing showers that have fallen this week have not only laid the dust and added to the healthfulness of the city, but have helped the corn crop. Corn needs all help possible, for there is never enough of it planted.

Mrs. Mary C. Douglas, Miss Amelia Collins, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Moore and son, Donald, returned from the World's Fair Monday afternoon. Donald was a student of Kenyon college in Ohio during the last session and joined the party at St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. John LeGory, Mrs. J. W. Shivers, Messrs. Arch Baker, Frank Edmiston and Quinn Lundy returned Thursday night from Corsicana, where they attended the marriage of Miss Gusie Worthington to Mr. Jas. S. Shivers. Mr. Shivers and his bride have gone to St. Louis.

Mrs. Geo. W. Crook gave a moonlight picnic Wednesday evening for Miss Nell Long of Kingston, Ohio, who will leave Friday for St. Louis to join her parents in a visit to the World's Fair. The picnic was at the bay-out two miles north of town and was a source of much pleasure to those attending.

The COURIER would like to have just such a newsy communication from every community in the county every week as that sent in from Kennard City this week. It is well gotten up and contains the news and nothing but the news, briefly stated. It is a model communication and we hope to have more from this same contributor in the future.

The linen shower given by Mrs. Earle Adams Saturday afternoon for Miss Grace May was pronounced one of the most elegant and enjoyable ante-nuptial affairs witnessed in this city in some time. Many useful and beautiful presents were bestowed on the bride-to-be, and many compliments were paid the hostess on the very pretty form of entertainment.

Miss Leela Warfield, a very charming young lady whose home has hitherto been at Fergus Falls, Minn., but who has been attending a school for young ladies at Jacksonville, Ill., during the session just closed, arrived Monday afternoon to spend vacation with her parents in this city. On her way home she spent ten days at the World's Fair with Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Moore and party.

Misses Sara and Lena Bromberg left Monday afternoon for Galveston. On Tuesday afternoon the rest of the family with the exception of Mose went down to be present at the marriage of Miss Sara to Mr. Hyman Harrison on Wednesday. Rabbi Cohen was selected to perform the ceremony, and on account of conflicting engagements could not leave Galveston, so the ceremony was performed there.

Mr. E. L. Holloway of Corsicana, vice president of the East Texas Oil company, reached Crockett Sunday night from Corsicana, bringing his wife with him. Monday he went out to San Pedro, where his company is operating in what is known as the Driskill field. Mr. Holloway said the prospects were flattering and he is going to remain in the field and give the drilling, which will be resumed, his personal attention.

# Money to Loan.

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### Colored School.

The commencement exercises of the colored school were held at Miles' chapel last Wednesday night. The exercises were enjoyed by all present. Rev. A. Gordon of Huntsville delivered the address to the class.

OBSERVER.

Dr. J. B. Smith was exhibiting some sugar beets Tuesday that for size and quality could not be beat in the sugar-beet district of Colorado and Utah. Dr. Smith is raising them for hog feed, for which they are unsurpassed as a flesh producer. The sugar-beet industry is a large one in a section of the west where it would seem the natural conditions are less suitable than here.

### Class in Art.

Miss Annie Williams will teach a class in art during the summer. Oil painting, pastelle work, water colors and pyrography will be included in the course.

Terms: 12 lessons, \$5.00; single lessons, 75c.

Miss Williams will also take a few pupils who may desire to prepare for promotion in the fall. Terms, per month, \$5.00.

### Fruit and Vegetable Shipments.

Besides the express shipments, eight refrigerator cars of tomatoes, three of peaches and one of cantaloupes have left Crockett so far this season and the returns have been highly satisfactory. To the above can be added fifteen cars of cabbage and 115 of potatoes, previously mentioned. Cantaloupes are just now beginning to move by the carload. With the exception of Tyler and Jacksonville, Crockett is the largest shipper of fruit and vegetables on the I. & G. N.

### Paris Green Used Successfully.

T. J. Crofford, whose success in poisoning the boll weevil with paris green was reported in last week's COURIER, was in town again Tuesday and called at this office. He says he is still unable to find any more weevils in his cotton, but that they were plentiful before using the paris green. His mode of dusting the poison on the cotton was given last week and is very simple, only requiring the use of a short hoe handle, a bag and a shorter stick to tap with. He puts the paris green on dry and pure, dusting each stand of cotton separately. He says where results have not been secured, the poison was carelessly applied. He has made the second application, using two pounds to the acre, and as the cotton grows he increases the quantity in proportion. Should he find any more weevils, he will make the third and even the fourth application.

### Cures Old Sores.

Westmoreland, Kans., May 5, 1902. Ballard Snow Liniment Co.: Your Snow Liniment cured an old sore on the side of my chin that was supposed to be a cancer. The sore was stubborn and would not yield to treatment, until I tried Snow Liniment, which did the work in short order. My sister, Mrs. Sophia J. Carson, Allensville, Mifflin Co., Pa., has a sore and distrusts that it is a cancer. Please send her a 50c bottle. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

### Jensen-May Nuptials.

Miss Grace Willoughby May was married to Mr. M. P. Jensen at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. May, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. J. A. Howard, pastor of the Baptist church, performed the ceremony. Being a home wedding, only relatives and most intimate friends were present. The wedding was very pretty and showed extraordinary taste in arrangement. The decorations were superb, presenting a scene of unsurpassed beauty and grandeur. Fragrant flowers were everywhere in evidence. A large wedding bell, made beautiful as only the hand of woman can make beautiful, was suspended over one end of the parlor and under it the happy pair stood while the marriage rites were being solemnized. Two streamers of ribbon were stretched from each side of the doorway where the bridal party were to enter and one of these was held by little Louise Moore, who preceded the party, and the other by Mrs. E. B. Stokes. These two ribbons formed an aisle through which the bridal party passed. Before they entered, Miss Ethel Wootters and Miss Evie Hail each sang solos. While the wedding march was being played by Miss Maggie Foster, the bridal party entered in the following order: First came Rev. J. A. Howard, who took his stand in front of where the bride and groom were to stand. Then came the groom with his best man and brother, Mr. J. A. Jensen, followed by the maid-of-honor, Miss Nell Long, with Mr. W. I. Kennedy. The bride followed with her sister and matron-of-honor, Mrs. Connally. Taking their stand under the wedding bell, Rev. Mr. Howard made them man and wife in a few well-chosen words, praying God's blessings upon them. During the ceremony, the groom's best man and the matron-of-honor stood to the right of the groom and the maid-of-honor and attendant to the left of the bride. Congratulations and well-wishes were showered on the new Mr. and Mrs. Jensen. In the library many costly and useful presents were on display, many of them coming from friends of the couple in the North. At 10 o'clock the guests were invited into the dining room and served to an elegant supper. Mr. and Mrs. Jensen begin married life under most favorable auspices and may their lives never be less happy than they have begun.

### Triumphs of Modern Surgery.

Wonderful things are done for the human body by surgery. Organs are taken out and scraped and polished and put back, or they may be removed entirely; bones are spliced; pipes take the place of diseased sections of veins; antiseptic dressings are applied to wounds, bruises, burns and like injuries before inflammation and in one-third the time required by the old treatment. Chamberlain's Pain Balm acts on this same principle. It also allays the pain and soreness. Keep a bottle of Pain Balm in your home and it will save you time and money, not to mention the inconvenience and suffering which such injuries entail. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

THE COURIER.

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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

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THE DRISKILL OIL FIELD.

The Courier Misinformed as to its Being Abandoned.

Last week in noting the advent of the prospective oil field near Lovelady, the COURIER stated that the same machinery would be used as was used in boring the wells in the Driskill field, which had been abandoned. The statement in regard to the machinery was correct, but in regard to the Driskill oil field being abandoned it was not, and we gladly make the correction. While the machinery referred to has been moved to the Lovelady field, other machinery will take its place at Driskill's and the prospecting will proceed. The company has the greatest confidence in finding oil, so much so that another well will be sunk immediately. On seeing in the COURIER last week the item referred to as being incorrect, Dr. T. F. Driskill of Corsicana, the president of the company, wrote this paper as follows, which we gladly publish: CORSIKANA, June 18, 1904.

EDITOR CROCKETT COURIER: I note in your issue of the 16th that you say the "Driskill" has been abandoned.

You will please correct in your next issue. The contractor did all that the East Texas oil company employed him to do in the way of drilling. But the company has too good a thing to think of giving up that territory. We expect to get oil in large quantities in that most excellent territory. You have acted kindly towards the efforts we have made, and I am sure you would not knowingly do us an injustice. We no longer work from surface signs, but we now know that oil is there, and at the proper time we will continue to develop the field, and you can not serve that dear old county better than to say to your friends to now cast off all doubt and to take stock with us and to help in the good work. We wish the new company every success, and much prosperity for the COURIER, which I have become to feel as a kind visitor from the old home that will always be dear to me.

Truly and faithfully yours, T. F. DRISKILL.

LOVELADY NEWS.

July 4 to Be Celebrated With a Basket Dinner.

LOVELADY, June 20, 1904.

ED. COURIER: For fear the people throughout the county will forget there is in the county a little city named Lovelady—well, any way, whether they forget it or not, Lovelady still exists, and we are here fighting the boll weevil with all our mind and might. With the exception of the presence of the weevil pest, crops, both corn and cotton, were never better at this season of the year—all clean and in excellent shape.

Say, Mr. Editor, the fame of Lovelady will soon go to the uttermost parts of the earth. She has no large manufacturing establishments more than an up-to-date gin, but she has the coal mine at the city limits on the north, saw mill within her limits on the east, fine farms and beautiful crops on the west, and last but not least we are going to have a gusher on the south. Machinery is being placed on the ground preparatory to sinking a well, and ere long we will be (or hope to be) able to report the finest gusher that has ever been brought in yet in grand old Texas.

Now and then some candidate, lost on the highways, finds his way to Lovelady and he is so delighted that he must grasp the hand of every one he meets, and we are truly glad to meet him, for he tells us all the news, cheers and flatters us until we really feel like we are the fellow. They even know all our kinsfolk and have heard much of us. They certainly make us

Want to be a candidate And with the candidates run, To visit all the picnics And have oh! lots of fun.

Speaking of picnics, Mr. Editor, you should have been with us last Sunday. We had the pleasure of attending a singing convention at Lone Pine or old Rockland school house where they had dinner on the ground and a more delightful Sabbath this scribe never spent. The singing program was arranged and conducted by Mr. C. W. Waddell with such leaders of music as Aaron Speer, J. S. Burton, Ben Summers, Ed Snell, Holly Atkinson, Arl Summers, Arthur Davis and Mr. West. The music was simply grand. Mrs. Annie Frazier Barnes, Mrs. Cora Sisson and other ladies played the organ. Promptly at twelve o'clock they announced recess for two hours. We cast our eyes about to discover if possible why they should adjourn for two hours. We were not tired and could not understand why the singers should

tire making such music that seemed to waft our very souls on high; but it didn't take us long to solve and understand the situation. Out in the yard under large oaks was arranged a large table, some fifty feet long and three feet wide, and on this table was placed almost everything good to eat that the human appetite could crave. We of course found our way to the table without much trouble, and it really seemed like one-half the crowd were waiters. They came so fast with mutton, pork, beef, chicken cooked a dozen different ways, cakes, pies, salad, pickles, sauces, fruits, etc., and such fine coffee. And while we cannot describe or tell of all the good things to eat, we saw enough to understand why Mr. Billy Wills weighs 275 pounds and Mr. J. R. Hairston 200 pounds, but can't understand why Mr. Jim Haddox only weighs 110 pounds unless he is like some editors and myself—eats too much, surely. Surely the Rockland people know how to entertain their guests. We noticed among the visitors Mr. T. C. Lively, candidate for treasurer, and Mr. A. Thomasson, candidate for commissioner. However, they, like myself, were there for business, and not electioneering. Indeed it is a pleasure to meet and mingle with this people.

Yours for another basket dinner, for I, like you, am tired of being shut up in town. Mr. Editor, we extend to you in particular and to the Lone Pine neighborhood in general an invitation to be with us at Lovelady on July 4th, shake hands with the candidates and have a good time generally, and as a side line dinner on the ground. CITY CHAP.

Kennard City.

EDITOR COURIER: Nothing startling occurs to direct attention of the outside world to our quiet little village, but perhaps a few notes from here would be sufficient to let people know we are still in the land of the living.

Every one is looking forward to the big candidate's picnic and speaking, which is billed to be here the 29th. The Ladies' Aid Society of the city is preparing suitable exercises, which will hold the audience about one and a half hours and then the young people are going to have a grand ball over Daniel & Burton's store, so amusement of all kinds will be furnished for the day and night and every one is invited.

Lee Williams has returned from a visit to the World's Fair and other points.

Miss Wright of Crockett is to take charge of a music class here this week.

Misses Arrington of Crockett are visitors at the home of Dr. Sherman this week.

Miss Reba DeWitt is visiting friends and relatives of Belott.

Quite a number of the young people of this place attended the big Sunday School celebration at Enterprise Saturday and all agree in declaring it a perfect success in every feature—dinner included.

Miss Jo. McTavish is to leave about the first of July for the fair and Michigan. While in St. Louis she will be the guest of Mrs. H. W. Wolf, who visited her in the winter.

Miss Lella Kennedy went to Groveton Sunday to visit relatives for a few weeks, but was called home on the following Wednesday on account of the serious illness of her little brother. We are pleased to note that he is much improved at this writing.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Will Brown is very sick at this



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writing, but it is hoped she will soon be well.

Mr. Goss gave a party to the little folks of the town Saturday night in honor of her little niece's ninth birthday. Two of her nieces from Waco are here on an extended visit to her—Misses Juanita and Imogene Standifer.

Rev. Allbritten has been attending some kind of lecture at Georgetown for the last three weeks, but returned Saturday. He is to begin a tent meeting at Kennard Mills tonight (Monday) assisted by Rev. Jesse Lee of Groveton. Best wishes from A READER.

Asks for Help.

EDITOR COURIER: Will you be kind enough to give me a little space in your paper to say a few words to the people of Houston county, who like to see girls get an education, and to my friends and every one else?

I am working for a scholarship in the North Texas Female College at Sherman, Texas. Dr. G. C. Rankin of Dallas, a trustee of that school, offers to pay twenty-five young ladies' tuition and all other expenses to that school if they will get seven hundred subscribers to the Home and State by the 1st of August. I am one of the twenty-five and want every one in this county to help me get my scholarship and I will certainly appreciate your help.

REBECCA BROWN. Daniel, Tex., June 18, 1904.

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