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### County Correspondence.

#### Salem News.

WRITTEN FOR LAST WEEK. The farmers are all busy plowing, making ready for planting corn. I believe the most of the men in our neighborhood have their corn land broken, and some are done breaking cotton land. The wheat is looking fine. I think from the prospects now, we will have plenty of biscuit next year.

W. L. Gilmore and A. A. Lax's oats are up; they have a good stand. J. M. Bryan and D. C. Brooks have sowed oats, but they have not come up yet.

Mrs. Melie Bigham and Miss Georgie Jewell went to Graham Friday evening and returned Sunday.

The young people enjoyed a singing at Mr. and Mrs. Criswell's Sunday evening.

Bob Patterson has returned home; he has been working for Mr. Hawkins in Archer county for the past two months.

Hosea Jones and Pink Shannon visited Salem Sunday evening.

Miss Ina Bryan, who has been sick for several days with pneumonia, is improving very fast.

We have a very good Sunday School now, and hope to see more attend, as the weather is getting warm.

Bro. White is our preacher; he preaches the second Sunday in each month. The people all like him splendid. He is a fine preacher and a good man.

Our school is getting on nicely under the management of Miss Georgie Jewell.

Elmer Criswell returned Saturday from a visit to relatives and friends in Parker county.

Mrs. J. S. McLaren has been very sick with la grippe, but is better now.

I cannot say as much for our League as Daisy Bell. Our League has been dead for sometime.

Mr. Pickett is very sick; had the Dr. called in to see him Sunday.

We were very glad to see Messrs. Brooks and McLaren out at Sunday School.

Mr. and Mrs. Williamson visited Mr. Birdwell and family Sunday.

C. H. Ledbetter has plowed his corn. Messrs. Criswell, Patterson and Uncle Andy Gilmore are planting to-day.

Most of the people have been gardening; but think there is plenty of time yet, as winter has not gone.

Wonder what Bob Bryan was Sunday? Well, I suppose he was fishing on Long Hollow.

Our school will close the third week in April.

I wonder what ail our friend Marv, is it because he has had the la grippe makes him look so pale or is it because some one goes to Bitter-Creek so often.

I would not be surprised if we did not have a wedding in our bend before many years. I do not think Mr. Mitt is coming down this way so often for nothing.

If this escapes the waste basket, perhaps you will hear from Salem again.

TEXAS.

#### From Farmer.

Business still very good. Hurrah for McKinley, Kuba and Korbet.

Our vicinity is most clear of sickness at present.

F. M. Hefner and daughter of South Prairie are guests of J. B. West and wife this week.

Stanley Keen of Chico and sister, Mrs. Edwards, of Antelope, are guests of J. M. Keen and wife this week.

Greer Davidson passed through here enroute to his home near Ryan I. T.

Luther Joyner of Archer county, was visiting here this week.

Willie Benson made a flying trip to Belknap this week.

Zearl Steen passed here Friday enroute to his father's place near Graham.

Joe Fisher of Indian Mound, was visiting their daughter, Mrs. E. W. Drum here this week.

J. D. Spencer made a flying business trip to Archer county this week.

Miss Jennie Drum of Olney, was visiting here this week.

Messrs. McNew and Hayter have just returned from Wichita Falls, where they have been after freight.

Will Simmons of Wichita county, was visiting here this week.

Mrs. Rhea and daughter of South Prairie are visiting M. W. Rogers' family this week.

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Do you appreciate a saving? Then try us.

#### All who want Fresh, Standard Medicines, School Books, new or second-hand, Stationery of any kind, Toilet Articles or Notions, at lowest possible figures, should call on G. G. KING at the Post Office Building.

Our stock of Tobacco is complete. If you want a good article at a low price come and see us.

A. R. McDONNELL & Co.

J. B. Norris returned Tuesday from St. Louis. He says money matters are easier in St. Louis than for years.

J. E. Morrison & Co., have just received a car of corn; get prices before buying.

Ford Bros. is the place to get cheap Groceries—cheapest in the West.

Goods up to date—prices down to zero.

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If you buy for cash get Jno. E. Morrison & Co's prices.

#### For Sale or Trade.

I have for sale 20 head of good horses and a pair of good gentle, well broke work mules, six years old. Will give a bargain or will trade for cattle or a small place near town. Apply to W. C. BURNS, Graham, Texas.

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W. C. Portery, who is boring a well for Prof. Johnson, fell on an oil can last Saturday, and was badly hurt, but is now able to be out.

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The hunters are all successful—Virgil Willis captured a large wild cat last week. It seems from the frequent hunts of the other boys, some one else would like a similar honor.

Mr. Rob Turner is fencing a big pasture —15 acres. He has been keeping "back" for some time past, but is getting tired of it, so the girls and widows may look out.

Miss Nancy Holly, who has been sick for several weeks, is better.

Mrs. Bourland is improving.

Mrs. J. G. Hill is visiting grandma Rogers this week.

Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Lewis visited Mrs. I. B. Padgett last week and attended the exhibition.

Mrs. James Holly and family visited her sister, Mrs. Whitford, last Saturday.

Mr. Stone, of Stephens county, attended the services of the Baptist church Saturday.

Mrs. McLeod and family of Bryan, visited Mr. and Mrs. Colwell lately.

Miss Snodgrass, of Jack county, who has been visiting Mrs. Bourland, returned home Sunday.

John Rogers of Tomk Valley, visited relatives in this community Saturday and Sunday.

Aunt Martha Holly sent to town last Wednesday, accompanied by Miss Mary and Willie Willis and Mrs. Ann Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fields and family came out to attend the exhibition of the Oklahoma school Thursday night. Miss Mary Fields has just closed a successful term and had a splendid exhibition.

Mrs. A. B. Melian, Mrs. Corneila Timmons and Mr. T. E. Timmons visited relatives and friends Saturday and Sunday.

Quite a number from the Ridge attended the singing at Mr. Carlton's Sunday night and report a pleasant time.

The crowd that attended the Oklahoma exhibition last week say everything was good.

Mrs. Ann Brogdon, Mr. T. E. Bagwood and Miss May Bagwood have gone to Wichita to meet their aunt and cousin, Mrs. Hendrix and son, from Tennessee, who will visit relatives in this county.

Bros. Howard, Parsons and Hamilton of this county, held services at the school house last Saturday night.

Dr. Luke Price visited the school Wednesday afternoon and made quite an interesting lecture on physiology. The school was well pleased with his lecture, and he invited him to come again.

Our merchants received a new supply of goods last week, they then began trying to undersell each other. They sold good syrup for 25 cents per gallon and gave their customers a jug besides.

Dr. Parrott, one of Elliasville's oldest citizens, is suffering with very sore eyes. We are glad to report that grandma DeLong is improving.

Mrs. G. R. Parker is also improving slowly.

W. W. Parker and family, of South Bend, visited M. F. Parker last week.

Miss Arlie Davis visited the school this week. Miss May Payne of South Bend also visited us.

Some of the young folks attended a gum-chewing and musical at Dr. Luke's on Wednesday night. They also attended a sociable at Ford Parker's Saturday night and were treated to some excellent music on the violin by Charlie Smith; but Charlie is with us no longer; he is working on Mr. Baker's ranch, ten miles north of here. Somebody says she misses his bright smiles and big feet.

Donnell Bros. are having some work done on the river bank near their mill.

Irwin and Lewis Cunningham stepped school last week to plant corn. Lewis has the reputation of laying off straighter rows than anybody, especially when he is working for his girl's papa. That's right, Lewis, keep on the good side of the old folks.

A number of Young county's most prominent citizens met here Saturday to make some arrangements about building the much talked of telephone from here to Graham via South Bend. They decided Elliasville has been shut off to herself long enough and arrangement are being made to commence work on the line as soon as possible. Then we can hear from President McNew every day.

Will Davis said he grubbed up his last stump Friday. He intends going to Mexico to grow up with the country.

Several of the young people attended a birthday dinner given by Miss Una Lacy on Sunday, and they had a merry time.

President Larry has decided that if we keep up to date with our singing we must have a supply of new books. He is making arrangements to buy at least four dozen.

Dear school mates: When you gaze toward the dense cloudy west, And see the bright light fading, Just reflect one thought upon the past, And remember who went fishing. ZARETH.

Center Ridge.

The grass is fine now. We had a splendid shower of rain Sunday, which was just what gardens and grass needed.



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The element of uncertainty is the main charm of life.

People are apt to imagine that a man who is good-natured does not work.

Of all ordinary things, the worst is a stinky pie that is long on crust and short on filling.

The right kind of a man gains strength from failure, and does not let success breed ineffectiveness.

It pays better to tell the truth and lose temporarily than to state falsehood and lose permanently.

The most hopeless bankrupts are those who have failed in trying to borrow brains enough to run their business.

A monkey farm has been established in Florida. This explains why the Cuban war news from that state has been so unreliable.

It is believed a good many suicide clubs will be formed when the minimum amount of capital required by a national bank is fixed at \$20,000.

Wild Hog.—Sloux' brave, has left the reservation and gone to New York to study civilization. He had likely heard the boys reading about the Secretary.

The talk about putting inventors on the government's paper money has been had for inventor McCormick in that it has brought out an assertion that he did not invent his paper. Many an inventor is in oblivion while some richer man is getting the game that belongs to him.

A New York man called on a magistrate the other day and asked for a writ to compel his wife to support him. When the request was refused he volunteered the statement that he "might just as well not be married at all if there is no way to compel a woman to do her duty." Is this the "new man"?

The freedmen of the Cherokee nation will soon be paid their share of the strip money. There are 4,470 of them. They are building a pay house at which they are to receive their portions. They are also making plans to entertain the visitors and sightseers. It will be one of the most notable gatherings ever held in the territory.

The sacred power of a minister ... to kiss his service ... week. Charles ... made Mrs. Comin in the good ... Hooster fashion. Then Comin gave ... a bill for ... doctor bill ...

... speaking in his pulpit ... have interference to the often ... repeated declaration that no man ever ... money ... His mistake was in neglecting to specify ... The statement would perhaps be true that no man ever ... earned a million dollars laying bricks, but it is also true that a man could honestly earn a million dollars ... in a school, and home as a type of heaven.

And in the first place I remark that home is a powerful test of character. The disposition in public may be in gay costume, while in private it is in dishabille. In the background and starting from the front. No Sabbath-day rolling over that doorkill, vestibule of the pit, shadow of infernal walls. Furnace for forging everlasting chains. Fagots for an unending funeral pile. In the center of the hall, with a cypress tree, it speaks with a death-agony of despair. The word "home" in the one case means everything bright. The word "home" in the other case means everything terrific.

According to the recent annual report of Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries, more than 48,000,000 shad eggs were collected, and from these 43,000,000 fry were planted into streams emptying into the Atlantic ocean and the Gulf of Mexico. The increase in shad eggs collected was 20,000,000 over the previous year, and if a bill before congress is enacted into law auxiliary stations will be established on most of the important rivers of the Atlantic coast, and result in an immense increase in the output of this species. The output of lobsters fry was 97,000,000 against 75,000,000 for the previous year, and Commissioner Brice says that there is little doubt that the output in 1902 will be increased more than 100 per cent. While the attempt to keep up the constantly decreasing supply of mackerel along the New England coast was more or less experimental, 34,000,000 eggs were collected. Thirty-one million tautog clam eggs were collected in Buzzard's bay and 17,000,000 fry were liberated from them.

An exchange states that France has lately been flooded with foreign copper coins, especially those of Greece and the Argentine Republic. This has brought about a serious crisis, leading to riots and fights in Lyons and Marseilles. The matter has been held before the chamber, but the government, although taking prohibitive measures against the circulation of foreign copper coins, refused to be held responsible. The municipal council of Bordeaux has just passed a resolution calling upon the government to withdraw the money from circulation by paying it at par.

One of William Waldorf Astor's cousins is a servant girl in a Missouri hotel. Mr. Astor has gone to England to live because, he said, "a gentleman cannot live in America." Since his chambermaid relative has inherited a fortune she may join her aristocratic cousin and need some one of the royal blood of Europe.

Up to date no one has recalled the fact, it seems, that Congressman Riley of Missouri kicked the stuffing out of Congressman Money in a committee room at Washington last winter.

The Indiana Women's Christian Temperance Union has inaugurated a movement against the deadly cigarette and one every county in the state is being circulated which will be presented to the legislature, praying for a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarette in Indiana.

An Indiana statesman advocates a state tax on whiskies. But any scheme like that which creates an evasive tax, even if a dose shave, would be a bare-faced outrage.

## TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"HARBOR OF HOME." LAST SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

Text: "Go Home to Thy Friends, and Tell Them How Great Things the Lord Hath Done for Thee."—From Book of Mark, Chapter 5, Verse 10.

HERE are a great many people longing for some grand sphere in which to serve God. They admire Luther at the Diet of Worms, and only wish that they had some such opportunity in which to display their Christian prowess. They admire Paul making Felix tremble and they only wish that they had some grand occasion in which to present righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come. All they want is an opportunity to exhibit their Christian heroism. Now the apostle comes to us and he practically says: "I will show you a place where you can exhibit a grand and beautiful and glorious in Christian character, and that is the domestic circle."

If one is not faithful in an insignificant sphere he will not be faithful in a resounding sphere. If Peter will not help you at the gate of the Temple, he will not be able to preach three thousand souls into the kingdom at the Pentecost. If Paul will not take pains to instruct in the way of salvation the sheriff of the Philippian district, he will never make Felix tremble. He who is not faithful in a kitchen would not be faithful in an Armageddon. The fact is, we are all placed in just the position in which we ought not to be chiefly thoughtful about some sphere of usefulness which we may after awhile gain, but the all-absorbing question with you and with me ought to be: "Lord, what wilt thou have me (now and here) to do?"

There is one word in our text around which the most of our thoughts will to-day revolve. The word is HOME. Ask ten different men the meaning of that word and they will give you ten different definitions. To one it means love at the hearth, it means plenty at the table, industry at the workstand, intelligence at the books, devotion at the altar. To him it means a greeting at the door and a smile at the chair. Peace hovering like wings, joy clapping its hands with laughter. Life a tranquil lake. Piled upon the ripples sleep the shadows. Ask another man what home is, and he will tell you it is want, looking out of a cheerless fire-grate and leading hunger in his only breadwinner. The damp air shivering with curses. No Bible on the shelf. Children, robbers and murderers in embryo. Vile songs their lullaby. Every face a picture of ruin. As in the background and starting from the front. No Sabbath-day rolling over that doorkill, vestibule of the pit, shadow of infernal walls. Furnace for forging everlasting chains. Fagots for an unending funeral pile. In the center of the hall, with a cypress tree, it speaks with a death-agony of despair.

The word "home" in the one case means everything bright. The word "home" in the other case means everything terrific. I shall speak to you of home as a test of character, home as a refuge, home as a political safeguard, home as a school, and home as a type of heaven.

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Reputation is only the shadow of character, and a very small shadow sometimes will cast a very long shadow. The lips may seem to drop myrrh and cassia, and the disposition to be as bright and warm as a sheaf of sunbeams, and yet they may only be a wretched stock of goods. There is many a man who is affable in public life and amiable in private, who in a social way may be a gentleman, and whose name is on the lips of all, but whose heart is a cold and hard as ice. The reason men do not display their better temper in public is because they do not want to be knocked down. There are many who are so proud and so self-righteous, that they will not let their irritability just for the name's sake, and they do not let their notes go to protest; it does not pay. Or for the same reason that they do not want a man in their stock company to sell his stock at less than the right price, lest it depreciate the value. As at sunset the wind rises, so after a sunny day there may be a tempestuous night. There are people who in public act the philanthropist, who at home act the Nero, with respect to their slippers and their gown.

Audubon, the great ornithologist, with gun and pencil, went through the forests of America to bring down and to sketch the beautiful birds, and after years of toil an exposure of some of his manuscript and put it in a trunk in Philadelphia for a few days of recreation and rest, and came back and found that the rats had utterly destroyed the manuscript, but without any discomposure and without any fret or bad temper, he again picked up his gun and pencil and visited again all the great forests of America and reproduced his immortal work. And yet there are people with the in-the-shoulder part that those who are utterly irreconcilable, who, at the loss of a pencil or an article of raiment, will blow as long and sharp as a northeast storm.

Now that man who is affable in public and who is irritable in private, making a fraudulent overture of stock, and he is as bad as a bank that might have four or five hundred thousand dollars of bills in circulation with no specie in the vault. Let us learn to be choicely plenty at home. If we have it not there we have it not anywhere. If we have not genuine grace in the family circle, all our outward and public plausibility merely springs from a fear of the world or from the slimy, putrid pool of our own selfishness. I tell you the home is a mighty test of character. What you are at home you are everywhere, whether you demonstrate it or not.

At our best estate we are only pilgrims and strangers here. Heaven is our home. Death will never come at the door of that mansion, and in all that country there is not a single grave. How glad parents are in holiday time to gather their children home again! But I have noticed that almost always there is a son or daughter absent from home, perhaps absent from the country, perhaps absent from the world. Oh, how glad our heavenly Father will be when He gets all His children home with Him in heaven! And how delighted it will be to see them and sisters to meet after long separation! Once they parted at the door of the tomb; now they meet at the door of immortality. Once they saw only "through a glass, darkly," now they see "face to face," corruption, incorruption, mortality, immortality. Where are now all their sins and sorrows and troubles? Overwhelmed in the Red Sea of death while they passed through dryland.

Again, I remark that home is a refuge. Life is the longest and the most anxious on the national road to Mexico, a long march with ever and anon a skirmish and a battle. At eventide we pitch our tent and stack our arms; we hang up the war cap and lay our heads on the knapsack; we sleep until the morning bugle calls us to marching and action. How pleasant it is to rehearse the victories and the surprises and the vicissitudes of the day, seated by the still camp-fire of the home circle.

Yea, life is a stormy sea. With shivering masts and torn sails and hulk aloak, we put into the harbor of home. Blessed harbor! there we go for repairs in the dry dock of quiet life. The candle in the window is to the loving man the lighthouse guiding him into port. Children go forth to meet their fathers as pilots at the Narrows take the hand of ships. The door-sill of the home is the wharves where heavy life is unladen.

There is the place where we may talk of what we have done without being charged with self-adulation. There is the place where we may lounge with- out being thought ungraceful. There is the place where we may enjoy perfection without being thought silly. There is the place where we may forget our annoyances and exasperations and troubles. Forlorn earth-pilgrim! do not go home! That is better than the home of a brighter and grander and more glorious than this world with no tent from marchings, with no harbor from the storm, with no place to rest from this scene of greed and guile and loss and gain. God pity the man or woman who has no home to get you no hint of cheerfulness from grasshopper's leap and lamb's frisk, and quail's whistle, and garrulous streamlet, which, from the rock at the mountain-top clear down to the meadow ferns under the shadow of a steep, comes looking for the steepest place to leap off at, and talking just to hear itself talk! If all the skies hurried with tempest, and everlasting storm wandered over the sea, and every mountain stream, west ravine, and across frothing at the mouth with mad foam, and there were nothing but simoons blowing among the hills, and there were neither lark's carol nor humming bird's trill, nor waterfall's dash; only their hoarse, and panther's roar, and wild bird's howl, then you might well gather into your homes only the shadows. But when God has strewn the earth and the heavens with beauty and with gladness, let us take unto our homes to the cheerful, all-glorious, and all good cheer. A dark, and all pines and oaks and bad girls, in preparation for bad men and bad women.

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Alanson Debt, a master of art, went walking down Broadway with joy in his heart. When he, at the corner of Madison Square, encountered John Bookack o u n t taking air.

A sinking action he felt, tout de suite, his heart went to flutter and sink to his feet. For Bookack grinned and observed: "Oay, Just pay me than I loaned you last May."

"Oh, Bookack, o n," stammered Alanson, "Why ruthlessly dig the bones of the past? The note that you're to be changed on the day. Heaven knows where is now—I'm sure I do not."

"My washwoman must ha got some of the cash. At least seven



CARRHIAL BRONCHITIS

W. T. Powell, Editor and Publisher of the Clarington "Independent"

W. T. Powell, Clarington, Ohio, writes as follows: "Permit me, in this connection, to state (unnoticed) what you wonder at."

My head was in a terrible condition and my lungs were badly affected. I coughed almost constantly. For two months I tried our local physicians, all the cough medicines I could hold, and many other remedies which were recommended to me.

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INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate Their Dairy and Poultry.

On the exchange of the Farmers' Review, a prominent Scotch veterinarian, in the discussion following a paper read by him at the New-castle Farmers' club on the subject of tuberculosis, stated his belief that 999 human beings out of every 1,000 that became affected by tuberculosis are infected from tuberculous human beings.

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SHORTHORN HEIFER QUEEN OF HEARTS. The wedding day dawned dark and cold. The sky above was one still, gray cloud, but around us everything was clad in the white of freshly fallen snow.

Major Shiras, of Cores. Famous old Gov. Henry A. Wise, of Virginia, was directly or indirectly the source of many a good story. Here is one that I do not think has found its way into print.

Name of Turkey. The name "turkey" is supposed to have been given the famous American bird by the English people that first brought it, they being under the impression that the bird came from the country of that name.

Advantages in Feeding. A dairy expert says: A man can concentrate more skill and labor in a ton of butter, which at twenty-five cents will net him \$500, than he can in a ton of hay.

Poultry Raising Requires Patience. The farmer's wife has more patience and industry in her make-up, and for good reason also seems to have more knowledge.

Do not spare manure where it is wanted. Attend the horticultural conventions.

RENO COUNTY RHEUMATISM

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Wild Goose Oil pos... Wild Goose Oil pos...

A new court house to be built at Eastland, the cost not to exceed \$50,000.

Gold mines have been reported discovered in Burnet county near Marble Falls.

Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher died at Stamford, Conn., recently, being in her 85th year.

A California inventor has perfected a device to generate power from ocean waves.

A tornado destroyed two churches at Hope Ark., and damaged several other buildings.

Electoral Governor Jester is in the race for the gubernatorial nomination.

It is said the new administration will send a warship to Havana.

The new postmaster general has eight marriageable daughters.

H. Clay Evans, of Tennessee, is to be the new commissioner of pensions. This is an excellent appointment.

The assignment law is about as hard a nut to crack as the Legislature has had to deal with, and it is still hanging fire.

Gen. Powell Clayton of Arkansas, will be the minister to Mexico under the McKinley administration.

The big fight between Cortes and Pilsimmons came off last Wednesday. We have not learned the result.

High waters have caused breaks in the levees on the Mississippi river in many places, and much damage has been done.

Negro republicans are very much in evidence and should be in demand on the new administration.

In Missouri serious damage has been done to railway tracks by the flood, and much property has been lost.

It takes a thief to catch a thief, is an adage that should be remembered by those who are so quick to discover evil in others.

Atlanta Convention: The Ohio suffrage-looker is not only more numerous, but more successful than ever.

At the number of sudden deaths... At the number of sudden deaths...

At Malvest, Mo., two editors, Col. Redman and G. B. Kelley, had a fight. One was fined \$5 and the other turned loose on the community.

A Spanish officer called Consul General Lee a liar and a coward, but the Spanish was many miles away from Gen. Lee, and had a good chance to get further off if necessary required.

The legislature will probably now be a little more energetic in disposing of business, as the pay roll has been cut more than one half. It seems that a few have endeavored to hurry up the adjournment day, but others possibly were not so anxious.

In Johnson county the voters got up an election to abolish it and opt in the county. The vote last Thursday gave the pro a majority of 167. Johnson county has tried to opt two years and has now adopted it for two years more.

The redistricting of the state has proved a boon in the opinion of the legislative body at Austin, and if it succeeds in discharging the work to the satisfaction of all concerned, the members of the Twenty-sixth Legislature will go down in history as the most diplomatic corps of men ever assembled at the capital.

Hon. J. W. Bailey of Texas was selected by the democratic members of the house of representatives as their leader in the fifty-fifth congress. Before he ever had one, and that in the case of Henry Clay, has a young man been elevated in the American congress to the height which he now occupies, and it may be also said that seldom, if ever, has any man of his age been placed in a more responsible position.

A dispatch from Guthrie announces that Gov. Beaufort has signed a bill empowering the commissioners of Greer county to sell 5000 acres of school lands in Cochran and Hardeman counties at \$1 an acre. This tract of land was surveyed and located for Greer county under the supposition that Greer was Texas territory. The law which granted school lands to the several counties did not contemplate rendering assistance to the cause of education in Oklahoma or any other state or territory, and certain it is that it has been decided that Cochran and Hardeman counties should revert to the state—Dallas News.

There is no glory in running a newspaper. It is simply a means adopted by the publisher for making a living, notwithstanding many people convey the idea that the publisher's health is the sole purpose of his daily toil and sweat. People who are all the time criticizing the newspapers know nothing of the worry and toil connected with the publishing and they should be less profuse in their objections or else buy out a paper and show the world just what it has been missing by reason of the fact that these self-satisfied people have not been in the business longer—Ex.

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Don't Sign Them.

It is not unlikely that Republican applicants for the office of postmaster here will ask our citizens to sign petitions recommending their appointment, on the ground that McKinley will certainly dismiss all Democratic appointees anyhow that the community will merely have a choice among rival Republican aspirants. In a number of Mississippi towns this stratagem has been successfully used to obtain democratic signatures.

But there is no reason to believe that the President-elect contemplates any sweeping changes in the postoffices. On the contrary he has emphatically declared himself in favor of civil service reform, which means that Democratic as well as Republican postmasters, who are faithful to their duties and acceptable to the community will be allowed to remain until the expiration of their terms. If, however, he should be confronted with a republican petition, largely signed by democrats, he would naturally infer that the democratic incumbent was objectionable, and might probably consider such signatures as sufficient cause for making a change.

Our citizens should therefore be on their guard when any petition of the kind is presented to them. If they refuse their signatures, it is morally certain that Mrs. Hastings, our competent and popular postmistress, will not be disturbed by the new administration; whereas her tenure of the office will be seriously endangered if our people, taking it for granted that a change is inevitable, allow themselves to be entrapped into endorsing any republican aspirant for the place.

Port Gibson Reville. Ben Tillman.

Senator Tillman has again disturbed the equanimity of that staid body, called by some the United States Senate, and by others the "American millionaire's club," though there are several senators who are not yet millionaires.

He told the senators that the corruption manifested in the armor plate contracts could be accounted for on no other hypothesis than that the trusts had paid agents on the floor of the senate. At this Senator Hawley of Connecticut got mad, turned pale, trembled, said it was false and retired to the cloak room to cool off, while the impudent Tillman, pointing his finger at the retiring form of the late senator, remarked, "How the gelled jade winces!" It is needless to say the senate was awfully shocked, and that the "great dailies" will denounce the South Carolina senator as a bold, bad man.

Nevertheless, when he closed his speech a motion to amend the naval appropriation bill by substituting \$300 for \$400 per ton as the price to be paid for armor plate, carried by a good majority.

This would cut down the profits of the steel trust on the plate contracts from 200 to 150 percent. And there will go up a great howl about it. True Senator Tillman has but one eye, but he can see more with it than some senators could if they had half a dozen.—Farm and Ranch.

Congressman Joe Bailey says the civil service law is a humbug. Mr. Bailey is by no means alone in this opinion.

Over 400 diamonds are known to have been recovered from the ruins of Babylon. Many are uncut, but most are polished on one or two sides.

The assignment bill and the fee bill has been reigning supreme in the state legislature.

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