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Directory.

39th JUDICIAL DISTRICT.
County Judge, Hon. F. D. Sanders.
County Clerk, A. G. Williams.
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County Attorney, Oscar Martin.
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Tax Assessor, C. M. Brown.
County Surveyor, H. M. Rike.
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Precinct No. 3, J. E. Ballard.
Precinct No. 4, J. E. Carter.
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CHURCHES.
METHODIST, (Missionary) Preaching 1, 3 and 4th Sundays, Rev. R. E. L. Farmer, Pastor. Sunday School every Sunday at 10 o'clock. D. W. Courtwright, Superintendent. B. Y. P. U. every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Prayer meeting every Friday night. Frequenting every Wednesday night.
METHODIST (M. E. Church S.) Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Rev. M. L. Moody, Pastor. Sunday School every Sunday at 10 o'clock. F. D. Sanders, Superintendent. Epworth League every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Junior League at 8:30 p. m. Miss Mollie Bryant, Supt. Prayer meeting every Thursday at 8 p. m.
PRESBYTERIAN, (Old School) Preaching 2nd and 3rd Sundays. Rev. C. C. Anderson, Past. Sunday School every Sunday at 10 o'clock. B. C. Clifton, Superintendent.
PRESBYTERIAN, (Cumberland) Preaching 4th Sunday. Rev. W. G. Peyton, Pastor.
CHRISTIAN, (Campbellite) Preaching 5th and 6th Sundays. Rev. W. G. Peyton, Pastor. Sunday School every Sunday at 10 o'clock. J. B. Baker, Superintendent.
CIVIC SOCIETIES.
Haskell Lodge No. 60, A. F. & A. M. meets Saturday on or before each full moon. J. S. Rike, W. M. J. W. Evans, Sec'y.
Haskell Chapter No. 181 Royal Arch Masons meets on the first Tuesday in each month. J. L. Jones, High Priest. J. W. Evans, Sec'y.
Elmwood Camp of the Woodmen of the World meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month. W. E. Sherrill, Con. C. G. E. Couch, Clerk.
Professional Cards.
H. G. McCONNELL,
Attorney-at-Law,
HASKELL, TEXAS.
OSCAR MARTIN,
Attorney-at-Law,
HASKELL, TEXAS.
E. E. GILBERT,
Physician & Surgeon.
Office at Terrell's Drug Store.
J. E. LINDSEY,
PHYSICIAN & SURGEON,
HASKELL, TEXAS.
Dr. J. F. TOMLINSON,
DENTIST.
Office in Rock building at Meadors Hotel.

THE EXHIBIT.

Haskell County Sends an Exhibit to the Abilene Fair.

Although late getting at it some of our most enterprising men decided we should send an exhibit to the Abilene fair, so the following are the results. We give name of article and name of person contributing same.

Blackey Peas	J. F. Thomas.
" "	Lewis Hamilton.
" "	C. C. Archer.
" "	Joe Smith.
" "	Park Caudle.
Whippoorwill Peas	M. A. Clifton
Beans, white	Lewis Hamilton.
" navy	J. F. Thomas
Tomatoes	J. B. Clark
" "	J. S. Williams
Pepper	" "
" "	Mrs. H. G. McConnell
Artichoke	N. C. Smith
Okra	J. S. Williams
" "	A. P. McLemore
Beets	" "
Sweet Potatoes	Lewis Hamilton.
Potato Pumpkins	Norman
Kershaw	J. M. Tucker
Pie Melons	R. J. Norman
Gourds	T. G. Jack
Spanish Peanuts	Lewis Hamilton
Broom corn	W. B. Markham.
Sorghum	M. A. Clifton
" black	J. F. Thomas
" red	" "
" Shumake	" "
" Dutch	W. T. McDaniel
Milo Maize	" "
" "	C. C. Archer
" "	J. F. Thomas
" "	T. G. Jack
African Millet	" "
German "	Dr. E. E. Gilbert
Kaffir corn	T. G. Jack
" "	J. F. Thomas
" "	G. W. Tanner
" "	Yarbrough
Jerusalem corn	W. T. McDaniel
" "	J. F. Thomas
Indian corn, white	Dr. E. E. Gilbert
" "	M. A. Clifton
" "	T. G. Jack
" "	yellow
" "	Geo. Terry
" "	M. M. Redwine
Pop corn	Lewis Hamilton
" "	Will Kittley
" "	M. A. Clifton
" "	M. M. Redwine
Oats, red	M. A. Clifton
" "	J. F. Thomas
" black	Jno. Thurwhanger
Rye	W. T. McDaniel
Spring wheat	" "
" "	J. F. Thomas
" "	N. C. Smith
" "	J. S. Williams
Peaches	Walter Meadors
" "	H. G. McConnell
" "	J. L. Jones
Plums, Burkank	R. E. Sherrill
" Hytankio	" "
" Satsuma	" "
Grapes, El Paso	J. L. Jones
" "	A. P. McLemore
Figs	R. E. Sherrill
Sorghum Molasses	J. F. Thomas

The above list was made out in haste and there is probably a few mistakes in it.

On the 10th of December, 1897, Rev. S. A. Donahoe, pastor M. E. Church, South, Pt. Pleasant, W. V., contracted a severe cold which was attended from the beginning by violent coughing. He says: "After resorting to a number of so-called 'specifics,' usually kept in the house, to no purpose, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which acted like a charm. I most cheerfully recommend it to the public." For sale by John B. Baker druggist. 43

The general indications are that the Boers are licking the English.

"There'll Come a Time, Some day," when we will not judge a man by the clothes he wears: a town by the bums who pass through, when we will not say the world is out of joint and everything going to the "demnition bow-wows" because our liver is out of tune; when we will not be ready to send every one who disagrees with us to a certain well-known winter resort; when we can plainer see the beam in our own eye than the mote in our neighbor's; when we will cease our efforts to reform the world and confine our energies to ourselves.—Ex.

Encourage the Boy to Stay on the Farm.

Dr. Ragland in Orchard and Garden department of Farm and Ranch, writes as follows on education of farmers' sons:

"As we have said, a vicious system of education is responsible in large measure for the constant hegira of boys from the farm to city or town. How to remedy this is a question of supreme importance to the future of our commonwealth. This false system has already depopulated country districts in New England. Many abandoned farms are going to decay and the boys that used to make those hills echo with merry shouting are gone to the cities round about to swell the great army who eke out a precarious living by clerking or working in factories. Many, too many, go to swell the tide of woe that swirls about the saloon and its twin palace of death, the brothel. The wisest men of our republic are agreed that the safety of our American republic depends upon the reversal of the present order of things, which means a change in our educational methods. Love for the farm is to be instilled from early childhood. The beauties of nature; its flowers, its germinating seeds, its bursting buds, its unfolding leaves, its whirring insects, its singing birds, its trees loaded with ripening fruits, its sunshine, its dripping clouds and all else in the ever-charming panorama, is to impress on young hearts such a love for the home on the farm that the temptations and glittering tinsel of city life will have no influence upon the brave lads growing up to manhood in millions of homes in the valleys, among the hills, upon our wide-stretching plains; everywhere the purity and sweetness of a home life upon the farm is to be fixed in their hearts so that no desire will arise to quit this freest of all lives to be bound down to a treadmill life in the factory, the shop, or behind the merchant's counter. The new text books upon nature studies recently brought out by a number of enterprising publishers enable teachers everywhere in our public schools and training schools to train our children, giving a knowledge of the beauties and utilities of home life upon the farm. Let father and mother encourage these teachers and their children to study nature, to discover its ever new, ever unfolding delights, and soon will cease the ever recurring complaints of dullness in the home life upon the farm and young men will cease to crowd every avenue of business, to tramp the streets of great cities in search of profitable employment, often to finally plunge headlong into the abyss of dissipation."

You assume no risk when you buy Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. J. B. Baker, druggist, will refund your money if you are not satisfied after using it. It is everywhere admitted to be the most successful remedy in use for bowel complaints and the only one that never fails. It is pleasant, safe and reliable. 43

Mark Hanna has espoused the cause of the trusts. In this he is consistent, and the laborers of the North who have been voting for protection will be forced by the trusts to vote for them.

The Houston Post of Oct. 23rd published a circular letter that was sent out by W. F. Bundell, treasurer of finance committee of the republican executive committee of Ohio, calling upon Texas postmasters to contribute to the Ohio republican campaign fund.

It seems that Ohio has a kind of patriotism that it takes money to stir up, and the circular intimates that it will take lots of boodle to keep Ohio in the republican column.

"I wish to express my thanks to the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, for having put on the market such a wonderful medicine," says W. W. Massingill, of Beaumont, Texas. There are many thousands of mothers whose children have been saved from attacks of dysentery and cholera infantum who must also feel thankful. It is for sale by John B. Baker druggist. 43

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Fifty Thousand Enumerators Must Gather the Census in a Month.

In June of next year the people of the United States will be counted for the twelfth time since the establishment of our government. "It will require about fifty thousand enumerators," writes Clifford Howard in the November Ladies' Home Journal, "to take the census, and their work must be finished in one month's time, or by the first week of July, 1900. That means that about seventy-five million people must be recorded in thirty days, or at the rate of two and a half million a day. The rate will be even greater than this, however, for in towns and cities of eight thousand inhabitants the enumeration must be completed within two weeks. The enumerators will not be permitted to have any assistance in the work; it must be done by them in person, except in such sections of the country as contain a great many foreigners, where the employments of interpreters will be allowed, as otherwise it would be next to impossible to secure the necessary data. The enumerators will be paid for their services in accordance with the amount of work they are called upon to do."

The experiment with mono metalism in the United States bankrupted the government and forced it to sell bonds.

The war between England and the Boers is progressing. If the Boers fight like they did in the last war with England, they will succeed in establishing their republic.

A Woman Only Knows

What suffering from falling of the womb, white, yellow, or irregular menses, or any disease of the distinctly feminine organs is. A man may sympathize or pity but he can not know the agonies she goes through—the terrible suffering, the tedious hours, which rob her of beauty, hope and happiness. Yet this suffering really is needless.

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PASTURE AND FARM.

Some cases of hog cholera are reported in Lamar county.

J. W. Kincannon sold twenty-three unbroken mules at San Angelo at \$32.

F. Mayer & Son of San Angelo, bought 600 head of stock cattle at \$15.

One hundred bales of cotton were sold at Clarksville at 9 cents per pound.

Twenty-three carloads of fat cows were recently shipped north from San Angelo.

Brigham & Palmer of Blanco, are feeding 5000 head of heaves at New Braunfels.

The second growth of prairie hay in Harris county promises to be better than the first.

More than 2000 bales of cotton are stored at Comanche by farmers awaiting an advance in prices.

Lobo wolves are worrying cattlemen around Childress. One party has lost several calves owing to them.

Stockmen in the Laredo section report the range condition more promising than it has been for years.

R. C. Sloan of Concho, estimates his pecan crop at 25,000 pounds. He has sold them at \$7.75 per hundred.

It is estimated that \$1,900,000 is annually sent out of Texas for bacon, ham, lard and other hog products.

Competition among buyers caused cotton seed to go up to \$15 per ton at Blossom, Lamar county, one day last week.

Farmers in the counties visited last week by rain are in excellent spirits, particularly those who have wheat sowed.

The cotton seed oil mills have received only about one-half the quantity of seed received up to the same date last year.

There are in the feeding pens near Corsicana about 2000 head of cattle that are being fed for the northern markets.

Dave O'Keefe of Colorado City, a prosperous stockman, is lying dangerously ill at the home of his mother in Heflin, Ala.

Some farmers around Chandler, O. T., are having their cotton ginned and then hauling it back home to hold for better prices.

Twenty sections of fine grass in the pastures of Thomas McCall, D. S. Parks and Mr. Dabney, near San Angelo, were burned last week.

Cattlemen, farmers and gardeners in McLennan county are in good spirits owing to the recent splendid rains that have fallen in that section.

Indian Territory farmers report their corn large and well filled out, but say it is lighter than it would have been had seasonable rains fallen.

One hundred bales of cotton were shipped from Floresville to Yokohama, Japan, recently, by way of Galveston. The charge amounted to \$681.52.

A number of farmers in Hill county have had hogs to mysteriously disappear lately. One of them found the head of a porker concealed in a brush heap.

Several wagon loads of watermelons were on the streets of Taylor a few days ago. They were raised in Williamson county, and were of excellent quality.

R. F. Barnett, near Rowell, has a four-year-old apple orchard. The orchard contains about thirty-five acres. He has realized about 59,000 pounds of the fruit this season.

Last week's rains in several counties of Texas have caused considerable sowing of wheat, as the extreme dry weather caused farmers to hold back until these showers fell.

British soldiers will eat American corned beef in the Transvaal, and it is already being furnished by Chicago packers. Orders for over 1,000,000 pounds have already been received.

The recent rains in several sections of Texas have caused farmers and gardeners to do considerable sowing of turnip seed.

Owing to the lack of rain turnips and other vegetables around Brenham are scarce. Watermelons and cantaloupes, however, raised on the flooded lands near Chappel Hill, are plentiful and of excellent quality.

The Truck and Fruit Growers' union of Northern Texas held an interesting session at Texarkana Oct. 19 and 21. Irrigation was fully discussed, and it was deemed best that it be adopted generally by the members.

The purchasing of mules by agents of the British government for shipment to the Transvaal has given quite an impetus to that market in various parts of the state. These animals are to be used in the Boer campaign in that country.

A splendid rain fell last week in the Chickasha country of the Indian Territory. This rain will be very beneficial, as it will enable the farmers to sow wheat, something many of them have refrained from doing owing to the dry weather.

Alf Milligan of Corsicana sold to Benton & Redden forty-two head of mixed cattle, cows and calves, the latter not over four months old. The cows brought 3 cents on foot and the calves \$6 per head. They were all good stock.

W. A. Dennis, living near Alvin, who cleared \$200 from seven rows of strawberries, and sold \$30 worth of vines besides, is enlarging his acreage. He also has a number of thrifty orange and pecan trees ready for transplanting.

KILLED BY REBELS.

An American Met Death and Two Men Were Wounded.

FILIPINOS ATTACK A LAUNCH.

With Gen. Lawton's Expedition in the Rio Chiquita, Near San Isidro—The Rebels Fired from Shore.

Manila, Oct. 23, 8:50 a. m.—An American officer was killed and two men were wounded by the Filipinos in an attack on a launch with Gen. Lawton's expedition in the Rio Chiquita, near San Isidro.

The rebels fired volleys from the shore. Gen. Otis has replied to the three insurgent officers who entered Angeles last Friday with a request made through Gen. MacArthur for permission for a Filipino commission, headed by a Filipino major general, to visit Gen. Otis in order to discuss peace terms and to arrange for the delivery of more American prisoners, that the desire cannot be granted, because the suggested propositions of the Filipinos are vague, indefinite and unimpaired, and because the Americans must continue to decline to receive any representatives of the so-called Filipino government.

Convict Confesses.

Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 23.—A special from Stillwater says:

J. C. McBryde, a convict at the prison, serving a sentence of three years for an assault, has made a remarkable confession showing him to be one of the most high-handed murderers in the country. His confession was made to Warden Wolfers, in a letter in which he related the murder of two officers, Joseph Grant and John McNutt, at Geneva, Ill., on Aug. 9, 1886; the murder of Julia Buckmire at Geneva; a postoffice robbery and the murder of the marshal of Osawatimbe, Kan.; the burglary of a hardware store and the shooting of a policeman at Guide Rock, Neb., and many burglaries and highway robberies.

Speaking of the circumstances of the murder of Grant and McNutt at Geneva, he says: "Two pals and myself were in the act of committing a burglary at Geneva early in the morning of Aug. 29, 1886. We entered the house of an undertaker for the purpose of robbery. My two pals were arrested by these officers. I walked some distance from the place of the robbery and secreted myself behind a tree and when the officers came along with my two pals I shot them, killing Officer McNutt instantly and wounding Officer Grant fatally."

Continuing he says: "I also murdered a woman by the name of Julia Buckmire in the outskirts of Geneva about two weeks before I murdered the officers. I cut her throat with a razor because she recognized me while in the act of committing a robbery."

After receiving the letter and calling McBryde into his office for a more explicit story of his crimes, Warden Wolfers, communicated with the authorities at Geneva and elsewhere. He learned that the crimes were committed, but has received no additional information.

McBryde is now 25 years old and says he has followed the life of a robber and murderer since he was 18 years old. While relating the story of his crimes he gave all the details in a matter of fact manner and evidently felt relieved. He claims to have confessed because his conscience bothered him, and says he is anxious to be punished for his many crimes.

More Surgeons Needed.

Washington, Oct. 23.—The strongest recommendation in the annual report of Surgeon General Van Reypen, just made public, is that relating to the increase of the medical corps of the navy. He points out that while there has been a steady increase in the enlisted force of the navy for the past two years, and while the addition of 3000 men, there has been no suitable provision made for a corresponding increase in the medical corps, which is charged with the care of the health of these men. Every surgeon who is not sick is said to be on duty and the department has been unable to supply surgeons for needed recruiting and other duties. Surgeon General Van Reypen recommends that the corps be increased five surgeons and twenty assistants surgeons and five volunteer surgeons and five volunteer surgeons who served in the war and who are now in service be transferred to the regular rolls. It is also requested that the naval assistant surgeons be placed on an equality with those of the army in pay and rank.

Senator Vance's Stature.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 23.—Artist Elliott of Washington, who is making the statue of Senator Z. B. Vance, informs the committee that it will be completed by March or April. The unveiling will occur here May 29, North Carolina's state holiday. It is proposed that all the national guard of the state shall parade, and that there shall be a large body of Maryland and Virginia troops and ex-Confederate veterans in attendance.

Alaskan Boundary.

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 23.—The Canadian government was advised Saturday evening that the United States and British governments had given effect to a provisional Alaskan boundary, which was arranged between Sir Louis Davies and Mr. Choate in London. This arrangement makes no change at the height of land at Skagway, but it fixes a point on the Dalton trail. There is very little travel by this route.

The Attack on Glenco.

London, Oct. 23.—A correspondent in Glenco camp, telegraphing on Oct. 20, and describing the fighting that followed the following engagement in the Boer attack upon the British position that day, says:

"It was after the battle was renewed, following the lull that ensued upon the sharp cannonading of the British which silenced the guns of the Boers on Smith's hill that our casualties began."

"The Indian hospital corps of coolies under Maj. Donovan of the eighteenth hussars ran out, keeping in the rear of the advancing infantry and artillery that had galloped from the second position through the town amid the cheers of the citizens."

"At this point the Boers became erratic. Our artillery was fighting on the hill where the Boers were stationed in great numbers but the return of the fire did little damage. The enemy kept up an incessant shooting, but our shrapnel began to tell its tale, with the result that the Boer visibly slackened. From a ceaseless rattle the rifle fire dwindled to straggling shots."

"A corporal of the Dublin fusiliers was carried past me to the rear on a stretcher. Maj. Davidson of the Irish fusiliers was shot through both legs and Color Sergt. Anderson of the Dublin fusiliers was brought in wounded in the right shoulder."

"The artillery in front was shelling and the King's royal rifles, on the right front, were busy with the Maxims, making the Boers anxious about their position. Their artillery had been silenced by the splendid service of ours."

"Meanwhile the squadron of the eighteenth hussars and a mounted company of the Dublin fusiliers were creeping around on the enemy's left flank, while another squadron of the hussars and a mounted company of the King's royal rifles deployed to the right flank, at the corn field."

"The artillery continued to play on Smith's hill with a range of nearly 3000 yards. Under its cover the Dublin fusiliers and the King's royal rifles pressed forward. It was in the execution of this maneuver that the casualties to our infantry occurred, several men being killed or wounded."

"The firing now ceased off on our side, and only a solitary shot was returned now and then. Gen. Symons, with his staff in front of the guns, taking cover in the rear of the plantation, near the base of the hill. All this time our infantry in extended formation had gradually pressed forward, watching the Boers from the rear of the artillery and massing on the extreme left of the hill."

"It was gallant work on both sides and scores of men fell within a distance of a couple of hundred yards, but the situation soon became too hot for the Boers, who broke and fled for their horses, which they had left at the foot of the hills on the northeast. There they were received with a fusillade from the hussars, who had captured or stampeded all their horses."

"The enemy swerved in their line of retreat. Some surrendered there and others made for Hattingspruit, while some moved toward Landman's Drift. All who fled were closely pursued by our cavalry and a field battery. But it seems pretty clear that when the main fight was drawing to a close, part at least of the Dannhauser contingent under Commandant Erasmus came upon the ground, as well as a detachment of the Free State contingent, which had made a forced march from the south."

"The chief portion of the Free State troops, however, remained, it appears, in a strong position at Biggarsberg, whence it will be necessary to dislodge them if they should wait for our attack which, in the circumstances, is not thought probable."

Killed by Robbers.

Atchison, Kan., Oct. 23.—Two robbers Saturday night shot and killed one man and wounded another in a store at Doniphan, which they later robbed and yesterday ambushed and shot and killed a policeman and wounded another man, both members of a posse pursuing them. Last night the robbers were surrounded 6 miles north of Atchison and an attempt to arrest them will be made at daylight.

The dead: John Brown of Dolph, Robert Dickerson of Atchison.

Wounded: Charles Kuchs of Doniphan and James Hayes of Atchison.

The robbers entered the store of Kuchs at Doniphan at 8 o'clock and at the point of revolvers ordered a number of men present to hold up their hands. The order was obeyed quickly and one of the robbers started for the money drawer.

At Great Falls, Mont., nine men perished in the recent blizzard.

Feudists to Be Tried.

London, Ky., Oct. 23.—The Clay county circuit court opens to-day at Manchester. The five feudists, Eddy and Floyd Chadwell and Sol, Jim and Tim Griffin, will be tried for the killing of Deputy Wash Thacker of the Philpot faction. Gov. Bradley has troops in readiness to go to the protection of the court immediately upon the request of the judge. Since the last term of court twenty men and one woman have been shot and there are only four indictments.

Maj. Howard Killed.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 23.—A special cable was received here yesterday announcing the death in the Philippines on Saturday of Maj. Guy Howard, son of Gen. O. D. Howard. Maj. Howard was well known in Omaha, being on his father's staff when the latter was stationed here. He was married in this city fifteen years ago to Miss Woolsey, and the event was a notable society function. Mrs. Howard resides here with her three children.

A Pitted Battle.

El Paso, Tex., Oct. 23.—War between Americans and Mexicans broke out, again yesterday afternoon at Naco, Ariz., with disastrous results. Naco lies partly in Mexico and partly in the United States and has a mixed population.

Bad blood had existed between the Americans and Mexican officials since the recent disturbance, wherein a party of cowboys rescued one of their number from the jail across the border.

A dispatch from Bisbee says: Yesterday afternoon just as a base ball excursion from Bisbee was about to leave Naco, Mex., a fight started between Mexican guards and American cowboys and as a result four Mexican guards were killed and one seriously wounded.

An American named Ryan was instantly killed and a Bisbee miner was shot through the leg.

The fight resulted from a row on the Mexican side of the line between Americans and Mexicans.

The guards attempted to arrest the Americans, who retreated toward the line. Just before they reached the line the guards opened fire, which was promptly returned.

A lively battle occurred, lasting fully fifteen minutes. Over fifty shots were exchanged. Cowboys from this side rushed to the aid of their friends and opened fire across the line.

Dan Burgess, a bystander, was shot in the leg and Ryan, a freighter, was ridden with bullets.

Montgomery, who was with Ryan, is missing. One cowboy was arrested and jailed on the Mexican side of the line. Excitement is intense and a posse is forming to rescue him.

Killed by a Street Car Car.

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 23.—Carl West, a 12-year-old negro boy was run over by the trailer of a San Pedro line street car near Macon street on San Pedro avenue at 7 o'clock yesterday evening and instantly killed. According to the statement of witnesses the boy was riding on the left hand side running board of a car coming to town and jumping from the board as another street car and trailer passed him he fell under the trailer of the other track. His back and neck were broken, his abdomen cut open and several ribs were broken. The motorman and conductor of the car were arrested and immediately released on \$200 bond pending an investigation into death.

New Grain Elevator.

Fort Worth, Tex., Oct. 23.—Mr. G. C. Mountcastle of Kansas City, Mo., is here. He is associated with Charles Orthweins' Sons, large grain exporters of Kansas City and St. Louis, and is in the city to arrange for the preliminary work for a grain elevator to be constructed at this point with a capacity of 250,000 bushels. The new oil mill on the east side of the Rock Island and west side of the Fort Worth and Denver railway tracks, north of the city.

Mr. Mountcastle said that a civil engineer would arrive this week and that the work of putting in the tracks would be commenced at once. As soon as this work is completed shipments of material will follow and the building he says, will be pushed as fast as possible to completion. Mr. Mountcastle states that the elevator will be ready for the reception of grain in about four months.

Grandma Hawthorne, nearly 120 years old, died at Bonham.

William Scott, a cowboy, was fatally shot at Clond Chief, Oklahoma.

A Strange Bird.

Corsicana, Tex., Oct. 23.—A large fowl, thought by some to be a gannet, was killed by Arthur Jones of this city, on the prairie about twelve miles from the city Saturday. The bird measured eight feet four inches from tip to tip and eight feet four inches from toes to bill. It was of white plumage, but its legs were too heavy for that of the gannet. It was not the common white crane, and no one here has shown up who is familiar enough with natural history to tell what name properly belongs to the bird.

Dr. J. C. Johnson of Fort Bend county, has turned his cotton fields into a large cabbage bed, and has 12,000 plants growing on it. He expects to ship a solid train of the vegetable to northern markets.

E. E. Davis, a white convict, was killed by a negro convict at Rusk.

Smallpox at Orange.

Orange, Tex., Oct. 23.—Dr. B. F. Calhoun, health officer of Beaumont, was here yesterday at the request of the local board and in company with Dr. Zastruth, health officer of this place, visited a colored woman who, it was suspected, had small-pox. She was up and attending her household duties.

The doctors decided that hers was a very mild case of small-pox. She and a few other persons in the same building and another near by had been isolated for several days.

School Examining Board.

Waco, Tex., Oct. 23.—The county board of school examiners, which met Friday afternoon, having passed upon twenty-one applications for teachers' certificates. The board consists of Prof. R. L. Abbott of McGregor, B. F. Dancer of Mart and W. C. Hixson of Waco. Lively interest was taken in the examinations, and certificates were granted to a considerable percentage of the applicants.

BOERS ROUTED.

They Failed to Execute Their Combined Attack at Natal.

MANY KILLED AND WOUNDED.

The British Achieved a Victory, but They Had a Heavy List of Dead and Wounded—Gen. Symons Injured.

London, Oct. 21.—The dispatches received from South Africa leave no doubt that the Boers failed in their endeavor to execute a combined attack in Natal, and that the British have achieved a brilliant victory, but at the cost of a heavy list of killed and wounded. The Boer plan, it is evident, was to hold the force at Ladysmith by demonstrations of the Free State burghers on the western side so as to prevent reinforcements being sent to Glenco. The latter place was to be isolated by cutting the railway between it and Ladysmith. Finally a large force was to make a converging attack on Glenco. The first two items of the programme were successfully carried out, but the combined operation against Glenco failed, owing probably to the fact that the Boer military organization is too rough and amateurish to bring large forces into simultaneous action. It is believed that only 4000 Boers were in the actual action. A report says that 9000 more were advancing from Hattingspruit and a battalion of the Leicestershire regiment was sent to hold them in check, but, as already cabled, this force is now in retreat. The inference is that only the column from the direction of Frelhoed came into action, and that the force from Ingagane failed to arrive in time and definitely retired after the position taken up by the flanking column had been carried by the British troops. Not an impossibly explanation is the difference of opinion between the younger and the older Boers. While the former were determined at all cost to push on and attack without delay, the older Boers who wished to wait until all the columns were ready, had fallen back to Newcastle and left the others to fight alone. As a result of this hastiness the Boers were defeated and lost a number of guns. It is considered probable that the older Boers will in the future decide the mode of conducting the campaign and mutual recriminations, if nothing else will hamper and delay their future actions. It is almost impossible to overestimate the importance of this initial victory, the result of an engagement in which in a fairly fought field, tactical skill and strategy have told heartily. After more than eighteen years the Boers and British have met, not from Laings Nek and Majuba Hill, with an entirely different result, and if the result does not lead to wholesale desertions from the Boer forces in disgust at the inaptness of their leaders, it has had important results. Besides restoring British prestige, it has proved that the Boer artillery, whether directed by Germans or not, is practically valueless. On the other hand, it has proved to the Boers that the British artillery is equally effective. It is quite possible that the so-called plugged shells were defective Melinite shells. The report that the British captured seventeen guns appears to be incorrect. It is hoped from the latest reports that Gen. Symons' wound is not mortal. It is expected that his command will now be entrusted to Sir Archibald Hunter.

Gen. Andrade Fled.

Caracas, Oct. 21.—The crisis is virtually over. Gen. Andrade, the president, has accepted the conditions proposed by the insurgent commander, Gen. Cipriano Castro, and will go abroad, the presidency devolving upon the vice president, Gen. Castro will enter Caracas peacefully to-day, thus avoiding bloodshed and a dictatorship.

The final conference between Gen. Castro and Senor Matos, the special envoy of Gen. Andrade, was held Thursday. Gen. Castro proposes that a popular convention should be assembled in twenty days for the election of a new president and the adoption of a new constitution, under which arrangement he would succeed to the presidency.

The general feeling is here that a way is open for the dignified withdrawal of Gen. Andrade.

Gen. Andrade fled without transferring power.

Concluded Its Session.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 21.—The Southwestern Traffic association concluded its session yesterday. The matter of rates for the railroads of Texas was under discussion and some agreement between the railroads and the shippers of that state was desired by the members. The association met in secret session and declared that its business was not finished, but would have to be postponed until their next meeting, which takes place in five weeks.

Feeding Cattle.

Rush Springs, I. T., Oct. 21.—The impending corn crop raised and now being harvested in this vicinity has enabled the farmers to dispose of nearly all surplus feed to cattlemen who are feeding cattle for market. The following are among the parties feeding cattle for market: W. M. Pursley, 500; Blakely & McCarthy, 300; P. Trammell, 200; Joe Weatherly, 250; Frank P. Trammell, 250.

Burned at the Stake.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 21.—A special to the Scimitar from Canton, Miss., says:

The little town of St. Anne, twenty miles east of Canton, in Leake county, was Thursday night the scene of a horrible tragedy—a sequel to the burning of the Gambrell family the night before. Joe LeFlore, a negro, confessed that he, in company with other negroes, had tied Mrs. Gambrell and her four children to the floor of her house saturated the building with kerosene and burned the unfortunate people alive. The negro, after the confession of his awful crime, was promptly roped to a stake and burned to a crisp. Another negro, Bob Smith, was saved just in the nick of time, some doubt existing as to his guilt.

The Gambrell tragedy occurred early Thursday morning and it was first thought that the fire was the result of an accident. A casual investigation revealed circumstances so suspicious that a more searching investigation was made and it was soon established beyond doubt that the family had been murdered and the house fired with the torch of an incendiary.

Posses were immediately formed to scour the country, and followed every possible clue. Before the posse left St. Anne it was learned that Joe LeFlore, a negro who lived in the neighborhood, and who had heretofore borne a good reputation, had disappeared.

Early Thursday evening LeFlore was captured several miles from the scene of the murder. At first the negro denied any knowledge of the crime, but he finally broke down completely and confessed that he and Bob and Anderson Smith, two other negroes, had done the deed and told with a brutal frankness all the details of the crime. His captors were stupefied at the revelation. In the yard where the Gambrell family residence had stood LeFlore was tied to a stake and burned alive. No one sent a merciful bullet into his body to kill him.

Anderson Smith escaped from the mob, while LeFlore was being burned and has not been captured. Bob Smith was tied to another stake and a fire started, but he was finally released as there was a possibility of his proving his innocence.

The sheriff of Leake county went to the scene of the tragedy yesterday afternoon and took the negro Robert Smith and three negro women who were implicated by LeFlore, and started for Carthage, the county seat. It is not thought the sheriff will reach Carthage with his prisoners as there are about 500 men gathered about the scene of the crime and they seem determined to let no guilty one escape their vengeance.

Telephone communication is very limited, the nearest connection being Stannes, about four miles distant from the Gambrell place.

To Move Their Headquarters.

South McAlester, I. T., Oct. 21.—The townsite commission for the Choctaw nation while in the city yesterday announced that the commissioners would move their headquarters to this place in the near future and that South McAlester would be the next town to be platted and appraised. The platting and appraising will take about six months. As soon as platted and appraised and title given town lots will become personal property and can be sold the same as in the states.

At Philadelphia, Pa., the jury in the Ingham-Newitt counterfeit conspiracy trial rendered a verdict of guilty as indicted, with a recommendation for mercy.

News from Manila.

Manila, Oct. 21.—It is believed that the Filipino commissioners on whose behalf permission has been asked to visit Gen. Otis to discuss peace terms and other matters, if admitted to the American lines, will not be brought to Manila, but it is expected that Gen. MacArthur will be authorized to meet them. If he is authorized to receive them he will do so in the status of individuals coming from Aguinaldo and will decline to receive any official communication from the so-called republic.

The spectacle of the last Filipino officer who waited upon the American authorities here, displaying uniforms about the city, encouraged the hostile element of the inhabitants. And moreover the persistent attempts of the various commissions previously sent to Manila to entrap the Americans into some sort of recognition of the Filipino government have exhausted the patience of the authorities.

The British channel squadron has been ordered to proceed to Gibraltar.

Townsite Companies Chartered.

Guthrie, Ok., Oct. 21.—Two townsite companies were chartered yesterday, both to build towns on the Rock Island extension north building northeast from Enid. The first was the Garber Town company, capital stock \$10,000. Incorporators: M. C. Garber of Garber, I. G. Conkling and Richard Messall of Enid; the other the Billings town company incorporators: M. O. Billings of Guthrie, Wesley Taylor and James M. Taylor of Perry.

W. C. T. U. in Session.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 21.—White ribboners to the number of 500 are in Seattle, participating in the twenty-fifth annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance union and celebrating the silver jubilee of the organization. Yesterday's convention was formally opened by the national president, Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens. Then came reports of officers and miscellaneous exercises.

TEXANETTES.

Federal court is in session at Abilene.

Sol Jacobs was convicted of forgery at Houston and given two years.

Employees of the San Antonio printing mill have organized a union.

Mrs. M. A. Matney, an old resident of Kaufman, passed away in that city.

An unknown man was run over and killed by a Santa Fe train near Brenham.

Work is progressing rapidly on the Santa Fe passenger station at Fort Worth.

J. J. Norris of Kosse, died at Denver, Col. The remains were buried at Kosse.

The county attorney approved \$7000 of Crockett county jail refunding bonds.

The Santa Fe shops at Galneville have received a lot of new and costly machinery.

Ex-Gov. Bob Taylor and family of Tennessee, are in San Antonio, where they will winter.

Hill Randall, colored, was badly wounded at Terrell. The bullet passed just behind his heart.

An incendiary fired the house of Lawrence Doolin near Austin, and it burned to the ground.

The safe in the store of Robert Gray at Proctor, Erath county, was blown open and about \$70 taken.

Newt Moore of Bonham was run over by a heavily loaded wagon at Honey Grove and badly hurt.

The dead body of John Smith, white, with several bullet holes in it, was found near Quero in a cotton field.

Will Smith, colored, was shot and killed at Cameron. He and Tom Ellis, father and son, gave themselves up.

Rev. George E. Clotier has received a unanimous call to be pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Waxahatchie.

About 200 Texans are members of the thirty-eighth infantry, which is shortly to leave San Francisco for Manila.

Marshall Pulliam, a veteran citizen of Melissa, and one of the best known Masons in North Texas, died a few days ago.

It is claimed that the population of Fort Worth has increased nearly 6000 the past three years and now numbers over 40,000.

A monument to the memory of the late ex-Sheriff Samuel Houston Reese will be unveiled at Weimar, Colorado county, Nov. 5.

TRYING TO SELL OUT

Gen. Pio Del Pilar Offers to Deliver Aguinaldo to the Americans.

FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND ASKED

Offer Will Be Refused—Gen. Otis Received a Message Purporting to Come from the Insurgent Leader.

Manila, Oct. 19.—Gen. Otis has received messages purporting to come from the insurgent Gen. Pio del Pilar offering to sell out his army and to deliver Aguinaldo into the hands of the Americans. Although he is not satisfied that his offer is authentic, it is not intrinsically improbable.

The policy of Gen. Otis is firmly set against buying any surrender.

Pio del Pilar offers for the sum of \$50,000 to refrain from attacking Manila with his army; for the sum of \$250,000 he offers to surrender his army after a sham battle, both sides firing into the air and for the sum of \$250,000 he offers to surrender his overthrow of the insurrection and the capture of Aguinaldo, Paterno and the other leaders.

In the course of the communication he refers to Aguinaldo in contemptuous terms, indicating that strained relations exist between them.

Reports are being received from the districts occupied by the enemy that the Filipinos believe that Pio del Pilar has an audacious plan to break through the American lines into Manila and seize Gen. Otis and the archbishop. Possibly these rumors were started with an idea of helping to make a deal with the Americans.

It is needless to say that the Americans would welcome an attack of that sort. There has been much speculation of late regarding the whereabouts of Pio del Pilar. The recent attack at La Loma is credited to his men. It is believed that he is now in the vicinity of San Mateo valley with a force of 1800 to 2000 men.

Ten former Spanish soldiers who were captured by the Filipinos and for a time acted as officers, and members of a Filipino artillery regiment located in the vicinity of Santa Rosa de Laguna bay district, determined to surrender the artillery to the Americans. The plot was discovered by the Filipinos, who killed seven of the conspirators, the other three escaping to Manila.

It appears that when the surrender was agreed on the Spaniards delegated one of their number to proceed to Manila and to propose to Gen. Otis to surrender after a prearranged mock battle, about twelve pieces, including Krupp and Nordenfeldt rapid firing guns well supplied with ammunition from the Lipa powder factory, in exchange for certain sums to be paid the Spaniards who were to be pardoned for carrying arms against the Americans and to be transported to Spain.

Boers Repulsed.

London, Oct. 19.—A dispatch from Cape Town says a gentleman who left Bloemfontein on Sunday and was interviewed at Prince Albert Road, stated that a government official was informed before he left that the Boers were heavily repulsed at Mafeking and that heavier guns had been requisitioned and were en route from Rustenburg. He also told him that the armored train of the British had done great execution.

Bryan in Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 19.—Twenty thousand people greeted William J. Bryan and the candidates on the Democratic ticket at Churchill Downs yesterday afternoon, the occasion being the first demonstration by local Democrats in the state campaign now in progress. The crowd was filled with enthusiasm and satisfied with barbecued meat. It fed upon oratory by the state leaders, notably ex-Senator J. C. S. Blackburn and William Goebel and the champion of its cause in national politics, W. J. Bryan. The barbecue was the feature of the third day's programme of the party which has been stumping Kentucky in the interests of the regular Democratic nominees. They spent three hours at the Jockey club grounds, all full of speechmaking, and then resumed their trip to Covington, Ky. After a meeting here last night the campaign in Ohio will be begun.

The cruiser Newark has sailed for Manila.

Battle With Bandits.

Nogales, Ariz., Oct. 19.—Deputy Sheriff Llewelling and posse returned yesterday from Harshaw, where they went after their encounter with bandits in the Patagonia mountains. The posse struck the camp of the bandits in Box canyon. At the command of the sheriff to surrender the bandits, who were sitting around a camp fire, sprang for their Winchester and opened fire. The posse returned the fire, over 400 shots being exchanged. The bandits retreated, leaving one dead.

A Serious Accident.

Beymour, Ia., Oct. 19.—An accident occurred here yesterday evening in which one person was killed and nine others injured, several perhaps fatally. A crowd of young men had started to the country to charivari a newly married couple, and as they drove over the Elk Island track in the east limits of the city, they were struck by a train and knocked from the track. The wagon was completely demolished and the harness torn from the horses.

Forces are Moving.

London, Oct. 19.—A correspondent at Ladysmith says that no newspaper reporters are allowed to proceed from there either to Bester's Station or Acton Home, and states that Gen. Joubert's forces are moving against Ikonco and Bester's Station on the Harlismith Lynch line.

According to the same authority, some volunteers who had just come into Ladysmith from Bester's Station and Acton Home before the dispatch was sent, reported that 300 Boers tried ineffectually to cut off small parties of British troops, but the Natal men were too wary to be cut and retired firing. The enemy, as usual, hid themselves behind hills and rocks and is skillful, but were unable to advance. They used cannon against the British riflemen, who nevertheless maintained a stout resistance. The firing was very heavy. The country about Acton Home being more open, the British mounted volunteers there are retiring upon Dewdroop. Two thousand Boers were engaged at Acton Home and rather fewer at Bester's Station. It is reported that the enemy there is hemmed in and suffering severely.

The Daily Telegraph commenting on the foregoing dispatch from its correspondent says it is difficult to understand the reference to Bester's Station on the theory that Commander Joubert is dividing his forces.

The Times' Lobast correspondent telegraphing under date of Oct. 14 says:

"The Boers were around us all day yesterday and broke up the line in several places between Pitla and Mafeking. They were attacked and defeated by a party of our men from Mafeking. Thirty Boers were killed during the night. Another lot broke up the line a mile north of Lobast, cutting the wires. The station master and all of us here set to work and have just restored communication.

"A rumor has just arrived bringing news of Col. Baden-Powell's success in keeping the enemy at bay."

The Cape Town correspondent of the Times under date of Tuesday says:

"All is well at Kimberley, although communication is almost entirely cut off. There is no means of learning anything that happens north of the Orange river unless perhaps by way of Rhodesia and Bolra."

The Daily News' Ladysmith correspondent, telegraphing on Tuesday, says he learns that the discontent in Swaziland is taking a form hostile to the Boers who quitted Bremersdorf precipitately. According to the respondent, the Boers dread a Swaz rising and most of the Dutch settlers in that country are preparing to leave, having already sent their wives and families in the Transvaal.

The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily News says in a dispatch dated Tuesday that large numbers of Basutos employed on various works in the Cape Town district are returning to Basutoland.

A Fearful Deed.

Redwood Falls, Minn., Oct. 19.—Frank E. Babcock, a farmer residing near this city, killed his wife and three sons on his farm yesterday in a fit of insanity. Babcock loaded his gun and went to where his two little boys were playing near the house and shot both of them, blowing their brains out. His wife saw the act and rushed to the barn for safety. Babcock searched for and found his wife in the barn and shot her through the head. He then walked a mile to where his oldest son was working and blew out the brains of his son. He then killed himself.

En Route to Washington.

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 19.—Prof. D. C. Worcester and Col. Denby, Philippine commissioners, arrived here yesterday on the steamer Empress of Japan, and left yesterday afternoon for Washington, where they will make their report to the president. Until the report is made public neither gentlemen will make a statement of any kind for publication.

Among the passengers of the Empress was Editor Lettmour, proprietor of the Manila American. His mission to America is to urge the removal of Gen. Otis from the command of the United States forces in the Philippines and the promotion of Gen. Lawton to the command. Lettmour says that Lawton is frequently denied the fruits of victory by the hesitation of Gen. Otis.

Kimberley, Oct. 18.—An armored train while reconnoitering near Spynfontein engaged the Boers, killing five and wounding seven.

The British had no losses.

Postmasters Warned.

Washington, Oct. 19.—The postmaster general has issued a formal warning to all postmasters against the levy of political assessments, and simultaneously the civil service commission has called attention to the law governing the subject and of the commission's intention to enforce it. This general warning is similar to that issued heretofore prior to political campaigns and it is understood, follows complaints of specific violation of the law received from Ohio and other states.

Requisition Approved.

Greenville, Tex., Oct. 19.—Capt. J. F. Nichols of the Greenville rifles has been notified by Adj. Gen. Scurry that his requisition for uniforms, leggings, hats, knapsacks and complete accoutrements has been approved and the goods will be shipped. Guns for the rifles are held in Austin subject to the requisition of Capt. Nichols, as there is no armory or place here secured for their reception yet.

PARLIAMENT OPENS

Speech of the Queen Bears on the Transvaal Trouble.

SHOULD BE VIGOROUS WARFARE

So Says Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal Leader in the House of Commons.

London, Oct. 18.—Parliament opened yesterday in extraordinary session to consider the South African situation. Large crowds waited in the precincts of St. Stephen's for the reassembling of lords and heartily welcomed favorites, especially Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies. The prince of Wales was largely cheered while driving to the house of lords.

Within the house cordial receptions marked the arrival of Mr. Balfour and the other members of the government. The house listened impatiently to the usual protest by Jas. Lowther against the alleged interference of peers in elections, but Mr. Chamberlain's coming put everybody into good humor and was the signal for an immense outburst of applause. He entered carrying a big dispatch box.

The speaker read the speech. In the speech her majesty said in part:

"My Lords and Gentlemen: Within a very brief period after the recent prorogation I am compelled by events deeply affecting the interests of my empire to recur to your advice and aid.

"The state of affairs in South Africa has made it expedient that my government should be enabled to strengthen the military forces of this country by calling out the reserves. For this purpose, the provisions of the law render it necessary that parliament should be called together.

"Except for the difficulties that have been caused by the action of the South African republic, the condition of the world continues to be peaceful.

"Gentlemen of the house of commons: Measures will be laid before you for the purpose of providing the expenditure which has been or may be caused by events in South Africa. Estimates for the ensuing year will be submitted to you in due course.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, Liberal leader in the house of commons, who followed Mr. Royds, said parliament had been summoned to give its approval to the early steps of war. Never had the house met in circumstances more serious or amid conditions engaging to a greater degree the profound interest of the British people. The demands made by the government of the South African republic were such as to make it impossible for the government of any self-respecting country ever to take them into consideration. (Loud cheering.)

"Actual hostilities have commenced," said Sir Henry, "and an active aggression has been committed which it is the plain duty of our ministers, of parliament and of the people to resist."

Mr. Allison Francis Page, the Moore county, North Carolina, lumber king, died today, aged 76. Mr. Page engaged in the lumber business on a large scale in the early 70s.

The Choctaw council has got down to business.

Went Over.

Washington, Oct. 18.—In the supreme court yesterday Attorney General Smith filed his objections to the filing of the complaint of Louisiana against the state of Texas, in which a temporary injunction is sought to prevent the officials of the latter state from maintaining a quarantine against the city of New Orleans.

After the filing of the objections Judge Farrar, representing the state of Louisiana, asked until next Monday to prepare a brief in replication. This request was granted. Oral argument on the objections will be heard on that day also.

The new well at Mineola compresses is proving to be a wonder. The water is perfectly pure and is affording the enormous quantity of over 100 gallons per minute. Waterworks talk is lively, and there is no doubt about this splendid supply being utilized at an early date.

A. J. Schwarzman, a well known traveling man, died at Dallas. Ex-Gov. Thayer of Oregon is dead.

New Orleans Tragedy.

New Orleans, La., Oct. 18.—Oscar Everhardt, a musician, went to a corner grocery, borrowed a pistol on the ground that he wanted to kill a mink, and returning home, shot his wife through the head while she slept. He then turned the weapon on himself. Everhardt is dying and his wife is seriously wounded. Domestic infelicity is given as the cause of the tragedy. Everhardt was with Hood's immunes in Cuba.

Fire at Kiowa.

South McAlester, I. T., Oct. 18.—Monday night about 12 o'clock fire broke out in the drug store of Orrell & Polard at Kiowa, and the flames spread and consumed the adjoining building. The grocery store of John Lloyd and the general store of J. A. Know were also burned.

The postoffice and contents, which were in the drug store, were burned. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss will run up into the thousands.

SOME HEAVY FIRING REPORTED

And a Number of Killed—Hostilities Seem to Have Actively Commenced.

London, Oct. 18.—A special dispatch from Pretoria, dated Oct. 14, via Delagoa bay, says:

A cyclist dispatch was received from Otsohoop, near Malm, at 6 o'clock this evening asserting that heavy firing had been in progress all day long north of Mafeking. The British troops on board an armored train acted as a covering force to military engineers engaged in repairing kept up a continuous fire.

Conspicuous bravery was displayed on both sides, but it soon became apparent that the rifles of the burghers were ineffective against an armored train. The latter, however, was once forced to retreat before a particularly strong assault, but it soon returned, accompanied by a British mounted contingent, and the fighting was renewed fiercely. Fighting still continues, the Boers holding their position well, but the British casualties cannot be ascertained.

Heavy firing can be heard south of Mafeking, where Gen. Cronje's command is operating.

A corps of experienced continental engineers, former officers, has left Pretoria for the southwest border, escorted by a command of picked Boer shots. It is intended for large dynamiting operations.

A big engagement is expected shortly in the vicinity of Ladysmith. The forces of Commandona Plevys are encamped on a mountain overlooking Dundee, from which point they will be able to observe the movements of the British troops.

Blew Up Bridge.

Cape Town, Oct. 18.—A dispatch from Mafeking says that all was intact up to Sunday night. At that time the Boer artillery was being brought up, but it had not been placed in position. According to these advices the British have blown up the Hopetown railway bridge over the Orange river, with a view of checking the Boer advance southward.

It is expected the Boers will cut off Kimberley water supply; but the De-Bears dam contains enough for a considerable period.

Rejected Offer.

London, Oct. 18.—According to dispatches from Pretoria the Transvaal government received an offer from a wealthy European recently to supply a fleet of completely equipped torpedo boats for the purpose of blowing up the British transports on arriving in South African waters. The offer was curtly rejected. President Kruger even refused to consider it.

The originator of the scheme, who was only in Pretoria twenty-four hours, left immediately.

For Abusing the Queen.

London, Oct. 18.—The Cork Constitution says that a few evenings ago Dr. Charles Tanner, national member of parliament for the middle division of Cork, was abusing the queen and the British soldiers, whereupon one of the royal engineers knocked him down, promising to repeat the operation if Dr. Tanner would rise. Dr. Tanner says the soldier hit him with a stone, thus causing swelling and discoloration of his face.

The attorney general's office at Austin was raided and a number of things stolen.

Columbia Wins Again.

New York, Oct. 18.—The topmast of the cup challenger Shamrock was carried away twenty-five minutes after the big single stickler had crossed the starting line yesterday and her enormous club sail with its 3000 feet of canvas came rattling down on the deck leaving her a hopeless cripple. No amount of pluck or courage could face such a catastrophe, and Capt. Hogarth immediately abandoned the race, towing back to the anchorage after he had cleared away the wreckage. The Columbia of course won.

Thrice Repulsed.

Cape Town, Oct. 18.—Allwynnorth, Cape Colony, is now isolated. From Coleruberg come persistent reports of the report that the Boers have attacked, being thrice repulsed with heavy losses. From other towns on the border similar reports are received. Small-pox has broken out here among the natives from Johannesburg. Eight cases have been discovered.

War is On.

Pretoria, Oct. 14.—(Delayed in transmission.)—Heavy fighting took place this morning north of Mafeking. An armored train set to repair the railway line opened fire on the Boer command. One burgher was killed and two were wounded. Yesterday while Gen. Cronje's troops were near the broken railway bridge, nine miles north of Mafeking, an approaching train loaded with dynamite was fired upon and blown up. There were no casualties on the Transvaal side.

Many Slain.

London, Oct. 18.—A special dispatch from Cape Town says that 300 Boers and eighteen British have been killed in a battle at Mafeking.

Col. Baden Powell made a sortie from Mafeking in force and attacked the Boers, who were investing the town. After fierce fighting the British carried the day.

Four thousand British infantry are at Ladysmith.

Texas State Industrial Convention.

Dallas, Tex., Oct. 21.—Delegates to the state industrial convention, which convened at the fair grounds auditorium yesterday morning in accordance with the call that was issued by Gov. Sayers several weeks ago, cheered ex-Gov. R. B. Hubbard of Tyler when he declared that work on the Nicaragua canal should be pushed to a speedy completion. Mr. Hubbard also declared that this canal meant much for the industries of Texas, and this was vociferously endorsed.

The attendance on the convention was far beyond the expectations of the most sanguine. Nearly every county in the state was represented. The delegates were all very enthusiastic and declared with great emphasis that the crying need of this state was factories and especially cotton factories. It was also their opinion that such establishments would have to be founded by Texas capital.

The convention was called to order at 11 o'clock by ex-State Senator O. P. Bowser of Dallas. Carrico's hand rendered selections, and then Rt. Rev. A. C. Garrett, D. D., I. L. D., bishop of the Episcopal diocese of Dallas, delivered an invocation. Hon. Geo. N. Aldredge of Dallas was introduced by Mr. Bowser and delivered an address. Hon. H. B. Paddock, mayor of Fort Worth, was elected temporary chairman, and was introduced by Judge Aldredge. W. A. Rhea, a cattleman of Collin county, was made temporary secretary. Ex-Gov. R. B. Hubbard of Tyler was introduced and spoke. On motion a committee on permanent organization was appointed.

The committee referred to reported as follows:

"Gentlemen of the convention: We, your committee, beg to recommend that a permanent organization be effected by the election of the following officers: President, Hon. O. P. Bowser of Dallas; first vice president, W. A. Rhea of Collin county; second vice president, F. S. Wade of Williamson county; third vice president, E. H. R. Green of Tarrant; secretary, S. A. Fishburn of Dallas; assistant secretary, Ralph Benton of Corsicana; executive committee, J. A. Kemp of Wichita Falls, H. B. Paddock of Fort Worth, V. W. Grubbs of Greenville, E. W. H. Shellborn of Denton, T. C. Slaughter of Collin, Osee Goodwin of Ellis, F. L. Smith of Galveston, J. W. Childress of Coke, A. J. Nance of Denton and J. L. Stephenson of Taylor."

The report was adopted, and in assuming the duties of the position to which he had been elected, ex-State Senator O. P. Bowser made a short speech.

The following resolutions, which was found on the desk of the secretary, was read and adopted:

Whereas, no people who sell the product of their labor in the raw or unfinished state, can become wealthy, or even permanently prosperous, and

Whereas, the state of Texas has no official department of manufactures, nor the people of the state an organ which the association to look after the industrial development of our great commonwealth; therefore be it

Resolved, that this assembly go into permanent organization by the election of a president, a secretary, three vice presidents and an executive board to consist of seven members.

Resolved further, that said organization be known as the Texas State Industrial association, and that the said association meet annually at such time and place pursuant to call of the president and executive board.

American race horses are being bought for use in South Africa.

West Texas Fair Association.

Ablens, Tex., Oct. 21.—The West Texas Fair association has prepared an unusually interesting entertainment for this year.

In addition to the usual contest for prizes in the agricultural and live stock departments, there will be the women's department and the fine arts display.

This branch of the fair will be very superior. The ladies' department is under the management of Mrs. L. H. Bradford. The art department is under the management of Miss Ella Cockrell. Enough is known of these two departments to say that they could not be surpassed anywhere in the state outside of the largest towns.

In addition to an unusually interesting race programme, the association has made arrangements with the Bickert family to give a free athletic performance every day in front of the grand stand.

The railroads have given very low rates.

Robbed by Highwaymen.

Hillsboro, Tex., Oct. 21.—Sidney Barnett, son of A. G. Barnett of Abbott, just well into his teens, has returned from a voluntary absence of two months to McLennan county. He reports that he made \$20 picking cotton near Elm Fort, and while hunting further on was held up by three highwaymen, who robbed him of his money and all his best clothes. With resolute grit he continued his way and partially retrieved his fortunes.

Important Enterprises.

Gainesville, Tex., Oct. 21.—There is just now talk being indulged in among business men of the city that would indicate that two important matters to Gainesville would materialize next summer. One is the organization of a county fair association and the other the building of a free bridge across the Red river. The good to arise from both seems to be thoroughly realized just now.

Negro Soldiers Causing Trouble.

Laredo, Tex., Oct. 20.—Wednesday night Willie Stoner was on his beat in the west part of the city he had occasion to arrest a negro soldier for carrying a butcher-knife. While on his way to the marshal's office with his prisoner he was overtaken by a mob of negro soldiers, who demanded the release of the prisoner. At this time one of the sergeants came up and assured the officer if he would turn the prisoner over to him he would be responsible for his appearance at the mayor's court next morning. Upon this assurance the prisoner was delivered and the affair reported to the city marshal.

Later, about 11:30, this same officer discovered a crowd of men collected near where he had made the arrest, and as soon as he approached he was covered by the guns in the hands of negro soldiers, who ordered him to throw up his hands, and the next instant felt him to the earth with blows dealt with the butts of their muskets.

They then stamped on him with their heels, fired several shots into the ground near his body, took his pistol and stripped him of his police badge. These soldiers, numbering forty, dispersed, and taking positions in several localities commenced firing a promiscuous volley of balls in every direction, which went hurtling through private yards and over residences, creating for the time a great terror among the women and children.

A Mexican boy, 18 years old, was shot through the shoulder, and other parties state that these negro soldiers at distances of thirty or forty yards, with an oath, drew their arms and fired close to them.

As soon as the city marshal learned of the affair he reported it to Lieut. Campbell, the commanding officer at Fort McIntosh, who was spending the evening with some friends at the club-rooms of the Laredo casino. The lieutenant borrowed a pistol from the city marshal and immediately went to the scene of the disturbance, but the rioters had all escaped into the garrison. He checked up and found all his men present, but on going to the ordnance room he found that the door had been broken open and about a dozen guns in the rack showed they had been recently fired.

There was a bitter and ugly feeling in the city when the outrage became fully known, but the conservative opinion decided to let the law take its course.

As soon as the rioters commenced Sheriff Ortiz placed a strong guard at the jail, where a negro soldier is confined, charged with an assault to murder a few days ago upon a negro woman.

Judge McLane has directed the grand jury to reconvene and a full investigation will be made in order that every guilty one may be tried.

Lieut. Campbell came into the city yesterday morning and assured the authorities that he would render all aid in his power to identify and turn over to the civil authorities every soldier engaged in the outrage.

To Purchase More Mules.

Fort Worth, Tex., Oct. 20.—The purchase of Texas mules by England for war service in South Africa will be larger than was at first expected. Already 2000 animals have been bought and last night a contract was agreed on for 500 more. The class of mules offered for sale here has been very satisfactory. On next Saturday the second shipment of 1500 head will be made to New Orleans.

Texas Grain Dealers.

Sherman, Tex., Oct. 20.—The Transportation committee of the Texas Grain Dealers' association has been in session here. There were a number of the members of the association in attendance from local points near Sherman. President J. P. Harrison presided and Secretary E. H. Crenshaw of Fort Worth was in attendance. The committee carefully went over the shipping rates to Mississippi river crossings on oats Wednesday and found that the shipments can be made by way of Galveston and water route to southern seaboard on an average of \$26 per car cheaper than by all rail route. President Harrison was authorized to at once charter two or more ships with a tonnage capacity equal to 150 cars. As an evidence of the eagerness with which the export route via Galveston is indorsed more than enough shipments were tendered by the limited number of members in attendance to fill the tonnage for which President Harrison was yesterday authorized to negotiate. However, the movement is for the equal benefit of all members of the association and every member will be kept thoroughly informed of shipping schedules by Secretary Crenshaw.

Cotton Receipts.

Corsicana, Tex., Oct. 20.—Up to the close of business at the cotton yards yesterday 20,000 bales of wagon cotton had been received at this point since Aug. 1. From all parts of the country the report comes that the crop is about all in except on a few low land or bottom farms. There is hardly a probability that over 5000 more bales will be received here this season. If such is the case receipts will be about 23,000 bales short of last season's receipts.

A Large Hog.

Hillsboro, Tex., Oct. 20.—Eldridge Carter, a farmer on Emberson prairie, has the largest hog in this section, if not in the state. It is part Poland China and part Berkshire. Is two years old and weighs 800 pounds. Owing to its mass of flesh it can not stand on its feet more than a minute or two at a time, and feeds sitting on its haunches. When lying down it requires three or four attempts before it can get up.

To Help British.

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 18.—There will probably leave San Antonio within the next two or three days 300 men bound for the seat of hostilities in the Transvaal, where they will take up arms for the British cause.

Nearly all of the men who will start from here have seen service in the first British reserves and have been at one time stationed in the Transvaal or have done police duty on the British border of the Orange Free State and the Boer territory. For several days a British agent has been in the city, gathering men to volunteer their services for the English cause. Each of the men will receive a bounty of £100. The duties of the men who have volunteered here will be as guides and scouts. Nearly all of them know the Boer territory and that of South Africa.

Upon their arrival at Cape Town, they will immediately proceed to the seat of hostilities and join the British army corps. The men will probably leave here in a few days en route to Galveston, from which port they will sail for New York. At New York the men will embark upon a British transport sailing direct for Cape Town, South Africa.

Among those who have volunteered their services for the British cause in Hector B. Smith, residing at 236 De Vinne street, who has seen service in both the English and American armies. His American army service was in troop D, eighth cavalry, in which he served five years. In the English fighting branch he served for two years in 1854 and 1855. During almost this entire time he did police duty on the British border of the Orange Free State. When seen by a reporter yesterday at his home, Mr. Smith had the following to say:

"I was for two years a member of the Cape Town rifles. Most of our duties were to police the British border of the Orange Free States. I was a member of a troop commanded by Capt. Gilmore, and a fine man he was, too. This was in the years 1854 and 1855, immediately after the Zulu wars in South Africa. I think that by the time we get there the war between England and the Boers will be ended. Out of San Antonio and Bexar county there will be at least 300 men to go. Others will be picked up in various portions of the state. The company will not be organized in this country. The organization will probably be made when Cape Town is reached."

Entertained.

Waco, Tex., Oct. 18.—At the city hall auditorium last night there was a grand reception given to the soldiers and sailors of the Hispano-American war, as well as to those who have been fighting the Filipinos in the Philippines, and have lately returned to Waco. The entertainment began with an address by Hon. C. C. McCulloch, the mayor, and was followed by music, vocal and instrumental.

Hon. Beth P. Mills delivered an address in behalf of McLennan county, which was followed by a song by a male quartette, the song entitled, "Dewey's Homecoming Trip," written by Mrs. Kimbrough, a Waco poetess. Capt. M. B. Davis delivered the address of welcome in behalf of the state and Capt. J. D. Shaw in behalf of the nation. The hall was beautifully decorated with national and Texas flags, potted plants and cut flowers, and festooned with vines and evergreens. A feature of the entertainment was the naval cadets, represented by young ladies.

Twenty-one shoe drummers met at Paris, Tex., in one day.

Caused by a Dog.

Blooming Grove, Tex., Oct. 18.—A sad accident happened two miles east of town in which Harris Barton, aged about 20, lost his life. Young Barton and his uncle, Fred Barton, about the same age, were going hunting. They had a dog and gun in the buggy with them.

As they were near Mr. Idlett's residence the dog jumped from the buggy, and in so doing struck the gun, causing it to fire, and the whole load entered young Barton's brain, killing him instantly.

Hat Statched.

Paris, Tex., Oct. 18.—While an excursion train over the Dallas Midland was returning from the Texas Midland a few miles this side of Commerce a stranger standing on the platform of a coach grabbed the hat of another passenger and jumped off. The owner of the hat fired three or four shots at him. When Klondike was reached a telegram was sent back to Commerce to see if the party shot at had been hurt, but no trace of him was found.

Case Reported.

Aubin, Tex., Oct. 18.—The state health department has received official information from New Orleans that a case of yellow fever has been discovered on a vessel which had just arrived at that port from Havana. The vessel left Havana four days ago after having first been fumigated. The appearance of this case supports the course taken by State Health Officer Blunt in refusing to admit vessels from infected ports at Galveston within a period of ten days' quarantine.

Awarded Damages.

Hillsboro, Tex., Oct. 18.—G. E. Baker, a former employee of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway company, was awarded \$5000 damages against the company for three fingers. The fingers were smashed off in making a coupling, and he claimed that the accident was due to the inhuman negligence of the employes of the company. The jury has had the case since Saturday.

AMID RUINS OF ANCIENT ATHENS.

In the Acropolis and the Parthenon—Temple of Jupiter.

(Athens Letter.)
After leaving the Orient the American traveler is disappointed when he reaches Athens. The carriage road from Piraeus (where he lands) to Athens is usually very dusty, and the city itself is too densely modern. He sees most of the men wearing our sort of shoes, conventional trousers and coats and modern hats, and longs to catch sight of a group of Arabs dressed in red slippers, long flowing, fancy gowns and turbans. True, he sees the pretty faces of the Greek women, yet these do not have the same occult charm for him as do the mysterious creatures who wander through the streets of Cairo all clothed in black, showing him nothing but pretty pairs of eyes, shining coquettishly above the somber veils which hide their faces. The shop windows are like those he sees at home, and ordinary street cars jog along the avenues.

Many public buildings in Athens have been erected at the personal expense of wealthy Greeks living in foreign lands. A stranger can always find the citizens of Athens roaming around the old ruins, admiring them more than tourists do, and he cannot converse with them long before they speak in praise of their ancient poets and philosophers.

Americans will be most interested in the Stadium, for here in 1895 our college athletes carried away nearly all of the laurels. The Stadium is a vast, uncovered amphitheater built in the side of a hill, and was capable of seating 60,000 people. It would resemble the three-thing part of Barnum's show if it had no cover. Lycurgus (320 B. C.) planned it, and Herodes Atticus, to finish it, almost exhausted the quarries of Mount Pentelicon. In the Dark Ages the barbarians, who overran Greece, tore from the amphitheater the marble seats which extended from the track far up the hillside and burned them into lime. Only a few years ago this classic course was little more than a brush-covered ravine, but a patriotic Greek banker of Alexandria, M. Ave-rof, gave 1,000,000 francs for its restoration. It is now about one-half rebuilt, but as this generous patriot died recently, the work may never be completed.

Although the Americans gained nearly all of the contests, a Greek won the greatest event, the foot race from Marathon. Who would have wished it otherwise? Imagine 100,000 descendants of the ancient Greeks filling every seat in the vast Stadium and crowding the surrounding hillsides looking for a messenger to renounce a victory won on the old battlefield of Marathon, where 490 years before Christ, 10,000 brave Greeks, contending against ten times their number of Persians, defeated them and saved to the world the civilization of which our own is but the matured offspring.

Not every one agrees with me, however, for the Acropolis is called the "crowning glory of Athens." In approaching it one goes by the rock-hewn Theater of Dionysus (the cradle of the Greek drama), the Odeon of Herodes Atticus, and the Acropolis where Paul preached to the Athenians. The Acropolis is nothing but a great limestone rock; its top is 500 feet above sea level, and all of its sides ex-

cept the one where you enter the gates of approach, are almost perpendicular. A man, when on top, can stand at one side and drive a golf ball beyond the other. Pliaster was used to build temples on this rocky eminence also in the sixth century B. C., but all of his works were destroyed soon afterward by the Persians. Pericles was not long, however, in erecting structures on the Acropolis, which have since been the architectural marvels of the world.

To reach the top of the Acropolis you must first make way through the magnificent propylae or portals. In ascending the stairway of the propylae one, as he climbs each step, has revealed unto him some new beauty. Passing through the portals you see hundreds of sad fragments of fallen statues which formerly adorned this sacred hill. A lover of art, when regarding these broken images, cannot

but feel like a comrade groping over a battlefield where his friends lay slain. On the left, as you enter, is the Erechtheion, the temple which formerly contained the ivory statue of Athena Pella, the guardian goddess of the city. This temple is all proportion—a symphony in stone—but the most exquisite portion of it is the "portico of the maidens" (caryatides). These six marble maids, their draperies so clinging to them as to reveal the chaste symmetry of their forms, bear lightly upon their heads the architectural portion of the temple. They are the most graceful daughters of the chisel in all the world. I say six marble maids; but there are only five, for in 1801 that prince of pillagers, Lord Elgin of England, carried one of them to the British museum, where it yet remains. In the place of this mute captive there now stands a terra-cotta substitute which looks like the slave girl of the five remaining sisters. Many admire the daintier Erechtheion, but the stolid Parthenon appeals the more to those who, when upon the acropolis, love the storm more than a peaceful sea. Pericles conceived it when Greece was in her glory and called upon the architects, Ictinus and Callicrates, to design, and upon Phidias to adorn it. It is 228 feet long and nearly one-half as broad. Formerly it contained the greatest work of the greatest sculptor—Phidias' chryselephantine statue of the Virgin Athena. The Parthenon has had a varied history. When first built (438 B. C.) the pan Athenian festival, during which people assembled in Athens from all quarters of Greece, was celebrated within it every four years. The sculptured frieze around the temple is the carved representation of the sacred procession of this festival. Five hundred years after the beginning of our era the Christians used it for a church. There yet remain some of the paintings with which they coated the interior walls. The Turks in 1460 built a minaret on one corner and converted it into a mosque. They in turn were ousted in 1827 by a bomb thrown from

island and bay of Salamis, the Piraeus, and the spreading olive groves of Attica are before you. The twilight panorama from this point is enchanting: "Slow sinks, more lovely ere his race be run, Along Morea's hills the setting sun," CHARLES N. CREWSDON.

CHARLES N. CREWSDON.
MUSEUM OF LEGS.
That Forms the Den of a One-Footed Old Soldier.
San Francisco Bulletin: Henry Curtin, a veteran of the civil war, living on the west side, has a room in his residence that impresses all his visitors as a veritable chamber of horrors. This is because its most conspicuous decoration and ornament is a row of human legs suspended on the walls and entirely circling the room. Mr. Curtin always laughs at the fright of strangers at the first sight of this room, and then explains that the legs are only artificial ones, and there's nothing to be afraid of. Then he tells them how the legs came to be there. "You see," says Mr. Curtin, "in '64 I was so foolish as to try and stop a cannon ball with my right leg. Of course, I wasn't one, two, three, and the next thing I knew I was in a camp hospital with only one leg left. That ended my soldiering. The government had me measured for an artificial leg as soon as I was able to be about, and I came home to Chicago. Well, I discovered that I couldn't wear the kind of leg the government gives, owing to some reasons connected with the way my leg was amputated, and the only leg I can wear is this wooden stump that straps to the thigh. It was in '65 that I got my first leg. In '66 an express package brought me another. I sat down and wrote the war department that the legs were of no use to me, and, therefore, not to send them. They didn't take a bit of notice of my letter, and in '67 another leg came. I wrote again to Washington, told them I had three of their legs now that I couldn't use, and didn't want them to go on and bankrupt the government

buying me legs. They never noticed me. In '68 I got another leg. They began to get in the way around the house, so then I started the labeling and dating of each one, and hanging them up on the walls of my den. There's thirty-five there now, and I guess I'll last long enough to see fifty or more."

Cost of a Church Carpet.
The Chicago Advance gives the following estimate of the direct and collateral cost of a church carpet. The price was \$800, but as the women of the church raised the money by giving entertainments, the pastor's estimate was that, when all the items of cost were figured in, the carpet had cost fully \$4,000. He reached this astonishing total by estimating the work, worry, nervous strain, bodily weakness and heartaches of one hundred women; the heroic efforts of men, women and children to eat the things which were

of America. We grow it upon our farm. So many of our guests are Americans and so fond are they of this peculiar food that we have seen it to be to our advantage to make for them this singular product in our fields in the country. "I took Mme. Brunel's hand," said Mr. Ralph, "and pressed it. I raised my hand as one does who bestows a benediction. 'God bless you, madam,' said I, with such evident piety that she could not take offense. 'You are the most magnificent and the most wonderful woman in France.'"

Didn't Fill the Bill.
Alice (protesting)—But, papa, you say you want to see me married and off your hands. Fairchild (grimly)—I know it. That is why I refuse to let you marry him.—Brooklyn Life.

Don't lose sight of an honorable enemy; he'll make a good friend.

H. HOUDINI, MAGICIAN

NO HANDCUFFS CAN HOLD THIS FELLOW.

You May Bind Him Very Tightly, But in a Trice He Is Free and Laughingly Hands You the Interlocked Fetters Just Taken from His Limbs.

St. Louis Letter.
Harry Houdini claims unique distinction. He says no one can handcuff or tie him so tightly that he cannot release himself. Houdini is at one of the museums at St. Louis, and his feat attracts much attention. "King of Handcuffs" is the peculiar title to which he lays claim and there is appropriateness in it. Houdini's delight is to perplex the detectives and shrewd ones around police headquarters in the large cities. Recently Chief of Detectives Desmond of St. Louis and aides experienced like chagrin of their fellow officers elsewhere. They loaded him down with handcuffs and chains. Then they placed sticking plaster over his mouth so that he could not have resort to his teeth. In little more than a twinkling Houdini handed the officers their irons. He had slipped through them like an eel. Figuratively speaking,



FETTERED AND FREED.

but just how he untied the knots is an eye-opening mystery the St. Louis police department cannot explain. One night Chief Campbell handcuffed Houdini's hands to his neck and locked the neckcuff at the back. Yet the magician released himself. Houdini's feat is largely a trick, aided by wonderful hands. He has been working at it for fourteen years and makes it more mystifying each year. He will not let any one see him work. However, in private tests he permits himself to be stripped and placed in a room in which he has never been. This is his way of showing that he has no aides, neither men nor material. He declares that if any one knew his trick he could work it as easily as he, and would laugh at locksmiths just as merrily. The St. Louis official test referred to was witnessed by all the important men at headquarters. It was more severe than that seen nightly, but seemingly it was no harder work for the magician. Two pairs of the latest improved handcuffs were placed around his wrists. They were double locked. A pair of shackles were placed around his ankles. These, too, were double locked. Then another pair of cuffs was produced and his hands and feet were shackled together. Chief Pickel retained the keys. In just two minutes and forty seconds every handcuff was off and they were all interlocked. When completely shackled and handcuffed, Houdini is stooping. His feet are 10 or 14 inches apart. He appears perfectly helpless. With a laugh that is catching he bids the attendants pile on more chains. Then he disappears and in a jiffy is back again with the irons in his hands. Heretofore, and even now when exhibiting in small towns, Houdini lets the doubters tie him with ropes. He finds they do not bind him more tightly than iron, nor are the knots harder to untie than locks are to loosen.

AS A BOY.

Dewey Invariably Took Sides with the Weak and the Hotted.
As a boy George Dewey was alert, bright and vivacious. He was not a hard student. He was often mischievous, but never malicious. He was fond of all outdoor sports, and was not averse to a fist fight when he considered that he was in the right. But he never pitched into a lad smaller than himself. He was always on the side of the weak against the bully. Mary Dewey, his sister, was his frequent companion in the milder amusements of his early boyhood. She remembers that he was always chivalrous and kindly to her and the other girls. She has said that even as a child he was never afraid of the dark. "When his sister emphasized this characteristic," says Mr. Barnett, who tells the story, "I thought of the dark night when he took the lead on the Olympia and sailed into Manila Bay past Corregidor, without fear or hesitation." During his first year at Annapolis Dewey did not hold any high rank. He was not exactly indolent, but he was so engrossed with the pleasures of student life and its good comradeship that he had little time left for plodding. He took in good part, however, a letter from his father urging on him more assiduity to study, and, as a result, when graduation day came he was third in his class, with Howell and Reed respectively first and second.

Forgot to Weigh His Hand.

St. Louis Republic: The advance in the price of meat probably works more hardships than the public is aware of among those who have little to live on. Here is an incident which occurred in a butcher shop on Hickory street recently: A small negro girl entered the shop and asked the butcher for five cents worth of "dog" meat. She added: "Mamma said to ask you to please give me better meat than what you did yesterday, because the other dog meat made papa sick." That was too much for the butcher, and he gave her a good piece of "chuck steak" and forgot to weigh his hand on the scale with the meat, so much was he engrossed thinking of her papa's appetite for meat.

HOW EUROPEANS TRAVEL.

Germans Getting Into Line as Tourists at Watering Places.

The Germans are beginning to form one of the largest elements in the traveling world of Europe. Up till a short time ago even Switzerland has never been patronized by the children of the fatherland, but that has changed now, and it is said that the Riviera would have been a complete failure last season if it had not been for the Germans, who spent much time there. And it was not time alone that the foreigners spent while in the beautiful district. They were free with their money, and it is said that this advance guard of Germans who are beginning to scatter over the European continent is lavish in the matter of money. The English, who have grown into the habit of considering themselves the best and most untiring travelers of the world, have come in for no end of criticism, especially from the Swiss, for their close watch on their pocketbooks. One pension proprietor in the Taunus-Wald was heard to say that she wanted no English guests, for "they bargain." This has been declared all the more peculiar from the fact that the English hotels at home are famous for their high prices, and a man who will consent to extravagant charges at home is a trifle unreasonable when he haggles over a night's lodging abroad. As an evidence of the increase in the German travelers there were 2,800 people of that nationality at Lucerne from June 16 to 30 this year, to 2,293 for the same period last. In the same time 1,811 English were in Lucerne, as compared with 1,556 of last summer. The increase of all foreign visitors at the same place and time for the present year was over 1,200, showing that Switzerland is having its full share of tourists. The wealthy Russians are said to be extremely profitable to hotel and shopkeepers in the lands in which they are traveling. A Swiss authority insists that 200 Russians will spend more in a month than 1,000 English men and women for the same period of time.—St. Louis Star.

MADE IT A FAMILY AFFAIR.

Curious Circumstances Surrounding Some South Carolina Governors.
The record of governors furnished by the Richardson family of South Carolina far surpasses that of the Walcotts of Connecticut. The remarkable facts are recalled by the death of John Peter Richardson, the last governor of the "old regime," says the Philadelphia Call. Gov. Richardson was a nephew of Elizabeth Peyre Manning (nee Richardson), a remarkable woman, and it is the only one on record who was the wife of a governor, the sister of a governor, the niece of a governor, the mother of a governor, and the aunt of a foster-mother of a governor. She was also the half first cousin of her husband, Gov. Richard I. Manning. Gen. James B. Richardson, grandfather, was governor from 1802 to 1804. John Peter Richardson, the father, was governor from 1840 to 1848 and John Peter Richardson, the son, from 1888 to 1890. Gen. Richardson was also the grandfather of Richard I. Manning, governor from 1824 to 1826, whose son, John Lawrence Manning, was governor from 1852 to 1854. And if there is such a thing as being ancestor-in-law, there are two more governors to be added to this family tree, both illustrious—George McDuffie and Wade Hampton. McDuffie married a great-grandmother of Gen. Richardson, while Gov. Hampton's second wife, McDuffie's daughter, was a great-great-granddaughter. There is a coincidence in that the late Gov. John Peter Richardson and his father bore the same name, were governors of the same state, both succeeded governors who were not elected to that office, but were filling out unexpired terms; the lieutenant-governors under each were from upper Carolina and both were named Williams.

EL GENERALISSIMO WHEELER.

San Francisco Letter.
El Generalissimo Wheeler, the great black pig, wallowing in happy contentment in the corral at Golden Gate park, San Francisco, Cal., will be one of the features at the Sacramento state fair. This pig has a history for bravery and daring, but his greatest accomplishment is a knack of avoiding danger and coming out of all difficulties with an unharmed skin. When the Oregon was knocking sections out of the Christian Colon the pig jumped off the Spanish warship and swam toward the Oregon. He was picked up by a boat's crew and placed safely on board the pride of the navy. When the Oregon made her trip around the Horn this prize bacon remained on board.



EL GENERALISSIMO WHEELER.

At Honolulu the pig threatened to destroy the discipline of the ship, so he was placed on shore. Capt. Houdlette of the Australia guaranteed to freight the live animal to San Francisco, bestowing his individual care and attention upon it during the trip to this city. This was done, and in the last days of February Mr. Bacon Generalissimo Wheeler arrived. He was presented to Mayor Phelan and given special quarters in the park zoo.

At the Literary.

From the Atlanta Constitution: At a so-called "literary" Georgia settlement a sturdy old farmer obtained the floor and spoke for one hour on corn raising, fodder pulling and cotton picking. The local preacher was present, and arose to a point of order. "I do not see," said he, "what a literary meeting has to do with corn raising and fodder pulling!" "Well," replied the old farmer, "it's got jest this to do with it: If it warn't for corn, cotton, an' bacon an' greens there wouldn't be a literary man in the whole blame country!"

Harmony and Writing Her Forts.

John Oliver Hobbes (Mrs. Craigie) is said to be the cleverest musician of all living novelists.

WILD BATTLE.

How a Zoo Keeper Was Nearly Crushed by a Snake.

"There's a snake keeper in the Philadelphia zoo who won't do it again. He tried to separate two large pythons who were fighting for the remains of a half-devoured chicken and suffered the proverbial fate of the peacemaker. There are three pythons in one glass cage, and there is always some care required in feeding them. Each must receive his meal at the same moment as the others, or trouble follows. This particular keeper, whose name is Thompson, opened the door the other day, and the snakes knew it was dinner time. They lifted their great, scaly heads and stood ready. Thompson threw a newly killed fowl to the biggest one, and one each to the others with the greatest possible expedition. Then he stood ready for the second course. The biggest snake was through first, and promptly got the second fowl. The others, as they finished, each received a second help. Then Thompson turned to push back the curious crowd of observers, and in this brief interval the trouble began. Snake No. 1 had swallowed his second fowl, and there was no third one ready. But snake No. 3 still had some of his fowl protruding unswallowed from his jaws. Like a lightning stroke snake No. 1 struck for the chicken, and in a twinkling the two monsters were writhing in each other's terrible grip. Thompson knew what this meant. When pythons fight it is to the death, and the weaker of these two was bound to be a dead snake in a few minutes if they were not separated. The keeper did not pause. He threw open the door, jumped in, and was soon using all his strength in desperate efforts to tear them apart. The crowd surged up to the glass cage, greatly excited. After a struggle he seemed to succeed. The snakes slowly uncoiled, but before Thompson could get himself clear of them and escape they had twined about him. He tried to free himself, then gave up the struggle in an attempt to prevent his chest from being crushed in. The huge snakes wound their bodies around the man's limbs. Thompson stood motionless. The crowd gazed spellbound at the man, who was gradually weakening under the weight of the reptiles. Other keepers, attracted by the excitement, arrived in the snake house and pushed through the crowd to the caged man. Three of them jumped in and beat the big snakes until they freed the captive. Thompson was badly crushed, but otherwise not injured.

STRUGGLING YOUNG AUTHOR.

He Has a Dream with a Wish That Is Not Fulfilled.
"I dreamed the other night," said the struggling young author, "that a big fortune had been left to me, and that I had started a publication in which to print my own stuff. Just think of that, will you a place where they never rejected anything you might write; where they took everything, and printed it all. And it was sort of gratifying at first, it was so different, but I soon tired of it. I found there was no fun in a thing that you didn't have to work for; and that though I now had the power to have anything and everything I wrote printed, yet with that power gained as it was, I was really more of an outsider than I had been when I could get nothing, or next to nothing, printed. Then I was of making and fighting with the rest, with the exhilaration of combat, the hope of victory, and the joy of triumph when victory was won! How dare the other, a pleasure that I could command at will, as against such delights as these! I wished that I might lose that fortune and be once more the struggling young author; and this wish, by my awakening, was fully gratified."

DIAMONDS MORE EXPENSIVE.

With the return of prosperity has come a rise in the prices of luxuries, owing to increased demand, and the first things that shot up the scale of cost have been diamonds. People do not buy jewelry unless they have plenty of money, for it is the cement of all things to get along without. A purchaser who a short time ago would have groaned at the thought of a \$200 diamond ornament now buys one for \$500 without blinking.

Diamonds have increased 10 per cent in cost, emeralds are higher than ever and still going up, and pearls are following suit. Rubies are truly beyond price.

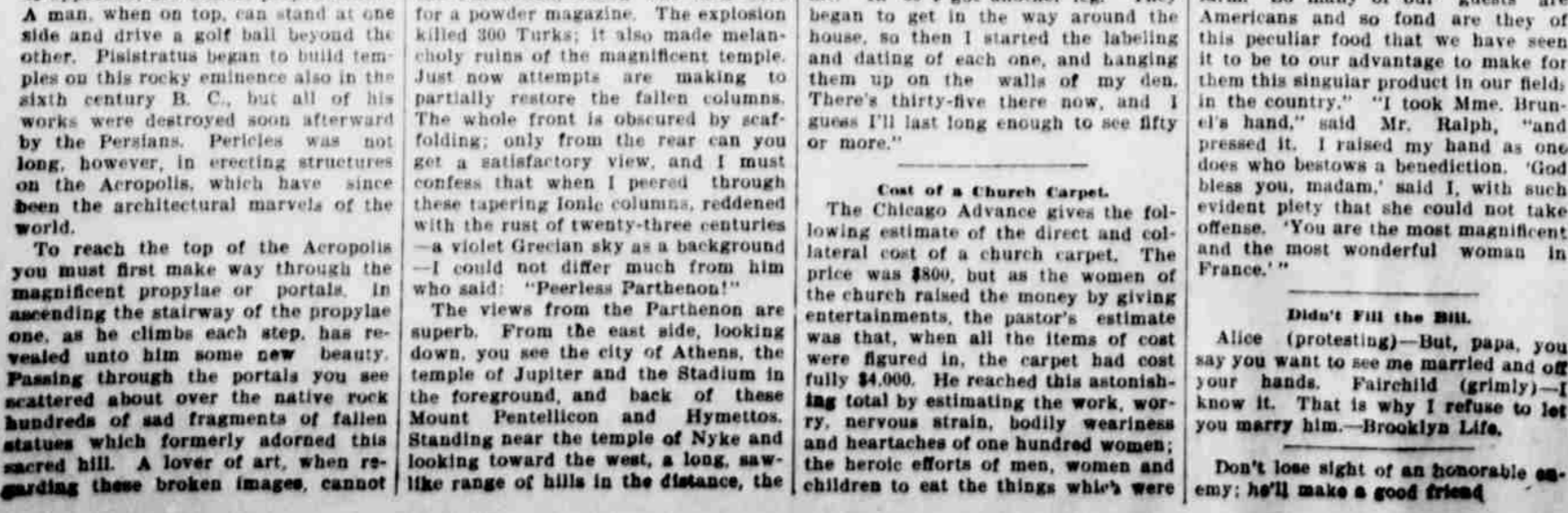
One jeweler has been showing a two-carat diamond for \$900, and a blue diamond weighing nearly three carats was just sold for \$2,800. A necklace of fifty pearls brings \$6,500, though a few months ago it would have been at least \$500 less. A single pearl weighing twenty-six grains sold for \$2,600.

A pure emerald four carats in weight is worth \$4,000, and as an emerald is usually set with diamonds, one can see the value of a ring in these stones. Rubies range from those of one carat, costing \$450, to three and four carat stones worth \$5,000.

Pearls and diamonds are a favorite combination this winter. The dog collars of pearls fastened with diamond clasps still reign.

The Persian Carpenter.
In accordance with the invariable custom of all eastern artisans, the carpenter sits upon the ground while at work, says Southern Lumberman. Instead of a bench, a strong stake is driven down before him, leaving about ten inches above the ground, and upon this he rests his feet. The facility with which the work is executed in this position has always been a matter of surprise to European workmen. In the royal arsenals English tools are used and a better system of working has been introduced under the superintendence of British officers, but in the native workshops the workmen are still to be seen squatting on the ground, and being used to this position from infancy and their tools being formed to work with more efficiency when used in this way, any alteration is scarcely to be expected. Their principal tools are the frame saw, adze, plane, hammers, nails and a few smaller tools.

ACROPOLIS, SHOWING PARTHENON ON TOP, THESEUM IN FORE GROUND.



No Microbes There.

A scientist has discovered that at an altitude of 2000 feet on the Swiss mountains there are absolutely no microbes.

Teach your children manners while they are infants.

How sweet is the prattle of little children.

Stand up for the right under all circumstances.

Reduced Rates Via Cotton Belt Route.

For unvelling of the Winnie Davis monument at Richmond, Va. Nov. 7-13, rate of one fare for the round trip.

Tickets on sale Nov. 4th and 5th. Limited to leave Richmond, Nov. 14th.

You can ride in a Cotton Belt parlor cafe car all day for an extra 50 cents.

State Convention United Daughters of the Confederacy, Austin, Texas, Nov. 29-30. Tickets on sale Nov. 28, and for trains arriving in Austin Nov. 29.

National Convention Brotherhood of St. Andrew, at Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 19-22, rate of one and one-third fare on the certificate plan (standard fare).

If you are going to take the night ride from Memphis to Texas, or from Texas to Memphis, and want to ride on a sleeper, buy your tickets via the Cotton Belt Route for it is the only line operating a sleeper between those points.

For complete information relative to above or any other trip call on any Cotton Belt agent, or address A. S. Wagner, city passenger and ticket agent, 237 Main street, Dallas, Texas.

Philippine Women.

"The aristocratic Philippine matron and her daughters indulge in no greater bodily exercise, if they can help it, than that required for driving or shopping," says Charles Bryant Howland in the Woman's Home Companion.

Comparisons Lead

The intelligent to quick conclusions. For Colorado, California and the great Northwest investigate the schedules, connections, rates and train equipment of "The Denver Road," (Fort Worth and Denver City railway).

Baltimore, Oct. 21.—Should the present rate of increase in the net earnings of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad continue, almost the entire interest charges and the rental for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900, will have been earned by Dec. 31, 1899.

THE MATCHMAKERS.

"Let's get Peter to take her." Clem jumped from his chair and slapped Tom roundly on the shoulder, so elated was he over his bright idea.

It was a difficult situation. The young men had hotly resented a scolding over some boyish escapade from their "specials," Tom's cousin Lottie and Clem's sister Mary.

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he had not ventured to talk with her since. It had been left to Clem or Tom to see her home from church, and as she was usually with Mame or Lottie it was easy for them to walk in that direction, thus politely escorting her without special attention from either young man.

Clem was thinking it over moodily one Sunday afternoon while Mame sat writing at the table.

"Here, Clem," she said, handing him an envelope, "this is for Kittie. If you'll put it in your pocket now we'll be sure to take it with us tonight."

Clem did as requested, but a half-hour later, when he saw Peter driving past, it flashed upon him that there was an excellent opportunity to make that young man call on Kittie, and rushing out he hailed him.

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"Well, maybe that would do, and then again maybe it wouldn't," said Clem, scornfully. "I'm not anxious for anyone to know I've made a goose of myself or the girl either for that matter."

"How are you going to manage, then?"

"Introduce him and get him interested and make him think he thought of it himself."

"I promised Mame I'd never go there again," said Tom, ruefully.

"I know you did," was Clem's reply; "she told me and I gave her a talking to and told her it wouldn't do. We can't drop Kittie like a hot potato after all the good times we've had down there, just because they have chosen to make up. It's their fault we went there in the first place, and since we did, we intended to treat her decently and get her acquainted with the young folks round here, and I added that the nicer the girls were to her, the less nice we'd have to be. That settled it. We're all going down there some night soon and after that Mame is to ask Kittie to spend the evening at our house. We'll have to get Peter round then."

"They met Peter that afternoon, and Clem took the opportunity to talk much of Kittie and the good times they had with her. "And that reminds me," he said, carelessly, "she thinks you're very handsome." Clem did not think

"See here, Pete," said Clem, "what do you say to joining teams and getting up a load of young folks to go to the fair?"

Peter coughed surprised. "Thought you two were so dreadfully fond of going in buggies," he said, suspiciously.

"Well, buggies are nicer for some reasons," admitted Tom, "but we can't be so unsober as always. Clem will have his team, and with my horse and yours we could take a jolly party."

"We thought it would be pleasanter for fellows like you with no special girl to take," hazarded Clem.

Peter coughed significantly. He remembered a special girl he had taken the night before. "Well, I don't know," he said, slowly; "it's a big pull with a heavy wagon. Whom are you going to ask?"

"Oh, our set, you know, and Miss King—"

Now Peter thought he understood. The boys were anxious to have Miss King go with them, and his horse was being invited to help it along. Clem's reference to fellows with no special girls to take ranked and he grew momentarily more anxious to prevent them taking the girl, yet he dared not refuse outright, for if Kittie had already promised them he would wish to make one of the party.

"Let us make first thing in the morning, old fellow," said Clem, and they drove off, leaving Peter to do just as they hoped and expected he would, make a hasty toilet and call on Miss King.

He gave his refusal to the boys in the morning with the air of a man who had come out ahead.

Even after the fair it was fun to urge Peter along, and so they kept it up, talking continually in praise of Kittie, and by way of hints taking him into their confidence about little attractions they intended to bestow on Mame and Lottie, suggestions that the young man was not slow in acting upon. They even included him and Kittie in the special good times which they were clever in planning and carrying out, and of which Peter would never have thought, and before they realized it he was madly in love.

When the affair had reached that crisis it was simply their duty, so Clem said, to see that it came out all right; and he went, naturally, to the young man, and by the next fair Peter and Miss King were engaged. "He came to tell me the day was set," Clem reported, "and he wonders if you and I will assist at his marriage."

"Will we?" "We haven't assisted all along to go back on him now. We'll be there, swallow-tails and all."

And they were.

The Prime Minister Won.

A former governor of the Australian colonies tells of a curious experience he once had with a long-headed prime minister. The latter brought in a certain measure, calculated to make the government popular with the working classes, although it affected a foreign power so much that representations were made to the imperial authorities on the subject. A dispatch was accordingly sent out to the governor to veto the bill. He sent for the premier, "I'm sorry, old man," said his excellency, "but I've just got orders from home, and I shall have to block that bill."

The premier replied, "Look here, governor, I don't care a hang about the imperial government or about the queens, as far as the thing is concerned, and what's more, I don't care a hang about you. I've made up my mind to get that bill through, and I'll bring it through."

The governor, who was polite, asked the "old man" to have a drink, and dropped the subject. The measure in question became a law in due course.

The Great Corn States.

"The great corn states, according to the statistics of last year," writes John Glimmer Speed in the November Ainslee's, "are in the order named: Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas, Indiana, Texas and Ohio. Each of these states grew in excess of 100,000,000 bushels, while the total of Iowa was 254,958,350 bushels. This year we are promised from Kansas alone in excess of 350,000,000 bushels. Montana, among the new states, grew the smallest amount of corn last year, and Rhode Island among the old states. In Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, North Dakota, Wyoming and Washington all of the corn grown was consumed at home, practically none of it being transported beyond the county in which it was produced. The other states, according to the amount grown, shipped corn to other parts of the country and abroad. In price the corn on the farms realized all the way from 66 cents a bushel in Montana to 23 cents in Iowa, the general average throughout the country being 27-10 cents per bushel. In 1897 this general average was 26 3-10 cents; in 1896 it was 21-10 cents; in 1895 it was 25-10 cents; in 1894 it was 45-10 cents. In the latter year (1894) the production was short, being somewhat more than 20 per cent less than last year."

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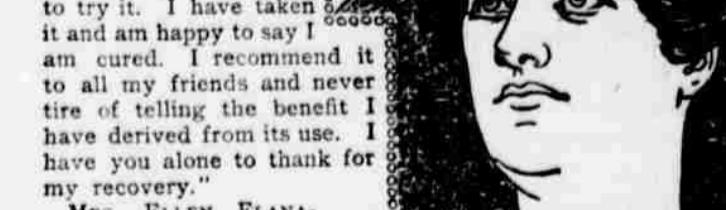
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Saturday, Oct 28 1899.

LOCAL DOTS.

Mr. W. T. Montgomery was in town this week. Groceries of all kinds fresh at S. L. Robertson's. Dr. J. E. Lindsey is taking in the Abilene fair this week. Mr. F. M. Morton was in the city Friday. Fresh oysters and fish at Harden's short order stand. Mr. W. L. Roberts left Friday for Arkansas to buy cattle. Born to Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Onstead on Tuesday a daughter. Sauter Kraut at retail and by the keg at S. L. Robertson's. Dr. Bayless of Ranger was in the city this week prospecting. Mr. Hatcher of the Lasso went to Anson this week on business. Judge P. D. Sanders is holding district court in Rayner this week. Mr. A. C. Foster is attending district court at Rayner this week. Mr. W. R. Standefer made a business trip to Aspermont this week. New crop Louisiana molasses, fresh and good, just received at Fields & Bro's. Mrs. Matthews and children of Throckmorton is visiting Mrs. J. C. Kellar of this place. If the weather should continue warm for a month grass will get green again. Uncle Jake Thompson received his first quarterly pension this week which amounted to \$6.81. Judge H. R. Jones accompanied by Mrs. Jones visited the fair at Abilene this week. It is snuff you want try Carney for a bargain. The best brands way down cheap. Hear the little girl speak at Wildhorse school house Sunday evening Oct. 29th, at 3 o'clock p. m. Mr. J. F. Armstrong is in the market buying mules for Queen Victoria's army. For a smooth shave and a stylish hair-cut try Geo. Makeig, the new tonsorial artist at Parsons' shop. Couch Bros. & Reeves will leave for Albany Monday to receive 200 head of cattle purchased by them. I have just received a brand new stock of clothing which I am going to sell at very low prices. S. L. ROBERTSON. Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moody left for Ennis Friday where they were called to the bed side of a sick daughter. Carry all hides and furs you have for sale to W. W. Fields & Bro., they will pay you the highest market price for them. The Chicken Pie supper that was to be given by the Methodist ladies last night was postponed until next Friday night, Nov. 3rd. If you owe me please don't wait for me to dun you, I need the money and need it now. S. L. ROBERTSON. Mr. Frank Armstrong and Miss Buna Wilbourn, Mr. Iran Pearsey and Misses Mary Smith and Pearl Wilbourn visited Stamford last Sunday. If you want to get the most goods for the least money, take your cash around to R. H. McKee & Co's. Mr. J. W. Bell went down to Abilene Wednesday to meet his wife who has been visiting in eastern Texas for several weeks, and to see some of the sights at the fair. We want cotton seed, corn, oats, sorghum, millet, threshed Kafir corn, fire wood, etc. on subscription account. If you haven't the money this will enable you to settle. Sheriff Collins made a business trip to Albany Tuesday and back Wednesday. He says they have got the cars running 12 miles out of Albany on the Central extension and expect to have the road completed to the river by the middle of next month. For good goods and bottom prices in tinware, queensware, glassware, furniture, washing machines and housefurnishing goods generally go to McCollum & Wilbourn Co's.

Mr. Mayfield, the butcher of Abilene was in Haskell on business Thursday and Friday. Bro. Farmer has gone to Knox county to fill his appointment at New Hope church. Mr. J. F. Ross and family of the northeast part of the county are visiting in town this week. Mr. T. G. Carney came in from Fisher county Thursday with 300 head of fine cattle. Mrs. Hall and family from Hamilton county has moved to the new place on the Pinkerton farm. Prof. A. O. Johnstone has arrived in Haskell prepared to begin his school in the country at once. Mr. W. J. Sowell and daughter Miss Edith, left Tuesday to attend the fair at Abilene. As we close the forms the sun is shining out and the indications are that the weather will be very pleasant the next few days. Mr. G. M. Clayton of Wilbarger county who purchased a large tract of land in the Hemphill neighborhood has moved to the county. Dr. E. E. Gilbert, Messrs R. E. Sherrill and John Agnew assisted Judge Poole in getting up the exhibit for the Abilene fair. Misses Tressa and Willie Carney returned home the first of the week after several weeks visit to relatives and friends at Hillsboro. W. L. Dalton Esq., of Seymour was over this week trying to make the \$10,000 bond for Lou Casner. We haven't heard what success he had. Rain began falling Wednesday and continued at intervals until the government gauge registered 4.65 inches Friday morning. This is one of the best seasons this country has had for years at this time of the year. Rev. J. J. Horn and Messrs Joe Haskew and Charlie Wason of Rayner came over Monday with wagons and moved the Lasso outfit back to Rayner where Messrs Haskew & Wason are going to run the paper. The Lasso has purchased a newspaper outfit from Dan Jones of Anson. Major J. M. Bogart returned this week from the Klondike where he spent about two years prospecting and mining. He has some nice specimen nuggets he picked up while there. Some of them worth as much as \$20. His many friends here are glad to welcome him home again. If you have to buy a heating stove this fall, you ought to get one of those Wilson Improved Air-tight heaters for sale by McCollum & Wilbourn Co. The makers guarantee that you will get more comfort, more heat and more satisfaction, at less expense, from this stove than from any other stove made. This firm also have on hand a full line of Bridge, Beach & Co's standard cook stoves and box and ornamental parlor heaters. Judge J. E. Poole left Monday for Abilene with the county exhibit where he will show the good eastern people what Haskell county can do. The exhibit was gotten up in a hurry and it is not as good as our county could have done, but it will be a credit to it anyway. Mr. R. H. McKee and Mrs. W. A. Newton and son George, left for Abilene Wednesday. Mrs. Newton and son are returning home at Jacksonville after several days visit to relatives at this place, and Mr. McKee will take a look at some of the sights to be seen at the Abilene fair. Judge H. G. McConnell left Wednesday to take in the Abilene fair and to meet his wife who is returning from an extended visit to relatives and friends at Crockett and other eastern points. Judge McConnell's mother is also coming out to visit him for a while. The Quarantine Line to Be Opened on the 1st of November. The following letter from Mr. Tullis will give the information desired by cowmen who have purchased cattle below the quarantine line: Quanah, Tex. Oct. 19, '99. J. S. Boone Esq., Haskell, Texas, Dear Sir:—Replying to yours of the 16 inst, will say that the line opens November 1st; that is by inspection and being found free of ticks. They will have to be inspected before they can come into Baylor county, and they can be unloaded at Seymour and driven anywhere. Yours truly, W. B. TULLIS, L. S. S. Com.

The Handy! If you want the best washing machine see W.T. Jones and get a Handy Important Notice The time of year is here to pay up and I must ask each and every one that owes me either by note or account to come in and settle at once. Don't wait for me to ask you for it. Respectfully, A. P. McL. Among Our Stockmen Mr. T. J. Lemmon bought of Mr. B. L. Frost all of his steer calves, spring delivery. These calves are well bred Hereford and Durhams and will make a fine bunch of steers when grown. Mr. Lemmon also bought several other bunches of calves from other parties. Terms private. Messrs Cumming, Bailey, Lemmon, Beavers and Fitzgerald will deliver about 600 head of 2 and 3 year old steers to B. R. Cobb of Henrietta this week. Mr. John Fitzgerald bought from Mr. W. P. Whitman all his cows and 2 year old heifers. Prices not given. Mr. J. A. Price bought of Mr. E. A. Rose all his stock horses and mules. Mr. J. L. Jones bought a bunch of cattle from Mr. Rhodes this week. Our Ample Letter. Ample, Texas, Oct. 24, 1899. Mr. Editor: Oh, the beautiful dry weather when will it come to an end? Many changes have happened since my last communication. Mr. John King has sold to a man by the name of Osburn from Arkansas, and Mr. King will soon move east. B. T. Lanier will start with a car of horses for the east in a few days, to sell or trade for cattle. Bro. James organized a Baptist church with 10 members, we were also treated to two fine sermons by Bro. James, about the best I have heard in the west. Our Sunday school and Prayer meeting is still progressing and many are taking an interest in the meetings. Mr. Price has bought a lot of mules from Mr. A. E. Rose and will soon send them east. Mr. Editor as time draws near for election you see our prospective candidates are very desirous of getting acquainted with our new population and I see where they are right for the government crib is more agreeable than tackling old mother earth for bread. Well Bro. Farmers what about our Buttermilk trust, also our Prairie Squirrel Hot Tomalio trust? Come let us organize before the English nobility gets a clinch on us. Our community is quiet and health is good. May the good Lord bless and protect you is the prayers of yours truly, A Thousand Tongues. Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of Philadelphia, when Dr. King's New Discovery cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. She says: "After all other remedies and doctors failed it soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the Universe." Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed to cure all troubles of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50c and \$1. Trial bottles free at J. B. Baker's drug store. The following beautiful extract is worthy of a place in every heart that aspires to pure and good: "To love justice, to pity the suffering, to assist the weak, to forget wrongs and remember the benefits—to love the truth, to be sincere, to utter honest words, to love liberty, to wage relentless war against slavery in all its forms; to love wife and child and friend, to make a happy home, to love the beautiful in art, in nature to cultivate the mind, to be familiar with the mighty thought that genius has expressed, the noble deeds of all the world; to cultivate courage and cheerfulness, to make others happy, to fill life with the splendor of generous acts the warmth of loving words; to discard error, to destroy prejudice to receive new truths with gladness, to cultivate hope, to see the calm beyond the storm, the dawn beyond the night, to do the best that can be done and then be resigned. This is the religion of reason, the creed of science and accords with the great central idea of christianity."

Bright Boys Started in Business. The publishers of the famous big illustrated weekly newspaper, PENNSYLVANIA GRIT, are now placing representatives at every post office in Texas and they desire to secure the services of capable hustling agents in each of the following towns of Haskell county: Haskell and Ample, and in such other towns as are not already supplied. The work is profitable and pleasant. A portion of Saturday only is required. Over 5,000 agents are doing splendidly. No money whatever is required. Everything is furnished free. Stationery, rubber stamp, ink and pad, advertising matter, sample copies, etc. Papers are shipped to be paid for at the end of each month. Those not sold are not charged for. Write to Grit Publishing Co., Williamsport, Pa., and mention the FREE PRESS.

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Teachers' Institute. Program for the Teachers' Institute to be held at the Public School house in Haskell on the 10th and 11th of Nov. 1899, to begin Friday at 7:30 p. m. SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION. 1. Some of the Advantages of the Teachers' Institute—Prof. T. D. Evans, leader. 2. Preparation Upon the Part of the Teachers for To-morrow's Work—Prof. A. O. Johnstone, leader. 3. How Best to Enthuse an Interest in Your Classes—Miss Sallie Ramsey, leader. 4. The Use of the Dictionary and other Reference Works in the School Room—Prof. C. H. Bivins, leader. All teachers are requested to be present and take part in the discussion. H. R. JONES, Co. Judge Haskell Co. Texas. While in 1896 Bryan had the support of only one New York newspaper—the Journal—it is gratifying to note that in the contest of 1900 he will get all the help which can be given him by the Journal, World, Evening Post, Brooklyn Eagle, Brooklyn Citizen, Times, Herald, and, in fact, every paper save the Sun, Press, and Mail and Express. These papers which have flopped may not make strength for Bryan, but they certainly do show that a great and decided change has come over the people. They have changed because the sentiment of their readers demand it. Bryan, the invincible, will carry New York in 1900—Sweetwater Review. Robbed the Grave. A startling incident, is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50c, guaranteed, at J. B. Baker's drug store.

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Next Spring Klondike Travel will begin to the Gold Fields of Alaska, and it is suggested that those who intend going to the Klondike Will find THE DENVER ROAD the most satisfactory route in every particular by which water transportation is reached. The reasons why your ticket should read via the Denver Road, are Shortest Route! Quickest time! Grand scenery and a Through Tourist Sleeping Car Line between Colorado and Portland, necessitating but one change of cars between Fort Worth and Portland, reaching the Northwest Seaports with economy, luxury and comfort via The Denver Road (Fort Worth & Denver City Railway.) ELI A. HIRSHFIELD, A. G. P. A. D. B. KEELER, G. P. A. FORT WORTH, Texas.

To Cure La Grippe in Two Days. Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature on every box. 25c. There are some advanced thinkers who are advocating that political parties are not necessary. They say that if people who think the same upon any given policy would associate themselves together until the specific purpose was attained and then disband letting the constituents realign in themselves that a better and more efficient government would result. It seems almost to be taken for granted by the majority of men that money is of more value than anything else. Character, reputation, absolute fidelity to even the finest shades of distinction between honor and dishonor—the almighty dollar seems sometimes to weigh all these down and sit throned on a man's eternal soul.—Rev. Charles M. Sheldon.

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