## $\mathfrak{C r o c l i c t t}$ Courier.

## Entered as Second-Clase Matter at Orockett Post-Off <br> REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE <br> A Document Full of Interest to the Tax Payers of Houston County.

Hon. B. H. Gardner, Judge 8rd The under
 ginning of the present term of
Yoor court ol look into the finan-
cin condition reports and books of tount conthe
ofticias, beg to submit as follows:
 time has been dilifently applied
to a viorous orerhanding of and
account repors
the official conductect of the county's
the

 expiration of the period of tive
days, for which the law expressly
dyt authorizes remuneration, but hav-
ing enlisted in the task of a thor-
ough and comprehensive research into the fiscal affairs of the county
and other matters closely allied thereto, we decided that motives
of good citizenship as well as the strained us to complete as far as
we could the work so unsatisfac torily begun during the first five
days. We have been greatly emwork from limitation of time as
also from crude and insufficient data supplied in the records of of-
ficials. We do not hesitate to ada Finance Committee in the state go through the official records, ty for ten years or more past,
check out and present same in an
intelligent manner and on an intelligible basis, and that these ends
may be attained, we believe the
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and officials and to to ive him ample
time to do such work. if such a




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ment, but we know of no nystem and of no country under our sys. tem where the tax
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cy as $r$ rght here in Houston countyvited year ago the rand jury
 them to consider the question of

| delinquent taxes. They all met in joint session. ©p to that time no deputy collectors to gather thes |
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the results were not at all satisfac. the resuits were no as auld have
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been done if the proper spirit tand been done if the proper spirit and
energy had been sumed by the com-
missoners court and the tat col
lecto lector The tax rolls of the tax
collector from 188, to date show delinquent taxes due state and
county $\begin{aligned} & \text { of some fifty odd thousand }\end{aligned}$

 of the commissioners, court did
the county and the state a great service in correcting the tax rolls
of this county. For years there have been carririod on yenres there thens
tracts of land doubly triply assessed. The same ericts
ascesed in the name of two or more owners, thus custing the
same piece of land to be assesed several times and thes swelling
the tax rolls and tax values be勆 tax rolls and tax ralues be tracts of land, but of personal
propery also, and of poils. The atter two cuase an additional
sweling of
thax values, and the three topether explain in some quencies. These fictitious rendibasis and values of the the county have been the cause of a heavy
expense to the county in the salary
of the tax of the tax assessor and in adver-
tising. We are not far from the truth when we say that these
false assessments have cost the
county without any return what-
 will hardly dccut again in view o
what Assessor Ellis has done in
the elimination of fictitious land surveys and other assessments.
To be more exact a correction of
the land assessments shows an
elimination of fifty-five thousand six hundred and eighty-one acres
assessed more than once, valned
at three hundred and four thousat three hundred and four thous-
and and ninety-nine dollars; of
city values seventeen thousand
four hundred and ninety-five dol lars; of personal property one
hundred and seventy thousand
five hundred and sixty-five dollars; five hundred and sixty-five dollars;
of polls eight thousand six bun-
dred and seventy-eight and $25 \cdot 100$
dollars. There have been carried dollars. There have been carried
on the rolls seven thousand three
hundred and ninety-nine polls where there were only four thous-
and nine hundred and fifty-nine in
the county subject to taxation. the county subject to taxation.
Here are fictitious values of near-
ly half million dollars causing a
heavy expense to the county in
the salary of assessors and adver-

## the salary of assessors and adv tising. After eliminating all these elements which Mr. E has done, there remains

 has done, there remains a largedelinquent element due on land personal property and polls,
amounting in the aggregate to about twenty-five thoussand dol all of this but we believe seventy fiye per cent of this could have
been and can yet be collected i their duty to that court will do pays the tax gladly but it is no
right that some should pay while right that some should pay while
others who enjoy all the blessings
of government equally should esof government equally should es
cape. Until recent legislation,
the responsibility for this tion rested equally on the com-
missioners court and the tax col
lector, but now the main respon-
sibility is with the commissioners court for the law puts it
there. In this connection we
wish to say that we believe the affairs of this county can be conducted on very little over one-
half of the present tax rate, if the
commissioners' heir whole d their whole duty to the people,
see that the taxes are collected and use the same business sagacity and economy in paying bills against the county as they would
against themselves. The expenditures for current items of county mous and the fault lies with the commissioners' court. They pass on these bills, reject, allow or re-
duce the same. Some bills are paid by the court out of county money that they wouldn't for one moment pay out of their own.
One case in point is a bill for electric lighting at the jail at the rate
of three and $50-100$ dollars per month or forty-two dollars per
year. There are only two lights there, one used for only half hour at night, the other until about ten o clock only. The charge is one
and $75-100$ dollars per month, only seventy-five the charge is month where only two are used This is an illustration of the ex-
travagance that seems to be characteristic. We trust we may b indulged in the remark that th people cannot be too careful in se
letcing men for the commission ers' court who should be the clear-
est-headed business men in the county. The county's finance imperatively demand that this
court from judge down should be constituted of conservative, level when they see it, and have the sight. We believe it would con duce to the best interests of th county and the bost service o
this court if all four commission ers were nominated and elected by the county at large instead of by
precincts as now. We repeat again that the standard of qualifi-
cation for this court cannot be too
of a type that has been tried and proven. It is mortifying and hu-
miliating to all good citizens that the warrants of one of the oldest
connties of the state should be discount as they have been for
years, a fact due in the main to extravagance running through a
series of years, in some degree to graft, not by the commissioner and to indifference in' collecting delinquent taxes. The publtc
debt of the county has decreased considerably during the past three years, but it has been in some de-
gree due th an increase in the taxable values and not to the de-
crease in expenditures. That the crease in expenditures. That the
script of this county should have ever gone below par is deplorable
and indefensible, when we consid er the county's resources. And $i$ is stiil more deplorable and inde-
fensible that it should continue there. By proper and exacting
there is reason to believe that the warrants of this county can be
taken out of the hands of speeulators and cash pald for them when issued. It may also be men-
tioned that the very fact tioned that the very fact that the
warrunts have to be discounted warrunts have to be discounted, is
an incentive or inducement for those dealing with the county to increase their bills, when if these
warrants were paid in full and for cash when issued, these bills would be smaller. The county's
warrants have been at a discoun warrants have been at a discoun
for twelve or more years, and for twelve or more years, and
however much it may be worth to
some for its paper to continue at some for its paper to continue at
discount, the great mass of citizens bave a right to expect and
insist that this condition be discontinued and the county's credit restored to its old-time standard.
know just how their affairs have
been conducted, the shiftless, sysbeen conducted, the shiftless, sys-
temless manner in which important matters of bus!ness have been handled, we call attention to the
present road working system or present road working

ROAD WORKING.
present plan of handling The present plan of handling
the convict question is unques-
tionably the correct solution of a tionably the correct solution of a
vexatious problem. But we cannot endorse such methods as have
prevalled in this matter. We prevaled in thate matter. ports from those in charge of the working force, no record of any
collection of fines, no report of ex pense and no bond on file from the superintendent of the convict camp. He gave such bond and
delivered it to the officals of the county, but we could not find it. hands of the road superintendent who complied fully with the law in making the bond and brought it to the court house for filing and finding no one to take same, car-
ried it home. The bond has since ried it home. The bond has since
been filed. We cannot but coning after public affairs. We have every confidence in the roadworking system as the proper one
for dealing with the convict probfor dealing with the convict prob-
lem. But system should be sublem. But system should be sub-
stituted for chaos. We unqualifiedly condemn any return to the from which the county derives little help and very few officers eyer got anything in the way of
costs. It is our information that the salary of the present county judge was increased four hundred dollars in contemplation of the in-
crease in the duties of his office, incident to the establishment of the plan of working convicts on the road, and he is the one official ly charged with the responsibility of protecting the county's interest, and should be held to such
responsibility by the comission. responsibility by the
ers and the public.
We invited the county judge and the commissioners to hold
several sessions with the finance e consideration and discussion of important mat-
ters. With us also for nearly a week was the state revenue com
missioner, Hon. F. S. Bell, who gave us. valuable ard. Besides the matters already spoken of we brought to the attention of the treasurer's bond which we did pot and do not now consider a lega uestion is clear and unequivocal The law requires two bonds of the county treasurer, one to protect
the available school fund and the other to protect the general rove
nue of the county. The law says nue of the county. The law says
both sball be double the amount of each fund; for twenty-five ears or more the basis for fixing to double the probable total of the available school money which the county treasurer handles for a
year. During nearly all of Mc Connell's terms, all of Bakers, El lis' and Bayne's, the school bond thousand dollars. Of late years the total of avalable school funds In the hands of the county treas-
urer has increased very largely instead of decreasing, and the bond, if changed at all, should have been increased from sixty nore. Instead of increasing thi made, the commissioners' court in November, 1904, cut the old bond one-half, reducing the sum from ixty thousand to thirty thousand
dollars in clear and indispntable contravention of the plain man-
dates of the law. We insisted that the court take the matter up recorded vote the commissioner ivided two and two, Hallmark ting the bond to the figures put
emplated by law, Murchison and Sewell voting to let the bond
tand as at present. On a tie vote County Judge Newman voted to leave the bond as it is. We then submitted that all precedent in his county as in others sustained our position and our construction of the law and we believe the ourt had no warrant in law or
otherwise for so extraordinary proceding. On this subject we hope to see a change in the law so as to authorize bonds of county fficials to be made by Fidelity BANK DEPOSITs.
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Another matter we called to the Another matter we called to the

attention of the court which they seemed to be ignorant of or disposed to treat with indifference was the law passed at the regular session of the 29th legislature making it the business of the com-
missioners' court to invite bids missioners court to invite bink itory of county funds, stipulating and binding to pay the country a rate of interest on daily balances. The funds in the hands of the
county treasurer may be depositcounty treasurer may be deposited with any bank or banker in or
out of the county on the payment by of the county on the payment
bar banker of a rate
of intelest. This we regard as a wise provision and should be carried out by the commissioners court of this several funds properly guarded and in this way be a source of now and has been for years the money of all these funds has been
deposited with the Crockett bank and nothing ever paid for its use. it's a conservative estimate to place the average total of all these
funds on deposit at not less than fifteen to twenty thousand dollars which is worth to any banking For such a sum 8 to 12 per centd safely pay the low rate prescribed by law anc make a handsome profit over. In ty treasurer has been paying and the bank actually charging for years an exchange of one-fourth of one per cent for collecting school collection to go on deposit in the bank and to be used by the bank had the free use of the county funds for vears without interest could certainly collect these war rants without charge. Safe and profit-bearing depositories can be easily found if the proper effor de made by the commissioners court.

Trems of extravaganoe. agance in the conduct of the county's business by the commissioners' court. We beg to refer to two other items one of which is of state wide notoriety and has brought charges of graft in nearly
every county in the státe. We every county in the státe. We
refer to the items of stationery and lumber. The minutes of the commissioners' court for two terms of 1904, show the enormous allowance of nearly fifteen hundred dollars for stationery. This is certánly extraordnary. We invite attention to the fact that
the stationery bills for this county go out of the county and in many instances out of the state. This is certanly not right or just. There are some three or four papers
published in this county, all of them equipped by machinery, maerial and expert labor for doing
this work. These home papers this work. These home papers
should be given preference to houses out of the state or out of ing and operating these home
plants inform ns the they plants inform us that they can do
from 85 to 90 per cent of the purposes but that they do not get
is per cent of it. It gues to county; do not vote here, and (Contiaued on Fourth Page.)

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## REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

 (Continued from Fourth Page.) and Neches rivers have not pai their license and only one has furnished the bond required by law. Except in the matter of convict bonds and suits on same wefound the affairs of District Clerk Stanton in good shape as far as we had time to investigate. Same is true of Sheriff Phillip's office. We discovered what we thought was an error in some matters but they Were subsequently explained.
This office was conducted so far as we could judge at an expense to the cou
law.
low. county treasurer.
The bounts of theasurer. urer were in most excellent contry. We found a few instances in which funds which the law drrects shall go to the credit of R.
\& B. fund or the County fund were erroneously entered under were erroneousiy enther fund. But these were of
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ing back six years or more fo convict bonds which in the aggre
gate amount to several gate amount to sóvetal thoussan dollars in fines and costs. We do not know how much of the sum has been coilected and properly large sum which has been neglect ed and allowed to go ont of date by the commissioners' court. W epeat it again that it was the
duty of the commissioners' court and still their duty to trace these bonds and to see what has become of them and why they were not collected and if collected to what not too late to hunt them up and to see if they were phid and to whom paid. The indifference and neglect of the commissioners has cost the country of these bond has cost the county large sums an

- PUBLIC DEB

The public debt of as appears from reports and th Finance Ledger is as follows-o

minor importance and were easily corrected. Besides, they have
been found in the been found in the books of every
treasurer. With these exceptions treasurer. With these exceptions County Treasurer Cater has ad-
ministered the affars of bis office with exceptional intelligence and rare good business judgment. We cannot close our report without again calling the attention of the public and the commission-
ers' court to the sum total of the ers' court to the sum total of the
loss which the county and its offiioss which the county and its offi-
cers have sustained by the careless

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82,000
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ounde have been handled for years.

## few years back. We see no reason why the warrants in a year or so should not be brought back to should not be brought back to par with systematic and management of the county's affairs. In conclusion we beg to thank your Honor for courteous treatment and patient consideration of the task we had to deal with. Also to extend to all officials our thanks for all aid given us. The same is due from us to the grand jury, for they were ever ready to aid us in any way they could. W. B. PAGE, C. W. Moore, G. M. W

 me this 28 th day of April, A. D ne1906. 

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## "LaCreole'Will Resorove those Gray Hairs

THE CROCKETT COURIER W. W. AIKEN, Ed, and Proprletor. CROCKETT, than from any other cause.
Flatonla, Tex: Continued ralns
resterday and bad on cotton and corn
Tree's Grewsome History. The little village ot Aldworth, which
close to Streatiey-an-Thames sesses one of the largest yew treek in England, and one which has a grew-
tome bistory. The yew tree is nine trom one of the lower branches is an nelent rasty chain, in whick the life
less bodies of the daring highwaymen $f$ the Berkshire downs have swung
and fro as a warning to their fel ows.-London Graphic.

Great Snakes.
Her
atage Though he shuddered at the crue ords, the love-light in hils eyes nelthe
aded nor grew cold. "Dear," he murnured, tenderly, "ut But the audience, regarding the jok
as old, hissed.-Washington star.

## Delicate Point Settled.

 It has always been a moot pointAustria as to how an officer ought alute a brother offleer when he has
lady on his arm. This dellicate poin lowever, has now been settled by the
lissue of an offctal army crier ure if the lady is taking the arm of the omicer then he can, and must, give th custom to, the oft But is, ass a tavorit under the arm he has to disengage him

## Eagles in British Tele

 The eagle has grown scarce in the searly higher priced. A couple of eggs ars aplece. An old record states then in the seasons of 1831-34, inclusive, no rewer than 11 mature specimens ofthe eagle, together with 53 young and $t y$ of Seotland.-Sutherland.

## Improved by Fires.

 Of the 958 lots burnel over by thefire of two years szo in Balitmoree bullding permits covering 820 have Chycago Are in 1871 and of Boston's
in 1872 , the valuation of the mand tistrict is inereased largely burned more, the gain being pat at fully

Smallest Potted Plants.
posed to be the smallest potted plants
in the world. They are cacti grow log in pots about the size of a thim-
bia.

Flower-Shop Town
In proportion to its size and the
number of its inhabitants, Stockholm has more fower shops than any other

Linen from Ireland. The Irisk linen fndustry is boomtng
as it hase pot flourished in years, largeIy on the expp
United States.

The more men fall In love with
girl the bigger her danger of becoming girl the bigger her danger of becomin
in old maid while slie is trylag to mak

FOUND OUT
4 Trained Nurse Discovered Its Effect.
No one is in better position to know
the value of food and drink than the value of Speaking of coffee a nurse of wulre Barre, Pa, writes: "I used to cirink iy from beadaches and sutered greatWhile on a visit to my brothers 1 had
a good chance to try Pozorm Fhe a good chance to try Poztum Food
Coffee, for they drank it altogether in
place of ordinary cotree. In two weelu after of ering Postum; I foin moch benefited and finally my headaches disappeared and also the inal-
testion. -Naturally I have slince used Postum among my patients, had hare noticed a
marked benefit where coffee has been eft off and Postum used.
" 1 observe a curlo:s fact about Poet. nin used among mothert. It greatly
helps the tlow of milk in caser where peips the thow of milk in caser where
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## ANOTHER

PROCLAMATION
HE PRESIDENT WITHDRAW FORMER UTTERANCE.
 Washington, - President Roosevelt
elleving that the exigency for work ing exclustively the exigency for work
the Red Cross as passed, has issued the following To the Public
When the news of the dreadful dis-
aster at San Francisco first aster at San Francigco first came. it
was necessary to take immediate steps Was necessary to take immediate step.
oo provide in some way for the receipt and distribption of the sums of money
which at once poured in for the reliet which at once poured in for the relief
of San Franelsco. At the moment to ne could foretell how soon it would be
possible for the people of Sin Francisco Chernselves to organize, and to tide over
the interval the American Natinal Re Cross associat on was designated to re. elve and disburse the funds.
"But the people of San Francisco,
with an energy and self-reliant courage cool resourcefulness and a capacit for orgahized and orderly endeavo whice are beyond all praize, have al ppointed by the msyor of the city ex Mayor James D. Phelan teling cha: riman of the finance commiltte. The work of hese committees has teen astonishin As 1 am informed by maj. Gen
Greely, although all local transporta Tleely, ailhough all local transportal
tlo every supplyed, as well as in the practical the y every supply stors in the eity, these army, have succeeded it caring for
3 co,000 homeless people in the last five days, Thanks to thetr eqorts, no to
divicual is now euffering severely to food, water or tempesary sheiter. This
work has been cone vith the minimum of waste and under conditions which would have appalied men less trainel in
business methois, endowed with les ability or inspired with any but the
highest motives of humanity and heip fulness. The reed of employing the Red Cross, save as an auxlliary, has
passed, and I urge that hereatter all contribution from any poarce be sent direct to James. D. Phelan, chairma
finance committee. Say Francisco. Ir. Devtive, of the Rel Cress, wit
disburse any consritutions sent to him
through ex-Mayot Phe'an in accord with htm in all ways.
THEODORE ROOSEVEL "The White Houre, April 25, 1906." FIFTEEN SQUARE MILES
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Oaklard, Cal-The Daily Trlbune
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certainly not reach 1,900 . Nothwith standing the
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HE WAS A FRIEND INDEED rive Snir Fraueisean, Who wint St. Louis. - Mr. Aco'phus Busch
ontribution of contribution of $\$ 190,000$ to the rellef
fund." sald Mr. Nieholens." talking to
a party of friends. Is only part of his
generosity showu in this great and presing emergency,
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o the time of the catastrophe. But now he is reduced to alanost the bare
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which day morning
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wariors, this reunion has been pro ounced the most enjoyable ever held
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Ittee $\$ 45,000$ Al trains, Friday night, were
packed with the veterans on the way home.
Mace in the occupled a conspicuous place in the great parade. Judge
ames B. Gantt, commanding the Mis
ourl division, led the column. ourl division, led the colamn, riting
charger. He was supported by sevt charger. He was supported by sev
ral of his staff officera mounted.
The big state The big state of Texas also playea
leading part in the parade. A. hough fatigued greatly, Gen. W. I
Cabell, of Dallas, commanding the ransmississippt division, insisted up carriage that was sent for him.
Owing to his blindness, Owing to his blindness, two Texa
veterans led his horse. Gen. Cabell was supported by his staff officers.
Commander Stephen D. Lee w. trieken with crampa twice iuring the arade, and was taken to his hotel i
serious condition. Many of the
ged out.
DROPPED A HUNDRED FEET
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Quinnesse, Mivh.-Shock of eart A targe soction of the town, sltua:e
over an abandoned mine, fill 100 fee with a tremendous roxn. A number of
bullifings were carcied down in the ave-in, and it is fearsd that sever
ives have been lost.
The populat'on of the twon The popalation of the town, numbe
og atout 1,000, is sanco-stricken. Maa vere hurt in the collapse of hoases a It 's now feared that the rest of th Wwn, which lies over old line shafti,
will dirup into the great caverns beiow All dirup into the great caverns be:ow
homes in tidents bave fled from thati
bad are now eamp:n dind
beyond the dinger zose.
The water systemp in ruined, and if The water system
fire is saritd the rest of the town w
be cest:oycd.
BEYOND LAW'S PROTECTION
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erime that placed him beyosd the pro
tection of the law, and the court 18 ,
the opinion that he got swift and speed
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Justice by, Judge I.ynca, whom
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When he came to the little town
Oakwood.
(Slgned) M. O. Johsson.

BANK OFFICIALS INDICTED


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in each case were returned by
grand jury, FFiday, aganinst for
udge Abner Smith, Jerome $V$. Pie
a. $F$. Sorrow and $F$.
c. F. Sorrow and, $F$. E. Creelman
onnection with an inven
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The first Indictment charges co
splracy in frautulently obtaining harter from the state of intiols: t
econd charges conspliacy to defra he public, stockholders and deposito
o the bank. There are nine coun oaeh indictment.
Judge smith was president of ti ank, Sorrow was vice-prestden
Plerce was cashler and Creelman wa

Well-Kinawn Hormerann Dead.
New York--J. Daly, who was well known as a horseman and as proprie-
tor of several of the most conspicuous gambling houses it the east, aled at his
home, 12 East Fifty-fourth street, atter home, 12 East Erity--1ourth stret, after
a lingering Bliess of 12 weeks. Burial Will be at Troy, N. Y. his bifthplace,
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yeare he had been a prominent figure
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coast of Ireland. A third boat with a
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The continued success of the Amert
can athletes in the Olymplc games
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Greeks. Althougn on the whole an
excellent teqper has been displayod
by the competitors and spectators
some hisses have been heard.
The Spencer Company, recentus
awarded the franchise for a street car
line in Endd, Ok, has put up a $\$ 2000$
bond and work on the line will com
mence within a tew
price was 823,790 .
Senator Balley will probably become
a member of the Committee on sthmil
an Canals in place of Senator Corman
whose continued tiliness has provented
his partucipation in tes work. This
change will be made at the augses
tlon of Senator Morgan.

VERY FEW HOUSES ESCAPED

| People. Had Warning of Its Approach and Most of Them Took Refuge in Storm Cellars. |  |
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| and property estimated to have been |  |
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| worth anywhere from $\$ 200,000$ to $\$ 500,000$, was destroyed by the cyclone |  |
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| seek the sheker of stolm cellars. Then, like a demon on a mission of veng |  |
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| Stanley W. Wa ton, industrial agent of tho Central. East and West lines, 18 the full and wak outlow for |
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The following program is that mapped out for tae sooth Texas Fruit
and Truck Growers' assoclation meet. ing to be beld In Palacios May 1 and 2, mention of which appeared in The Post several dajs ago: Address of welcome, J. C. widman, Palacioss
Responene to address of Babcock, Port Lavaca "Relation of the Beevile Expert. "The Satsuma orange," Dr., J. M. Stephens, Arcadia. "Watermelons," Albert Peaks, Pala"Bunch Vegetables," D. C. Rankin, Beeville, and R. W. Harrell, Cuero.
"Tobaceo," william Blakeslee, Hal. $\underset{\text { Cieneral }}{\substack{\text { letsvine. } \\ \text { Gentiline ot Work of United }}}$ States Department of Agriculture to the South," Prot. J. A. Evans, Lake Cbarles, la.
"Marketing our Crop," George P. LIl lard, Beguin.
"Industrial Edacation," Rev, w. H. Travis, Palaetos, and s. A. Fenton, Beerille.
"How I Grow Irish Potatoes," J. c. Mapes, Palactos.
"The Local

Cannery," John w. "The Trucker and the Commission Man," P. A. Elder, Palaclos.
"Frult on the Farm," Joseph Pyhus, Blessing.
"Fertilization," Prof. J. w. Carson, College Station.
"The Coast C
P. Attwater, Country of Texas," Prot. ${ }^{\text {H. P. Altwater, Houston. }}$
Cantaloupes," F. M. Key, Palaclos.
"Cow Peas,"'J. E. Bibcock On the night of Baboock. On the night of April 30 a boat
will teave Port Lavaca will teave mort Lavaca for Palacios,
and those desiring to go that way may be accommodated. The Palacios cistzens have promised a boat ride to all attending.
Suggestions to Cantaloupe Growers. Pick melons that are just on the not let them ripen on the vines. Those that are pleked too green will not sell
well because the trade want sweet well because the trade want sweet, highly flavored cantaloupes and not from the vines in a ripe condition will be too soft by the time they are pre sented to the trade. The above mentloned is placed first because it is most important.
In hauling to the packing sheds, use a spring wagon when possible, this wil: It is mportant that you keep your melons in a shady place at all times after they are picked. If you have no suod place at present, ut will pay
you to erect one. Deliver your melons to the packing shed or loading station same day at sicked and as soon as possible. Go over your field every day. It
will certalnly pay you. It would be will certanaly pay you. It would be still more proftable to do it twice
dally. It will asslst the sorters. and packers if you can keep the sizes sep arate and also save consideragle haul-
ing.
When packing a erate see that unt form size and quality ts packed in each cra:s. By doing this they will pack tightly and not shake in transit;
also will present a better (more salaso will present
The cars should be well tced and it possible cooled oft before the melons are placed in $t$. .
Do not overload the cars. Room hould be allowed for good ventilatisa. crowded car cannot allow proper ventilation.-Geo. Middenort Co., Chs
cat. in., in Southern Frutt Grower.
Cuero Bean shipmont

Cuero, Tex, Aprll 19. -The first oblpnent of beans for the season went forward yesterday. Everythling except
cotton ts earlter thls year by edeme coton to earlier this year by rome
days than in previous years. The days than in previous years. The
weather hus been a little coot for the weather has been a dute cool ior has
cotton orop, though the atand ts good
and the crop ts free of srass and and the



There was a time, not so many
years ago, when there was nothing to years ago, when there was nothing do
ing in this section at this season of the ing in this section at this season of the
year save a dollar ahde from the back of an $\$ 8$ bovine. Today it is very
muoh different-this ts one of the bust. muoh different-thls is one of the bust
eet seasons. Cabbage, radishies, beets onions, splnach, strawberries, egses and everything to keep the producer frot
getting rusty, and keep his pocket reatin. No talers and few croakers.

gabyhquake at san francisPLACES RICH AND
ON SAYE LEVEL.

BIDELIGHTS ON THE CREAT CATASTROPHE
cillionaire and Pauper Now Friends
-Buainess Boling Conducted Amid the Buins-Heir to Wealth Born San Princiaso, Cal,-This town "on the level" in every sense of the
word, writes Richard Barry. You can atand on Tar flat and see. Telegraph skyscraper skelewas. South of Van
Ness avenue it is not even a junk heap No more ghouls are ehot becauise there to pey mon to carry off the smashed brieks. Russian, Telegraph and Nob
hilk. which formerly made such a magnificent metiopolitan saddle
against the Golden Gate, look as they to in the priuts of '19, when scrubby
buinhes rambled across teir barren
tices . Thè have been scraped of foul mes of threefourths of the people throagh the desolation he slowly real-
that the world can never know What has happened; that 100 Pompelts that. Califoruta in tragedy, as in all slas, has shaken her jaunty fist tin th
tace of blstory and written "tinis" to the volume.
Social Distinctions Leveled. Yet these smashed bulldings and des-
olate streest do not present the sig-
ainctint leveling phe meter groat, but it does not stagger the imag Sna. the hurt and there are many peois worth tho leveling. Soclety is
the ground, face to tace ruficial barrier is swept away. The The ave been obilterated with the same ames toward the property. The loss
IIfe ts small, the loss of Down to the elements,
nothing counts but human tose oaey has momentarily human los loss purs, prestige-yes, amity, feuds, hatred pared. Humantty is in the Hat and Here are a fow random. Incldents
cked trom the odge of the cataclym: politian artery, has become for the ennay. Aores, tawary photograpa kna leries and insignificant lodging nouses are found all that is left of the great
oat business tastitutions on the Paelfic coast. A sawmill that formerly
employed 4,000 men has its office in a tollar a week. A bakery ther on ployed 300 earts bofore the fire is opruning out of a hand laundry that was
run three women. The largest de
 that hass been roughty partutioned, the
froat 14 by 16 feet space betng tor the taa rear roomot stmillar ex yeat the excluatve heads go for tri-
geles and colfae Odd Quarters for City Offecials. You can see the chtet of police in
San Francisco as easily as you could San Francisco as easily as you could
aee the sherif of the most backwoods eounty in Arizona. He sits in the you pass on the stidewalk you glance
at hts oright face and hear his hearty laugh. The mayor tisues his order
trom the lodse memer trom the lodge room of a secret so-
clety The superior court ish betng
held in a Jewish synagogue, while the held in a Jewish synagogue, while the
elty and county records are burted in a tomb in the Masonie cemetery. the principal skyscrapers in the e
are belag operated from four lit
rooms in the are being operate trom four little
rooms in the ameme block, no one of
Which hase more than a zo-foot front
of a so-foot depth. On one elde of "Advertising Department," whlle on
"ec. rear wall is hung a rough sign - 0 oe Newipaper office a Bedroom. fier much maneuvering, has managed atter mach maneuvering, has managed

 m automoblte belonging to ex-May
James D. Phelan came Abe Reut, the
triumphant Republican boss When he saw De Young he waved his hat
and called out a hearty greeting and called out a hearty greeting, to
which-De Young responded with a gay
salute San Francisco to fully realize what
this means he must be told that Reut
Phelan and De Youn Phelan and De Young are the respe
ive leaders tive leaders of the most bitter an
antagonistle polltical factions in th
west. If you still doubt that the millenium blocks to where the rellef committee
is working 24 hours a day from the howrocm of a regetable grocer an
you will find Gavin McNabb and Ab Reut with chairs and arms touchtng jokes and putting the two craittiess
heads in treads in San Francisco together for
the immediate rellef of the afficted
A week ago as the bosses reapsetive A week ago as the bosses respective
ly of the Republican and Democratic no more striking instance of deadly
rivalry than would have been adduced mention of these two names.
Resurrecting a Dry Goods st Resurrecting a Dry Goods store.
From another clgar stand whit
haired, esthette haired, esthette Raphael Well is resu
reeting the 'most fashionable dry good store in the etty. He is old, wealth
and practically retired. He could easily turn his back on San Franclsec
and live the rest of his days, the on ther place of his delight: but say,
he: "I shall stay here and see ft all up again just as it was-with perhaps
one difference, it will be about twice as good.
Up and down all the streets on can see curbstone fres, where the pec
pe are cooking thet meals in obed. ence to the municipal order to light
no flees in the houses. They being
without large ranges, small kitchen stoves, tmprovised sheet fron oven used and from which are tu
Most of the servants have elther run
away or been sent away and the peo
ple way or been sent away and the pe
ple who get their own meals out of
doors a doors are among the best in the city.
Cokitig theif dinners in the streets
may be seen giris who have been edu may be seen girls who have been ed
cated at Stantord, Berkeley, Vassar
and Be and Bryn Mawr
Spreckels Hel
But of all the astounding levelif earts accomplished by the fire an curred in front of the Pacific avenue home of Rudolif spreckels, son of the on the sidewake, bughar trust. Theme seme screens
Mrs. Spreckels was safeiy defvere Mrs. Spreckels was safeiy defive
of a handsome and healthy son.
is a tree atate. everyone beginn
over again, rith and over again, rich and poor alike, fu
as the front rank broke from the the day Oklahoma

Not Fair Shake; Start Again. Young men who can swing a sman
captal to-day whll be millionalires in a few years, Millionaires who to-day are walking the streets mourning
over their ill-luck will never agaln be fush. San Franclsco, queen eity of chance, born of the gambing fever,
bred of the gambling energy, bred of the gambling energy, dreame
out of a gambler's visions of wealt and glory, with a neree and terrible
grandeur, has smilten all who loved her and said to the half million who had sworn by her:
shake; start again.

Rescue Insane People.
Many stories of herolsm lie buried in the rutns, but some tales that make the
heart tingle are slowly filtering through official sources. This is the story of the
noble work performed by Mrs. Kane, matron of the Detention hospital, and
Pollice Policeman John McLean, who was de-
talled there the night of the great earth quake. The insane patients at the ruine which only the keys of the stewards could free them, At the hour of dawn
on that fatal wednesday morning, the structure in which the courts wer
housed was the frst to call. tense nervous energency and thè officer the detention hospital, which was on the ground
so badly finfured by the falling runs
that that he dled two days later. Mrs. Kane
and Policeman Melean, however, managed to rush outside to momentary
satety. Both of them are well advanced In years, but the nurse is a woman of tn-
tense nervous energy and the officer is a man of giant frame. As soon as they
reached the open court they were greeted by the terrified shrieks of the insane that plerced through the smogking ruins
arond. They refueed to feave thetr
helplc. helpless charges, and
into the chaotic debris.
Thew Buildings Are Planned.
(thork of rebuilding San Fran
elsoo will proceed rapldty. Mrs. Herman Oefrichs of New York, has agree
to repari the Rato bulling and to
bulid agatin ca the site of the Crossle to repar the riaito bulliting and to
bulld agatn en the site of the Crossley.
she and her sister, Mrs. W. K. Vander-
bit, Jr, have aliso stated that they will
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## Mary PhYsicians PRESCRIBE

 Lyella E. Plinkham's Vogetable Oompound Nation and

 Hofivileon sures aro reported trom
 Who have secognized the trirtue of
Wydia E. Pinhames Vgetable Com-
pound, and are fair enough to give

 pound hin serere cases of remale ills, as
hed know byexperience it can bo re.
led upon to effeet a cure. The follow. og letter proves it, $\begin{aligned} & \text { Brigham, of \& Brigham } \\ & \text { Park, Fitchburg, Mass,, writes: }\end{aligned}$.


 Women who are troubled with pain-
ul or tret fal or irreguiar periods, bloating (or
 Vegetable Compound. If adviee is
needed Write to Mr. Pinkhan at at
Lepa, Mass She is daughter-in-law of tidia E. Pinkham and for twenty.
Ave Years has been adising sick
women free of charge. No other living
 health. Every suffering woman should
hak for and follow hher advice if she
wants to béstrong and well.

## Need Water.

Jean dorsay discussing in the aris Matin a propositho to Parkian
ming should be tught to
mehool children, quotes a statistical re chbol children, quotes a statistical re-
tura showing that the average number of baths taken a year
ion in France is four.

Man's "Dead Line, Every man makes hys own dead
Hine. Some reach it at 35, some at 40,
Some at 50 ; some do not reach it at 80 , come never reach it, because they
never cease to grow.-Success

## Useful Cow.

London milkmen charged with sellimg
oor millk are enttiled to have the coill whose producet tis impugned miliked in ths
presence of the magistrate in the case. presence of the magistrate in the case
But when this was done recentiy in the
Stepney district to was ascertatned that there was one cow which always pro duced poor milk and that when any
milkman got finto trouble he could al

## WAS WEAK AND DIZZY

 Mm. Mary, Gany.fot on No. passed through an experieuce which
proves that some of the greatest bless proves that some of the greatest blese
fags of lite may lie within easy reach
and yot be foand only by mere chance

 came so dizzy that it geemed as if the
floor was moving around.
"My coudition at last became so bat
 that 1 ocold not even attend to me me
hoasehold duties. After the slightest
oxertion I had to lie down and rest until Kregilued strength.
exifrien who dad nsed Dr. Winliams
Pink Pills for Pale People urged me to

 gether sia boses. By that time I Was
entirely oured, and for wo years 1 have.
hat no reter,

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wry to try this wonderfal medicine."
 that theypmake new blood, and every or-
bon and oven every tiuy nerve in the
body fools the stir of a now tide of


STUDY OF THEATER FIRES.


SEVEN YEARS OF SUFFERING
Kidnoy Pills.
 German Arms are unable to and ant
toreign orders tor automobles.
vice Writes that the German motar Hon for 1900 was miono, moor, the ex.
port to Engiand and $F$ rance inereasing rlum, allowigg et the flames and smoke
to rush forth at the botton with such volume that the entire theater was en-
veloped in an Instant veloped in an instant.
The gas lamps were
The gas lamps were extingulsned
immediately and were soon followed by
the disappearance of the oll lights. As the disappearance of the oll ilshts. As
for the electric lamps, though they did
not go oat at once, they became auite not go oat at once, they became quite
invisible by reason of the dense smoke.
In a quarter of an hour a temperature In a quarter of an hour a temperature
of 770 degreas Fatrenheit was regisCered in the theater. Next time the same experiment was
repeated under identical conditions ex-
cept that en cept that on thls oceasion the iron
curtata was lowered. Its protective
powers, however, proved quite illuThe flames burst forth into the anditorium with greater violence, if pot-
stibe, than ' before; the thermometer egistered at temperature bordering
apon that of the electric oven, and an
and analysis of the alr disclosed the fact
that it contained more than eight per
ent. of the deadly carbonic oxido gas -that is to say, far more than sum-
clent to asphyxiate whoever had not clent to asphyxiate
been burned to death
A third expertment showed that the
nudience can ooly hope to escape if
the actors consent to sacifice them-
selves. which they can hardly be ex selves, which they can hardiy beem- ex.
pected to do. It was found that it pected to do. it was found that if
the stage was set on fre and bothe
curtains kept up the ventlators on the stage beling open and, those in the au-
ditorium quite closed, the stage became transformed into a chimney as it
were, while the auditorfum remained Intact, as the thames and smoke wer
carried away from th.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { When Men Get Wise. } \\
& \text { The larger part of ine great fortunes } \\
& \text { of this ountry have been accumu- }
\end{aligned}
$$ 40. In thet, the frrst 40 years or

man's life are the preparatory years,
the years of tralining and the years of training and disclpline. A
large part of this time he is laying the
foundation-fust getting ready to rear foundation- just getting ready to rear
+he superatrueture. Many of us stum-
ble around many. years before we get
into the right place. and then. to Into the right place, and then, for ad
ditlonal years, we make many mils-
takee. Most men do not get wise un-
t1 they thave passed 40. Thay may
 Wife-This book Sa saws that in India
Ht the custom to bury the llving wite with her dead husband. Isn't it
terrible?
Huband-Indeed it is! The poor nus-
Dand- even death brings hine no ro-
lease. Translated from Tales lease.-Translated from Tales frou
Strekoza.

About 1,100 Wreaths and crosses
Were sent to the bler of King Chrst.
tian. It is generally thought that the most beautiful wreath was one sent
from Gmunden by the king's old and nttmate friend, Queen Marie of Han
over. it consisted of lovely orehid tled wtt
ribbons.

## The Girl-she is Doubts,

The Man-Yes; the mystery to me where
knowled
Times.
The Chinepe altrays patint an eye
on elther stde of their funks' bows,
An Expensive Bump.
BIII-1 see the khedive of Egyp
owns the most costly saddle in the wons the most costy sadale in to made of black leather
wough more gold than leather is sto though more gold than leather is vis.
ible, and IL cost $\$ 7.0000$ Jill-Woulan't the
Yonkers Etatesmañ.

Had His Doubts.
either slde of their junke bows, bo
at the boats can thee their way,

From Dreadful Pains from Wound on
Foot-syatem All Run Down-Moot-system All Run Down-
Miraculous Cure by Cuticura.
"Words cangot for the Cuticura Remedies. 1 amough seventy-two years of age. My system
had been all run down. My blood was so bad that blood polsoning had set
th. I had several doctors attending to. I had several doetors attending
me, so flamily I went to the hospital me, so Analy laid nip for two monthas
Mere I was land ankle were almost beyond recognttion. Dark blood flowed
out of wounds in many places and out of wounds in many places and 1
was so dishearteped that I thought
surely my last chance was















 remedies, Simmons Liver Puriter
Put up in th boxes, price 25 c per box.
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Take the common words spend' and
sport. really a dispuising, and yet spreviation of the the
ratin 'dis-pendere, to pay out. 's
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phorical sense of pleasure or amuse
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So Distinguished Looking Pardon me," sald the guest to the
hostess, "but wontt you kIndy per-
mit me to meet those distinguishedmit me to meet those distingulshed-
looking gentlemen in the Hbrary ${ }^{7}$. "Oh, they aren't guests. They
walters."- Millwaukee Sentinet.

Value of Regular Habits.
A writer in a Washington paper
says that sleeplagg late on sunday morning is injurlous. Certainly. Any
Irregularity may be said to be intuIrregularity may be said to be infu-
rious, A person should sleep tate
every morning,-Bufralo Express.

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Twentieth Century Sanitary Fountain
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## Socal Stems.

## Notice to Advertisers.

## Copy for advertisem ents must be in this offico ot ater ther than Tueedny

 Tueedar morning to insare insertion No deviation will be made from this rale in the future, be
cause to do so delays publicution. causes the paper to miss outgoing mails and works an
hardship on all coocerned.
Call for what you want. Brow \& Sims have it
Fresh whole pine apples at $F$ .
When you go fishopg call
Brown \& Sims 'for your lunch.
If you want the best goods at
lowest prices call at the Big Store. Brown $\overline{\&}$ Sims pay the bighest market
Don't fall to try a sack of the
Golden Fruit flour handled by F . P. Parker
D. C. F. Snell of Lovelady was
pleasant caller at the Courier a pleasant calle
office lant week.
$\underset{\text { Gr. and Mrs. A. N. Heary of }}{\text { Mreven were visitors to Cock }}$ Groveton were
ett Thursday.
Crysup's Drug Store dispenses
the most delicious and treshest of soda water drinks.
The berry crop this season will
be immense.
Buy your berry sets at the Novelty Store.
at
When the thirst is sharpened in
this hot weather for $s$ cool drink.
You can get the very best val.
ues in dry goods and groceries at
Jas. S. Shivers \& Cis's. The thrst is delightrully ap-
$\begin{aligned} & \text { pensed at Crysups Drug Sore } \\ & \text { with the best soda water drinks. }\end{aligned}$ Confederate day at Lovelady
last week was quitea successs. The
next celebration will be at Grape. next celebration will be at Grape Have you seen our line
pickeles, olives, ketchups, etc They're the best going.
Brown \& Sms. If your are looking for a bargain
an a Ladies Dress Hat come to
the Biz Store May 8it ote and the Big Slore May 8th, 9th_and
10th.
There were eighteen prisoners
in the county jain at the time of
it the attempted delivery and only Mrs. Estelle Wootters Smith and Mrs. Ione LeGory have re-
turned from their wisit to the Mrs. Peyton Denman of Lafkio is in the city, called to the bedside
of her mother, Mrs. J. H. Woot of her mother,
ters, who is ili.
Don't fail to come to the great rednetion sale on Ladies
Hats May 8th, 9th and 10th

JAs. S. Shivers \&
Foley's Honey and Tur contains no opiates and can safety be given
to children and is peculiarly adapt ed for asthms, lirouchitis and
hoarsenees. Sold by Suith ${ }^{\text {\& }}$ hoarseness. Sold
French Drug Co.

Screen
Parker's.
The Big Store has just received
an extra line of fine Taffeta Silks.
The soda water disen Silks
The soda water dispensed at
Crysups, Drug Store is fine.
Give your wife or friend a treat. Cows for Sale.
1 have cows for sale. All good milkers. Apply to
BEN BERRY, Crockett, Texas. ${ }^{6}{ }^{6 t}$. Take your hides to Hail \& Bynum's weat market. They will
pay you the highest market Mr. and Mrs. W. B. B. Page left
Thursday night Thursday, night for a trip of
recreation nnd pleasure and will
visit tiferent pion visit different points in the north
and west. WANTED-To trade nineteen hend of cattle for work horses or
mules. Apply to Lone
chard Cor or.
cror Mrs. G. O. Clinton,
Crockett Texas. On the return train from Love-
hady last Tbursday evening the conductor took ap 187 excursion
lick lond tickets that were bougbt at Crock-
ett and Grapeland. Services at the Methodist Services at the Methodist
church began promptly at 11 A.
M. and at $8: 00$ P. M. The public M. and at 8:00 P. M. The pubir
cordially invited.

Hail \& Bynum want to bny a the hides in Houston county and will pay the higbest prices. See them at their market on the east side of the square.

Crockett experienced a heavy
wind and hail storm Saturday night. In some sections of the were seriouslv damaged.
The Novelty Store bas just re-
ceived its sixth shipment of laceived its sixth shipment of la-
dies' hats this season and this time dies hats this season and this time the styles are pretter
and the prices
J. N. Click of Lovelady was in
Crockett Wednesday. Mr, Click said that Saturday night's storm did not reach him and that there wa
H. F. Moore left Saturday nigb or Galveston, accompanied by his son, Donald. Mr. Moore is in
bad health and has gone to Galves ton for special treatment. Don ports his father rapidly improv-
ng. .
LOST-Thursday morning, April 26th; on streets between G. $Q$
King's residence and Mike Younas store, the top part of a silver can dle-stick. Finder will please re
me and recelve reward.
(Miss) Mary Spack,
Notice, Physicians.
The East Texas Medico-Chir-
urgical assclation will meet at Palestine on the fourth Thursday
and Friday in May. A full at


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## Money to Loan.

## We Buy and Sell Rual Estato List Your Land with Us. Fire Insurance Written in Best Companies. WARFIELD BROTHERS,

 orth side PubllesCrookett, Texas.

The New Iivery Stable. stable at Kennard, has recently opened up a livery busness at
Crockett. Mr. Smith is an ax Crockett. $\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { Mr. Smith is an ex- } \\ \text { perienced } \\ \text { liveryman, } \\ \text { having }\end{array}\right]$ operated stables at difffrent points In the state for a number of years. In his stables at both Crockett and Kennard, he has exeellent teams
and careful drivers. He has two sp which are for the use of the pubblic
both day and nit the pay and night. He solicits and pleasure-rding poblic.
The candidates held a meeting
it the court house in Crockett on Thursday of last week and -dis. cussed the subjects of making :
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mittee. Speaking for itself, the
Couries ohange, one primary as hers for a being satisfactory and less ex-

## Resolations of Bespect.

## Resolutions, Houston County

 Medical Society: Whereas, sinceour last meeting, one of our most of Augusta, has been removed
from our midst by death. Therefore be it resolved by the Houston County Medical Society that this society deplores his untımely famly and friends its sorrow and sympathy. Be it further resolved that the profession of medicine
has lost an active, useful and ralhas lost an active, useful and raluable member. Resolved further be spread upon the minutes and a copy furnished his family. W. N. Puntch, L. Merriwether,
J. S. Wootters.

Not if as Rich as Rockefeller. Ii you ina aii the weaiiu
Rockefeller, the Standard Oi magnate, you could not buy a better medıcine for bowel complaints
than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. The most scribe a better preparation for colic and diarrhoea, both for chil dren and adults. The unform success of this remedy has shown
it to be superior to all it to be superior to all others, It
never fails, never fails, and when reduce
with water and sweetened pleasant to take. Every family should be supplied with it. Sol by Murchison \& Beasley.

## SORE NIPPLES.

A cure may be effected by applying Chamber sons as soon as it of with a soft cloth before allowing the child to nurse.
Many trained nurses use this salve with the best results. Pric 25 cents per box. Sold by Mur-
chison \& Beaslev.

## Will Cure Consumption

 writes, "Eoley's Honey and Tar is the best preparation for cough colds and lung trouble. I know that it has cured consumption in the first stages. You never heardof any one using Foley's Honey,
and Tar and not being satisfied., and ar and not being satisfied."

## What is Foley's Kidney Cure?

 Answer: It is made from a pre seription of a leading Chicagphysician, and one of the mo
eminent in the country. The in eminent in the country. The in-
gredients are the purest that
money can hay, and are scientifi-

Closing of District Court. The spring term of the district orart closed Saturday at noon nd Judge Gardner and the off cial stenographer, Mr. E $\rho$ wler,
left for Palestine, where pened Monday morning. Judge Gardser will return and hold a three weeks' session in August, in an effort to clear the docket beore the fall term. Befone closing ourt Saturday, the report of the The report appears in full in this week's Courier, the Couriek ditor being present to recelve it rom the hands of the clerk im nediately on its acknowledgmen
$y$ the coart. During the clogin week of the sesseon arguments fo new trialy were heard by the court in eight cases, but in onl two were new trials kranted.
These were in the cases of $\mathrm{J} . \mathrm{M}$. These were in the cases of J. M.
Deupree, two years for perjury,
and Phil White, two years theft. Appeals were takes in the following oases: Alma and Cressie Crowson, fifteen vears each
for murder; Al Woolley, two years or seduction; John Terry and Aifor manslanghter; Robert Burrell, negro, two years for burglary. Two negroes, John Jenkins, two
years for assault to rape, and Osyears for assault to rape, and Oscar Kelley, two yeare for bur-
glanvicted at this term of the court, were taken to the penitentiary at Huntsville Tuesday.
A rate of one fare forthe round roads in the state for the Federation of Clubs meeting at Crockett next week. As has been suggestto Crolke realize the importance
to or this meeting. Croekett will be on the the Federation and no effort
should be spared by make a lasting imprassion people to visitors as to the pression on the tality of our town general hospiladies, the wives and danghters of men prominent in the social, political and business world, will be our guests. Crockett shoold have
on its best toggery, with its face wreatued in sumes, Let ue wue the imagation, "h
fore the visitors.

## Letter to H. Bloch

Dear Sir: If it took 10 gallons omebody else's paint tume with with Devoe, we save you $\$ 8$ or 10; for painting costs two or Mr. Ezra much as paint. Mr. Ezra Rathmell, Williamsport, Pa , always used 11 gallons
of mixed paint for his house; De vos took 6 .
But that isn't all; that's only first cost; how long will it wear? The paint, that goes furthest in All paint, true paint, and full measure, are on one side; part paint, false paint, short-measure re on the other. What can you expect I Yours truly,
Murchison \& Beasley sell our paints.
t is Dangerous to Neglect a Cold How often do you hear it refew days "tt's only a cold," and man is on his back with pneumonia. This is of such common
occurrence that a cold; however slight, should not be disregarded. Chamberiain's Cough Remedy
counteracts any tendency of a cold co result in pheumonia, and has gained its popularity and exten-
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REPORT OF. FINANCE COMMITTEE. (Continued from First Page.) never have a generous word of
commendation to speak of the county, a thing which these home
papers without exception are al papers without exception are al
ways saying. We regard this a an outrage to our people, nor can these foreign houses do better work or cheaper work, for they
do not do it. We have before us a letter from Judge Bradley of Fannin county in which the stationery trust in Texas is shown up, and while we do not mean to
say that any one is a party to such say that any one is a party to such
an exploiting scheme in this county the facts call for an explanation and the practice of sending this Werk out of the county to be done. We see in one publication issued on this subject, that a justice of
the peace of Hill county ordered typwriter at an expense of some one hundred and forty dollars and gradually and adroitly worked the county when the machine was for his own individual use. We in-
vite further attention to the exposures of Judge Bradley by reon this\| line; that is, what the counties had to pay for stationery
and what the stationery actually cost the publishing houses all of plants. Judge Bradley shows for the year of 1904 stationery bills Actual cost Am't ac
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 which Judge Bradley, gives show how these stationery houses are ecoming enormously rich by natter of stationery. As proo of the fact that they have no reg ular and fixed schedule of prices, it is a notorious fact that their price lists cannot be had from any of the honses or agents, which isuspicious evidence that they have aspicous evidence that they have to suit occasions, counties and competition. The lumber item is the next one or rather the first
one in importance. We are advocates of good roads and sound and cates of good roads and sound and
safe bridges, but we do not hesi tate to say that a great deal more money has been pald out for bridges in this county than was
necessary and for which the counnecessary and for which equivalent. ty never got an honest equivalent.
The minutes of the court show enormous bills of lumber, some of them suspiciously suggestive of jobbery and gratt between the saw-mill man and the road over
seer. We hear of bills of lumber seer. We hear of bills of lumber for and allowed to rot or be plundered. The sum for one year quite recent was eight thousand dollars paid out for stationery, lumber
and bridges. Multiply that amount by ten years and the people will understand hbw count warrants are at a disconnt and the rate of taxtion increasing instead
of decreasing. of decreasing
The court expenses.
The court expenses of this
county are burdensome and es pecially does this apply to the eriminal dockets. of the district and county courts. We regret to
see this but they are sad and la. see this but they are sad and la-
mentable facts to be met and mentable facts to be net and expense of the criminal docket of
the district court, we have believ the district court, we have believ-
ed for years, could be easily elim. ed for years, could be easily elim-
inated if the legislature would provide every district judge with mal cases; said stenographer to have access to the grand jury room just as the district attorney has; there to take down in shorthand the language of every wit-
ness in felony cases. Then our
dockets would not be loaded with cases of malicious and frivolou prosecution and when the cases were not maticious we should find
that the witness in the grand jury that the witness in the grand jury
room if he knows that on the trial he would be confronted with his evidence in the grand jury room,
duly attested and authenticated, would not be swearing one thing
ove lapse of time and that easy,
oily infirmity of memory which apse of time brings to some wic nesses, be swearing something else before the trial jury. If we accomplish nothing in securing th
euds of justice by this innovation uds of justice by this innovation
we should at least save state and county a great out-lay in the wa of costs which are now heavy frou brese causes.
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BILS PAID VND REJECTED. We find on minutes of commis
ioners' court instances where bills have been rejected but at subsequent term of court some of these same bills would answer to roll call and in a new dress or un-
der a new guise pass muster and der a new guise pass muster and sented, never sworn to, and paid as promptly as if they had been.
We find bills paid and not record. ed on the minptes and in one or
two cases the smount
 was the case for a small amount at not have tume to go through bills cript stabbs and minutes of othe terms as we would like to have done and as is the duty of the commis.
sioners' court to do. We found where the commissioners' court had had some blank bonds printed for use in investing the school funds. Of this number, five, we
were able to find only three and were able to find only three and
could get no trace of the could get no trace of the other
two. We have no evidence that there was anything wrong in their disappearance, but it is evidence at least of carelessness in not placing these bonds where they could
not be abstracted, and be handy not be abstracted, and be handy
for use when needed. We notrfied and put on guard the compfied and pat on guard earance
troller as to the disppeats and we hereby notif
these bonds and the general publie that these li bonds can
by fraud.

We canot but believe Colauait law has bieen $a$ bind train instead of a hele in collectitron
taxes. If there has been a suit this connty under this law for years past we find no record of
nor can we determine who is sponsible for it. We do know
that those charged with the duty of collecting taxes and we may even say paying them, seem to
sit down and wait for the 'Colquit aw to begin work of its own ac-
cord. The impression seems elf enforcing and all wait for that happy period to come.
school
The permanent school fund which at times is large though
nd only some six or seven thousand dollars in cash, should be in vested for the benefit schools. We, suggested to
commissioners' court the priety of using this fund pro-
bonding it priety of using this fund after penses of the county and to, use
the taxes to liquidate registered script. In this way the warrants ould probably be brought back
o par and kept there. par and kept there. ourt should be paying fifteen dollars a month for janitor ser ices when there are those, one at least, indebt to the county for con
vict dues who ould do this work and thus save that money to the ounty.
county clerk's office. The Finance Ledger, the keeping of which has been the cause of so
much criticism to County Clerk Allbright in the past and some of it, by the way, unjust is in bette shape and kept more fully and in elligently than we have eve een it. And while speaking o his office it gives us pleasure th ote the excellent manner that all
dockets seem to bave been looked after and put in proper condition.
We found a few errors in the stray records in this office which were promptly corrected on bring bright. In this connection we ish to say that the clerk canno
keep a full and correct Finance Ledger if the county and precinc officials do not make the repor which the law enjoins on them,
and it is the plain duty of the commissioners' court to see that these reports are made. They
have the authority to force these eports by fines and should do so inecessary. County Clerk All
bright peeds more room. The books and records in which every family in the county is enterested are not safe in the present crowd-
ed condition of this office, and we the commissioners' court to mak ome provision to remedy thi Tax Collector Brightman has certainly looked closely after the occupation taxes, and we com-
mend him for it. This is an 1 m portant part of the county's rev
enue and is more closely collected than for years.
We bave not had time to look through the convict bonds which re held by the county clerk pre
vious to the installation of the vous to the instalation of the
present road working system, pot the totals of these bonds in
costs and fines amount to several thousand dollars and should be checked out by the commissioner
court at once. We court at once. We find quite
number of bonds valid in time and security that have been allowed to go out of date for want of suit on
them. Some one has hen hem. Some one has heen
iously remiss in this matter In checking up the dockets of We most of them in good shape. We found a few of them short in sums ranging from ten cents to
ten dollars or more all of which was promptly paid. We found was promptly paid. We found
shortage in some of the accounts of county officials amounting in all of which was paid in paty dollars Aggregating all of these sum. rom dockets and records due the county, the total of which we were nstrumental in having turned in county treasurer was elose to
ive hundred dollars. These er rors would not occur if the comduty. make these officials reports and go through these dockets and can impose fines for failure to make reports and should not hesi of the careless manner in which

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