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Arrives at Weatherford 8:52
No. 3 Leaves Weatherford 5:15 p. m.
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The Texas Fruit Palace.

Tyler, Tex., May 18.—The laying of the corner stone of the Texas fruit palace was a ceremony attended by the whole of the city. The foundation of the palace has been laid and the structure is beginning to assume a semblance of what it is to be. With bands of music and every display of enthusiasm the greater part of the populace formed and marched from the public plaza to the site of the palace, about four blocks away. The ceremony was begun with prayer by Rev. H. M. DuBose, who dedicated the palace to the "glory of God and to the prosperity of our great commonwealth." Following Rev. DuBose Mayor Milo Sharp made an appropriate and congratulatory address and received a warm ovation. Next Hon. Cone Johnson was introduced, and in words glowing with earnestness, pictured the inevitably bright future of this enterprise. Then Gov. Hubbard in a speech of one-half hour, and in one of his happiest efforts, spoke those encouraging words for the success of the great Texas fruit palace. "From every part of the country," said the governor, "inquiries are coming to me, and they all say, 'our people shall attend your beautiful palace.' We shall not disappoint them. They shall come and go away with loud praises for the boundless resources of our magnificent state." Major Jas. P. Douglas, the man who of all others, has done most for the upbuilding of Tyler, was next introduced, and congratulated the people for their success in the erection of so appropriate and timely a structure. "All Texas will be here, besides many from other states, and we must and will take good care of them."

Col. W. S. Herndon, who followed Major Douglas, pronounced the undertaking the most successful and promising enterprise in the history of Tyler. "It would be the consummation of that for which our people have long struggled—of placing our fruit industry upon a solid business basis." The final ceremonies were impressive, and the audience dispersed with a feeling of pride and satisfaction over this, the latest achievement.

Cast a Line for Yourself.

A young man stood listlessly watching some anglers on a bridge. He was poor and dejected. At last, approaching a basket filled with wholesome looking fish, he sighed: "If now I had these I would be happy. I could sell them at a fair price and buy me food and lodging." "I will give you just as many and as good fish," said the owner, who had chanced to overhear his words, "if you will do me a trifling favor." "And what is that?" asked the other.

"Only to tend this line till I come back. I wish to go on a short errand." This proposal was accepted gladly. The old man was gone so long that the young man began to get impatient. Meanwhile the fish snapped greedily at the baited hook and the young man lost all his depression in the excitement of pulling them in, and when the owner returned he had caught a large number. Counting out from them as many as were in the basket and presenting them to the young man, the old fisherman said: "I fulfill my promise from the fish you have caught, to teach you, whenever you see others earning, you need waste no time in foolish wishing, but cast a line for yourself."

Rusk, Tex., May 13.—Joe Bozer, aged 19, weight 59 pounds, height 3 feet 7 inches, son of a widow lady residing about fourteen miles from Rusk in Cherokee county, was on our streets to-day asking money to buy a pair of shoes. The freak is a well-developed boy, fairly healthy, and is beginning to grow a beard. He wore a nobby suit and stovepipe hat. He has no education, but can spell his given name. He remembers the flood of May 6, 1884, and stated that it was a much bigger rain than that of May 7, 1895.

Cowardice and Courage.

There are hardly two words in the language so generally misunderstood as the above. The neighborhood bully, "who will fight his weight in wild-cats," and the fool-hardy desperado who hazards his carcass in a drunken brawl, are called men of courage, when in reality they are arrant cowards, and display the "white feather" whenever manly duty demands a manly deed. If this is courage, then man is surpassed by the mangiest cur that whines and scratches at the kitchen door, and ranks beneath the beasts of the field, both great and small. In war the bully and the desperado may be the tyrants of the peaceful camp, but they are poltroons in the presence of the enemy.

True courage is that faculty of self-control that enables one to meet the trials, troubles, temptations, difficulties and dangers of life, with a calm comprehension of the situation, and a well-considered determination to overcome them with duty well performed. The woman who goes quietly into the presence of dangerous infection to nurse the sick, is braver than Napoleon when he fled the field of Waterloo. The man who dares to tell the truth when a lie would bring him fame, or money or immunity, has more courage than the blusterer who dies with his boots on. The man who fearlessly does right when wrong is prospering, is a hero compared with the general who orders a charge from a place of safety.

Cowards are to be found everywhere, from the slums to the palace; they are high in office, in trade, in the professions. The trusted officer who "does wrong that good may come of it" to himself, is a coward, because he is afraid to do right, come what may. The lawyer who refuses just counsel to his client, for fear of offense and loss of fee, is a contemptible coward. The physician who prescribes medicine to a patient when he knows he would be better without it, is a coward as well as a knave. The editor who caters to a popular fallacy, knowing it to be such, is as great a coward as any.

"There were brave men before Agamemnon, and since full valiant and sage." But the bravest of the brave is he who never flinches in the presence of duty or the devil, but does right because it is right to do so.—Farm and Ranch.

A Short Dream.

The following, from the La Grange Graphic, is one of the prettiest sermons ever printed in so few words: "I saw a dancing bubble upon the silvery surface of a restless river. For a moment it sparkled with golden light as it caught and held the sunshine glory, and I thought how beautiful it was. Then it went down. For a moment the river told where it had vanished, and then swept on without even a ripple on its placid bosom. And I thought how like our lives was the bubble on the river. For a moment we sparkle in our tiny spheres, hope, toil and struggle, love and long dream, and then go down beneath the surface forever. In a short time the tiny ripples we have caused die out, and the great river of humanity flows on undisturbed. So let us strive within our brief existence to reflect only the sunshine, nor mirror the clouds above us."

It is a curious fact that Comanche county has sent more people to the insane asylums than any other county in Texas of the same population, but it is not so curious after all when we look over the election returns of recent years. In those figures we find a satisfactory explanation of the whole matter. As the alliance-populist doctrine is promulgated we expect a corresponding increase in the Comanche county contingent at the asylums. Comanche Chief.

"Can you swim, little boy?"
"Yes, sir."
"Where did you learn?"
"In the water, sir."—Texas Siftings.

A Great Unwritten Law.

The great tragedy in Louisville, Kentucky, in which a prominent young man and a beautiful and once respected woman lost their lives at the hands of an outraged husband, is but another of a thousand bloody warnings against the violation of the seventh commandment.

It makes no difference that the erring man had a particeps criminis in the home which is invaded, it is none the less a crime against that home, against a husband who has the law of Holy Writ and of civilization on his side. Adam was quick to say that the woman tempted him, but the judgment of heaven fell none the slower. If it were only the woman's character or happiness that was blasted, the penalty might properly fall alone upon her head, but there are children, home, a husband and society involved, and the clearest duty is to punish the guilty.

The stars are the what the in Graham must learn that to outrage his sacred considerations is the most cruel, the most heartless and irreparable crime one man can commit against another. We have not reached that aesthetic and refined stage of civilization yet; south of Mason and Dixon's line, that is content with sounding damages in a civil court for such an injury—the jingle of the guinea does not yet heal the hurt that honor feels, with us. There is an unwritten law, at least from the Delaware to the Rio Grande, that excuses homicide where the home or domestic relations have been invaded, and the warnings are written all over the land in letters of blood. It looks like the wayfaring man though a fool might read them daily.—Houston Post.

F. J. Newlands, a congressman from Nevada, said in New York: "It was during the time that Jas. G. Blaine was secretary of state, I received a letter from the state department introducing me to a number of Japanese, comprising a commission, who were in this country to investigate our money system. They told me that an agent from England had been trying in Japan to get their government to demonetize silver. They talked with Senators Stewart, Jones, Teller, Sherman and others. They were warned not to think of allowing silver to be discarded as a money metal. The result of their investigation is that today Japan is the great power of the Orient. What would have been the result had Japan done as England wished? When this question of war with China arose, Japan could not have carried on the war had she been upon a gold basis without first consulting England. A gold loan would have resulted and England have have Japan by the throat even as she has us today."

"If the democratic national convention declares for free coinage of silver at 16 to 1, I don't see what I can do but vote the republican ticket." Secretary of the Treasury John G. Carlisle used this language in conversation a few days ago. He went on to say that as between a democratic 16 to 1 presidential ticket and a republican sound-money ticket there was nothing for democrats who take the administrative view of the financial question to do but to vote with the republicans. It might be, Secretary Carlisle said, that the sound-money democrats in the national convention would refuse to be bound by a 16 to 1 platform and ticket and would make a platform and nominations of their own. In that event he would of course, vote for the sound-money democratic ticket, but—and the Secretary was very emphatic—he certainly would not support with his vote a 16 to 1 free coinage ticket. No one will be the least surprised at his voting with the republicans. He has for the last two years appeared to be leaning that way.

The anti-suffrage women of New York are organizing for the purpose of counteracting the efforts of their sisters who desire the ballot, and a very lively time it is expected will be provoked by this woman contention.

They Tried It Again.

Miss Elizabeth was a very peculiar woman. She had a great deal of sense. Not that she was different from other women in this respect, but she had so much of it that she surprised many young men. One day young Robinson went to call on her. Young Robinson was also very sensible. He and Miss Elizabeth were well matched. They could talk together on any number of subjects, and they knew just when and where to stop; just what to say and what not to say. On this particular day there was a long story in the afternoon papers about a person known as Jack the Kisser, who bothered many young women and girls in the street by catching them and kissing them.

Miss Elizabeth, who did not think much of the sermon the pastor had preached that day, said to her friend, "I'll tell you what we'll do," said Robinson. "You are certain that a man cannot kiss a woman unless she is a party to the kissing. I am certain that a man can. We, you and I, will try it." Miss Elizabeth said she didn't see any harm in that, so Robinson began to try to kiss her. After several minutes and trials he succeeded, and she, seeing that it was useless to combat him further, gave in and let him kiss her all he wanted to. When it was all over Miss Elizabeth had an inspiration. "I'll tell you what we'll do," said she. "My foot slipped that time; we'll try it over again."—Ex.

A Remedy Against Flies.

I never use window screens," said a wise housekeeper the other day, because I have a fancy that they shut out all the air in hot weather, and beside they serve to keep the flies in the house equally as well as to keep them out.

"But I never see a fly in your house," said her friend. "How do you manage it? For my part, I must confess, that screens or no screens, my summer means to me one long battle with the little pests." "My remedy is a very simple one," said the good housekeeper, "and I learned it from my grandmother when I used to watch her putting bunches of lavender flowers around to keep the flies away.

My method is simple. I buy five cents worth of oil of lavender at the drug store and mix it with the same quantity of water. Then I put it in a common glass atomizer and spray it around the room wherever flies are apt to congregate, especially in the dining-room, where I sprinkle it plentifully over the table linen. The odor is especially disagreeable to flies, and they will never venture in its neighborhood, though to most people it has a peculiarly fresh and grateful smell."

Anent the financial discussion the San Antonio Express says: "The 'sound money' advocates seem to have made good their word and have opened up a campaign of education in opposition to that of the free silver advocates that threatens to make things mighty interesting for all concerned as time goes on. The leading newspapers and magazines of the country are now devoting fully one-quarter of their space to the publication of financial articles and their readers are hoping that this will not be kept up from now until the next election."

Senator Jones' advice to the republican delegates to the republican national convention, as reported, is to bolt if a gold candidate is nominated. Jones assumes that the gold men in the democratic convention will bolt if the convention should nominate a silver man.

Don't be a wantin', wantin', wantin' suthin all the time; Wishin' 'at yew hed a dollar when yew haven't but a dime; Wantin' mizery an' sorrow, when the worl' is full uv mirth; Some people gits a graveyard jest becuz they want the earth. —Boston Courier.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder Awarded Gold Medal Milwaukee Fair, San Francisco.

The Dispensary System.

Another South Carolina question deserves a word in passing. It seems to have been taken for granted throughout the north that the South Carolina state dispensary system is a dismal failure. The people of certain political circles have become almost unanimous in the opinion that the system is a splendid success. Governor Evans, when in the legislature, was the chief promoter of the dispensary law, and now that he is in the executive chair, he is quite as staunch in maintaining and enforcing the system as was Governor Tillman. Railway roadmasters and other men familiar with conditions throughout the state, are enthusiastic in their account of the good effects that the law has already produced. Drunkenness has decreased to a remarkable extent, and whereas the negro laborer was formerly accustomed to spend his week's earnings in carousing on Saturday night and Sunday, he is now spending more upon his family, or else saving his money to buy land. The ten or twelve state dispensaries in the city of Charleston, which have taken the place of scores or hundreds of saloons, are as openly conducted and as orderly as any drug store, and are absolutely closed at sundown. The effect upon the quiet order of the city has been too transforming to admit of any denial. Reports from country towns throughout the state are to the effect that the closing of the old bar-rooms in favor of the new dispensaries has been attended with results that have converted almost every good citizen to a belief in the present system. In view of the widely circulated reports in disparagement of the South Carolina dispensaries, these facts ought to be given a wide publicity.—Review.

There is a revival of industry all over the country, but it is not likely to settle down to a steady gait until this financial question is somewhat put to rest. Agitation has been the curse of the country for the past two presidential terms. The unsettled conditions of the tariff and the currency have unsettled all other things and until these are put to rest there will not be that activity in all departments of business that is so much desired and that would certainly come if there was a fixedness to financial and tariff matters. Some day it will dawn upon the American people that every other year is entirely too often to change the whole policy of a great country like this, particularly as involved in that change are her interests of an industrial, commercial, agricultural and monetary character. Once in ten years is sufficiently often to jeopardize and a constitutional provision fixing tariffs and money ratios for a period of ten years would do much to prevent the uncertainty and distrust and fear of adverse change that now discourages business and lays its hand at the throat of all investment. Stability and not change should be the order.—San Antonio Light.

Mrs. Baker, in her "Pictures of Swedish Life," says that the Swedish language is rich in proverbs. Many of these are exactly the same as are found in English: "The burnt child dreads the fire," and "Better late than never," for instance. Others, while corresponding to proverbs in English, have a turn peculiar to themselves. The following are a few examples:

"When the cat is away, the rats dance on the table."
"A new broom sweeps well, but an old one is best for the corners."
"One bird in the hand is better than ten on the roof."
"When the stomach is satisfied, the food is bitter."
"To read and not to know, is to plow and not to sow."
"That which is eaten from the pot never comes to the platter."

The wings of an owl are lined with a soft down that enables the bird to fly without making the slightest sound, a very important matter to a nocturnal bird of prey.

Moody and Sankey Trials.

The following from a late issue of the Fort Worth Mail-Telegram plainly shows that even the saintly evangelists, Moody and Sankey, are by no means exempt from the tribulations that usually fall to the ordinary lot of mankind: The minds of Brothers Moody and Sankey, the christian equanimity of Brother Wells and the religious fortitude of the most unflinching of the audience, as a whole, to say the least, are undergoing a heavy strain, and the patience of the audience is being tested to the limit. The management of the meeting is being conducted in a way that the people are beginning to feel is unbecomingly unchristian. Ever since the meeting began, Moody and Sankey have been making a heavy strain on the audience, and the audience is beginning to feel that the meeting is being conducted in a way that is unbecomingly unchristian.

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There is no doubt about it. It is a bad thing for a man to have a wife with business ability. The case of H. W. Allen of Rockford, Ill., illustrates that fact. Mr. Allen's business is traveling for a wholesale grocery house. The other day he dislocated his shoulder. A trip which it was necessary that he should make was already mapped out. His wife told him that if he would mind the baby she would make the trip for him. He laughed her to scorn, but she was in earnest, and she took his sample case and went the rounds. The result was that while he made a rather bad showing as nurse, she secured ten pages more of orders than he ever succeeded in doing in one day in all the years he had been on the road. The firm has written to Mr. Allen suggesting that he trade jobs with his wife permanently.—New York Advertiser.

Master of the House (on his fiftieth birthday, to his guests)—Ladies and gentlemen, this day fifty years ago, when I first saw the light of this world—um, um—I did not for a moment anticipate—or anticipate that I should see so numerous and—um—so distinguished a company gathered around me.

"If, as you say, the defendant is so conscientious a man," said the lawyer, "you ought to be able to give some example of it."
"Well," said the witness, "I have known him for twenty years, and in all that time I have never known him to take whisky for a cold except when he really had a cold." —Cincinnati Tribune.

Editor—I'm going to offer one thousand dollars in gold to any one who can guess how this story is coming out.
Spacer—Pretty expensive, isn't it?
Editor—Not very; the last chapter won't be written till after the answers are all in.—Puck.

"I have heard some rather scandalous stories about old Deacon Goodman. It is said that he has been paying a certain woman hush-money for several months."
"Great Scott! Who is she?"
"The girl that nurses his—Judge."

She (tenderly)—Sometimes wonder why you love me.
He (assentingly)—So do I.
She (indignantly)—Sir!
He (explanatorily)—I mean, why you love me.—Life.

The Sherman Register remarks that the cotton acreage in Grayson county will be reduced 18 per cent, while the increase in the oat acreage is more than that figure.

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Texas is dead broke, and is \$514,000 short. It will be next January before the state will be on a cash basis again.

The bichloride of gold treatment occasionally kills a man, but his friends are consoled by the fact that he died miserably.

Mrs. Lease rises to sound a note of warning to the men, that intellectual development will make them hairless animals.

The contest is between universal prosperity among all the people, and particularly for the wage earners and producers, on one hand, and the dealers in money on the other.

Students of cotton crop statistics are beginning to get their ideas with regard to the next crop into shape. The opinion is about unanimous that the next will be smaller than any crop for a number of years past.

During the month of April the wages of more than eighty thousand working men in iron mills, woolen and cotton factories and other industries, were substantially increased. This is one of the surest signs of better times.

Miss Mildred Lee, daughter of Gen. Robert E. Lee, will attend the reunion of the confederate veterans at Houston. Miss Winnie Davis, daughter of Jefferson Davis, will also be there, to whom much attention will be shown.

The attorney general says that Mr. Ward, a member of the legislature from Travis county, has forfeited his seat in that body because he was sworn in as special judge at Wichita Falls last week, while Judge Miller was sick.

Miller, who killed Police Officer Riddle 1892, in Dallas, has been sentenced to hang July 12th next. His attorneys have long petitions asking executive clemency and it is thought Governor Culberson will commute to life sentence.

Restoration of the dollar to its value in America, which is expected before the year is over, will go for the benefit of the people, and will go for the benefit of the people, and will go for the benefit of the people.

Allen W. Thurman predicts that if the next national democratic convention adopts a free silver plank the democratic party will carry every southern state, every state west of the Mississippi and enough of the central states to insure the election of a democratic president.

The governor of Virginia last week called out 1000 state troops to protect miners while at work in the Pocahontas mines. The striking miners had tried to prevent the working men from laboring. The civil officers failed to suppress the mob but the governor with his state troops kept order and gave protection to such persons as were willing to work.

Sir Henry James has introduced into parliament a bill to make it a criminal offence to circulate a falsehood, during a political contest, against a candidate for election. If there were in this country a law against circulating falsehoods with regard to political questions, the chances are that the court houses and prisons would be kept full throughout all the time.

The best of our knowledge and belief," says the Hartford Times, "there is not in all New England to-day one skilled mechanic who is out of work, unless it be by his own choice." And there is not one, it may be added, who cannot buy many of the goods he needs for the comfort of his family considerably cheaper than he has been able to buy them at any time in the past thirty years. The democratic tariff is giving a good account of itself indeed.

Ex-Speaker Reed was in Washington last week. He tried to keep his name secret, and having failed in that said he was only paying a visit to his friend, Congressman Hitt, of Illinois, who has been quite sick for several weeks. Mr. Reed did not say what other objects he had in view, but there are indications that some of them will not be pleasant to certain republican congressmen, who, believing themselves slated for choice committee positions under the next house, have been conspiring against Mr. Reed's boom for his party's presidential nomination. The big man from Maine heard about the conspiracies, and there are reasons for the belief that the congressional conspirators will not fare well when Mr. Reed makes up the committees of the house. He hasn't the reputation of turning the other cheek to those who smite him. On the contrary, he smites back every time, and he is a hard driver, too. It is said that he found his presidential boom in a very dangerous condition, and that he may announce his withdrawal from the race, in order to throw all his strength to some man who can be certain of beating Harrison, who is the one man that Reed will do almost anything to keep out of the nomination. The feud between him and Harrison is an old one, dating away back to the early part of Harrison's administration.

The reports of business for the week just past leave no doubt of the fact that there is a decided recovery of industry and trade from the depression of the last two or three weeks. Work has been resumed in many of the larger manufacturing establishments, and there is a substantial advance in the prices of several leading agricultural products. An increase in several industrial establishments is reported. Bank reports show a freer circulation and indications of a strengthening confidence. All this shows that the country is recovering from the stagnation and panic that has been prevalent. There is nothing spasmodic or speculative in the apparent improvement, but it is based upon conditions favorable to permanence and progress in the same direction.

One of the unique exhibits that will be made at the Cotton States and Industrial Exposition will be a model jail. It will show all the latest improvements in prison construction, and will present for inspection a jail complete in sanitary equipment and absolutely safe. A prisoner incarcerated within its iron cages will be absolutely protected from without, and will find it impossible to escape even if allowed to work for liberty with the most improved jail-breaking tools.

It has always been said that severe cold winters killed out the insects that are often so destructive of vegetation, but the past winter has been a failure in that respect, for there are more grub worms and cut worms than usual this spring. A Kentucky paper, the Green River Republican, speaking of the ravage of the cut worm in that good old state says that in one neighborhood after destroying everything green on the outside they crawled into a blacksmith shop and ate up the anvils and sledge hammers. As a matter of course we make some allowances for a broad stretch in the statement, as it comes from a republican paper. The worms are not that bad in Texas, but they have done much injury to vegetable gardens and young floral plants.

An Arkansas paper says in one of the mountain counties only one man took a newspaper, and the citizens for some distance around would gather in to hear it read when it came. One listener, one time, asked what the democrats were doing in congress. "Oh," replied the reader, "they're playing the dickens over there. They have passed a law adding two months to the year, and the worst part of it is, they have made them both winter months." "Blasphemous souls," said the listener, "and we nearly out of fodder."

A poor New Yorker who cursed a California millionaire through a case of typhoid lately inherited both the millions and the typhoid and died. Cast your bread upon the waters and it will sometimes return again, to feed your heirs.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder
World's Fair Highest Award.

PLAYED ALIVE AND BURNED.

Proper Punishment Meted Out to Three Florida Negroes.

St. Louis, Mo., May 19.—A special from Ellaville, Fla., says: Three negroes were lynched Saturday night in a dense swamp on the Suwanee river by white men for assaulting a white girl. It is reported that they were played alive and then burned after being subjected to frightful tortures.

The crime for which the negroes were so horribly put to death was the most terrible in the history of this section of Florida. The scene of the crime of retribution was in Lafayette, the adjoining county to Madison on the south.

Miss Mattie Armstrong, the beautiful daughter of a prominent Lafayette county farmer, left her home five days ago to spend the night with a neighbor who lived two miles distant. The next day Miss Armstrong's father went to the house to bring her home, and was alarmed to learn that nothing had been seen of her. Mr. Armstrong alarmed the neighbors and a search was made. The woods were scoured and the Suwanee river dragged.

Finally, about midway between the home of Mr. Armstrong and the neighbor's house, the handkerchief of the girl was found clinging to a bush, and all around were evidences of a desperate struggle. The searchers found the trail thus indicated, finding all along that the girl had been dragged into the woods. After proceeding for a mile the corpse of Miss Anderson was found in a thick clump of bushes. The body of the girl was in a horrible condition. Every shred of clothing had been torn from it and she had been assaulted. The lower limbs were torn apart, her head crushed and her throat cut. It was evident that the girl had made a desperate resistance, for under her nails were found pieces of black cuticle, which she had torn from her assailants. Sam Echols was suspected and threatened with instant death unless he confessed. He did so, and implicated Sam Crowley and John Brooks.

Echols said that they kept the girl for twenty-four hours before killing her, forcing her in the meanwhile to submit to the most horrible indignities. For the greater part of the time, the negro said, Miss Armstrong was unconscious. Having secured the negroes implicated by Echols, the white men proceeded with them to a dense swamp on the Suwanee river, where they were made to suffer torture similar to that they had inflicted on the girl. The white people are greatly aroused and swear that they will exterminate the negroes if these outrages are continued.

Proposed Tax on Bachelors. The crime of being a bachelor is to be punished condignly in several states, among them Illinois, where there is a probability of the passage of a bill to tax these unmarried scorners of social law. The enactment of such a law would be injurious without adding to it the insult of a ranking clause that with tax established. This is a savage blow—a blow below the belt, so to speak—at single blessedness, and could hardly have been inspired by any father of twins. In view of the proposed diversion of the tax to the benefit of elderly unmarried females it would be only just to inquire as to how many of these taxable bachelors have been killed, and the doors of the "old maids' homes" should be shut with a resounding slam in the face of all those unwedded spinsters who have at any time in their career blasted the hopes of some fond admirer with a chilling "no." A supplementary tax might indeed be levied upon such old maids as should be discovered to have promised once upon a time "to be a sister" to any young man.

Facial Row. A Mr. Wood, who lives near Hood's Mill, Ga., owns a peculiar black cow. She is just an ordinary black cow, but is so much attached to Mr. Wood's children that she does not like to be separated from them. If the children are at home, the cow will stay in a pasture with a fence three feet high; but, if the children are taken away, she will throw down even high fences in order to follow them. At different times, when the cow would be in the pasture, Mr. Wood has slipped the children away from home; but when she came home and missed them she would go out and track them, when she would follow wherever they went. The cow knows her business, and has an idea that if the children are allowed out of her sight they will not fare well on the pure milk question.

Board of Equalization. Ordered by the Court that the Clerk of the County Court be and he is hereby instructed to give notice by publication in the GRAHAM LEADER that this Court will meet as a Board of Equalization to equalize the values and correct the assessment list of Young county for the year 1895, on the second Monday in June, 1895, on the same being the 10th day of said month.

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Best men of our town are in the B. & L. Association, and it is putting money here at 6 per cent. Are you in it?
P. A. MARTIN, Agent & Local Atty.

Administrator's Notice. Persons having claims against the estate of H. A. McComber, deceased, are notified to present them. All claims must be verified by affidavit. C. W. JOHNSON, Administrator.

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W. L. GRAVES,
Local Editor & Business Manager.

LITTLE LOCAL LEADERS.

W. I. Tidwell is still on the sick list.

J. B. Whittenberg was in the city Saturday.

T. F. Kindley was on our streets Saturday.

Found—A ladies' shawl. Apply at this office.

T. M. Sitton was in the city one day last week.

Baron Doty has been sick during the past week.

Wm. Wright of Connor creek was here Saturday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rutherford, a girl.

P. L. Best was on a business trip in town the other day.

J. H. and A. P. Stewart were trading in town Saturday.

J. B. Norris has been on a trip east during the past week.

W. H. Nichols was attending to business in town Saturday.

Mrs. Joe Birdwell, living east of town, is reported quite sick.

Came, Auburg was up from Dil-lingham prairie a few days ago.

Miss Ivy Titus is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. J. Hughes of this city.

Mrs. M. J. Voles is sick this week. She was unable to teach Monday.

Bargains in everything
At FORD BROS.

The general health of the people was never better at this season of the year.

Crops of all kinds are getting there and the season was never more favorable.

Rev. W. M. Goode was a pleasant caller at THE LEADER office Monday morning.

J. M. Whitfield was here yesterday and was enthused over the favorable crop prospects.

We regret to learn of the illness of Eld. I. H. Cunningham and wife. They are both quite sick.

The longest sermon seems too short to the woman who wears her new spring bonnet to church.

Miss Grace Parker of Seymour has been visiting relatives and friends in Graham and vicinity.

Call for our 3 cent LARD.
S. B. STREET & CO.

J. C. Bullock, one of our old subscribers and prominent citizens, gave this office a substantial call Saturday.

Cas Beckham and Edgar Mathews took in the Farmer picnic last Friday and, as usual, they had a good time.

G. W. Penn, a painter of Mineral Wells, arrived in Graham a few days ago and speaks of locating here permanently.

John Kisinger of the Finis community was in the city yesterday and reported everything lovely in his bailiwick.

G. W. Clifton from the mouth of Elm was in town Monday. He says the prospect for a corn crop was never better.

J. N. Johnson was rounding up the comers in town Monday. He has a good farm on Salt creek and knows how to make it pay.

Talk about a cut in prices, we have cut everything in the house but our yard sticks.
S. B. STREET & CO.

Work on the new Methodist church is progressing slowly but surely, and the Methodist brethren are patiently awaiting its completion.

W. A. Pharris has been feeding about 600 head of steers near town since last fall. They belong to W. L. Hawkins of Midlothian and will be taken to market soon.

Thos. C. Wadley of Tonk Valley was in town yesterday and said the crop prospect was very good. He has fifty acres in oats which will be fine, owing to the recent rain.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Lemmons was discovered dead when the parents awoke last Thursday morning. The remains were interred in Oak Grove cemetery in the afternoon.

To arrive next week: A complete line of men's, boys and misses straw hats, at
J. E. MORRISON & Co's.

J. A. Mundell was in the city Saturday.

W. G. Goleston was in town one day last week.

W. L. Tankereley of Elm was in town Saturday.

B. E. McJilton was among the boys in town Saturday.

Henry L. Porter came in with the band boys last Friday.

Miss Clara Blakey is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dr. Gallagher.

Miss Nora Sloan has been visiting in Mineral Wells this week.

Miss Omer Timmons of Tonk Valley visited in town Friday.

Five pounds of good navy Tobacco for \$1.00, CASH at FORD BROS.

Charles Robinson is visiting relatives and friends in Fort Worth.

E. S. Sharp, an attorney of Groesbeck, Texas, is in the city on legal business.

A lot of nice fish was brought in from the Clear Fork the other day and sold readily.

Col. J. M. Kirby of Seymour was visiting his old Young county friends this week.

Eld. Dan Carpenter will preach at Blount school house on the second Sunday in June.

Lee Lasater of Ming Bend was a visitor in town Saturday. He says the prospects are good.

You can save money by getting our prices before buying elsewhere.
FORD BROTHERS.

H. M. Jones of Elm creek was in town Saturday. Henry says he is working mighty hard and has a fine crop.

A pleasant musicale was enjoyed at the residence of J. T. Cunningham Saturday night and was largely attended.

The Graham and Throckmorton base ball teams cross bats here next Saturday. Considerable interest is manifested by lovers of this sport.

E. H. Wade, agent and operator for the Santa Fe at Allen Farm, came up last week on a visit to relatives and friends, returning on Monday's stage.

The magnificent rain of Monday came just at the right time to keep the crops moving onward and upward. The rainfall thus far this season has been ample and judiciously distributed.

Ben Moore of Finis was in town last Saturday and says the reports of the hail have not been exaggerated in the least; that it is impossible to get into his oat or wheat fields and determine what crop was on the ground before the hail.

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SHUMAKER BROS.

Ewell Kutch, son of B. F. Kutch, was arrested by Sheriff Williams last Friday on a charge of horse theft from J. W. Taylor. He was arraigned before Justice Starrett Saturday, entered a plea of guilty and was committed to jail.

A severe hail storm visited Dil-lingham prairie last Wednesday evening and caused great destruction to crops. We learn that "Baldy" Bigham was the greatest sufferer, he having a large crop of corn, wheat and oats almost entirely destroyed.

The people on Fourth street were startled yesterday morning by what seemed to be an indistinct object floating through the air; but they afterward discovered that M. S. Handy was elated over the arrival of a new daughter and had just passed on his bicycle.

When you want dry goods buy them from a dry goods house. S. B. Street & Co's. is the only exclusive dry goods house in the city.

The fishing season is now on and scarcely a day passes but that some one may be seen wending their way to the romantic banks of Salt creek, with the hope of capturing some of the unsuspecting pollywogs that infest that mud-stained stream.

If our readers notice any improvement in THE LEADER this week they may attribute it to the absence of "the boss." He has gone to the Houston re-union and will also attend the commencement exercises of the Sam Houston Normal Institute, at Huntsville, before his return. We don't care how long he stays, for if new subscribers keep on coming in as they are now we may be able to excurt some too.

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Dr. R. N. Price and W. S. Mc-Jimsey and daughter, Miss Lelia, left this morning for Houston.

J. C. Fisher is looking rather gloomy these days, for the reason that Mrs. Fisher is visiting relatives in Weatherford.

I. H. Carmichael came in this morning and subscribed for THE LEADER. He says he is out of business now, having leased his shop, and wants a good paper to read.

The first time a girl gets engaged she wants all the world to be interested in it. The last time she hopes on the contrary, that nobody has "caught on."

The baby son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Street died yesterday afternoon after an illness of several days and will be interred in Oak Grove cemetery at 11 a. m. to-day. THE LEADER joins hosts of friends of the family in grieving with them in their great affliction.

Sheriff and Tax Collector H. C. Williams settled with the county last week, turning in all the taxes for 1894. He has clear receipts from the state and county, showing that he has made settlement in full. Our sheriff and his efficient office deputy, B. B. Garrett, have been prompt in this instance as in all others.

The Eliasville cornet band gave a concert at the court house Friday evening which was well patronized by our people. The band boys, individually and collectively, are quite clever and their entertainment was of a high order. Graham is proud of the Eliasville band; because it makes the finest music and its members are Young county boys.

A telegram was received here Monday from A. R. McDonald, at Amarillo, announcing the death of Mr. Jas. M. Birdwell, Mr. McDonald arrived with the remains last night, which will be interred in Oak Grove cemetery this morning. Mr. Birdwell was an old citizen of this county and his death is lamented by a large number of relatives and friends.

The commissioners' court last week levied the county taxes for this year as follows: For general county purposes, 25 cents; special repair, 8 cents; road and bridge, 15 cents; bond interest and sinking fund, 6 cents—making the total county tax 54 cents. The state ad-valorem is 25 cents and the state school tax is 20 cents, making the total state and county tax 99 cents on the \$100. The state poll tax is \$1.50 and the county poll 25 cents.

Just received at J. E. Morrison & Co's. a nice line of new goods, including Gingham, Chambrays, Challies and Ducks. We would be pleased to sell you.

New subscribers are continually coming in and the cash almost invariably comes too. Our subscription list is increasing more rapidly than ever before in the history of the paper. THE LEADER is glad to note this fact, for it indicates that the people appreciate a live home paper, and that times are not too hard nor money so scarce for them to pay for it. Advertisers should remember this and place their advertising where it will do the most good.

Dr. G. H. LeGrande's barn was discovered on fire about 3 o'clock Monday morning and before any effective resistance could be made the building, together with about 150 bushels of corn and a lot of oats and cotton, seed was entirely consumed. The Doctor rescued his horses with much difficulty. He has no idea as to the origin of the fire, unless it was the work of an incendiary, as he nor no member of his family uses tobacco and have no occasion to carry matches. The loss amounts to several hundred dollars with no insurance.

A business man of Graham inquired the other day if the Graham public school had any latin pupils. We presume that others are no better informed as to the advancement and work of the school; hence this statement is given: Latin 43, some have read Cæsar and Virgil; Algebra 90; Geometry 20; Trigonometry 6; Literature 47; Astronomy 17; Geology 12; Mental and Moral Science 6; Rhetoric 17; Arithmetic 224. In other common branches more than 200 students in each. Graham has a public school of which the teachers are proud. Nearly 300 have been enrolled, including the pupils in the private and public school departments.

Every reader can get a handsome briar pipe free. See advertisement of Duke's Mixture.

Epigrammatology.

The faults are the fewest
In Graham,
The homes look the newest
In Graham.

The skies are the fairest,
Old bachelors rarest,
And lies are the barest
In Graham.

The girls are the nicest
In Graham,
Their mamma's precisiest
In Graham.

The beaux are the boldest,
The old maids the oldest,
The "mashees" the coldest
In Graham.

The schools are the finest
In Graham,
The arts are divinest
In Graham.

The school-girls are dearest,
Professors severest,
And rules are the queerest
In Graham.

Grass widows are greenest
In Graham,
And wits are the keenest
In Graham.

The air is the purest,
And coquettes demurest,
But pleasure is surest
In Graham.

The small boys are brightest
In Graham,
Officers politest
In Graham.

The streets are the cleanest,
The mud is the meanest,
Hotel men are leanest
In Graham.

The skies are the clearest
In Graham,
The stars are the nearest
In Graham.

The hills are the steepest,
The hollows the deepest,
But goods are the cheapest
In Graham.

The old men are gayest
In Graham,
The "boys" are the grayest
In Graham.

The papers are brightest,
The street lamps the lightest,
The people the "whitest"
In Graham.

The streets are the longest
In Graham,
The breezes blow strongest
In Graham.

The flowers are sweetest,
The homes are the neatest,
The stores the "completest"
In Graham.

Bronchos are wildest
In Graham,
And officers mildest
In Graham.

But skies are the bluest,
And folks are the truest,
While tramps are the fewest
In Graham.

The people are merriest
In Graham,
The happiest, cheeriest
In Graham.

The beggars are meekest,
The stock is the sleekest,
And—wags are the weakest
In Graham.

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A very polite young man, wishing to ask a young lady if he might speak to her a few moments wanted to know "if he could run the wheel of conversation around the axle-tree of her understanding a moment?" The poor girl fainted.

Quite a crowd of Young county people were bustling around Sunday getting ready to start to Houston to attend the re-union. Among those who went were W. C. Crilkinson, J. S. Timmons, A. W. Coffman, I. H. Jones, T. A. Wright, A. B. Median, wife and grand-daughter, R. E. Mabry and wife, W. M. Matthews, P. A. Martin, Dr. R. N. Price, N. J. Timmons, J. W. Graves, J. C. Short, J. H. Wood, Misses Nina Arnold and Nettie Short, J. B. Norris, R. C. McPhail, J. A. Dixon, A. A. Timmons, L. P. Brooks, A. T. Gay, F. W. G. and daughter, J. T. Sibley, J. L. Payne, W. L. Donnell, J. J. Dawes, Tom Donnell, G. W. Souther, R. Lindsey and Wils Copeland.

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to all.

that immense
was duly calculated to evoke its latent slumbers; no verses however were found among the remains, but Prof. A. E. Davis and Kirtley were on hand.

A touching little speech from Rev. W. M. Goode introduced these gentlemen and the audience organized by electing P. P. Stone chairman for the day and J. W. Timmons secretary. A soul stirring song was then rendered, followed by an earnest prayer from Bro. Goode, after which Prof. Kirtley, with Prof. Davis at the organ, gave us some as fine rendering of sacred music as is usually heard—all home talent, too.

At 11:30 Bro. Goode gave us a sensible, feeling sermon; the only objection being heard was that it was too short. Miss Beulah Wood by request, presided at the organ, and while that grand old song, "There is a Fountain Filled With Blood," was being rendered many eyes were moistened with tears.

At the close of the sermon the multitude adjourned to a brush arbor nearby for dinner. Some uneasiness was evinced as to us having sufficient rations on hand; but when the immense amount of food was exhibited all doubts vanished instantly. As everybody cooperated to make the occasion a decided success individual allusions would be invidious. Our visiting brethren returned their sincere thanks and warmest appreciation of our kindness to them during their stay in our midst, and we reciprocated by unanimously inviting them to come again in the near future.

Graham was well represented. Glad to see you every second Sunday. Everybody who may come among us will find a hearty welcome.

To Teachers.
The attention of the teachers of Young county is called to the following circular and they will please be advised accordingly.

J. W. TIMMONS, Co. Judge.
Austin, Tex., May 16.—To county superintendents: Section 65 of the school laws designates the third Friday and Saturday of August as the dates for holding one of the county examinations. But the examinations are required only "if necessary," to quote the words of the statute.

It has been decided to hold two summer normal examinations this year, one closing on July 19 and the other closing August 16. It is believed, therefore, that it will not be "necessary" to hold any county examination on the third Friday and Saturday of August. Unless some necessity not now anticipated should arise requiring the August county examination, no questions for it will be issued by this department and the examination will be dispensed with.

You will therefore please give the teachers of your county notice of the purpose just announced, so that all who may wish to take a county examination before September can take advantage of the June examination.

In the meanwhile, if you are informed of any circumstances rendering the August county examinations necessary in your judgment, kindly advise me at your earliest convenience. Most respectfully,
J. M. CARLISLE,
State Superintendent.

To arrive next week: A nice assortment of Laces, Children's Lace Caps, Tam O'Shanter Hats, etc. Come to see our stock; we are here to please you.
J. E. MORRISON & Co.

Ice Cream.
For Ice Cream, Fresh Bread and all kinds of Cake, call on ELY at the Old Federal Court House.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Parents, have your children's teeth examined. It costs nothing and may save them trouble and you expense.
W. A. MORRIS, D. D. S.

Review special branches. Learn book-keeping. Make yourself a better teacher. Prepare for the high school by taking a course of study in the special summer session of Graham High School, Graham, Texas. Begins June 3rd, 1895, and continues ten weeks. For terms, board, particulars of course of study, etc., apply to
J. N. JOHNSTON or
H. FOWLER.

How It May Be Done.

"Miss Mansard," said the head of the business house to his pretty stop stenographer, "have you written first-class letters to delinquent debtors?"

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The most successful cure known for the continually treating and curing the gravest cases of Whiskey Habitués, if weeks time, and leaving my patients sound and well. This treatment removes entirely all desire and craving for liquor. You certainly are interested in the welfare of some good friend whom you wish restored to his manhood and friends; so write me enclosing stamp for pamphlet containing particulars and an abundance of testimonials. I dictate while here are very much benefited. Treat use of our famous mineral waters old friend; Reference, by permission, to the LEADER, who know I assure Treatment. Dr. M. B. KETTER, Mineral Wells, Texas.

A Walking ADVERTISEMENT.

"In February, 1862, I had six hemorrhages from the lungs, and for some months was under the care of two doctors, and finally went to Denver, but returned without any benefit to my health. I then read of your treatment, and sent for some, from which I felt great relief, and have continued using it steadily up to the present time, with good results."

"I am certain your treatment has been the means of restoring my health. I have added fifteen pounds to my weight and am still gaining, have a good appetite and sleep well. In fact, I can conscientiously say I am a walking advertisement for your treatment."

J. FALLON, 154 South Green St., Chicago, Illinois.

"Please accept my sincere gratitude for the restored life of happiness and health and vigor and usefulness that the Compound Oxygen has certainly given me."

"For the encouragement of unfortunate sufferers from ill-health, I should like to state briefly the relief the Compound Oxygen has given me."

"While I was considered a healthy child, I was known to be dyspeptic from babyhood. It was suggested that I should use Compound Oxygen, three boxes, thirty days treatment, \$2.00, or sent direct upon receipt of price. SENT SIX TWO-CENT STAMPS FOR SAMPLE BOX, BOOKLET AND PROOFS FREE. Eureka Chemical & Manufacturing Company, Manufacturing Chemists, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

