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CROCKETT, LOVELADY,
TEXAS.

MINORITY LEADERSHIP.

Democratic Senators Disturbed
Over Report that Bailey is
to Ask Vindication.

CHARLEY CULBERSON URGED

Twelve Months Ago to Assume Leadership,
but Blackburn Was
Then Elected.

HAD CONFIDENCE IN MR. BAILEY.

Colleagues Then Believed in Him—
Is Now Laboring Under Disadvantage
of Corruption Charges.

Washington, January 26.—The Washington Herald of this morning prints the following:

Democratic senators are somewhat disturbed over a report that Senator J. W. Bailey of Texas is to return to Washington before March 4 and ask a vindication at the hands of his party colleagues in the shape of an election as minority leader. The senatorial term of Mr. Blackburn of Kentucky, chairman of the democratic caucus, will expire in March. He was chosen a year ago, at which time Mr. Bailey stated positively that he would not accept the office if it was tendered him. Mr. Culberston, the senior senator from Texas, was urged to be a candidate for the place at the same time. Mr. Bailey had the confidence of his colleagues, but he

confronted some slight opposition on account of personal feeling. At least one democratic senator was not on speaking terms with the brilliant Texan. At the time Mr. Bailey was not laboring under the disadvantage of the charges which are now being investigated by the Texas legislature, and there is some question now whether, in view of those charges, he could command sufficient votes to elect. One Southern senator declares that Mr. Bailey can count one vote certainly, that of Mr. Tillman, who has insisted throughout, and still insists, that Mr. Bailey will be handsomely vindicated. It is certain that there are others, too, but some of the minority members would prefer to be relieved of the responsibility of voting on the matter at this time, and particularly if there should be a contest between Mr. Culberston and Mr. Bailey. A year ago the two Texas senators disagreed radically on constitutional and legal questions involved in the debate on the railroad rate bill, and there was some feeling between them. Mr. Culberston has been much in evidence in the senate this session, in the Brownsville debate and in connection with matters relating to the car shortage and its effect on cattle shipments.

Rev. Carlisle P. B. Martin, L. L. D., of Waverly, Texas, writes: "Of a morning, when first arising, I often find a troublesome collection of phlegm which produces a cough and is very hard to dislodge; but a small quantity of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the trouble is over. I know of no medicine that is equal to it, and it is so pleasant to take. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons needing a medicine for throat and lung trouble." Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

TAKING THE TESTIMONY.

INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE PUT
ON THE STAND THE FIRST
WITNESS.

Wrangle of Lawyers Started By a
Desire to Question Bailey First
About the Documents.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 24.—Ex-Attorney General M. M. Crane of Dallas appeared before the investigation committee today as the attorney for Representative William A. Cocke of Bexar, who filed charges against United States Senator Bailey. The committee held two sessions, both of which were rather lively. At the first, or afternoon session, Gen. Crane endeavored to have Senator Bailey placed on the stand. To this strenuous objection was made by ex-State Senator D. W. Odell of Cleburne, who is one of the attorneys of the senator. The debate which followed was gingery, to say the least of it, and before the end came practically every attorney in the case had become involved. In the end Chairman O'Neal ruled against the complainant, and on appeal from the ruling the vote stood a tie—3 to 3—and the chair, therefore, held that the had been sustained.

At the night session John D. Johnson, general attorney for the Waters-Pierce Oil company, was placed on the stand and questioned at length regarding the handwriting on the papers which are in the custody of Attorney General Davidson. Mr. Johnson succeeded in identifying some of the signatures, but some of the other writings thereon, he said, he knew nothing about. His examination tonight related solely to the handwriting. He will be on the stand when the committee resumes its sessions tomorrow evening at 2:30 o'clock, and it is expected that then questions will be asked regarding other matters pertaining to these documents.

The session of the committee which was held this afternoon at 2:30 was the liveliest by far that this body has held. Gen. M. M. Crane appeared as counsel for Mr. Cocke. When the chair rapped for order, Gen. Crane arose and said he would like to make a statement and a request. He said that the lawyers who have volunteered to represent Mr. Cocke were all engaged in general practice and were very busy. "It seems to me," he said, "that it would be wise to liberalize the rule regarding the lawyers for Mr. Cocke and let any reputable lawyer appear before the committee, inasmuch as the committee itself has absolute control of the lawyer and method of procedure." He believed that any reputable lawyer who had a license to practice law ought to be allowed to appear. He declared that he didn't believe the committee had the right to select counsel for Senator Bailey or to designate the number who should represent him. He asserted that Mr. Cocke

ought to be permitted to select his counsel and to relay them as he chose. What he was asking, he took it, was absolutely reasonable. Gen. Crane closed by asking that Joseph E. Cockrell, who represented Mr. Cocke yesterday, be permitted to assist him during the afternoon.

At this juncture Chairman O'Neal had the following read: House of Representatives, Austin, Tex., Jan. 24.—In Re Senatorial Investigation—Hon. H. A. O'Neal, Chairman House Investigation Committee, Austin, Tex.: Dear Sir—On Jan. 20 I furnished you a list of some forty-one witnesses to be summoned in the above matter. The sheriff of this county, who is serving the process of your committee, gave me a list of names upon whom service had been had on yesterday.

The name of J. W. Bailey, being the first witness on the list, does not appear there, and I respectfully urge that service be made upon him immediately. This is considered vital. Neither do I see on the list summoned the name of George Clark of Waco, Texas, and H. Naudain of St. Louis, Missouri, both of whom have been in Austin for several days. Neither is the name of Oscar L. Stribling on the list summoned. Very truly yours,

WILLIAM A. COCKE.

Cured Lumbago.

A. B. Canman, Chicago, writes March 4, 1903: "Having been troubled with lumbago at different times, and tried one physician after another, then different ointments and liniments, gave it up altogether. So I tried once more, and got a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment, which gave me almost instant relief. I can cheerfully recommend it, and will add my name to your list of sufferers." Murchison & Beasley.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Mrs. Michael Hart, wife of the superintendent of Cart Service at Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies Islands, says that she has for some years used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, croup and whooping cough and has found it very beneficial. She has implicit confidence in it and would not be without a bottle of it in her home. Murchison & Beasley.

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The COURIER has secured for its readers an opportunity to get the Crockett COURIER, the Houston Post and a valuable wall chart all for the sum of \$1.95. This offer applies only to cash in advance subscriptions. Separately, the COURIER is \$1.00 a year, the Houston Post (semi-weekly) is \$1.00 a year, and the map is not otherwise on the market. The map, which is entirely a new one, can only be procured through the COURIER or the Post. A special feature of this wall chart, for such it is, is a complete map of Texas, surrounded by the portraits of the presidents of the republic and also of the governors of the state, including Governor Campbell. This wall chart can only be handled as a special offer, good for sixty days from the signing of the agreement, which was January 18.

This new wall chart is very attractive and contains six pages, each page being 28x36 inches. Any one page alone makes the chart so valuable that it should be in every Texas home. Remember this valuable chart can be gotten only through subscriptions to the COURIER or the Post, and that the offer is good for only sixty days, beginning January 18.

Imperfect Digestion

Means less nutrition and in consequence less vitality. When the liver fails to secrete bile, the blood becomes loaded with bilious properties, the digestion becomes impaired and the bowels constipated. Herbine will rectify this; it gives tone to the stomach, liver and kidneys, strengthens the appetite, clears and improves the complexion, infuses new life and vigor to the whole system. 50 cents a bottle. Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

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SQUARE CLOTH IS LIKED.

Easier to Launder and Has More Graceful Effect.

The round tablecloth which was introduced about 12 years ago and attained great popularity, is not nearly so much sought for this year. Housekeepers have discovered that it is much more difficult to launder smoothly than a square tablecloth, while drooping corners even on a round table give a more graceful effect to the table than does a circular cloth. It is not generally known that the high-grade cloths were originally imported square, but were afterward cut around to order, the patterns usually allowing this. While floral designs are always popular, the most expensive weaves now come in the empire, Louis XIV, Louis XV and Louis XVI, with conventional and geometrical designs. Plain satin damask without any pattern is also in great demand for dinner and lunch cloths, but is decorated with lace and drawn-work designs done by hand. In laces used with dinner cloths or in tea trays of Italian flit is at present the most popular, though Byzantine, Burano and crepon are also in high favor. The Chinese hand-embroidered grass linen centerpieces and doilies launder beautifully and are most serviceable. The embroidery on these is very lustrous and rich looking. They come in the delft blues and white, in floral designs and in the dragon design.

TO PUT A CAKE TOGETHER.

Method That is Said to Avoid Possibility of Failure.

The following way of putting a cake together never fails: Work the butter and sugar to a cream, beat the whites and yolks of eggs separately (the whites to a stiff froth, the yolks to a cream), then add yolks to the creamed butter and sugar; afterward add the milk, then the flavoring, next the whites of the eggs and lastly the flour by degrees.

If fruit is added, dredge flour over it, stirring it in slowly and thoroughly before the flour.

Where the recipe calls for baking powder and you are out of it, use soda and cream of tartar in a teaspoonful of boiling water, adding it to the mixture before adding the whites of the eggs. When sour milk is used always use soda, not baking powder.

Beef Cherries.

Chop one pound of tender round steak, very fine, and add one-half pound of chopped salt pork. Add one-half teaspoonful of pepper and one-fourth teaspoonful of mustard. Make about two and one-half cups of biscuit dough. Roll the dough out until it is about one-half inch thick. Cut the dough into rounds about four inches across. With the chopped meat, and the rounds of dough, make small dumplings, pinching the dough together in a ball shape, the meat being inside. Put the balls or "cherries" in a baking pan that has been buttered. Bake about a half hour in a moderate oven. When done, put on a hot platter and garnish with sprigs of parsley.

Bedroom Furniture.

White enamel, if the models are simple and well made, is very satisfactory for light and dainty color schemes, and the prices are very reasonable. Bird's-eye maple comes next in price and is very attractive with certain colors, such as old rose, sudee green and light blue. One can frequently find the same models in it as in the mahogany.

It is necessary to consider the wood and the coloring very carefully in selecting furniture, but it is even more important to select simple graceful models, and to see that they are well made.—Harper's Bazar.

Milk Biscuit.

Put into a saucepan one-half cup milk and a tablespoonful butter, and set on the stove to warm. Sift together half a pound of flour and a teaspoonful baking powder, and pour into it the hot milk. Mix into a smooth, stiff paste, then with a floured rolling pin, roll into as thin a sheet as possible. Cut into small rounds and bake about 20 minutes in a very hot oven.

Nut Cream Fudge.

Three cups granulated sugar one-half pint cream or milk. Boil 12 minutes, stirring constantly, add a cup of chopped walnuts (when removed from the fire) and stir very hard until creamy. Pour into buttered pan and cut in squares while slightly warm; delicious.

Fine Caps for Infants.

History tells us that Louis XIV, when a baby, received from the pope a gift of six rich caps of various styles, inclosed in magnificent cases made of brocade and silver. In an expensive layette of the eighteenth century were included 122 baby caps of various kinds.

Peaked Colorado.

Colorado holds the record among the states of having 407 mountain peaks exceeding 10,000 feet; 23 of these are 14,000 feet and over.

EFFECTIVE REMEDY

SIMPLE FORMULA WILL BREAK A COLD OVER NIGHT.

Prescribed by Well-Known Specialist in the Cure of Consumption—Can Be Prepared by Anyone.

Here is a simple and effective remedy for coughs and colds: Mix a half ounce of the Virgin Oil of Pine (Pure) with two ounces of glycerine and a half pint of good whisky. Shake well and take in teaspoon doses every four hours.

This formula is said to be very effective, being the prescription of an eminent authority. It will break up a cold in 24 hours, and cure any cough that is curable.

The ingredients for this prescription can be found at any good drug store, but care should be taken that only the pure Virgin Oil of Pine should be used. This is put in half-ounce vials for dispensing, securely sealed in a round wooden case with engraved wrapper, having the name—Virgin Oil of Pine (Pure), prepared only by Leach Chemical Co., Cincinnati, O.—plainly printed thereon.

The cheaper oils and those sold in bulk only create nausea and have no effect whatever upon the bronchial tubes.

WHERE APPLES ARE GROWN.

North America the Great Producing Region of the World.

The area of the world devoted to apple raising in the northern hemisphere extends from Scandinavia on the north to the mountain regions of North Carolina and Tennessee on the south. In the southern hemisphere apples are raised in New Zealand and Tasmania, but little success has been obtained in Australia, Africa or South America. North America is the great apple-producing region of the world and New York leads all the other states in the quantity grown, although there are many choice varieties produced in other states, particularly Missouri, Oregon and Washington. The soil and climate conditions must combine to produce the finest fruit. The annual aggregate product of the world is estimated at 100,000,000 barrels, but not all of this is gathered, for in seasons when the production is plentiful large quantities are fed to cattle or allowed to rot on the ground, and every season millions of bushels of the less choice varieties and the poorer fruit from the best trees are turned into cider, which is used as a beverage and for making vinegar and apple brandy.

TWO SISTERS HAD ECZEMA.

Cuticura Cured Scalp Troubles of Two Illinois Girls—Another Sister Took Cuticura Pills.

"I must give much praise to all the Cuticura Remedies. I used but one cake of Cuticura Soap and one box of Cuticura Ointment, as that was all that was required to cure my disease. I was very much troubled with eczema of the head, and a friend of mine told me to use the Cuticura Remedies, which I did, and am glad to say that they cured my eczema entirely. Since then we have always kept the soap on hand at all times. My sister was also cured of eczema of the head by using the Cuticura Remedies. Another sister has used Cuticura Resolvent and Pills and thinks they are a splendid tonic. I cannot say exactly how long I suffered, but I think about six months. Miss Edith Hammer, R. F. D. No. 6, Morrison, Ill., Oct. 3, 1906."

Paper Drinking Cup.

A handy folding drinking cup of water proof paper can now be purchased. It comes in a flat folded package that fits the vest pocket. When opened it forms a cylindrical vessel bound with wire and having a wire handle. It holds about a cupful of cold water, milk, tea or medicines. It can be used to hold hot liquids, but can only be used once, or at most twice.

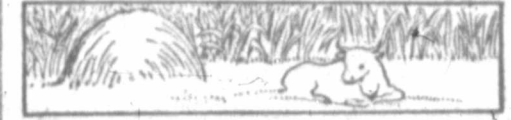
A cup filled with cold water stood for eight hours without injury and was then dried, refolded and used again several times. It is useful in traveling, in camp, and in the sickroom. A package of eight can be bought for 25 cents.—Woman's Home Companion.

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Has Clinch on Position.

Various authorities have passed on a letter received at the post office department a short time ago and it has finally been sent to the postmaster general. The letter came from a western postmaster at a small office and read: "In accordance with the rules of the department, I write you to inform you that on next Saturday I will close the post office for one day, as I am going on a bear hunt. I am not asking your permission to close up and you can discharge me if you want to. But I will advise you now that I am the only man in the county who can read and write." It is not likely that the postmaster will be discharged.

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To invigorate the digestion and stimulate the torpid liver and bowels there is nothing so good as that old family-remedy, Brandreth Pills, which has been in use for over a century. They cleanse the blood and impart new vigor to the body. One or two every night for a week will usually be all that is required. For Constipation or Dyspepsia, one or two taken every night will afford great relief.

Brandreth's Pills are the same fine laxative tonic pill your grandparents used and being purely vegetable are adapted to every system.

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R. M. SWANN, Franklin, La.

Changes in Dismal Swamp.

Investigations of the scientists at Washington have recently developed the fact that at present the area of the Dismal swamp is slowly sinking, and Lake Drummond, in its center, is growing larger. Similar changes have occurred in the past, periods of elevation and subsidence gradually succeeding one another. The average elevation above sea level is so slight that natural drainage is insufficient to remove the rainfall.

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed, it has a rambling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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a more potent remedy in the roots and herbs of the field than was ever produced from drugs.

In the good old-fashioned days of our grandmothers few drugs were used in medicines and Lydia E. Pinkham, of Lynn, Mass., in her study of roots and herbs and their power over disease discovered and gave to the women of the world a remedy for their peculiar ills more potent and efficacious than any combination of drugs.

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During its record of more than thirty years, its long list of actual cures of those serious ills peculiar to women, entitles Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to the respect and confidence of every fair minded person and every thinking woman.

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W. W. AIKEN, Ed. and Proprietor.

CROCKETT, TEXAS.

It is sad when our friends depart, but it is worse when our virtues die.

Until the sultan engaged a European artillery expert, Raisul didn't know that the imperial forces were firing at him.

Bomb-throwing seems to be on the increase in this country. Funny that it isn't applauded as it is when it happens away off in Russia.

Philologists have found that originally the word *chasseur* meant murderous brigand. How in the world could the meaning of it ever have been so changed?

There is reassurance for Mr. Atwood in the words from Berlin that surgery can now attach a beheaded man's head to the trunk again, that is unless the man has lost his head entirely.

Parisians, who like to have a designating epithet for everything and everybody, call the actresses who ride in touring cars, wrapped up in automobile coats, "the little bears of the boulevards."

We are having the kind of a winter in which a shrewd husband can make a big hit with his wife and at the same time experience no personal discomfort by getting up to light the kitchen fire.

The burning of the bride's toys is part of the wedding ceremony in Japan. The bride lights a torch which she hands to the bridegroom, who with it lights a fire in which the toys are destroyed.

When the United States gets that biggest battleship in the world the secretary of the navy wants, her saucy ship will be a beauty that will attract the admiration of the globe. She will, in fact, be the belle of the seas.

The biggest gain in numbers of immigrants last year was from Italy, Russia, Greece, Turkey and the orient. It should not be rashly said that this is not cause for congratulation. It may be in the places they came from.

John E. Wilkie, chief of the secret service, is one of the best amateur magicians in the country. He performs wonders with a deck of cards and his sleight-of-hand maneuvers with coin, handkerchiefs and other objects are a source of constant wonder to his friends.

An invention of Frau Antoinette Arntzen and exhibited at the recent musical exposition in Berlin consists of a method of increasing the resonance of the voice by inserting a film under the roof of the mouth, making a sort of sounding board. The apparatus is intended for the use of orators, officers, sea captains, etc., as well as for stagers.

A new company capitalized at \$5,000,000 has been formed by John D. Spreckels, Jr., William Clayton and Harry L. Titus, with the avowed purpose of building a railroad from San Diego, Cal., to Yuma, Ariz., by way of the Imperial valley. The articles of incorporation have been filed in San Diego, and the official title of the corporation is the San Diego & Arizona Railway company.

In commemoration of the rare foresight and wisdom and the indomitable courage which led William H. Seward, then secretary of state, to induce an unwilling congress to purchase Alaska for his country the citizens of Seattle will erect a monument to commemorate the act which has endeared the grand old statesman to the people of the northwest. It is planned to complete the monument in time for the Alaska-Yukon Pacific exposition, which is to be held in the summer of 1909.

The New Zealand International exhibition now in progress, is the most important one ever held in Australasia. It covers 14 acres, and the cost of the main buildings is estimated at \$500,000, though the entire expenditures before opening were probably three times that sum. All nations were invited to exhibit, and it is regretted that American manufacturers did not respond. The Standard Oil company, through its New Zealand representative, is the only American concern with an exhibit.

Work seems to be waiting for the person who can do it. In Detroit the employment agencies are said to be practically idle because there are few out of work. In Boston a free state employment bureau, opened on December 2, announced in an advertisement printed on the Saturday before, that it had on its books demand for more than 452 workers at wages varying from \$75 a month and board for a boy, to \$10 a week for workers in an electrical shop.

MARSHALL FIELD'S WEALTH

INVENTORY REVEALS LARGE SECURITIES HOLDINGS.

The Executor's Conservative Estimate Gives \$75,000,000 as Total Value of Estate.

Chicago, Ill.—Marshall Field's vast wealth was set forth in detail late Thursday, when an inventory of his estate was filed in probate court. The par value of numerous stocks and bonds were given and huge realty holdings were enumerated. In the latter classification there was no attempt to even estimate values. In spite of the fact that the merchant occupied a first rank as owner of real estate in Chicago and was possessed of large landed property elsewhere, especially in New York City, the bulk of his riches consisted of securities which represented investments not only in Chicago, but also from the eastern to the western coast of America and some in foreign countries.

In the executor's extremely conservative estimate of \$75,000,000 as the total value of the Field estate the personal property is placed at \$50,000,000. The par value of the stock and bonds is given, but no statement is made showing the present cash value of these securities. The investments are generally among those classed as "gilt edged," and the securities generally have a far higher market value than the par figures would indicate. In some cases the market value of the stock is five times as great as the par value and estimates of total wealth place it all the way from \$100,000,000 to \$150,000,000. An examination of the securities shows that Mr. Field was interested in a multiplicity of businesses—banks, railroads in this and other countries, telephones, telegraph companies and bond and mortgage concerns, in fact, almost anything in an industrial line, and that he was a veritable railroad prince.

MEXICANS WHIP YAQUIS.

Twenty Soldiers Killed, While Indians Carry Off Their Dead.

El Paso, Texas.—Reports have been received here of a desperate battle between Yaqui Indians and Mexican troops, which occurred Wednesday in the mountain district southeast of Guaymas, state of Sonora, Mex.

Twenty Mexicans were killed and a number wounded. The Yaquis were defeated with considerable loss, but as they took both their dead and wounded with them when retreating, it is not known how many were killed.

SNOW SEVENTY FEET DEEP.

North Dakota Buried Under a Great White Blanket.

St. Paul, Minn.—North Dakota is covered with snow of an unprecedented depth. Whole communities are isolated and every railroad in the state is at the mercy of the elements. Not a train from North Dakota has arrived here for three days, and the officials have no definite idea when traffic will be resumed. The blizzard was the worst the northwest has known in half a century. In the mountain districts monstrous snowslides have covered the tracks 50 to 70 feet deep.

FEVER CASES DECREASING.

Chicago Has a Marked Increase in Diphtheria, However.

Chicago, Ill.—The combined efforts of the health department, building department and state factory inspector's office showed results yesterday in a marked decrease of the number of scarlet fever cases reported. This result, however, was accompanied by the greatest number of new cases of diphtheria reported in any day of the epidemic, as well as an increase in the actual number of deaths from contagious diseases.

Federal Indictments in Utah.

Salt Lake City, Utah.—The federal grand jury which has been investigating alleged coal and timber land frauds, has made its final report, returning a number of indictments. One indictment is against Don C. Robinson, one of the oldest coal prospectors in the state, and another is against Edwin W. Senior, a land attorney. They are charged with conspiring to secure coal lands from the government by fraud.

Another Japanese Treaty Claim.

Honolulu, Hawaii.—Japanese Consul Miki Saito is credited with the statement that proposed local legislation limiting issuance of saloon licenses to citizens of the United States is a violation of the Japanese treaty rights.

Relief Work May Cease.

New York, N. Y.—In the light of news from Kingston, it is possible that the committee will decide to recall the shipments made, and return to contributors such funds and other gifts as have been received.

IN CONGRESS

The House.

After a spirited debate, in which many members participated, the house by a practically unanimous viva voce vote, reduced the number of pension agencies throughout the country from eighteen to one, which shall be located in the pension office in this city.

The plan of the appropriations committee was to have the number reduced from eighteen to nine. This plan was as objectionable to most members as that which finally carried. Kansas representatives and members from other states expressed confidence tonight that the senate will authorize certainly nine, if not all, of the agencies now in operation.

The fight came over an amendment offered by Representative Dalzell of Pennsylvania, who had announced his intention of fighting the programme of the committee, which involved the consolidation of the Pittsburgh pension agency with that at Philadelphia. Mr. Dalzell's amendment provided for the continuance of all of the agencies. Representative Gardner of Michigan, who had charge of the pension bill on the floor, could hardly wait until the amendment had been read, before offering a substitute cutting out all of the agencies except that at Washington.

The house passed 380 private pension bills. The question of the "free distribution of garden seed occupied a portion of the day.

The house of representatives voted to abolish all the pension agencies throughout the country, 18 in number, and centralize the payment of pensions in the city of Washington. This action was taken on the pension appropriation bill, after spirited opposition on the part of those having pension agencies in their states.

The pension appropriation bill carrying \$128,000,000 in round numbers was passed.

The committee on military affairs decided to make a favorable report on a bill permitting the wives of enlisted men to be buried in the same grave with their husbands in national cemeteries. This measure was strongly urged for several years by Mrs. Tanner.

The Senate.

Resolutions to check naval officers from "lighting a fire" under senators and members to compel the enactment of the naval personnel bill at this session" were presented in the senate by Mr. Hale, and after causing a snappy debate of short duration, went over for future consideration. Mr. Hale's resolutions cite the president's order forbidding government employees "to lobby," and directs an inquiry by the secretary of the navy to ascertain whether the order is being violated. The latter part of the day was devoted to the disposition of pension bills.

According to plans the new battleship provided for in the naval appropriation bill is to be a sister ship of the monster authorized by congress last year, which the bill required should "be a first-class battleship; carrying as heavy armor and as powerful armament as any existing vessel of its class; to have the highest practicable speed and greatest practical radius of action." The cost of the two battleships is estimated at \$10,000,000 each.

The exact and detailed extent to which child labor is employed in the United States is set forth in a bulletin issued by the census bureau. The statistics presented are for 1900, and relate to the employment of children as bread winners, of whom 1,750,000 in round numbers, between the ages of 10 and 15, were so employed.

STATE SUES A RAILROAD.

Minnesota Attorney-General Begins Proceedings Against Manitoba.

St. Paul, Minn.—Attorney-General Young Friday began mandamus proceedings in the supreme court to compel the St. Paul, Minneapolis, & Manitoba Railroad Co. to show cause why its charter should not be forfeited.

This company, formerly known as the Minnesota & Pacific Co., is really the parent company of the Great Northern Railway Co., and the Great Northern is joined in this issue, as it is the owner of the Manitoba company's stock.

Gave Gotch a Hard Match.

Minneapolis, Minn.—Frank Gotch, of Iowa, still retains the championship wrestling title of America, though Fred Beel, of Wisconsin, gave him a hard match here. Beel stayed the limit, 15 minutes, and Gotch forfeited \$500 and a big side bet. Twice Beel got Gotch to the floor. Gotch threw Beel twice to the mat, but failed to hold him.

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Between Sighs and Tears.

Mr. Roosevelt has been more considerate of literary men than all other presidents of the United States put together. There are two or three at the White House every week by invitation—or the king's command. Blank and Blank, two youngish authors, are particular pets. One is asthmatic, the other has weak eyes. The president always sits between them at luncheon, talking first to one, then the other, and enjoying both at the same time. It reminds me of Emperor Augustus, who was very fond of Virgil and Horace, and invariably sat between them when they dined with him. Virgil was asthmatic and Horace had epilepsy. Augustus used to say, alluding to his situation between these two poetic invalids: "My time is passed between sighs and tears."—N. Y. Press.

It's Easy to Smooth Ribbons.

Ribbons will become creased in spite of the best care, and a hot flat-iron removes but few of these marks of use. A better plan is this: Take a smooth quart bottle and fill with boiling hot water. Then wrap a single paper smoothly around the bottle, wrap the ribbon around the paper perfectly smooth and tight, and then wrap another paper around this and pin in place.

Set it aside a day and night and the ribbon will be beautifully smooth and new in appearance. Soiled ribbons may be soaked and squeezed in a weak suds, and, when rinsed and dried, ironed in this way. It is a very satisfactory method.

The Recipe of the Week.

Oyster Salad.—Scald large oysters in their own liquor until they become plump and gills ruffle. Drain, sprinkle with a little lemon juice, salt and paprika, and let get perfectly cool. If very large cut each oyster in half lengthwise, using a silver knife. When ready to serve mix with sauce tartare or mayonnaise and arrange in cups made of crisp, tender lettuce leaves; garnish with a star of mayonnaise sauce and a few capers or chopped gherkins.

Onion Sandwiches Good.

An onion sandwich is very appetizing, says a writer in Health. While onions do not agree with everybody, the trouble is generally due to eating them with other food. If just onions and bread and butter are eaten for one meal, there will be no bad effect. Onions are healthful and in some cases tend to relieve insomnia, and are said to be good for the complexion.

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ITS MOST MYSTERIOUS

BRITISH COLONIAL OFFICE GETS SWETTENHAM'S EXPLANATION.

GREAT BRITAIN IS GRATEFUL

Foreign Secretary Grey Cables His Government Warm Appreciation of American Attitude.

London: The Colonial Office here received several telegrams from Sir Alexander Swettenham, Governor of Jamaica, explaining the incident with Rear Admiral Davis, but none is of such a character that the authorities are prepared to give it to the public.

The Foreign Office says it has had no further communication from Washington, and that with the receipt of President Roosevelt's telegram, through Assistant Secretary of State Bacon, the international side of the question is regarded as settled. At the same time it is possible, however, that when Governor Swettenham's explanation is received in full there will be further communication with the Government of the United States.

The Associated Press gained the general impression from the Government that Governor Swettenham's career is near an end.

Sir Alexander says that up to date 500 bodies have been buried, in addition to a number of remains that could not be distinguished or identified. The governor estimates that 200 bodies are still buried in the ruins and that it will probably take twelve months to remove all the debris. The main thoroughfares of Kingston have been cleared, the street car lines are in operation and the people today are living in outhouses and the less damaged buildings. There are 3,000 homeless persons in temporary shelters erected in the gardens, on the public squares and at the race course. The number of homeless ones is being decreased, as work is plentiful and many persons have been given free passage out of the city. There are still 400 patients in the hospitals and many of the injured are being treated in their homes by relatives and friends.

FOR THE NAVY.

House Committee Agrees on an Appropriation of \$95,000,000.

Washington: An appropriation of about \$95,000,000 is provided for in the naval appropriation bill agreed on by the House Committee on Naval Affairs. The bill provides for an additional battleship of the type agreed on in the naval appropriation last year. It also makes provision for two torpedo boat destroyers and two torpedoes for submarines. This \$2,000,000 in addition to the \$1,000,000 for submarines provided in the bill last year, which has not yet been expended. Provision is made for about 3,000 additional sailors and 900 additional marines. The rank of commandant of the marines is raised from Brigadier General to Major General.

SENATOR ALGER IS DEAD.

Senator and Former Secretary of the Navy Passes Away.

Washington: United States Senator Russell A. Alger of Michigan died suddenly at his home in this city Thursday as a result of an attack of heart trouble from which he has suffered for a long time.

New Phone Company in Guadalupe.

Seguin, Tex.: The Mill Creek Telephone Company is the name of a new organization of up to date farmers living six miles east of Seguin, who have formed a telephone company, with H. C. Buhler, president, and Marvin Lillard, secretary and treasurer. The poles and equipment will cost in the neighborhood of five hundred dollars and the line will be in operation in a short while. This, with eight rural free delivery mail carriers all over the country, gives Seguin, which is in the very center of Guadalupe county, many advantages of close communication with the county.

Importing Negroes at Hearne.

Hearne, Tex.: Quite a great many negroes have been brought here during the past few months and will be employed on the farms in the bottom to help make the new crop. During the past fall labor was scarce and cotton pickers were brought in from other sections.

Escaped Convict Captured.

Houston, Tex.: A convict, Louis Reese, escaped from Baton Rouge, La., penitentiary, is now in prison here, having been arrested by the police. He owned up to his identity. He escaped several years ago after having served only five months of a five years' term. He will be returned to Louisiana.

DR. HILL'S CURE.



A DRAMATIC TRAGEDY

WM. WHITELY, PROMINENT IN LONDON, KILLED.

SLAIN BY ALLEGED SON

The Youth Turns His Weapon Upon Himself, Inflicting Probably Mortal Wound.

London, Eng.—A dramatic tragedy started London when William Whiteley, one of the unique and most prominent figures in the business world, was shot dead in his store by a youth claiming to be his son.

An unknown young man was accorded a private interview with Mr. Whiteley in the latter's private office. There the two men remained closeted for a few moments. As Mr. Whiteley emerged it was observed that the young man was following and importuning him, while Mr. Whiteley was waving his visitor off, and threatening to call the police.

The Crime.

Suddenly the young man drew a revolver and fired two shots at Mr. Whiteley, who fell dead. Before the assassin could be secured he turned his weapon upon himself and inflicted a probably mortal wound.

The personality of the assassin and motive for his crime are developed in much mystery. He gave the name of Cecil Whiteley, but relatives of William Whiteley disclaim all knowledge of him. The police found no papers or other written matter on his person to lead to his identity.

The police believe the attack was the result of a fancied grievance.

TAKES ISSUE WITH RUSSELL.

Superintendent Says the New York Schools Are Best.

New York, N. Y.—Dr. William H. Maxwell, superintendent of the city schools, takes issue with Dr. James E. Russell, dean of the Teachers' College, who told an audience Thursday evening that New York schools made anarchists and adventuresses out of the children.

"Dr. Russell is mistaken," said Dr. Maxwell. "It is not true that the New York schools have any greater tendency to those evils than the schools of any other city. There will always be differences of opinion as to what should be taught and how wide a field the schools should attempt to cover."

"I fancy he was speaking of American schools in general and, of course, every educator has his ideas of the deficiencies in the school system. As to trade and industrial schools, New York is in a better position than nearly any other city in the world."

San Antonio Editor Dies.

San Antonio, Tex.—Frank Grice, editor and publisher of the Daily Express, died here Sunday night after a lingering illness of several months. Mr. Grice came to San Antonio in 1877. He began his career here as city editor of the Express and in a few months assumed editorial control of the newspaper.

THAW TO PLEAD INSANITY

TRIAL OF HEIR TO MILLIONS 13 COMMENCED.

Manacled to Prison Guard, Man Who Killed Stanford White is Taken From Tombs.

New York, N. Y.—Manacled to a prison guard, Harry K. Thaw, the spoiled-son of the Thaw family of Pittsburg, was brought from the gray Tombs Monday to stand trial for shooting down and killing Stanford White on the roof of the Madison Square Garden last June because of jealousy of his artist model wife Evelyn Nesbit Thaw.

Though pallid from his months of confinement in the Tombs cell, Thaw's health seemed much improved by his incarceration. His arraignment was purely formal and he will be remanded back to the Tombs to await the real beginning of his trial in a few days. A delay in the Hilgert "magic boot" case caused the postponement of the Thaw trial Monday.

Report has it that Thaw's defense will be temporary insanity. If the jury is satisfied that Thaw was insane from jealousy when he shot White and that he is sane now, Thaw will go free.

COTTON GINNED UP TO JAN. 16.

Texas Leads All the States With 3,744,928 Bales.

Washington, D. C.—By states the amount of cotton ginned of the growth of 1906 up to Jan. 16, 1907, is: Alabama, 1,213,673; Arkansas, 764,520; Florida, 40,428; Georgia, 1,602,713; Indian territory, 364,215; Kentucky, 1,409; Louisiana, 837,737; Mississippi, 63,875; Missouri, 40,051; North Carolina, 588,315; Oklahoma, 380,605; South Carolina, 887,192; Tennessee, 252,501; Texas, 3,744,928. The sea island cotton ginned to Jan. 16, 1907, distributed by states: Florida, 23,668 bales; Georgia, 24,775; and South Carolina, 7,761.

AMONG JAMAICA'S MISSING.

Mrs. James Andrews and Daughter, of St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo.—Mrs. James Andrews and daughter, Miss Stella Andrews, of this city, were at Kingston, Jamaica during the earthquake, and were stopping at the Myrtle hotel, which was destroyed, and nothing has been heard from them. Mrs. Andrews is the mother-in-law of Mr. Alex. G. Cochran, general counsel of the Missouri Pacific railway, and the family is greatly worried. Mrs. Andrews and daughter are well known in St. Louis and New York.

Millers Pay More for Wheat.

Chicago, Ill.—An urgent demand for wheat by millers and importers caused an advance of more than 1c per bushel in the local market. A report from New York that 43 boatloads of wheat had been taken for export was an important stimulus to buyers. The excellent demand for cash wheat at Minneapolis, where grain suitable for milling purposes is said to be very scarce, also advanced prices.

MATERIALS FOR THE OMELET.

This Favorite Breakfast Dish in Many Varieties.

Select six eggs, leaving out the whites of two. Beat them light and after straining them through a sieve pepper and salt to taste, and then dividing two ounces of fresh butter into small dice add them to the eggs. Meanwhile prepare a quarter of a pound of butter in a frying pan, place it over the fire and when the butter boils put into it the beaten egg. Let it fry gently until the under side turns a light brown. Do not turn it while cooking. When done lift it out with a flat cake lifter, double it on a dish the frothy side within, and spread a little parsley over the nicely browned top. An omelet like this may be flavored by adding to the beaten egg before cooking, some parsley minced fine or some chopped celery or onions, allowing of the other two ordinary sized onions to an omelet of six eggs.

Veal kidney or sweetbread finely minced, shredded cold ham, or oysters minced (with the hard centers omitted) are all good in omelet.

FOR THOSE FOND OF HONEY.

Recipes for Three Dishes That Will Be Found Delicious.

Honey Snaps—One pint of honey, three-fourths pound butter, two table-spoonfuls ginger; boil together a few minutes, and when nearly cold put in flour until it is stiff. Roll out thin and bake quickly.

Honey Cake—One cup honey, one-half cup sour cream, two eggs, one-half cup butter, two cups flour, scant one-half teaspoonful soda, one teaspoonful cream of tartar. Bake 30 minutes in a moderate oven.

Honey Fruit Cake—Take one and one-half cups of honey, two-thirds cup of butter, one-half cup of sweet milk, three eggs well beaten, three cups of flour, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, two cups raisins, one teaspoonful each of cloves and cinnamon.

Salad Dressing.

Put in the dish you are to cook in, one heaping table-spoonful of butter, same of white sugar, two level table-spoonfuls dry mustard, about half teaspoon salt. Smooth these to a paste, add one unbeaten egg. Beat all up well, then another egg, beat more; then another, three in all. Beat until all is smooth, then add small cup of vinegar, beat again, and, lastly, one full cup of rich milk. Of course if you have cream it is nicer. Put in double boiler and cook until it thickens like soft custard, usually about 15 minutes. Stir it every few minutes. Now when it is cooking, you can add more sugar if you like it sweeter, or more salt, and another time more or less mustard, according to your taste. It makes a delicate pale yellow dressing, which both appeals to the taste and the eye.

Embroidering Table Linen.

All household linen in homes of wealth, or where the housewife is expert with the needle, is marked with embroidered monograms or initials, preference being given to the English open-work embroidery or the French seeded. At present tablecloths are marked with two monograms, one at either end, or diagonally at opposite corners. Where the napkins shall be marked is a matter of individual preference, dependent upon the way in which the napkin is to be folded. The most common way is to mark them diagonally in the center of the last square when the napkin is folded. For napkins the size of the letters is usually one or one and a quarter of an inch. For tablecloths they are from three to eight inches in diameter.

Apple Fritters.

For apple fritters pare and core four tart apples and cut in one-fourth inch slices across the apple. Sprinkle with two table-spoonfuls of lemon juice and powdered sugar. Prepare a batter by sifting one cupful of flour and one-fourth teaspoonful of salt. Add two well-beaten yolks to one-half cupful of milk, mix and beat into the flour until it is a smooth batter. Add one table-spoonful of melted butter or olive oil, and cut in the stiffly beaten whites of two eggs. Drain the apples carefully, dip in the batter, and fry in deep fat. When cooked, drain on crushed brown paper to absorb the grease, sprinkle with powdered sugar and serve.

The Wind Was Winking.

Little boy, Louie, one evening, watching a severe thunder storm, in which the sheet lightning flashed almost continuously, seemed very interested and entirely unawed. Turning to his father, he asked: "What makes the wind open and shut its eyes so fast?"

Few Paupers in Japan.

It is estimated that there are less than 10,000 paupers in the Japanese empire, with its population of 137,000,000.

SHONTS GETS DOWN AND OUT

RESIGNS AS CHAIRMAN OF THE ISTHMIAN CANAL COMMISSION

President of Interborough Metropolitan Company—Ryan-Belmont Combine.

Washington: The resignation of Theodore P. Shonts as chairman of the Isthmian Canal Commission was announced at the White House Wednesday, it having been tendered to the president and accepted by him yesterday, according to correspondence made public. It will take effect not later than March 4, Mr. Shonts having been elected as the president of the Interborough Metropolitan Company, which controls the rapid transit and many lines in New York. No announcement was made as to who will succeed Mr. Shonts as chairman of the commission, but it was learned authoritatively that headquarters would be removed from Washington to the Isthmus and a high-salaried chairman to serve in that capacity alone will not be named. This being admitted, it follows that John F. Stevens, the engineer in charge of the construction of the canal would not be made subordinate to another official on the Isthmus. Without definite announcement thereof, it is regarded as a certainty that Mr. Stevens will be named as chairman of the commission, and will assume his duties as such in connection with his post as chief engineer.

Mr. Shonts' retirement does not come wholly as a surprise. It had been rumored persistently that as soon as action had been taken upon the proposition to build the canal by contract Mr. Shonts would sever his connection and resume a calling more congenial to his taste. Secretary Taft of the war department confirmed the rumor by saying that Mr. Shonts' resignation was voluntary, which fact is borne out by the letter of the president accepting it.

KIRBYVILLE'S PROSPERITY.

Ground Broken for New Bank Building, and Schools Overcrowded.

Kirbyville, Tex.: Contractor Debnay began laying the foundation Tuesday morning for the People's State Bank of this place. The building is to be a one-story brick, plate glass front.

A. L. Mays has opened his new hotel on Main street. Everything is new and first class, and a first-class hotel. He has had a full house ever since he opened up.

The Kirbyville High school is running over. It has passed the 400 mark, and the question now is more room. When the present building was built the people had no other idea but that it would answer the purpose for many years hence, but the town and school have grown beyond all expectation. The Kirbyville night school is making splendid progress under the supervision of Prof. Dean.

Had a Fight With a Burglar.

Newton, Tex.: On the night of the 22d Mr. Ed Fairchild, night watchman for the Orange & Northwestern, had a narrow escape from a burglar. It seemed that some one was making an attempt to burglarize the depot, and when Mr. Fairchild began to investigate he was suddenly attacked by the burglar, who succeeded in cutting his clothes in several places, but did not injure the watchman. After he succeeded in loosening himself he retreated to his cab to secure his gun for protection. He shot in the direction of the burglar took, but it is believed that he escaped uninjured.

Prospectors and Salca at Wharton.

Wharton, Tex.: Gentlemen from the north are seen almost daily on the streets of Wharton for the purpose of studying weather conditions in South Texas and investigating Canal soil. Two large real estate deals were made here last week to Northern gentlemen, and on Thursday nine different capitalists from Dakota and Iowa stopped over night here and are still scattered over different portions of the county, viewing different bodies of real estate, with the intention of investing in the coast country.

Dallas County Killing.

Lancaster, Tex.: Will Arch Brannon was shot and almost instantly killed Saturday night about 12 o'clock. The tragedy occurred in McDavid Bros' stable. Deceased and his brother had just returned from a party some two miles in the country. The deceased is a single man, and his home is four miles south of town.

Arrested for Store Robbery.

Texarkana, Tex.: W. D. Stell, bit clerk at the wholesale establishment of the Barry Grocery Company, on Front street, and a negro dray driver employed at Robert Stevens' retail grocery store, are in jail, and a warrant has been issued for Robert Stevens on the charge of robbing and conspiring to rob.

AWFUL ATTACKS OF PAIN.

A Most Dreadful Case of Kidney Trouble and How it Was Cured.

Thomas N. McCullough, 221 South Weber St., Colorado Springs, Colo., says: "For twelve or fifteen years I was suffering frequent attacks of pain in the back and kidneys that lasted for three weeks at a time. I would be unable to turn in bed. The urine was in a terrible condition, at times a complete stoppage occurring. I began with Doan's Kidney Pills, and soon felt better. Keeping on, I found complete freedom from kidney trouble. The cure has been permanent. I owe my good health to Doan's Kidney Pills."

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PETS FOR LITTLE PARISIANS.

All kinds of animals as playmates for the children.

Children play a great role in French society, as all those who have read Gyp's inimitable "P'tit Bob" will readily admit, and now the small Parisienne insists on receiving on her fête day and at the New Year a live pet, instead of a costly doll or a mechanical toy. The demand has been creating a supply, and a lively trade is being done, not only in puppies and kittens, in tiny monkeys and in lambs, but also in tigers and leopards. Up to a certain age, these small felines are quite harmless, and, of course, as soon as they begin to speak, to show their teeth and sharpen their claws, they are sent off to one of the two magnificent "Zoo's" with which the Gay City is provided.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 13, '06.
J. L. Ward Medicine Co.

Big Spring, Texas.

Gentlemen: I take great pleasure in recommending Ward's Kidney Pills to all persons suffering from kidney or bladder troubles. A great portion of the past 16 years I have been a sufferer from kidney and bladder trouble and have taken so much medicine without any good effect at all until I began the use of Ward's Kidney Pills, and after taking four boxes they effected an absolute cure. I feel I can't say too much in favor of them.

Very respectfully,

MRS. E. L. ROWLAND.

To Explore Greenland Coast.

The duke of Orleans has announced to his friends at Copenhagen that he intends to start a new expedition next spring in the ship Belgica to penetrate as far as possible along the northeast coast of Greenland. The purpose is to join the Danish expedition, under Mylius Erichsen, which left last June to explore the same coast.

Cataract and Headache.

Mrs. E. H. Goforth, 2115 Holly St., Kansas City, writes: "After using a couple bottles and two 25c bottles of Utter's Lightning Oil I am almost well of Cataract. It stops my headaches. It is the best medicine I ever saw and I just can't keep house without it." She is right.

Sweep's Curious Find.

An Atherington, (Eng.) sweep, named Joshua Pollard, was sweeping the chimney of a house which had been unoccupied for some little time at High Beckington, when, to his great surprise, he swept down seven full-grown, live wild rabbits, which he bagged.

Important to Mothers.

Obtain carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it is

Castor

is Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Disease and Injustice.

The sin which is termed dishonesty is the same evil as that which is called disease in living bodies or blight in the seasons; and in cities and governments has another name, which is injustice.—Pico.

Don't It Jar You?

To have a cough that you can't leave off—even when you go to bed? Put it away for good by using Simmons' Cough Syrup. It heals inflammation of the throat and lungs—gives you rest and peaceful sleep.

Large fortunes from small gains.

PECK'S BAD BOY



After Driving a Milk Cart in Holland, the Bad Boy and His Dad Go to Cuba—The Bad Boy Finds Havana Something Like Heaven—In the Harbor They See the Backbone of the Maine.

BY HON. GEORGE W. PECK.
(Ex-Governor of Wisconsin, Former Editor of Peck's Sun, Author of "Peck's Bad Boy," etc.)

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Havana, Cuba.—My Dear Old Greaser: We stopped in Holland for a couple of days after we left Belgium, and it was the most disappointing country we visited on our whole trip. We expected to be walked on with wooden shoes, and from what we had heard of that duke that married Queen Wilhelmina we thought we were going to a country where men were cruel to their wives, and swatted them over the head when things didn't go right, but when we saw the queen riding with her husband, as free from ostentation as a department



she could take off her wooden shoe and strike out and a man would think he had been hit by a railroad tie.

store clerk would ride out with his cash-girl wife, and saw happiness beaming on the face of the queen and her husband, and saw them squeeze hands and look lovingly into each other's eyes, we made up our minds that you couldn't believe these newspaper scandals.

And when we saw the broad-shouldered, broad-chested and broad-everywhere women of Holland, we concluded that it would be a brave or reckless husband who would be unkind to one of them, and mighty dangerous, because the women are stronger than the men, and any woman could whip four men at the drop of the hat, because she could take off her wooden shoes and strike out and a man would think he had been hit by a railroad tie.

I do not know what makes Hollanders wear wooden shoes, unless they are sentenced to do it, or that they are unruly and have to be hobbled to keep them from jumping fences, but the people are so good and honest that after you have met them you forget the vaudeville feature of their costumes, and love them, and wish the people of other countries were as honest as they.

For two or three days we were not robbed, and I do not believe there is a dishonest man or woman in Holland, except one. There was one woman that played it on dad in Amsterdam, but I think she only played him for a joke, for she laughed all the time. Dad was much struck at seeing the women selling milk from little carts, hauled by teams of big dogs, and he negotiated with a woman for a dog team and cart, and all one day dad and I put on wooden shoes and Dutch clothes and drove the dog team around town, and so we had the time of our lives, more fun than I ever had outside of a circus, but the shoes skinned our feet, and when the dogs laid down to rest and dad couldn't talk dog language to make them get up and go ahead, he kicked the dog off with his wooden shoe, and the dog got up and grabbed a mouthful of dad's ample pants and shook dad till his teeth were loose, and a woman driving another mess of dogs had to come and choke the dog so he wouldn't swallow dad, pants and all. Dad gave her a dollar for rescuing him, and what do you think? Say, she pulled an old stocking of money out of her bosom and counted out 96 cents in change and gave it back to dad, and only charged four cents for saving his life, and that couldn't occur in any other country, 'cause in most places they would take the dollar and strike him for more.

Dad wanted to take the dog team and cart to Milwaukee to give it to a friend who sells red hot wieners, and so we arranged to have the team loaded on the boat, but just before the boat sailed the dog team was lying down on the dock, sleeping and scratching their fleas, when the woman dad bought the team of came along and spoke to the dogs in Dutch and, say, those dogs

up and started on a regular run-way down the dock, after the laughing woman, and disappeared up the street. Just as the boat whistled to pull in the gang planks, Dad and I stood on deck and saw the team disappear, and dad said "Buncoed again, and it is all your fault. Why didn't you hang on to that off dog?"

Well, we lost our dog team, but we got the worth of our money, for we saw a people who do not eat much beside cabbage and milk, and they are the strongest in the world, and there never was a case of dyspepsia in their country. We saw a people with stone-bruises on their heels and corns on their toes, smiling and laughing all the time. We met a people that work all the time, and never take any recreation except churning and rocking babies, and yet never have to call a doctor, because there are no doctors except veterinary surgeons, who care for dogs and cattle.

The people we met in Holland wear wooden shoes to teach them patience and humility. With wooden shoes no frenzied financier of Holland will ever travel the fast road of speculation, slip on a bucket shop banana peel, and fall on the innocent bystander who has coughed up his savings and given them to the honest financier to safely invest. The bank of Holland is the old woolen stocking, and money never comes out of the stocking unless there is a string to it, and the string is the heart-string of an honest people, that will stand no trifling. If a dishonest financier came to Holland from any other country, and did any of his dirty work, the women of Holland, who handle the funds, would give him such a hazing that he would never open his three-card monte layout in any other country. It is a country where you get the right change back, and the cows give 18-carat milk, and the hens have not learned to lay small, cold storage eggs. It is the country for me, if the women would wear corsets, and not be the same size all the way down, so that if you hugged a girl you wouldn't make a dent in her that would not come out until she got her breath.

And we left such a country and such a people to come here to Cuba, where the population now comprises the meanest features of the desperate and wicked Spaniards, beaten at their own game of loot, the trickiness of the native Cuban, flushed with pride because his big American brother helped him to drive away the Spaniard that he could never have gotten rid of alone, and with no respect for the American who helped, and only meets him respectfully because he is afraid of being thrown into the ocean if he is impudent, and the worst class of Yankee grafters and highway robbers that have ever been allowed to stray away from the land of the free. That is what Cuba is to-day.

Soulless Yankee corporations have got hold of most of the branches of business that there is any money in, and the things that do not pay and never can be made to pay are for sale to tenderfeet. The Cuban hates the Yankee, the Yankee hates the Cuban, and the Spaniard hates both, and both hate him. In Havana your hotel, owned by a Cuban, run by a Yankee, with a Spanish or Portuguese cashier, will take all the money you bring into it for a bed at night, and hold your baggage till you can cable for money to buy breakfast.

It is a "free country," of course, run by men who will fly high as long as they can borrow money for some one else to pay, after they are dead, but within ten years the taxes will eat the



THE DOG GRABBED A MOUTHFUL OF DAD'S AMPLE PANTS.

people so they will be head over heels in debt to the Spaniard and the Spaniard, the German and the Englishman, the Frenchman and the Italian, and some day warships will sail into Havana harbor, over the submerged bones of the "Maine," and there will be a fight for juicy morsels of the Cuban dead horse, by the congregated buzzards of strange navies, or perhaps they will shake dice for the carcass, and by carefully loading the dice saw the whole thing off onto Uncle Sam, and make him pay the debts of the deceased republic, and act as administrator for the benefit of the children of the sawed off republic, whose only asset now is climate that feels good, but contains germs of all diseases, and tobacco that smells good when it is in conflagration under your nose, and

does not kill instantly if it is pasted up in a Wisconsin wrapper that is the pure goods. If tobacco ever ceases to be a fad with the rich consumer of 50 cent cigars, and beet sugar is found to contain no first aid to Bright's disease, Cuba will amount to about as much as Dry Tortugas, which has purer air, and the Isle of Pines, which has more tropical scenery and less yellow fever.

But now the island of Cuba is a joy, and Havana is like Heaven—until you come to pay your bill. Streets so wide you cannot see a creditor on the other side, pavements as smooth as the road to perdition, and tropical trees, plants and flowers, with birds of rare plumage, you feel like sitting on a cold bench in the shade and wishing all your friends



THE OX BELIEVED AND RAN AWAY.

were here to enjoy a taste of what will come to those who are truly good, in the hereafter, when suddenly you are taken with a chill up the spinal column, and a cold sweat comes out on the forehead, and the internal arrangements go on a strike because of the cold, perspiring cucumber you had for lunch, and you go to a doctor, who does not do a thing to you, but scare you out of your boots by talking cholera, and giving you the card of his partner, the undertaker, telling you never to think of dying in a tropical country without being embalmed, because you look so much better when you are delivered at your home by the express company, and then he gives you pills and a bill, and an alarm clock that goes off every hour to take a pill by, and furnishes you an officer to go home to your hotel with you to collect his bill, and you pawn your watch and sleeve buttons for a steerage ticket to New York.

Dad has not been much good in Havana, cause he wanted to see the whole business in one day. He got a rowboat and went out in the harbor to where the backbone of the "Maine" acts as a monument to the fellows who yet sleep in the mud of the bottom, and after trying a little American flag on the rigging that sticks above the water, and damning the villains who blew up the good ship, we went back to town and drove out to the cemetery where several hundred of our boys are buried, where we left flowers on the graves and a cuss in the balmy air for the guilty wretches who fired the bomb, and then we went back to the city and walked the beautiful streets until dad began to have cramps from trying to eat all the fruit he could hold. Then it was all off, and I was going to call a carriage to take him to the hotel, when dad saw a negro astride a single ox, hitched to a cart, who had come in from the country, and dad said he wanted to ride in that cart, if it was the last act of his life, and as dad was beginning to swell up from the fruit he had eaten I thought he better ride in an open cart, cause in a carriage he might swell up so we couldn't get him out of the door when we got to the hotel.

So I hired the negro, got dad in the cart, and we started, but the ox walked so slow I was afraid we would never get dad there alive, so I told the negro dad had the cholera and that settled it, for he kicked the ox with his heels, and the ox belloved and ran away, and the negro turned pale from fright, and I guess the runaway ride on the cobblestone pavement was what saved dad's life, for the swelling in dad's inside began to go down, and when we got to the hotel he got out of the cart alone, and I knew he was better, for he shook himself, gulped and said "You think you are smart, don't you? So I will close. Yours,

HENNERY.

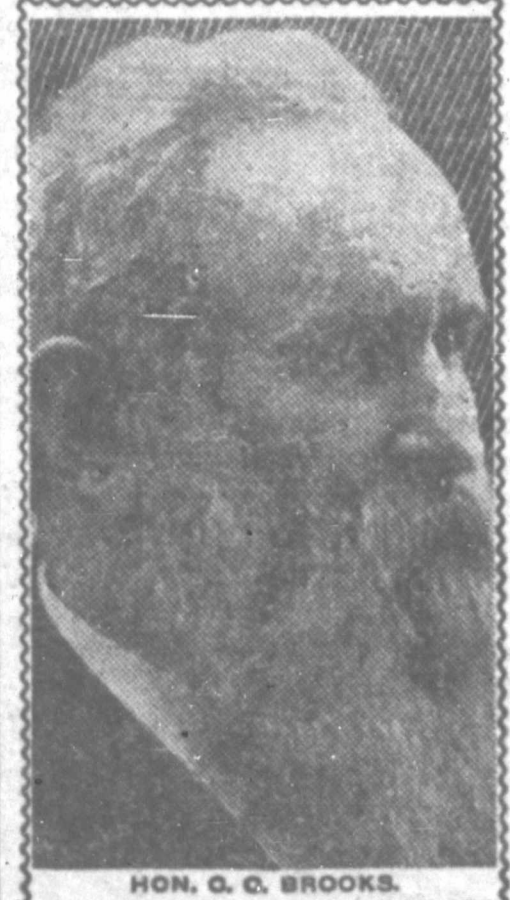
Mole and His Habits.

In burrowing his tunnels the mole seems to swim through the earth rather than to dig his way. Although much of the earth is never removed from the runs, but is beaten hard into the walls and floor of the tunnel, the creature finds it more expeditious in busy times to clear the runs of loose earth. This he does at a point where the run comes to the surface by pushing the earth before him with his flat forehead and face. Sometimes, where the earth binds easily, he pushes out the mold in solid round plugs, showing the exact dimensions of the orifices through which they have been thrust. When the mole is hunting or traveling underground he has no need to throw up the earth. This is a subsequent operation for the purpose of cleaning the runs for regular use.

MAYOR OF SUNBURY Says Per-ru-na Is a Good Medicine.

Hon. C. C. Brooks, Mayor of Sunbury, Ohio, also Attorney for Farmers' Bank and Sunbury Building and Loan Co., writes:

"I have the utmost confidence in the virtue of Peruna. It is a great medicine. I have used it and I have known many of my friends who have obtained beneficial results from its use. I cannot praise Peruna too highly."



HON. C. C. BROOKS.

THERE are a host of petty ailments which are the direct result of the weather.

This is more true of the excessive heat of summer and the intense cold of winter, but is partly true of all seasons of the year.

Whether it be a cold or a cough, catarrh of the head or bowel complaint, whether the liver be affected or the kidneys, the cause is very liable to be the same.

The weather slightly deranges the mucous membranes of the organs and the result is some functional disease.

Peruna has become a standby in thousands of homes for minor ailments of this sort.

Ask Your Druggist for Free Peruna Almanac for 1907.

SICK HEADACHE

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Dis-eases from Indigestion, In-digestion and Too Heavy Eating. A perfect remedy for Bile, Biliousness, Headache, Nervousness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Costive-ness, Pains in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature. *Warranted* REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

DROPSY NEW DISCOVERY gives quick relief and cures worst cases. Book of testimonials and 10 days' treatment FREE. DR. H. H. GREEN'S HOME, BOX 18, ATLANTA, GA.

Expert Ocean Mail Sorters.

One of the most interesting performances of modern times is the handling of the mails in great ocean steam ships. Some of the men become so expert at sorting that they work almost automatically, many of them being able to put their finger on any particular town marked on the rack blindfolded. On an ordinary western trip they carry on an average about 250,000 letters and some 10,000 registered packets. The latter have all to be written up in detail in their books during the voyage, and this takes more time than the actual sorting. The officials do not always manage to finish the work by the time they reach port, and when such is the case they accompany what is left to the general post office and complete the job there.

Soaps that Are Guaranteed.

So much skin trouble results from the use of impure adulterated toilet soaps, that the proprietors of Buchan's Toilet Soaps have filed a guarantee with the U. S. Government guaranteeing the absolute purity of their soaps, and they are the only ones so guaranteed. There are three brands: Antiseptic Soap, Tar Soap, and Sulphur Soap; not only cleanses but soothes and protects the skin against disease. If your dealer does not keep them send 18 cents with his name and address to Buchan's Soap Corporation, New York, and they will send you a full-size cake.

Revolt Against Trading Stamps.

"No more trading stamps," is the slogan of a campaign which English grocerymen are carrying on. One of them, whose shop is in East London, says: "There is not a small grocer in England who earns 15 per cent on his capital. Ten per cent is average profit and the cost of trading stamps leaves him only about 5% per cent."

WALL PAPER

SEE OUR STOCK
Before You Buy

Smith & French
Drug Company
THE DRUGGISTS.

Local Items.

Feed! Feed! All kinds at F. P. Parker's.

Jay Mainer of Lovelady was in Crockett Tuesday.

Bulk garden seed. Plenty at F. P. Parker's.

E. J. Deupree of Oakhurst was in Crockett Monday.

W. I. Kennedy made a business trip to St. Louis last week.

Seed Oats at the Red Front Store, Texas Rust Proof. 2t

Post cards—the comic kind—and many others at Crysups's.

I have the Maine Triumph seed potatoes. F. P. PARKER.

Mrs. O. C. Payne of Waco is visiting relatives here this week.

H. Asher leaves this week for St. Louis to buy a spring stock of goods.

To be sure your clothes are right, go to Millar's, the leading tailors.

T. J. Alexander was among those calling at the COURIER office Friday.

K. T. Thorn is ready to do your hauling and will do it quick. Phone 195.

Golden Gate-Tea, Extract and Coffee at F. P. Parker's. The best in U. S.

H. V. Hurt called Monday and renewed his subscription to COURIER for 1908.

The tailoring business, more than any other, requires taste. JOHN MILLAR.

Car of the best Maine Triumph seed potatoes just arrived at the Big Store.

Rev. G. S. A. Rosser is sending the COURIER to his son, S. A. Rosser, at Bronte, Texas.

L. S. Alford, living west of Kennard, was a caller at the Courier office Tuesday.

Brown Wagons and Oliver Chilled Plows you will find at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's.

I will sell you all kinds of pickles both bottle and keg at cost for cash. T. J. WALLER.

Snits pressed by us have that desired finish. SHUPAK TAILORING CO.

Morris Bricker has returned from Palacios where he was attending school.

Have your suit cleaned and pressed by us. SHUPAK TAILORING CO.

FOR SALE—The Van Clark homestead, also a good 2nd hand piano. Apply W. E. Mayes. 6t

You can get the best shoes for your money at the Red Front Store. Our Oxfords and canvas ties just arrived. 2t

Mr. E. Wilcox of Augusta was in Crockett last Wednesday and a pleasant caller at this office.

Mr. W. A. Champion of Corsicana is among those renewing subscription to the COURIER.

John Goodwin of Lovelady is among the number remembering the COURIER since last issue.

Now is the time to get your fancy groceries while you can get them at cost at T. J. Waller's.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Page left last week for a visit to Hot Springs and other health resorts.

That rush at Crysups's is to get those comic post cards. They beat medicine to cure imaginary ills.

Our intention is staying with you, so rest assured that our work will please you.

SHUPAK TAILORING CO.

Mr. H. M. Hopper of Kennard was in Crockett last Thursday and paid the COURIER office a pleasant visit.

The prominent position we occupy in the TAILORING FIELD is directly traceable to quality and fit. JOHN MILLAR.

For Sale or Trade—One Spaulding M'fg Co's covered hack. See Steve Allee at J. M. Porter & Co's.

Walker King accompanied Miss Bettie Smith from Palestine Sunday night, returning to Palestine Monday evening.

Am now personally looking after my cleaning and pressing department, which insures you better work. JOHN MILLAR.

Itch cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. Never fails. Sold by Murchison & Beasley, druggists. 10

Different occasions demand different clothes. We make them for all occasions, and for the most exacting dresser. JOHN MILLAR.

Jas. S. Shivers & Co. says come along now they have the barb wire and hog wire and anything else you need to farm with.

For Rent.

The Saxon place for rent. Apply to B. F. Kline. W. B. PAGE.

E. E. Barlow left Saturday night for Tyler, where he had been summoned to serve as a Federal jurymen this week.

If you want a tombstone or monument ask me to call on you with my samples. Telephone No. 174. J. C. LANSFORD.

I have for sale or rent cheap 4 farms near town; good land and situation. T. B. SATTERWHITE, Office over Smith & French.

We have been individualizing men for twelve years, and are still "at it" with greater success than ever. JOHN MILLAR, Merchant Tailor.

For Sale.

One mare mule, in good condition, about ten years old and about 15 hands high. ALLEN NEWTON.

RESOLVED

That we shall endeavor to supply the people of Houston County with the best drugs at the lowest prices during the year 1907.

G. L. MOORE;

THE DRUGGIST.

A cattle buyer has been buying up Jersey cattle at Crockett for the past two or three weeks.

The Red Front Store sells the Empress and Twentieth Century cotton planters, the best on the market. Money saved to buy them. 2t

Knocked down prices on all fall clothing, dress goods and skirts. Now is certainly the time to get a big bargain in any of these at the Big Store.

Leather post cards, sentimental post cards, souvenir post cards and the comic kind—too funny for anything—all at Crysups's, and more, too.

Mr. J. A. Hooks, another one of the first subscribers the COURIER ever had, and among its best friends—old friends are best—was in to see us Friday.

Because we are tailors ourselves does not mean that we charge more for our work, but it means that our work is the best.

SHUPAK TAILORING CO.

See the new silk and white shirt waist goods at the Red Front Store, which will arrive in a few days. Watch the windows and get first choice. 2t

Tombstones and Monuments.

Let me call on you with samples and designs. All work guaranteed and delivered. Telephone No. 174. J. C. LANSFORD.

Notice.

I will not have any delivery after February 1st, 1907, but will sell you groceries cheaper at the store. T. J. WALLER.

Mr. D. M. Gantt of Lovelady was in Crockett Monday and called at this office. This paper is glad to number Mr. Gantt among its first and most substantial friends.

It is claimed by those who have stopped to go into the details that the saving on the insurance rate alone to property holders would more than offset the cost of a water system.

For Sale.

Gentle buggy pony in first-class condition. Also buggy and harness practically new. Will sell all together at a bargain. ALLEN NEWTON.

There's a difference in our perfumes and the kind sold by some drug stores. If you buy of us, you know the difference; if not, let us tell you. CRYSUP'S DRUG STORE.

The construction of the court house addition is getting under way. Workmen are arranging the preliminaries. Brick, mortar and the trowel are the agencies that will complete the job.

We don't show you a hand full of small samples to select from. We show you everything the woolen mills produce in large samples. JOHN MILLAR, Merchant Tailor.

Some people don't understand that the proper filling of a physician's prescription is absolutely necessary to get desired results. Take your prescriptions to Crysups and have them properly filled.

Miss Bettie Smith returned home Sunday night from Austin suffering with an attack of la grippe. She is a student of the State University. It is hoped that her recovery may be speedy.

The people can get plenty barb wire and Kokomo fencing in a short time. We have ordered two cars: Look for one about Feb. 1st, the other to follow in a few days, and we want to supply you. See the Red Front Store, T. D. Craddock, proprietor. 2t

Money to Loan.

We make a specialty of loans on land and to farmers. We buy vendors lien notes and any other good paper. If you want to borrow money you will DO WELL to call and get our terms before placing your loan. We buy and sell real estate.

WARFIELD BROTHERS,

Office North Side Public Square,
Crockett, Texas

The train from the north Sunday night did not reach Crockett until Monday morning at 7:45, ten hours behind time. The delay was caused by an accident to a freight train between Jacksonville and Palestine.

Crockett is the largest town in the world without water works. Is she proud of the distinction? No, a thousand times, no! The truth is, she is ashamed that she is so far behind the times in the way of modern civilization and improvements.

The time limit for paying poll taxes expires to day (Thursday), after which a penalty tax of 10 per cent will be added to all unpaid taxes. The time for renewing your subscription to the COURIER runs on, as does the paper, forever.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Driskill passed through Crockett Friday on their way to Palacios, South Texas, where they go for the benefit of Mrs. Driskill's health. Mr. Driskill has not sold his farm and hopes to be able to return to Houston county in the near future.

Let every man in Crockett who is in favor of a city water system speak to his neighbor on the subject. And don't forget to discuss it with your wife. She no doubt is tired of carrying water, or having it carried, to all parts of the house and place when it could be run there instead with pipes.

Now is a good time to agitate the water works question. Everybody is agreed on the proposition that Crockett needs a system of water. There is no question about that. But how to get the water works is the question. Let the city furnish the water and the burden will rest alike on all property owners.

Change in Firm.

Wish to announce to our patrons and the public that there is a change in the name of the firm of Arledge & Deupree, Mr. Deupree retiring. Will continue to conduct the business as in the past and respectfully solicit a continuation of your patronage. JOHNSON ARLEDGE.

Baptist Notes.

Preaching at the Baptist church Sunday morning and at night. Church Discipline in the morning and The Deacon at night. These are important subjects and we invite all our friends to worship with us at both hours. Let every loyal Baptist be on hand, as it is a test point by all in Crockett. W. S. RONEY.

Searching for Spring Goods

is what our buyer will be doing in the northern cities for the next two or three weeks and when he returns we invite you to call at our store where you will no doubt be able to cast your eyes on one of the most beautiful and up-to-date line of dress goods and all kinds of novelty goods ever before seen in Crockett.

JAS. S. SHIVERS & Co.

County Depository.

Notice is hereby given that proposals will be received at the February term, 1907, (February 11th) of the County Commissioners court, of Houston county, from any banking corporation, or any individual banker, of the county of Houston, as depository of the funds of said county, as per Statute, acts of 1905.

All proposals must be in the hands of the undersigned, not later than 12 M. February 11th, 1907. JOHN SPENCE,

County Judge, Houston Co.
Crockett, Texas, Jan. 19th, 1907.

Which Side Are You On?

The real issue now is water. Don't let any one mislead you by misstating the issue. The COURIER in its own way has inaugurated the campaign. Now is the time for all good men to rally to the support of the proposition, or else it might get knocked into a cocked hat—three cornered, perhaps with the corners torn off. Don't let any knocker throw cold water on the project, for we are doing our best to warm it up. There may be some who will try to get you away from the real issue by stating a subject that smacks of something stronger and appeals more keenly to the tastes of men. Such are not the "enemies" of water, but, while their preference is for a stronger issue, they mistake the real issue. Let's have water for the comfort and cleansing of man and beast, for the settling of things earthly, for the protection of our property and ourselves from the flames and for the carrying off of malaria-breeding refuse. Let's have a water system—water-works—waters works wonders. You may be clean and comfortable now, but that's no sign that your house won't catch on fire next spring, that the dust won't strangle you next summer or that the malaria-breeding refuse won't carry off some of your family in the fall time. Let every citizen put himself on record as favoring the material advancement of Crockett by pulling off his coat and working for water.

Pleasant and Most Effective.

T. J. Chambers, Ed. Vindicator, Liberty, Texas, writes Dec. 25, 1902:

"With pleasure and unsolicited by you, I bear testimony to the curative power of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. I have used it in my family and can cheerfully affirm it is the most effective and best remedy for coughs and colds I have ever used." Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

For any disease of the skin we can recommend Chamberlain's Salve. It relieves the itching and burning sensation instantly and soon effects a cure. This salve is also invaluable for sore nipples. Murchison & Beasley.

CUT GLASS,
HAND-PAINTED CHINA,
SILVERWARE.

EVERYTHING
GUARANTEED TO BE
AS REPRESENTED.

J. A. BRICKER,
Jeweler and Optician.

The Crockett Courier

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks and other matter not "news" will be accepted for at the rate of 5c per line, and articles ordering advertising or printing for societies, churches, committees or organizations of any kind will, in all cases, be held personally responsible for the payment of the bill.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to make the following announcements:

For City Marshal
Morgan Brashears
Young Shook
Wortham LeGory
Ed Moore

THE ELECTION OF BAILEY.

The Herald is neither surprised or disappointed at the election of Senator Bailey by the Thirtieth legislature. With some knowledge of the influences which determine the actions of the average politicians of the class that often constitute the majority of a state legislature, and with some idea of the standard of political ethics held by many of these men, we stated at the beginning of the controversy regarding the propriety of re-electing Senator Bailey, that his return to the Senate was a forgone conclusion.

The Herald believed all the time that Senator Bailey's magnetic personality, his acknowledged position as the autocrat of Texas politics and the power which such leadership gave, together with the splendid nerve and iron will of a seasoned and successful politician, backed by a large personal following who believed that he was the victim of a political conspiracy and were impatient of any criticism of him, and fortified behind a kind of party nomination—that all these influences would be sufficiently effective to again land him in the Senate.

When we consider that only a few weeks ago there was scarcely a member-elect of the present house or senate who had any idea of voting against Senator Bailey, and yet on Tuesday one-third of the members either refrained from voting or voted against him, it must be admitted that his own admissions, and the exposures made regarding him, have had a powerful effect in arousing sentiment against him in the short time these matters have had to influence public opinion.

It is easy to understand why the men who opposed the original Duncan resolution, which provided for a real investigation of the charges against Senator Bailey, voted for his election prior to the findings of the investigating committee which was ultimately appointed. These men, in the main, were opposed to any kind of investigation, and either did not believe that an investigation was necessary, or would have voted for him under any condition. But the action of those who appeared to really favor an investigation who still voted for Senator Bailey, in the face of his admissions and with grave charges uninvestigated resting upon him—the action of these men is past comprehension.

The action of the legislature in electing Senator Bailey in advance of the findings of the investigating committee is a rank inconsistency, as it would be unreasonable, considering human nature, to expect the men who have already acquitted Senator Bailey to sustain any findings of guilt that any committee might bring in. It would be remarkable if the investigation did not

at once reach the level of a farce, the kind enacted by the 27th legislature. That this was the purpose of many of those who voted for Bailey is to our mind conclusive.

The unseemly haste in electing Mr. Bailey before the committee that was appointed to investigate grave charges against him involving moral turpitude was fairly organized, from our view point, is indefensible, an act of political recklessness that calls for the severest condemnation. It can not be justified on the theory that Mr. Bailey was the nominee of the Democratic party and that the representatives were bound to carry out their instructions. Assuming that he was the nominee of the party, it can not be denied that grave charges have been made since the people voted for him in the primaries, and in the light of these latter developments, no political obligation should have sufficient binding force to make men vote for him when there is a possibility that a committee of their own making may develop facts that would prove that the man was unworthy of the confidence of the people. No political party can place an obligation upon its representatives that would force such representative to violate a moral principle or act in such way as to stultify himself. The duty that a man owes to his country and his God is higher than he could possibly owe to any political party and the man who disputes this doctrine is an unsafe and an unwise counselor.

The question that naturally arises here is, does the action of the legislature place Texas in line with those states whose legislatures have been dominated by men who have been closely allied with special interests in national legislation? Clark secured his election as a senator from Montana by the boldest and most flagrant bribery of a legislature that ever debauched a state in this Union. A Republican legislature in Colorado has just elected a millionaire mine owner who makes the boast unblushingly that he paid the campaign expenses of the men who elected him, and that by virtue of such payment his political creatures only rendered him his just due. For years Quay maintained his hold upon a seat in the senate by virtue of the cohesive power of public plunder judiciously distributed. Platt and Depew and Aldridge and Dryden all remain in the Senate as a result of the dominating influence of powerful express, insurance, railroad and Standard Oil corporations, whose interests they are ever ready to faithfully serve.

Senator Bailey boldly claims that he, while a public servant, has the right to maintain and does maintain intimate financial relations as a private borrower of large sums from the head of a predatory and outlawed corporation that is eager to profit by such associations; that he has been and will continue to act as attorney of gigantic public service corporations and their representatives, receiving enormous fees palpably out of proportion to the value of the service rendered. In the face of these admissions, and resting under the shadow of much graver accusations, he is elevated to the highest position in the gift of the people of Texas. But it must be borne in mind that these representatives who have thus acted have done so in their individual capacity and the people of Texas are in no way responsible for such action. The Herald is not ready to accept the conclusion that because Senator Bailey has been upheld by his warm personal friends and political partisans that

the people of Texas are willing to adopt this new and startling doctrine announced by him as their accepted ideal of political ethics. Senator Bailey has dominated the legislature and made a majority of its members accept his will and bow in obedience to his dictation. In so far as it lies within their power they have condoned his indiscretions, hampered a full investigation of the charges against him, and placed Texas before the world as standing for private conduct on the part of a high public officer, that, to place it mildly, violates every sound principle of ethics that should govern human conduct. And Bailey has done this with his powerful personality, as Clark did it in Montana with money, Quay in Pennsylvania with patronage, Guggenheim in Colorado with wealth, and Platt and Depew with the aid of a political machine backed by powerful corporation influence. While the methods of these men and Bailey's are vastly different, the ultimate results of their triumphs have much in common. It must necessarily tend to lower the standard of public morals and endanger the liberties of the people. Regarding the actions of Senator Bailey as we do, the Herald is proud to be numbered with those who have combated the dangerous doctrine he has announced and questioned the propriety of many of his private acts, and as long as it has power to give expression to wholesome sentiment it will combat such dangerous heresies and denounce such questionable actions, though they were practiced by the most powerful and dangerous public leaders in the land, and endorsed by overwhelming majorities.—Greenville Herald.

GRUETS ARE COMING.

They Say They Are Willing to Tell All They Know in the Bailey Matter.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 24.—J. P. Gruet, Sr., and son will go to Austin to testify before the committee investigating the connections of Senator J. W. Bailey with the Waters-Pierce Oil company.

Gruet, Jr., was called tonight over long distance telephone at his home in Webster Grove, and said that neither he nor his father had received any summons from the committee to attend the Austin hearings. He said that the telegraph office at Webster Grove closed at 6 o'clock and this may perhaps explain why the committee's message was not received.

"But, if we are called to attend," Mr. Gruet said, "both my father and myself will gladly go, as we are willing to tell all we know about the Bailey matter."

Gruet was formerly secretary of the Waters-Pierce Oil company and a suit he filed in which he endeavored to collect \$8,000 alleged back salary was one of the factors which contributed toward bringing before the public the Waters-Pierce Oil company and the Texas senator in the same connection.

WHAT FRANCIS KNOWS.

Introduced and Recommended Bailey to Pierce as a Lawyer.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 23.—Ex-Governor David R. Francis, who returned today from the Southwest, reiterated his message to the Texas Legislature sent Tuesday denying the charges and makes an additional statement as follows:

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Legislature and consider the incident closed in that sense.

"The only fact or circumstance which could give rise to such a charge has already been made public. This was that in 1900 H. Clay Pierce told me that he wanted a lawyer of ability in Texas, and I suggested that he secure the services of Bailey, and afterward introduced Bailey to Pierce in St. Louis. On another occasion, when I met Bailey in Washington or St. Louis he told me that he had not charged Pierce anything for his services. I have no knowledge of whether he received any money or whether he paid it, as is claimed. My recollection is that Pierce did not even tell me what he wanted the services of Bailey for. In an interview in Texas on my way to Mexico I expressed the hope that Senator Bailey would be able to clear himself of the charges brought against him and that he would be re-elected. I am glad that he is to be returned to the Senate."

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You are hereby commanded to summon George Lester and the unknown heirs of George Lester, deceased, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not then in any newspaper published in the 2nd judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said third judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Crockett, on the second Monday in March, A. D. 1907, the same being the 11th day of March, A. D. 1907, then and there to answer an assented petition filed in said court on the 8th day of January, A. D. 1907, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 4842, wherein the Southern Pine Lumber Company is plaintiff, and George Lester and the unknown heirs of George Lester, deceased, are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff is the owner in fee simple of the following described tract of land, to-wit: Situated in Houston county, Texas, and known as the George Lester 320 acre survey. Beginning at the southeast corner of

R. M. Bridges' survey, whence a post oak brs east 2.8 vrs, a post oak mkd B M brs south 77 east 7 vrs. Thence south 30 west at 1344 vrs, stake whence a hickory brs south 27 west of 5 vrs, a red oak brs south 3 west 9.3 vrs mkd G. L. Thence north 60 west at — creek, course northeast at 1344 vrs, stake whence a red oak mkd G L brs north 17 east 10 vrs, a red oak brs north 65 west 10 vrs. Thence north 30 east at 1344 vrs to said Bridges' southwest corner, a stake whence a post oak mkd B M brs north 1 west 5.5 vrs, a dogwood brs north 15 east 4.2 vrs. Thence south 60 east at 1344 vrs to the place of beginning, containing 320 acres. That plaintiff is now in possession of the above described tract of land, and it and those under whom they claim, have been in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of same, using, cultivating and enjoying the same for more than five years continuously before the filing of this suit, under duly recorded deeds and paying taxes on the same during said period. That plaintiff owns same as follows: Deed from unknown owners by J. R. Sheridan, tax collector of Houston county, Texas, to R. M. Atkinson, J. W. Hall and Madden & Lipscomb, dated April 3, 1894; deed from A. D. Lipscomb to W. H. Denny, dated March 4, 1901, conveying grantors' interest in said land; deed from J. W. Madden to J. W. Hall, dated Jan. 1, 1902, conveying grantors' interest in said land; and by judgment dated April 16, 1901, in cause No. 4852, in the district court of said Houston county, entitled the State of Texas vs. Unknown Owners et al., J. W. Hall et al. intervenors, and deed from J. W. Hall, W. H. Denny and R. M. Atkinson to plaintiff.

That defendants have some claim on said land which is a cloud on plaintiff's title; wherefore plaintiff prays for judgment forever quieting their title and removing all clouds therefrom, and for general and special relief.
Herein fail not, but have you before said court at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
Witness J. B. Stanton, clerk of the district court of Houston county.
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