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| 2052 acres, J. G. Pitts survey 10 miles E., \$3.25, 3 payments. | 1040 acres, Geo. Harris League, at \$7; 9 miles S. W., 4 payments. |
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| 424 acres G. G. Alford survey, 15 miles N. W., 44, Abst. 6, \$6, in 3 payments. | 1476 acres, J. E. Ellis sur., 8 miles E., at \$4, in 3 payments. |
| 622 acres, section 1, G. H. & H. Ry., 12 miles E., at \$5.00, 3 payments. | 213 acres, A. F. Burchard survey, 14 miles S. W., at \$5, in 3 payments. |
| 320 acres, Sur. 5, G. H. & H. Ry., 14 miles S. E., at \$3.00, 3 payments. | 235 acres, same survey as above, same price and terms. |
| 320 acres, W. P. Gaines survey, 12 miles S., at \$3.50, in 3 payments. | 213 acres, A. F. Burchard survey, 14 miles S. W., at \$5, cash. |
| Sections 1, 3 and 5, E. T. Ry. Co., 13 to 16 miles S. E., at \$5.50, in easy payments. | 640 acres, James Gray survey, 16 miles S. E., at \$5. |
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| 8 acres, John Campbell survey, 7 miles N. E., at \$3.50, in 3 payments. | 205 acres, S. T. Blakeley survey, 15 miles S. E., at \$5, in 3 payments. |
| 400 acres on S. end of H. R. Craig sur., 14 miles E. for lease, for a term of 3 years. Good house on place. | 200 acres Hays Covington sur., 15 miles S. E., at \$3.00 in 3 payments. |
| Lots 7 & 8, Block 4, B. & R. Ad., \$125. | 1010 acres of Geo. Harris League, 5 miles N. of Stamford, for lease. |

Have many other lots and acre blocks in different parts of town too numerous to name here.

Call on me, or write, for full information.

S. W. SCOTT.

Haskell Texas.

THE ORIENT RAILROAD.

Present and Probable Progress of Construction.

GIVEN FROM PERSONAL OBSERVATION.

The following communication was received last Saturday morning, too late for publication in the paper of that date. But as it is on a subject that interests many of our readers and states the situation from personal observation, we give it here.

It is from a reliable citizen of the western portion of the county:

To the Free Press:

They say the Orient Railroad is building! Yes, but like old father Time, it seems to drag along slowly indeed.

The writer sojourned at Sweetwater for a few days during the week just past and dotted down the following notes:

They have, beginning at Sweetwater, about three miles of road actually finished; this, I think, would include the yard and switch track. The balance of ten miles is laid, the full number of ties being used and spiked down; but the same is yet to line and surface. As to whether or not the work will be continued, no one seems to know. They claim to have material to build as far as McCauley. McCauley is on south end of twenty-seventh mile.

It seems that they were under obligations to get a certain amount of work done by the 14th inst.; in consequence of which they worked their full force on 12th and 13th allowing, doubtless, as one day was Sunday, the other extremely cold. At all sloughs where tiling is needed, it is being put in and piling driven down so as to bridge over—intending to grade in the gap later on. This is being done to expedite the work.

They are building a number of boarding cars and in other ways, it seems, preparing to continue the work.

The largest force used, they say, was ninety-three men for one day; this included teamsters and all. It seems that about sixty-five men are actually needed on steel gang to work to the best advantage. They hire new men most every day, while others are quitting. At the noon hour on last Friday a couple of "snipes" argued some trivial question, one of them using a car pin, the other fellow went to dream-land, but after awhile came round again. No, I skipped, but before night was looking out through the "grates." I don't think he is drawing any pay now but, no doubt, will get free board for quite a while.

The old grade, which has now stood for two years, is in good condition until the loose sandy land of Haskell county is reached.

They claim to have ordered \$1,000,000 worth of engines for this line, and current report is to the effect that work will be continued throughout the season. With present force they can lay and complete from one-third to one-half mile per day.

Knox City, we believe, is on the seventy-eighth mile, while it is ninety to Benjamin, so any one can soon figure it out. Some of the old contractors that first worked on this line or at Sweetwater, namely, Gray Brothers, also Mr. Brooks.

By GUS FITZNER, Haskell County, Feb. 23, '05.

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—AT—

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Call for Warrants.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 25.—The State Treasurer issued call for registered warrants this evening calling warrants up to No. 38110, embracing \$90,571. Net deficit is now reduced to \$122,385.

CHILD LOST AND FOUND.

Thrilling Experiences of an All Night Search.

To the Free Press:

On last Saturday about 3 o'clock the two and a half year old girl baby of Mr. and Mrs. C. Schroeder, residing two miles south of Sagerton, wandered away from home, evidently looking for its father, who had been at work near by but had gone to Stamford. The child was soon missed and some neighbors being notified, search began at once. About 4 o'clock the baby's track was discovered by Mr. J. H. Briscoe where it had crossed the railroad dump going west in the direction of Flat Top "mountain," but the tracks could not be traced any further.

By 8 o'clock the alarm had spread over the neighborhood and 75 or 80 men were engaged in the search, many having lanterns.

The night was dark and the howls of the coyotes being heard around added to the anxiety of parents and searchers. As the night advanced the searching party grew larger and mountain side, which is cut with gullies and the valley which has a considerable growth of timber, were searched by men with lanterns, but no trace of the little one could be found. About 11 o'clock Mr. E. C. Wendeborn and Mr. Tom Pennell reported that the former had heard the child cry in the southwest part of Mr. Briscoe's pasture, where they had remained nearly two hours but could not find nor hear it any more. A large party of men went to the locality indicated and made a search but failed to find the child. About 4 o'clock in the morning Messrs. Wendeborn, Pennell and Schroeder, father of the child, returned to the Briscoe pasture under the belief that if the child was asleep there it would probably awake at daylight and cry again. Their hopes were not disappointed as about daylight they were rewarded by finding the baby. She was 2 1/2 or 3 miles from where she crossed the railroad dump the evening before and in an almost opposite direction from which she was then going.

She was all right and as bright as if she had only spent the night with some playmates. She said that she saw somebody with lamps looking for her and that the dogs tried to bite her. She evidently thought that the howling coyotes were dogs trying to bite her.

Words are inadequate to express the joy of Mr. Schroeder and family at finding their child or their gratitude and thanks to those who assisted in the search.

Sagerton, Haskell Co., Feb. 27.

Proper Treatment of Pneumonia.

Pneumonia is too dangerous a disease for anyone to attempt to doctor himself, although he may have the proper remedies at hand. A physician should always be called. It should be borne in mind, however, that pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of the grip, and that by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the threatened attack of pneumonia may be warded off. This remedy is also used by physicians in the treatment of pneumonia with the best results. Dr. W. J. Smith, of Sanders, Ala., who is also a druggist, says of it: "I have been selling Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and prescribing it in my practice for the past six years. I use it in cases of pneumonia and have always gotten the best results." Sold by C. E. Terrell.

If you are going to have to buy feed in any quantity, be sure to see us before buying. We will carry a full line of feed stuffs and make you very close prices. W. W. Fields & Bro.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Gazette, the trotting horse, was sold in Chicago a few days since for \$6,100.

A little 9-year-old son of E. D. Chapman at Hardwell, while out riding, was thrown from his horse and the animal kicked him on the head, killing him instantly.

As a result of the strike of local bakers, who have been out four days, says a Rome dispatch, a general strike of the bakers throughout Italy is threatened.

Mrs. E. A. Galvin, aged about 83 years, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. G. Nail, at Waxahachie, Tex., at 11 o'clock Saturday morning.

Friday morning T. A. Reynolds died at the home of R. P. Wardlaw at Palestine in his ninety-fifth year. He had been sick for several days and had lived in Palestine for twenty-three years.

Ellis County has redeemed \$10,000 court house bonds held by the permanent school fund, Hansford County \$3,000 and Aransas County \$400, bonds of the same description held by the same fund.

The First National Bank of Frankston, Tex., has been authorized to begin business with \$25,000 capital. George W. Daddie, president; E. L. Jones, vice president; J. H. Robinson, cashier.

After the riots at Baku, three hundred corpses were counted in the streets, according to a dispatch from Paris. The dead are said to have been largely Armenians.

Subtle plague of a violent character has broken out in Tarsagva Port, province of Tarapaca. There were eleven cases in a single day, several of them abandoning the place.

The building contractors and union bricklayers of Chicago, who have been at loggerheads for some time, have adjusted their differences and signed agreements until March 1, 1906.

Sunset Express, due to arrive at San Antonio at 7:30 a. m., was wrecked six miles east of Harwood. A negro riding the blind baggage was killed and the mail clerk was injured.

In the Senate Mr. Carmack of Tennessee, speaking of the railroad rate bill, characterized President Roosevelt as the foremost disciple and ablest lieutenant of William J. Bryan.

Wednesday night some one broke down the door of the lockup at Crawford and turned the prisoners out and then fired the prison and burned it to ashes. No arrests have been made.

The American Newspaper Publishers' Association, in session in New York, passed resolutions commending President Roosevelt's courageous stand against trusts and promising active support.

Madame Melba, who toured Texas last week, has a son who owns and personally manages a large ranch in McCulloch County. He met his mother at San Antonio and accompanied her to Houston.

Joe Wolf was convicted in the Forty-eighth district court at Fort Worth of robbing John Gillian, an aged man, on the night of Jan. 16. His punishment was assessed at forty years in the penitentiary.

A telephone message received at Ada, I. T., tells of a shooting near McGee, a small town about 15 miles west, in which G. A. Mitchell was killed.

He feller who goes softly whistlin' through life has a happier time than the one who's howlin' on the hilltop.

The municipal museum of Chicago has been formally opened and dedicated. It occupies several rooms of the public library building and several hundred invited guests viewed the exhibits.

If you buy what you don't want, you are likely to want what you can't buy. Rev. Abe Mulkey is conducting a protracted meeting at the Methodist Church at Forney. Business houses have been closing at 10 a. m. this week to allow all to attend service.

President James B. Angell, of the University of Michigan, does not subscribe to the statement made by Dr. William Osler, of Johns Hopkins University, that men lose their usefulness when they reach the age of sixty years.

If a man once tells a woman he loves her, he has got to keep on telling her for the rest of his natural life. General Kuropatkin sends a report that twenty Japanese torpedo boats and a large warship are on their way to Vladivostok.

Trains for Vienna are unable to leave Warsaw on account of the strike. The employees of the Vienna Railway have struck and the entire traffic by direct route from Warsaw to Austria and Germany is suspended.

Two Terrific Fires Visit New Orleans--Hot Springs

Fire at New Orleans Sweeps Entire River Front.

New Orleans, Feb. 27.—Fire involving millions of dollars of loss in physical property, and that strikes a temporary blow to the immense export trade of New Orleans, swept the river front last night and wiped out the vast terminals of the Illinois Central Railway, known as the Stuyvesant docks.

Nearly a dozen squares of modern wharves and freight sheds, two magnificent grain elevators, hundreds of loaded cars and vast quantities of freight, including 20,000 bales of cotton, were destroyed, with a large number of small residences.

The fire was still raging furiously at midnight, at which time it had almost reached the upper end of the Illinois Central property.

It has not been determined whether there has been any loss of life. The ocean-going shipping seems to have escaped serious damage.

A number of firemen and employees of the docks were injured. Actual estimates of the losses are impossible now, though they may exceed \$5,000,000.

At midnight more than nine squares of the terminals had been completely destroyed and it seemed unlikely that the fire would be checked until it reached Napoleon avenue, which is a very broad street.

During the fire a heavy wind blew and the blaze was of indescribable fury, carrying brands to great distance and moving back the crowds of sight-seers.

Immense pieces of corrugated iron, torn from the sides of the upper elevator, were carried through the air as if they were feathers and dropping in every direction, constantly endangering the lives of firemen and spectators.

Aside from the tremendous loss involved in the destruction of property, civil war in Baku the inhabitants, barricaded in their houses, are petitioning the central authorities at St. Petersburg for relief from the existing condition of affairs.

The Government is sending reinforcements of troops, but while these may be able to stop the reign of terror, they will be impotent to start the wheels of industry.

Proprietors fear that the oil wells will be utterly ruined if pumping is suspended much longer. Conditions in other towns in the Caucasus are equally desperate.

In Siberia, as well as in other parts of the empire, the Government has granted considerable concessions to railway employes, in some cases according them a reduction of hours of labor to nine a day.

This renders the situation of private employes increasingly difficult, as they claim that it is impossible for them to concede so much.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 27.—An action of no mean proportions is in progress on the Russian left flank. The advantage thus far is on the side of the Japanese, though at heavy cost.

From the advices from the front it is difficult to say how severe the losses have been or how decisive the reverse and whether the Japanese are likely to attempt to drive in the Russian left flank much farther.

Gen. Kuropatkin evidently has been trying to establish his left flank in advance, to command the crossings of the Taltze River.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 27.—Evidence is increasing that the strikes throughout the empire, and especially those in St. Petersburg, are not economic in their origin, but inspired by a definite political plan.

The Government and employers are embarrassed by the tactics of the workmen, whose discontent is being fed and who are increasing their demands with each new concession.

This condition is believed to have been fomented by crafty political agitators, who are stirring up the men and at the same time holding them in leash, apparently awaiting some sign for concerted action.

Fear is entertained that this widespread agitation may be connected with a plan to await a possible peasant outbreak in the spring, with which a general strike will be synchronized, the workmen joining hands with the peasants.

The election of labor representatives to the imperial commission, which is to investigate the cause of discontent in St. Petersburg, passed off quietly yesterday.

The situation in Riga is again reported to be very serious. The authorities there apparently are unable to cope with the lawless element.

In the Caucasus the situation is extremely bad, practically amounting to a state of anarchy.

the fire is a calamity to New Orleans in the temporary abatement of the immense port business of the Illinois Central, particularly in the matter of grain shipments.

HOT SPRINGS FIRE SWEPT.

Two Millions of Dollars Go Up in Smoke.

Hot Springs, Ark., Feb. 27.—Fire swept the southern portion of this city early Saturday, doing immense damage and causing the known death of three persons.

The losses are variously estimated at from one to two million dollars. Three charred corpses have been found among the ruins, and as several persons are reported missing, the death list may be increased.

The identity of the victims has not been established. One of the bodies is supposed to be that of a female guest of the Grand Central Hotel.

The fire which started at 3:30 in the morning, was the worst this State has ever experienced, and in five hours had burned over an area of one square mile.

Business houses, hotels and other buildings were swept away and the entire town was panic-stricken, although the fire was confined to the southern part of the city.

Street car wires and telephone and telegraph poles were burned and these services were demoralized.

The fire-swept area includes every house on Chapel street, all of Market street from Central avenue west, Orange street to Grand avenue and a portion of Oak street.

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BY BAYONET THRUST.

Ammunition Gives Out and Hand to Hand Carnage Ensues.

Madyada Ni, Manchuria, Feb. 28.—After fighting the most desperate nature, the Russians remained Sunday evening in possession of the Che and Da Passes, against which the Japanese had been flinging themselves madly from noon until dark.

The Russians, who were greatly outnumbered, sustained repeated attacks, some units losing as high as 70 per cent in killed or wounded in hand-to-hand fighting with the bayonet, to which they were reduced, owing to having fired their last bullets.

In order to hold Da Pass, the last reserves were sent to the firing line. The Japanese, turning operations in the region of Guato Pass, were checked by a battalion of Russian infantry and several squadrons of cavalry, who repulsed the Japanese with heavy loss.

The Japanese also tried to advance on Nangnou and Vanupuduz, but were repulsed. The present operations commenced on February 19, when the Japanese began an attack on Haba Pass, seven miles south of Tsinketchen, positions which are far in advance of the general front of the army.

On the evening of the 22d, in the face of superior numbers, the Russians were flanked and retired on the line. The Japanese stormed the Keriff Hill throughout yesterday, simultaneously infiltrating the Tsinketchen positions with artillery and outflanking the Russian infantry.

The Russians evacuated the Senketchen on the 24th and retired, fighting a stubborn rear guard and halting at Da and Che Passes.

Niuchwang, Feb. 27, via Tien Tsun, 6 p. m.—According to a person who has just returned here from the front the Japanese are shelling Mukden with eleven-inch mortars. The bombardment, which was recently commenced, is further reported to have caused great damage in the Russian lines.

Advice from Chinese sources say that a general engagement is in full progress all along the line. The heaviest fighting is reported to be occurring on the Japanese right and Gen. Kuroki is said to be sweeping further north and threatening to crumble the Russians back on the railroad.

Special forces are reported to be moving from the south and east, with the intention of cutting off Russian communications by railroad with Vladivostok.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 27.—A dispatch from Gen. Kuropatkin, dated yesterday, says: "The enemy is continuing the offensive against the front of our Tsinketchen detachment and has turned both its flanks."

"The Japanese have also advanced against Kantie Pass, turning our left flank, but all of their attacks on Tangu and Boldering have been repulsed and their offensive movement against Bompapuz has also been repulsed. At some positions our riflemen forced the Japanese outposts to retire."

"Col. Gorsky was severely wounded."

Bonham Mill Enlarging. Bonham: The work of building the annex to the Bonham Cotton Mills has been begun. The new building will be 6x100 feet and will be used for the carding and spinning department, which will double the capacity of this department. The total cost of the building and machinery to be added will aggregate about \$75,000.

Sugar Beets to Be Tested. McKinney: A mass meeting of farmers was held at Blue Ridge Friday night in the northeast part of this county for the purpose of promoting the production of sugar beets. Fifteen farmers present agreed to plant an acre each this year as an experiment. A canvass will be made to swell the list to fifty.

Hunter Woodson, who successfully promoted the Bonham McKinney Interurban is behind the plan.

Sixteen Car Pent Cut. McKinney: The Collin County Central Farmers Institute met here. It was composed of delegates from the various districts of the county, and was held for the purpose of receiving and tabulating the result of the canvasses made for the purpose of getting farmers to agree to reduce their cotton acreage this year. The returns so far received showed a decrease of 16 per cent for the county as a whole in acreage.

Cattle Donig Well at Colorado. Colorado: Both cattlemen and farmers are jubilant over the prospect for early grass and a good season as the result of the unusually heavy snow of last week. Contrary to expectation, the stock interests did not materially suffer from losses by the blizzards in this immediate section, as the stockmen were prepared to meet the condition. But north and west of here cattlemen did not fare so well, and the losses were pretty heavy.

JUDGE SWAYNE ACQUITTED.

The Expected Has Happened at Washington.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Charles Swayne, the Federal Judge of the Northern District of Florida, was yesterday adjudged not guilty of anything that should deprive him of his office. This was done by a general vote of 31 to 51, though a vote on some of the specifications varied to the extent of two or three and in one case only thirteen votes were for his conviction.

The first count against him was that he had charged the government with an expense account of \$10 a day when his expense account was less than that amount. It was proved that his expenses on one occasion were \$1.25 a day and he charged the government \$10 a day, and this under the law which provides that Federal judges shall be paid when holding court out of their own district, which this judge was doing, their expenses, but in no case more than \$10 a day.

This is not the exact reading of the statute, but it is the effect of it. When the senate majority of twenty reached the conclusion that this was fair then everybody knew that he would be acquitted, whatever the charges were. The fact is that the defendant, or culprit, as one may see fit to term it, in this case attempted to show that it was the custom of his brothers of the Federal bench to ride on free passes and even if they eat "cold catfish" at lunch counters to charge the Government \$10 a day for expenses. This was ruled out because it might involve the Federal judges and because even if the others were "pinching," this particular high official was not justified in doing it.

It is thought and hoped that the acquittal of this judge will not be taken as a warrant for the continuation of the per diem graft of the Federal judges, but will frighten some of them into a rendition of honest accounts against the government.

Work of the House. Austin: The following comparative statement of work done by the Twenty-Eighth and Twenty-Ninth Houses, respectively, in the first month and a half, has been given out by Hon. F. W. Seabury, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

28th 29th. Number of days in session... 37 35. Number of bills introduced... 458 528. Joint resolutions introduced... 23 18.

Committee reports (not engrossed and enrolled)... 441 436. House general bills—Finally disposed of... 21 36. Engrossed... 14 14.

Senate general bills—Finally disposed of... 9 14. To third reading... 3 22. Local bills disposed of... 23 22. Engrossed... 3 3.

Rumor of a T. and P. Extension. Colorado: It is stated that within thirty days work will be begun by the Texas and Pacific on a line from Roscoe to Snyder and then on in a northwesterly direction to a connection in New Mexico. Surveyors ran this line last spring, when it was supposed that the Santa Fe was the moving spirit, but it is now stated that the Texas and Pacific Railway Company is to connect with the other Gould lines in New Mexico and fight for the gulf business.

Senator Bailey, Monday, introduced as an amendment to the Indian appropriation bill, a bill for creating one state of Oklahoma and Indian Territory.

Fifteen Dead in a Mine. Cincinnati, Ohio: A special from Welch, W. Va., says: Fifteen men are known to be dead as the result of the explosion in shaft No. 1 of the United States Coal and Coke Company. The number of dead may be much greater, but it is impossible now to explore the mine because of the fire, which is still burning. Fortunately the explosion occurred at an hour when but few miners had entered the mine to begin their day's work.

Hog Raising in East Texas. Palestine: President Tom Frazier of the Texas State Swine Breeders' Association was in the city Saturday from Morgan. Mr. Frazier says there is a greater interested manifested hog raising throughout East Texas this year than ever before, and that hog raising on a large scale has become a rule in this section. He says East Texas is a good hog country.

The executive board of the American Federation of Catholic Knights will meet in New Orleans March 4 and 5 to fix the date of the annual meeting. This board represents more than 1,500,000 Catholics in the United States.

Independent crude oil producers and refiners from Kansas, Ohio, Illinois and Indiana have joined in the formation of an organization of defense against the alleged eradicating pressure of the Standard Oil Company.

DELICATE SKIN—

demands delicate treatment, or the cuticle roughens and eruptions sooner or later appear.



WOODBURY'S FACIAL SOAP.

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A Photographer's Trick. Mexican photographers have hit upon a way to make their subjects "look pleasant." After peering through the apparatus and emerging from under the black cloth, the photographer says: "By the way, would you like a drink?" "Well, I don't mind," says the man, with a pleased smile. "What have you got?" "Beer, whisky and wine," says the photographer, and then, before the man can say which he'll have, the camera does its duty. The "expression" of his photograph is always "life-like."

A Chinese Comment. The present Chinese ambassador in Washington is a worthy successor of the famous Wu Ting-fang. Shortly after his arrival at the capital the ambassador attended a wedding and was greatly interested in the ceremony. He sought out a friend after the wedded pair had been driven away. "Why do you throw rice after them?" he inquired. "For good luck," it was explained. "Well, from what I have seen of American life," said the ambassador, "I should think it would be much better for you to throw the rice after your hearse."

Cured Her Diabetes. Halo, Ind., Feb. 27th.—(Special)—If what will cure Diabetes will cure any form of Kidney Disease, as so many physicians say, then Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure any form of Kidney Disease. For Mrs. L. C. Bowers of this place has proved that Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure Diabetes.

"I had Diabetes," Mrs. Bowers says, "my teeth all became loose and part of them came out. I passed a great deal of water with such burning sensations I could hardly bear it. I lost about 40 pounds in weight. I used many medicines and doctored with two local doctors but never got any better till I started to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. They cured me so completely that in three years I have had no return of the disease. I am a well woman now, thanks to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

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Knickerbockers. The movement in England for restoring the use of knee breeches is making considerable progress. Sometimes I see a woman out in the rain, an' again I see a hen under the same circumstances, an' it seems to me that Nacher intended them to git together an' commiserate each other.

Land of Bad Snowdrifts. The worst snow drifts experienced by any railroad are said to be those in Sweden. Although the cold is not intense as in some of our Western States, the snowfall is heavy and continuous. The snow plows of various kinds which are used on these roads are said to be the most powerful in the world. There are times, however, when even this machinery fails to clear the way, when hundreds of men must be employed to dig the stalled trains.

DECISIVE BATTLE IS ON.

So Far the Results are Favorable to Japanese.

Shenking, Manchuria, Feb. 25, via Mukden.—It is reported here that the Japanese are closing in on the Russian east flank. As a result of the movement it is possible that there will be either a general engagement or at least a counter movement by the Russians along some part of the line, especially if, as is thought, the Japanese have returned to their original tactics of making flanking movements from the mountains. The early advent of spring now makes possible operations in and from the mountainous districts.

For the last three weeks the Russians have suffered no material disturbance, with the exception of comparatively unimportant damage to the railroad end to a bridge near Kuanchia Pass, as a result of Japanese raids, aided, it is alleged, by Chinese bandits. Since the receipt of news of the movement of an unidentified army force of unknown numbers behind the Russian right wing the Russians have taken measures for the purpose of minimizing the operations of brigands in the belief that Chinese bandits are to some extent being organized and directed by the Japanese cavalry.

Reports of activity at Vladivostok in anticipation of an attack on that place by the Japanese, are confirmed, but the town continues in its accustomed gaiety in which the civil and military elements participate.

Supplies at Vladivostok, it is reported, are plentiful, though prices are high. The naval attaches of foreign governments are leaving Vladivostok by permission of the Russian authorities.

Tsinketchen, Feb. 23, via Mukden, Feb. 24.—There was fighting along the whole line in this district today.

The Japanese continuing their persistent and systematic advance drove in the Russian vanguard posts and came in touch with the Russian fortified positions.

A stubborn combat is expected tomorrow, the Japanese apparently intending to attempt to drive out the Russians and capture their redoubts. The Japanese are circling eastward.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 25.—A dispatch from Satchetun, dated Feb. 24, says: "The Japanese in superior numbers have forced the Russian detachment at Tsinketchen to abandon their base of Baroneff Hill.

"The battle has been desperate on both sides. The result is not yet known."

Tangled in a Folding Bed.

Vernon: The wife of District Judge S. P. Huff very nearly lost her life in an old-style folding bed. During her husband's absence she retired and the bed closed upon her. Before losing consciousness she called to her ten-year old daughter to summon the neighbors. This saved her life. The physicians worked with her several hours and at this time Mrs. Huff is doing well, but will not be up and around for some time.

Bids on the Great Arizona Dam.

Phoenix, Ariz. The bids for the construction of the Roosevelt dam under the provisions of the reclamation law have been opened here. There were twenty-one bids submitted, ranging between that of O'Rourke & Co. of Galveston of 1,147,000 and the American Construction Company of Denver at \$2,444,000. Several were at sums less than a million and a quarter. O'Rourke demands two years for the completion.

Benefit of Fairy Tales.

It is very reasonable to argue that no creation of human fancy could last as fairy tales have lasted, though no one knows how many hundreds and thousands of years unless it was very good. For that which is not good and not sound must surely die, and only that which is good and sound shall last through the grinding of the ages. So I believe that parents could fill their children's imaginations full of fairy tales if they would make those imaginations strong and healthy. As for that man or woman who has not these bright and joyous things flying like golden bees through the dim recesses of his or her memory, I can only say that I think his or her parents must have been neglectful of the earlier training of their child, and that I am sorry for that poor soul who has lost so much pleasure out of its life.—Howard Pyle, in The Book News.

Nearly every married woman thinks a lot of other women envy her.

Brakeman Shot by a Negro.

Marshall: R. Edmonds, a freight brakeman on the Louisiana division of the Texas and Pacific Railroad, was shot by a negro whom he was trying to put off the train at Grand Cave, La., Thursday afternoon. Edmonds was shot through the mouth and the ball came out the back of his neck. Though the wound is not very serious, it is very painful. He is at his home in this city. The negro has not been apprehended.

WONDERFUL ENGINEERING FEAT.

The Simplon Tunnel Has Pierced Through the Alps.

Condo Switzerland Feb. 25.—The piercing of Simplon Tunnel through the Alps was completed yesterday morning. The work was commenced in 1895. The meeting of the two boring parties (Swiss and Italian) was signaled throughout Switzerland and Italy by the ringing of church bells and the saluting of cannon. The piercing of Simplon Tunnel is regarded as being one of the greatest engineering achievements of the age. Many difficulties were encountered and overcome. The length of the tunnel from Briga in Switzerland to Iselle on the Italian side of the mountain is about twelve miles. The work begun over seven years ago and according to the contract the tunnel must be ready for traffic by May 15 next. The Swiss and Italian governments jointly financed the undertaking, share and share alike, at the cost of \$15,000,000. As soon as the boring is thoroughly completed and the track laid a smaller tunnel is to be constructed parallel to the large one, which will be increased in size so as to permit traffic both ways at the same time.

STATEHOOD BILL HANGS FIRE.

Houston and Austin Statutes to Be Unveiled Today.

Washington, Feb. 25.—The statehood bill still in the air. There was a slight discussion on in what is called the early morning hour of the Senate, but it was no more than a kind of test of feeling, and then it went back. In other words, there was nothing developed except that there was no compromise and the matter was as it had been. Neither side in the case is sure of its footing and each side hopes the other will be placable. Both sides standing out in this way, each looking rather to the other than to itself for a solution, figures bad for a solution.

The unveiling of the Houston and Austin statutes take place today. Yesterday the supervising architect of the capitol had a man cut out the same of Steven as the given name of Austin and substitute Stephen. Mrs. Dibrell of Seguin and Mrs. Parker and Miss Bryan are here to participate in the ceremonies. It is understood that Mrs. Pennybacker and Miss Driscoll and other distinguished female Texans will be here.

Southern Pacific to Use 'Phones.

New Orleans, La.: It is announced here that within the next three months the Southern Pacific will install a telephone service between New Orleans and Houston for the operation of its trains. This is the final result of a conference between Superintendent E. B. Cushing of the Southern Pacific and officials of the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Foul Play Suspected.

Keachi, La.: Much mystery surrounds the death of A. U. Hill, a prosperous farmer, whose dead body was discovered in a well on his farm on the Texas-Louisiana line. An examination of the body revealed a fracture of the skull, such as would be produced by a blow from some blunt instrument, color to the theory of foul play is furnished by the absence of a considerable sum of money which Hill is known to have had in his possession.

Nineteen arrests were made by the Sheriff's force Wednesday on Grand Jury indictments against parties in Sherman, charging local option violations.

GREAT BAPTIST SANITARIUM.

The Board of Directors Decide to Commence Building.

Dallas: The Board of Directors of the Texas Baptist Memorial Sanitarium held an important meeting Friday. It was decided to take steps at once to move the present small building and to begin the work on the new building part of which building is to occupy the site of the present building.

It was also decided that the work and noise connected with the removal of the old building and the building of the new one made it necessary for the best interests of the patients to close the old building not later than March 1, and to receive no more patients until the completion of the first new building. The first building is to have something over one hundred choice rooms, several large wards and a beautiful chapel for religious services.

Poor, but honest; rich, but honest is more improbable.

Custer Survivor on Trial.

New York: William McGee, an ex-soldier and former resident of Texas, who claims to be the only member of Custer's force to escape the massacre of the command on Little Big Horn, has been placed on trial here on a charge of killing Frank Mitchell last December. McGee boarded with the Mitchells and the men quarreled over the proper method of concocting kidney stew. Mitchell was stabbed with a knife and McGee surrendered.

A Simple Story. She sewed the ribbons and frocks. And bought the quilts and beds. Though I may die, I shall not want For anything," she said. One morn' within beams they laid The long awaited guest. The mother lived, oh, ah, the child Was cold upon the breast! And sadly in that awful drawer, With tiny clothes beside, They left the fair little things untouched, All save the winding sheet— All save a little doll-like robe, Fetched forth with tears to be The silent stranger's only dress Until eternity. —Frederick L. Knapp, in Northwestern Christian Advocate.

OUTGROWN BY HAYS BLACKMAN

The woman sat before the mirror at her dressing table and looked at the face reflected there. It was neither a young face nor a happy one though it was beautiful. There were delicate lines about the mouth, lines which would have developed into wrinkles save for the careful massage that kept them in an incipient stage. There were other lines about the eyes, and to-night weariness had painted violet shadows beneath the brown eyes and the face was pale even beneath its stage makeup. For the woman was very tired. That night she had walked to and fro before a crowded house that went mad with the thrill of her acting, but it was over now and she was alone. The reaction was upon her.

A box of flowers was on her dressing table, along with many rare blossoms that had come to her. She opened it and found it full of field flowers, wood violets and buttercups and some sprays of crab apple blossoms with their exquisite fragrance, and a sheltering of green fern fronds. The flowers were fresh as though they had just been plucked.

The sweetness of the crab apple blossoms brought a pang to the woman's heart. And the damp tang of the fern, how well she remembered it. She could see again the rocky hill pasture where the crab apples grew and herself a child again, picking the pink and white blossoms and reveling in their sweetness. She remembered how she had used to put the crab apple blossoms and the wood violets together and how the blending of color brought a keen sense of joy. She had always loved the beautiful things of life. And the fern! Down where the little spring branch emptied into the creek there was a high bluff of gray stone. Moss covered its sides and along the foot, in every crevice of the rock the wild ferns grew. How often she had plucked the green fronds, luxuriating in their bitter-sweet tang.

While she held the flowers and dreamed over them, someone knocked at the door and a man entered the room without further ceremony. He was a country preacher, a circuit rider. The woman knew him at once as he knew her. She stood up, the flowers spilling on the floor about her. "Hedley," she said, "you here." "The man came forward. He was young and tall and spare. His near sighted eyes were shielded by glasses and his face was the face of a man who has practiced stern self denial. "Beatrice," he said, "I have thought of you for a long, long time. I have come to save you. I want you to leave the life that you are living and to come back home with me. I have tried to forget you, but"—he hesitated and stammered over the word, a blush suffusing his face—"but I love you, Beatrice. I can't forget you. I want you to marry me."

The woman facing him had grown as pale as he. All of the soft light

ly creed that would cramp the divine Love into the confines of your own church and never see that God meant men and women to know and love all the beauty of the world, who holds all of this in contempt. "Oh, don't think that I never wanted what you offer me," she cried passionately. "Ten years ago if you had come to me and told me that you loved me, I would have been the happiest woman in all the world. I would have asked nothing more than to have helped you in your work. I would have cooked for you and mended for you and have led the sewing society and played the organ for the Sunday service. But now it is too late. We live in different worlds, you and I, and my world is wider than yours. I could not go back contentedly to the old life. I would not if I could. Your love would not satisfy me now. I would die of loneliness in that little town. I would go mad if I had to listen to you while you preached two sermons every Sunday, to listen to all the petty bickering and fault finding, to set myself back into the old narrow groove. Your life is narrow and hard and skimpy. I love beautiful things, light and music and color in life and jewels and fine clothes and away from the crowd. And above all I have outgrown you. I do not love you any more. The little girl who loved you in the old days is dead and you helped to kill her. You do not know the woman who is in her stead. You are not capable of knowing her. The language of my world would be Greek to your ears. Go home, Hedley. Go away. You irritate me."

The man's face was stern and hard. But his eyes were pitiful and he looked as though he had set himself a task and had been failed. "Beatrice, you know that you are not a happy woman," he said. "I can look at you and tell that. Your work does not satisfy you. And you are fading. What will you do when your beauty is gone and your voice broken with age and your power to sway the multitude forsakes you? You want love. Come back!"

"No," the woman said sadly, "you are right; I am not happy. But what you offer does not mean happiness to a woman like myself. I have my work. Some times I weary of it, that is true. But discontent with ourselves is one of the penalties we pay for success. So far as anything can satisfy me, my work fills my life. And I don't want your love. Don't you suppose that other men, men infinitely more brilliant than you, have loved me in these years? I wouldn't marry you if you were the last man on earth, and if marrying you would save my immortal soul. There, you have your answer! That little girl whom I used to be, loved you. Oh, you thought yourself so much better than

she. And now she is revenged. I hope you'll suffer as that child suffered. Now 20." "But when the door had closed behind him, the woman bowed her head upon her hands and wept. She did not know why. Perhaps it was for the little girl who was herself ten years before. Perhaps it was for her present loneliness. Perhaps it was a little for the dread of the future when she would be old and broken and no more the idol of the public. Perhaps it was for the man whom she had sent away. Perhaps it was a little of all. Who knows? BODY IN ICE FIVE YEARS. Remains of a Norwegian Fisherman Is Found on Behring Sea Island. Had Ole Sjostron's tomb of ice on an arctic island in the Behring sea remained undisturbed 100,000 years, at the end of that ponderous stretch of time the face and form of Ole would have looked as natural and life-like as at the moment of the fisherman's death. Five years ago this young Norwegian, Sjostron, disappeared from Baranoff station. Nobody knew what became of him, and finally people ceased to wonder. A few weeks ago the body was found completely imbedded in the ice and so thoroughly preserved that not even the slightest indication of change had set in. The barkentine City of Papeete has arrived from Baranoff and the news of this remarkable discovery was brought by her first mate, Knute Peterson. "Five years in the ice," said Peterson, "has not made a bit of difference in his appearance. When they found him he looked as if asleep, but, sure enough, he was cold in death—even more so than the ordinary dead man. They suppose that he lay down on the glacier while intoxicated and fell asleep and that after he had frozen to death the ice formed over him." Strange as this story may seem, the incident is not strange to those who know the arctic icefields. Bodies of the mammoth have been found similarly imbedded in the ice. The sailor's information about the finding of Sjostron's body is meager, but it is presumable that, instead of being caught and imprisoned in the glacial ice, the fisherman died on the soft soil of the tundra and that his body became covered up and frozen with it.—San Francisco Chronicle.

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Beauty. O you who gaze on fading sunset skies With dream unkindled eyes Aglow with ecstasy? Lo, not those crystal deeps reveal to you The secret of eternity— That in their perishing, frail glory lies The one truth wholly true, Though all things perish, Beauty never dies? For Beauty fades not with the fading hour, Nor withers with the flower, Nor passes with the dream; Though death should take the whole earth in its net, He may not snare the starry gleam Nor hold the soul of Beauty in his power. Yes, though time's sun should set, And all things perish, Beauty never dies. Imperishable Beauty trembles through The frailness of the dew, In flickering, white foam, And in the iris of the stormy bow As white she dwells, and bath her home Beneath our earthly skies of mortal blue. They fade, yet this we know— Though all things perish, Beauty never dies.

For ever fugitive, before our eyes From form to form she flies; We deem her dead; when she Doth flash again upon our amazed sight In some new living reality Of bloom, or love, or sunset skies, Or starry enchanted night, Though all things perish, Beauty never dies. With her alone is immortality; For yet men reverence Adore within her shrine. The sole immortal time hath not cast down; She wields a power yet more divine Than when of old she rose from out the night, with starry crown. Though all things perish, Beauty never dies. —London Daily News.

Myths for Moderns. Jove looked down ruefully upon the slaughterer of the Titans. Olympus was really a sight, but Juno chided him up a bit. "Brace up, old man; it's all right. Remember Port Arthur," and Jove's brow cleared as he whistled down the tube for the janitor to come and mop up the debris. Venus was doing her best to persuade the bashful Adonis to let her have just one kiss. The goddess looked entrancing, but Adonis was adamant. "No," he answered sorrowfully to her pleadings. "Don't you know there are microbes in kisses?" It was Charon's busy day on the Styx. Several souls grumbled because of the crowd, and having to wait while the ghostly ferry made a second trip. Charon glared at them with fiery disgust. "No ads in this subway, anyhow!" he roared.—New York Times.

"Finest Fighters in the World?" There is no state in existence whose soldiers would encounter the victors of Port Arthur in equal numbers with any certainty of victory. Indeed there have been incidents in the siege, like the storm of Nanshan or of 203-Metre Hill, which have compelled experienced soldiers to doubt whether the Japanese are not the finest soldiers in the world, and whether Kuropatkin is not right in demanding a grand superiority in numbers as the first, indeed the essential, condition for any victory by the troops under his command.—Spectator.

Chinese Soldiers in New York. New Yorkers will be surprised in a month or so by the appearance upon Broadway of a battalion of Chinese soldiers, headed by a Chinese band. They will be armed with the latest Krag-Jorgensen rifles and will be uniformed in the latest western style for infantrymen, even down to the so-called "monkey caps." The entire battalion is to be recruited from Chinamen living in New York.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

A most important meeting has been called for March 2, to be held in Palestine, that of the Fruit and truck Growers of Texas.

An election is to be held to determine whether or not liquor shall be sold in Hardeman County on March 15.

Judge J. W. Baker of Waco has won the official harness in McLennan County for twenty-nine years which, perhaps, exceeds in length of service any man in the State.

Manager Albert L. Rowan states that the Dallas Eagles club will be ready for games soon, and that he will be glad to hear from amateur teams in adjacent cities or towns, Eagles preferred.

The Commissioners' Court of Haskell County has passed an order for a prohibition election to be held March 25. The petition which decided the court to take this course had over 400 signers.

The Court of Criminal Appeals in session at Dallas decided that drummers for liquor houses outside of the State could lawfully solicit orders for whisky to be shipped "C. O. D." to local option towns.

Will Knight, a young fellow about nineteen years old, was arrested at Crawford on a charge of burning the calaboose at that place. The building had oil poured on it, when it was deliberately set on fire.

Citizens and Knights of Pythias of Palestine are now hard at work trying to locate the Knights Widows' and Orphans' Home at Palestine. A most flattering bid for this home was sent in to headquarters at Port Worth.

It now seems to be a certainty that there will be an interurban railroad built from McKinney to Denton. An interview in the McKinney Gazette is to the effect that work of construction will begin in the near future.

The heads of one of the fraternal orders in Dallas says that reports from over Texas show that the mortality for the past thirty days has been unusually heavy, pneumonia being the chief cause of death.

The independent oil companies of Texas are signing a petition to forward to the Texas Congressmen and to Commissioner of Commerce Garfield, asking an immediate investigation of the Standard Oil operations in Texas.

An old lady on the southbound passenger on the Houston East and West Texas, passing Timpson, jumped off after the train had pulled from the station about half a mile Thursday. The lady is not known, and is in an unconscious condition, and the doctors say she will die.

Singleton Murphy and Tom Witten, the young men arrested on a charge of assault to murder the watchman at the Texas Christian University at Waco, and trying to burglarize the treasurer's office were admitted to bond.

A mass meeting of citizens of Waxahachie have arranged a program for the formal dedication of the Sims' Public Library April 26, in connection with the installation of Dr. A. E. Turner as president of Trinity University.

Burglars effected an entrance into the International and Great Northern depot at Venus, taking eight cases containing sixteen quart bottles of whisky. They were tracked to the cemetery.

If a man has common sense, he seldom makes use of it in a love affair.

George Hull of Paris sold 619 bales of cotton Wednesday to M. H. Wolfe & Co. through their agent, C. D. Poole, for 7,171.2c. This is the largest single list that has been turned loose by one man this season.

Frozen to death within 200 yards of his own home is the tragic story of aged George D. Howland, a former resident of San Antonio, who at the time of his death lived in McMullen County. And who has learned his littleness has set foot on the way to greatness.

At Belton the Presbyterians have broken dirt for their new church building and will begin the erection at once of a modern structure. When completed it will entail an expenditure of approximately \$10,000. or \$11,000.

Happiness comes by the pint measure, but some folks are so greedy they'd rather have a bushel of misery. J. F. Kelley, a convict guard at the camp located near Bachman Dam, north of Dallas, shot and killed himself Thursday night.

The burning of the Belton Grand Opera House Friday night was a great loss to Belton. The original cost of the building was about \$25,000. Steps are being taken to secure funds for the erection of another.

In the school district election at Detroit bonds were voted for a \$29,000 school house.

J. R. Manchaca while at work at a shingle mill near Moral had two fingers of his left hand cut off near the first joint.

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We believe that the pure food law just enacted by the Texas legislature is a good thing.

The only consolation we get out of the Swayne scandal is that it really shows a democratic sentiment called for legislation.

Federal judges may have license to Swayneize their expense bills, pull the legs of railroad companies and tyrannize litigants ad libitum.

Governor Hoch of Kansas is trying to put the Standard Oil company in hook while that other Hoch's fourteen wives have got him in hook.

The attorney general of Kansas has filed a suit to oust the Standard Oil Co. from the state, on the ground that it is operating in violation of the state anti-trust law.

In the hospital by the United States senate of Federal Judge Swayne, the cheat, falsifier and judicial brigand, that so-called august body convicted itself of being a much smaller hill of potatoes than the country had supposed it to be.

Fort Worth is getting in shape to give the cattlemen a great entertainment during their convention in the Panther City this month. It is also said that the program arranged for the convention is an unusually interesting and instructive one.

The authorities of the Texas experiment station have decided to operate a substation at Chillicothe, in the Panhandle, to make tests in growing grain and forage plants. A. B. Conner, a graduate of the agricultural college, will be in charge of the substation. The result of this work should be valuable to all of this section of the state.

Encouraging news comes from Chicago to the effect that a special federal grand jury has been called for March 20 to investigate the beef trust with the view to presenting criminal indictments. It is said that the proceeding has been directed from the attorney general's office at Washington since the decision of the supreme court which found that a trust existed among the packers and also sustained the Sherman anti-trust law. Let the good work proceed.

Under the anti-pass bill as turned out by the senate railroads can not haul without the regular fare, doctors, nurses and rescuers to wrecks to aid the wounded and dying. It is the custom of railroads in case of wrecks where persons are killed and wounded to make up a special train at the nearest possible point and carry free of charge all who will go and aid in the rescue work, but this wonderful senate bill cuts that all out.

On the 26th of February the Japanese defeated the Russian army under General Rennenkampf, captured an important mountain pass and apparently rendered General Kurapatkin's position untenable. The general tenor of the news from all along the extended lines of the two armies indicates that the vast Russian army is on the eve of a disastrous defeat. Predictions are rife that should such occur it will terminate the war in favor of the Japanese.

The United States Senate has acquitted Judge Swayne in the face of evidence that he put in an expense bill of \$10 per day

when the actual expense was only \$1.25. By this action the senate of the United States has assumed responsibility for the corrupt practices of the Federal judges. This will lead to further demoralization of the senate and judiciary. Will the people stand it? The senate and the judges think they will, and no doubt they know what estimate to put on the people. The senate of the United States can not be relied upon to punish crime in the Federal judiciary. They what protection have the people from such crime?

No legislative body ever showed the eleven hoof more plainly or exposed more clearly its ulterior selfish purpose than did the Texas senate in the kind of anti-free-pass bill it enacted. The free pass has been discussed for years from the standpoint of its possible influence on office holders and the senators know it well and know that that was the point aimed at in the platform. They were afraid to ignore the platform entirely but thought by putting the construction upon it embodied in their bill they would make it so onerous and odious that there would be a popular clamor for its repeal and they would still ride on free passes.

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Lodge meets every Thursday night.

Elmwood Camp No. 21.
J. B. Russell, Com. Com.
Joe Irby, Clerk
Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.
Visiting sovereigns invited.

In his new gallery with properly
arranged lights and accessories, Adams
can turn out as fine photographs as
the city artists, and he does it for less
money.

THE AUSTIN BRIBERY CASES.

The trial of Warren Moore, district attorney in the Austin district, on the charge of dismissing the anti-trust suits two or three years ago against the Kirby Lumber Company for a bribe of \$12,500 is developing the biggest scandal Texas has had in official life in a generation. The evidence so far introduced clearly indicates Moore's guilt and it also shows former State Treasurer W. B. Wortham equally guilty as having been the go-between in connection with a lawyer named Glover, who arranged the deal. It appears, however, that Wortham and Glover are to escape prosecution in consideration of their testimony as State's witnesses. S. H. Kirby, the head of the Kirby lumber company is also under indictment for the bribery. Kirby has been greatly lauded and made much of for years by some of the leading newspapers as being one of Texas' greatest "Captains of industry." If guilty, as the evidence seems to indicate, it is hoped that justice will triumph over money and put him where he belongs. And it is regrettable that a man who was for a number of years honored by one of the best offices in the gift of the people and then betrayed them into the hands of the wolves should escape punishment for so flagrant a crime, if it is established that the crime was committed.

LAY ON MURDER.

The Texas anti-trust law has again been held constitutional by the supreme court of the United States. On Monday the court gave its decision in the case appealed from the Texas court of appeals by the National Cotton Oil Co., et al and the Southern Oil Co., in which they had been convicted of combining with other oil companies to fix the price of cotton seed contrary to the state anti-trust law, and were debarred by the court's decision from doing business in the state. The oil companies did not deny the charge, but sought to defeat it on the plea that the anti-trust law was unconstitutional. The United States supreme court decided that the Texas court was right and that the law was constitutional.

The fact that the United States anti-trust law has been sustained and that the anti-trust laws of the several states have, in nearly every instance, been sustained by the highest court in the land when they have been brought before it, brings the matter of "busting the trusts" squarely up to the grand juries, prosecuting officers and people. There being no longer any question as to the sticking quality of the laws, there can no longer be any excuse for hesitation on the part of the administrative officers to enforce them and rid the country of the blood sucking trusts. It is their plain sworn duty to proceed, and any failure to do it will lay them open to a very reasonable suspicion of yielding to undue influences for a consideration.

Representative Vandever of Missouri introduced a resolution in the house the other day requiring the attorney general to inform congress why suit had not been filed against the armor trust, composed of the Carnegie Steel Co. and the Bethlehem Steel Company. The resolution recited that several years ago the attorney general's department had been furnished with evidence of the trust combination between these concerns and petitioned to file suit against them under the anti-trust law, and that since such evidence had been furnished the trust had sold thousands of tons of armor plate to the United States at \$445 to \$520 per ton, although it had been proven by experts that the cost of manufacture was only

TO MY FRIENDS, CUSTOMERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

I am receiving large shipments of General Merchandise, consisting of full lines of

**STAPLE DRY GOODS!
NOTIONS OF ALL KINDS!
BOOTS, SHOES AND HATS!**

Gents' Furnishing Goods and Suits!

**MILLINERY! Ladies' Skirts!
MEN'S OVERCOATS! TRUNKS! VALISES, ETC.**

— AND A BIG LINE OF —

Rubber and Duck Goods!

Which are just the things for the cotten picking season and heavy work generally.

NOW AS TO MY GROCERY DEPARTMENT!

I have to say that I intend to keep one of the best and freshest stocks that will be found in Haskell. In the matter of prices

LOOK OUT FOR TROUBLE

For I will GUARANTEE ANY PRICES you can get ANY PLACE—including Stamford. In other words, will say that I intend to

CUT AND SLASH PRICES ALL TO PIECES!

So do not go to Stamford and say you bought there because they were cheaper than Haskell until you get MY PRICES. I run my own teams, haul my own goods, have no city taxes, rents, or anything of this kind to pay. SEE!

LOOK OUT FOR TROUBLE! Yours for business, T. G. CARNEY.

Haskell Telephone Company.
Has Long Distance Connection with All Points, and Direct lines to the following local places.
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Make complete abstracts of titles. Land for sale in Haskell, Fisher and other western counties and on the plains.
CORRESPONDENCE CHEERFULLY ANSWERED.

\$197 per ton. We suppose the resolution states facts. If it does the officials who are responsible for allowing the government to be robbed at such a wholesale rate should be kicked out and made to suffer for their traitorous conduct toward the people they are supposed to serve. The difference between a fair price and the price paid by the government will probably amount to an average of half a million dollars on the armored ships built by the government. Are the officials getting some of it?

TONSORIAL.
When you're passing by
Do not merely stop and look,
But walk in and try
The new barber, Harry Cook.
He is at Parson's shop where he does all kinds of barber's work in the best style of the tonsorial art. He also removes moles from the face or body without pain.
New spring goods arriving 'most every day. Call and see them. C. M. Hunt & Co.

Helpful Reading
Some newspapers print matter to fill up space. Much of this is really harmful reading. It is the aim of *The Semi-Weekly News* to give helpful reading. Thousands will testify to its helpfulness to them. Ask your neighbor.

The Farmers' Department
Has helped many. It is not the theory of farming written by college professors and others up North on conditions that don't fit Texas. It is the actual experience of farmers here at home who have turned over the soil.

Special Offer
If you are not taking *The Free Press* you should be. It is helpful to the best interests of your town and county. For \$1.75, cash in advance, we will mail you *The Free Press* and *The Galveston or The Dallas Semi-Weekly News* for twelve months. *The News* stops when your time is out.

START RIGHT

By buying your grocery supplies of

Williams

The "Tell The Truth Grocer"

I have found that it pays to keep the best and freshest groceries. I might buy some things one-fourth of a cent to a cent cheaper per pound by buying in large quantities, but I prefer to buy in smaller quantities, buy oftener and thus keep my stock fresh and sweet, because I find that my customers appreciate such goods. I probably make a little smaller profit on this plan, as I sell as cheap and sometimes cheaper than the other fellow, but I will sell more and more as the people become acquainted with my method.

I now call your attention to my complete line of

Staple Groceries
and my well selected assortment of

Pickles, Sauces and Flavoring Extracts.

Fancy Cakes and Crackers, Fruits, Candies and Nuts.

Fresh Mackerel
just received. Call and get something good to eat.

WILLIAMS

THE FREE PRESS

ONE DOLLAR A YEAR.

We have the best
JOB OFFICE
-in-
West Texas.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM

Fresh mackerel at Williams'.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Peters, February 27th, a daughter.

Mr. C. D. Long has a light case of the grippe.

Select your wall paper at the Racket Store.

Mr. J. N. Whisnant was in the city Friday.

I can let you have all the money you want on land. T. G. Carney.

Judge H. S. Wilson entertained a case of the grippe this week.

Capt. M. S. Pierson and family left Thursday for Corpus-Christi.

Fresh groceries always at the Blue Front grocery store, east side of square. J. B. Hash.

Mr. Sam Patterson was in the City Friday.

Kraut and keg pickles at Williams'.

A big line of boys' and men's clothing, pants, overalls and jumpers to arrive this week. C. M. Hunt & Co.

Mr. C. C. Webb of Cliff was in the city Tuesday and subscribed for the FREE PRESS.

Mr. J. C. Choate and family have moved to town.

See us before you buy your groceries; we think we can save you money. Our stock will be full and complete at all times. W. W. Fields & Bro.

LOST—gold watch, 18 size, has F. O. B. on it, hearters charm. Will pay liberal reward to finder if delivered to Mode Collins.

Mr. Adams and Miss Byars of Stamford visited the family of Rev. J. H. Chambliss Thursday.

Mr. J. S. Dean, the new blacksmith at the old Carter shop, went on our list of readers this week.

The prettiest line of shoes ever opened up in Haskell at C. M. Hunt & Co's.

The weather all this week has been springlike, fires have not been needed and gas is seen beginning to peep through.

Mr. R. A. Finch of Brenham is in the City, looking after the land interest of Ex-Senator Stone.

Mr. F. G. Alexander has returned from Chicago, and his large stock of spring goods is beginning to arrive.

A new line of spring wall paper at Collier's Drug Store.

Where there is beauty Adams takes it, and where there isn't any he makes it. See him at his new photo gallery.

The West Texas Development Co. have purchased a lot on the north side of the square on which they purpose building an up-to-date office.

Mr. E. D. Garner, a popular merchant of Marcy, was in town this week, having just returned from Dallas where he purchased a spring stock of goods. He says he is a firm believer in patronizing home enterprise and industry, hence does not go outside the state for his goods.

We are informed that the Presbyterian ladies will give a dinner during the sitting of the district court in May.

Ellis & English will buy your hides at the highest market price and pay spot cash.

Garden seeds in bulk at the Racket Store.

Our job department turned out stationery this week for Messrs. McCann, Caver & Co. at Cliff and for Mr. M. H. Jack, mail contractor on the line from Marcy to Cliff.

Mr. C. M. Brown, ex-tax assessor was in town Wednesday. He says that cattle in the Marcy neighborhood have come through the cold weather somewhat drawn but with little loss.

Buy your groceries of the Bell county grocer, at the Blue Front, east side of square. J. B. Hash.

Mr. G. W. Smith was doing business in the city Wednesday.

Messrs. W. B. Richards, Will Gunter, Porter Bullock, Shaff Smith, Joe Watson and W. E. Guthery of the Cliff neighborhood drove in Wednesday with twenty-nine bales of cotton, which shows that the Cliffites still possess some of the staple of prosperity.

Mr. Burwell Cox, who sold his ranch a short time ago, has moved to town and occupies the R. B. Miller residence.

We have plenty of money to loan. If you need it, come and see us. West Texas Development Co.

Crope paper, plain and figured, at the Racket Store.

Mr. Vernon Cobb was in Friday and reported everything moving smoothly in the southeast corner, and a gratifying prospect of early grass, owing to the fine season in the ground.

HASKELL COUNTRY GREAT

An Interesting Interview With An El Paso Man.

MAKES GOOD SUGGESTIONS

On Thursday night the reporter met Mr. W. O. Millican of El Paso, who was stopping at the Lindell hotel in this place. He was here looking after some real estate interests which he has in this section. After some general questions and a request for his impressions as to the Haskell country, Mr. Millican gave us the following interview:

Yes, this is my first trip to Haskell or any of the territory immediately north of the T. & P. railway and, after looking it over and learning the conditions, I must say that I am more than agreeably surprised. In fact, while I had been favorably impressed with reports from the Haskell country, I had no adequate conception of the real conditions, prospects and possibilities which I find after coming in the field. By this I mean; the fertility of your soil and the lay of the land is much better than I thought; your rainfall is greater and your climatic conditions are very much better than I had any idea of, and the prices of your farm lands marvelously low. While the low price of land is not the thing calculated to give greatest satisfaction to the present owners, or such of them as desire to sell at once, yet this argues well for the future and, with the proper enterprise, the immediate development of your town and county.

I can illustrate the force of this statement best by reference to the conditions which existed in El Paso a few years ago. Up to that time El Paso was comparatively unknown to health seekers or speculators. But by process of advertisements, through the enterprise of our newspapers, citizens and railroads, the holding of conventions of people from other sections and delegations to conventions at other places, the attention of the public was attracted to our various advantages and, especially, to the low prices of property and enhancement in values certain to come, and speculators and settlers began to rush in by the hundreds, until, in a period of about six years, our population has grown from 15,000 to about 37,000, as estimated by our last city directory, and prices have increased from one to four hundred per cent, while several hundred acres that could not have been sold at any price as acreage property a few years ago, has been platted in suburban additions and a large part of it sold in town lots.

I predict therefore, that with your splendid country and the excellent location of your town as a basis, the proper enterprise on the part of your citizens, public officials, newspaper and railroad, which I understand you will have soon, Haskell will duplicate El Paso's history in a few years—perhaps on a larger scale on account of conditions more favorable to agriculture. Indeed, I believe that even now if the real conditions here were known abroad, it would bring you homeseekers on every west bound train. What you need is organized—I emphasize ORGANIZED—effort, together with forceful individual effort, to advertise your country in such a way as to get it thoroughly before the public. This done, there will be an influx of population and then railroads are sure to come, and they in turn will be followed by various public utilities which go to the making of cities. Two things not yet mentioned are especially in your favor—your high altitude and your very abundant and good water supply. Your altitude should make the Haskell country second only in healthfulness to El Paso, where the altitude is too great for some people, and your good and abundant water is a first essential to healthfulness as well as to city building.

I want to compliment the public spiritedness of your citizens as shown in some of your residences, your splendid court house and the large and fine school house which they are building and which they will find to be a joy forever.

In what I have so freely said about the Haskell country I do not intend to detract from El Paso, for it is only in rare instances that its climate is not conducive to the health of an individual, indeed, its perpetual sunshine and marvelously rarefied atmosphere affords the best climate on earth.

Yes, the Elephant Butte dam across the Rio Grande is now a certainty, the Smith bill having received the signature of the President. This dam will provide for the irrigation of 180,000 acres of land above and below our city, and it is not hard to see what this means to El Paso. Another great help to us will be the opening of the whole Sierra Madre section in Mexico by the extension of the railroad by Col. Green, the "Copper King," also the extension of the Santa Fe Central. In fact El Paso is yet in her swaddling clothes. Her future, by virtue of her unique location and the things mentioned, is unquestionably good. I am

also glad to say that her day of ill repute is past. Gambling has been effectually banished and other necessary changes will come until she will not only be the gateway to, but the pride of, two great republics.

It has taken time and a great deal of "push" to get her started and that is what it will take from one and all to bring your splendid country along the same roads. Tell it to the world!

MARCY NOTES.

EDITOR FREE PRESS:

Our "beautiful snow" has all melted and the weather is some warmer, and we Marcyites are not sorry.

Farmers are busy preparing their land for another crop, and a good many of them are sowing oats.

There is a fine season in the ground, and if no disaster comes along, we are hopeful of a bountiful crop this year.

The gin men begin to gin tomorrow to wind up the cotton crop. There is about seventy bales of cotton here to be ginned.

Mr. J. M. McCarty who was so badly frozen some time ago, is able to be up again and attend to his business.

Mrs. Mary Bristow who lives about 3 miles southwest of Marcy was thrown from a buggy last Saturday afternoon and her collar bone broken, besides other injuries.

Mr. E. D. Garner returned from Dallas last Monday, where he had been to purchase his spring stock of goods. His mother, Mrs. A. L. Garner of Thurber, came home with him to spend a while.

Mr. C. M. Chapman came in Tuesday from Weatherford, Dallas and other points. Miss Eva Crawford of Cleburne accompanied him home to visit friends here.

We wish the ladies a pleasant visit. NELLY BLY.

Marcy, Texas, March 2, 1905.

Cemetery Association to Meet.

The Cemetery Association will meet on Tuesday, 7th inst., at the home of Mrs. Wm. Oglesby. All the members are urged to attend this meeting. And as the association desires to arrange to have the grass burned and the grounds otherwise cleared off, an invitation is extended to all who are interested and desire to make any suggestion or request in regard to their lots to be present at the meeting. MRS. W. G. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

PRIVATE SCHOOL.

I am teaching in the Thomason house north of Capt. Dodson's residence, and will be glad to have all children under age that can not enter the free school. Tuition \$1.50 per month; no reduction except for continued sickness. Resp'y, 9-41 MISS MARBLE WYMAN.

Eld. J. H. Shepard, the new pastor of the Christian church, will preach his first regular sermon at that church at 11 o'clock tomorrow. Special music is being arranged for the night service.

Mr. A. B. Neal as a weather prophet, has one on the reporter. Thursday when asked for news he said "put it in the paper that it is going to rain." We refused and he said "then say it looks like it is going to rain." We still declined to risk anything on what the wrather clerk would do, but agreed to say that it was cloudy Thursday. But, sure enough, it did rain Thursday night—a slow, gentle rain for several hours, and Mr. Neal, as a weather prophet, has one on us.

Mr. D. McClennon, one of the substantial citizens of the Paint creek neighborhood, was doing business in town Thursday.

Mr. W. W. Kittley dropped in on us Thursday and planked down the cash for the FREE PRESS to be sent to him and to a relative who is still waterbound in Ark. Mr. Kittley is a diversifier himself and says the farmers in his section will out down their cotton acreage and diversify their crops this year more than ever before. Many have put a considerable acreage in oats and some are still sowing. He thinks that after this week it will be too late to risk much on oats and that it will be better and safer to plant milo maize and Kaffir corn.

Mr. R. D. Smith of Abilene, one of Haskell's old timers, was here this week on business and shaking hands with old friends.

The FREE PRESS acknowledges obligations to Misses, Fannie Baldwin, Zora Poole and Jessie Martin, for folding papers last week, and assisting in the mailing department.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sprowls on Thursday.

A traveling show performed here three nights this week. A gold watch offered as a prize to the young lady receiving the most votes as the most popular young lady in town was awarded to Miss Ola Fitzgerald at the last performance.

15th Annual

SPRING STOCK

Now Open

We make our bow to the public and call attention to our new Spring stock with the utmost confidence that the goods have been bought as cheap as money can buy them, and it is our purpose to sell at proportionately low prices, thus dividing the advantage with our customers. Indeed we feel sure that we will be able to sell some lines of goods considerably below the prices you have been paying for them, for we know that we secured some bargains.

At the same time there is no deterioration in quality. Your careful inspection of all goods is earnestly solicited in proof of this.

We have the

Greatest Line of White Goods

ever displayed in Haskell, consisting of linens, lawns, cambrics, a variety of waist fabrics, embroideries, laces, etc.

Novelty Dress Goods

This line will be especially interesting to our lady friends, as we show an unusually large variety, including the latest fabrics, weaves, figuring and colors.

Sundries and Novelty Department

There is also much in this to please and interest our lady friends. In it will be found the latest and daintiest things in ladies collars and neck-wear of every kind, handkerchiefs from one cent each up and a very complete assortment of belts, besides other things too numerous to mention here.

Gents Furnishings

Here we will claim the attention of the gentlemen, for we do not hesitate to assure them that our line is not excelled in variety, quality and style west of Fort Worth. It contains everything necessary to a well dressed gentleman's toilet.

Ladies' Vests and Underwear

Our stock is quite full in this line and the articles are as dainty and stylish as you will find in any market. We invite your inspection and challenge competition in this line especially.

SHOES, SLIPPERS, SANDALS

There is not another stock in this section to compare with ours in completeness, style and quality. We say this with confidence, as we handle the best makes. Don't fail to see our fancy baby and children's footwear.

Spring Millinery

We are taking special pains to make this department up-to-date in every particular. Profiting by past experience and with the aid of suggestions from a millinery expert, we have selected and will present to our lady friends a stock complete in all details from which to select. With this completeness and all the modern appliances and money saving devices in trimming and structural work, in the hands of an expert in using them, we will be able to save you money as compared to former prices.

This department is in the hands of Miss Katie Kelley, who may be termed a graduate in the millinery art. Having passed through all the departments from the building of the frames and shapes to the turning out of the most elaborately trimmed hats, she can construct a hat to harmonize with the form and general make-up or style of any individual.

Miss Kelley will be pleased to meet and consult with all who are interested in securing appropriate and properly designed millinery. Remember that

THE EARLY BIRD, LIKE THE CHICK, HAS THE ASSORTMENT FROM WHICH TO PICK!

Alexander Mercantile Company

The Choice of a Wife.

A German professor selects a woman who can merely stew prunes—not because stewing prunes and reading Proclus make a delightful harmony, but because he wants his prunes stewed for him and chooses to read Proclus himself. A fullness of sympathy, a sharing of life with another, is scarcely ever looked for except in the narrow, conventional sense. Men like to come home and find a blazing fire and a smiling face and an hour of relaxation. Their serious thoughts and earnest aims in life they keep on one side. And this is the carrying out of love and marriage almost everywhere in the world—and this the degrading of women by both.—From One of Mrs. Browning's Letters, 1846.

CUTICURA GROWS HAIR.

Scalp Cleared of Dandruff and Hair Restored by One Box of Cuticura Soap and One Cake of Cuticura Soap.

A. W. Taft of Independence, Va., writing under date of Sept. 15, 1904, says: "I have had falling hair and dandruff for twelve years and could get nothing to help me. Finally I bought one box of Cuticura Ointment and one cake of Cuticura Soap, and they cleared my scalp of the dandruff and stopped the hair falling. Now my hair is growing as well as ever. I am highly pleased with Cuticura Soap as a toilet soap. (Signed) A. W. Taft, Independence, Va."

Apples as "Nightcaps."

The apple is such a common fruit that very few persons are familiar with its remarkably efficacious medicinal properties. Every one ought to know that the very best thing he can do is to eat apples just before retiring for the night.

A HOME FOR YOU. Through our Endowment Property Contract, you can accumulate property for a home for less monthly or annual payments than you can pay in rent. Write for particulars. Agents, TEXAS PROPERTY ASSOCIATION, 200 Texas Building, Dallas, Texas.

A woman is always perfectly sure that she is in the right until it comes to backing her opinion with real money.

No chronies or cheap premiums, but a better quality and one-third more of Defense Starch for the same price of other starches.

There are worse things than getting it. It is better to talk yourself up than to run other people down.

"I Went Home to D" from Grand Trouble. Doctors failed. Dr. J. W. Keenan's "Vernon Remedy" cured me. Mrs. C. W. Brown, Pittsburg, Mo.

Philosophy may be comforting to an empty stomach, but it doesn't quite fill the bill.

Every one to his trade. A hen can't hatch a pig any more than a conspirator can hatch an egg.

More Flexible and Lasting, won't shake out or blow out; by using Defense Starch you obtain better results than possible with any other brand and one-third more for same money.

One Day.

Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities no doubt creep in. Forget them as soon as you can.

Cotton Belt Route.

"To be sure you are safe" ride on the Cotton Belt Route. Finest equipment and safest trains in Texas. Pullman sleeping, Parlor-Cafe Cars, Reclining Chair Cars—seats free—throughout without change. All trains wide-gauged throughout. Only one night out from Ft. Worth, Dallas, Waco, Tyler, to Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago, Cincinnati. For full information regarding your trip, address D. M. Morgan, Traveling Passenger Agent, Ft. Worth, Texas; Geo. Hoover, Traveling Passenger Agent, Waco, Texas; J. F. Lehane, General Passenger Agent, Tyler, Tex.

Every time a woman looks at her husband's faults she uses a magnifying glass.

Those Who Have Tried It will use no other. Defense Cold Water Starch has no equal in Quantity or Quality—16 oz. for 10 cents. Other brands contain only 12 oz.

Honor is the quality that pays the gambling debt by standing off the laundryman.

Some people are so polite that it always seem as though they went to borrow money.

MUNSON NURSERIES
New catalogue now ready. "Don't buy trees right without it." Get it of
T. V. MUNSON & SON, Denton, Tex.

The **MUNSON GREENHOUSE**. Cut flowers and bedding plants for retail trade. Spring List now ready. **WILL B. MUNSON, Denton, Tex.**

LEWIS
A small boy went to Sunday school. When he went home his mother asked him what the lesson was about. "Faith," says the boy. "What's that?" his mother asked. "Believe" what you've got every reason to suppose ain't so," the boy replies. And then, "his afterward remarks, 'there was some talk about duty too.' "What's duty?" his mother asked him. "Oh, duty," he replied, "is to any old thing that you have got to do when you want to play baseball."

Small Boy's Definition of Duty.

Defends Alaskan Indian.
Gov. Brady of Alaska protests against talk of the "vile, dirty Eskimo," saying those who make such remarks are in ignorance. "I don't know what he may be like in other divisions of the frigid zone, but I do know that the Alaskan Indian is as fine a type of his class as can be found anywhere. Take them as a whole, they are sober and industrious, make homes and adopt civilization readily. They are truthful, honest, hospitable, gentle and kind-hearted."

Early New England Library.
It appears that there was a public library in Peru, Vermont, as early as 1811. The editor of the Manchester Journal has a book, on the flyleaf of which is written, "Peru library No. 37, October 8, 1811, cost fifty cents. Library meetings, the first Tuesday of January, April, July and October. This book is presented to the Christian people of Peru by the Hampshire missionary society and committed to the care of the standing committee of their social library."

LEADERS OF THE MOVEMENT IN KANSAS TO INVESTIGATE METHODS OF THE "TRUSTS"



H. E. WEST



SENATOR SMITH



J. M. PARKER

MOVES AGAINST MONOPOLY.

California.
Railroads were induced by Standard to raise freight rates on oil, and independent pipe line to seaboard is projected.

Illinois.
House passed resolution endorsing Kansas' action and providing for committee to investigate Standard Oil company's work in Illinois.

Kansas.
Both branches of legislature called on president, secretary of the interior, and congress to annul leases made to Standard Oil company eight years ago by Osage Indians. Fraud is charged. Independent investigation of trust likely.

Missouri.
Bill to subject Standard Oil company pipe lines to restrictions prepared.

Indiana.
Antitrust bill, introduced in behalf of oilmen, will give damages to persons injured by Standard Oil company and require forfeit of charter.

Nebraska.
Bill recommended for passage to protect independent dealers.

Ohio.
Frank S. Monnet, former attorney general of state, employed by independent oil men of Kansas to fight the trust there.

Oklahoma.
Lower house passed resolution asking president to investigate oil leases covering Indian lands and declared to be owned by trust.

Pennsylvania.
Government officials investigating at Pittsburg in belief old "rebate system" which killed independent refiners' business, still in operation between railroads and Standard Oil company; contracts for oiling cars the scheme. Independent pipe line company to fight Standard in Scranton.

Texas.
Every independent oil producer in state signed petition asking for federal inquiry into Standard Oil operations against them.

Legislature is taking steps to make all pipe lines common carriers and give state power to fix rates.

Wisconsin.
Wholesale grocers who suffered from trust discrimination will move for more stringent legislation; anti-trust bill now in legislature.

Washington.
Indians protested to renewal of leases on oil lands in Oklahoma; charged that trust controls property and pays too little royalty.

HISTORY OF STANDARD OIL.

Many attempts have been made to bring the Standard Oil company to account. So far, these have met with indifferent success. Some years ago the concern was, in the strict sense of the term, a trust. It was a pool whose members owned a great number of oil properties in various parts of the country. The law had this much terror for it, it forced it to abandon this somewhat loose form of organization and become an incorporated company. But the change was in name rather than in fact. The public are no wiser regarding the affairs of the combine than before; and it is not easy to see how they have benefited in any direction.

The Standard Oil company has become a tremendous factor in American finance. Up to say fifteen years ago not much was said about it apart from the oil industry; but it used to occasion very lively talk in connection with that industry. Tradition painted its methods in black colors. It had determined to acquire a monopoly in the oil business, and had practically succeeded. Competition went down before it like a card house at the touch of a finger. If a man with a few hundreds of capital bought one or two teams and attempted to peddle any other oil than that made by the Standard Oil company, he speedily



SENATOR FITZGERALD

The real work in the "trust-busting" movement that has brought Kansas so prominently before the nation has been done by four men, representing all the elements affected by oil. Senator W. S. Fitzgerald, leader of the upper house, comes from the oil regions, and represents the producers in the drafting of remedial legislation. Senator F. Dument represents the consumers, into which class nearly every citizen of the commonwealth falls. The other two are President H. E. West and Secretary J. M. Parker of the Kansas Oil Producers' Association. Senator Parker is a former employe of the Standard Oil Company, yet he drafted and introduced the state refinery bill, which has become a law.

found it advisable to retire from business. The same was the case with the man who had his thousands locked up in extensive plants. In either instance he was offered a price, often a generous one. If he concluded to accept it, well and good for him. The few who decided to fight it out found their pocketbooks much thinner.

The profits of the concern were so enormous that it eventually became hard to find employment for them. The owners of the Standard Oil company bought into one railroad after another. They were, for example, reputed a powerful factor in the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road back in the '80s. Somewhere around 1890 their names began gradually to replace those of the old leaders in Wall street. They kept branching out, first bringing one great stock market enterprise and then another under their control. In retrospect, Jay Gould seems a small man beside them. Eventually they caught up with the Vanderbilts as railroad magnates. In 1901 they were believed to be back of Harriman in the Northern Pacific fight. Today they are reputed to have the dominant voice in the greatest railroad combine in the world. To-morrow, it is feared, the whole railroad situation of the United States may be at their discretion.

But oil and railroads have not alone absorbed their energies. They have been active in many other directions. In 1897 the Third National bank of New York was consolidated with the City bank, making an institution far transcending in size anything of the kind in the country. In 1899 it had de-



William Rockefeller.

posits of something like \$150,000,000, and to-day they are well up to \$200,000,000. The City bank has from the start been known as the "Standard Oil bank." It has been a tremendous

power in Wall street speculation. Its methods have been sharply criticised. The panic of May 9, 1901, was openly laid at its door. The Northern Pacific deal, out of which that panic grew, was a titanic affair. It was a contest between the mightiest financial interests in the United States. A more recent episode in the career of the City bank was the Munroe & Munroe affair. The failure of this concern brought to light the fact that the largest bank in the United States was as willing to aid in floating Montreal & Boston mining stock on a credulous public as to engage in great railroad deals involving hundreds of millions of capital.

Nor is this all. It was Standard Oil money that started the Amalgamated Copper company. Boston people have not forgotten that enterprise. They recall the methods employed to buy control of the great Boston & Montana company for a song. They remember, too, how the price of Amalgamated copper stock was boomed to about 130, just prior to a dividend reduction, in order that the insiders might unload on the public. And the part played by the City bank in promoting the Amalgamated company is also fresh in mind. The profit to the Standard Oil coterie from promoting and manipulating this enterprise will never be known; but it is almost incalculable.

Meanwhile, the oil monopoly has been growing more and more complete. As it has progressed in other directions, the Standard Oil clique has increased its means of stifling competition in the manufacture and distribution of oil. It was by railroad rebates that it got its first start; and now it is itself a mighty power in the management of the railroads of the United States.

But last week the mandate went forth for it to be investigated. A resolution to this end was rushed through the national House, and the President has been prompt to act upon it. Commissioner Garfield of the Department of Commerce and Labor has been told to institute proceedings, and to see that they are thorough. The specific task, in compliance with the congressional resolution, is that of investigating the cause of the low price of crude oil, and of the unusually large margins between the crude and refined products. The aim is to find out how much the present situation is the result of combination or conspiracy in restraint of trade.

In short, an effort is to be made to find out everything possible regarding the Standard Oil company specifically. If the Commissioner of Corporations is as successful in this instance as he was in the case of the beef trust, he is likely to produce results that will startle the country. He is also, it is said, going to look into the doings of the "Standard Oil crowd." An adequate report on the Standard Oil company may enable us to obtain cheaper oil. But a real knowledge of the "Standard Oil crowd" will be of immense value in conserving the entire financial interests of the people of the United States, now and hereafter.—Boston Post.

STATEMENT BY GOV. HOCH.

The fight Kansas is making is a fight for fair play—a fight to restore competition and to relieve a great and growing industry from the grasp of an industrial despotism.

We hope to prove by actual demonstration that the Standard Oil company has robbed the oil producer on one hand and the customer on the other.

By engaging in this battle as a state we hope, first, to encourage the location of independent refineries with the assurance that they will have the protection of the state; and, second, to enlist other states and the general government in a battle against monopolistic tyranny.

The proposed state refinery is simply a means to an end—not the end itself.—E. M. Hoch.

Better Than Aladdin's Lamp.
Aladdin's famous lamp was doubtless a very handy little piece of bric-a-brac to have about the house, but there is question whether it would be very highly esteemed in these days of advertising wonders. Aladdin may properly be regarded as a back number. Whenever he wanted anything he had to earn it by the sweat of his brow as a metal polisher. Nowadays people who want things put ads. in the newspapers—it's much easier than rubbing an old lamp—and they are served just as effectively as was Aladdin by his geni.

Desks in the Senate.

It was recently found impossible to identify the desk which Daniel Webster used during the many years he was a member of the Senate. Similar uncertainty exists as to the desks of Clay, Calhoun and other great senators. The Jefferson Davis desk, with its holes made by the bayonets of a squad of soldiers who entered the Senate chamber, is known, but few have such identification marks. Senator Spooner purposes that the records of the Senate shall be searched to the end that on a small plate placed on each desk shall be engraved the names of the senators who used it.

A Family Job.

One of the most remarkable instances of the hereditary office among solicitors is that of the acting under sheriff for the city of London. Tutnell Burchell sits in his sheriff's court in Red Lion square, on the bench that his father, grandfather and great-grandfather successively occupied.

We say that the women are weaker creachers, but I'm bettin' that if men had had to wear the skirts an' corsets the race would be sorter dwindled away some time ago.

You Have No Friends

that will not be interested in a remedy that is being used extensively as a permanent cure for Dyspepsia, Constipation, Headache, Catarrh of the Mucous Membrane, and all diseases of the Liver, Kidneys and Bladder. Only one dose a day. Write at once to the Vernal Remedy Company, Le Roy, N. Y., and they will cheerfully send you free, a trial bottle of Vernal (Palmetto) (Palmetto Berry Wine), to convince you of the wonderful results to be obtained from its use. Sold by druggists everywhere.

Like jokes, there is nothing new in epigrams under the sun. 'The most one can do is to put them in new dresses.

WHY GET SOAKED WHEN YOU GET TOWER'S FISH BRAND OILED CLOTHING. WILL KEEP YOU DRY IN THE HARDEST STORM!
ON SALE EVERYWHERE. 10c. FOR ABOVE TRADE MARK. CATALOGUES FREE. SHOWING FULL LINE OF GARMENTS AND HATS. A. J. TOWER CO., BOSTON, MASS., U.S.A. TOWER CANADIAN CO., LTD., TORONTO, CANADA.

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TEXAS AND SOUTH OFFER. All orders for Southern States will be shipped from a southern port Great South Offer, our very latest Special Catalogue, called "SPECIAL OFFER FOR THE SOUTH." Vehicles built expressly for Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, Alabama, Mississippi and the South, built in a southern factory, in standard southern frame, a beautiful catalogue, you will also get the other Big Vehicle Catalogue by mail a marvellously liberal offer on highest grade buggies and carriage built expressly for southern trade. All is fully explained in these Free Catalogues and Free Offers. Cut out this ad. today and send to us, and we will send you by return mail, **SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO., Chicago.**

Conviction Follows Trial
When buying loose coffee or anything your grocer happens to have in his bin, how do you know what you are getting? Some queer stories about coffee that is sold in bulk, could be told, if the people who handle it (grocers), cared to speak out.
Could any amount of mere talk have persuaded millions of housekeepers to use
Lion Coffee,
the leader of all package coffees for over a quarter of a century, if they had not found it superior to all other brands in Purity, Strength, Flavor and Uniformity?
This popular success of LION COFFEE can be due only to inherent merit. There is no stronger proof of merit than continued and increasing popularity.
If the verdict of MILLIONS OF HOUSEKEEPERS does not convince you of the merits of LION COFFEE, it costs you but a trifle to buy a package. It is the easiest way to convince yourself, and to make you a PERMANENT PURCHASER.
LION COFFEE is sold only in 1 lb. sealed packages, and reaches you as pure and clean as when it left our factory.
Lion heads on every package. Save these Lion heads for valuable premiums.
SOLD BY GROCERS EVERYWHERE
WOOLSON SPICE CO., Toledo, Ohio.

IT IS IN THE BLOOD

Neither Liniments nor Ointments Will Reach Rheumatism—How Mr. Stephenson Was Cured.

People with inflamed and aching joints, or painful muscles; people who shuffle about with the aid of a cane or a crutch and cry, Oh! at every slight jar, are constantly asking, "What is the best thing for rheumatism?"

To attempt to cure rheumatism by external applications is a foolish waste of time. The seat of the disease is in the blood, and while the sufferer is rubbing lotions and grease on the skin the poison in the circulation is increasing.

Delays in adopting a sensible treatment are dangerous because rheumatism may at any moment reach the heart and prove fatal. The only safe course for rheumatic sufferers is to get the best possible blood remedy at once.

Mr. Stephenson's experience with this obstinate and distressing affliction is that of hundreds. He says:

"About a year ago I was attacked by severe rheumatic pains in my left shoulder. The pains were worse in wet weather, and at those periods caused me the greatest suffering. I tried a number of treatments and ointments, but they failed to alleviate the pains."

Then he realized that the cause must be deeper and the pain only a surface indication. He adds:

"I had heard Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People recommended as a cure for rheumatism, and when I found that I was getting no relief from applications, I made up my mind that I would try them. Before the first box was gone I noticed that the pains were becoming less frequent, and that they were not so severe as before. After the second box had been used up I was entirely free from discomfort, and I have had no traces of rheumatism since."

The change in treatment proved by almost immediate results that Mr. Thomas Stephenson, who lives at No. 115 Greenwood street, Springfield, Mass., had found the true means for the purification and enrichment of his blood.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are not without doubt the best of all blood remedies. They effect genuine and lasting cures in rheumatism. They do not merely deaden the ache, but they expel the poison from the blood. These pills are sold by all druggists.

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"GET THE HABIT"
of traveling between NORTH TEXAS and SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST TEXAS VIA
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Going it Blind.

Texas Farm and Ranch presents the following view of the cotton situation:

The man who plants only cotton and cotton year in and year out in this country is "going it blind." He is blind in the fact that market conditions change from year to year, blind to the power of his tired land to grow other crops abundantly, blind to the high prices he is forced to pay for insect-controlled goods of all kinds, blind to the growing needs of his family and the steady waste of his own's inability.

Take cotton for 1905. How is the farmer situated? What is for the best interest of the one-horse farmer? What is good for these people is, broadly speaking, good for the entire country.

The strong tenant last year planted 180 acres in cotton. The yield was about 40 bales. The price ranged from 11 to 6 cents. In this tenant plants only 75 acres in cotton and makes 30 bales in 1905, in what shape does it leave him? The case can take but one of two directions: First, large acreage, big crop, low prices; or, second, reduced acreage, small crop, good prices. In either event the man with reduced cotton acreage is safe. His neighbors insist on growing all the cotton they can plant, let them do so and reap their reward in low prices and have nothing else to sell or live on. If thousands of these neighbors have the good judgment to reduce acreage cotton prices will be good and other crops grown are good assets.

Two million bales carried over for spinning next fall means that there is no lack of cotton in reducing cotton acreage this season. Every individual, thirty acres will not see that forty and will probably yield more clear profit this year. On the other hand, the man with full acreage in cotton is carrying a double risk. First, the cost of production is great, second, the price of cotton will probably be low. The farmer with his small cotton acreage will profit by a general reduction of the acreage as urged by all farm organizations, because the price will be improved. His profits by his small acreage in case the acreage should not generally be reduced because the less cotton he has the better off he is. There seems no excuse for the farmer "going it blind" this season in cotton planting.

Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes P. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run-down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by All Drug-gists.

Proof Positive.

The Heiress—Don't you think he is a sensible young man?
Her Father—Oh, yes. He wants to marry a nice girl whose father has lots of money.

Nearly Forfeits His Life.

A runaway almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally good for burns, bruises, skin eruptions and piles. 25c at all drug stores.

Taken at His Word.

"Good night" said Mr. Staylate, finally breaking away. "I've enjoyed myself immensely. Now, next Sunday night I—er—expect to pass your house and—"

"That will be nice. Good night!" said she, and shut the door.

Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c. at all drug stores.

RAILROAD RUMORS.

A carload of large wheel scrapers have arrived for the San Saba Construction Company, the company which is promoting our new North and South railroad, and it is reported that the first assessment on the capital stock of ten per cent has been paid into the treasury and this \$100,000 is now available for construction work and Mr. Gillespie is reported to have telegraphed that he will start for Abilene on Monday next to begin work.

The first town North of Abilene on the Texas, Mexico & Gulf road is to be named Cookrell and will be ten

miles from Abilene on Elm creek, and it is the intention, so rumor goes, to put on the rolling stock as soon as the road bed and steel is laid to this point.—Taylor County News.

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Higgins of Melbourne, Fla., writes, "My doctor told me I had consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, induced me to try it. Results were sterling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases by All Druggists. Price 50c & \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

More Than He Bargained For.

"Ah," sighed the sentimental young man, "would that I might induce you to fly with me!"
"Well, I'll go with you, replied the practical maid. "Bring an airship around tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock and I'll be ready."

Inflammatory Rheumatism Cured.

William Shaffer, a brakeman of Dennison, Ohio, was confined to his bed for several weeks with inflammatory rheumatism. "I used many remedies," he says. "Finally I sent to McLaw's drug store for a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, at which time I was unable to use hand or foot, and in one week's time was able to go to work as happy as a clam." For sale by C. E. Terrell.

A Gentle Hint.

Mr. Meekly—Please call me a little earlier than usual tomorrow morning. I've got some work to do.

Mrs. Meekly—Of nonsense. Why can't you do it tonight before you go to bed?

Mr. Meekly—Impossible! I never could thread a needle by gaslight; I must sew a button on my vest.

Pinkerton People Take Notice.

Messrs. W. L. Norton and W. A. Brown have entered into a partnership to do mercantile business under the firm name of Norton & Brown and have engaged in the grocery business at Pinkerton.

They respectfully solicit the trade of the people of Pinkerton and surrounding country.

They are offering an entirely fresh stock of staple and fancy family groceries and will make prices as reasonable as can be had at any other place. Call in and see them.

A Favorite Remedy for Babies.

Its pleasant taste and prompt cures have made Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a favorite with the mothers of small children. It quickly cures their coughs and colds and prevents any danger of pneumonia or other serious consequences. It not only cures croup, but when given as soon as the croupy cough appears will prevent the attack. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

Vincennes, Ind.—Miss Josephine Halter was completely scalped one night last week while working in the Vincennes button factory by her hair catching on the shutting.

The scalp was torn from the eyebrows back to the base of the neck, tearing one ear completely off. She can not recover.

Gives Health Vigor and Tone.

Herbina is a boon for sufferers from anemia. By its use the blood is quickly regenerated and the color becomes normal. The drooping strength is revived. The languor is diminished. Health, vigor and tone predominate. New life and happy activity results. Mrs. Belle H. Shirel, Middleborough, Ill., writes: "I have been troubled with liver complaint and poor blood, and have found nothing to benefit me like Herbina. I hope never to be without it. I have wished that I had known of it in my husband's lifetime." 50c. Sold by I. P. Collier.

Austin City Democracy.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 25.—The city democracy held its convention today and ratified the nominations of last Tuesday's primary. The platform adopted declared that the dam should be rebuilt.

The Best Cough Syrup.

S. L. Apple, ex-Probate Judge, Ottawa Co., Kansas, writes: "This is to say that I have used Ballard's Horehound Syrup for years, and that I do not hesitate to recommend it as the best cough syrup I have ever used." 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by I. P. Collier.

Pittsburg, Pa.—The sales of Northern and Southern foundry iron, Bessemer pig iron and basic iron in this section during the last fifteen days is said to total over 260,000 tons, with a valuation exceeding \$5,500,000.



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ELLIS & ENGLISH, Proprietors.

West Side of the Square.
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We Keep all Kinds of Fresh Meats Obtainable in Their Seasons.

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Full Stock on Hand. Work Promptly Executed.

Repairing done neatly and substantially. Prices reasonable and satisfaction with goods and work guaranteed.

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Double Stamped Sour Mash is a favorite brand of liquor. This whiskey is served over the bar every day.

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FRESH MEATS

Of All Kinds at Reasonable Prices.

Special attention will be given to those who patronize the Restaurant. The choicest of things to eat will be served.

THE DEVIL

is said to have no competition in his particular time of business, but what we wish to say is that we are not him. We are the entire Ramrod and Bottle-washer of the Best Equipped Drug Store in Knox county. We carry the entire line of Park, Davis & Co's, Prescription Specialties. Remember that our store is the only place on Earth or elsewhere that you can get

COUSIN'S COUGH CURE,

which has been doing business in Munday for four years and is sold under a cash guarantee. Yours from daylight till dark, the year around.

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Invaluable for Rheumatism.

I have been suffering for the past few years with a severe attack of rheumatism and found that Ballard's Snow Liniment was the only thing that gave me satisfaction and tended to alleviate my pains. March 24th, 1902, John C. Degnan, Kinsman, Ills. 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by I. P. Collier

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 25.—Ceil A. Lyon of Sherman and W. Sloan Simpson of Dallas were here today conferring with members of the Roosevelt Central Club relative to the visit of President Roosevelt to this city next month. A meeting of the club will be held Monday night to agree on definite plans for the entertainment of the chief executive of the Nation.

THE NEW ROYAL SEWING MACHINE



High Grade
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Recognizing the demand for a really reliable sewing machine at a moderate price, we have made an arrangement with the manufacturers of the

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to handle their machines as special agents for the counties of Haskell and Knox

The Manufacturers of these machines claim that they are constructed on new models, of few parts, easy to understand and operate, highest grade materials throughout.

Latest Improvements: Such as self-setting needle, self-threading shuttle, tension release, automatic bobbin winder, double four-motion feed, spring shuttle carrier, making the machine light running and almost noiseless and making a beautiful, even stitch.

High Arm. The arm is high and long, admitting the bulkiest garments.

Full Set of Attachments. Each machine sold is supplied with complete set of latest improved attachments and a comprehensive instruction book.

Be Assured. This is not a cheap John machine made of pot metal, such as are sold by mail order houses, but is a thoroughly reliable up-to-date machine coming direct from the manufacturers and accompanied by a ten year warranty.

Call at the Haskell Racket Store and see sample machines.

Powder Paint

In this paint we offer to the people a very cheap and very durable means of beautifying and preserving their buildings. This paint comes in the form of a fine dry powder of various colors and requires no oil, but is mixed in water only and is applied with a brush. It makes a hard, smooth surface, impervious to water and not affected by frost or heat. It is the easiest to apply and is the most durable and the cheapest paint on the market. We can refer you to numerous people in this community who have used it. Call and investigate if you have any notion of painting your buildings.

OUR GENERAL STOCK We invite your attention to our general stock of household and kitchen utilities. See our line of Queensware, Glassware, Tinware, Gristware, Etc.

We are making prices on everything to suit the times.

YOURS FOR BUSINESS.

HASKELL RACKET STORE

W. H. WYMAN & CO., Props., Haskell, Texas.

TO THE PUBLIC:

I have purchased the Ross Hemphill Blacksmith shop, and will say to the people of Haskell county that I have come to stay, for I have no fear of being run out of this part of Texas by the boll weevils—which were the cause of my leaving old Bell, the banner county of the state, and casting my lot among the people of Haskell county as a blacksmith. I solicit a share of your work and expect to retold your patronage on the merits or quality of my work.

RESPECTFULLY,

J. B. FURNACE.

DON'T EXPERIMENT.

You Will Make no Mistake if You Follow This Texas Citizen's Advice.

Never neglect your health. If you are always tired, or have pain in the back, urinary disorders, dizzy, or nervous spells, it's time to act. These are all symptoms of dangerous kidney troubles and you should use a remedy which is known to cure these troubles safely and surely. Doan's Kidney Pills is that remedy, and if you wish to be cured of kidney trouble without experimenting, do not fail to use it. Others have been cured and cured permanently. Why not follow the advice of a Texas citizen and be cured yourself?

J. G. Browning, of Dallas, book-keeper for Betterton & Morgan, 188 North Jefferson St., residing at 184 South Harwood St., says: "In the spring of 1902 I stated through our Dallas papers that Doan's Kidney Pills cured me of either weakened or over-excited kidneys which had annoyed me far too long to be pleasant. A remedy which can be depended upon to do all that is claimed for it, deserves not only the endorsement of the public, but the re-endorsement. I gladly allow my opinion to be used as a recommendation of Doan's Kidney Pills for another year."

For sale by all dealers. Price, 50c. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Sherman, Texas, Feb. 25.—C. K. Lewis, charged with the theft of horses at Denison and subsequent attempt to dispose of them at Madill, I. T., was found guilty today and given three years in the penitentiary. Horse thieves are having a hard time these days.

Best Remedy for Constipation.

"The finest remedy for constipation I ever used is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets," says Mr. Eli Butler, of Frankville, N. Y. "They act gently and without any unpleasant effect, and leave the bowels in a perfectly natural condition." Sold by C. E. Terrell.

Rome, Feb. 25.—The railway strike is extending and trains for Rome and Florence are delayed. A meeting of the Chamber of Deputies will be held Sunday with a view to coping with the situation.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

For Sunday, March 5.

Lesson—Christ a Servant, and we are Servants.

Leader—Miss Maggie Pierson. Song 327.

Prayer. Christ's Example, John 13:1-5; 12-17.

—Miss Emma Nicholson. Paul a Servant, Titus 1:1-4—Miss Mable Wyman.

Song 194. Peter a Servant, 11 Peter 1:1-8—Miss Alice Poole.

James a Servant, James 1:1-4—Miss Glennie Russell.

Song 181. The Apostles Servants, Heb. 1:5-8; 12-14.—Miss Hallie Myers.

A Fellow Servant, Rev. 22:8-9—Miss Lillian O'Bryan.

Song 151. Servants and yet Friends, Jno. 15: 12-17—Mr. Alvin O'Bryan.

Song 142. Dismissed with prayer.

Cured Consumption.

Mrs. B. W. Evans, Charwater, Kan., writes: "My husband lay sick for three months. The doctors said he had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, and it cured him. That was six years ago and since then we have always kept a bottle in the house. We cannot do without it. For coughs and colds it has no equal." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by I. P. Collier.

NOTICE.

Mr. G. T. McCulloh has bought an interest in our business and will be with us regularly now. The business will be conducted as heretofore—only on a larger scale.

We will be pleased to have all our friends call on us when they want to sell land, buy land or borrow money on land, as we feel that we are in position to render them prompt and efficient service.

We are here to stay and help develop this country. Call in and see us when in town.

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