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## GRAND OPENING!!!

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### Red Top Ripples.

We had a fine rain this week—stopped cotton picking; but plows are running.

There will be more wheat sown this fall than usual. The people realize that wheat is more profitable than cotton and easier raised.

Wednesday week Hayes Rutherford was badly hurt by a wild horse falling on him while out in a pasture with Zearl Steen. He was knocked senseless and lay there until Zearl could go and get help. He was not in his right mind until last Monday. No bones broken but head and shoulders hurt.

Dr. Price and wife were in our community last week trying their luck fishing. Think the Dr. had fisherman's luck.

Mr. Potts, grandpa Rutherford's son-in-law, has returned from the West, where he has been hunting a location, and is now gathering his cattle to take them West where he will locate.

No marriages to report this week. The boys are all going to school and the girls busy gathering the crops.

Quarterly conference met last Saturday and Sunday. Had a good attendance. D. R. Akin and P. A. Martin and families of Graham were among us Sunday. Bro. Daniels preached some able sermons.

Graham says she will pay Jacksboro prices for cotton. It is selling for five cents in Jacksboro; what is Graham going to do?

J. L. Steen sold and delivered a bunch of steers at Jacksboro last week.

We hear that A Bum of Salt Creek was in our community last week trying to rent land.

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### An Open Letter to Taylor.

Graham, Texas, Sept. 15th, 1898.

To Mr. R. E. TAYLOR, Candidate for District Attorney, 30th Judicial District, Archer City, Texas.

In the court house at Henrietta on the 12th inst. our opponent from Wichita, Mr. J. J. O'Neil, produced and read to a large audience the following letter which you admitted having written to the attorney of one Dan Hardy, charged with violation of the local option law in Archer county and being prosecuted by you as county attorney of that county:

"Archer City, Texas, 1-1-1898.

"HON. T. J. MONTGOMERY,  
Wichita Falls, Texas.

Dear Friend: Your favor came to hand in last night's mail and hasten to reply.

Dan Hardy came down to see me very late last night and wanted me to continue his case. I told him I was in such a place I could not do so very well, but on reading your letter I felt him to write you if it was absolutely impossible for you to come I was willing to favor you; but, Montgomery, Denny is *beefing like thunder* about this case and you have a good jury to try it before. Therefore, as those *cranky devils* are kicking so, I want to try the case and if you can possibly come please do so.

Of course I have agreed to one continuance and left Archer at Dan's request last court and he was to write you not to come and it was for him to continue that I left. Now, Jim, come over and let's try if possible and if the jury hangs again I will dismiss the case. Everything quiet. Yours, &c., R. E. TAYLOR."

In replying to Mr. O'Neil you stated in substance that you left Archer at the time mentioned, not to accommodate Hardy, but on account of your bad health. Now, as your opponent in this race, I deem it but just and fair that the public should have the full benefit of it and of your explanations as well. It is a rule of law, Mr. Taylor, which you may have heard of, that parol evidence or verbal testimony is inadmissible to contradict the terms of a written instrument, but the people are willing to give you a fair chance to explain. The particular points demanding explanation seem to be about these:

1. Why did "Dan" make his application to continue to you at a late hour at night instead of to the Court—was it because the Court, Judge Denny, was "beefing?"

2. What did Denny "beef" about? You have been quoting Denny as saying you were a vigorous prosecutor in local option cases.

3. Who are the "cranky devils" referred to—were they "beefing" like Denny and "kicking" because their county attorney would not try Daniel?

4. Why did you tell Montgomery that he had a good jury to try it before? Do you think a prosecuting officer should be advising counsel for the defendant about his jury?

5. Do you believe in granting continuances by consent at the request of a defendant and did you do that in "Dan's" case and did you leave town for him to continue as you stated in the letter to Dan's lawyer? If you did not do these things please inform us why in the name of the Olympian deities and little fishes you wrote Montgomery that you DID.

6. Is it not a fact that Montgomery took you at your word—came over and hung another jury and then you, figuratively speaking, let Daniel out of the lion's den by dismissing his case?

There is one more question in which the people are vitally interested. It is this: If you are elected District Attorney on the 8th of November, will you be as kind and indulgent toward those charged with offenses in the district courts as you were with Dan and his lawyer? Will you agree to continuances to accommodate defendants and their counsel and let the "cranky devils" who want the law enforced "kick" to their heart's content and regard not the "beefing" of the Judge?

I have hastened to write and publish this letter so as to give you ample time before the election to answer it as you see fit.

Hoping to meet you and Mr. O'Neil again shortly on the stump and renew the joint campaign, I subscribe myself,

Your Opponent from Young,  
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### Farmer Locals.

We had a good rain Monday.

Mrs. B. W. Drum went down to Indian Mound Thursday to attend the wedding ceremony of her sister, Miss Mary Fisher and Mr. Mart Hunter, Eld. W. P. Harmon officiating. The bride and groom spent a few days here last week. We learn that they will soon go to Collingsworth county to make their future home.

R. O. Hunt, editor of the Headlight, returned home after an absence of a few days at Fort Worth.

Miss Lou Huber visited her sister, Mrs. N. Gegg, Saturday.

W. R. Drum and wife visited Jacksboro last week and returned home with a bran new hack.

Prof. Underwood has resumed his duties in the school room after a few days illness.

B. B. Howard and family were in town Saturday having some pictures taken.

S. M. J. Benson has recently bought J. D. M. Martin's place.

B. W. Drum went to Bowie with cotton last week and reported the white fiber at a very low notch.

A. E. Oatman went to the Falls last week after lumber for the erection of a broom factory.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stator, Misses Gertie Donnell and Nettie Shearer were shopping in town Saturday.

Rev. Rushing of Olney, filled his regular appointment in the Presbyterian Church Sunday and Sunday night. A large crowd out to hear him.

Uncle Joe Benson, who lived northwest of Farmer, died Monday night. Bro. Benson has been here a long time, and has been a faithful servant. His remains was interred in the Farmer Cemetery Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Peters visited her mother of this place Saturday. Prof. Hardgraves and Herbert Bell went to Archer City Wednesday.

It is reported that our public roads are getting to be in a very bad condition, especially between here and Graham. Overseers should be watching their roads.

John Sells is on the sick list this week.

Grandma Casey has been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hunt went to Goose Neck Bend last week to attend the illness of her father, G. W. Fore.

We hear the wedding bells ring again, and look for the wedding here this appears in print.

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**TEXAS NEWS NOTES.**

Cuero has a hosiery factory which is claimed to be a success.

Diphtheria is reported at Leesville, one death having resulted.

The Terrell post office has been raised from a third to a second class post-office.

Rogers, Bell county, has an artesian well and will inaugurate a system of water works.

Corsicana's military institute is now under construction and is to be completed in November.

The revised scholastic census of Fort Worth shows 3818 children as against 9632 by the first census.

Leon Padrasa, a Mexican, has been jailed at Victoria on the charge of raping a Bohemian girl in that vicinity.

The negro cotton pickers around Ennis have struck for 50 cents per hundred. They have been getting 35 and 40 cents.

Robbers went to the home of Bill Spring, a wealthy citizen of Goodland, I. T., and held him up for \$1200 in gold coin.

Gatesville's compress has shut down, it is said, for the season, which sends Coryell cotton elsewhere for compress.

At Rouse's gin, near Forney, Kaufman county, Dave Schenewit had his arm ground to a pulp and died in much agony.

The scholastic census of Tyler for this year is 1704, an increase of 55 over last year. This is one of the few increases.

The free school incorporated district of Ganado has invited bids on a two-story high school building, to cost not exceeding \$1500.

M. D. Burnett, an old settler near Navasota, had his arms so badly lacerated in his gin that he died. He was 78 years old and an ex-confederate.

Harry Owens, the police officer who killed the soldier, Alexander Callaghan, at Galveston, has been discharged, the evidence showing he acted in self-defense.

Rudolph W. Staacke, aged 38 years, a prominent business man of San Antonio, suicided by cutting his throat with a razor. Ill health the supposed cause.

Pearce Keaton, charged with train robbery at Coleman in June, was convicted and given a nine-year term. Jeff Taylor pleaded guilty to the same offense.

In Dallas a swarm of bees settled on a trolley wire of one of the electric car lines. Every time a car passed the bees had to re-settle, until rescued by an apiarist.

The 2nd Texas infantry leave Jacksonville, Fla., on the 26th and will be mustered out at Dallas, where preparations are made for a rousing welcome to the boys.

Dr. R. H. Bush, an old citizen of Huntsville and for fifteen years physician at the penitentiary there, died very suddenly last week, after several months' feeble health.

Reports from Webster are that much preparations are being made there for planting a large acreage of strawberries this fall. One party is putting in twenty acres.

Rose Howard, a colored woman living near Ennis, was criminally assaulted while asleep the other night, and she could tell nothing of her assailant. She was badly bruised up.

Miss Bertha Rogg, 19 years old, died at Dallas a few days ago. She was to have been married very soon, and her wedding trousseau, which had already been prepared, has since been stolen.

In digging a well near Chambersville, Collin county, a Mr. Hargrove was overcome by air damp and died. Henry Coplinger almost lost his life in attempting to rescue his companion.

Children were playing in the yard with matches and paper, which they were lighting and tossing into the air, when the 5-year old daughter of Mr. David Goldman of Dallas was burned to death.

Mrs. Bony Simms, near Floresville, was shot while sitting at the supper table, by an assassin who stood on the outside in the dark and fired through a window. It is

thought she will recover. A suspect was arrested.

Attorney General Crane having ruled that an election could not be ordered to fill a vacancy caused by a resignation before the date such resignation became effective, Judge T. H. Connor of the 42nd judicial district resigned unconditionally, and was appointed by the gover to fill the vacancy thus made until his successor is elected at the general elections.

**STATE CAPITAL NOTES.**

**ASSESSMENT ROLLS.**

Roberts—Total values \$727,426; increase \$104,258.

San Augustine—Total values \$988,110; decrease \$34,276.

Frio—Total values \$2,103,129; increase \$118,123.

Lubbock—total values \$677,693; decrease \$59,061.

Val Verde—total values \$2,828,833; increase \$104,900.

Lamar—total values \$,818,248; decrease \$38,834.

Fort Bend, total values \$5,702,640; increase \$340,643.

Kaufman, total values \$7,881,272; increase \$5700.

Harrison, total values \$3,938,660; decrease \$112,595.

Fannin, total values \$9,768,520; increase \$150,740.

Cass—total values \$1,936,949; decrease \$77,821.

Brown—total values \$4,355,750; increase \$20,000.

Franklin—total values \$1,019,695; increase \$12,086.

Cooke—total values \$7,412,970; decrease \$32,135.

Karnes—total values \$3,520,866; decrease \$100,556.

Angelina—total values \$2,379,577; increase \$145,545.

Harris—total values \$30,296,460; decrease \$175,454.

**CHARTERS GRANTED.**

The South Texas Grain company of Houston; capital stock, \$6000.

People's House Furnishing company of Galveston; capital stock \$50,000.

The Commercial club of Georgetown, Williamson county; capital stock, \$500.

Ezrath Zion of Waco; no capital stock. To aid needy Israelites, and to aid in the colonization of Hebrews in Palestine.

Star and Crescent Oil company of Houston; capital stock \$60,000. To prospect for and to develop coal and other minerals.

The school census report of Denison under the new law shows only 2078, which will cut down its fund received from the state nearly \$4000 it is said.

The Ancient Order of Amoreans of Little Rock, Ark., have been refused permission to do business in Texas by the insurance department on the grounds that it is a regular life insurance company seeking to do business as a fraternal order.

The insurance department has refused a permit to do business in Texas to the National Aid association of Topeka, Kan., as a fraternal organization. The department held that this company is a regular assessment life insurance organization and could not enter as a fraternal order.

**Jim Bob Crow Case.**

Cameron, Sept. 17.—The case of the state vs. Jim Bob Crow, which was carried from Milam to McLennan county on a change of venue, has been set for the 22d of September. Judge Sam Scott refused to permit the issuance of further process, holding that the witnesses were under the court of this, the twentieth judicial district, and were bound to follow the case wherever it goes. This ruling caused some complaint among the witnesses, many of whom are ill able to pay railroad fare to Waco. Crow is on trial the third time for the alleged murder of Miss Mollie White on the San Gabriel river in this county in June, 1892.

A farmers' convention was held at Honey Grove, and a maximum rate of 40 cents for cotton picking was agreed to.

Gilmar Cheney, president of the Canadian Express company, and a "Pacific coast forty-niner," is dead at Montreal, aged 76 years.

**Killed By His Wife.**

Victoria, Sept. 17.—Theodore Malitz is dead, from the effects of a pistol shot wound inflicted by his wife Sunday night. Mrs. Malitz surrendered to the sheriff, to whom she stated that her husband was beating her and that she had shot him in a moment of passion. Shortly before Mr. Malitz died she asked to be allowed to see him to ask his forgiveness, and he freely gave it. The examining trial will be held tomorrow.

**"Weevilly Wheat."**

Denton, Sept. 18.—The man who, in by-gone days, according to the old song, had to "Come down this way with the weevilly wheat," would have an easy time in Denton county just now in getting the real article, as reports of weevils in the wheat is coming in from every part of the county where there is grain stored in the country granaries. Some of the planters have evolved a plan whereby to rid themselves of the pest, which may be of assistance to others similarly harassed in other parts of the state. The plan is to get a can of bisulphide of carbon, more commonly known as high-life, and cutting a hole in the top of the can, bury it in the infected wheat. The fumes of the stuff-it evaporates very rapidly—pervades all the crevices of the granaries and produce immediate death. Illustrative of the truth of this, one farmer, after trying the plan above, had his wheat fanned, with the result that he gathered up five bushels of dead weevils, and there were probably more blown away.

**Back From Klondike.**

Bartlett, Sept. 17.—A. P. Clark of Bartlett has returned from the Klondike. When asked how he liked Alaska, he said: "I am glad to be at home, but I am not satisfied with the country yet. I left my son in Alaska, as the American laws do not rob the miners of all their earnings, while the Canadian government takes one half of all discoveries and then charges 10 per cent royalty on all amounts over \$2500. A man has to have miner's license to go in the country and has to pay \$15 for recording a claim, and pays 24 per cent on his outfit he takes to live on. "How about the health of the country?" "Oh, it is good, except in Dawson City there is a great deal of sickness and many deaths from typhoid fever and dysentery. This is owing to bad sanitary conditions. "The country has been a disappointment to most all who went there last spring, yet I am of the opinion that there will be some rich finds this winter on the American territory, and I may go back there next spring."

**Strained the Jug.**

A little old woman with a sharp nose and a sharper tongue was in the country grocery store buying supplies. Among other things she brought in from her cart was a battle-scarred jug, which she ordered to be filled with treacle.

At last, when her purchases were completed, she began looking over the account, item by item, before paying.

"What's this!" she exclaimed. "You have charged me for two gallons and a half of treacle."

"Yes ma'am."

"But that jug holds only two gallons."

"You must be mistaken. I measured the treacle carefully, and it took two gallons and a half to fill it."

"Well," said the old woman with a sigh, "I don't so much mind having to pay for the treacle, but I object to having the old jug strained by our putting in half a gallon more than it will hold."—Strand Magazine.

**Texas Postmasters.**

The following fourth-class Texas postmasters have been appointed: Agnes, Parker county, J. O. Cullwell, vice H. D. Webb, resigned; Almont, Bowie county, L. C. Boswell, vice W. W. Whitten, resigned; Engle, Fayette county, Edward Nitschmann, vice I. J. Gallia, removed; Callis, Collin county, J. W. Brock, vice F. Bigney, resigned; Climax, Collin county, B. D. Fagala, vice Mrs. C.



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C. Caldwell, resigned; Coldwater, Sherman county, J. L. Loomis, vice J. Youngblood, resigned; Graeb, Guadalupe county, A. Wittenborn, vice A. Graeb, resigned; Hickory Creek, Hunt county, P. K. Campbell, vice B. C. Nixon, Jead; Hollis, Madison county, J. C. Parker, vice W. M. Burtis, resigned; La Plata, Deaf Smith county, B. L. Beaver, vice T. J. Beaver, resigned; Pearl, Coryell county, T. K. Gates, vice J. D. Perkins, removed. Pennington, Trinity county, W. R. Rogers, vice J. Y. Renfro, resigned;

Richie, McLennan county, E. B. Bullock, vice I. B. Stanford, resigned; Silsbee, Hardin county, J. H. Hooker, vice S. C. Mayo, resigned.

**A Levee to Protect Juarez.**

El Paso, Sept. 17.—A party of Mexican Government engineers under Colonel Ramon de Ybarrola are at work in Juarez making a preliminary survey along the Mexican shore of the Rio Grande. The government will build a levee at a cost of \$100,000 to protect Juarez and vicinity from overflow.



## NEPOTISM AND GIFT TAKING.

Disposition of Offices to Reward Partisanship a Breach of Public Trust.

Extract from Congressman Sayers' opening speech for governor:

"Nepotism and gift taking by the public official deserves the severe censure, and the disposition of offices, the people's offices, in order to reward political partisanship should be regarded as a gross breach of public trust. 'These things,' he said, 'should not be entertained in a government by the people.'

"To that declaration, I say today, amen and amen. I wish this declaration of ex-President Davis could be hung upon the walls of every legislative assembly, of every court of justice, of every town council chamber to be read and remembered by all men. I repeat it that in his distinguished career Mr. Davis has given utterance to no sentiment as worthy of perpetual regard as that which I have just quoted.

"Nepotism and gift taking. The people's offices to be given away to reward personal favors—an office created by you, made property to give away just as he pleases! How does that strike you? I say it is an outrage upon common decency to say anything about the duty which a public official owes to his constituency to take the people's offices and without regard to fitness appoint his personal friends to fill them. Nepotism—gift taking. It is the bane of public life and you may go to Washington to-day and you may take the rolls of the departments and of congress and you will find the names of many who were put on there by some influential public man—senators and representatives of all parties—republicans, populists and democrats. Men appointed to high places without regard to their usefulness or their ability and it is said that one of the reasons why we are having so much trouble about this war is that there has been too much nepotism at Washington.

"A young man came to me once. He wanted to be appointed to an office. He said he understood that I was on the committee on appropriations and had the pull and could get what I wanted. Well, I didn't reply to him because I wouldn't say anything about the pull. But I said, 'My friend, what office do you want?' He said, 'I want to be major or assistant adjutant general.' 'How old are you?' 'Twenty-three years.' 'Ever been to a military school?' 'No.' 'Ever served in the volunteer corps in Texas?' 'No.' 'Well, I said, 'let me tell you, my friend, you are beginning just where I quit. I served four years in the army. I was a graduate of a military institution and I was the senior captain in the company when the war broke out. I had to start out as a private and I was wounded three times, and when the war ended I had just got up where you now want to be.' But that's the way it is. Men with friends want appointments without regard to their fitness, and they too often get them.

"I hope that the people will take the matter into their own hands. I think that they ought to require of every public man to answer these questions. But you don't do it, my friends. You just complain and grumble when you have got the ballot and the power to right these evils if you will. Now, you elect me governor and stay with me. I don't want your votes if you are not going to help me afterwards. I want the people of Texas, democrats, republicans and populists alike to help me in the administration of the government; I want the criticism of the press—the honest, intelligent, fearless criticism of the press. (Applause.)

"An old friend of mine said to me the other day, 'Well, Joe, you are going to govern us the next two years.' 'No, my friend,' I said, 'I am not going to do that. I am going to help the people govern themselves faithfully.' (Applause.) That's what I want you to do. If you see proper to honor me with your votes, if you feel

that the party to which I belong is a party in which you can safely entrust the management of this state for the next two years I want you to help me.

"I am not one of those who believe that they are greater than their party. My party is greater than I am and I need its assistance and I expect to have its backing. I expect to emulate the citizens around me (applause)—Ross and Culberson and my friend who sits here (ex-Gov. Hubbard). I expect to emulate them in their good deeds. Don't understand me as promising to do anything except the best I can. God helping me and with your assistance I will give to the people of Texas an honest, an economical and an efficient administration of their affairs. You don't have such a thing as ruling or governing in this country. Every judge that sits upon the bench is but a representative of the people of his sphere; every executive officer from the governor down is but a representative of the people in his sphere; every member of the legislature stands for the people. So, after all, this government consists in the administration of its public affairs by the people through their public servants."

## THE CALAMITY OF FRANCE.

The Dreyfus Case Threatens the Life of the Republic.

Paris, Sept. 18.—Each day adds to the gravity of the political situation in France. It is no longer a Dreyfus affair, it is a disease, which threatens the life of the so-called republican government. The vast iniquity wherein the highest military, judiciary and civil authorities have hopelessly debauched themselves is about to be exposed, and it is doubtful if the institutions, which are republican only in name, will survive. I would be useless to indicate the future of the coming exposure until the facts can be laid before the world in convincing array. Even Brisson and his colleagues in the cabinet are unaware of the truth which will soon be disclosed. The cabinet decided today to appoint a Commission to consider the revision, whereupon Zurlinden and Tillaye resigned. It is doubtful if the latter's action will precipitate a cabinet crisis, although it is well known that Faure does not desire a crisis to come now, and might resign if Brisson persisted in a revision of the policy, were he not too weak and compromising to commit himself to any radical course. Rumor tonight is busy with the expected arrest of one or more prominent army officers. This will not probably take place yet.

## Esterhazy in London.

London, Sept. 18.—The Observer this morning states that Count Ferdinand Walsin Esterhazy has been in London for ten days past. The fact, the paper says, is known to a very few here, and it is not suspected in Paris. Count Esterhazy is occupying a flat near St. James and Pall Mall, S. W. He has shaved off his mustache and it is not to recognize him. He explains that there is no longer justice for him in his own country, and says that what he did was done in blind, unquestioning obedience to orders from a superior.

"If I were ordered to take a gun and shoot my own brother I would do so without hesitation," Esterhazy declared. He added that out of the 1000 documents in the Dreyfus dossier approximately 600 were forged, and that he was prepared to show by whom and in what circumstances the forgeries were committed.

The last two descendants of Christopher Columbus are said to be occupants of a Cadiz poor house.

In Persia a bonfire plays an important part in the marriage ceremony, the ceremony being read over in front of it.

Nearly all the lions are "left-handed." A famous explorer says that when one desires to strike a forcible blow the animal almost always uses the left paw.

The emperor of Japan uses about 3000 horses at several places. He encourages racing at Tokio, but he doesn't countenance betting, to which he is sternly opposed.

## COOPER'S U. S. HISTORY.

Some Errors and Omissions Pointed Out by U. C. V's.

In Austin last week John B. Hood camp of Confederate Veterans at their session adopted unanimously the following self-explanatory committee report:

Your committee heretofore appointed to take into consideration the action of the text-book board of the state of Texas, in adopting a history of the United States for use in public schools in this state, and to express the sentiments of the camps as to the merits or demerits of the work so adopted by them, it being a history entitled, "Our Country," beg leave to report as follows.

That this camp, taking a deep interest in the matter of the adoption of an impartial history of the United States by the state authorities, early in this year appointed a committee from its body to examine the several histories which might be submitted to the text-book board for its adoption, and to urge such board to adopt the one which should fairly and impartially give the history of the late civil war, doing justice to the motives which actuated the leaders of the Southern Confederacy and giving due credit to those who led and composed its armies, and by their valor shared imperishable glory upon the name of the southern soldier. That committee performed its work with industry, examined three of the histories submitted to the text-book board, and in a report represented to this camp as a result of their labors, decided that the work by Prof. Cooper and associates was for many reasons unfit to be placed in the hands of the children of those who fought for the south or who sympathized with its cause, it misrepresenting the motives of its great leaders, as well as stigmatizing its cause as a "rebellion," and generally by omissions of facts material to show in a favorable or even an impossible light, the conduct of the southern army and people during the trying days from 1861 to 1865. In short, the report would indicate that the work in question, instead of emanating from the hand and brain of a Texan, would seem to have been composed by one in entire sympathy with the northern or union side of the great question involved in the war.

Your committee feel that they can no better show the nature of this work of Prof. Cooper, as it was originally submitted to the text-book board, than to give extracts from the very able report presented to this camp. In this report it is stated, "Among the manifest insufficiencies of Cooper's, attention is invited to his omissions as to Arkansas, Illinois, Michigan, Mississippi, Nevada and Vermont." It was at the first battle of Manassas that Gen. T. J. Jackson won his famous and historic sobriquet of "Stonewall," yet Cooper fails to mention even Gen. Jackson's presence there. He entirely omits all mention of the peace conference that met in Washington Feb. 4, 1861. Cooper speaks of the war as "putting down the rebellion," and that, we think, is not only misapplication of terms, but is also in an unequivocal way, a charging of the crime of rebellion upon the people of the south. In this instance the south was animated solely by a desire to preserve and not destroy their constitutional rights. The allegation in Cooper's history that the southern people formed the confederacy because they thought they would be more prosperous out of the union, is not consistent with a just understanding of the spirit "that energized the south." His account of the Dred Scott decision and John Brown's raid are unsatisfactory in the extreme. He says nothing of the wild and furious denunciations of the decision that were echoed in every quarter of the earth, nor of the enthusiastic and universal indorsement accorded John Brown by the abolitionists, such as the firing of guns, the tolling of bells and the holding of memorial services in his honor, while bitter and vindictive operations were mouthed against the south in numerous northern cities.

He omits details of the imprisonment of President Davis, and does not state some of the most eminent jurists of the north pronounced that imprisonment unconstitutional and without warrant of law. Cooper is not satisfactory in his statements and descriptions of battles, troops engaged, results, prisoners, killed, wounded, etc. In fine, candor compels us to say that we do not at all like Cooper's history. Apparently, at least, a vein of insidious insinuation seems to pervade and permeate the work.

This, in our opinion, is inexpressibly dangerous, because especially objectionable matter, and yet, having read the book carefully through, it would be difficult for a southern man to lay it aside without feeling to some extent that it is the conception and execution of an unfriendly author. A book that professes to be fair and just in the propagation of important truths, even to a remote degree, but which nevertheless and probably without design, actually inculcates the reverse, is to dangerous a witness to receive or deceive the confidence of our educational authorities, unless we are to subscribe to the Machiavelian doctrine, that words are signs intended for us in concealing and not expressing ideas.

Your committee might increase the length of the report by citations showing the numerous errors in the original of Cooper's history and its misconception of the attitude of the south during the war, but this we deem unnecessary, sufficient to say that it appears to have been written in a spirit of prejudice against the southern states in the great war, and therefore we believe should not have been adopted for the use of the youth of Texas.

It is possible that some of the above stated reasons influenced the text book board, seemingly partial to the author of the book, to direct him while they adopted his book, to make numerous corrections therein, in fact, to practically rewrite it, especially that portion which treats of the events of 1861 to 1865, and this we understand he has done to an extent which measurably corrects the omissions and misstatements of facts in the original work, but it is very doubtful whether there is not left in it sufficient of innuendo and insinuation to still render the revision a dangerous and improper book to be given as a guide to our Texas youths.

Your committee feels that a writer who has already put into print, as Cooper did in his first history, expressions and sentiments fresh from his brain, was likely to have them given out his fine conceptions of men and occurrences, and that when he afterwards changes them, it was for no worthy motive, but to suit his employers.

It reminds your committee of the story of the candidate, who after expressing to his audience his views on public affairs, concluded by saying, "Fellow citizens, them's my sentiments, but if they don't suit you I can change them."

Your committee therefore feel that in adopting a history to be used in the public schools of Texas the state text-book board made a grave mistake in adopting the history of Cooper, even after its revision, and as southern soldiers, loving and revering the memory of our heroic dead, we protest against any history being forced upon our children compiled by one whose feelings and sympathies are apparently against the cause their fathers fought for.

Another reason why said revised history should not be used in our public schools: Your committee calls attention to the fact that quite recently, on July 20 last, the state text-book board adopted the following resolutions, showing the history, after all its revision, to be imperfect:

"Resolved by the state text-book board, that the publishers of the history of the United States adopted for use in the public free schools of this state, having failed to prepare and publish a full and correct index thereof, the patrons of the schools are hereby given notice of this failure on the part of the publishers, so they may not purchase said book until further notice by the board, or until said publishers issue an edition of said history with a correct index."

Your committee, in view of all the preceding, recommend that

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**CONSUMPTION**

John B. Hood camp U. C. V., having investigated and examined the original history entitled "Our Country," appeal to all camps of Confederate Veterans, all southern soldiers and all who sympathize with the south in her gallant struggles from 1861 to 1866, to use their influence to prevent, as far as possible, the sale of said work and to refrain from placing the same in the hands of the children. Respectfully submitted E. M. PHELPS and others.

## A WILD MAN AT LARGE.

Children So Terrorized that School Can Not Be Opened.

Orange, Texas, Sept. 17.—People who live in the northern part of Orange county are considerably worked up over the appearance in that neighborhood of a wild man, who has been seen several times within the past few weeks. He roams the woods, and when seen by any one will dart away like a deer and hide himself in the forest and will allow no one to approach him. One night recently Mr. Alvin Stephenson, a well-known farmer, whose home is about nineteen miles north of Orange, saw a light off in the woods in the edge of the Sabine bottom. He went out to investigate and found the light to be from a fire in a little hut that had been thrown up and standing over the fire preparing a meal was the wild man. His head and face was covered with long, scraggy hair, and he was very scantily dressed. Mr. Stephenson called out to him, when he hastily extinguished the fire and left everything in darkness. Mr. Stephenson kept calling to him and he finally mumbled out a reply in broken English. Mr. Stephenson stepped back from the opening, and as he did so the man dashed out past him and disappeared in the darkness.

The wild man is armed with a dangerous-looking knife, and the women and children especially of the neighborhood are very much frightened, and for this reason it has been impossible to begin the public school there, the children being afraid to venture out alone. The people of the neighborhood think of organizing a posse and running down and capturing the wild man.

## Tragedy in Kaufman Court.

Kaufman, Sept. 17.—A terrible tragedy occurred in the district court room in open court yesterday.

Bob Taylor, an epileptic maniac, walked into the courtroom with a large knife open in his hand and Sheriff Jim Keller went to him and tried to get Taylor to give up the knife. Taylor made a lunge at Mr. Keller and cut a gash about three inches long on Keller's left jaw, which went clear through and into his mouth. He cut another gash in Mr. Keller's left shoulder and down in his left side just through the skin. Sheriff Keller and Constable J. W. Montgomery both began shooting and Taylor fell mortally wounded with four bullets through his body. Taylor had just immediately preceding the above trouble flourished his knife over the head of Judge Dillard, who was holding court. Mr. Keller's wounds are not considered dangerous, but at this writing he is very sick. No blame is attached to Mr. Keller or Mr. Montgomery.

Great consternation prevailed for a time, as the courtroom was full of people and a jury was in the box at the time of the trouble, which occurred near the jury. It was difficult to determine who got away faster, the jury, witnesses bystanders or lawyers.

Major General Davis has disapproved the findings of the court-martial in the case of Captain Duncan, convicted of tampering with the graves of Confederate soldiers, and restored him to duty.

"I," he started to say, "have always had an idea—"

"I know it," she interrupted; "why don't you take a day off some time and try to scare up another one!"—Chicago Daily News.

The population of the Australian colonies increased 15.75 per cent in the last six years.



# The Leader.

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 six months, .50.

Miss Winnie Davis, daughter of the Confederacy, died at noon last Sunday. She was born in Richmond in 1863.

The Democracy of Texas is to have a Grand State Rally at Dallas on Oct. 1, the opening day of the State Fair and Dallas Exposition. The occasion has been designated as "Democrat Day." Many distinguished leaders of the party, State and National, will be in attendance. The Hon. Joseph D. Sayers, nominee for Governor, will be the principal orator of the day.

You will not know how much good Hood's Sarsaparilla will do you until you try it. Buy a bottle today and begin to take it.

New York, Sept. 18.—Dr. Peters would build a hell for those who get rich out of war while brave men starved to death. He says the war department is guilty of rapacity or incapacity.

Houston, Texas, Sept. 18.—From a gentleman who came in this morning, it was learned that there was more excitement about Altair, Colorado county, over white-cap notices that had been posted in that neighborhood. They contained threats to burn the houses and cut the fences of farmers who required cash money for the rent of their farms. They also threatened to sow Johnson grass on their farms if they persisted in it. They furthermore threatened to whip the tenant who agreed to pay cash money, giving them fifty lashes.

The owners did not appear to be much excited over it.

### When They Write the President.

The State Department has given over to The Ladies' Home Journal for publication its "Royal letters" addressed to the president of the United States by Napoleon I, Queen Victoria, the Prince of Wales, Napoleon III, and Emperor William I of Germany. Napoleon announces such events as his marriage to Marie Louise; the birth of his son, the King of Rome; his return to the throne of France from Elba; Victoria announces her accession to the throne of England in 1836; her marriage to Prince Albert; the birth of the Prince of Wales; the death of the Prince Consort; and the famous letter thanking President McKinley for his congratulations on her Diamond Jubilee will also be given. The whole collection, in fac-simile, will be presented in the October number of the magazine.

No use running around asking Smith, Brown or Jones, what to do for your chills. Cheatham's Tasteless Chill Tonic will cure you—cure you quickly and completely. Give it a trial. Guaranteed. Price 50 cents.

### Grant Was a Democrat.

Before the war, and until he was nominated by the republicans, Grant was a democrat. He had cast but one vote at a presidential election, and that was in 1856, for Buchanan. He was nominated by the republicans because he was available, and because his friends in the party knew that his politics were not strongly enough democrat to prevent him from being a good enough republican to run for president. They counted on his becoming a republican after he had been elected. They acted just in time to prevent the democrats from nominating him. As an army officer he had had little interest in politics until his friends got hold of him, and it was simply a question of which side got him first.—Dallas News.

To Resist Germany.  
 New York, Sept. 19.—A special to the Herald from Washington says:

The indications all point to the fact that it is Germany we are reinforcing Dewey against.

As an indication that Germany has been scheming to share in the disposition of the Philippines, the authorities have learned that, acting under instructions from Berlin, the German commander-in-chief the Asiatic station has made an exhaustive investigation of the coal deposits of the islands. He was assisted by a German engineer who had been temporarily assigned to his squadron for the special purpose of locating coal, and, with that end in view, he conducted a thorough investigation and his report, which has been submitted to the Berlin government through Vice Admiral Von Diederichs, shows that the best lignite deposits are located on the island of Cebu, one of the Vizeaya group.

This information has been received from one of the representatives of this government in Germany and has been considered of sufficient importance to be presented to the peace commissioners for their consideration. Officials who were interviewed regarding the matter admit that there can be only one object which would lead the Berlin government to direct such an investigation—the desire to extend German jurisdiction over the island which has the largest beds of coal best adapted for steaming purposes.

The battleships Oregon and Iowa will start for Manila via Cape Horn and Honolulu next Saturday or Sunday, by which time it is expected all repairs will have been made and the fleet of colliers will be in readiness. Leaves of absence have been given to the officers until the latter part of the week, but no extensions will be given, it being desired to get the ships away without delay. This will strengthen Rear Admiral Dewey's command, making it the superior of the German fleet in Asiatic waters.

Parker county votes on prohibition question again to-morrow. Pros and antis each expect to win.

## No More Rheumatism

It Had Troubled for Years, but Hood's Cured It

Stronger and Better in Every Way—Gained in Weight.

"I have been afflicted with a disease of the lungs, and my constitution has not been strong for many years. Several years ago I was taken with rheumatism in my left hip. It was not acute, but very troublesome, making it difficult for me to walk. My physicians told me my blood was in a bad condition and that I needed a blood purifier. I bought three bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and when I had taken the first bottle I was greatly benefited. I took the second and third bottles and found that I had no more rheumatism. I gained five pounds in weight and was much stronger than before taking Hood's Sarsaparilla." J. E. BOZEMAN, Armour, Texas. Remember

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 One small bottle of Hall's Great Discovery cures all Kidney and Bladder Troubles, removes Gravel, cures Diabetes, Seminal Emissions, weak and Lame Backs, Rheumatism and all irregularities of the Kidneys and Bladder in both men and women. Regulates Bladder Troubles in children. If not sold by your Druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two months treatment, and will cure any case above mentioned. E. W. HALL.

Sole M'P, P. O. Box 218, Waco, Tex. Waco, Texas, July 27, 1897.—We, the undersigned, of Waco, have used Hall's Great Discovery for Kidney and Bladder trouble, and can cheerfully recommend it. Jno. H. Harrison, A. S. Foster, Sam. J. Luskland, P. J. Bahl, Payne Dixon, J. W. Baugh, W. J. Cottrill, Bill Harra, Ex-Sheriff.

It's easier to earn money than it is not to spend it.

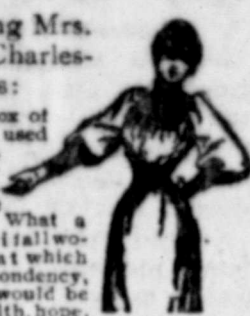
Only the fear of endless torment causes some sinners to repent.

It is safer to learn from an enemy than it is to instruct a friend.

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A lady writing Mrs. Brown from Charleston, S. C., says:

"I received the box of Jono Tablets and used them as directed. They have completely overcome my trouble. I cannot praise them too highly. What a blessing it would be if all women knew that that which was illness, despondency, timidity and grief would be supplanted with health, hope, courage and good cheer if they would but use JONO TABLETS. JONO TABLETS are for female troubles. They were never known to fail. Not taken internally. Send stamp for sample and valuable information, mailed in plain sealed envelope. Brown Chemical Co., CLEVELAND, O."



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**POISONOUS**  
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## Announcements.

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For District Judge 30th District.  
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P. M. STINE.  
For District Attorney, 30th Dist.  
P. A. MARTIN.  
For County Judge.  
O. E. FINLAY.  
For County Attorney.  
J. E. SIMPSON.  
For Sheriff.  
H. C. WILLIAMS.  
For District and County Clerk.  
CHAS. GAY.  
For County Treasurer.  
J. A. DIXON.  
For Tax Assessor.  
W. P. BECKHAM.  
For Commissioner Precinct No. 1.  
A. J. WHEAT.

Miss Eddie Burks of Benbrook, came in Monday night to attend school here.

Read McJinney's new advertisement and be happy.

The Young county jail is empty. It might be leased for a corn crib.

Jno. E. Morrison & Co. will save you money on your fall bill. Have them quote you their cash prices before buying.

The Graham gin is kept busy, but it is estimated that not more than one-half as much cotton will be ginned this year, owing to the light yield.

## FOR SALE

81 head of good Texas sheep. Apply to F. P. BRAZELTON, Lacy, Texas.

Mr. G. W. Fore of Goose Neck, who has been quite sick, is now reported somewhat improved. His son, John S. Fore, left for his home at Wichita Falls Tuesday. J. R. Fore, another son, of Memphis, came in Monday and is with his father during his illness.

New Mackerel, Kraut, Full Cream Cheese, Green Apples. JNO. E. MORRISON & Co.

About forty tracts of land will be sold on the first Tuesday in October by the sheriff for delinquent taxes. A good chance to get land cheap. The title will be good.

## FOR SALE.

Two spans of 4 year old Percheron horses, weight about 1100 lbs., partly broken, at \$80.00 per span. Time given with good note. H. S. EICHELBERGER.

John S. Fore of Wichita Falls, called on the LEADER Tuesday and deposited two wheels. John has taken the LEADER from the first number and has paid for the 23rd year.

## Money to Loan

On well improved farm and ranch lands. R. D. BELL, Attorney at Law. Jacksboro, Texas.

Uncle Jack Hill is making arrangements to leave on the first of November on an extensive trip the Devil's river country.

Don't be in a hurry—post yourself on prices.

JNO. E. MORRISON & Co. Will save you money.

See how far your money will go. Our cash prices will interest you. JNO. E. MORRISON & Co.

"Uncle Wes" Hedrick, formerly sheriff of Parker county, but now a citizen of Jack, was transacting business in Graham this week.

Robt. Hunt, of Farmer, spent last Sunday in the city.

A negro named Brewster Warren, living with T. C. Greenwade, in the southern part of the county, was arrested by Ed. Parsons last Sunday upon a charge of making an attempt at criminal assault last Saturday night upon the person of Miss Barron, daughter of Mit Barron, residing just over the line in Palo Pinto county. A man entered the young lady's room about 1 o'clock Sunday morning, and placing his hand upon her, awakened her, when she screamed and the intruder fled. Tracks corresponding with those made by shoes worn by the negro were found about the house, and a horse belonging to Mr. Greenwade was tracked from Mr. Barron's to Mr. Greenwade's. The negro was placed in jail here and the sheriff of Palo Pinto county notified, who sent for the accused on Tuesday.

Fresh Cabbage and Greely Potatoes. JNO. E. MORRISON & Co.

A magnificent rain began falling Monday morning, continuing at intervals throughout the day and at night. The rain was a general one and put a fine season in the ground. It came in an opportune time for the farmers who had been unable to plow on account of dry weather. The creeks and cisterns were also filled and there is general rejoicing.

When in Jacksboro call on Lillard & Co., Wholesale and Retail dealers in Wagons, Buggies, Hardware, Farm Implements, Saddlery, Harness, and everything in the Hardware and Saddlery line, and they will give you astonishingly low prices Bank Building.

It is now almost certain that an independent ticket for county offices will be placed in the field. There is no probability of any democratic nominee being defeated, but democrats might do well to keep their eye on the indicator and see that the usual majority is rolled up in their favor at the general election.

Lyons & Matthews, of Jacksboro, will sell you Lumber as cheap as you can get it. They keep the best quality.

A petition was being circulated and numerously signed, on Monday, asking the city council to drain the slough, a body of stagnant water in the northwest part of town. It is claimed that the slough is a menace to the health of the city. The council will act upon the matter at its next meeting.

All parties indebted to us will please come forward and make immediate settlement.

Respectfully,  
DRS. LEGRAND.

H. L. Morrison has gone back to the Eastern markets to finish buying a fall and winter stock of goods for his firm.

C. O. Hess carries a complete line of good Furniture, bought direct from the factory. Quality of goods and prices speak for themselves. When in Jacksboro call at the new stone building, S. E. corner square.

P. A. Martin leaves to-day for Fort Worth where he has business in the Federal Court. He was accompanied by his wife and will be absent several days.

There was some shooting in the north part of town Wednesday night. The boys will be caught if they continue such practices.

Prof. G. A. Gray has returned from a visit to Collin county, looking as handsome and pleasant as ever. He reports good crops in the counties east, but says Young is good enough for him.

**Prevention**  
better than cure. Tutt's Liver Pills will not only cure, but if taken in time will prevent **Sick Headache,** dyspepsia, biliousness, malaria, constipation, jaundice, torpid liver and kindred diseases.  
**TUTT'S Liver PILLS**  
ABSOLUTELY CURE.

## Keep Out.

All persons are hereby warned not to hunt, either with dogs or still hunt, in my Flat Rock pasture. The law will be enforced against all intruders.

G. H. LEGRAND.

If the curfew law is unconstitutional, the children should demand a constitutional set of parents.

If you want good Bread, try Electric Loaf Patent, manufactured by Jacksboro Mill and Elevator Co. Sold by Matthews, Tidwell & Norman, Graham.

Mrs. John Girard of Mineral Wells, is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. S. Lamar of this place.

Any one can pay for a little space in a newspaper and fill it up with great flaming head lines, saying what they have done and what they will do; but watch the crowd, ask your neighbor about us and our stock and don't be persuaded into buying until you have seen our stock and get our prices. We know our prices are right.

S. B. STREET & Co.,  
Cheapest House in Town.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Norman left Wednesday night for College Station to attend their son, Johnnie, who is reported quite ill with pneumonia.

Henry G. Arnold is in Fort Worth serving as a juror in the federal court.

Will Farley visited Jacksboro this week.

Geo. F. Craig returned last week from a visit to his old home in New Jersey.

STRAYED—A black male pig, three or four months old, has some white in face. Leave information at this office.

Messrs. Andrew and Thad McCormick of Dallas, were visiting their sister, Mrs. J. W. Jackson, here Saturday and Sunday.

If you want Lumber, Shingles, &c., call on Lyons & Matthews, at Jacksboro, and you can get just what you want at the lowest figures.

A. A. Obitz left Tuesday morning for a visit to his old home in New Jersey. He will be absent about three weeks.

## Strayed—\$5.00 Reward.

Strayed from the undersigned about the 1st of August, two brown mare mules, two years old, unbranded. Will pay \$5.00 reward for their delivery at my ranch, or any information suitably rewarded. D. H. FRENCH, Graham, Texas.

## Babbitt Metal.

In any quantity, for sale at this office at 10 cents per pound.

Fashion to Fill a Meeting House.  
Prices in a Nut Shell.

Having visited St. Louis and Chicago, I have purchased for the ladies of Graham and Young county a most complete line of Millinery. A great many novelties never before seen in Graham; in fact I have everything new and desirable in headwear. My prices will be very low for the quality of the goods. Call and see my fall opening.

Mrs. J. H. STEWART.

## The Text-Book Question.

In last week's LEADER I stated that the text-book companies had refused to exchange for books in "actual use" unless they had both backs and all the leaves intact. From an extract in the Dallas News we learn that the Text-Book Board has brought the companies to terms. Mr. Carlisle refused to pass on the question some months ago. So many complaints were filed with the Board that action was taken to the effect that the agents of the companies should accept ANY BOOK in actual use in the schools. Books heretofore refused must now be accepted by the agents for the adopted books.

We want to impress upon the minds of parents that most of the books now used by the school children will remain in use by authority of law for a term of five years, and the school book expense will be greatly lessened.

It should be the duty of every one having to do with the books to see that the books are not unnecessarily mutilated. There are several good lessons taught even in the care of school books and school fixtures. It has a moral side and an economical feature, both of which are valuable to the people.

In this connection I would be pleased to see the teachers of Young county agree on a system of books above the State adoption. But as we cannot have all we want we should submit to the inevitable.

The greater part of the school books in the Graham High School has been in use nearly ten years, but since the State adoption went into effect there has been a complete change in all the primary studies. In the first institute the teachers of Young county should provide means for the immediate use of the new books without loss to the school. The teacher could go into the school district a week before school opens and gather up all the old books in "actual use" last year, and bring them to the depository with the regular exchange price, and take the books to his school the next Monday morning and be ready for work the first day. The teacher would become acquainted with the parents and children before school opens. Perhaps better means could be provided.

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M. K. Graham returned last Sunday from a visit to his parents at Spokane, Wash.

## TO TRADE.

I have some good hogs to trade for corn. S. R. JEFFERY.

Be sure and attend the musicale at Court House Friday night Sept. 30th, given by the Graham Band, assisted by the Harmony Club. A good time and a pleasant time guaranteed. Admission 25 cents, children 15 cents. No reserved seats.

Don't forget the Band Concert Friday night, Sept. 30th. Come and bring your folks.

Witt Adare is learning the saddlery and harness business with Porter, Eddleman & Finch.

Salt Creek and the Brazos were on a big boom this week.

The plows are now running throughout the country and a large acreage of wheat will be planted.

The Mineral Wells mail has been late for several days in consequence of heavy rains and bad roads.

Mrs. W. B. Pope of Belknap, has been seriously ill for several days, but is now said to be improving.

Capt. Garrett, a prominent citizen of Florida, arrived in Graham a few days ago and will remain some time for the benefit of his health.

Mrs. R. L. Henegar is convalescing from an attack of fever.

Mizell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. E. Morrison, who has been quite ill with an affection of the throat, is now improving.

Our letter from Salt Creek this week is unavoidably crowded out.

A. A. Morrison is looking after the interests of his firm at Eliasville.

Wheat and turnip sowing is now in order.

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## CYCLONE IN WINDWARD ISLANDS.

Three Hundred Killed and 40,000 Rendered Homeless.

London, Sept. 17.—Advices were received here late to-night saying that a terrible hurricane has swept over Barbadoes in the Windward group of the Lesser Antilles. Two hundred persons have been killed and 40,000 rendered homeless.

St. Thomas, D. W. I., Sept. 15.—According to latest advices from St. Lucia, the storm which broke over the island Sunday night was of unprecedented violence, being accompanied by tidal waves and tremendous rains. Numerous landslides were caused and many houses, bridges and cocoa estates have been destroyed. At least twelve lives have been lost.

Guadeloupe, the French island in the Leeward group, has experienced very heavy weather. Nineteen deaths are reported and there have been destructive landslides.

A boat from the Island of St. Vincent, 100 miles west of Barbadoes, arrived today at the Island of Grenada and reports that St. Vincent has experienced the most violent and destructive cyclone ever known there. Kingston, the capital of St. Vincent, is totally destroyed. It is estimated that 300 lives have been lost in the island and that 20,000 people are homeless. The bodies of the dead are being buried in trenches. Thousands are starving or being fed at public expense.

The amount of property destroyed in St. Vincent can not yet be estimated. Every small town is injured and many large ones have been destroyed. The demolished buildings include churches, stores, and almost all the estate buildings. Three large ships are ashore on the Windward coast and many smaller vessels are stranded.

No information is obtainable here as to the result of the threatened hurricane of Saturday night last. Communication is cut off and the worst is feared.

## KLONDIKE SWAMPS.

Mosquitoes, Frogs, Wiggle-tails and Polly-wogs Abound.

Denison, Tex., Sept. 17.—Engineer A. Hagan of the Katy has been regaling some of his friends with stories of the Klondike country and telling some of his experiences up there.

"Talk about swamps," said he, "that is the ungodliest, swampiest country I have ever seen. Along the banks of the Copper river, where the banks are twenty, thirty or forty feet high, the ground beyond the banks would look like it ought to be high and dry, but it was nothing but a moss-covered swamp, and many's the time that we camped in such a place where we had to strain the wiggle-tails and polly-wogs out of the water before we could drink it. Frogs and mosquitoes were the only kind of fresh meat we had."

"Talk about about mosquitoes! That is where they shine. Once in a while I used to think that they were bad in Texas, but I'll never say so again. They grow in the Klondike country to an enormous size. They come along before the snow leaves and they fear neither God, man nor smoke, and they make life a burden to any man who undertakes to exist in that country. When you are traveling through the forest they attack you in droves, and you can't wear a cage for protection, for the underbrush would be continually tearing it to pieces or pulling it off, so that it wouldn't last. I wore a heavy growth of whiskers up there, and the mosquitoes would get up under the whiskers and begin to get in their work. I would have to drag them out with my finger nails, and the blood they would suck from my face when I would wash them would dye all the ends of my fingers with blood till I would look like a red-handed murderer. The mosquitoes would actually sometimes bite me until they would make the flesh almost raw."

"The rivers are treacherous and dangerous at best. The currents of all them are swift and furious and the rivers are full of jutting rocks upon which a boat is al-

ways in danger of being dashed and wrecked. One day I was shipwrecked on a rock in mid-stream for three mortal hours, never knowing whether I would get out alive or not. Many a man is drowned in the treacherous waters of the streams up there, and I have seen strong men swept away by their currents to certain death.

"Mining is gambling up there. It is at best a lottery, with perhaps one chance out of a thousand to win out. I dug several holes fourteen feet deep and did not get through the frozen earth. Paying claims are few and far between. If I had known one man who made a rick strike of anything that promises well I would have stayed, but on every hand I saw nothing but failure, suffering, mosquitoes, bacon and beans, sickness and death and wreckage of human beings, and I thought I had rather take my chances at home hold of the throttle, where I at least have a show for my white alley."

## Blow to the Sugar Trust.

New York, Sept. 17.—The sugar trust's allies join its sworn enemies. The Mollenhansers and the National refinery break away. The outsiders now have a united capacity of 14,000 barrels.

## Illicit Distillers.

Texarkana, Sept. 15.—Deputy United States Marshal Hollman of the sixth Arkansas district brought in eleven prisoners, captured in Sevier and Polk counties on charge of illicit distilling of whiskey. They were tried before U. S. Commissioner Summerville and released on bail.

## Iron Coal and Coke.

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 17.—A tremendous activity in pig iron, coal and coke has followed the close of the war. Every furnace in the Birmingham district has sold its output to January 1 of next year and three idle furnaces have gone into blast within the past 10 days.

During August Alabama furnaces sold 21,000 tons of pig iron in Europe and for the first 10 days of September one concern sold 20,000 tons for export. In fact foreign sales of iron have never been so great before, and promise to reach over 300,000 tons for the year. Mexico and Central America are also buying heavily of Alabama coal, coke and iron. Never before in Birmingham history have the iron and coal industries employed so many men as now and another rise in iron prices is expected soon.

## Solution of a Mystery.

A New York special to the Houston Post says:

There has been mystery in the Brooklyn navy yard. Mechanics in the yard have told strange stories of a craft that has been tied to the cob deck since war got under way. On her stern is the name "Sciopio," but under this name there is plainly to be seen through a thin coat of paint the word "Ravena."

When war was declared the New Orleans, purchased in England from Brazil, had to leave her English port without all her ammunition and guns and the duchess of Marlborough (who was Consuelo Vanderbilt) planned to remedy this. Mrs. Joseph Chamberlain and Mrs. Cuzzon, wife of the new viceroy of India, joined the movement. They bought the Ravena outright and loaded her down with projectiles, ammunition and guns.

One morning the cruiser Columbia picked up the Ravena off Cape Henry and Charles. It was singular that the cruiser should have been there and it is more so that the Ravena had not a single man aboard. Comment is unnecessary, but the life-boats were missing and the crew has never been heard of and probably never will be.

"In other words," said the officer, "the Columbia found it convenient to board the Ravena and find what she could find."

"And she found—"

But I was interrupted by the officer, who said: "She found just the sort of ammunition that the New Orleans really needed."

Populists at Macon, Mo., refused to indorse a woman for Circuit Clerk because they didn't know if she stood in the middle of the road with both feet.

## A PREACHER'S SIN.

Responsibility for a Vicious Crime Laid at Rev. Mr. Doyle's Door

Munfordville, Ky., Sept. 17.—Great interest was manifested in the preliminary trial of Rev. Gregory Doyle, charged with the murder of Lydia Bratcher. The evidence was very damaging to the defendant and also to the co-defendant, Prof. J. W. McClure, who some days ago waived an examining trial and was committed to jail without bail.

After hearing the evidence and arguments the County Judge reviewed the evidence and concluded by holding Doyle without bail on the charge of murder.

The crime, which nearly equaled in point of horror that enacted upon poor Pearl Bryan by Jackson and Walling a few years ago, was committed in the western portion of Hart county, about three weeks ago, the result of which was the death of Miss Lydia Bratcher, daughter of David Bratcher, a respected and well-to-do farmer.

Miss Bratcher was a grass widow, having secured a divorce from her husband several years ago. Rev. Gregory Doyle, a prominent Baptist preacher of this county, and J. W. McClure of Grayson county were charged with her murder.

The evidence given yesterday was to the effect that Rev. Wm. Doyle had received a note from Miss Bratcher, asking him to help her out of trouble, which involved the committing of an operation.

In response to this letter, he requested her, according to testimony, to meet him at a certain time and place, when he would bring a physician and comply with her request. It is claimed that he secured the services of McClure, who was to be known as Dr. Slayton, and with him met the woman at the appointed time and place.

An operation was performed, which resulted in the woman's death 10 days later. Strong proof was brought against them, although both declare their innocence. The woman, it is said, made a dying declaration in which she said that Doyle was responsible for the condition which necessitated the operation and fully described the third party to the horrible affair.

Excitement ran high in the community in which the offense was committed, and for several days there was considerable talk of mob violence. McClure was arrested at his home at Millerstown last Friday and brought here and placed in jail. He waived examination trial and was taken to Elizabethtown for safe keeping. Doyle was captured at Lexington, where he was engaged in preaching to the soldier boys. While in jail at that place he attempted to suicide by hanging, but his life was saved by the timely appearance of the jailer.

## Hydrophobic Pups.

Joplin, Mo., Sept. 18.—Some months ago, a stray dog, supposed to have been mad, passed the farm of John Trout, a farmer, living 12 miles west of Joplin.

In a couple of weeks one of the dogs bitten gave birth to pups, which were in time distributed in the neighborhood.

A son of Mr. Trout while playing with one of the pups, some time ago, was bitten on the upper lip. The wound healed quickly and nothing more was thought of it.

A few days ago the little fellow showed symptoms of hydrophobia and died in great agony.

The case is one for the attention of the medical fraternity.

## New Steel Combine.

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 17.—A syndicate composed of Chicago, Cleveland and Joliet capitalists has signed a contract with the Alabama Steel and Shipbuilding Company, which is constructing a million dollar steel plant at Ensley City, near here, to erect wire, rod and nail mills at that place at a cost of about \$2,000,000, these mills are to be completed simultaneously with the steel plant on May 1 next and to use part of the output of the new steel mill. John W. Gates, presi-

dent of the Illinois Steel Company of Chicago is understood to be at the head of the enterprise, all the owners which are said to be interested in the new Federal Steel Company, now in process of formation. The mills at Ensley will, it is stated, manufacture exclusively for foreign trade, their product to be shipped through Gulf and South Atlantic ports, and not to come in competition with the Northern mills which the same parties control. It is expected that the Ensley mill will in time be included among those to be controlled by the Federal Steel Company.

## Girls Who Talk Slang.

In opening so many avenues to women hitherto closed in the deservedly famous chivalric attentions of our men to their countrywomen, in the liberty allowed to children by their parents, are there not very real dangers to our girls? queries a writer in London Truth. The slang in common use among our girls no one can doubt is on the increase. We hear "kid," "cooker," "stuck on himself," "in the push," "he's chasin' Miss So-and-so." Some one has suggested that for much of the latest slang Chimmie Fadden is responsible.

To use slang is far from being a crime and is at times expressive, but the increase of its use must be deplored, falling from the lips of refined, lovely young girls. It is most affected by the "bachelor girl" and the new woman, bona fide types of whom are dashing, independent creatures who, with all their vivacity and "go," are often a great trial to their elders. They think every one but themselves narrow and old fashioned, yet time, the great teacher, tones them down and often makes fine women of them.—Ex.

Eight feet is the usual width of a street in China.

No particular form of religion receives official recognition in Japan.

The left side of the face is considered by artists and photographers more beautiful than the right.

Pious Russians do not eat pigeons, because of the sanctity conferred on the dove in the Scriptures.

The United States and Germany are the only two great powers of the world that have no postal saving banks.

The willow is one of the most adaptable of plants. A willow switch stuck in the wet will almost invariably take root.

A German officer estimates that in the course of the present century wars have killed 30,000,000 men in civilized countries.

Two British Guiana stamps, dated 1850, and worth originally one penny each, were sold in Berlin not long ago for \$5000.

Many people in Brookline, Mass., recently paid \$2.50 each for painted sparrows on the representation that they were canaries.

When English soldiers are on the march and billeted upon publicans only three-halfpence per man is allowed for their breakfast.

The cost of keeping up the drinking fountains and cattle troughs in London is \$8500 per annum. A single trough in a busy thoroughfare costs \$250.

Divers in the British navy before being passed as proficient in their craft have to be able to work in twelve fathoms of water for an hour and twenty fathoms for a quarter of an hour.

The most active volcano in the world is Mount Sangay, 17,190 feet high, situated on the eastern chain of the Andes, South America. It has been in constant eruption since 1728, and the sound of its explosion is some times heard at Quito, a distance of 160 miles, 267 having been counted in an hour.

The crookedest brook in America is the No Name Pond brook in Maine, beside which an electric road runs for some distance below Crowley's. The Songo river is no instance to this crooked little stream. It is so crooked that suckers caught there have curvature of the spine, according to the Lewiston humorist.

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## A PRIEST'S BIG STRIKE.

Uncarths a Gold Nugget Weighing 115 Pounds, Worth \$32,000.

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 18.—Advices received here by the steamship Miowers from Sidney, Australia, say a great sensation has been created throughout the Antipodes by the discovery near Lake Wynn of a gold nugget weighing 115 pounds and valued at \$32,000. The nugget was found by Father Long, a Catholic missionary. News of the discovery spread and 6,000 people assembled outside Donnellan's tavern, at Manowana, West Australia, August 16, to listen to the priest's story.

Father Long said that he had been placed in an enviable position regarding the nugget. He termed it a "sacred" and a "golden sickle," so-called because it had been found by him as the agent of a poor, bed-ridden, but faithful parishoner, who had been visited by a spirit, which told him where the gold could be found. The "sickle of gold," it was added, had once before been possessed by men. Following the directions of the parishoner, Father Long found the sickle-shaped nugget. It was lying unaltered and untouched, six feet under ground, a quarter of a mile from the nearest lake on the Karnalpi road, leading out of Manowana.

There was a wild stampede of prospectors to the scene. Every vehicle went tearing at breakneck speed along the road, and before the day was out thousands of men, women and children were digging for precious metal. Up to the time the steamer sailed, however, there had been no fresh discoveries reported.

Father Long's nugget is shaped like a sickle and looks as if it had been polished by a goldsmith. The gold is of the finest quality. Some believe that the cave of pirates has been unearthed, and the bed-ridden man, who claimed to have been visited by a spirit, possessed the secret of the hidden wealth.

He: "I know how to manage my wife."

She: "Why don't you, then?"

He: "She's so obstinate she won't let me."—Tit Bits.

Teacher: "Now, Bobby, supposing your mother had six apples, and you gave her six more, what would that make?"

Bobby (promptly): "A pie."

Lasso Jim: "The tenderfoot held your aces, but I won the pot."

Bronco Bill: "What'd you hold against him?"

Lasso Jim: "The muzzle of me seven shooter."

Manager: "Yes, I've decided to accept your war play. It'll be sure to go. There can't be any doubt of it."

Author: "Ah, I'm glad you think so well of it. I—"

Manager: "Oh, I don't think much of the play itself. It doesn't amount to much. But I've just succeeded in getting a full suit of clothes that was worn by a soldier who fell at El Caney. This suit will be worn by the star, and it won't make any difference about the play. There's millions in it."—Cleveland Leader.

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**WILL KEEP LUZON.**

**United States Wants The Island Upon Which Manila Is Situated.**

Washington, Sept. 17.—The peace commissioners sailed from New York at 2 o'clock today on the Campania, bound for Paris. Secretary Day tendered his resignation as secretary of state before leaving Washington.

Following is the base of the instructions which will guide the commissioners:

1. That Spain should cede to the United States absolute sovereignty over the entire island of Luzon, upon which Manila is situated.
2. That the remaining islands of the archipelago shall be restored to the dominion of Spain with the proviso that a liberal government shall be given to the inhabitants thereof.
3. There shall be a complete separation of church and state in the Philippine islands.
4. That there shall be vested in the United States a prior right to the possession of any or all of the islands outside of Luzon. In other words, that Spain shall not dispose of these islands to any foreign power without the consent of the United States.
5. That the United States shall at all times have equal commercial privileges in the Philippine archipelago with any nation, not excepting Spain herself.

**AGUINALDO WITADRAW.**

**Troops Crying "Viva Americanos," "Viva Filipinos Libres."**

Manila, Sept. 18.—Insurgents have evacuated the suburbs of Manila. They did so in a grand march in which nearly 3000 men took part, carrying rifles, with colors waving and bands playing and shouting "Viva Americanos," "Viva Filipinos Libres."

**A Little Mixed.**

New York, Sept. 18.—A dispatch from Manila says the insurgents changed their plans last night and instead of evacuating all the suburbs of the city they moved from Ermita and Malate to Santana, where they appear to be concentrating a strong force. It is reported although it has not been confirmed, that Aguinaldo ordered this place be held at any cost. It

is more likely a move on the part of Piopilar to embarrass the dictator. The former rebel chief, Isabella Artacho, who was condemned to death by Aguinaldo for treachery in May and reprieved, escaped leading 15,000 men against Aguinaldo. Artacho is backed by the priests. The Jesuit priest has been shot for persuading the rebel forces to desert Aguinaldo's cause.

**That Paymaster Episode.**

Washington, Sept. 19.—Paymaster General Stanton turned over to the president the papers relating to the recent unpleasantness growing out of the refusal of a Texas regiment to receive their pay from Major Lynch because of his color. The president has taken no definite action beyond expressing his approval of General Stanton's course in sending a sharp dispatch to the commanding paymaster of that department, stating in effect that Major Lynch had been regularly commissioned by the president as an army paymaster. The troops must take their pay from him or go without pay. Thus the matter stands, with the papers before the president. There is a possibility that a new question may arise on the point of insubordination in refusing to receive pay from paymaster regularly commissioned to make the payments.

**Battleship Contracts.**

Washington, Sept. 18.—The contracts for the three new battleships have been awarded. One vessel goes to the Cramps, another to the Newport News Shipbuilding Company, and the third to the Union Iron Works, San Francisco. They will be of 12,500 tons displacement, with a coal capacity of 2,000 tons and a speed of 18 knots. They will be named the Maine, Ohio and Missuri.

**GENERAL NOTES.**

The National Baptist association in session at Kansas City, decided to enter the missionary field in Cuba immediately. Near Boston the steamer Gloucester ran into and wrecked the fishing schooner Alice Jordan, and nine of her crew of 16 were lost. A St. Joseph man who has returned from Dawson, says that the one cow in the town recently sold for \$1,500 and three hens are valued at \$100.

The Arkansas legislature consists of 31 democrats in the senate, that being the total membership, and 98 democrats and two republicans in the house.

The Choctaw and Memphis railroad company has been chartered at Little Rock, and will build a road from Memphis across Arkansas to the south-western corner.

When the barefooted and half naked soldiers of Gen. Toral landed at Vigo, Spain, the populace became enraged at the sight and a mob of 1500 surrounded the vanquished general's house and he had to seek safety by escaping to the Leon XIII which was moored at a safe distance.

The 9000 Mauser rifles captured in Cuba and turned in to the ordnance department have been shipped to the armory at Springfield, Mass., and will be thoroughly overhauled. There is talk of placing them on public sale, as it is thought as souvenirs they would bring a price exceeding the cost of an equal number of new Krag-Jorgensen—the kind the U. S. army uses.

John Breckinridge, who fled from Shelbyville, Ky., in 1858 to escape trial on a charge of murder, the victim being Jack McCormick, a wealthy stock dealer, has returned to the old scene. He is 83 years old and decrepit, and is looking after the inheritance left by his father. This valuable estate was divided by other heirs 25 years ago, it being supposed that this heir was dead. He claims to have lived in the Indian Territory most of the time. As all witnesses are dead he will not be arrested.

**A. and M. College Overcrowded.**

Bryan, Sept. 17.—President Foster announces that the A. and M. college is unable to accommodate any additional students. The day preceding the opening the number exceeded the capacity of the barracks and each train since has brought more students.

**CRIMINAL PRACTICE**

**Resulted in Death and Mutilation of a Young Woman.**

Bridgeport, Conn., Sept. 17.—That criminal practice caused the death of the young woman whose head and legs were found in the mill pond here a few days ago, is the belief of physicians who have examined the trunk of the body which was found later in the same pond. An operation, the physicians believe, was performed last week; blood poisoning set in and the woman died on Friday or Saturday. Then to hide the crime the body was cut into seven pieces and thrown into the pond. The trunk was evidently thrown into the pond after the other parts of the body were found. The first discovery in this tragedy was made, when two boys found a bundle in the Yellow Mill river that contained the legs of a woman. They were wrapped in clothes and a white rubber sheeting such as is used by physicians and nurses. One leg was chopped in two. Both were cut off at the thigh. Another bundle was found a little later containing the head of a woman, 25 years old. It was wrapped in a piece of man's underwear and rubber. It was tied with a corset cord. A piece of muslin in the woman's mouth indicated that she was gagged with it or perhaps smothered. The upper half of the trunk, with the arms attached, was in one place, while the lower part of the body was in another. The upper half of the body was wrapped in what appears to be a half of a black rubber carriage blanket. There were two eyelet holes in it. The abdominal part of the trunk was swathed in a white rubber sheet, such as is used in surgical operations. This latter circumstance, together with the plain evidence that the body was severed, like the head, by an expert, and with a keen knife, leads to the conviction that the mutilation and presumably the murder was done by a surgeon. The upper half of the trunk is intact; the stomach, liver and other organs located in the upper part of the human anatomy are all in place, but the abdominal portion of the body has been despoiled of nearly every organ. The police believe they have a good clew in a laundry mark "G 51," which was on the pieces of a man's undergarment which were wrapped around parts of the body. The dissection was carefully made with a view to leaving no traces that a criminal operation had been performed. The woman had never borne a child, but the physicians found ample evidence of blood poisoning after a criminal operation. So far the police have not found anyone who can positively say who the woman was, but it is evident she was a stranger in town, or from some nearby town. The theory of cold-blooded murder has been abandoned.

**YELLOW FEVER.**

**One Case at New Orleans—Orwood, Taylor and Oxford, Miss.**

New Orleans, La., Sept. 18.—One genuine case of yellow fever has developed here, and the state health officer has quarantined the state against the city. There is no apprehension of the disease spreading.

Taylor, Miss., Sept. 18.—One new case here, and three reported from Orwood today.

Oxford, Miss., Sept. 18.—The cases in the Jumper family here have been decided by the physicians to be yellow fever. There are also some other suspicious cases.

Dr. Blunt, state health officer, has ordered a quarantine of Texas against New Orleans.

Capt. Allyn Capron, one of the best known officers in the regular army, died Sunday at his home near Fort Meyer, Va. His battery, first artillery, did gallant work at the battle of Santiago, where his son, Capt. Allyn K. Capron of the Rough Riders, fell.

**MISS WINNIE DAVIS DIES.**

**The Daughter of the Confederacy Passed Away After a Lingered Illness**

Narragansett Pier, R. I., Sept. 18.—Miss Winnie Davis, daughter of Mrs. Jefferson Davis, died at noon today at the Rockingham hotel, to which place she came as a guest in the early part of the Pier's social season. She had been ill for several weeks, and a fortnight ago her ailment was diagnosed as malarial gastritis.

The physicians of Mrs. Davis report that she is holding up with great calmness in her affliction, and no fears are at present entertained of her health yielding to the strain.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 18.—Miss Winnie Davis appeared in public for the last time, it is believed, in this city, July 21. The occasion was the parade of the United Confederate Veterans, who held their annual reunion this year in Atlanta. Miss Davis was a guest of honor and occupied a carriage with Mrs. Stonewall Jackson and Mrs. Caro Lewis Gordon, daughter of Gen. Gordon. The procession started under an auspicious sky, but before proceeding far a heavy storm came up and the rain, which fell in torrents, drenched the occupants of the carriages in line before the tops could be placed.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 18.—Winnie Davis the "Daughter of the Confederacy," was born in the confederate executive mansion at Richmond, Va., in 1863. She was educated principally at home, owing to the trouble surrounding her father and the publicity which attended all movements of the Davis family.

Miss Davis attained her maturity at Beauvoir, Miss. Here she assisted her mother in various ways and took her place in the many social functions of the place. She was her father's constant companion. She assisted him in all his work and much of the information which was required by Mr. Davis in his writings was secured for him by his daughter. Her strong character was marked from youth. She was engaged to Mr. Wilkerson of Syracuse, N. Y., but shortly after her father's death the engagement was broken off. While no public explanation of the rupture was given, it is well known that it was for the purpose of maintaining her father's name.

She received the name "Daughter of the Confederacy" in 1886, when her father made his famous trip through the south. Mr. Davis being unable to appear, Miss Winnie was brought before the thousands at different points along the route and introduced as the Daughter of the Confederacy.

**Discarded Their Father.**

Liberty, Missouri, Sept. 16.—The sons of the hanged man were here today but refused to look at the corpse of the dead. They also refused to have anything to do with the burying of the body and it will have to be buried at the expense of the county. While there is considerable indignation at the lynching, especially occurring at the Court House, there will probably be no effort to apprehend the lynchers. The crime was a most brutal one, the victim, Annie Montgomery, being badly and probably fatally hurt by the assault. Jones was a large man and the girl only ten years old.

**Masonic Home.**

Fort Worth, Sept. 17.—The contract for the construction of the Masonic widows' and orphans' home has been let by the board of directors to the Texas Construction company for \$17,527. The building will be 79 feet in front by 82 feet deep, with a basement. It will be three stories high, constructed of stone and pressed brick. The roof will be of slate and copper.

All materials used in the construction of the building will be of Texas production—Granbury and Dublin limestone and Thurber brick. The bid of O. C. Herrinkind of Fort Worth was the highest, \$20,500.

Brig. Gen. Joseph Haskell, who commanded the 17th Ohio infantry at the Battle of El Caney and was twice wounded, died of apoplexy at his home, Columbus, O. He was parading with his regiment which had returned and the excitement overcame him.



Fort Worth, Texas, March 2, 1897.—Gentlemen: We have used "Kitchen Queen" Baking Powder for over a year; have introduced it in place of higher priced goods with continued and entire satisfaction. We unqualifiedly recommend it. (Signed) J. H. BRADY

**Some Crop Reports.**

Forney, Kaufman Co.: Cotton opening slowly. Season nearly 60 days behind last year.

Belleville, Montague Co.: Cotton picking has begun, and some is being marketed. Wheat sowing is in progress.

Hico, Hamilton Co.: Cotton coming in rapidly, but the crop will be shorter than expected, so say all the farmers.

Lubbock, Lubbock Co.: Light frost here with the cold wave. Grass good, water plentiful, which will start cattle into winter in fine shape. Crops not so good as last year.

New Birmingham, Cherokee Co.: Cotton picking progressing rapidly and the yield turning out well. No worms except in rank bottom crops, where the injury will be slight.

Terrell, Kaufman Co.: Cotton has opened very fast this season, and pickers have been unusually scarce; however, the gins are busy and the marketing active. Some damage by worms, but not so much as expected.

Belgrade, Newton Co.: Entirely too much rain this season. Harvested crops have turned out pretty well; while cotton, it is supposed, will make half a crop. Cane crop shows up well; sweet potato and pea crops good.

Devers, Liberty Co.: The boll worms have so damaged the cotton that the crop will be a little short of last year. While some pieces are nearly ruined others are not injured. Sugar cane is very promising; hay crop good.

Alvin, Brazoria Co.: Weather very dry, and all garden work checked. No rain for several weeks, and the north wind of the last few days has dried out the soil. Summer-planted strawberries are dying.

Milford, Ellis Co.: Cotton rolling in here at rate of 150 to 175 bales a day, and many farmers have not begun picking. Both the round and flat-bale gins are in operation here, and are buying cotton in the seed, paying \$2 to \$3 premium on every bale.

Mesquite, Dallas Co.: Present cotton outlook rather gloomy. The boll and leaf worms have eaten the new crop put forward by the rains some time back. Less than one-fourth of cotton ginned and marketed to date this season compared with last season. Farmers claim to be getting nearly all the first picking.

Prof. Loch, the famous bacteriologist, is pursuing his study of malaria in the Milam hospitals and intends to spend several months in Italy.

M. Caesar Rhompson, the famous Belgian violinist, has received from King Humbert the honor of knighthood in the Order of Sts. Maurice and Lazare.

Aged Millionaire: "And you refuse me?"

Miss Beuti: "I am sorry, sir, but I cannot be your wife."

"Is it because I am too old?"

"No. Because you are not older."—New York Weekly.

"I shouldn't think you would care for my society, Mr. Jibbers; I've refused you five times."

"That's it; I'm an immune."—Chicago Record.

Mr. Oldechap—Are you interested in fossils, Miss Gushley? Miss Gushley—Oh-er—this is so sudden.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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The republican administration took advantage of a hundred-million-dollar war to collect about \$350,000,000 from the people to cover up Dingley bill deficits and extravagant appropriations. The people will not make the mistake of charging this to war rather than to the republican party.

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### Bryan a True Soldier.

It had been reported that Wm. J. Bryan would address the citizens of Chicago on Labor Day and discuss the charges made against the war department.

This report was entirely unauthorized and was a rumor lacking any foundation whatever. Wm. J. Bryan is now an officer in the service of the United States, and it would be entirely indecorous for him to make public or private criticism of the conduct of matters which are in charge of the war department.

Democratic newspapers, aided by a few conscientious republican journals, are making public the facts concerning the abuses which obtain at Montauk Point and at other camps of the army.

Doubtless Col. Bryan could tell some truths about the criminal incompetence, venality and negligence of many officials, but there is little reason to believe that he will take occasion to discuss these matters so long as he wears the uniform of a United States officer.

Since Wm. J. Bryan became a soldier he has adhered strictly to the rules of the service. No interview with him has been secured. He has refrained from discussing in any way the political situation or the conduct of the war. Small and spiteful republican editors have called him "the silent man" and have endeavored to ridicule him because of his silence.—Chicago Dispatch.

Yes, but when Col. Bryan does again put on the dress of a civilian, and get on the hustings he will make the whole country understand the full extent of the jobbery and incompetency in the conduct of the war.—Kaufman Sun.

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**Stray Notices.**  
REPORTED by A. C. Casey, Com'r Proc. No. 4, and left with Sam Hazard, one black horse, 14 hands high, 5 years old, branded X X on left shoulder, split in left ear. This Sept. 14, 1898.  
REPORTED by A. J. Wheat, Com'r Proc. No. 1, and left with J. M. Darden, one brown mare mule, 13 1/2 hands high, 14 years old, no brand, harness mark. This Sept. 14, 1898.

Reported by A. J. Wheat, Com'r Proc. No. 1, and left with Jesse Kelly, one bay horse, 6 years old, 14 hands high, branded X on left shoulder and D with bar through on left thigh; star in forehead. This Sept. 2, 1898.

Reported by A. J. Wheat, Com'r Proc. No. 1, and left with Ben Moore, one light brown mare mule, unbranded, 14 1/2 hands high, 5 years old, collar marks. This Aug. 29, 1898.  
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