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We are still in the lead for the Unexcelled

ROCK ISLAND IMPLEMENTS.

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Phenomenal Clothing Sale,
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For the next ten days and during the holidays, we will sell any suit in our Immense Clothing Stock

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Carries everything usually kept in a FIRST-CLASS Drug Store.

Prescriptions Carefully Compounded Day and Night.

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Judge Kittrell's Philippic.

Judge Norman G. Kittrell, a representative in the Legislature from Houston, speaking on a resolution he has introduced to investigate alleged violations of law by saloons and gambling houses, said in part:

"The distiller deliberately converts grain—which a beneficent providence has given for bread to strengthen and sustain men and lower animals—into liquor to poison the body and damn the soul of his fellow townsman to the end that he may make money; and compared with any dollar so made the thirty pieces of silver for which Judas sold his Lord was consecrated coin.

He said that while many saloon keepers and gambling house proprietors had good personal traits, that was "no reason that that they should be allowed to openly violate the plain letter of the law; the business in which they are engaged not only goes hand in hand with the violation of the law, but sets the pace and establishes the precedent for other violators; I ask at the hands of this legislature such legislation as will make plain to the saloon keeper and the gambling house proprietor that the law abiding, and not the law violating people of Texas intend to run its government."

"Combined and allied, the saloon and gambling house laugh at the law, mock at the rules and penalties prescribed by the people and recklessly and defiantly trample them under foot.

"I say to you today, whenever any man or men, any single man or combination of men engage in business, legal or illegal, defy the law of the people, it is time the people should arise in their might and smite the lawbreaker until he will not raise again his lawless and defiant head.

"The laws are notoriously, flagrantly violated; yet we sit supinely down and allow banded and organized lawbreakers to defy the rules for the preservation of good morals and social order, and allow our sworn and paid servants to neglect their duties, yet hold the trust the duties of which they will not perform.

"Gaming houses pay no license that is authorized by law; but that they pay something for the privilege of the serene and undisturbed prosecution of their unlawful business must be true; for certainly men do not neglect their duty and allow crime—which they have sworn to suppress—to go unpunished for nothing.

"The saloon bill of Houston requires 70,000 bales of 4-cent cotton to pay, and the revenue received by both county and city is less than 10 per cent of the amount taken in.

"Today, scorning the statutes made by the people, holding their corrupting power over your officers (the supposed guardians of law and order,) the saloon and gambling house flaunt defiance in the face of the people and calmly ask: 'What are you going to do about it?'"

No other medicine Builds Up and Fortifies the system against Miscarriage as well as Simmons Squaw Wine or tablets.

SHOES.

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THE BEE HIVE
THE NEW STORE.

Just received a full line of the celebrated

"Rough on Rocks"

children's shoes—just as the name implies, the best shoe on the hardest rocks. Will be on sale this week at cut prices; sizes 8 1-2 to 12 for \$1.15; sizes 12 1-2 to 2 for \$1.25.

THE BEE HIVE,
MITTENTHAL BROS., Managers.

Words of Henry Grady.

When every farmer in the south shall eat bread from his own fields

and disturbed by no creditor and enslaved by no debt shall sit amidst his teeming gardens and orchards and vineyards and dairy and barnyards, pitching his crops in his own wisdom, and growing them in independence, making cotton his clean surplus, and selling it in his own time and in his chosen market, and not at a master's bidding—getting his pay in cash, and not in a receipted mortgage that discharges his freedom—then shall be the breaking of the fullness of our day. Great is King Cotton! But to lie at his feet while the usurer and grain-raiser bind us in subjection is to invite the contempt of man and the reproach of God. But to stand up before him amid the crops and smokehouses, wrest from him the magna carta of our independence, and to establish in his name an ample and diversified agriculture that shall honor him while it enriches us, this is to carry us as far in the way of happiness and independence as the farmer, working in the fullest wisdom and in the richest field can carry any people.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This remedy is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup, Whooping cough and influenza. It has become famous for its cures of these diseases, over a large part of the civilized world. The most flattering testimonials have been received, giving accounts of its good work; of the aggravating and persistent coughs it has cured; of severe colds that have yielded promptly to its soothing effects, and of the dangerous attacks of croup it has cured, often saving the life of the child. The extensive use of it for whooping cough has shown that it robs that disease of all dangerous consequences. It is especially prized by mothers for their children, as it never fails to effect a speedy cure, and because they have found that there is not the least danger in giving it, even to babies, as it contains nothing injurious. Sold by Graham Drug Co.

Constipation of the Bowels May be easily cured by a few doses of Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine.

vertising," says one class of business men—so called. So they can get from Washington to Baltimore by riding a horse or going afoot; but the man who takes the cars can get there a great deal quicker and much easier. Advertising is to any kind of business exactly what the railway is to transportation.—Agricultural Advertiser.

Rob Childbirth of its Terrors and Minimize the Pain and Dangers of Labor by using Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

Hon. J. W. Bailey spoke as follows of Col. W. J. Bryan: "As certain as the years go by and the great national convention re-assembles, we will rig up the platform made in 1896 and in his (Bryan's) unsullied name will raise the banner, as stainless as his life; and it will be a march to victory."

Flushed Cheeks, Throbbing Temples, Nausea, Lassitude, Lost Appetite, Sallow Complexion, Pimples, Blisters, are warnings. Take Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine.

The Washington correspondent of the St. Louis Republic is responsible for the following: Speaker Reed, so the story goes, was passing through the hall of the House when he noticed Representative Lacy of Iowa sitting at his desk. Going over, Mr. Reed passed his hand over the judge's head drawled: "Lacy, you look so much like Alger you ought to be whitewashed."

Cure A Cold In One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Shorten the time of Confinement, Strengthen mother and Supply Breast Milk for Child by using Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

Ladies desiring a contented and happy old age should use Simmons Squaw Vine or Tablet, commencing at 40 years old and continuing during "Change of Life."

The Graham Leader.

J. W. GRAVE, Publisher.

GRAHAM, : : : : TEXAS.

Willing to Split.

There is a Pittsburg life insurance agent of whom it is said that he can talk a stone statue into buying a policy in his company, "the most liberal on earth." He wrote a policy for a Chinaman a few weeks ago, the first ever written for a man of the race in Pittsburg. How he did it he alone knows. The Chinaman has no clear idea of it. He understood that by paying the premiums promptly he would be entitled to \$5,000 some time. He began bothering the agent for the money after a couple of weeks had passed, and the agent tried to explain to him that he would have to die before he could get it. The Chinaman fell down a cellarway on Grant street and was badly hurt. His friends tried to attend to him without calling in a doctor. When they did call one in two days later the doctor was angry.

"Why didn't you call me sooner?" he asked. "This man is half dead now."

Next day the injured man's brother was at the insurance office with a claim for \$2,500.

"You are not entitled to anything on this," said the insurance agent, "until the man is dead."

"Doctor say him half dead," answered the brother, "Why he no glet lat half?"

Robert Burns.

It may surprise some readers to have it recalled that even Burns, who has been designated, par excellence, the "Bard of Nature," neither in his poetry nor his letters shows any appreciation of his native land. From his farm at Mossgiel he commanded one of the finest views in Scotland, embracing Ben-Lomond, Ben-Venue, and the other mountains keeping watch around Loch Lomond and Loch Katrine, and the exquisite Firth of Clyde with its numerous lochs winding away northward among the lonely pastoral hills of Argyleshire. Above all, Arran, with its grandly romantic mountain-farms, was daily before his eyes, as well as the giant mass of Ailsa, rising sentinel-like, sheer and solitary, out of the water where the firth merges into the Irish Sea. Yet not once will you find him making mention of this noble land and sea scape so constantly in his view. In his northern tour he traversed for twenty-two days some of the grandest scenery in the Highlands, yet nowhere do his writings testify to any adequate appreciation of it.—J. Hunter, in March Lippincott's.

Reflections of a Bachelor.

An optimist is a married man who would do it over again.

When a woman goes fishing, she'd rather catch three tadpoles than one trout.

The more people study marriage the less stock they are likely to take in future punishment.

Broad-toed shoes and loose lacing don't mean that there's not lots of baby ribbon where you can't see it.

No man living can get along with a woman unless he deserves to get scoldings, and he can't get along with her if he takes them.—New York Press.

A Sure Sign.

"I'll bet Jimson is going to run for office."

"What makes you think so?"

"Oh, he's getting awful 'shaky' of late."

Do not expect so much that you will be disappointed, even when you have a good thing.

CRANFORD IS DEAD

Texas Congressman Passes Away at the National Capital

FOLLOWING A LONG ILLNESS.

Mr. Cranford Represented the Fourth Congressional District—Was a State Senator Several Years.

Cranford Dead.

Representative John W. Cranford of the fourth congressional district of Texas died at Washington at midnight on the 2d of heart disease and other complications after a lingering illness. He was born in Clark county, Alabama, in 1859, and at 13 was an orphan. By hard struggles Mr. Cranford acquired an education and choosing the law as his profession forged to the front as an attorney, but first coming to Texas, read law under Judges Hunter and Milam at Sulphur Springs. When 21 he was admitted to the bar and became the junior member of the law firm of Hunter, Putnam & Cranford. He was elected state senator in 1888 and re-elected in 1892. He was chosen president pro tem. of the senate, being the youngest man who ever held that position. Cranford was elected to the fifty-fifth congress as a Democrat, being opposed by J. H. (Cyclone) Davis, Populist, and M. W. Johnson, gold standard Democrat. Mr. Cranford was not renominated in 1898.

The filibustering expedition en route from Kansas City to Nicaragua, was stopped at New Orleans by government officials, and many of them returned home.

Outposts beyond San Pedro, near Manila, were fired upon by the rebels from the walls of the Guadalupe church. A gunboat chased the enemy away with Gatling guns. No casualties are reported.

The steamer Labrador is reported lost off the coast of Nova Scotia. All her passengers, Agoncillo being one of them, have been saved.

A runaway horse created great consternation in the residence of M. Frier at Hillsboro by dashing into the dining room. Aside from badly frightening the ladies of the house no damage was done.

A train on the Mobile and Ohio road with the second battalion of the second Missouri regiment on board was wrecked near Tupelo, Miss. Several soldiers were injured, but none killed.

The court of inquiry into the beef charges examined representatives of beef packing firms, who in the main gave similar testimony to what was previously presented to the war investigation commission.

President McKinley has approved the bills providing for the erection of federal buildings at Abilene and Beaumont.

It is rumored that the Santa Fe has secured control of the California and Nevada railroad.

The Spreckles Sugar company, capital \$5,000,000, has filed articles of incorporation at San Francisco.

Cranford's Sad Death.

When Congressman Cranford realized that his earthly career was nearly over he called his four children to his bedside and bade them a touching farewell. Later he asked his oldest son to be a protector to the other children.

The dead congressman's desk in the house of representatives was draped in mourning and flowers placed on it. Congressman Burke announced Mr. Cranford's death and offered the usual resolutions, which were adopted. In the senate Mr. Chilton did likewise. The following committees were appointed to escort the remains to Sulphur Springs:

House—Messrs. Burke, Henry, Lanham and DeGraffenreid of Texas, McRae of Arkansas, McCreery of Minnesota, Brewer of Alabama, Moon of Tennessee, Smith of Kentucky, Mahany of New York and Jenkins of Wisconsin.

Senate—Messrs. Mills and Chilton of Texas, Morgan of Alabama, Berry of Arkansas, Cockrell of Missouri, Foraker of Ohio, Perkins of California, Chandler of New Hampshire and Mason of Illinois.

State Lawmakers.

The senate on the 2d passed the substitute libel bill.

Gross' bill allowing county treasurers one-half of 1 per cent for receiving and the same for disbursing school funds passed.

Wayland secured adoption of his joint resolution requesting the governor, comptroller and state revenue agent to consider the advisability of creating the office of state auditor.

Bill making it possible for convictions to be had for cattle stealing where a ranchman uses more than one brand passed.

The house passed the sheriff's fee bill and discussed other measures.

The contract for building the new electric light plant at Houston, to cost with all requisites \$250,000, has been let.

Congressman Bailey has announced his determination not to be a candidate for the position of leader of the Democratic side in the next house.

Lena Brock, 10 years old, was burned to death near Grapevine while assisting in burning trash in a field.

President D. W. Van Horn of the Bank of Clarendon at Clarendon, Tex., was killed in an accident on the Rock Island railway. He was quite wealthy.

A dealer at Savannah, Ga., has shipped 1000 dozen eggs to Havana, for which he is to receive \$1 per dozen.

Gen. Toral, who commanded the Spanish forces at Santiago, is to be tried by court-martial for surrendering to Gen. Shafter.

The Kansas City, Hot Springs and New Orleans Railroad company, capital stock \$1,350,000, has filed articles of incorporation at Little Rock.

Both houses of the Texas legislature adopted resolutions of respect to the memory of the late J. W. Cranford.

The steamer Aberdeen has arrived at Halifax having on board the crew of the steamer Moravia, wrecked off Sable island.

Butte, Mont., offers a \$25,000 purse for the Fitzsimmons-Jeffries fight.

In the Legislature.

In the senate on the 1st Yett's anti-cocaine-morphine bill with amendments was engrossed.

Miller, at request of Colonial Dames, offered a concurrent resolution making the wild lupin or blue bonnet the flower of Texas. Adopted, but a motion to reconsider made and spread on journal.

House tabled Terrell's motion to act from now on upon platform demands in preference to other measures.

Morrow and Bridges offered a red-hot federal expansion resolution, which was referred.

Kennedy secured passage of a resolution calling upon supreme court, court of criminal appeals and civil courts of appeals for definite information as to the fees of those courts, number of clerks and salaries paid them.

Senate bill paying \$10,000 for publication of late constitutional amendments passed.

Senate bill exempting physicians, with amendment exempting lawyers, from occupation tax was engrossed.

Hundreds of Miners Out.

The strike of the coal miners in the Indian Territory is on. Every mine in the Territory is tied up with the exception of a few imported men working at Wilburton and Hartshorne and some also at Krebs. The strike was ordered by the executive officers of the United Mine Workers' association and hundreds of miners are out. The strike will cause a loss of thousands of dollars to the Missouri, Kansas and Texas and the Choctaw, Oklahoma and Gulf railroads in freights for transportation of coal, which is the heaviest item of business on these roads in the Territory.

One hundred colored miners and their families have left Pana, Ill., for the mining towns in the Indian Territory.

At the request of Congressman Hawley the postoffice department has ordered an inspector to proceed to Galveston to report as to the advisability of establishing rural free delivery on the island.

United States Ambassador to Mexico Clayton has gone to New York. He will visit his Arkansas home before returning to his post of duty.

The owners of the British ship Picton, which sailed from Newport News Jan. 20 for Sligo and has not since been heard of, have abandoned all hope of ever seeing her again.

Former Governor J. Madison Wells, a notable character in the reconstruction history of Louisiana, died at his residence in Le Comte, that state.

On her way from Point Isabel to Lake Charles the schooner Agnes sprung a leak, filled with water, capsized and sank a few miles above Matagorda. The captain and crew were saved.

The comptroller of the currency has declared a 5 per cent dividend in favor of the creditors of the State National bank of Vernon.

The people of Maryland presented Admiral Schley, through Gov. Lowndes, with a magnificent medal of gold and diamonds.

By the close vote of 120 to 118 the Spanish senate passed the measure authorizing the cession of the Philippine islands to the United States.

Anxious to Surrender.

Two Spanish commissioners, Senors Rosatio and Abogado, got permission to pass through the American lines and conferred with Aguinaldo at Malolos with reference to Spanish prisoners. They said that while the Filipinos were not yet prepared to surrender the Spanish prisoners, they will gladly release two Americans they have held six weeks on payment of \$30, the value of food and clothing furnished them.

Shortly afterward the rebels sent out a flag of truce and several hundred of the enemy left the Filipino lines. The commandant said that fully 8000 of his men had had enough and were willing to surrender.

Among the enemy in the jungle many women and children were visible. A woman laid down her rifle and attempted to cross, but was sent back.

Romance of the Rail.

L. P. Johnson and Miss Frances Larsen were married at Paris, Tex., under romantic circumstances. The bride is 14 years old and her parents are wealthy residents of Minden, Neb. The groom is a railroad engineer who formed her acquaintance while running on a road there. Her father sent her to Little Rock, Ark., to board with an aunt and attend school to prevent their marriage. Johnson went to Bonham, Tex., and secured a job on the Texas and Pacific railway. While out to take a music lesson, Miss Larsen boarded a train to Texarkana, where Johnson met her. They went to Paris and were married.

Positive identification of Jesse James as one of the Leeds, Mo., train robbers was made in court by W. J. Smith of Stokesbury, Mo., who was a passenger on the train the night of the holdup. He testified that he got out when the train stopped and walked up to the robbers. He pointed out James as the man who pointed a gun at his breast and ordered him back into the car.

After a lively debate the United States senate passed the army reorganization bill. Senator Vest made a hard fight in opposition to it. The most important amendment was one giving two months' extra pay to men serving beyond United States' limits during the Spanish war and one month's extra pay to those serving in United States.

The Berlin correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph, who says he is "authorized to deny that Germany has any intention to interfere in the Philippines," adds: "Neither has any other power, and the Oregon cannot, therefore, have been ordered to Manila on this account."

On the night of the 25th the rebels concentrated in force at the outskirts of the Chinese cemetery, Manila. Gen. McArthur asked for and obtained reinforcements, but the anticipated attack was not made.

Trouble, according to advices from Cayenne, capital of French Guiana, is brewing between Brazil and France. A strong body of Brazilian troops are marching to meet the French soldiers and a battle is looked for.

A filibustering expedition numbering 150 persons has left Kansas City for Central America. Its commander is W. G. Thompson, formerly captain of company D, fifth Missouri volunteers.

