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PRAIRIE DOG QUESTION MISUNDERSTOOD.

The prairie dogs on the Swenson Ranch near Stamford are fast being exterminated. Millions have already been killed, and a dozen men are being kept busy now doing the "exterminating" act. They pump bisulphide of carbon in the holes of the dogs, close them up, and the deadly gas, penetrating into all the galleries and crevices, soon asphyxiates the whole family. The success of the SMS people in ridding themselves of the prairie dogs proves that a systematic war on them would soon drive them out of the State and reclaim millions of acres of good land that is now given over to their devastation.—Taylor County News.

It does not appear that the task of ridding the land of the pests is so great, after all. For thirty years the West has been disturbed by this pest, and a thousand and one suggestions have been made as to the way it could be destroyed. Even the law-making power has been appealed to to get rid of them. In the end, it is found that a pump and willing and industrious hands hold of it will fix the dog. And it is this way all around. The most difficult and perplexing matters can be universally settled where the heart is willing and the hands industrious. In time it may be found that this combination is the one that will rid the country of the boll weevil, or if not ridding the country of the pest, will at least minimize the damage.—Dallas News.

The Dallas News misses the point entirely in its view of the effort that has been made to rid the west of the prairie dog. Its proposition is all right if all hearts and hands had been, or were, willing. It is probably this same misconception of the difficulty by the people of other sections of the state that has made it so difficult to get legislation on the subject. The real trouble has been the impossibility of getting land owners to cooperate or take uniform action in the matter of destroying the dogs and not the difficulty or expense of the killing, as there are several known ways of doing that cheaply enough, including the bisulphide of carbon process, killing with poisoned grain, etc., the carbon process being perhaps the most expensive.

More than half of the land in the west is owned by nonresidents who, in ninety-nine cases in a hundred, have refused to incur the slight expense of four or five cents per acre required to kill the dogs on their lands, and even a few residents have held back, or would not undertake the work when their neighbors were ready to do it. Now, here is the point of difficulty: If a killed the dogs on his land and they were not killed on adjoining lands his land would be repopulated with them within a year by immigrants from the adjoining lands and his labor and expense gone for practically no benefit, hence the necessity for a law to force all land owners to destroy the dogs at about the same time. Farmers have been keeping the dogs killed off of their cultivated land but it requires a continuous and expensive warfare and, with the best they can do, the depredations of the dogs around the edges of their crops is often serious.

The last legislature enacted a local option law providing for the extermination of the dogs, but the method of its application is so round-about and the penalties so light that it is difficult if it will be generally complied with or prove effective and may have to be amended—given more teeth, before it will serve the desired purpose. However, the voters of Haskell county, at an election on July 25, adopted the law with the determination to push it for all there is in it, and they will make all the trouble they can for land owners who fail or refuse to kill the dogs on their lands.

If the News will point out what the true difficulty is and has been, as set out above, it may yet be of service to the west, in enlightening legislators in the event the law is again brought before them for amendment and strengthening.

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THE YOUNG COUNTY REUNION.

On August 12th, 13th and 14th the annual reunion of the Confederate veterans and the Sons and Daughters of Veterans, of Young and the adjoining counties, will be held at their old reunion grounds on the Clear Fork of the Brazos river, twelve miles from Graham, near Ellenville. The most elaborate arrangements are being made for the three days encampment. Bread at bakery prices, barbecued meat 12 1/2 cents and stewed at 10, raw at 8 cents. Ice, pasturage, feed and all will be provided at home price, so that the people can live at our reunion just as cheap as they can at home.

We expect to secure reduced rates on the railway and passengers can go to the grounds from Graham in hacks or wagons at reasonable rates. No extortion will be allowed.

The best of speakers will be present to entertain the crowd and various other attractions will be provided.

If you have not yet taken your summer outing, you cannot do better than to come to the banks of the prettiest stream in northwest Texas, and while away a few days under the shade of the pecans at our reunion. Our crowds have heretofore numbered from three to six thousand people. This time we will have the largest reunion of all, as we now have a railway to bring the people.

Don't forget the dates and make your arrangements in time to attend and have a good time.

Note: We have a few privileges yet to let and letters of inquiry to the undersigned will be promptly answered.

P. A. MARTIN, Chairman Reunion Committee. G. H. McLAUREN, Secretary.

THE PROGRESS OF THE SOUTH AND THE SOUTHERN PRESS.

Newspaperdom of New York, "the journal of newspaper publishing," has a complimentary word for the Southern press. It says: "Much comment has been created in the newspaper world by the remarkable success of the papers of the South. In the last few years the newspapers of the entire country have made great progress, but in no section is so evident as in the South, where the papers have experienced exceptional growth. The leading dailies of the South are excellent examples of what newspapers should be, and of the competent corps of workers who make them many receive flattering offers from other fields. On the metropolitan journals of today are many men who received their schooling in the Southern field of newspaper-making. The circulation of the dailies of the South have increased enormously in three years, and the circulation of those dailies compare very favorably with the circulation of the largest papers in the East or West. The South has progressed rapidly, but its newspapers have not kept pace."

The tone of the best representatives of Southern journalism has never been low, yet may it be true, as Newspaperdom says, that even this has improved. This is certainly true of the country press, which is broader, more courageous, more fair and more independent in its editorial expressions than it has ever been before. Formerly in the South as elsewhere, some of the city dailies and some of the country weeklies were merely organs of a few bigwigs in politics, or in outside schemes, who sometimes owned the property, including the man who ran it. This sort of thing has about played out, and there are these days few men in the business who fall to assert their right to determine and to pursue their own course or to condemn openly the boss, bruiser or bum who assumes the old-time prerogative of dictating to them or directing the business.

The improvement to which Newspaperdom refers especially is a material improvement, relating especially to the method and volume of business, in which lines the press of the South has made notable progress. Newspaperdom declares that "the leading dailies of the South are excellent examples of what newspapers should be," and adds that, while the progress has been rapid, "the

newspapers have set the pace."

Whether this is claiming too much for the press or not, it is certainly safe to assert that the business, speaking generally, is conducted in a courageous, conscientious and progressive manner which has tended continually to an increase of popular interest, respect and patronage. The field of the progressive Southern newspaper has grown broader and broader during recent years, and that it does fairly well in its effort to cover this field the Southern people are ready to testify in the most substantial and conclusive manner.—Dallas News.

It is a fact that the general improvement in newspapers during the past few years has been very great. This improvement is noticeable in the general tone of the press as well as in the editorial and mechanical departments. The improvement has been as great if not greater in the country press, as a whole, than in the city papers. Nowhere has the improvement been greater than in Texas. It is a fact, as far as our observation goes, that the average country paper in Texas outranks the average country paper of most other states.

STRIKING CASE OF DOUBLES.

It is seldom a man's experience to look upon himself while he is dead, but Mr. Robert Hill had that experience yesterday morning. He was met on the street by a man who told him he was dead, and he went around to the morgue to see how he looked.

The Post yesterday morning printed a full account of a man who was brought from Sour Lake to the St. Joseph's infirmary and who afterward died and was taken to the morgue. The most intimate friends of Mr. Robert Hill, learning of the case and hearing that the man was supposed to be Hill, called and fully identified the body. John Hill, who lives at 2101 Austin street, having read the account in The Post, called at the morgue yesterday morning and after a full investigation, looking at the corpse from all sides and making a minute inspection, decided that it was the corpse of his brother. He left the undertaking establishment almost overcome with grief and started to the telegraph office to wire his brother in Marshall.

HILL APPEARS.

He decided to go up to Robert's room and look over his papers and see if he had kept his insurance policy paid up. While he was there Robert walked in. After reassuring himself that he was not a ghost John managed to acquaint his brother with the fact that he was lying dead at the undertaking establishment. Robert then went up and took a look at the body. The resemblance even when you look from the dead man to the live man is remarkably striking. The profiles are the same, the color of the hair is the same and every feature is the same, even to the nose, both of which are long, sharp and inclined to crook to the right.

Mr. Robert Hill says that if he had been shown a photo of the dead man he would have been ready to testify that it was his own.

ANOTHER PECULIAR MISTAKE.

This case is without a parallel, with the possible single exception of a similar one which occurred in Houston something over a year ago. The justice of the peace and undertaker were called out in the neighborhood of Brunner to take charge of the body of an unknown man who had been found dead. While they were there viewing the remains a gentleman walked up and recognized the remains as that of a well known gentleman whose home was in the Chaneyville neighborhood, but who had been missing from home for several days. The undertaker took the body by the house of the man and his children fully identified it as the body of their father. They would not allow the undertaker to take the remains to the morgue, but took them into the house and they were prepared for interment. The members of the family were almost broken with grief and the funeral arrangements were made. The next morning, just before the funeral was to have taken place, the supposedly dead man walked in and took a look at himself. It afterward developed that the body was that of a gentleman whose home was in the Third ward and who had been missing from home for several days.

Undertakers Ross & Wright are at a loss now what to do with it, and it is likely that if the body is not identified today it will be interred.—Houston Post.

COME TO LIFE AGAIN.

We commend to the special attention of our farmer readers throughout this section an article in this paper on macaroni wheat, for the reason that we do not believe that anything calculated to prove of as much value to them, if properly taken hold of, has been presented for their consideration for some time.

Farmers who keep up with what is being done for their benefit by the Department of Agriculture are aware that these experimental tests have been in progress at selected points throughout the whole length of Western Texas for two years past, in fact a year or more ago The Free Press gave an article on the results of the previous years experiments and suggested the planting of Nicaragua wheat here.

We are prepared to accept all that Prof. Carleton says in the article referred to in regard to the productiveness and adaptability of this wheat to this section of the state, from the fact that we have seen as good and perhaps more proof of it than he has. In 1870-24 years ago, when we first came to this section of the state, quite a number of ranchmen in Throckmorton, Shackelford, Stephens, Young and perhaps other counties, were growing it to feed to their cow ponies, and the few scattering farmers also grew it to a limited extent for sale to the ranchmen. It had been found to be the surest crop and to give the largest yield of any of the wheats and was as good as any for horse feed, though it had to be fed carefully to avoid foundering the animals. When railroads got nearer to the ranches and corn and other feed stuff began to be raised more extensively in this section, Nicaragua wheat dropped out as other feed stuffs were preferred and there was then no market for it at the mills.

As further evidence of the adaptability and productiveness of this variety of wheat in West Texas, we also mention that we were told by a number of the old settlers that during the maintenance of U. S. military post of Fort Griffin on the Clearfork of the Brazos in the northern edge of Shackelford county, for several years following the civil war, the parties who had secured the government contract to furnish the grain and hay for the use of the post at a big price, because it was 150 miles from any railroad point, hired men and fenced several hundred acres of Clearfork valley land which they sowed in Nicaragua wheat, getting yields of from 25 to 45 or 50 bushels per acre for several years. If our memory serves us correctly, it was stated that the government paid \$2 or \$2.50 per bushel for the wheat. When these statements were made to us more than twenty years ago there was no reason for any misrepresentation of facts. They come now to our memory to help out the argument in favor of Nicaragua wheat, since it has been found to be one of the most valuable for making macaroni and there is a profitable market for it, and we give them in connection with Prof. Carleton's article in the belief that there is money in it for Haskell farmers.

MILEAGE OF THE WORLD.

The railway mileage of the world passed the half million mark in the first year of the Twentieth century. At the end of 1901 it was 507,515 and by the end of 1902 it had increased 382,500 miles, distributed as follows:

	Miles.
United States	202,471
Europe	180,708
Asia	41,814
South America	28,654
North America (except United States)	24,023
Australia	15,640
Africa	14,187
By chief countries the figures are:	
United States	202,471
British empire	91,385
Russian empire	31,945
The aggregate capital invested in railways is \$36,850,000,000.	
In 1902 United States railways received gross earnings of \$1,726,390,297, an increase over 1901 of \$177,554,230, and paid out for wages \$676,028,392, an increase of \$65,844,981. The net earnings were \$610,131,520, an increase of \$63,002,733.	

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FOREIGN TARIFFS.

Protectionists, who are pointing to the calls of Canadian manufacturers for a higher tariff as evidence of a growth of protection sentiment, should remember not only that this call comes from tariff beneficiaries but also that the manifestations are not all in that line. In Europe there is no "free trade" country except England, and it is "free trade" only by comparison, for it has a revenue tariff; yet there are some very pronounced voices from Europe on the tariff question and they are not calling for any more tariff. Germany affords a very good illustration. In the recent elections there the socialists made great gains and this was unquestionably due to the fact that their speakers urged that the "hard times" in that country were due to tariff taxes and the exactions of the trusts (cartels) that have grown up under the German system. It is the pressure of hard times that makes emigration, and the emigration from Germany, Russia, Italy and other political countries has for years been much heavier than it has been from "free trade England." Protection has not been found to be "for the benefit of the workingman" in those countries.

The situation in Germany is the more notable because it is only a few years since the political and business leaders of that country were advocating tariffs and trusts. They got the idea that American prosperity was due to them and decided to follow our example. That was a real development of the protection idea, and it was applied to a large extent in Germany. But the result has not been gratifying. Germany has gone through three years of severe industrial depression under its new system, and the people are waking up to the fact that taxing ten men for the benefit of the eleventh man is not a good method of promoting general prosperity. It is a splendid thing for the eleventh man, but it is depressing to his fellow-citizens.—Indianapolis State Sentinel.

THINGS NEEDED.

- Food for reduction.
- A glove for the hand of fate.
- A ring for the finger of scorn.
- Scales for the weight of power.
- A cushion for the seat of war.
- A link for a chain of evidence.
- A rung for the ladder of fame.
- A button for the coat of honor.
- A hinge for the gut of a bomb.
- A shoe for the foot of the attorney.
- A sleeve for the arm of the lawyer.
- An opener for the jaws of death.
- A shoe for the foot of a mountain.
- A feather for the wing of the wind.
- A tombstone for the dead of sin.
- A pump for the well of knowledge.
- A hose to sharpen a blade of logic.
- A lock for the trunk of an elephant.
- A blanket for the cradle of the infant.
- A key to unlock the door of wisdom.
- A pair of glasses for the eyes of the law.
- A cup of the milk of human kindness.
- A star to cheer the sea of life.
- A thermometer to measure the heat of an argument.—Vinton.
- Phone No. 9 for a snarl of "White" South-Sea's Williams Whitaker.

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MISUNDERSTANDINGS

HAVE COST THE LIVES OF REGIMENTS.

The fatal charge of the Light Brigade was due to orders misunderstood. The best general in the world can be defeated if his orders are not properly carried out.

The doctor who writes your prescription is a general whose purpose may be defeated by a misunderstanding of his orders or disobedience to them. Such misunderstandings may cost life—YOUR LIFE. We are trained to understand and obey in prescription filling. We give just what the doctor calls for without change, alteration or substitution, and we give it in the best and purest form known to the trade.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

Mr. Matt Walker came in Tuesday from Hartley county, where he has been employed on the T diamond ranch for some months.

Lady customers will receive polite and special attention at my cold drink and ice cream parlor. Roy Cummings.

Mrs. J. L. Baldwin and daughters, Misses Myrtle and Elizabeth, leave today for Mineral Wells, where they will spend several weeks imbibing the waters of that famous health resort.

The Tennent shoes are noted for comfort, style and durability. For sale by Williams & Whitaker.

Mr. Wm. Terrell, a druggist at Winsboro, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Terrell, near Pinkerton.

Three per cent. discount tickets given on all purchases at the Racket Store.

Messrs. F. E. Shaw and T. H. Galtin of the Marcy neighborhood were in trading Thursday.

Have you tried Beaumont oil to rid your place of chicken slugs? Baker & Cunningham have it.

Capt. Wm. Oglesby of the east side was doing business in town Thursday.

These dusty days should remind you to go to Baker & Cunningham and get a pair of those eye shields.

Capt. W. M. Wood was in the city this week.

Get your share of the bargains on the 5 and 10 cent counters at the Racket Store.

Mr. J. M. Hets and family of Wildhorse were shopping in the city Thursday.

Beaumont oil is recommended as a "shoo fly." Try it on your cattle and horses. Baker & Cunningham.

Mrs. J. T. Bowman and daughter, Miss Enla, of the Wildhorse community were shopping in town Thursday.

Fly paper, the poison kind, at Baker & Cunningham's.

Mr. Marshall Pierson attended the Orient picnic yesterday.

It is generally conceded that Williams & Whitaker have the most complete line of staple and fancy groceries to be found in Haskell.

Mr. Lon Goforth of Benjamin is looking after business and visiting friends in Haskell Thursday.

See Dress Goods selling low at S. L. Robertson's.

Mr. W. K. Perry of the south side had business in town Thursday.

We have pigeons, rabbits, bantam and game chickens for sale. Dick and (Jury) Carney.

Dr. R. G. Litsey, Haskell's popular dentist, accompanied by his sister, spent a few days this week in the Cliff community visiting the family of Mr. B. T. Lanier and incidentally doing a little business.

Book of "Cotton Blossom"—that's Williams & Whitaker.

Mr. Sid Post, a prosperous Paint Creeker, was doing business in the city Thursday.

A few ladies' wraps left at Alexander Mercantile Co.'s, very cheap—cheaper than you can buy the goods and make them.

Mr. K. Jones and family, Dr. M. T. Griffin and Miss Julia Wynn were among those who attended the picnic at Orient, Knox county yesterday.

Just received a big line of men's hats, new and up-to-date. Prices lower than the lowest. T. G. Carney.

Now is a good time for farmers to take observations. One thing to observe is that those who planted kafir corn and milled early now have excellent crops of grain matured beyond damage by drought.

The newly arranged five and ten cent counters at the Racket Store have many bargains on them, including scores of useful articles.

Mr. J. W. Allen, a prosperous farmer of the northwest part of the county, had business in town Thursday. He said that his corn was fine, but needing rain to fill it out, also that his feed crop was doing well.

Goggles and eye shields at the Racket Store.

Mrs. J. W. Vaughn and children of Kossau arrived Monday night on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. McCray of the Marcy neighborhood.

Mrs. Vaughn is also an old friend of Mr. J. E. Murfee and family, with whom they spent Monday night.

20 pounds sugar for \$1.00—see us for other low prices. T. G. Carney.

Rev. J. M. Dawson, formerly pastor of the Baptist church at Albany, but now traveling in the interest of Baylor University at Waco, was here this week.

You will be surprised if you stop at Williams & Whitaker's store and examine their new line of fine shoes, manufactured by the Tennent Shoe Co. These shoes collapse all other makes.

Mr. B. W. Scott and Judge H. G. McConnell had professional business in the district court at Anson this week.

I have opened a cold drink stand on the west side of the square where I will serve all of the popular cold drinks. Roy Cummings.

I will make you exceptionally low prices on goods—the instance, four 1/2 a week. I must sell to live and you must buy in order to live and enjoy the dignity of the State of Texas. See me for low prices. T. G. Carney.

Mr. Herbert Fung of Anson was a visitor in our city this week.

F. E. Sanders is prepared to make loans on farms and ranches, and take up the mortgage on the same.

There will be some 100,000 people there tonight at the Christian church by a Primitive Baptist preacher.

See me or trade for cattle 50 acres or less at Shamberton road two miles from Haskell. H. C. Boss. (24)

A new lot of latest style stationery and writing tablets at the Racket Store.

Mr. Joo. B. Baker and family, Mrs. J. J. Bartle, Dallas, Mr. T. A. Pinkerton and family, Miss Maud Hunt and Messrs. Hollis Fields and Bob Williams composed a party which spent a few days on Paint creek this week fishing.

We have eye goggles for you, Baker & Cunningham.

Miss Laura Garren and her cousin, Miss Una Sadler of Coryell City, visited in town this week.

DON'T SCRATCH.—Try TERRELL'S Antiscabetic—sure cure!

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. McCrary came in Monday and met their daughter, Mrs. Vaughn of Kossau, who is out on a visit to them.

For first class hot tamales go to Fred Niemann, northwest corner of square.

Miss Elizabeth McFarland returned Wednesday to her home at Ladonia after a visit of several weeks with relatives in this county.

A large line of standard fiction in cheap form at the Racket Store.

Mr. G. H. Cobb was in from his ranch in the southeast part of the county Thursday getting supplies.

MONEY TO LOAN.—I am loaning money on land at a low rate of interest. I took \$11,000 worth of applications Monday and Tuesday. See me if you want money. T. G. Carney.

Messrs. Henry Free, Geo. Courtney, Tobe Blair with their families returned through town Wednesday from a plum gathering expedition on the Brazos. They had about seventeen bushels of plums which they will convert into preserves, jelly and jam for home use.

When you have your socials and receptions get your paper napkins from Baker & Cunningham.

Mr. T. G. Carney has perhaps the most extensive farming interests of any man in Haskell county. He is now sending lumber out and having the thirteenth house built on his farm in the northwest part of the county, on which, he informed us some time ago, 1900 are planted in cotton.

We have received a barrel of Beaumont oil. Baker & Cunningham.

Messrs. J. M. Woolly and E. Z. Irwin of the Cliff neighborhood were in the county capital Thursday.

LOST.—One foalborn gray horse, branded Onu left shoulder, 9 or 10 years old. A reward will be paid for his return or information leading to his recovery. E. F. Springer, Haskell.

County Treasurer Stephens has been going around on crutches this week. He says it is rheumatism, but Squire Knowles says he found another snake and hurt himself getting away from it.

Various sizes and styles of bibles and testaments at the Racket Store.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cunningham visited friends in Stamford Tuesday.

Mr. G. W. Tomason went to Henrietta this week on professional business.

WATCH FOUND.—Owner can recover same by giving proper description and paying for this notice. Call at FREE PRESS office. (21)

J. K., son of Dr. J. G. Simmons, went to Pine Bluff, Ark., this week, where he will reside with his sister, Mrs. J. E. Gammill, and attend school.

Mrs. Mary Cotton and her granddaughter, Miss Ruth Parish, of Kaufman county, are visiting relatives in Haskell.

Mr. Joe Fry is out one derby hat. A liberal reward will be paid for its return in good condition.

Farmers should not overlook President Miller's call (published last week) for a meeting of the Farmers' Institute on Saturday, August 1st. Keep the Institute going, by all means.

Let your vote today be against the prairie dog pest.

Mrs. A. R. Meadors sold her residence this week to Mr. G. H. Cobb of the southeast part of the county, who will move in this fall to secure better school facilities for his children.

Miss Bessie Hopkins of Munday is here visiting the family of Dr. C. L. Terrell.

Miss Dora Owsley of the Lake Creek neighborhood visited relatives and friends in town this week.

Mrs. Laura Wenz left Monday on a visit to relatives in Montague county.

Mr. E. S. McCutchen of Munday passed down the road yesterday to meet visiting relatives at Stamford.

Mr. A. B. Lowery, who is one of the prosperous and progressive farmers of the Cliff neighborhood, dropped in to see us Wednesday and did that which always makes an editor feel good. (Try it, if you don't believe it.) Mr. Lowery was returning from Stamford, where he had disposed of part of his wheat crop.

Mr. Melon Smith of Fayette, Mo., arrived the first of the week and is visiting Mr. Major Smith and father. Like all good Missourians he is full of praise for Attorney Folk for doing the people up and clearing the good name of his state.

Messrs. S. H. Williams and H. H. McDonald left Tuesday morning for Davis, I. T., where they expect to reside. They were accompanied by Mr. T. E. Williams, who goes on a prospecting trip.

There will be some 100,000 people there tonight at the Christian church by a Primitive Baptist preacher.

See me or trade for cattle 50 acres or less at Shamberton road two miles from Haskell. H. C. Boss. (24)

Natural Fruit of West Texas.

Capt. Fields, Mr. J. P. Harrison, Louis Fields and Misses May and Annis Fields went "plumming" on the Brazos Thursday. Doubtless many readers of THE FREE PRESS at a distance have been more or less puzled by numerous items in the paper like the above, as it is not everywhere that people can go out and gather plums by the bucketful or the wagon load, if they wish, hence, an explanation may be in order. Belt known there, that along the sandy bottoms of the Brazos river for a hundred miles or so through West Texas, as well as along some of the smaller streams, there is a spontaneous growth of plum bushes which bear enormous crops nearly every year. These bushes grow in patches of from a dozen or so bushes to thickets covering fifty to a hundred or more acres. In fact, in traveling along the river bottom, one is rarely out of sight of a plum thicket. The fruit is not the sour "hog-plum" found here and there over the southern states and which ripens in the fall of the year, but it is a juicy, good flavored fruit of several varieties, ripening from early in June to the middle of August. It is not known how these plums came to be here. Some persons advance the idea that long ago the Indians who roamed over this country must have dropped a few seeds high up the Brazos, or that possibly they were dropped by flocks of ducks, geese, pelicans or swans in their flights to the Gulf of Mexico and that the flood waters have since scattered them far down the stream. We think the latter the most probable, as they occur more or less on many streams. The different varieties in color, flavor and time of ripening we presume can be accounted for as being seedling "sports" from the original stock. However they may have come here they are a blessing to this country, where fruit is so scarce and as yet so little intelligent attention has been given to fruit culture, as they make most palatable preserves and jellies and almost every family in the whole county gathers bushels of them every year for that purpose, and a great many of them are gathered and sold in the towns to people who do not go to gather them themselves, usually for about a dollar a bushel.

The entertainment given by the Magazine Club of Haskell on last Friday night at the court house was a very enjoyable affair. It consisted of vocal and instrumental music, a farce, a jig, comedy, pantomime drill, etc. The music was good and the plays were well acted, as one would expect from the ladies conducting it. Perhaps the most mirth provoking feature was the shadow pantomime representing forty splinters in pursuit of one gony old bachelor who, do what he would, could not escape their flattery and attentions until he finally fell dead in an apoplectic fit brought on by the increasing warmth of the pursuit. A neat sum was realized for the cemetery and other purposes of the Club. The attendance was not as good, however, as it doubtless would have been had not the clouds been so threatening that evening. A Club member requested us to say that the Club greatly appreciated the help rendered them by the three young gentlemen who assisted them in the play.

Mr. M. A. Clifton, of Cliff, was a juror in county court this week. Having seen mention of some of his neighbors' fine fruit, he brought along a sample of his peaches to show that he was "some punkin'" himself when it comes to a question of fruit. Some of his peaches of the "Mamie Rose" variety left at this office measured 9 1/2 inches in circumference or 3 inches in diameter. Good enough for any country or for anybody—if you don't think so, trot out something to beat them.

Mr. H. G. Ashley returned last week from Terry county, where he has been for the past two or three months. He says that there is but little chance for any one to get school land in that section of the state now, as cattlemen and bonus hunters have fled on about all of it and are asking pretty stiff bonuses. He says some of the ranchmen and a settler here and there have some good feed crops growing and a little cotton has been planted experimentally.

Messrs. J. F. Albin and B. T. Lanier of the north side visited the city Tuesday and called at THE FREE PRESS office to invite the editors to the big Orient picnic Friday, accompanying it with the suggestion that their matches were out. We appreciated the courtesy, but the stress of business, at that time in the week, connected with getting the great enlightener to its readers on time was in the way of our participating in the festivities and their hospitality.

Mr. J. C. McWhirter is in receipt of a letter from his son Walter at Galveston, in which he states that he has quit his first position in a drug store and secured a position in the auditors' department of the Santa Fe Railway company's general offices, where the work is light and agreeable and there is a good opportunity for promotion. Walter's friends here will be pleased to hear of his good fortune.

A Methodist protracted meeting has been in progress here during the week with Rev. Z. V. Hester of Anson as leading Pastor Heiser in the preaching and Mr. Leslie Hightower of Stamford leading the singing. The weather has been so hot that the attendance at the day services has been light, but the night services have been fairly well attended and some interest is being manifested.

Messrs. Groves Simmons and Eugene Meadors, two of Haskell's aspiring young men, will leave Monday morning for Pine Bluff and Fayetteville, Ark., where they hope to win the smiles of the belle goddess. Fortune and he able to return these some day with their pockets full of "mamies" as good, boys, and we will bet your Haskell friends in wishing you ample success.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

The B. Y. P. U. meets every Sunday evening, at 8 o'clock, at the Baptist church. The following is the program for next Sunday, July 29.

- Leader—Bessie Parker.
- Samuel commanded, 1 Sam 15:1-12
- Ora Buchsbaum.
- Saul rejected as King, 1 Sam 15:18-23
- Cloe Maloney.
- Sauls bitterness, 1 Sam 15:24-31
- Leta Simmons.
- Previous disobedience, 1 Sam 13:5-14
- Hazel Hudson.
- Amalek condemned, Ex. 17:8-16
- Bob Williams.
- Acceptable Service, Prov. 21:1-8
- Lydia Stuart.
- Better than sacrifice, Micah 6:1-5
- Maggie Pierson.

POINTS ON ADVERTISING.

"Trying to do business without advertising is like winking in the dark." you know what you are trying to do, but nobody else does, except a few who may have strings on.—Cuba (Kan.) Daylight.

Prof. L. T. Cunningham is in Stamford today assisting in holding the competitive examinations of applicants for the Haskell-Jones county free scholarship in the Girls' industrial school at Denton.

Mr. Marshall Pierson has sold the ice plant in here last summer by himself and Mr. McFarland, but which they could never make go, to an agent of the State reformatory at Gatesville for use at that institution, and shipped it out this week. We presume that the reformatory man knew that he could make it go.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 2c.

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SHIP AHOY!

We take pleasure in extending our hearty thanks for the good business we have enjoyed from our customers during the first six months of 1903. It has always been

Our Whole Desire to Please and we feel sure our friends are liberal in their appreciation of our efforts. We have taken great pains in studying our customers' needs and have tried to keep such goods as would meet the demands of our trade, and long since have we learned that

QUALITY WILL WIN.

Evidence of this is given us every day by customers and friends, who remark of some article "It has been the best I ever bought for the money." This confidence and approval we respect and we assure you that we shall at all times maintain the present

High Standard of Our Goods

and it gives us great pleasure to meet all on the high plain of honest, straightforward dealing.

Henceforth, as in the past we will take every means of meeting the wants of our patrons and shall guard as a sacred trust all business intrusted to us.

Now, in anticipated continuation of a good business during the last six months of 1903, we are putting in

50 Cases of the Famous Hamilton-Brown Boots and Shoes that we guarantee to be the best goods on the market for the money. Some shoes are hard to sell after they have been tried, but "a baby can sell Hamilton-Brown shoes." That's what a drummer for a competing house said the other day when we refused to buy his line of shoes. He didn't explain why that was true, but we knew it was because they are good shoes.

We are also putting in a large line of Buckskin Breeches—none better, Domestic Etc.

You can always depend upon finding what you want in reasonable prices possible. We wish our customers a prosperous ending of the season and return for honest labor. We await your commands.

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NEW GOODS JUST ARRIVED

Complete line of Spring Dry Goods and Latest things in Dress Fabrics, consisting of Lawns, Mercerized Gingham, Organdies, Piques, Durban Cloth, Alamo Cheviot, Percals, Madras, Dress Linens, White Duck Suiting, the latest and most beautiful effects in Calicoes and a complete line of Domestic and other white goods.

We also have a full and complete line of Gents' and Youth's Clothing, Shirts, Ties, Collars and Cuffs...



STAR BRAND SHOES ARE BETTER

We have the latest styles in Gents', Boys', Ladies' and Misses SHOES.

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We have one of the most up-to-date stocks of Spring Slippers and Sandals ever shown in Haskell.

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Ladies' Kid Gloves, Hosiery, Belts, Laces, Ribbon, Buckles and Trimmings of all kinds.

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See me for low prices. T. G. Carney.

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With correspondent banks in all the commercial cities of Texas and the East, we are prepared to transact all business in a prompt and convenient manner.

We solicit the deposits of the people of Haskell and surrounding country and the business of persons abroad who may have need of the services of a bank here.

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They are now giving Special attention to the Sale of REAPERS AND MOWING MACHINES,

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Stocks of House Furnishing Goods, Mats, Matting, Rugs, etc., are in every respect. Our popular firm is anxious to figure when you desire anything carried on. Their goods are first-class and prices are as reasonable as can be had in town or city in WESTERN TEXAS. Figure with

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NORTH SIDE SQUARE, HASKELL, TEXAS.
General line of Blacksmithing and Wood Work, and Reproduction. Horse Shoeing a Specialty. We handle the celebrated PLANO Harvesting Machinery. The prices very reasonable. Give us a trial and be convinced.

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We will certainly interest you if you will come in at a few articles bought especially for your use and convenience, such as,—

- Hammocks, Croquet Sets,
- Carom and Crokinole Boards,
- Step Ladders, Fly Traps,
- Stable Presses, Shredders and Sheers,
- Bread Boxes, Flour Bins,
- Steam Cookers, Roasting Pans,
- Cook and Receipt Books,
- Toilet Soaps, Powders and Perfumeries,
- Visiting Cards, Flinch Cards,
- Fancy Stationery, Pens, Pencils, Ink,
- Jewelry, Combs, Hair Pins,
- Books of many standard authors in cheap form

Convenience and convenience Earth-then. —about— it will be the last ten... STORE.

Sundry Items of Interest.

The money in the United States treasury is now being counted by order of the secretary of the treasury. Twenty young women have been chosen to do the work and every dollar in gold, silver, and currency and every bond in the treasury will be gone over. The Washington correspondent for the New York American says: "Some of these swift-fingered experts have handled 20,000 bills in a day. The average is about 12,000. They are now at work on the \$400,000,000 reserve fund, done up in packages of 1,000 notes, regardless of denomination. This will take from thirty to forty days, and then the young women will tackle the gold coins, silver certificates, United States notes, national bank notes received for redemption, the fractional coin and the mixed money held for daily use. The entire count will take about three months."

The smallest locomotive in the world is owned by W. A. Smith, a jeweler living at Meridian, N. Y. The Meridian correspondent for the New York World says that Mr. Smith made this machine working at odd times during a period of three years and the correspondent describes the affair in this way: "The locomotive is of heavily plated gold, and the bell, whistle and driving wheels are solid gold. The trimmings are of silver. The locomotive is six and a half inches long and the tender is three inches long. The boiler is three-fourths of an inch in diameter, the smokestack is two and one-sixteenth inches high, and the other parts are in proportion. Kerosene is used for fuel and steam is raised in less than two minutes. The whistle blows, the bell rings and every part of the locomotive works perfectly."

Ramon Jose Lacoen, a Filipino twenty years old, has distinguished himself at Georgetown university. The Washington correspondent for the Chicago Chronicle, referring to Lacoen, says that after winning distinction in some other educational institutions he went to Georgetown, where his career has been especially brilliant. In a newspaper article he quotes the record to show that there were universities in the Philippines before institutions of as high a grade were established in the United States. All these Philippine universities were "extinct" before the American conquest, and, though they had many students, they were not recognized by the United States. Lacoen, however, is a graduate of the University of the Philippines, and he writes that his school was in existence in 1864. He writes that his school was in existence in 1864. He writes that his school was in existence in 1864.

A strange discovery was recently made by Captain Sykes of the Yorkshire militia. According to the London correspondent for the Chicago Chronicle, Captain Sykes found that an ordinary field gun, daubed all over with blotches of red, blue and yellow paint, becomes to all intents and purposes, invisible, at least at a considerable distance. Six guns and their limbers so painted and streaked with the three primary colors as they are called, were placed on the Fox hills at Aldershot and a number of artillery officers invited to locate them. The distance was only 3,500 yards—a mere trifle in actual warfare—and the officers were armed with the best field-glasses. But so perfectly did the painted guns harmonize with the natural background that no one was able to pick them out.

Not long ago a lion tamer, who was exhibiting in a German circus in Holland, attracted immense crowds at every performance by doing what seemed to be the most daring acts in the lions' cage. He would climb into the cage with great pieces of meat and throw it to the roaring beasts. The moment they had leaped upon it he would spring among them and put his foot on it. The animals would growl furiously, and then, just as the spectators were all waiting breathlessly, expecting that the beasts would tear him to pieces, they would shrink back cowed.

After he had repeated this exciting act for many days, an Englishman said that he would not dare do it after the lions had been starved for three days. The trainer considered for a moment and then made only the condition that he be allowed to have three weeks of preparation. At the end of three weeks the trainer announced that he was ready, and the processes of starving the lions began. The Englishman kept guards posted around the cage day and night to make certain that not a morsel of food should be given to the animals. At the expiration of the three days all Amsterdam rushed to the circus. The lions were maddened with hunger, as any one could see and hear, for they roared continually and their attempts to break through the bars showed how angry they had become.

In the height of the uproar the trainer entered the cage with an immense piece of beef in his arms. He tossed it on the floor of the cage, raised his whip, and let not one lion dared to approach it. The mighty brutes lay crouched, roaring and growling so hard that their great frames shook and each kept his terrible yellow eyes fixed hungrily on the meat. But not one of them stirred. The trainer stooped, lifted the beef

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Working Night And Day. The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Dr. King's New Life Pills. These pills change weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, brain-fog into mental power.

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"About six years ago for the first time in my life I had a sudden and severe attack of diarrhoea," says Mrs. Alice Miller, of Morgan, Texas. "I got temporary relief, but it came back again and again, and for six long years I have suffered more misery and agony than I can tell. It was worse than death. My husband spent hundreds of dollars for physicians' prescriptions and treatment without avail. Finally we moved to Bosque county, our present home, and one day I happened to see an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy with a testimonial of a man who had been cured by it. The case was so similar to my own that I concluded to try the remedy. The result was wonderful. I could hardly realize that I was well again, or believe it could be so after having suffered so long, but that one bottle of medicine, costing but a few cents, cured me." For sale at Terrells Drug Store.

If you want to kill out an orchard, a good way is to plant corn or small grain, especially winter sown, or any of the grass family. Such crops are heavy consumers of the fertility, and moisture, and are always injurious to the trees. Cow-peas, or clover or vetches, on the contrary are beneficial.—Farm and Ranch.

Cures Scatica. Rev. W. L. Riley, L. L. D., Cuba, New York, writes: "After fifteen days of excruciating pain from sciatic rheumatism, under various treatments, I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment, the first application giving my first relief, and the second, entire relief. I can give it unqualified recommendation. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at Baker & Cunningham's Drug Store, Haskell, Texas."

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NOT ALL DEAD YET.

Men are not as scarce as they ought to be who ridicule any idea of germs as the cause of diseases in men, animals or plants. Ignorance is not ill as in such cases, it affords the ignition to sneer at book farming and, with loud mouths proclaiming that science has nothing to do with farming which is merely a matter of plowing and hoeing, and land and rain. Numerous writers on poultry diseases proclaim that "fifth disease cholera," "lice causes cholera and cholera," and other similar nonsense. Some say that anthrax and blackleg are caused by cattle eating weeds, and that luck and the moon have more to do with the success and failure in farming than bacteria, or anything learned at colleges or from books. And yet many of these objectors are careful not to drink contaminated water, and some of them will not let their cows or horses drink it. Their reason is not because disease germs lurk there, but because it is too hard to do so. A great outbreak of typhoid fever broke out in England among people

who bought army blankets from soldiers who returned from the Boer war. Is it conceivable that army, or any other blankets, could cause typhoid fever unless they were contaminated with the germs of the disease? These germs are what we call bacteria, or disease germs. These disease germs can be seen, but only by using a microscope to aid natural vision; and those who deny their existence probably never look into a microscope and many never saw one and know nothing of its construction or powers. Some people will not believe what they cannot see, and in this they are blinded by ignorance and prejudice. There are men yet who contend that filthy mud pools are good for hogs to wallow in, simply because hogs seem to enjoy the cooling effects. Such men are not only endangering to the health of their own hogs, but they are dangerous members of a community, because they are likely to spread the germs of the disease among their neighbor's stock. We need agricultural education and less tomfoolery.—Farm and Ranch.

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