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M. F. AND MEL ELLIOTT CONVICTED OF MURDER.

Are Given Twenty-five Years Each
by the Jury—A New Trial
Asked For.

The trial of M. F. and Melvin Elliott, notice of which was made in the Courier last week, terminated Friday afternoon when the jury reached its verdict, finding the defendants guilty of murder in the second degree and assessing their punishment at twenty-five years each in the penitentiary.

The crime for which the Elliotts were convicted was the killing of Bob Barbee, a man of family and a farmer, about 50 years old, living on his place near Creek. The Elliotts are also farmers. They had a dispute with their neighbor, Bob Barbee, over the ownership of a calf or yearling. The Elliotts claimed the animal as their property and so did Barbee, who was in possession of the calf. The Elliotts went to Barbee's house on the morning of May 15, at about 6 or 7 o'clock, to see Barbee about the yearling. They found Barbee at or near his wood-pile and told him they had come to get or see about getting the calf. As Barbee turned around, presumably to go into his house, he was shot in the neck, shoulder and face with two loads of mixed shot fired from a double-barreled shotgun.

The following gentleman composed the jury before which the case was tried: J. T. Dorman, J. R. Pennington, W. H. Threadgill, L. D. Anderson, J. W. E. Fowler, J. H. Scarborough, J. L. Childs, G. S. A. Rosser, E. S. Dawson, John Manning, Wilson Whittaker, J. E. Dornin.

Adams & Young, attorneys for the defendants, filed a motion for a new hearing which will be argued before Judge Gardner some time during the week.

College Night.

On Tuesday night, August 3rd, a unique entertainment will be given at the opera house in benefit of the new Baptist church. A college play, presented by home talent, an orchestra to play college music and a male quartet to sing college songs, are a part of the evening's program. A big college yell is to be given promptly at 8:45 o'clock. Something new in Crockett. Be on time and don't miss the yell. A good cause worthy of liberal patronage. Tickets on sale at Sweet's Drug Store. Reserved seats 35 cts. General admission for adults and children 25 cts. (Read the notice in the Times.)

Heading This Way.

Jim Smith returned Monday morning from the construction camp of the Texas Southeastern railroad, which is building, slowly but surely, from Lufkin to Crockett. The Texas Southeastern Railroad company has changed its plans in regard to using the track of the Eastern Texas from Druso to Kennard and is building its own track between the two points named. The Texas Southeastern crosses the Eastern Texas near Druso and makes a curve around to the northwest by way of Rateliff and on to Kennard. From

Kennard the road will build direct to Crockett. Construction is now in progress between Druso and Rateliff.

On Trial for His Life.

Dock Jackson, the second one of four negroes accused of the murder of a negro woman to be tried at the special term of the district court, was on trial for his life Tuesday and Wednesday. Jackson, through his attorney, Marvin Ellis, appointed by the court to defend him, pleaded not guilty, contrary to the pleading of the first one tried for the crime. In the other case the defendant pleaded guilty, hoping to secure a life sentence, but the verdict of the jury was that he should hang. Unless a mistrial, the verdict of the jury will appear in the Courier next week.

Two Jail-Breaking Attempts.

Two attempts have been recently made by prisoners to break out of the county jail. Early last week Fred H. McCoy, in jail for helping to rob a farmer named Marsh of \$500, took the spring from the sole of his shoe and made a file or saw of it. The instrument was discovered by the jailer and immediately confiscated by him. The next attempt was made by a number of prisoners, who extricated the sewer pipe from the wash basin, with which they attempted to force the door of the corridor. Night and day watchmen are now on duty at the jail.

Sixteen in Jail.

If there are many more infractions of the law in Houston county during the next two weeks, there will not be room enough in the jail to hold the miscreants. After that time one will be hanged and others will be taken to the penitentiary, but until that time the jail will be filled almost to its capacity. On Monday of this week the county prison contained sixteen persons, all male and fourteen of them held on felony charges. They are as follows, the first six being white and the remaining ten being negroes: Adolphus Zachary, criminal assault, case appealed.

Arthur Guynes, forgery, case appealed.

M. F. Elliott, murder, verdict 25 years.

Mel Elliott, murder, verdict 25 years.

Chas. Calhoun, robbery, verdict 25 years.

Fred H. McCoy, robbery, verdict 5 years.

Will Carr, hog theft.

Henry Roberts, murder.

Will Powell, cow theft.

Ike Russell, murder; to be tried this week.

Lee Russell, murder; verdict to hang.

Dock Jackson, murder; to be tried this week.

Grafton Bayne, murder; to be tried this week.

Chris Majors, criminal assault; on trial Monday.

Perry Reese and another negro for gaming.

Twenty-Five Cents is the Price of Peace.
The terrible itching and smarting, incident to certain skin diseases, is almost instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Salve. Price, 25 cents. For sale by The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

MUSKEGON BREEZES LURE SOUTHERNERS

Party of Ten From States in Dixie-
land Spending Vacation
in City.

Muskegon's summer attractions have brought to this city a party of ten southerners, the most of them from Texas. They are now quartered at different places, enjoying a restful vacation in the tempered Lake Michigan air. The most of the party are school teachers.

Miss Alta Harris, Miss Clara Harris, and Miss Gladys Miller, of McKinney Tex., who are staying at the residence of Mrs. M. A. Boynton, 75 W. Muskegon avenue; Miss Lee Arrington, of Crockett, Tex., Miss Christine Holmes, of Bay City, Tex., Miss Estelle Gordon, of Kansas City, Mo., and Miss Alice Patterson, of Smithville, Tex., who are at Mrs. H. H. Holt's, 196 W. Clay avenue; Miss Cora Carter, of Asheville, N. C., and Mrs. Alice Lawrence of Chicago, at Mrs. J. H. Parker's, 91 W. Clay avenue; and Z. A. C. Harris of Dallas, Tex., at Charles Harrison's, 89 W. Clay avenue.

Miss Miller has just been graduated from a dramatic school in Texas. The party will remain here about six weeks.—Muskegon News Chronicle.

News From Lovelady.

Mrs. N. J. Cochran and children of Willard are guests of Mrs. W. B. Cochran.

Mrs. F. C. Woodard and children of Grapeland are guests of relatives in and out of town this week.

Mrs. Fount Kelley and infant son of Groveton were guests of Miss Gertrude Nelms this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Neal of Cleburne are guests of Miss Gertrude Nelms.

Misses Zodie, Allie and Susie Kennedy returned last week from Palacios.

Misses Lula and Lucy Hartt were guests of relatives in Elkhart this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Rich returned last week from Palacios at which place they attended the B. Y. P. U. encampment.

Mrs. Kelley of Crockett was a visitor in Lovelady Sunday.

Howard Alexander of Grapeland spent Sunday in Lovelady.

Charlie Niisse and sister Lillian spent Saturday in Pennington.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Leffler left last week for Leipsic, Ohio, to attend the Leffler family reunion.

Claud Alexander of Houston and Jewell Alexander of Palestine spent Sunday with home folks.

Mrs. Henry Hickie and little son of Somerville are guests of Miss Cora Leffler.

Mrs. Holly Atkinson and little Miss Floy spent Sunday with relatives on Nevil's Prairie.

Miss Ella Mae LaRue spent Sunday on Nevil's Prairie the guest of Miss Gertie Porter.

Miss Myra Hemphill is visiting in Livingston, the guest of Mrs. Edward Peters.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt James died Sunday at the home of Mr. W. F. Dent and was taken to Groveton for burial.

Miss Ella Mainer, who is in

Mexico attending a house party, has been stricken down with typhoid fever and has been confined to her bed three weeks. It is the wish of all her friends that she will soon be well again and return home to those who love her best.

Woman and Punctuality.

In a recent address Senator Depew hazarded much, but told the truth, in the following: "Punctuality is not a gift of nature, but a habit, which women cannot attain. If you are married you will have just as much time as if you were single, and you know how to find it. Your wife will give you plenty of time waiting for her. Don't fret and fume during the interim—read. I have known men to pick up a liberal education reading while waiting for their wives to get ready to go out."

A Golden Wedding

means that man and wife have lived to a good old age and consequently have kept healthy. The best way to keep healthy is to see that your liver does its duty 365 days out of 365. The only way to do this is to keep Ballard's Herbine in the house and take it whenever your liver gets inactive. 50 cents per bottle. Sold by The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

If you have no appetite for your meals something is wrong with your digestion, liver or bowels. Prickly Ash Bitters cleanses and strengthens the stomach, purifies the bowels and creates appetite, vigor and cheerfulness. The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co., Crockett; C. R. Rich, Lovelady, special agents.

The Newspaper.

Henry Ward Beecher once said: "In the United States every worthy citizen reads a newspaper and owns it. A newspaper is a window through which men look out on all that is going on in the world. Without a newspaper a man is shut up in a small room and knows little or nothing of what is happening outside of himself. A good newspaper will keep a man in sympathy with the world's current history. It is an ever unfolding encyclopedia, an unbound book, forever issuing and never finished."

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy the Best and Surest.

"It affords me pleasure to state that I consider the preparation known as Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy the best and surest of good results of any I have ever used in my family," says P. E. Herrington, of Mount Aerial, Ky. This is the universal verdict of all who use this remedy. Its cures are so prompt and effectual that people take pleasure in recommending it. For sale by The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

A Millionaire's Baby

attended by the highest priced baby specialist could not be cured of stomach or bowel trouble any quicker or surer than your baby if you give it McGee's Baby Elixir. Cures diarrhoea, dysentery and all derangements of the stomach or bowels. Price 25 cents and 50 cents. Sold by The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

A Delicious and Wholesome Summer Drink

When you are casting about in your mind for "the best beverage" to quench your thirst, refresh you and cool you off, think of

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It does all of these things to perfection and has the additional value of being as absolutely wholesome and beneficial as the tea, coffee, milk or cocoa you drink every day. While it does not taste at all like coffee it has the same refreshing qualities, and being a cold drink is a splendid summer between-meals beverage.

5c Everywhere
At Soda Fountains or Carbonated in Bottles

ROCKFORD HIGH SCHOOL
Physics and Chemistry
Rockford, Ill., July 31, 1909.
Mr. H. N. Hells, Rockford, Ill.
Dear Sir: In reply to your letter of July 27th, I have this to say: In our High School Chemistry Class, I have had my pupils analyze Coca-Cola for the last two years. We have never been able to find even a trace of alcohol, and we have applied very delicate tests for it; nevertheless we find any cocaine. As to caffeine, we made a cup of coffee and got a better test in the coffee than in Coca-Cola. According to our findings, plus for pint, Coca-Cola is less harmful than strong tea or coffee, but neither is harmful if used in moderation.
Respectfully submitted
A. C. NORRIS
Instructor in Chemistry, Rockford High School,
Chemist for the City Health Department.

Whenever you see an Arrow think of Coca-Cola.

Jas. S. Shivers & Company

SAYS

Just a few words to strengthen what we have told our customers from time to time, in our ads heretofore, in regard to the wonderful price reductions we are making. Many have believed our statements and have taken advantage of the money-saving offerings and are happy. And quite a few doubted our statements and have lost so much of the opportunity. But we are not surprised, as this tendency to doubt the correctness of a true statement dates away back to the days of good old Father Noah. When the Lord told him and his neighbors that the world would be destroyed by water many doubted this statement, went on in sin and were lost. But good old Noah took up his broadaxe and went to work on the ark, which took him one hundred years to build, and was saved.

So Much for Believing the Truth.

Now we have decided to put on a clearance sale for the remainder of July and for August. This sale should appeal to every economical buyer in Houston county, as it means a clean reduction of from 15 to 33 1/2 per cent on every article in our dry goods department. The assortments are bigger and the prices smaller than ever before. NOW FOR A FEW PRICES.

<p>Absolute Clearance of Skirts.</p> <p>All summer styles included. No one can make a duplicate of any skirt in this lot for as little money—no, can't even buy the goods and the pattern for the price.</p> <p>One lot navy blue panama, regular \$6.00 values, for.....\$3.98</p> <p>One lot navy blue and black, regular \$5.00 stock, panama and serge...\$3.00</p> <p>One lot black panama, \$3.00 values, good styles, for.....\$1.98</p> <p>One lot regular \$6.00 blue serge for.....\$3.48</p> <p>One lot fine navy blue panama, regular \$7.00 values, for.....\$5.24</p> <p>One lot, No. 3179, gray plaid and striped worsteds, extra quality, regular \$7.00 values, for.....\$5.24</p>	<p>Absolute Clearance on Muslin Underwear</p> <p>Year by year, as we gain the confidence of the public, our muslin underwear sales draw larger throngs, and this should be the most successful sale in our entire history, as all \$3.00 stock will go for \$2.25, all \$2.50 stock for \$2.00, all \$2.00 stock for \$1.75, all \$1.50 and \$1.75 for \$1.25, all \$1.25 for \$1.00 and all \$1.00 stock for 85c.</p> <p>All gowns, corset covers and ladies' pants in proportion.</p>	<p>Absolute Clearance on Low Shoes</p> <p>for men, ladies and children. All men's \$4.00 oxfords will go for \$3.25</p> <p>All men's and ladies' \$3.50 oxfords will go for.....\$3.00</p> <p>All men's and ladies' \$2.75 and \$3.00 oxfords will go for.....\$2.85</p> <p>All \$2.50 and \$2.25 oxfords will go for.....\$2.00</p> <p>All others in proportion.</p>	<p>Absolute Clearance on All Wash Goods, Lawns, Etc.</p> <p>All 25c values go for.....20c a yard</p> <p>All 20c values go for.....15c</p> <p>All 15c values go for.....12 1/2c</p> <p>All 12 1/2c values go for.....10c</p> <p>These reductions also apply in like manner to all laces and embroidery of every kind in stock.</p> <p>Don't forget the place and that the above quotations are facts, and that we must move the goods in order to make room for our big fall stock which is soon to arrive.</p>
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THE BIG STORE

LAST OF THE STAGE COACHES

Once Used Between San Antonio and Austin.

(From the Austin Statesman.)

After standing in the alley west of Patterson's livery stable since 1873, the stage coach "Sam Houston" was torn to pieces yesterday and the timber cast in a waste heap. The "Sam Houston" was the victim of city legislation, having been ordered moved from the alley, but being in such a dilapidated condition, it could not be moved. The coach was torn to pieces and another relic of the early Texas days has passed into history.

If the old stage coach could talk it could tell of some hair-raising events that would probably make the "blood and thunder" tales look like thirty cents Mex. It made its first run between Austin and Brenham in the year 1841, when Texas was filled with Indians and bad men. Six and eight mules were driven to the old coach, six being driven in good weather and eight in muddy weather. In its day the "Sam Houston" was the scene of many a fight and holdup. The wood was marked in numerous places by bullet holes, which were all that remained in history of many of the fights in which the coach was the center of battle. Guards were always carried along with the coach in the early days to prevent Indian attacks and holdups by bad men who wanted to rob the mail. Some time ago a movement was started to have the "Sam Houston" preserved as an historic relic of early Texas days, but the move failed to bear fruit and now it is too late. Another page in Texas history that can not be rewritten

has been destroyed forever.

The "Sam Houston" made its last run from San Antonio to Austin in 1873, and has stood in the alley ever since. It was abandoned and had to get out of the way, for the railroad took its place, and now it had to be taken out of the alley because it was deemed unsightly and in the way.

What Man Do You Strangle?



Some statistician figures that \$250,000,000 every year is being diverted from the local merchants of this country to the mail order concerns in the great cities.

How much of that MONUMENTAL MOUND OF MONEY goes out of this community?

Every dollar so spent helps to SWELL THE HEAP in the city that has no use for us except to get our GOOD MONEY.

Every dollar mailed away helps to STRANGLE ENTERPRISE AND SCUTTLE PROSPERITY right here at home.

When you strangle your neighbor you strangle yourself.

A Sad Death.

Schuyler W. Curry, little son of E. N. Curry of Volga, born April 27, 1904, died of congestion, July 23, 1909, being 5 years, 2 months and 25 days of age. The remains were brought to Creek and laid to rest Friday afternoon, July 23. He leaves a father, a mother and two brothers to mourn his loss. Their many friends at this place deeply sympathize with them.

OBITUARY.

Little Schuyler's spirit has entered the pearly gates. Gone to "that home not made by hands." How sad it is that he had to be snatched away from papa and mamma, little brothers and friends but what a consolation it is that his suffering is done. May God help every one to humbly bow in submission to His will. How strange it seems that the bright and promising little fellow had to leave us! But God's ways are far beyond our comprehension, some day we will understand. We no longer think of the precious little one as he was on this earth but see him in Heaven with his little sisters that have gone before. May God comfort the heart broken father and mother and help them to realize that their loss is their little one's gain. Weep not, for the flower you cherished has been plucked to adorn the throne of Him who rules the celestial city.

A Friend.

Talking about burdensome taxes, the most burdensome tax on Palestine people is the credit habit. Every man in Palestine contributes about ten per cent of the money he spends to the credit habit. What does that mean, you ask. It simply means that the merchant who extends the credit has to figure on losing so much of the

goods he sells, through failure to collect, that the goods you buy cost you at least ten per cent more than they would cost were every one paying cash. The losses through the credit system are enormous. The expense of keeping these accounts is great. Every big store has to keep from one to three bookkeepers, besides collectors to go out and get the money. This expense is charged against the customers, both the cash and credit customers. If every house was selling for cash this enormous expense could be eliminated, and the goods could be sold at a closer margin. The credit habit is a foolish and expensive one.—Palestine Herald.

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Keep your system in perfect order and you will have health, even in the most sickly seasons. The occasional use of Prickly Ash Bitters will insure vigor and regularity in all the vital organs. The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co., Crockett; C. R. Rich, Lovelady, special agents.

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Sure Cures Prevents Pneumonia

A TRUE BOWEL CLEANSER

A remedy that purifies the bowels mildly yet thoroughly, strengthens the bowel channels and promotes regularity.

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

Is an effective system regulator and bowel tonic. Persons of a constipated habit find it to be just what they need to re-establish regular bowel movements and to correct the evil effects of the disorder in the skin and blood. It drives out the impurities that have accumulated in the system. Removes sallowness, bad breath, pimples, skin eruptions, and restores the ruddy hue of health to the complexion.

Get the Genuine with the Figure "3" in Red on Front Label.

Price \$1.00 per Bottle.



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KILLS BIG BEAR IN HARD FIGHT

FARMER CAUGHT BY ANGRY
MOTHER CARRYING OFF CUB
IN HIS POCKET.

YOUNG ONE SAVES HIS LIFE

Bruin Ceases Hugging When She Discovers She is Hurting It, Allowing Hunter to Use Knife and Save His Life.

Bangor, Me.—Maine's rocky sheep pastures have been filled with great flocks of Southdowns and Shropshires ever since the heavy tariff duties on wool and woolen goods.

George Archer's wife recently went to the barn to feed her hens and found a good-sized bear making a dinner off the carcass of a fat ewe he had just killed. Though Mrs. Archer is Boston bred and had never seen a wild animal bigger than a gray squirrel, she looked at the twin lambs whose mother was rapidly disappearing down the bear's throat, and being an orphan herself, caught up the pitchfork and prodded the bear so vigorously that he made a hasty retreat.

The next morning Sam Penny found a dead sheep in his yard and plenty of bear tracks. Thomas Hussey lost two sheep the same night, and Joseph Chick four pigs.

Fifty hunters surrounded Chick's Hill, where the bear was supposed to be in a cave, and began to smoke him out. The wind spread the flames until the whole hill was in a blaze. By the time the fire was put out they had forgotten about the bear and were glad to go home.

Early the next morning, while the hunters slept, a she-bear broke into the sheep pen of George Patten, killed a fat sheep and dragged it off to the woods. A mile from Patten's place she was joined by two cubs and the family sat down to breakfast.

Believing the bear would come back to the repast the following night a party of six hunters concealed them-



Picked Up the Pitchfork and Prodded the Bear.

selves and waited. About ten o'clock they heard her on the hillside above. She would come down almost within gunshot, when her cubs would cry and she would hurry back.

Jack Gilpatrick made a wide detour and came upon the cubs when their mother was away. Catching up one and putting it in the pocket of his hunting jacket, he started full speed down the hill away from the men on guard, the cub squealing at full lung power. The mother with a plaintive cry started in pursuit. As he entered the open pasture land he turned about, rifle in hand, ready to shoot the old bear if she came out. Something hit his arm, whirling his rifle a rod away, and he was gathered into the great hairy arms of mother bear.

They fell, the bear on top, biting holes through Jack's cap and taking up a furrow of scalp with every nip. Jack freed his right arm and caught her by the throat. The cub, squeezed nearly to death by mother's hugs, was yelling lustily, which made his parent furious. She clawed a wide rent in Jack's canvas coat, digging deep into the flesh of her offspring. Jack says he owes his life to this act of fury, for no sooner had she discovered she was hurting the cub than she ceased hugging.

Having both arms free Jack pulled his hunting knife and cut her throat. Jack placed the badly squeezed cub under its mother's nose. She gave a glad cry of recognition, and licked it fondly until she expired.

With the wounded orphan in his arms Jack found the other cub, and, bleeding and sore from many flesh wounds, limped off to find his fellow hunters.

VERY ABRUPT.



Spring Poet—Yes, sir; I can write about anything, sir.
Irate Editor—Well, then, suppose you just right-about face and head for the door.

Law of Attraction.

The attractions of men to women and women to men are full of the most perplexing inconsistencies and contradictions imaginable. It is, for instance, a physical law that magnetism is not simple attraction of one thing for another, but the difference of two opposing forces of attraction and repulsion, of which the former is the greater. The same law holds in relation to the attraction of men and women for each other, in which, as a rule, the masculine is the superior force.—T. P.'s Weekly, London.

Laundry work at home would be much more satisfactory if the right Starch were used. In order to get the desired stiffness, it is usually necessary to use so much starch that the beauty and fineness of the fabric is hidden behind a paste of varying thickness, which not only destroys the appearance, but also affects the wearing quality of the goods. This trouble can be entirely overcome by using Defiance Starch, as it can be applied much more thinly because of its greater strength than other makes.

Well, Not Very Often.

The little daughter of a Republican candidate for a local office down in Philadelphia, when told that her father had received the nomination, looked, serious for a moment, then her wee voice trembled a bit as she exclaimed:

"Oh, mamma! do they often die of it?"

Rough on Rats, unbeatable exterminator
Rough on Hen Lice, Nest Powder, 25c.
Rough on Bedbugs, Powder or Liquid, 25c.
Rough on Fleas, Powder or Liquid, 25c.
Rough on Roaches, Pow'd, 15c., Liq'd, 25c.
Rough on Moth and Ants, Powder, 25c.
Rough on Squeeters, agreeable to use, 25c.
E. S. Wells, Chemist, Jersey City, N. J.

How an Angry Woman Looked.

The other day we saw an angry woman in a street car, and her face was anything but a pleasant picture. She was angry at the conductor, entirely without cause, and that made her look more terrible than if she had had a real grievance.—Nebraska Journal.

With a smooth iron and Defiance Starch, you can launder your shirt-waist just as well at home as the steam laundry can; it will have the proper stiffness and finish, there will be less wear and tear of the goods, and it will be a positive pleasure to use a Starch that does not stick to the iron.

Identification.

Mistress (at door)—Well, my dear, what is it?

Little Girl—Please, 'm, our kitty is lost. Did you see a kitty go past here by the name of Nuddles?"

For Colds and Gripp—Capudine.

The best remedy for Gripp and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

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"My wife never opens letters that are addressed to me."
"You have 'em all sent to your office address, do you?"—Cleveland Leader.

It is a mother's duty to keep constantly on hand some reliable remedy for use in case of sudden accident or mishap to the children. Hamlin's Wizard Oil can be depended upon for just such emergencies.

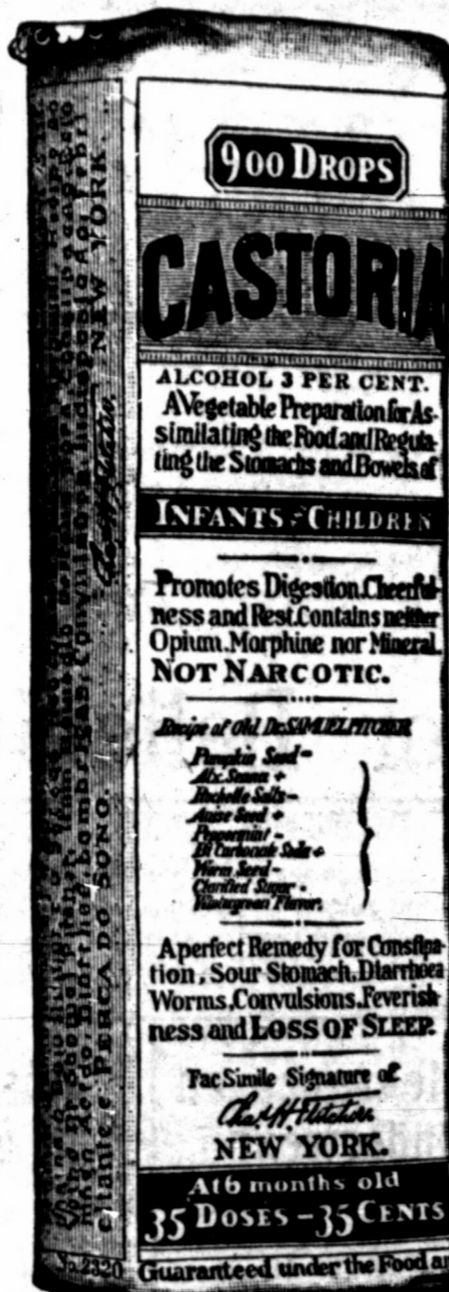
How much better it is that he should speak ill of me to all the world than that all the world should speak ill of me to him.—Torquato Tasso.

Take Dr. Biggers Huckleberry Cordial
For all Bowel troubles, Colic, Dysentery, Cholera morbus, Cholera, Infantum, Children Teething, etc. At Druggists 25c and 50c.

When a fellow begins to feel that he couldn't live without a certain girl, he ought to marry her and see.

PERRY DAVIS' PAINKILLER
For all sorts of cuts, bruises, burns and strains. Taken internally it cures diarrhea and dysentery. Avoid substitutes. 25c, 50c and \$1.

Gifts to God can never make up for thefts from men.



Exact Copy of Wrapper.

Tuberculosis Conference.
Under the auspices of the Swedish National League Against Tuberculosis, the International Tuberculosis conference held its annual meeting in Stockholm July 8 to 10. Among the American speakers on the program were Dr. Hermann M. Biggs of New York and Dr. John C. Wise, medical director of the United States navy, who was the official representative of this country. Two subjects of special interest discussed were: "Care of Tuberculous Families, Especially of Healthy Children," and "Tuberculosis and the Schools."

Starch, like everything else, is being constantly improved, the patent Starches put on the market 25 years ago are very different and inferior to those of the present day. In the latest discovery—Defiance Starch—all injurious chemicals are omitted, while the addition of another ingredient, invented by us, gives to the Starch a strength and smoothness never approached by other brands.

A Natural Selection.

"What do you suppose would be an aeronaut's garden choice?"
"I don't know, but I would suggest an air plant."



Old Mexico Homes Buy a farm in the ORANGE HILL COLONY, 20 miles south of Tampico; no irrigation; 100 acres; a farm and lot in town all for \$150.00; \$10.00 cash; \$10.00 per month. Write for literature. F. B. Rodgers, Conroy Bldg., San Antonio, Texas.

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Houston, Texas, operates the largest force of competent detectives in the South, they render written opinions in cases not handled by them. Reasonable rates.

DROPSY NEW DISCOVERY gives quick relief and cures worst cases. Pack of 100, contains 10 days' treatment. P. H. H. H. GREEN'S BOND, BOX R, ATLANTA, GA. The school is thorough. Write for particulars.

Nelson-Drayton Business College, San Antonio, Tex., is offering 100 Life Scholarships at \$5.00. The school is thorough. Write for particulars.

W. N. U., HOUSTON, NO. 31-1909.

He never has a message who does not know how to listen.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle. Duty has a stern face only when viewed askance.

CASTORIA

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THE LOVES of the LADY ARABELLA

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SYNOPSIS.

At 14 years of age Admiral Sir Peter Hawkshaw's nephew, Richard Glyn, fell deeply in love at first sight with Lady Arabella Stormont, who spurned his attentions. The lad, an orphan, was given a berth as midshipman on the Ajax by his uncle, Giles Vernon, nephew of Sir Thomas Vernon, became the boy's pal. They attended a theater where Hawkshaw's nephew saw Lady Arabella. Vernon met Philip Overton, next in line for Sir Thomas Vernon's estate. They started a duel which was interrupted. Vernon, Overton and Hawkshaw's nephew found themselves attracted by pretty Lady Arabella. The Ajax in battle defeated French warships in the Mediterranean. Richard Glyn got £2,000 prize money. He was called home by Lady Hawkshaw as he was about to "blow in" his earnings with Vernon. At a Hawkshaw party Glyn discovered that Lady Arabella was a poor but persistent gambler. He talked much with her cousin Daphne. Lady Arabella again showed love for Glyn. Later she held Glyn and Overton prisoners, thus delaying the duel. In the Overton-Vernon duel, neither was hurt. When the party returned, Arabella asked Sir Peter to aid in prosecuting Giles in court on the charge of committing a capital crime. All attended the trial. Upon Arabella's testimony Giles was convicted and sentenced to be hanged. Sir Peter visited the prince of Wales in effort to secure a pardon for Giles.

CHAPTER X.—Continued.

Presently the prince and Sir Peter appeared, and his royal highness said, with that charm of manner which seduced some men and many women:

"Hark'ee, Sir Peter; I do not promise that the affair will be complete before Sunday night; I go to Windsor early in the morning, and two days is a brief time in which to arrange so important a matter. But if you will be at Windsor on Sunday morning, I pledge you my word as a gentleman the paper shall be ready, signed, sealed and delivered."

At that Sir Peter fairly broke down, and could only say: "God bless you, sir; God bless you!" and the prince, turning the old man's emotion off gently, smiled and said:

"Tis for the preservation of the gallantry of our sex, Sir Peter, that this young officer must not hang."

He warmly invited us to remain and finish up the wine, and then one of the gentlemen at the table, whether of design or not, mentioned the extraordinary reports which had just reached London concerning the trial at York, and I, encouraged thereto by a subtle look and a question of his royal highness, told the whole story, assisted by Sir Peter. It was listened to with the deepest interest.

Lady Arabella Stormont was known to every person there, and the prince remarked that he had danced with her at the last birthnight ball. Her infatuation for Overton was well known and freely commented on, and the strange measures that women will sometimes venture upon in the interest, as they think, of the man they love, was exemplified in her testifying against Giles Vernon. Sir Thomas Vernon's hatred of his heir was also well known—and as the web was unfolded to the prince he listened with an air of the profoundest thought, and his comment was significant:

"The king can pardon."

He had pity on us and did not press us to remain to cards, so we left Carlton house about an hour after entering it, and with hearts immeasurably lighter. Our first thought was to hasten back to our lodgings to send off our good news to Lady Hawkshaw and Daphne by the northern mail.

Sir Peter told me then that the prince had directed him to go to Windsor in the morning and remain, and that he himself would bring him back on the Sunday morning, if the counter signatures to his majesty's could not be had before. The prince was quite familiar with the procedure, and engaged to get the pardon from the king without difficulty.

Early next morning Sir Peter left me. It was agreed that I should proceed on the Sunday morning to the Bear and Churn, a tavern and posting station near London, on the northern road, to arrange in advance for the best cattle, in order that not a moment might be lost in returning to York. So, after two miserable days alone in London, while Sir Peter was at Windsor, I was glad on Sunday morning to be on the northern road, preparing for our rapid return to York. The Bear and Churn was directly on the highway, and was well out of London, being surrounded by green fields and orchards.

had heard of my marriage, and felicitated me on it.

My heart was so full of Giles Vernon that I burst out with the story. It seemed quite new to him; and he listened to it with breathless attention, occasionally ejaculating his horror at the conduct of Sir Thomas Vernon and of Lady Arabella Stormont. It gave me a savage pleasure to tell him every dreadful particular concerning Arabella; and by the look of consciousness which came into his expressive face, and by the way in which he avoided my eye, I saw that he knew he was a factor in the case against his will. At last, quite transported by my rage against these two, I cried out:

"And it is for the purpose of securing the estate to you that Arabella Stormont thus swore away the life of Giles Vernon; but God will confound her and Sir Thomas Vernon yet!"

"Truly," said he, in a thrilling voice, "God will confound all the wicked. He



"Will You Speak to Me?"

will bring this horrid scheme to naught in every way; for know you, if Lady Arabella Stormont were to throw herself on her knees before me—"

He stopped, and colored violently; he had not meant to admit what the whole world knew—that Arabella Stormont had adored him for seven years past. He hurriedly changed the subject, saying:

"Perhaps you do not know that I am no longer in the army."

I said I did not.

"Although I have recovered the use of my limbs and look to be in health, it was a beautiful morning, more like April than February. The greenness of the earth, the blueness of the heavens, the quiet of the country, after the rattle and roar and dun skies of London, were balm to my soul.

I reached the inn by ten o'clock; and, having arranged for their best horses, and sent word two stations ahead, I sat down to pass the day as best I might. I wrote a long letter to Daphne, and then, it being about 12 o'clock, I went out for a walk.

There was a pretty pathway through a little grove toward a rolling field next the highway. I took this path, and presently came face to face, at a turn in the path, with Overton. He was singularly dressed for a man of his quality and profession.

He wore black clothes, with plain silver buckles at the knees, and black silk stockings and shoes. His hair, unpowdered, was tied with a black rib-

bon; but he wore no crape or vestige of mourning. I had ever thought him the handsomest man in England; but in this garb, so different from the brilliant uniform or other exquisite dress in which I had heretofore seen him, he looked like an Apollo. He greeted me gravely, but not impolitely; and we walked along together. He is not fit for service; and I was retired on half pay only a few days ago. My life is not likely to be long; but released as I am, by God's hand, from the profession of arms, I shall devote the remnant of my life to the service of the Lord God Almighty. His message came to me years ago, but I was deaf to it. I was in love with the world, and possessed by the flesh and the devil. I committed murders under the name of war. I dishonored my Maker by my dissipation. I spent in gambling and vice the money wrung from the poor that were bond-slaves to labor and poverty. I blasphemed, and yet I was not counted evil by the world."

I listened and wondered to myself, should this be true, where stood we all?

Overton's face had flushed, his eyes were full of rapture; he seemed to dwell in the glory of the Lord.

"But now I am free from the body of that death, and subject only to the yoke of the Nazarene—the Jesus who labored with his hands to show that work was honorable; the carpenter who called about him those as poor as himself, and preached to them the love of God and one's neighbor; who received the Magdalen as a sister and the leper as a brother."

I was silent. I had heard many

seated themselves on the grass, and I along with them, and, in some mysterious way, I felt, for the first time in my life, that the plowman was my brother and the kitchen wench my sister.

When they were all seated, Overton took from his pocket a small Bible and read the Sermon on the Mount. The people listened reverently. He gave them a short discourse, suited to their understanding, and then read to them a simple hymn, which they sang with fervor.

I listened with a strange feeling, half pain, half pleasure, half satisfaction, half dissatisfaction. I wished for Daphne's sweet spirit to be near me. It came to my mind how like was this meeting of the poor and unlearned to those held by the Carpenter of Nazareth on the shores of the Sea of Galilee. The hymn echoed sweetly over the green fields; it was a part of that great antiphon with which Nature replies to the harmonies of the Most High. The quiet scene, the woods, the fields, the kine in the pasture near by, all seemed one in this act of worship. But presently my soul was distracted by what I saw on the highway close by us. A handsome traveling chariot, followed by a plain post-chaise going Londonward, stopped. Out of the chariot stepped Lady Arabella Stormont, and, through an opening in the hedge, she entered the field. After a considerable interval, Mrs. Whittall followed her; and, after a still longer one, Sir Thomas Vernon.

Lady Arabella walked noiselessly over the grass, and when she reached the edge of the group, stopped. Her eyes were full of laughing contempt at first, but, when Overton turned his glance full upon her, she suddenly assumed a look of seriousness, and folded her hands as if in silent prayer. Behind her, Mrs. Whittall's foolish face was all fear, while Sir Thomas Vernon grinned unpleasantly over her shoulder. Overton, without taking the slightest notice of them, at the conclusion of the hymn announced that he would make a prayer, and asked his hearers to join with him in a petition that the life might be spared of a certain young man, Giles Vernon, now under sentence of death in York jail. We all stood up, then, the men removing their hats. I held mine before my face to conceal my tears, while Overton made a brief but earnest prayer for Giles, and I could not refrain from crying: "Amen! Amen!" when he concluded.

The people then trooped off, and we, the gentlefolks, were left together. Overton surveyed Lady Arabella and Sir Thomas with much contempt. Lady Arabella was the first to speak. She held up her head timidly, and said: "Will you not speak to me?"

"No," replied Overton, sternly. "Giles Vernon's life may be spared; but upon you is blood-guiltiness." (TO BE CONTINUED.)

TEACHER WAS A LITTLE HASTY.

Jumped at Conclusions as to Cause of Tommy's Presence.

Tommy had been spanked by Miss Manners, his first-grade teacher, but his next teacher had not reached the point where she felt she could do justice to him in spite of all his naughtiness.

"Send him to me when you want him spanked," said Miss Manners one morning, after her colleague had related his many misdemeanors.

About 11 o'clock Tommy appeared at Miss Manners' door. She dropped her book, grasped him firmly by the hand, led him to the dressingroom, turned him over her knee, and administered punishment.

When she had finished she said: "Now, Tommy, what have you to say?"

"Please, miss, my teacher wants the scissors," was the unexpected reply.—Success Magazine.

Act Singly.

Fear never but you shall be consistent in whatever variety of actions, so they each be honest and natural in their hour. For of one will, the actions will be harmonious, however unlike they seem. These varieties are lost sight of when seen at a little distance, at a little height of thought. One tendency unites them all. The voyage of the best ship is a zigzag line of a hundred tacks. This is only microscopic criticism. See the line from a sufficient distance, and it straightens itself to the average tendency. Your genuine action will explain itself and will explain your other genuine actions. Your conformity explains nothing. Act singly and what you have already done will justify you.—now.—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

And Then He Woke Up.

Here is a rich man out in Washington, near Seattle, who wished to be sure that his valuables were perfectly safe, and so he had a "secret closet" built into his new house. Nobody knew of its existence, and so it could not be opened. One day recently he found the jewels gone; then it occurred to him that the men whom he hired to put the secret closet in must have known about it! Surprising thought, wasn't it?

GOOD ITEMS OF NEWS

ENTIRE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS
THAT ARE WORTH PASSING
NOTICE.

WHOLE WORLD THE FIELD

Current Domestic and Foreign News
Boiled Down to Readable and
Small Space.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The urgent deficiency bill was passed by the House, in Washington, Tuesday, after four days of tempestuous debate. The amount carried by it is \$454,809, or \$20,408 more than the original sum, and includes the \$25,000 traveling expenses for the President.

Mr. Meyer, Secretary of the Navy, had succeeded in reducing the expenditures proposed for the fiscal year 1910-1911 fully \$10,000,000 below the total of the appropriation made last year. Secretary Dickinson of the War Department had done nearly as well. The total of the Government estimates will be more than \$36,000,000 less than the total appropriations made for the current fiscal year.

President Taft gave an added indication of his intention of standing by his demand for free raw material in the pending tariff bill by saying to one of his Congressional callers Monday that in case the Senators who are opposing him on that demand should succeed in beating the bill in the Senate he would immediately call another extra session of Congress to meet the day after this one adjourned.

That Francis J. Heney, special counsel of the Department of Justice, and also assistant prosecutor in the so-called graft cases in San Francisco, received from this Government last year \$23,000 for which he performed no services, was the frank admission of Chairman Tawney of the Appropriations Committee in the House, in Washington, Monday.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

G. W. Elbert, of Denton, showed Tuesday ears of corn that the heat from the sun had popped in the field.

The oldest Catholic ecclesiastic in the world, Stanislaus Machorski, deacon at Lisgewo, Prussia, died Thursday, at the age of 102 years.

Fire damp exploded in a mine at Mansfield, Prussia, Tuesday. Sixteen dead and many unconscious miners have been taken out. It is not known how many men are still in the mine.

Preparations are being made to accommodate and entertain large crowds expected to attend daily the tenth annual reunion of Confederate veterans, to take place at Gatesville Aug. 3 to 6, inclusive.

That the death roll of Saturday's battle between the McDonald and Chisolm factions on the street of Union, Miss., will be two, instead of four, is indicated by the reports which attending surgeons issued regarding the wounded.

Seventy-six distinct classes of industry are in Dallas, including seventeen manufacturing with an investment of over \$2,000,000. This is according to figures compiled for the Chamber of Commerce.

Orville Wright made a flight in his aeroplane of 1 hour and 20 minutes duration at Fort Myer Tuesday, circling the parade ground eighty-three times, making a series of figure eights and landing steadily.

Col. Roosevelt, whose party is hunting on the south shore of Lake Naivasha, near the ranch of Capt. Richard Attanborough, East Africa, has done no shooting since last Thursday, but instead has remained at the camp writing a book.

Mrs. E. P. Dorrance, a visitor from Helena, Mont., in Hot Springs, Ark., was shot under the left eye and almost instantly killed in her room at the Parker House early Thursday by an unknown man, whom the police believe visited the rooms for the purpose of burglary.

South, East and North Texas had good local rains Monday at several places. The bulletin at night by the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company showed rain at Beaumont, Greenville, Laredo, Sherman, Palestine, San Antonio.

The women of Colorado are to make a stubborn effort to send one of their sex to Congress two years hence.

The Rev. Father James J. Conway died in St. Louis Monday, aged 55 years. He was well known in the West and as an orator, philosopher and writer, and as one of the organizers and directors of the Federation of Catholic Societies.

J. J. Lanin, representing the Northern Construction Company of New Hampton, Iowa, has just completed arrangements for the building of the Sterling City-San Angelo Railroad.

Quannah has ordered an election on August 11 on an issue of \$30,000 bonds for the purpose of extending the water mains.

Wednesday afternoon fire originating in the R. W. Jones millinery establishment in Abilene, caused fully \$7,500 damages before being extinguished.

Reports received in the Department of Health Thursday indicate that the state quarantine station at Galveston is almost a total wreck, as result of storms.

Alfred McCain, who was injured in the Fort Worth and Denver yards in Amarillo, died late Thursday night. No relatives of the dead man have so far been found.

At Angleton, fifty miles south of Houston, on the line of the St. Louis, Brownsville and Mexico Railway, thirty families are homeless as a result of the storm of the last few days. The installation of the Ham waterworks system is nearing completion. The city will have four miles of main. The tank and tower are being erected. The tank is of 75,000 gallons capacity and will be 145 feet high.

Another street car in Evansville, Ind., was blown up Monday by dynamite, being the fourth car dynamited since the street car strike started here eight weeks ago.

The salaries of twenty-one clerks and thirty letter carriers of the Fort Worth postoffice have been raised. Two of the increases are for \$200 per year, and the remainder are for \$100 per annum.

Samuel J. Keith, one of the best known financiers in the South and for the past twenty-seven years president of the Fourth National Bank of Nashville, Tenn., died of heart trouble Sunday.

The 6-year-old son of Charles Morgan, living north of Blossom, was fatally burned Wednesday night. While the mother was out milking he attempted to carry a lighted lamp through the house.

The most disastrous fire in the history of Masonton, W. Va., happened Tuesday and destroyed the Hotel Altman and the Fanston and Maddas blocks, entailing a loss estimated at \$300,000.

Ten persons drowned Sunday afternoon, two of them little girls, when the excursion sloop Roxana, carrying twenty-two passengers, was capsized by a sudden squall in lower New York Bay.

As a result of a severe electrical and wind storm at Paragould, Ark., one man is dead, one residence and the new high school building damaged by lightning, and considerable damage done to property in the country near the town.

The usual fall demand is being made on the Treasury Department at Washington, by the banks for a supply of small bills for crop moving purposes. To meet this demand, the Treasury can issue now \$1 silver certificates in exchange for silver certificates of larger denominations which are sent to the Treasury for that purpose. An unusual supply of small bills has been prepared to meet this seasonal demand.

W. C. Wilson, who lives about two miles of Quinlan, brought to town Friday a remarkable freak of nature in the form of a seven-legged kitten with two tails. From its head to the middle of its body there is nothing to distinguish it from any other kitten, but from there down it is a double cat. It has two fore legs in their natural position and one fore leg that comes out of the middle of its back, four hind legs and two tails.

Plans for forming the largest inland waterways transportation company in this or any other country are being perfected by Attorney T. L. Sager of St. Louis. He is backed, he claims, by Festus J. Wade, W. K. Kavanaugh and other financiers in St. Louis. The company, to be known as the Mississippi River Transportation Corporation, is to have a capital stock of \$10,000,000.

Eyster Bros. of California have opened a cigar factory in Cleburne. The Board of Trade asked the merchants to give orders enough to insure continuous business for the factory. The merchants more than met the necessary demand.

Two hundred and thirty-four thousand prairie dogs have been killed since Jan. 1 by J. W. Holman of Amarillo. Most of them were on the Fryling Pan ranch. Mr. Holman uses poisoned meat in his operations and employs a corps of fifteen workmen, mostly Mexicans.

Vernon is keeping pace with the progress of the times and showing great activity in municipal improvements just now. A modern sewerage system comprising over six miles of mains is now being laid on gradients that will insure perfect sanitation.

By electing Hon. W. D. (Bill) Davis of Fort Worth to the presidency of their association and selecting Tyler as the city of their next meeting place, the Mayors of Texas brought the business of their eighth annual convention to a close in San Angelo, Thursday afternoon.

PASSENGER TRAIN GOES INTO RIVER

WRECK ON WABASH ROAD IN MISSOURI, THIRTY MILES FROM KANSAS CITY.

SIX LIVES LOST AS RESULT

Three Others Probably Fatally Hurt—Great Damage Done to Train Property.

Kansas City, July 26.—Six lives lost and three people probably fatally hurt is the result of the wreck of Wabash passenger train No. 4, when it plunged into the Missouri River thirty miles east of here Saturday night.

The train left Kansas City at 9 o'clock Saturday night, and was due in St. Louis ten hours later. Of the eight cars which made up the train, five and the engine are now in the river with the water covering all of them except one end of the Des Moines sleeper. A deadhead Pullman mail, baggage, day coach and sleeper followed the engine into the stream. The chair car and two Pullmans alone remained uninjured.

Black Ants Eat Boll Weevil. Durant, Ok.: Ants, the little black species which frequently infest kitchens and pantries, may be experimented with near Durant by the Government next year to exterminate boll weevils. The discovery was recently made by Special Agent S. W. Murphy of the Department of Agriculture, who is located in this city, that the ants will devour the young weevil and the larvae before they hatch, and that they are very fond of the weevil as food.

COLORADO'S HIGH WATER. Portion of Austin's New Bridge Taken Away.

Austin: Without warning, a torrent of water swept down the Colorado river late Friday night, causing a sudden rise in that stream of about ten feet.

The water rushed down the stream carrying a huge amount of driftwood, striking the trestle of the Carmichael Construction Company, just above the Congress Avenue bridge, where the new bridge is being constructed, earling away 200 feet of the trestle, and the large driver that was near the water edge was undermined and carried under the bridge and 3000 feet down the stream and lodged, a wreck, in the sand.

Hides Go On Free List. Washington: Hides will be put upon the free list and the existing rates on all leather goods will be substantially reduced, some of them below the duties fixed by the House or Senate tariff bills. Practically every member of the conference committee admitted at recess that this program will be adopted.

Charbon Raging in Louisiana. Lake Charles, La.: Charbon, a deadly and loathsome disease, which afflicts cattle and which has killed thousands of valuable animals in Louisiana, has attacked human beings now and many men are under treatment. In Leesburg, the county seat of Cameron Parish, eight humans have been stricken.

Three Lives Lost On Schooner. Pensacola, Fla.: With her rigging damaged and her sails torn almost to shreds, the fishing schooner Minnie M. arrived in port Saturday and reported the loss of three of her crew in the hurricane of last Wednesday and the miraculous escape of the two others.

Zachary Taylor's Daughter Dead. Winchester, Va.: Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor Dandridge, the daughter of President Zachary Taylor and a former mistress of the White House, died here Sunday evening after a brief illness, aged 85 years.

Fifty-four Are Injured. Indianapolis, Ind.: Forty-four persons were injured when Big Four, train No. 6 was wrecked at Zionsville Sunday night. Six of the passengers most seriously hurt were brought to hospitals in this city.

Passenger Packet Sinks. Gallipolis, Ohio: The passenger packet Tacoma, en route from Charleston, W. Va., to Cincinnati, Ohio, struck an obstruction in the Ohio River and sank late Sunday. The passengers were taken off in safety before the boat went down.

Whole Town Destroyed. Fort Smith, Ark.: Practically the whole business district of Bonanza, a small mining town near Fort Smith, was destroyed by fire Saturday. Loss is estimated at \$75,000.

"DIVING VENUS" TRIES TO BATHE IN FOUNTAIN

WOMAN CREATES AFTERNOON SENSATION BY ATTEMPT TO SWIM IN MADISON SQUARE.

New York.—All the regulars were in Madison Square park when it happened. The time was five o'clock in the afternoon. "Rusty" McGurk, who was one of the children who used to gather around George Francis Train and who has been looking for another such philanthropist ever since, was reading the day before yesterday's paper. Also there were women and children and a few dogs. It was Saturday afternoon in Madison Square park.

Suddenly there was a chorus of screams. One could not tell at once



"Come On In; the Water's Fine!"

whether it meant alarm or applause, but it aroused curiosity. Rusty dropped his paper and gasped. The women and children stared and the dogs barked. At the same time it was observed that a young woman, rather well dressed in a clinging gown, among other things, and with emphatic blonde hair, was scrambling over the picket fence surrounding the fountain and was wading out with the evident intention of having a shower bath.

A young man on a bench from which the young woman had arisen jumped to his feet and yelled, and, following his cue, everybody else yelled, but the clinging gown went its way, until the water had mounted to the corse. By that time Policeman Fitzgerald of the traffic squad had been attracted by the clamor, and soon he was at the edge of the fountain.

"Come out o' that!" he shouted. "Come on in; the water's fine!" was the reply.

Fitzgerald accepted the invitation, but no sooner had he reached the maid when she turned on him indignantly and exclaimed: "Don't you dare touch me! Don't you know who I am? I'm Annette Kellerman, the diving Venus. I get a million dollars a week for doing this. Away!"

But he didn't away. He told Annette he was from Missouri, and amid loud acclaim from Rusty and the others he haled the moist lady out of the fountain and took her to Bellevue hospital, where, after a careful diagnosis, it was said that the water hadn't done her a bit of harm, and she was put in the psychopathic ward.

REPTILES BATTLE IN BOAT

Held the Crew at Bay, but Finally Are Crushed to Death by Engine.

Radby, Pa.—Henry Williamson and George Marker, owners of a 16-foot launch, had a thrilling experience on Darby creek at the moment a thunder storm broke in all its fury, when two four-foot water snakes crawled into the craft over the prow and began a battle royal within a few inches of the motor. The contest of the snakes was so fierce that Williamson and Marker were compelled to crowd back as far in the stern of the boat as possible. To make matters worse, they were not able to reach the motor to check its speed, but were compelled to remain in the stern, steering their craft during the storm. There was no boat hook aft by which they could give battle to the two fighting reptiles and for over five minutes they were compelled to watch the furious writhing and lashing of the reptiles. Finally they got too near the motor and the next moment both reptiles were crushed in the rapidly revolving wheel.

It is supposed that one of the reptiles was in pursuit of the other and that the one pursued sought refuge in the launch, where it was immediately followed by the other one.

De Maistre: The blessedness or misery of old age is often but the extract of our past life.

Good Knowledge for Divers. As part of the education of the English naval divers, the beginners are taught how to save themselves, should they become exhausted, by allowing their suits to fill with air and shooting rapidly upward to the surface, where they are dragged into the boat by the attendants.

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BETZVILLE TALES

Uncle Ashdod Clute's Last Breath.

By Ellis Parker Butler
Author of "Pigs is Pigs" Etc.
ILLUSTRATED BY PETER NEWELL

Uncle Ashdod Clute enjoyed pretty fair health until he received the pink-covered patent medicine booklet from the city last March, and then, all at once, he realized that he was one of the sickest men in Betzville. He saw that he had 18 of the 19 deadly diseases, and he had hopes that he could gather up the other two symptoms before fall and make a clean record of it. He got all ready to die as soon as the other two symptoms appeared, for he is such a tough old codger that he knew no less than 19 deadly diseases would have any effect on him, and he would probably be dead now if he hadn't started to read a serial story in the inside of the Betzville Weekly News.

As soon as he got interested in the serial story he wanted to live until he saw how it ended, and he grew anxious about his death, and wrote a letter to a fortune teller in the city and asked when he was going to die. He told all his symptoms and how many deadly diseases he had, and his case must have looked sort of hopeless to the fortune teller, for he got a letter back saying Uncle Ashdod's last breath would mingle with the atmosphere of Betzville during the next 30 days. And then, as a sort of balm, the fortune teller said that if his last breath didn't mingle in the next 30 days, Uncle Ashdod was probably so tough he would live forever.

Any ordinary man would have lost hope upon receiving such a prediction, but Uncle Ashdod is not an ordinary man. He saw immediately that he had a chance for life, if he could keep his last breath from mingling with the atmosphere of Betzville during the



He Would Hold a Breath Until His Eyes Lopped Out on His Cheeks.

next 30 days, and his first thought was that he would move over to Cluteson for four or five weeks, but he was afraid that if he did he might miss a copy of the Betzville Weekly News, so he gave that up. Then he saw that if he could just know when he was ready to breathe his last breath, and could step outside of the town limits to breathe it, and breathe it where the wind was blowing away from town, there might still be a chance for him, if his last breath could keep ahead of the wind, so that the atmosphere of Betzville wouldn't catch up with it and mingle. But the trouble was to know when his last breath was going to be breathed.

He got a lot of advice on it from some of Betzville's most prominent citizens, but nothing that seemed of any practical value, until Sigma Stephens spoke up. Sigma said it was the luckiest thing in the world that he had overstocked with glass preserve bottles that year, and that he would sell the lot to Uncle Ashdod at half price, including the rubber bands and tops, so they would be air-tight. Then, if Uncle Ashdod just breathed every breath into a preserve bottle and immediately screwed the lid on tight, he would be sure to have his last breath safely bottled up so that it couldn't mingle with any atmosphere whatever.

This seemed a good idea to Uncle Ashdod, being common sense and practical, so he bought the lot of preserve bottles, quarts and half quarts, and began to breathe his breaths into them right there.

Of course it was a little inconvenient for a man as active as Uncle Ashdod, because he had to tote a wheelbarrow loaded with bottles wherever he went, and sometimes when he would run out of bottles we would see him scooting for home lickety-split for a bottle to breathe into, and as red in the face from holding his breath as a snow-apple, but it worked out all right.

Once he got his breath into a bottle he was mighty careful of that bottle, and he didn't leave any bottles around where they might get damaged. He carried them all up to his attic and stood them in rows, and it got to be a familiar sight to see Uncle Ashdod going around with a preserve bottle pressed against the front of his face. The way he hustled to get the lid on those bottles after his breath was in them was an example to lazy folks. He got so he could make the coupling in one-tenth of a second by the watch. And every night the last thing he did was to go up to the attic and tighten up all the lids and listen to see if any of them were leaking.

The third day he broke a bottle, and that was the only worry he really had. For all he knew that was the bottle that had his last breath in it, but he couldn't be sure until the month was up, for he was scheduled to die at no particular time during the month, and it might be the very last day.

Along during the last week he had a bad fright. We saw he was running short of bottles, and that they wouldn't last out at the rate he was using them, so he began to take shorter breaths. He would hold a breath until his eyes lopped out on his cheeks and the perspiration stood on the end of his nose and his face was dark purple, and he took such short breaths that he was able to get two in a bottle, but even that was no use. He did run out of bottles.

Then he spent all his time in the attic, for he knew he had only half-filled some of the earlier bottles, and he breathed short last-breaths into those, so they were perfectly full. Sometimes there was so little room in a bottle that he had to divide a breath and put half into each of two partly filled bottles.

The last day came at length, and Uncle Ashdod spent it in the attic with breath-bottles all around him, but the street before his house was crowded with all the elite and chivalry of Betzville, waiting to see if the bottle Uncle Ashdod had broken was the one with his last breath in it. The general opinion was that it was, and nearly every one had made bets that way, so we were hopeful that when the time was up, at noon, we would hear a dull thud in the attic. But we didn't. At exactly 12:01 Uncle Ashdod came to the attic window and stuck his head out and breathed one long breath that lasted six minutes. There were a few cheers from those that had won their bets, but most of us turned away disgusted.

Uncle Ashdod has one preserve bottle on his what-not that he claims has his genuine last breath in it, and he is as proud of it as pumpkins, but we don't take any stock in it. We may be mistaken, but according to our notion Uncle Ashdod hasn't drawn his last breath yet.

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Not Entirely Undisputed.

The case before the court was one involving the ownership of a tract of land, and the attorney for one of the parties to the suit was cross-examining a witness. "Now, Mr. Grimshaw," he said, "the property on which you live was originally a part of the 20 acres in dispute, was it not?"

"Yes, sir."

"And your title is based on the original title to that land I presume?"

"Yes, sir."

"How long have you resided there?"

"Over 21 years."

"Have you had—now mark me—have you had 21 years' undisputed possession of that property?"

The witness hesitated a moment.

"Remember, Mr. Grimshaw," said the lawyer, raising his voice, "that you are under oath. Have you had 21 years' undisputed possession of that property?"

"It has been disputed once, and only once," answered the witness. "I found a nest of bumblebees in my back yard one day last summer."

In the general laugh that followed this answer the lawyer subsided.

A Knock.

"Mary, did you hear a knock at the door?"

"Yessum, it was Mrs. Jinx and Mrs. Smith who had called. It was Mrs. Jinx that knocked; she was tellin' Mrs. Smith that she'd laugh when she saw your new hat."

Skeptical.

"Why did he look so bored when I said there was luck in odd numbers?"

"It seems that his wife defused him twice and accepted him the third time he proposed."

YELLOWSTONE PARK LAND OF THE GEYSERS



"A VERITABLE WONDERLAND"

In all the world there is no tourist resort comparable to Yellowstone National park. It is unique among the scenic regions of the world because, in addition to most of the attractions of the others, it has, besides, the most wonderful natural phenomena known to scientists. Its streams and valleys are not surpassed in beauty by any in the Old World. Its roadways and hotels are equal to those of the favorite resorts of continental Europe. Its area includes, in addition, wonderful geysers, hot springs, and the Grand canyon of the Yellowstone. Of that mighty gorge, noted for its riot of color, for artistic and beautiful nature-harmony, there is nothing men have written that is adequately descriptive. Words are trivial and weak when one experiences the overwhelming sensation produced by a first glimpse of its wonders. In all the world there is no more startling scene.

Yellowstone National park is the scenic gem of the northwestern hemisphere. It lies partly in Montana and partly in Idaho, but largely in Wyoming, among the greatest peaks of the American Rockies. It comprises 3,312 square miles, with a forest reserve adjoining it.

The first man to see and know any portion of what is now the Yellowstone park, was John Colter. Colter had been with Lewis and Clark to the mouth of the Columbia river, and on his return in 1806 severed his connection with those explorers and retraced his course to the headwaters of the Yellowstone. During the summer of 1807, he traversed at least the eastern part of the Yellowstone park country, and the map in the Lewis and Clark report, published in 1814, shows "Colter's Route in 1807."

The next known of the region was in 1842, when an article describing the geysers was printed in the Western Literary Messenger of Buffalo, N. Y. The author was Warren Angus Ferris, an employe of the American Fur Company who, with two Pean d'Oreille Indians, visited one of the geyser areas in 1834.

Many of the mountaineers, and fur-trappers of the period long before the civil war, knew of the locality. James Bridger, a noted guide and explorer, and Joseph Meek, an old time mountain man, often told of the geysers and hot springs.

Folsom and Cook of Montana, made an extended tour of the country in 1869, but the real discovery of the park came in 1870, when several western pioneers with Gen. H. D. Washburn as their leader made an extended exploration of the region. To the Washburn party is to be credited the initiative which ultimately resulted in the region becoming a national park.

Transportation within Yellowstone National park is by stage coach exclusively. Even automobiles are not permitted within its boundaries. The wilds have been but little touched by influences which would destroy their charm.

Between Gardiner, at the end of the railway, and Mammoth Hot Springs, the site of the first of the hotels, large coaches hauled by six horses are used. Beyond Mammoth Hot Springs the four-horse coach is the vehicle generally employed.

Each day's journey through the park unfolds new scenes. The landscape changes with amazing sudden-

ness. Each wonder spot, when passed, is found to be but the preface to something more inspiring.

With each succeeding year the wild animals in the park become a more interesting feature of it. Here is really the only place where the public in general can freely see the animals of the forest and the wilds in their natural state. The animals evince less and less timidity and, while not common, it is not an unusual sight, as the coaches drive along, to see an elk or a deer or two slaking their thirst in the stream or several quietly and unconcernedly feeding in the woods near the road.

The effort to increase the buffalo herd by outside purchase and to corral the animals where they can be fed and protected has met with success. There are now about 100 bison in the park.

There are about 2,000 antelopes and from 100 to 200 mountain sheep in the park, most of them living on and around Mount Everts near Mammoth Hot Springs. Both sheep and antelopes are more wary than the other animals, and, to a great extent disappear in the spring. In the fall, winter and spring, both antelopes and sheep are found in large numbers on the hills and flats above Gardiner and Mammoth Hot Springs. They are fed by the authorities at Fort Yellowstone, which serves to domesticate them in some degree, and in recent years many antelopes remain to graze during the summer on the large alfalfa field at the park entrance.

The deer, of which there are hundreds, are increasing in number, and the pretty animals are seen more and more each year. During the fall, winter and spring, like the sheep and antelope, they are a familiar sight around Fort Yellowstone and Mammoth Hot Springs.

It is the elk, however, that are found in almost countless numbers, and during the summer they are not infrequently seen. They seclude themselves, more or less, however, in the timber and valleys.

The bears are found near the hotels and it requires no exertion, beyond the walk of a few rods, to see them.

In portions of the park, naturally those somewhat retired and secluded, there are many beavers and they are flourishing and increasing. One place where these industrious animals may be seen is near Tower fall, where there are several colonies of them. Here, among the brooks in this beautiful part of the park, they may be found, with their dams, houses, ponds, and slides, swimming about in the water or cutting down trees on land, laying in their store of food for the winter.

As a place where one may indulge in angling at little or no hardship, the park heads the list. In 1890 the United States fish commission began stocking the waters of the park. Since that year several hundred thousand trout have been "planted" in the park lakes and streams, and these have greatly multiplied.

WAS HE RIGHT?



Mrs. Rant—Do you think men are more clever than women?
Mr. Rant—Some men are.
Mrs. Rant—Who are they?
Mr. Rant—Single men.

SKIN ERUPTION CURED.

Was So Sore, Irritating and Painful That Little Sufferer Could Not Sleep—Scratched Constantly.

Cuticura's Efficacy Clearly Proven.

"When about two and a half years old my daughter broke out on her hips and the upper parts of her legs with a very irritating and painful eruption. It began in October; the first I noticed was a little red surface and a constant desire on her part to scratch her limbs. She could not sleep and the eruptions got sore, and yellow water came out of them. I had two doctors treat her, but she grew worse under their treatment. Then I bought the Cuticura Remedies and only used them two weeks when she was entirely well. This was in February. She has never had another rough place on her skin, and she is now fourteen years old. Mrs. R. R. Whitaker, Winchester, Tenn., Sept. 22, 1908."

Foster Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

THE OBJECT HE HAD IN VIEW.

Farmer Had Not Much Expectation of Turkeys, But He Was Not Losing Anything.

A Rhode Island farmer set a bantam hen on 14 turkey eggs, and great was the scandal thereof throughout the neighborhood. Friends from far and near dropped in for to see and for to admire the freakish feat.

"Sa-ay, Silas," asked envious Hiram Haggars, "haow many turkeys d' yew call'ate ter git outter them aigs?"
"Oh, shucks!" Silas answered. "I ain't call'atin' t' git many turkeys. I jest admire t' see that pesky little critter a-spreadin' herself!"—Harper's Weekly.

His Preference.

Commander Maxwell of the navy enjoys telling of an unique complaint preferred by a recruit.

On every man-of-war the bar of justice is aft in front of the "stick," or mast. The recruit had gone to the stick to "state" his grievance. "Well, what do you want?" asked the executive officer.

"Please, sir, I want to complain of the breakfast this morning."

"What did you have?"

"Burgoo, crack-hash, hard tack and coffee, sir."

"What did you expect?"

"Please, sir, I always like to start my breakfast with a nice steak and a pair of eggs."—Illustrated Sunday Magazine.

SURPRISED HIM

Doctor's Test of Food.

A doctor in Kansas experimented with his boy in a test of food and gives the particulars. He says:

"I naturally watch the effect of different foods on patients. My own little son, a lad of four, had been ill with pneumonia and during his convalescence did not seem to care for any kind of food.

"I knew something of Grape-Nuts and its rather fascinating flavor, and particularly of its nourishing and nerve-building powers, so I started the boy on Grape-Nuts and found from the first dish that he liked it.

"His mother gave it to him steadily and he began to improve at once. In less than a month he had gained about eight pounds and soon became so well and strong we had no further anxiety about him.

"An old patient of mine, 73 years old, came down with serious stomach trouble and before I was called had got so weak he could eat almost nothing, and was in a serious condition. He had tried almost every kind of food for the sick without avail.

"I immediately put him on Grape-Nuts with good, rich milk and just a little pinch of sugar. He exclaimed when I came next day 'Why doctor I never ate anything so good or that made me feel so much stronger.'

"I am pleased to say that he got well on Grape-Nuts, but he had to stick to it for two or three weeks, then he began to branch out a little with rice or an egg or two. He got entirely well in spite of his almost hopeless condition. He gained 22 pounds in two months which at his age is remarkable.

"I could quote a list of cases where Grape-Nuts has worked wonders."

"There's a Reason." Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

Let Us Remind You Again

That if we are not filling your prescriptions you should bring the next one to us, for we use nothing but *absolutely pure drugs*.

McLEAN'S DRUG STORE

Local News.

Don't forget the Electric Show. You will soon need a new wagon. See T. D. Craddock.

The enemy of advertising is the enemy of advancement.

See those souvenirs of Crockett, Texas, at J. A. Bricker's.

Callum H. Brown of St. Louis was in Crockett Wednesday.

Tailoring done as it should be done at Shupak Tailoring Co's.

Eight kinds 50c-size chill tonic 25c per bottle. Wm. M. Patton.

Thornhill wagons from the one-horse size up at T. D. Craddock's.

Miss Grace Denny has returned from a visit to friends at White-wright.

Peter's Milk Chocolates—high as the Alps in quality—at Sweet's Drug Store.

Mrs. Louie Myer of Houston is in the city visiting her niece, Mrs. Geo. Richards.

Did you see any of the pictures last week at the Electric Show? They were fine.

When you need a sewing machine phone 192 and I will start a Singer to you. 2t.

The Thornhill is the best wagon for the money on the market. T. D. Craddock sells them.

Miss Blanche Keating of Lovelady spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Lizzie Howard.

Try our mince pies, made of high grade mince meat.

Crockett Bakery.

A fresh shipment of Lowney's chocolates and bon-bons just received at Sweet's Drug Store.

We will buy your beeswax and wool and pay highest market price for same. Moore & Shivers.

Col. D. A. Nunn had to have killed Monday a valuable horse that had broken one of its legs.

Mrs. P. R. Denman of Lufkin, after visiting her mother, Mrs. J. H. Wootters, has returned home.

The advertiser who says what he doesn't believe will find the public doesn't believe what he says.

Miss Birdie Winner of Palestine was entertained by Misses Lena and Pauline Bromberg Saturday and Sunday.

Electric Show is going to add a Wednesday afternoon matinee for the ladies and children. Watch board for program.

Crockett had a fine rain Saturday morning, which settled the dust and brought joy to the hearts of our people. Good crops are now assured.

In warm weather Prickly Ash Bitters helps your staying qualities. workers who use it occasionally stand the heat better and are less fatigued at night. The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co., Crockett; C. R. Rich, Lovelady, special agents.

T. D. Craddock sells the Thornhill wagon.

Sawed shingles for sale. G. C. Ellisor, Crockett. 4t.

Say, phone Frank Terry for a Singer Sewing Machine. 2t.

Bagging and ties, full supply in stores at Wm. M. Patton's.

A new illustrated song each night at the Electric Show.

Clean, straight merchant tailoring at Shupak Tailoring Co's.

Three 50c-bottles P. & W. quinine for \$1.00 at Wm. M. Patton's.

Most farmers report crops as good. A few make poor reports.

Candy! Candy! Candy!

Coming all the time at the Bakery.

That Thornhill wagon at T. D. Craddock's is the best thing on wheels.

Henry Richards of Troupe spent Sunday with his brother, Geo. Richards.

Miss Buena Gilder has returned from an extended visit to friends at Houston.

The sweetest of sweets at Sweet's—the place where you get Lowney's candies.

T. D. Craddock has the wagon you are looking for and at the price you are looking for.

Songs—Illustrated.

Remember—a new one each night at the Electric Show.

Ever eat any of Lowney's? If so you know how good it is. You get it at Sweet's Drug Store.

We are handling the very best butter to be had. Kept on ice. Try it. Crockett Bakery.

Oxidine and Grove's chill tonic 25 cents per bottle.

Haring Drug Co.

We are still selling summer clothes. See our light weight woolens. Shupak Tailoring Co.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Page will leave this week for Virginia for the benefit of Mrs. Page's health.

Miss Emma Fulgum of Palestine was visiting Mrs. Sue Smith and Mrs. Wortham LeGory last week.

See T. D. Craddock if you want a wagon. He has the best, the Thornhill, from the one-horse size up.

All lawns, dimities and dress goods, slippers and sandals have been reduced fully 25 per cent at Moore & Shivers'.

We are making a specialty of covered buttons. Bring along the goods and let us show you.

Shupak Tailoring Co.

Ferris Pressed Brick

For sale. Car just received. Telephone 216.

tf. B. L. Satterwhite.

Mr. J. H. McDougald, attending district court here, was called home last Thursday by the sad news of the death of a grandchild, which was buried Friday.

For Sale.

Bull, six years old, large and of fine strain. Will sell or exchange for yearlings.

3t. B. F. Sallas, Jr.

The Courier has nothing definite to give out in regard to the new depot. The bids have been received and opened by the engineer, but the contract has not yet been let.

A Contented Woman

is always found in the same house with Ballard's Snow Liniment. It keeps every member of the family free from aches and pains, it heals cuts, burns and scalds and cures rheumatism, neuralgia, lumbago and all muscular soreness and stiffness. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 a bottle. Sold by The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

Best Portland cement, per barrel, \$3.50; 100-lb. sack cheap cement, 60c; best rock lime, per barrel, \$1.50; cheap slacked lime, per barrel, \$1.00; at Wm. M. Patton's.

Excursion Rates

To Galveston, account First Annual Cotton Carnival. Season tickets. Very low rates. See I. & G. N. agents for full particulars. 1t.

Notice to Ladies.

I will take pleasure in delivering you a Singer Sewing Machine—the best machine in the world.

Frank Terry, Agent, 2t. Crockett, Texas.

Crockett played ball at Grapeland Friday with the following result: Crockett 3, Grapeland 5. Allen pitched and Menefee caught for Crockett, while Holland and Herod composed the Grapeland battery.

Wm. M. Patton sells 100-lb. sack best granulated sugar, \$5.50; 50-lb. sack best granulated sugar, \$2.85; 25-lb. sack best granulated sugar, \$1.45; 100-lb. sack best Y. C. sugar, \$5.00; 100-lb. sack best brown sugar, \$4.00.

Bullard played base ball at Grapeland Monday. Result: Grapeland 9, Bullard 4. Menefee of the Crockett team played with Grapeland. Three games were to be played, but we have not heard the outcome of the last two.

2½ Fish Bros. wagons, \$55.00; 2½ Fish Bros. wagons, \$57.50; buggy, harness, whip and robe, \$50.00; delivered in Lovelady and Grapeland for \$1.00 extra each; guaranteed the best wagon in the country, at Wm. M. Patton's.

Hon. C. C. Stokes left Monday night for Austin, where he was married on Wednesday to Miss Hillyer of that city. He was accompanied from Crockett by his sister, Mrs. Hattie Cunyus, and sister-in-law, Mrs. D. F. Arledge.

Chris Majors, the negro on trial in the district court Monday for criminally assaulting one of his own color, was found to be not guilty of criminal assault, but was re-incarcerated and arrested for incest, for which crime he will stand trial later.

A college play, sparkling with humor, will be presented by home talent at the opera house, Tuesday night, August 3. Attractive features of the program are the five-piece orchestra and the male quartet. The name of the play is "College Chums" and a college yell will be given. The house will be cooled with electric fans. Seats may be reserved at Sweet's drug store.

Bite One
and you'll notice that

Beich's CHOCOLATES

are coated *thicker* than others and the interior is so creamy, it just *melts* in the mouth.

Q. You have missed a pleasant surprise if you've never tried them.

Q. Ask us for *Beich's* name on every piece.

The Murchison-Beasley Drug Company

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

Dental Notice.

Dr. W. W. Campbell has established an office of permanent stay in Lovelady and your patronage is solicited. All kinds of dental work done. Crown and bridge work a specialty. Teeth examined free. Office at Collins building.

Mrs. J. W. Hail and little son returned Friday night from Galveston, where they had been for several weeks. Following last week's storm Mr. Hail went down for them and brought them home. Mrs. Hail was not frightened very much and would not have hurried home if her husband had not come for her.

D. A. Nunn, Jr., returned Sunday night from Galveston, where he had been for a week. He went through the storm there last week and had a thrilling experience. He was stopping at one of the beach hotels and when the storm reached its height he left the beach and went down town in a buggy that he expected to see upturned every minute. He witnessed the surging and splashing of the nine-foot waves against the sea-wall for some time before leaving the vicinity of the beach.

The editor is in receipt of the following announcement: "Mr. Frederick W. Mally, Miss Mattie Tabor married Thursday, July the fifteenth, nineteen hundred and nine, Bryan, Texas. At home after August the fifteenth, Morris Manson, Austin, Texas." Mrs. Mally will be pleasantly remembered in Crockett, having been a visitor here at the home of her relatives, Col. and Mrs. D. A. Nunn. Mr. Mally is a prominent citizen of Austin and has been connected with the affairs of the state for a number of years.

B. E. Safford, a Chicago real estate man, was in Crockett last week accompanied by Geo. E. Franzen of Chicago. Mr. Safford buys and sells land all over the west and has been to Texas before, but this was his first visit to Crockett. He told the Courier editor that Houston county was the best section he had seen for land investments and that he expected to be here again. Messrs. Safford and Franzen were guests at the Clinton farm while here and both expressed the opinion that it was the best improved country place they had seen in Texas.

On last Thursday evening, at their magnificent home on North street, Mr. and Mrs. Gail King entertained a number of their young friends with a party, complimentary to their guests, the Misses Winston of San Marcos. Tables were conveniently arranged in the parlor and library, where those who were so inclined engaged in progressive forty-two, while others who did not care for the game betook themselves to the lawn, where bright conversation and laughter added much to the merriment of the occasion. Refreshing grape punch was served during the evening, ice cream and cake concluding the evening's entertainment. Mr. and Mrs. King are ideal host and hostess and it is needless to say this was one of the most enjoyable affairs of recent occurrence. Mrs. King was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. W. H. Denny and Mrs. John Millar.

At a meeting of rural letter carriers of Houston county Monday night, a county organization was perfected and the following officers elected: A. L. Keen, Crockett, president; Chris Niissle, Lovelady, vice president; Geo. Lansford, Crockett, secretary. Delegates in attendance from Lovelady, Percilla and other points in the county. J. T. Dawes, P. M. Crockett, and C. B. Moore P. M. Lovelady were present and addressed meeting. The association will be represented at state association at Temple, Sept. 6th, 1909.

Mr. John S. Arrington and Miss May B. Holland were married at San Antonio last week. The home of the bride was at Dodge, but she was visiting at San Antonio at the time of the wedding. Mr. Arrington took his friends by surprise, only a very few of them knowing of the wedding in advance. His business calls him to San Antonio quite often, and it was on one of these business trips that he decided to sever his connection with bachelorhood. No young man stands higher in the estimation of the people of Crockett than does John Arrington, and many are the congratulations and well wishes of admiring friends. His bride is a most estimable young lady and will be a valuable acquisition to Crockett society.

Bowel Complaint in Children.

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SEA WALL GAVE PROTECTION.

Galveston underwent a gulf storm last week that put the sea wall to the test and proved its usefulness. Not a building on the island was blown down or greatly damaged and not a life was lost within the confines of the island boundary. But there was considerable loss of life and property off the island and away from the protection of the sea wall. Three or four fishing piers were destroyed and at one of these a number of lives were claimed by the hurricane, among the number being the proprietor of one of the piers and his wife. The waves threw the buildings out onto the boulevard and left nothing but the piling. But the sea wall was uninjured and stands out nobly as the proud protector of a city whose confidence it held as the child holds confidence in its father in whose arms it is about to jump. Ingenuity's strong, protecting arm—the sea wall—saved many a dollar's worth of property in Galveston last week. The waves, their force broken by the rip rap, shot upward and then back into the gulf. What they struck in their upward course was thrown out onto the boulevard, hence the destruction of the bathing pavillions. Frame buildings in the city would have shared the same fate but for the sea wall.

Next Tuesday, August 3, is election day. Three constitutional amendments are to be voted on, and the Courier is of the opinion that they should all be voted for. These amendments were published in the Courier for four successive weeks and our readers should be familiar with them. The Courier believes they should pass, but has not the time and space to go into details.

To the Newspaper Men of East Texas

On July 10th, in the city of Tyler, a preliminary organization of the East Texas Press Association was formed pursuant to a notice of such a step being taken at that time having been given prior thereto.

After election of officers and appointment of proper committees, it was decided to have the next, or really first, meeting of the association on September 24 and 25, the place to be named by the president.

It was also decided that all newspaper men wanting to join the association at once, should send in their names to the secretary, G. B. Whitley of the Bullard Herald, Bullard, Texas.

This is to invite all who wish to join in the great work for East Texas, the association has in view, as well as for the good of the members of the press of East Texas to send in their names to Mr. Whitley at once.

At the meeting on the 24th of September constitution and by-laws will be adopted. It is my desire to have a good program, which I am now at work on, for the first meeting.

Any newspaper man feeling an interest in having the next meeting in his town should see his people and report to me that I

may be governed by the applications in determining the place of next meeting.

This is to be a business body and not one of pleasure only.

I request that all publishers of East Texas that see this call will copy it.

Newspaper men of East Texas, let us get together at once to work for the good of our business and for the good of our great and wonderful section of our great state.

Respectfully,
R. E. Yantis, President.

The Real Man.

Would you know the real man? Then learn the way he treats men. The test is certain, the interpretation sure. They never fail. If you have kind words to speak, speak them now. Do not wait 'till death has wrought the sad and tragic end and vandal hand has torn away the rose that blooms and glows upon the animated cheek. In the hard march of a million men, there is thrust for the look not given and hunger for the unspoken word. We chase with eager feet the phantom skirts of the goddess of gold unmindful of a world filled with bruised and broken spirits, but just as certain as the Almighty lives and rules, the way we treat men will be the standard of the ages eternal by which we will either stand or fall. If you have kind deeds to do, do them now. Do not wait 'till dreamless sleep shall dim the lustre and beauty of the eye, or paint in colors white and pale the furrowed face that waited long the sympathetic touch. We do not always know the history of men. Misfortune's cruel shades may be crowding from their lives what light remains and beneath faded jackets often beat the hearts of honest men. Do not be too quick to judge. Be careful of the stranger within the gates; for just as certain as Jehova's hand framed the universe, just so sure the way we treat men will be the scales into which we will be thrown on the dread issue of eternal life or death. If you have bits of bloom to give, give them now. Do not wait 'till caskets wind their way along the parlor floor, or graves insatiate receive all that's mortal of friend or fellowman. Give the bit of green—the flower, now; while with elastic step the hope of life beats high and love lingers to kiss the hand and bless the soul of him who gives. In the balance of an hour empires have hung. Above the head of sleeping Damocles, the sword dangled by the frail tenure of a hair to remind him that he was mortal. Truly, unsettled and uncertain are the affairs of men and on the throwing of a single die fortunes have been lost or won. The look of kindness given, the deed unselfishly done, the gift lovingly bestowed may to some appear the small dust of the balance, but they may be turntables upon which are headed human lives toward happiness here and golden argosies upon which the soul may feast hereafter. To speak, to do, to give; "that's the question," and greater soliloquy never jarred the Throne, nor came thundering along the worlds, to find a footing among men.

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AMENDMENTS EXPLAINED

Statement From State Superintendent R. B Cousins Anent Those to Constitution Concerning Public Schools.

Austin, Tex., July 24.—State Superintendent Cousins gave out the following statement:

There are several civic organizations that have taken up the adoption of these amendments, but it is found that the people generally have not yet given the amendments sufficient attention to insure their adoption. It is suggested that every man who is interested should not only go to the polls on Aug. 3, prox., but that he should speak to his neighbor as well, asking him to vote for those amendments.

The amendment to Section 3 of Article 7 of the constitution, if adopted, will allow the formation of school districts along county lines, to take in parts of two or more counties. This is desirable in many cases. There are now about forty independent school districts and many more common school districts that were formed some time ago that are now embarrassed or destroyed by a recent decision of the Supreme Court in the "Merten case." These include a part of two or more counties. The adoption of this amendment will enable the people in these localities, and others similar to them, to form districts that will meet their needs. The adoption of the amendment will help these districts and hurt no one. No possible danger or harm can result from an affirmative vote on this amendment. It should be adopted.

The amendment to Article 7 proposes to validate all bonds heretofore issued by these county line districts, about \$3,500,000 in amount. These districts have borrowed money in good faith, and have constructed and equipped schoolhouses with this money. Of course a majority of the people in each district desires to pay these just debts, but there are in almost every community a few people, who for some reasons satisfactory to themselves, oppose the payment of this or any other indebtedness, public or private. These people can now go into the courts and prevent the enforcement of the collection of taxes to meet these obligations. This amendment attempts to legalize these debts and make them enforceable in the courts. The state school fund and other innocent purchasers hold these bonds, whose validity is endangered by recent court decisions, based on constitutional grounds. As a matter of self-respect the people of Texas will adopt this amendment if they understand it.

This is an appeal to all good citizens to go to the polls on Aug. 3 and vote for the amendments to Section 3, Article 7 and the amendment to Article 7. Respectfully,
R. B. Cousins.

There is nothing that calls attention and draws people to a town equal to a good newspaper. In order for a man to make a good newspaper he must have the patronage of the people among whom he lives. If he has a half way support it stands to reason that he must make a poorer paper, and in doing this every man in the town and surrounding country has to bear a portion of the loss. For this reason, if no other, the man who tries to make a good newspaper should have the support of the people, all of whom reap fully as much benefit from its efforts as he does himself.—Houston County Herald.

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