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I. O. O. F.

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K. O. F.

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K. O. P.

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G. A. R.

BLASKEAD POST NO. 69, G. A. R., meets first Saturday in each month. Geo. W. WATSON, Adjutant.

Church Directory.

Methodist Church—Preaching every Sunday morning and evening, prayer meeting every Thursday evening. T. E. SMITH, Pastor.
Baptist Church—Preaching 1st and 2nd Sundays in each month, morning and evening, prayer meeting every Tuesday evening. G. W. BLACK, Pastor.
Presbyterian Church—Preaching 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays in each month, morning and evening, prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. R. N. SMITH, Pastor.
Episcopal Church—Preaching 2nd Sunday in each month. Rev. Francis Moore, Rector.
Babbett Metal for sale at this office.

The New School House.

The corner stone of the new school building will be laid with Masonic ceremonies next Saturday. The Masons of Belknap, Farmer and Bryson are expected to assist in the ceremonies. Everybody is invited to be present.

Dr. Ketchum, Eye and Ear Specialist, will give due notice of the exact time he will be here.

Cotton Market Open.

Ford Bros. request us to announce that they are ready to buy, at the highest market price, all the cotton that comes to Graham. They prefer ginned cotton but will buy it in seed if preferred.

The population of the town is increasing right along from immigration as well as natural causes. Every house in town is occupied now and rent houses are in demand.

D. M. Howard, of Mineral Wells, keeps the largest and best selected stock of Dry Goods and Groceries in that town. He solicits both the wholesale and retail trade. Give him a call when you happen to be at the Wells.

We learn that two new residences are to be built in the eastern part of town soon. The town still grows in spite of the brakes and the hard times.

Those afflicted with Eye, Ear, Throat and Nose troubles will please remember that Dr. Ketchum, Specialist, of Mineral Wells, will be here about the first of October.

Attention of business men is called to the new advertisement of the Young County Collecting Agency which proposes to collect or secure all sorts of indebtedness. It is a new business here but ought to be a successful one.

Cotton is beginning to come in right along and is commanding a pretty fair price.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

This Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Swellings, Burns, Itching, Pains, Sores, Ulcers, Blisters, Chaps, Corns, and all other Skin Diseases, and cures them, no matter how long they have stood to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Sale by The R. G. Graham Drug Co.

On last Tuesday the thermometer stood at 110 in the shade in some places in town and the hot wind was very destructive to cotton, we understand. It was the hottest day of the year.

Personal Mention.

W. A. Ribble of the southeast part of the county was in town last Saturday.

T. C. Jarnagin was in the city last Saturday on business.

R. C. McPhail has received a commission from R. W. G. M., T. B. Cochran, of Austin, as deputy R. W. G. M. to lay the corner stone of our new school house.

Uncle Joe Ratliff was in town last Saturday shaking hands with his many friends.

Constable Mosely, of Graham, took the Sheriff of the county to Palo Pinto last week as an attached witness. Sometimes the constable is a bigger officer than the sheriff, it seems.

Twins—Alderman Bob Hollingsworth was very agreeably surprised last Friday morning by the arrival of a pair of twins—a girl and a boy—at his house. Bob steps high and talks big over the affair in spite of the hard times.

Mrs. John Lamar has been on the sick list for several days with slow fever.

Mrs. Benton Kramer, who has been quite sick for several days is convalescent.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Bessie Graham and Mr. William D. Craig which is to occur at the residence of the bride's father, Col. E. S. Graham, on Wednesday Sept. 27th, at Spokane, Washington.

R. F. Arnold and family and W. T. Stewart and family left yesterday for a trip to the World's Fair at Chicago.

S. B. Street returned last Saturday from St. Louis and Chicago, where he has been for the past two weeks buying a fall and winter stock of goods.

Rev. Mr. Price, a young minister of the gospel from Weatherford, has been sent by the presiding elder to fill out the conference year at the Graham M. S. church.

Rev. W. H. Bykendall left yesterday for Henrietta, Texas, where he will make his future home.

Dr. R. N. Price returned home a few days ago. Mrs. Price remained with her daughter, Mrs. Godfrey, of Weatherford.

Mr. J. F. Sloan was taken to Mineral Wells Monday night to try the effects of the mineral waters. He has been ailing for some time and made the trip at night to avoid the extreme heat of the sun.

Dr. R. H. Burns was in town on business Monday.

Mr. C. Q. Horton, the bridge agent, arrived here Monday night and is out now looking after the bridge work.

Col. James Guthrie of Jack county, was in Graham yesterday.

Col. O. E. Finlay returned last Friday from Austin, having presented the petition of Chas. C. Bigman for pardon. The pardon board of advisers will act upon it in its regular order.

Rev. T. E. Smith preached his parting sermon here on Sunday night and left today for his old home at Sharon, Tenn. We hope rest and change of climate will soon bring about his return to perfect health.

R. H. Choat and S. M. Stringer of Salt creek valley, were in the city yesterday on business.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John-B Girard on yesterday, a bran new girl baby. The leader extends congratulations upon the event.

The Craig residence in the east part of town is nearly finished and it is about the handsomest dwelling in the city.

Musical Class.

I will teach a class in music on Piano, Guitar or Mandolin at my father's residence on Elm street. For term call on or address Miss GEORGIA GARRETT, Graham, Texas.

The attention of our readers is called to the advertisement of the Dallas Fair in this issue. Those who cannot see the world at Chicago ought certainly to see Texas at the Fair.

Dr. M. B. Ketchum, of Mineral Wells, Specialist in diseases of the Eye, Ear, Throat and Nose, will be in Graham about the first of October to remain nearly a week. He will come fully equipped with the latest and most approved instruments for the examination of the Eye, Ear, Throat and Nose, and the scientific adjustment of spectacles; also the successful treatment of nasal catarrh in all its forms.

They will Gin for Toll.

We have repaired our Gin put in thorough order and will be ready to gin cotton by Sept. 1st. We will gin for toll, by cotton in seed or in the bale. Everybody bring your cotton to the Graham Gin.
MORRISON, STREET & CO.

We are under obligations to congressman Cockrell and Senator Coke for Records during this session of Congress.

Water is becoming scarce in the Graham cisterns and dozens of loads are hauled daily from the creek.

The work on the McCann bridge is said to be progressing finely.

English Spain Liniment removes all Hard, Soft or Caloused Lumps and Hemorrhoids from horses, Blood Spavins, Curbs, Splints, Swellings, Ring-Bones, Stiles, Sprains, all Swollen Throats, Coughs, etc. Save \$60 by use of one bottle. Warranted the most wonderful Remedy ever known. Sold by The R. G. Graham Drug Co.

The board of teachers' examiners met last Friday and Saturday. Six applicants were examined and all got certificates but one. Miss Maggie Darden and Mr. J. A. Carr got first grades, W. P. Stinson, Miss Mary Fields and Miss Hattie Heffner got second grades.

The times are not all they should be, but our Fall Bargains will go a long way toward evening things up for our customers.—We save you money. G. B. JEWELL.

Mr. S. B. Street says that the signs of the times are better in the cities of the north. The banks are opening loans and there is a better feeling among wholesale dealers in all lines of trade on account of renewed confidence.

Electric Bitters.

This remedy is becoming so well known and so popular as to need no special mention. All who have used Electric Bitters sing the same song of praise.—A pure medicine does not exist and it is guaranteed to do all that is claimed. Electric Bitters will cure all diseases of the Liver and Kidneys, will remove Pimples, Bells, Salt Rheum and other affections caused by impure blood.—Will drive Malars from the system and prevent as well as cure Malaria fevers.—For cure of Headache, Constipation and Indigestion try Electric Bitters.—Satisfactory guarantee or money refunded.—Price 50 cents, and \$1.00 per bottle at The R. G. Graham Drug Co.

The time of the year has come for the small boy to stay out of the creek or have chills and fever.

Big loads of king cotton can be seen on our streets every day now.

Do you have to buy or sell real estate or want debts collected or secured? If so, call on or address the COLLECTING AGENCY, Beckham Bank Building.

The Brazos river is so low that a man can step across it in many places. It is a good time for building the county bridges.

The westerners keep coming back busted and disgusted. Many of them show evidences of the most abject poverty as they wend their way back to the east.

List of Letters

Remaining in the Graham post office for the week ending Monday, Sept. 18th, 1893. Parties calling for these letters will please say "advertised" and give date. A charge of one cent will be made upon each piece of matter advertised. If not called for in two weeks the same will be sent to the dead letter office.
Colton, Miss Florence.
Linby, L.
Sharp, Miss Mary.
G. H. Crozier, P. M.

The autumn drought settles the fate of the unfed grain cow this winter.

Elder Lauderdale will preach next Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night at the Christian Church.

Belknap.

Like the birds in the spring-time the denizens of our cool, beautiful hamlet, come wandering in; the last to return was Rev. E. S. Tucker and family who arrived last Friday.

With him came his son-in-law and family, and will live with Bro. Tucker.

The health of the vicinity is now excellent, and we are glad to report all the sick out. A little child of Mr. Dick Reeves, just south of here, has been dangerously sick with membranous croup. Tracheotomy was the only hope of relief, and was successfully performed by Drs. Pope and Gallaher. At last accounts the child was doing well.

We are pleased to tell you that Master Joe Stewart, who was suffering from a stress in the windpipe is now nearly recovered; having coughed the bur up some days ago.

School opens here first Monday in Oct.; Prof. Compton in charge. Mr. Eugene Logan came home last Friday.

The passing of one load of lumber and many returning teams assure us that soon we will have the turbid Brazos bridged in Young county. All praise to the Commissioners of old Young.

Sept. 15, 1893. PRESIDENT.

Wheat Wanted.

We will pay 50 cents per bushels for good wheat delivered at the Graham Mill on subscription to the LEADER. Many of our subscribers are in arrears with us and we give them this opportunity to settle if they have any disposition to pay what they owe us. THE LEADER.

Our people party friends are laughing in their sleeves at the efforts of the democrats to get together.

We Can Save you Money.

Our fair prices mean honest, close, fair, square, uniformly low figures. That's what you want. We've given them. G. B. JEWELL.

Ex-Congressman Lanham, Col. Dick Wynne and Charley Culbertson are all looming up in the distance as probable candidates for governor in the next election. Northwest Texas is entitled to name the man and we believe his name will be Lanham.

FOR SALE OR RENT—A good hotel in a live town. Address COLLECTING AGENCY, Beckham Bank Building, Graham, Texas.

Rich on human and horses and all animals cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. This is a new lot. Sold by The R. G. Graham Drug Co.

STRAYED.

One bay pacing pony mare, five years old, 13 hands high, some white in face, one hind foot white, branded on left shoulder (blotched), has a sorrel mare colt. I will pay a reasonable reward for her recovery. J. W. GRAVES.

WHILE THE DOCTORS ARE DOUBTING.

Scientists have discovered the germs of many diseases, but unfortunately, not as yet the means of destruction of these germs.

At present the "culture" and not the destruction of the deadly bacteria seems to absorb their attention.

However, they all agree that a well nourished body and plenty of food are decidedly unfavorable to their development.

While the doctors are in this state of uncertainty, and even longer would it not be well for the patient to have recourse to the well tried Compound Oxygen, which is both geruicide and vitalizer?

During the last 23 years it has cured cases pronounced incurable, and this statement is substantiated by those who have tried it. It has witnessed the failure of "lymph" and "life elixir."

Investigate this matter for yourself. Send for our book of 200 pages. It will tell you about the remedy, and furnish you with many testimonials and records of surprising cures. Book sent free.

DRS. STARKEY & PALEN, 1529 ARCH ST., PHILADELPHIA, PA. 804 BROADWAY, NEW YORK; 120 SUTTER ST., SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.; 66 CHURCH ST., TORONTO, CANADA.

The populists are organizing and holding car parades and conventions, while the democrats are wearing the patches off of their breeches sitting around discussing whether the democratic party will come to geth or not. Gentlemen, get up and work. Let old differences heal themselves while we work together against a common foe.—Sylvan Monitor.

Our Seasonable Styles

mean a stock of Bright, New, Clean, Fresh, stylish Goods. That's what you want. We have them. G. B. JEWELL.

The "big 4" society discussed woman's rights last night and on next Tuesday night they will discuss the division of Texas into two states.

It Should be in Every House.

J. B. Wilson, 371 Clay St., Shurgburg, Pa. says he will not pay Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds; that it cured his wife who was threatened with pneumonia after an attack of "La Grippe," when various other remedies and several physicians had done her no good. Robert Barber, of Cookport, Pa., claims Dr. King's New Discovery has done him more good than anything he ever used for Lung Trouble. Nothing like it. Try it. Free Trial Bottles at The R. G. Graham Drug Co.'s drug store. Large bottles 50c and \$1.

To Parents.

We earnestly request the parents of Graham to keep their children away from our gin. An accident might happen to them at any time. Our employees are too busy to watch over them and keep out of dangerous places, so keep them away.—MORRISON, STREET & CO.

Dr. Price's Baking Powder.

Supplying the Army, Navy and Indian Department.

The purchasing agents of the United States Government have ordered nearly one hundred thousand pounds of Dr. Price's Baking Powder in the first five months of this year.

The government exercises great care in selecting its supplies of all kinds, rejecting everything that is not of the best, and the very fact that it has adopted Dr. Price's Baking Powder is proof that it has found it the best of all the baking powders. Dr. Price's is peculiarly adapted for export, as neither heat nor voyages nor climate changes affect it; this brand keeping fresh and sweet for years while other baking powders deteriorate rapidly.

It is guaranteed to the government to be a pure cream of tartar powder free from ammonia, alum, or other harmful substances, and it is also the only baking powder prepared by a physician of high standing.

The unconditional repeal men in the senate are beginning to clamor for a vote on the silver bill but it is being staved off by the silver men of the west and south in the hope of forcing a compromise measure. It is said that the administration refuses to submit to any sort of a compromise.

New Goods.

Our new and complete fall and winter stock of Dry Goods Clothing and Men's Furnishing Goods, is now arriving. We invite the public to call and examine them and get our Special Hard Times Prices.

This stock has been selected to suit the times and the people and we guarantee satisfaction.

MORRISON, STREET & CO.

Are we aping royalty? The day after Mrs. Cleveland's baby was born, a full description of the infant's tressure, with illustrations, appeared in the daily papers. Everything was given a showing but the "unmentionables," their pattern and number not being given.—Vernon Guard.

The Wrong Way by the Rap.

With Russia approaching India from the northwest and France pushing her frontier from the east, the emperor of the East to receive the congratulations of Elizabeth he knew not what to say in thanks for the royal favor. Finally his son-beaten face beamed with a smile as he responded: "I had, indeed, but they got the wrong way by the ear—oh, if France and Russia are after India they may make a similar mistake."

Where Caesar's Fortune Went.

In the year 119 B. C. the Lex Maria was adopted in Rome, and under its provisions narrow bridges were constructed leading to the polling booths, the object being to prevent voters from being interfered with by the partisans of the candidates. Enormous sums were spent by candidates for office, and many eminent men, including Caesar and Mark Antony, were crippled financially owing to the extravagant sums they had to lay out in bribery and election expenses.

The Struck of Freedom.

Bernal Osborne was for a long time bribed to situate by his political opponents by appointment to office. When the transients were eventually removed, he celebrated his liberation by a rattling speech. "The voice of the honorable member has not been heard in this house for some years past," thereupon observed Disraeli, "throughout that period he has left the consciousness of restraint, and we now hear the wild shriek of freedom."

To the Front.

FORD BROS., Keep constantly on hand a good supply of Staple & Fancy Groceries AND Ranch Supplies, Which they are offering as low as the lowest. Call and see them. West Side Square. GRAHAM, TEXAS.

The Wadley Implement Company

Carry a Full Line of Wagons, Buggies, PLOWS, And all Sorts of Farming Implements. N. W. Corner Public Square. GRAHAM, TEXAS.

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Attorney-at-Law, GRAHAM, TEXAS. Collections promptly attended to. Will practice in the state and Federal Courts.

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Attorneys at Law, GRAHAM, TEXAS. Will practice in the Courts of Young and adjoining counties. Office upstairs in the Morrison-Street Brick Building.

A. B. GANT,

ATTORNEY AT LAW, Surveyor and Notary Public, Sole Land Business in all its forms. Office in the Beckham Building. GRAHAM, TEXAS.

O. E. FINLAY,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW AND LAND AGENT, Graham, Young Co., Texas.

DR. R. N. PRICE,

Physician, Surgeon & Obstetrician, GRAHAM, TEXAS. All calls attended to in town or country. Office at Graham & Co's Drug Store.

H. SCHUSTER,

MANUFACTURER OF BOOTS and SHOES, GRAHAM, TEXAS. All work in the Boot and Shoe line executed neatly and promptly. Give me a trial. You will find my work first class and at the lowest prices.

JOHN POELMANN,

Manufacturer and Dealer in BOOTS & SHOES, GRAHAM, TEXAS. I have a large and complete stock and can handle all orders. All kinds of repairing neatly done. Prices reasonable. Give me a trial. Shop west side Public Square.

DR. M. H. CHISM,

Dentist, Graham, Texas. Office upstairs in the Randolph Building.

ESTRAY NOTICES.

REPORTED by Frank Herron, Com'r precinct No. 1, and left with J. W. Shannon, one dark bay horse, 18 years old, branded J B on the left shoulder and staple 5 on left thigh. Also one bay mare 12 hands high, 7 or 8 years old, branded 72 on left shoulder Aug. 25, 1893.

REPORTED by Frank Herron, Com'r Prec. No. 1, and left with W. H. Cunningham, one light bay mare, 2 years old 14 hands high, star in forehead and no brand.

ESTRAYED by J. P. Thompson one red roan work ox, 10 years old, branded IS on right side, small brand on left jaw, no branding, market under half crop left, crop and split the right.

REPORTED by H. D. Williams, County Com'r, and left with Ed. Terrill, one sorrel colt, 7 years old, 15 hands high, hind feet white and white in face; branded on left thigh and shoulder.

A. T. GAY C. C. Y. C. T.

FAVORITE SINGER,

\$25 High Arm
\$20 Low Arm

Every Machine has a deep bed, fancy cover, two large drawers, with nickel rings, and full set of Attachments, equal to any Singer Machine sold from \$40 to \$60 by canvassers. The High Arm Machine has a self-setting needle and self-drawing shuttle. A trial in your home before payment is asked. Buy direct of the Manufacturer and save agent's profits besides getting certain years of warranty for five years. Send for machine with name of a business man as reference and we will ship it at once. CO-OPERATIVE SINGER MACHINE CO., 200 N. BROAD ST., PHILADELPHIA, PA. WE ARE THE ONLY DEALERS.

Epworth Pianos and Organs.

For HOMES and CHURCHES. Shipped direct from factory to freight. No agents. In Advance. In High Prices. YOU SEND THE ORDER WE DO THE REST. Liberal discounts if you order in quantities. Give the name, who may hold personal testimonials, references, and are located in the nearest city. PRICES, TERMS and DISCOUNTS in these advertising pages and address of nearest dealer. Whether wanted for Home or Church. Williams Organ and Piano Co. CENTERVILLE, IOWA.

DR. PRICE'S Cream Baking Powder.

The only Pure Cream of Tartar Powder—No Ammonia, No Alum. Used in Millions of Homes—40 Years the Standard.

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The Beckham National Bank,

No. 4418, Graham, Texas. CAPITAL, \$100,000 SURPLUS, 5,000. DIRECTORS.—R. F. Arnold, R. L. Rickman, J. C. Loving, J. B. Norris, E. P. Davis, E. B. Norman, S. R. Jeffery.

The First National Bank

OF GRAHAM, TEXAS. CAPITAL, \$50,000. SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO COLLECTIONS. Exchange at Reasonable Rates. Notes Discounted at a Low Rate of Interest. PATRONAGE RESPECTFULLY SOLICITED.

New Lumber Yard

The Carey-Lombard Lumber Co.

Mineral Wells, Texas. DEALER IN Lumber, Lath and Shingles, Sash, Doors AND BLINDS. All Kinds of Building Material.

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The Graham Leader.

J. W. GRAVES, Proprietor. W. M. W. & N. W. RAIL ROAD TIME TABLE.

Our junior Senator, Roger Q. was to address the Senate on the silver bill on yesterday.

It begins to look like a lock in the Senate on the Voorhees bill.

BABY Ruth's mother and little sister are getting along all right, it is said.

ANARCHIST ALTOELD of Illinois, it is said, congratulates the labor classes on every strike.

THERE is a Senate committee now trying to find out how many Senators are interested in the National Banks of the country.

THE House of Representatives is going to have a fearful political scramble over the repeal of the federal election laws.

THE Clark element of Texas democracy want peace in the family, but they want it their way.

THE Lake Shore and Michigan Eastern Express train was robbed Tuesday at Kessler, Ind., by desperate bandits.

It was blown all to pieces and the robbers carried off a big lot of cash, valued at \$15,000 to \$30,000.

It is to be found under the most inopportune circumstances. He dropped out in the U. S. Senate last week and his name was Hale.

THE English house of lords has run into a hornets nest by their vote against the Irish Home Rule bill.

A good majority but was defeated by peers. The house of Lords is becoming quite unpopular anyway.

There is an effort on foot to either reduce the power of that autocratic body or abolish it altogether.

A manifesto has been issued appealing to the country to denounce their action and the English nobility are now standing on very doubtful grounds.

THE Dallas News says of our local election: "Returns from Tom Gleet show an anti majority of 75 votes in Young county."

Who in thunder is Tom Gleet? The surname sounds familiar, but we are not acquainted with Thomas Gleet.

The signs of the times indicate that the money panic is about over. There is plenty of cash now to move the cotton crop and it is bringing a pretty fair price.

The failure to the conspirators who got it up and they are now ready to loosen their grip.

The people of Texas have been asked through the News and other daily papers to meet and endorse the policy of the president and house of representatives in the unconditional repeal of the Sherman silver act.

A few such meetings have resulted but their expression is not nearly so strong as that of the other side.

TEXAS usually for free silver and she hates to see her platform ignored by our president and his congress.

RAISE your own meat. This year's experience ought to teach the farmers of Texas to raise plenty of hogs in the future.

The pork market has been cornered and rounded off and cornered again until now it takes just about all a poor man can take and scrape to grease his ribs with a piece of fat bacon, while a piece of boiled ham is a delicacy out of the reach of the multitude entirely.

This state of affairs is directly due to the establishment of the modern packery which is one of the greatest and most powerful monopolies in existence today.

They buy the hogs of the country from the farmers at a low price, slaughter and save the pork and sell it back to them at an enormous profit.

There is no necessity for any farmer to be without meat in his smoke house. In the good old days before the packery trusts were dreamed of there was plenty of bacon and cheap bacon to be had anywhere.

Raise less longhorned cattle and broom-tailed ponies and feed hogs for awhile and we can feed the pork trust all to pieces.

Young County Chairman.

GRAHAM, Young Co., Sept. 12.—Dr. J. W. Gallager, chairman of the democratic executive committee of Young county, (Hogg), says: "I am in favor of the two forces coming together now or at any time before the next election."

The Clark faction bolted the nominees of the regularly organized democracy and formed an alliance with the enemy. Let them "come back without explanation or apology."

John Taylor, chairman of the democratic executive committee of Young county, (Clark), says: "First I favor a union of the Hogg and Clark forces on the national democratic platform, and Cleveland's late message to congress."

From the above clipping taken from the Dallas News it would seem that we have two sets of democrats in Young county, and the plan proposed is to get them together.

The doctor says we will let the Clark men back without "explanation or apology." Like the man advertising for stolen goods, "no questions asked."

On the other hand, the chairman of the Clark faction wants us to concentrate upon the president's message and the national democratic platform.

We would be willing to accept this compromise so far as it relates to the national platform, but we do not propose to allow Mr. Cleveland or any other one man to say what true democracy is and set the standard by a message or anything else.

There is no democracy in such a proposition whatever, and the acceptance of it by the regular democrats of the county would be a cringing bowing to the will of one man power—a thing which Mr. Taylor knows as well as anyone else is directly opposed to every principle of democracy.

If he had taken a sober second thought he would not have made such a proposition and thus placed himself in a position to be laughed at.

Mr. Cleveland has no more right to set the standard of democracy than Mr. Taylor or Mr. Smith or Mr. Jones has and it would be just as sensible to talk about uniting on queen Victoria's speech to the parliament of England.

We are strictly in favor of uniting the two wings of democracy if possible but we want to unite upon something more tangible than the opinions of any one man.

THE Cherokee Strip. The Cherokee strip was thrown open last Saturday at 12 o'clock and it is estimated that 150,000 people made the mad rush for homes.

Many accidents occurred and a few fights and one or two coldblooded murders occurred. The territory opened to settlement embraces 6,385,950 acres and lies in the northwest part of the Indian Territory.

It is now a portion of Oklahoma. It comprises seven counties and is equal to two Rhode-Islands, Delaware and Connecticut in size.

The government established the county seats and they are all now towns of good size containing from 1000 to 10,000 people.

Three railroads cross the strip and it is watered by the Arkansas and Cimarron rivers and many small creeks. Uncle Sam paid the Cherokees \$5,600,000 for the land and it is sold to settlers at from \$1.00 to \$2.50 per acre.

It will prove thus a good investment to the government. Oklahoma, with the addition of the strip, becomes quite an important territory and is now applying for statehood with a good prospect of success.

The complete transformation of this wilderness into a prosperous civilization was effected in a day and without much trouble. Tents and wagons are the first habitation of the boomers but more stable structures are being rapidly built.

THE Cherokee Strip. The rush of people to the Cherokee strip last week proves the tendency of the American mind toward anything like a game of chance.

Over 90,000 men and women were willing to undergo every sort of hardship and exposure and even risk their lives and all the property they possessed in a mad rush for a town lot or a small farm in a drouth stricken desert.

Thousands have gone there without any means whatever to sustain them during the winter, and unless supported by public charity they will suffer all the pangs of the most abject and squalid poverty.

Many of them lost their lives by sunstroke or exhaustion along the line, and the health of others is ruined forever by exposure. The strip is going to be filled with a breadless, moneyless population who have spent their all in getting there and will soon be anxious to get away but too poor to do so.

As nothing can be raised until next year we fail to see where and how the moneyless boomer is going to get a livelihood.

Attorney General Chas. Culbertson has decided that the bill for the purchase of convict farms with school fund money is unconstitutional.

The terrible charge made by Senator Teller and newspapers are run to make money for their owners is the sensation of the day in Washington city.

It had generally been supposed up to the time of this terrible expose that newspapers were run for fun and the further purpose of booming men who wanted office, and to give full detailed reports of long winded speeches in the senate and congress.

No one ever thought that a newspaper was run for the money that was to be made in the business. Such an idea was too revolting to be entertained for one moment. No newspapers should be run for glory or for amusement.

The owners of papers owe it to the public to go hungry and naked and put all their money in a paper just for the fun of the thing, and never get a cent out of it.

The charge of Senator Teller is like a thunderbolt from a cloudless sky—it is horrible.—Fort Worth Mail.

If you are coming, why dont you come along. The Velaco Times shouts:

Come to Texas! Come to Texas, northwestern, where the "orion swings her nest," and the mockingbird has no sorrow in his song, while the grasshopper fiddles on the rippling wheat and the Junebug nuzzles in the tasseling corn.

Come to Texas, northwestern, where the orange and magnolia blend and bloom in luxuriant beauty, where the cape jasmine fills the ambient air with wondrous perfume.

Come to Texas, northwestern, where God's birdings of every plumage make symphony and delight, while mountain, hill and valley goes up a sentient incense from every flower with which the creator has beautified our planet.

Come to Texas, northwestern, where the raw material abounds for all fabrics and water power for the machinery of all continents; where millions of fertile unoccupied acres invite husbandman and manufacturer to possess them and realize the exhaustless harvests which they stand ready to yield to honest industry.

Come to Texas, northwestern, where all the fruits, cereals, melons, vegetables, nuts and berries grow in the profusion, and where the fabled Sybarite might feast upon the brains of singing birds, the tongues of peacocks, roe of bullets and golden fruits of every type from this southern Hesperides.

Come to Texas, northwestern, where the climate is ever balmy and the sunshine ever beautiful; where outdoor work from January to January is always possible; where snows are rarely seen, even in midwinter; where every man is free and sits under his own vine; where public and private schools abound; where white and colored people harmonize without friction; where law is administered and justice meted out to all; where loyalty to American institutions has its strongest footing; where anarchy, free love, religious heresies and communism cannot live; where all is sweet, healthful and beautiful with God's blessing resting like a heavenly benediction upon the whole land.

All sorts of experiences have come to the men who constitute the present house of representatives says an exchange. The biographies of forty-four members state that they were reared on the farm.

Neill, of Arkansas, explains that he was "country bred and reared to perform manual labor." Thirty-nine have taught school and four have been college professors.

Four have been clerks in a country store, and two have toiled in the mines. Four learned the blacksmith's trade and six were sailors in their younger days.

Eight have worked at the printer's case, and Amos Cummings, of New York, has set type in nearly every state in the Union. Cummings was a member of Walker's filibustering expedition to Nicaragua, and Convert, of New York, was in the Crimean war and at the siege of Sebastopol.

Two have been telegraph operators, one a railroad conductor, one a traveling salesman, two contractors and builders, and one a laborer in a rolling mill.

Foolhardy Stanley Meredith of Cincinnati proposes to go over the brink of Niagara Falls in a conical shaped barrel of peculiar construction. It is believed the shape and other precautions may protect him from physical mishap, but the shock of the great fall of 169 feet is what is feared may kill him—and it ought to do so for a purely foolhardy attempt, which is not brave, nor does it promise any real service to the world.

And yet there will be hundreds of other fools who will contribute hard cash to see this fool risk his life. All the fools are not yet dead.

WHILE the solons of America are discussing the financial question, the question is rapidly solving itself—the panic is about to panic out and the schemers who brought it on are beginning to realize that they too are heavy losers by their own conspiracy and things are brightening up everywhere.

The Baltimore Herald says that the Cleveland administration has now a really live issue to contend with. It refers to the new baby in the white house.

BALD HEADS!

Advertisement for Skookum Root Hair Grower. Includes an illustration of a man's head and text describing the product's benefits for hair growth.

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An Old Negro Woman Redems the Promise Made to Him. A few weeks ago an old negro came from Bridgetown, on the island of Barbados, to a missionary and the tract to read three masses for Victor Hugo.

The missionary was astonished, and at first believed that he had misunderstood the visitor. But the negro replied to his question in that way, who first gave aid to Hugo's daughter, who had married an English officer against the will of her father, and had fled with him to Barbados.

The officer deserted his wife, she consequently became almost insane, and was cared for in that condition by the negro. The negro wrote to the poet of the sad condition of his child, and Hugo sent her 2,000 francs and had her go to Paris with his daughter.

After remaining a time in the house of the author the negro decided to return to Barbados. One reason for this was the fact that the poor daughter had become incurably insane and been consigned to an asylum. The poet, who respected the negro because of the love she had borne his daughter, said to her before her departure from Paris: "When you hear of my death in your native country have three masses read for me."

The negro went for the first time to the death of Victor Hugo a few months ago, has now fulfilled the wishes of the poet.

HE STOPPED THE TRAIN. And When the Conductor Knew Why He Pointed Clean Away. As the regular passenger train was going west from Griffin, Georgia, and was about forty minutes late and the engineer was trying to make up lost time and consequently running about fifty miles an hour, he was horrified to see just about 300 yards ahead of him, just as he turned a curve before he got to Whitewater creek, was an old negro traveling his coat across the track and over his head and seeming to be very much excited.

The engineer, thinking of course, that the negro had been hit by the train, applied his air brakes, reversed his engine and shouted to his fireman to jump. They both landed safely and the train came to a halt so suddenly that it nearly upsetted all the passengers.

"For God's sake, what's the matter?" asked the almost breathless conductor of the fellow who had stopped the train.

"Sam for that was his name—answered: "I 'jest wanted to know of you wanted ter be some 'possums?"

The engineer, smiling, the fireman back to the engine and four strong men lifted the limp and almost lifeless form of the conductor to the train.

She Assisted to Revive Him. The other day a person dropped down in an applepie tin immediately in front of a big railway station and was directly carried into a waiting room. In a minute after a woman forced her way in through the crowd gathered round the door, exclaiming: "My husband! my poor husband! Clear the way and let me in the air."

She then busied herself in taking off the man's cravat and performing other little offices until a doctor arrived and the man gradually recovered his senses. On this the doctor observed that it was a happy relief for his distressed wife as well as himself. "My wife" exclaimed the man, "why I am a bachelor. On seeking for the woman it was found that she had disappeared and with her the watch and purse of the patient, which she had absconded with under the very eyes of the onlookers."

Conductor's Debut Run. A Maine woman who recently purchased a piece of furniture too large to go through any door or window of her house was a person of resources. She at once ordered a section of the side of the house removed, and after the furniture was safely loaded had the wall put up again.

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NOT IN THEIR LINE.

Two Texas cow-boys have as time for a Texas cow-boy recently had the novel experience of traveling by rail over the Missouri, Kansas and Texas road. But they seemed to feel uncomfortable from the time that the train pulled out from the point that they got on out in the brush. When they got in the Wagner sleeper one of them said to the other: "Bill, you'll have to take your spurs off your horse if you expect to put your boots on the top of that seat."

Bill did so and then seemed pained and surprised when the porter asked him that passengers were not expected to put their feet on the push-over seats. He toyed with his gun until the porter retired. When he rolled a cigarette and lit it and the conductor showed him where the smoking receptacle of the vestibule train was seemed annoyed. At supper time when all of the passengers on the buffet gave the conductor and the two cowboys gave theirs, telling the porter to bring them "all there was on the program and be sure to bring them plenty of sardines," they handed the porter a bill for five for sardines, surprised when he asked them for fifteen cents more.

Both of them said, "That settles it." If we stay in this here country that aigger will have our roll before we get to the next station. No wonder the gang hold up the train, but I am surprised at 'em-goin' after the mail when they would have such a soft snap with the mail in the light of the mail. If ever I was to go into the train robbery business I would go soon huntin' first and get the mail scoundrel that wanted four bits for sardines up our boots." They quit the train at the next wayside station.

SHE WAS THE ONLY WOMAN.

The Belle of Rattlesnake Hills Has a Great Track of Love. Annie Thomas is the only woman in Kammala county, Wash. She is a squatter and lives in Rattlesnake Hills. There has of late been a great strife for her hand in marriage among the rough settlers of that region.

Hank Monley and Jerry Woods seemed to be the highest in her favor and so it was finally agreed that these two men should settle the question between them by a duel with bowie knives. After a desperate fight in which both were wounded, the battle was declared a draw. It was then agreed that the matrimonial question should be settled by a game of seven-up. The fortune of cards favored Monley and he was declared the winner of the squatter bride.

A parson was called in to assure him his prize. The folks Annie had a long talk with the parson, and though she had never seen him before she at last announced her intention of marrying the parson himself and not Monley. In vain did the hero of the bowie knife duel and the victor in the game of seven-up object to this proceeding. The woman was firm in her intentions and the squatter was that the parson got the woman.

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