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Carpenters. THOS. CROWLEY. Cotton & Crowley Carpenters & Builders

Repairing and Job Work. JAMES MURPHY. Carpenter. CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER.

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L. P. Boettler, Carpenter BUILDER. Alamo Plaza, San Antonio.

A. EARHART, Carpenter & Builder. For all kinds of Buildings.

Davis & Girard, CARPENTERS AND BUILDERS. AN ORDINANCE.

Vegetine. I WISH NO OTHER MEDICINE.

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Miscellaneous Advertisements. First-Class Wagons. Low Prices.

FROST & BRO. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. 300 Splendid Wagons.

FROST & BRO. A. Staacke. Has on hand and is receiving the following:

First-Class Wagons. 300 Studebaker, 200 Mitchell, 100 Wilson, Childs & Co.

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ST. LOUIS PREMIUM BEER. SALVATOR BEER. RESERVE AND SARATOGA WHISKIES.

Scheihagen and Wulff, Hardware and Agricultural Implements.

W. A. Woods' Mowers and Reapers. ARCHITECT AND BUILDER.

J. H. Kampmann's NEW DOOR, SASH AND BLIND FACTORY.

BERG & BRO., MERCHANTS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, San Antonio, Texas.

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Miscellaneous Advertisements. Menger Hotel, ALAMO PLAZA, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

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property without my wife's signature to the deed, and she refused to sign. As I said before, I have waited long, and I have been compelled to abandon hope of reconciliation. A few weeks ago I saw the advertisement of a lawyer who undertook to obtain divorces without publicity. I had almost concluded that it would be necessary for me to get a divorce, and at last I wrote to the lawyer. He replied, saying he could arrange the matter quietly and without delay. Can you tell me whether divorces so obtained are legal?

Mr. Tutthill explained that they were not legal; that they were obtained only by means of perjury, and would be set aside by any court of justice. He advised him to have nothing to do with divorce brokers.

"Then, what am I to do?" asked the old man.

"Has it ever occurred to you," said Mr. Tutthill, "that it is a most ridiculous thing for you and your wife to quarrel at this time of life?"

"Has it ever occurred to you," cried the clergyman, "that I have ever been absent from my mind? I can imagine nothing more sadly ridiculous than my position. But what can I do? My wife refuses to forgive me, and I see no way out of the trouble."

"I have your own dear Will Carleton's poem, 'Betsy and I Are Out!'"

"No, I can't say I ever heard of such a poem," replied the clergyman.

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Professional Cards, P. H. WARD, Attorney-at-Law and Notary Public, San Antonio, Texas. JOHN E. ORSH, ATTORNEY AT LAW, San Antonio, Texas. WAELDER & UPSON, Counselors and Attorneys, Office over store of Mr. A. Morris, corner Main and Yvett streets. James G. Fisk, Attorney-at-Law, Land and Claims, San Antonio, Texas. THOMAS J. DEVINE, Attorney and Counselor at Law, San Antonio, Texas. Jay Minter, Attorney-at-Law, San Antonio, Texas. McLeary & Callaghan, Attorneys & Counselors at Law, San Antonio, Texas. S. R. SPENCER, KING & HENDERSON, Lawyers and Conveyancers & Land Agents. WILLIAMS & WILSON, Attorneys at Law, San Antonio, Texas. H. LEIGH & JONES, Attorneys-at-Law, San Antonio, Texas. The Galveston, Harriehurg and San Antonio Railroad. JOHN T. WOHIG, Banker, Commerce Street, San Antonio, Texas. James Callaghan, Merchant, No 97 Commerce St., San Antonio, Texas. FOR SALE, SHEEP RANCH, TWO THOUSAND ACRES OF LAND AND THREE THOUSAND GOOD SHEEP. THE BLM CREEK RANCH. HUGO & SCHREITZER, Merchants, San Antonio, Texas.

Miscellaneous, CENTENNIAL SALOON, Real Estate, French and Amer. Liquors, Houses for Rent, GROCERIES, Fine Liquors, Fresh Flour, 250 Sacks Coffee, Architects and Surveyors, ALEX. L. LUOAS, Architect and Surveyor, Armour & Wheelock, Architects and Superintendents, Trust Sale, The Gulf, Western Texas Pacific Railway, Morgan's Line Steamships, BILLS OF LADING, J. F. LOCKWOOD, Agent, Sant. C. Bennett, Wholesale and Retail dealer in Staple and Fancy Groceries, Fine Wines, Liquors, and Cigars. J. Sheern, Undertaker, Waterroom on Market St., Burial Cases and Caskets.

Hotels, Central HOTEL, Business Part of the City, American House, Boerne, Texas, THE VANCE HOUSE, Castrovilla, Texas, J. T. VANCE, PROPRIETOR, BARNES HOUSE, Houston, Texas, J. L. BARNES, PROPRIETOR, NOTARY PUBLIC, Geo. W. Caldwell, Edward Miles, Notary Public, Bexar Co., San Antonio, Texas, Wolston, Wells & Vidor, Wool and Cotton Factors, COMMISSION MERCHANTS, Galveston, Texas, EL TIEMPO, The only Spanish Newspaper in the State of Texas, Published in the city of San Antonio, Texas, Office: South-west Corner Main Plaza, The great success which EL TIEMPO has met is a guarantee to the merchants and other business men of this country for introducing their trade with the numerous Spanish people of the STATE and MEXICO. Advertising rates very reasonable. On Application a copy of EL TIEMPO will be sent gratis.

Business Cards, DR. EDWARD BENNETT, Office at CLAYTON'S DRUG STORE, CORNER MARKET, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. D. G. W. PHILIPS, DENTIST, OFFICE OVER THE TIGER'S HEAD, 21 COMMERCE STREET, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. SAN MAVERICK, LUMBER DEALER, AND GROCER, North side Alamo Plaza, San Antonio and Marion, Texas. HENRY FERRELL, and Ben. MOUL LOCH, Agents, MARION, ALL CLASSES OF LUMBER, DOORS, SASH, BLINDS, GLASS, PUTTY, PAINTS, ETC., ETC. Builder's Hardware, For sale at both places at lowest prices, CASH ONLY. Cheap John Store, CHEAP JOHN, Calls the attention of San Antonio and the public generally to his new establishment on the Military Plaza, in one of Peter Schuster's new buildings, where he keeps on hand a regular assortment of Dry Goods, Clothing, Groceries, and Provision of all kinds. Also, Glass, Putty, and all kinds of articles in his line. He would call the special attention of those who have been accustomed to buy in the old building, that he has moved to his new place, and that he will sell at the lowest prices for cash. He would also call the attention of those who have been accustomed to buy in the old building, that he has moved to his new place, and that he will sell at the lowest prices for cash. He would also call the attention of those who have been accustomed to buy in the old building, that he has moved to his new place, and that he will sell at the lowest prices for cash.

Advertisements, REVOLVER, BOOK, TRIFLING, WELLS' CARBOLIC TABLETS, THE Black Hills, JEWELRY, FURNITURE, Reduced Prices, JAS. T. Thornton, BANKER, No. 37 Commerce Street, DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE, STATE AND GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, J. Sweeney, Good for Man and Beast, SLOW'S TEXAS LINIMENT, GOOD FOR MAN AND BEAST.

MOSS BENNETT REAL ESTATE LIVE STOCK

Information regarding prices and value of Real Estate, and the investment of money, gratuitously given to strangers.

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Wednesday Morning, June 27, 1877.

Railroad Time Table. THROUGH EXPRESS EAST-Daily except Sun.

Local News and Gossip. Remember the Orphan tonight. Oh, the weather is shamefully hot!

For a good square "American drink," go to Lockwood's. Gentlemen's Fine Cloth Shoes at Frost & Bros.

Clavin's Wild Cherry and Squill cure cough every time. Furnished house-to-let, cheap, at Mrs. Paschal's.

Substantial improvements are progressing at the Gas Works. Gents' Fine Calf Box Top Shoes for a small price by Frost & Bros.

Capital prize is July drawing of Louisiana State Lottery for July 3, 1877. For Rent: A good Dwelling House. Inquire of Frost & Bros.

Two good waiters can get work at the European Hotel, north side of Main Plaza San Antonio. Sacramento Union, Globe-Democrat, Chicago Times, and all the pictorials, on file at Lockwood's reading room.

The case of J. H. Harrington, for the assault upon Barney Burns, will come up in the District Court to-day. The pay car of the Sunset Route came in yesterday, and the railroad employes here received two months' pay.

In the District Court yesterday degrees of divorce were granted to Frank Conrad and Mrs. Christina Vogt. Drawing of Louisiana State Lottery takes place July 3. Get your tickets before July 1st. For information call on C. W. Howard, Soledad street, near the court-house.

An Iron Money Chest for sale by J. & B. We are prepared to do job work of all descriptions. Call at Express Counting room and learn prices. June 19th, a patent was issued to A. Wrightborough, this State, for a new wheelbarrow; also one to J. M. O'Neill, of Fort Worth, for a wagon brake.

Messrs. Ekeley and Wolf, recently of Burlington, Iowa, have leased the Alamo da House, and will soon establish therein a wholesale liquor store. You would have a difficult task before you if you attempted to convince reporters that items were plentiful in San Antonio yesterday.

A young man by the name of Chas. Hugo was painfully hurt yesterday by his horse falling with him, corner Commerce and Alamo streets. The heavy iron cornice on Half & Bro.'s building is about completed, and the large iron head glare swung down upon all who dare to doubt the enterprise of the builders.

Mr. Wilson, alias "Cataract," was another trial on a charge of theft, yesterday, and was found guilty, his punishment being fixed at two years in the penitentiary. In this melting, face and hand mopping weather, a person who can use one pocket handkerchief longer than ten days without washing cannot be considered very fastidious.

CHARGED WITH THEFT. The Man who Stole the Hot Stove Outside.

Notice has frequently been made of a company of young men, called the San Antonio Mining Company, which has been organized in this city for some time, and for several days have been in camp near here, making their final preparations for the march to some Eldorado in Mexico.

Not in this all. Somebody has stolen the boiler belonging to the steam engine of the company. It cannot be found anywhere, and members of the company say they are ready to swear that Fitch stole it. We don't pretend to know anything about the matter save what we learned at the office of the Justice, but this much we will say without fear of successful contradiction: If Fitch, unaided, stole that boiler, he has a "trailing way" with him that "beats all taxation," unless it was a very small boiler for a very small engine.

SERIOUS RUNAWAY AND ACCIDENT. A Whole Family Injured.

On Sunday an old gentleman named Fitzgerald, living at the head of Galvan Creek, Atascosa county, with a lady and three children in a buggy, was going to a neighbor's house. While raising an umbrella to protect the lady and children from the sun, the team became frightened and ran away, leaving the road and running into a mesquite tree in such a way as to upset the buggy and throw all the occupants out. One little child was very seriously hurt, nearly the entire skin of her forehead being torn off. She also was badly scratched and bruised otherwise. Mr. Fitzgerald and the lady and two of the children escaped with slight bruises.

The buggy was literally smashed to pieces. A Fine Building. An Express reporter visited the office of Mr. Alfred Giles, architect, yesterday, and inspected the plan for Mr. Geo. Maverick's building, the excavation for which has just been begun. The site is upon Soledad street, near the Court House. This building will be 100 feet deep, 30 feet 4 inches in width, and 34 feet high, two stories. The front will be full iron, the first of the kind in the city. The inside of the building will be fitted up in the finest style for billiard purposes and is intended, in its general finish, to be a gem of beauty. The bids of estimates for the mason work will be opened on the 6th of July.

Mr. Giles is just finishing the superintendence of three other very fine buildings, those of Messrs. Chase and Williamson, Commerce street, and that of Mr. Katelyer, north side of Military plaza. Personal. Count Thompson, Master of Transportation, came in with the paymaster and pay car yesterday.

Mr. Kirk Armour, of Kansas City, is in the city again. He says he is always glad to reach San Antonio. H. S. Hudspeth and Little Rock, Ark.; G. S. Wilson, Hooido; J. M. Pinkerton, Olmo Rancho; F. R. Knight and G. M. Norton, Cleveland, Ohio; T. Emerson and wife, Boston, Mass.; L. Freer, Albany; S. N. Plocks, Frankfort, Ky.; R. S. Savage and wife, Toronto, Can.; Rocky Ammons, Oakville, Texas, are at the Central.

W. R. Johnson, of Long; K. B. Armour, Kansas City; W. S. Rose, St. Louis; F. C. Marsh, El Paso; Miss H. Krust, Dhanis; John J. Wharton, Austin; Geo. Spanier, Galveston; R. C. Kaerber, Austin; Edward George and J. Simons, St. Louis; F. W. Caruthers and family, Corsicana; W. D. Fields, Fort Bend; L. M. Bradley, Austin; J. R. Greene, Houston, are at the Menger. Some Snake. Mr. Charles Beckman, of "Bachelor's Mansion," about thirteen miles north east of the city, came to town yesterday with a snake story. He said that on Sunday last, directly in front of the "Mansion," he killed a rattlesnake six feet long, and at his thickest part as large round as the calf of his leg, which is a pretty good sized leg, too. The snake rattled and foed with a set of sixteen rattles, showing he was a veteran.

Beckman, knew he would tell this snake story when he came to the city; he was also aware of the proneness of mankind to place little reliance on snake stories, so he just "peeled" that snake and brought the skin, rattles and all, to town. It looked big enough as it was, but 120 in the shade and eternal perdition, how big it would have looked with its natural insides in good working order, and chasing a fellow through the mesquite brush! Distressing Accident. The Assin Statesman yesterday, says Sunday evening two ladies—Mrs. Holland and Mrs. Billinger, with two of Mrs. Holland's children, were riding in a buggy when the horse ran away, upsetting the buggy and throwing the occupants out. Mrs. Holland and the babe in her arms were jammed against a post, the babe being killed instantly. Both of Mrs. Holland's legs were broken just above the knee, and the bones protruded through the flesh. She also sustained a frightful scalp wound, and it was feared she had been injured internally, as she had pain in the abdomen.

We must send Missionaries to Austin. See what a terrible state of affairs the Gazette tells about: "Within the last two or three months some five or six German servant girls have been nearly choked to death by men who entered their sleeping apartments at night after they had retired, and in two instances the men perpetrating these brutal and shocking outrages are known to have been white men. In one instance the villain lost his life, and the babe of a white man were found in it. Rev. Mr. Lee's servant girl, who was thus treated Thursday night, says that the man had long, straight hair, and that she hit his finger, thermometer." The thermometer here yesterday indicated a temperature of 94 degrees at three o'clock in the afternoon. At Eagle Pass, 107; Rio Grande City, 106.

OUR FREE SCHOOLS. Examination of the Pupils Pursuant to a Close of the Session.

With Satisfactory Results. There is not a political canvass entered upon by any of the political parties of the day, without a plain announcement of the position of the party upon the free school question. This is one of the most vital questions the nation has to solve, and those who array themselves in antagonism to free schools are the enemies of progress.

Upon the education of the masses, depends the strength of our government, the enlightenment of our people, the refinement of society. Wise legislation, and a wise execution of the work of the legislator, are accidents to mental culture, and hence it is the first duty of the nation, its integral States, its towns and townships, to devise means for the intellectual culture and training of the growing generation.

San Antonio has long been reputed for her good schools. Conducted by the city administration and sustained by a city tax, her public schools have not remained progressive, but have been constantly improved, and are now beyond doubt the most successful in the State of Texas. Dr. Burleson, representing the Peabody fund for this State, and who has visited all the cities of Texas in the interest of free schools, spoke in the highest terms of the efficacy of our schools upon his stay in San Antonio a few months ago. But the strongest evidence of the worth of our schools is the evidence derived from witnessing the progress the pupils have made, as demonstrated by the examinations the past and the present week.

There is now attending our public schools 84 per cent. of 824 enrolled pupils. These are divided into three grades, and distributed among fifteen teachers. There are five hundred non-enrolled pupils attending school progress, and two are rented. Professor C. Flagg exercises a supervision of the schools; subordinate to the management of the School Board, composed of Mayor French, and Aldermen Smith, Paville, Hain and Wolf. This Board, with the absence of Mr. Wolf, at present in Mexico, began an examination of the schools last Wednesday.

The first class in which Mr. Flagg takes in hand were those of the Flores street school, Mrs. Dunbar's, Mrs. Walton's, Mrs. Edmunds', and Miss Fisk's. The pupils range in years from six up to fifteen, principally. They were examined in all the primary branches of an English education, such as reading, grammar, mental and written arithmetic, geography, spelling, dictation, history, composition and declamation.

On Friday, an examination of the Second Ward school transpired. Miss Kate Rice and Mrs. Charlotte Jones are the accomplished teachers at this school. The examination here was frequently interrupted by noises upon the streets, and such must also be the case with the teachers in other courses of instruction and the pupils in their studies. Then the two rooms are warm and comfortable, and it is in fact a desirable place for a more suitable place for the commencement of the fall session.

Monday there was an examination of Mrs. Polk's and Miss House's classes in the Third Ward school. These are both grand classes, and showed great proficiency in every branch. "In this instance, there was somewhat of a 'new departure' from the common routine of examination. The examination consisted of a dialogue on one of which, 'Playing the Teacher,' was really amusing, and evoked considerable interest from the Examining Board, as well as the teachers and pupils. The dialogue was, as remarked by one of the Board, 'the sensation of his examining experience.'

Yesterday, the Board, in its respects to Miss Adelle Dashiell, and Miss Josephine, in reading and arithmetic, both mental and written, the pupils in charge of these ladies are especially advanced. In truth, it would be very difficult to find scholars any where more conversant with these important adjuncts to an education than are the youthful members of these classes. Miss Dashiell has proved her competency this year, as she did the past, as a cultivator of the thinking powers of small children, and as a founder of a basis for the superstructures of an after and more advanced knowledge, to come by degrees and through different sources and agencies. Miss Beck, with only a brief experience of three months as a teacher, gave most satisfactory evidences of her ability, and of her willingness and susceptibility to improve.

To-day, at 9 a. m. there will be an examination of the Fourth Ward School, and the colored school will receive attention Thursday and Friday. Your reporter cannot refrain from again alluding to the advancing and prosperous condition of our free schools, under the present city administration and the supervision of Prof. Flagg. Two teachers' meetings are held each month, when and where the instructor is taught how to instruct; and thus a system governs them in their teaching—the developing system. There is no cramming of the pupils' minds, but their lessons are given them in a logical way, and so they retain in memory to better advantage. No text books are seen in the hands of the teachers.

The hot season has advanced upon us, and the warm months of July and August will serve as a resting period for the young students of our public schools. They and their teachers have done well the past session, and the public will be proud to see learn through the medium of the Express. Dropped Dead. Yesterday morning, about 9 o'clock an old colored antie named Amanda Taylor, living on the charity of friends residing on North street, was found lying dead on the floor of the house, the fact being evident that she had fallen there and expired instantly. For the past three years she had been afflicted with dropsy, which caused her death. She was a very large woman, weighing in the neighborhood of four hundred pounds.

"Culley the Cutter." There came near being an interesting carving festival in one of our hotels Monday evening. Coleman, a queensware manipulator, tackled the cook and wanted to throw him on a table and dissect him with a huge butcher knife he brandished savagely about him. He was prevented from carrying out his programme, and the Recorder yesterday fined him \$25 for his effort in behalf of science.

A man who would wear a heavy coat on a day like yesterday simply for the purpose of "looking pretty," deserves a censure for existing without brains. GETTING TO WORK IN EARNEST. The Enforcement of the City Sanitary Regulations.

There was quite a list of offenders before His Honor Recorder Rosenfield yesterday morning, some of them being citizens who failed to heed the official warning about attending to the sanitary condition of their premises. It seems rather a bad commentary that people have to be forced for not attending to a matter in which not only the public in general are interested, but themselves specially and individually—that people have to be punished for neglecting a light task for the protection of the health, if not the lives, of themselves and families. It is hoped the officers will be vigilant in the matter they have in hand, and enforce the plotting of the city in a good sanitary condition. The hot weather is now upon us in strong force, the sickly season approaches, and nothing should be left undone to prevent the encroachments of epidemics. Our boasted healthful climate and atmosphere will prove of little avail if half our back yards and alleys are cesspools and garbage receptacles breeding disease with every step they rankle in the sun or fly or poison on the air or night.

Large AND ATTRACTIVE SALE!

Large AND ATTRACTIVE SALE! Jos. Trener & Co. Auctioneers. We will sell at public auction, on Thursday, the 28th inst., at 9 o'clock, a. m., in front of our salesrooms, south side Military Plaza.

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