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BODY SNATCHERS.

Prominent Citizens of Denver Arrested for Robbing a Grave.

THEY ARE CONFRONTED WITH PROOF OF THEIR GUILT AND ONE MAKES A CONFESSION.

The Stolen Body of Col. Jeremiah A. Greenlaw Found Concealed in a Hole Where it was Held for Ransom.

A DENVER SENSATION.
DENVER, COL., May 2.—At 3 o'clock this afternoon the detective officers of the city, headed by Chief of Detectives Lenton, made a coup d'etat in the capture of the ghouls who despoiled and robbed the grave of Col. Jeremiah A. Greenlaw at Riverside cemetery some time during the past two or three weeks. The capture includes six men, one of whom is a well-known man of this city, and the entire gang is now lodged in the city bastille. The body of Col. Greenlaw was also recovered and a contract signed by all six of the men was found upon the person of one of them. This document binds them all to secrecy and provides for a division of the spoils in case of the success of the scheme, which is thus shown to be one of blackmail. The detectives have been upon the track of the grave robbers for several days, but the utmost secrecy was maintained in order that none of the gang might escape. The principles in the grave robbing case have

MADE A FULL CONFESSION.
Thus one of the most interesting mysteries in Denver's criminal annals is suddenly unraveled. The names of the persons arrested are R. Gronewald, F. R. Shinna, Mrs. F. R. Shinna, W. O. Bacon, and J. C. McCoy. The arrests were made this afternoon by Officers O'Neil and Gus Nobles. The thieves had a contract drawn up, in which they declared themselves ready to stand together to the death, and promising even death to any one who should betray their secret. This contract was unearthed by a detective agency. The officers and detectives interested in the case were Detectives Lenton, Dally, Howe, O'Neil and Thompson. At this writing the officers are with Undertaker Rollins digging up the body which is concealed near the cemetery. Bacon is a clerk. Gronewald is a well-known grocer. No letters will be allowed to be received by the prisoners, who are now at the city jail and they will be closely guarded.

TO SECURE A RANSOM.
All the arrests were made at the places of business where the men were. Mrs. Shinna is still unacquainted with the fact that her husband is under arrest. She is supposed to be the woman whom Mrs. Greenlaw saw at the grave. As soon as the men were landed in jail the detectives began a series of cross-questioning, but all the men at first stoutly denied any connection with the affair. Finally one of them showed signs which the well practiced eyes of the detective at once recognized as symptoms of weakening and he was taken to

a private room, where under a scathing cross-fire he soon broke down. He completely confessed the whole affair, implicating the five men and the woman who had been arrested.

THE ASYLUM HORROR.

A Story of Revolting Treatment to an Insane Patient.

He is Kicked and Beaten Until He is Reduced to a Skeleton and Finally Dies. The Investigation.

CHICAGO, ILL., May 2.—Coroner Hertz and jury began to-day an investigation into the cause of the death of Robert Burns, patient at the insane asylum at Jefferson. Attendants Richardson, Crogan and Preha, who are charged with beating him to death, were present. The dead man's widow and his brother testified that Burns was in good health when he was sent to the asylum and that the only abrasion on his body was on one of his legs, which had been injured. The most damaging testimony was that of Charles Brent, a reporter, who successfully played the insanity dodge and was admitted to the asylum, where he was an eye witness of much of the brutal treatment which reduced Burns in ten days from a strong man to a complete physical wreck, resulting in his death. His story was one of most revolting and heartless cruelty.

The witness detailed at great length repeated acts of brutality which the three accused attendants inflicted upon the unfortunate man. He declared the patient was not unruly, but seemed dazed and uncapable of understanding what was wanted of him. Brent said on their arrival at the asylum they were given a cold bath and then he and Burns were left shivering in a cold room for fifteen minutes, then after examination by the doctor, the attendants took charge of them. Burns was ordered to sit on a bench. He seemed not to understand and did not do so, whereupon he was violently thrown down upon it. Rising in a dazed and helpless way Attendants Richardson kicked him violently in the abdomen, and caught him by the collar and threw him to the floor, and so the brutality continued, the three attendants Richardson, Crogan and Preha each taking part in kicking the helpless lunatic in side and stomach, striking and cutting and bruising his face with their fists. They undertook to dress his wounded leg, jerking him about roughly and causing him excruciating agony, meantime continuing the blows. When this was done Crogan picked up one of Burns shoes, and taking it by the toe beat the unoffending patient over the head with the heel of it, cutting great gashes and covering the unfortunate victim with his own blood. By this time he was in a semicomatose condition, and was fast losing consciousness. He was then jerked off his seat, which was covered with blood that had run down from his head. That night the witness and Burns were put into the same cell. Burns was ordered to remove his clothes, but not complying, was slapped and cuffed. Finally the attendants stripped him, and then Richardson kicked him in the abdomen, kicking him across the cell. At another time witness said he heard the sound of blows in Burns' cell and loud cries from Burns, lasting several minutes. The attendants, Dr. Schulzer, Crogan and Richardson were there. Then a pail of water was brought and the door was closed and locked. The attendants evidently came to the conclusion that the witness was

too inquisitive, and he was removed to another part of the building. The reporter came out of the asylum at the end of ten days. Burns was then reduced to a skeleton and was sallow and hollow-eyed. The reporter told how when friends secured his release, Dr. Kirnan, superintendent of the asylum, shook his head ominously. He declared the reporter to be incurable insane, and that he knew this because he had watched the case very closely. Dr. Schulzer of the staff concurred in this opinion. A recess was then taken.

Superintendent Kirnan of the insane asylum is having trouble as a result of Robert Burns' death there at the hands of his attendants. He was summoned to appear before the coroner to-day to testify at the Burns inquest. He was also notified that the grand jury would visit the asylum this afternoon to look into the condition of affairs there. He elected to remain at the asylum to meet the more august body.

DALLAS.

Husband and Wife Differ Regarding the Chastisement of Their Son

The Mother Takes Strychnine With Fatal Effect—Doss Britton Bows His Brains Out Because of Family Trouble.

A STRANGE SUICIDE.
DALLAS, TEX., May 2.—Last night in West Dallas occurred one of the strangest on record in this community. It was that of Mrs. Geo. Rice, who died from the effects of a dose of strychnine. As far as can be learned the circumstances are: A neighbor complained to Mr. Rice that the latter's boy had been fighting his son in an unprovoked manner. Rice firmly replied to his neighbor that the bottom of Master Rice's pants should come violently in contact with the paternal slipper. Mrs. Rice entered a demurrer to this proceeding, and when Mr. Rice insisted upon carrying out the programme, she replied that if he did, she would kill herself. Both programmes were enacted to the letter. Rice begged Master Rice, and Mrs. Rice went to the strychnine bottle and took a big dose of it. Rice came over to town in search of a Doctor, which he failed to find in time to save his wife's life. She died in agony in a short while after she had swallowed the fatal dose.

ANOTHER JUST AS STRANGE.
Last night Doss Britton, who lives five miles west of the city, gave a ball to his neighbors. Until 1 o'clock the guests shuffled their feet to the strains of the fiddle. At that hour the dancers departed, leaving the Britton family alone, the only remaining guest being Britton's brother. Doss Britton sat down and fiddled until about 3 o'clock, while his brother sat near him and talked about family matters, which were in an unhappy condition. Just as Doss was about to retire it occurred to him that he could find a way out of the troubles which oppressed him, and acting on the inspiration of the moment he took his pistol and blew his brains out.

THE BAPTIST CHURCH MATTER.
At a meeting at the Baptist church last night Brethren A. C. Reeves, W. R. Howell, W. H. Taggart, J. T. Hand and J. M. Figh were appointed as a committee to take evidence in the charges now pending against Brethren Hayden and Holt, and to present the testimony to the church on the first Wednesday in June, the date of the trial. Dr. Hayden asked that the council of fourteen which passed upon the Hanks charges be recalled, that the testimony be submitted to them and that their opinion be given to the church for adoption or rejection. The church would not grant this request on the ground that it preferred to dispose of the matter itself. The church agreed, however, to permit the council of fourteen to be present to see that the affair is properly conducted, but to have no voice in the verdict.

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Rev. S. H. Blair says he preached in Rayner last week to a large, intelligent and appreciated audience. He was pleased with the people of that infant city. He reports the rock work of the clerks office as completed and complimented the good judgment of the county commissioners court displayed in building a court house.

The Dallas news of last Friday gave a very thrilling and artistic account of a double tragedy in which an estimable lady played a fatal roll of which her husband acted the counter part, the lady was a sister of Mrs. Geo. Posey and well known by citizens of Haskell. It seem that her husband's conduct had rendered their living together impossible and she had returned to live with her widowed mother in Delta county. She wrote her husband a touching letter assuring him of her undying love and advised him to return to his old home in Tennessee.

He after wards went to see her to effect a reconciliation and on the second visit finding his pleading of no avail he shot her dead and with the same smoking pistol sent a bullet through his own brain. The mother hearing the pistol shots rushed in upon the death scene and so great was the shock, of the awful scene that she is hardly expected to live. Mr. Loekey is well acquainted with the family and says the lady was gentle, kind and accomplished, and had only been married a few months.

An editor is expected to blow the country and induce immigration to develop its resources, and this makes every body rich, and he is then considered as a sort of dead beat. The FREE PRESS is going to adopt the system of cash or no go, and unless the paper is worth \$1.50 per year to subscribers we will discontinue the same upon notice. We have men comes to us and say they always patronize a home paper in a way that suggest that home papers are no good, we want to say to those who pay for such patronage that if they do not think the paper worth the money we don't want it and would say to those who never pay we can make out with a very limited amount of their patronage.

SUSPENDED ANIMATION.

What Dr. Tanner, the Faster, Says on the Subject.

STARTLING STATEMENTS BY

Him on the Question—He Gives a Remarkable Instance of a man Three Years in a Vault Who Was Resuscitated.

CHICAGO, Ill., May—[Special].—Dr. Tanner, the famous faster, is in the city. He is interested in the question of suspended animation, and this led to a conversation with him in regard to the case of Mrs. Wilhelmina Stahl of Jefferson park whose body showed no signs of decomposition when buried yesterday though according to scientific tests she had been dead ten days: Dr. Tanner said:

There is positively only one sure test of death and that is decomposition and an advanced stage at that. Any other tests applied by a physician is absolutely useless and proves nothing. I see that the doctors who had been waiting on Miss Stahl, cut the tibial artery to show the relatives that circulation had stopped and to prove conclusively as they supposed, the death of the patient. Well, now, if that girl happened to have been in a trance as we say, suffering from suspended animation, why then so soon as she revived she would bleed to death in a few minutes, and the doctors who perpetrated that fiendish outrage would be virtually murderers. I take it that what I may say on this subject would have but little weight, because the lightened public is not aware of the unreliability of doctors' decisions that a person is dead. Cases of suspended animation, in which the facts were discovered too late, are entirely too numerous. They speak for themselves. I hear this young lady in Jefferson has now been apparently dead for nine days and still no sign of decomposition appears. What can this mean? But one thing, That is that from some cause decomposition has been kept off. Life is all that would do that outside of the use of embalming fluids which have never been used in this case, so I am told. I have a case in my mind where the body of a young man was buried in a vault and in three years the body was removed and found to be not decomposed. The physician thought that fact strange and laid the body on the dissecting table to study it. An incision was made with scalpel and instantly the man arose, being thoughtfully resuscitated. He lived for years too. I had the pleasure last fall of interviewing a lady in Indianapolis who came to life after fourteen days of suspended animation. Her little brother clung to her against the will of their parents. Six doctors came in and made the usual tests and at last it was considered foolish to keep the body any longer. But the boy threw himself on his sister and said they should not put her under the ground. Mind your, six Indianapolis physicians had shaken their heads and said she was dead.

'No, no she is not dead,' cried the brother. Accidentally he pushed aside the band which held her jaw in place. It fell and the people in the room saw it the brother saw it and noticed his sister's tongue was slowly moving.

'See, see' he cried, 'she is alive!' They all saw and were horrified.

'What do you want sister?' the boy asked.

'Water, water,' came from the supposed-to-be-dead.

They gave her water and she revived and is still living' having since married. I had a talk with her shortly after.

I tell you it horrifies me to learn all that is going on. It is impossible to tell what persons so constituted as to be liable to fall into a trance, therefore friends ought not to rely on the mere word of a physician. It does not hurt to wait a few days. As long as the

body maintains a good appearance it will hurt nothing to delay the burial.

From the beginning of the year I kept an account of the cases of suspended animation discovered and reported in the papers. They averaged one a week in the United States. That is a fact which should cause physicians to be very careful when they pronounce patients dead.

AT THE NIGHT EDITOR'S DESK.

The Daily Exciting Experiences of Metropolitan Journalism.

[William Taylor, Jr., in The Writer.]

Pass but one night in the office of a metropolitan daily, and your appreciation of your breakfast paper will be heightened tenfold. Say it is 7 o'clock. The night editors and their assistants have begun their labors. There is the list of the city editor, showing where the local men are assigned. He has covered every available spot for news—the theaters, ball-rooms, meetings, weddings. His scouts are at the hotels, lying in wait for notable arrivals; the detective reporters are out among the police and inspectors watching for the latest criminal news. The water front is covered, the hospitals are looked after and he is ready for the night. The general directions from the managing editor are also there. He expects "stories" from correspondents the world over, who have been instructed to send in their matter. He wishes such a local event to be well placed and to be "given a good show." Other general instructions are given and the night editor is left to his fate. All night long he receives "queries" from correspondents offering the best news in their localities. He must get all the news into his paper, advertisements and other matter such as editorials, to the contrary notwithstanding. He governs himself accordingly.

"A steamer has arrived here with the latest news from Samon. I can give you 1000 words," wires the San Francisco correspondent.

"Boil it into 200 and rush it," is the night editor's answer.

"There are negro troubles, with several dead—graphic story," is flashed from the New Orleans man.

"No, thank you! The Associated Press will cover it for us," is wired back.

Now the St. Louis man has waked up. He has the story of an unknown Bostonian who was found dead in the street. Immediately he is told to wire full particulars, with any facts that may assist at identification, and the detective reporters in Boston are put at work.

So all night long the editor in charge is kept informed of the doings of the world and at a moment's notice he may reach thousands of miles for a tempting bit of news. At midnight the office is at its busiest. At that hour news is pouring in from all quarters—local, New England, foreign, Washington and general. Every "story" must be watched. Untruths must be eradicated, doubtful facts verified, helious utterances avoided, badly written matter rewritten and comprehensive headlines placed over every article.

Great pieces of news, as a general thing, come most unexpectedly. A modest dispatch was received from Savannah, on a night that was unusually quiet, from a news editor's point of view, saying that all the country there had been shaken by an earthquake, and that Charleston, S. C., seemed to have lost all connection with her neighboring cities. It was after midnight when the dispatch arrived and set the night editors of all the dailies at work. Something must be the matter at Charleston, and they would not quit until they found out what it was. Before many hours the country knew that that great city had been almost totally wrecked by the now famous earthquake.

So it was with the great blizzard in New York a year ago. Every night editor knew that there was a great storm raging in New York city when he left his desk that

Monday morning. Monday night he came back and heard that the city might have been totally destroyed as far as was known in Boston, for the storm had cut off all communication. Last Christmas night was an unusually quiet news night in Boston until shortly before 12 o'clock, when word came that the town of Marblehead was being destroyed by fire. Reporters were sent immediately on a special engine and the Globe got the news.

Such are some of the incidents of a night at the news desk in the office of a big Boston daily. In the composing room fifty or sixty men must be supplied with copy. Say it is getting toward 2:40 o'clock a. m., time for the first edition. Galley after galley of pen pictures has passed from the hands of the devil to the proof-reader, thence to the "correct" men, thence to the form. Page after page has been made up, pushed to the stereotypers, and then the plates rushed to the press room. There is still the city edition, which contains the very latest news, and which must go to press at half-past three. The forms of the first and second pages are generally changed for this edition. Those matters of special interest to the country reader, and of but little interest in the city, are removed and the latest news is substituted. It is near closing time. "Good night" has come from the Associated Press; the hundreds of special correspondents have sent in their "no more;" the local men have passed in their last sheets; the copy cutter in the composing room has heard the welcome ring of three bells; the last form has been locked; the last page stereotyped.

"Good night" has passed through the upper stories. In the basement, where the presses are, all is bustle and excitement. The pressmen are in and out under their giant pets, oiling the wheels and preparing for the last run. They climb up on the side, and fitting on the cylindrical stereotype plates, they seem like careful hostlers saddling a mighty steed for a battle of life and death. The great endless rolls of paper, still blank and meaningless, are slung to the sliding cranes and rolled with ponderous slowness to their proper stations at the ends of the presses. At last the signal comes. Slowly at first, and with frequent stops to make the delicate adjustments that will add the finishing touches to the accuracy of the work, the machinery begins its tremendous task, and soon the whole building is filled with the clatter, and the very earth is shaken with the effort of the great steam presses. The long night of labor over; the waiting boys go home at last; the child is born.

A TENNESSEE MAYOR KILLED.

He Tried to Arrest a Negro Charged with Rape and is shot

MEMPHIS, TENN., May 5.—A tragedy occurred near Covington Tipton county, Tenn., last night which resulted in the killing of W. T. Douglass, mayor of that city. It seems a warrant had been issued for the arrest of Henry Donaldson, a negro, who was charged with attempting to rape a white woman. Mayor Douglass was one of the posse of ten men who went to the negro's house to effect the arrest. They found his cabin closed and called upon him to open the door. Receiving no answer they gave warning that unless the door was opened they would break it down; at the same time informing him they had a warrant for his arrest. Just at this period a gun was thrust through the door and discharged by the negro on the inside. The charge struck Douglass, who was in front, killing him instantly. Being dark and fearing another discharge the posse immediately retreated and Donaldson succeeded in making his escape. He is still at large. Mayor Douglass was very popular. He was about twenty-seven years of age and leaves a young wife to mourn his sudden death. If Donaldson is caught the law's delay will hardly interfere with his immediate trial outside of a temple of justice.

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WHITE CAP OUTRAGE.

A Colored Man Severely Whipped in Kansas House Riddled With Bullets in Alabama.

St. LOUIS, Mo., May 5.—White Cap outrages are reported from Atchison, Kan., and Birmingham, Ala. At the former place the victim was Phil Edwards, colored, who was severely whipped by white-capped regulators on the charge of general worthlessness. The victim is in a precarious con-

dition,

At a little station on the Louisville and Nashville, not far from Birmingham, Ala., a band of White Caps went to the house of a section boss named Cooper and stuck a notice on the door ordering Mrs. Cooper to get rid of negro boarders. No attention was paid to the notice, and the White Caps returned a few days later and riddled the Cooper house with bullets, but did not find the occupants. There is great excitement over the outrage.

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—M. E. Lackey was in the city this week.

—F. M. Morton was in the city this week.

—A. H. Tandy was in the city this week.

—S. H. Johnson has returned from Austin.

—Jeff Crawford of Palo Pinto was in the city this week.

—Count court convened Monday the docket was a light one.

—Men, women and children's Straw Hats at Johnson Bros.

—The wool is being clipped and will all be ready for market in a few days.

—E. F. Miller has returned from Oklahoma. He is satisfied with Haskell.

—C. W. Massey Esq. of Palo Pinto was in attendance upon the county court.

—Sulphur at prices to suit the times at the Drug Store of Bass Bros. Abilene Texas.

—Silk Mitts, silk Gloves, Lisle thread Hose and lady's Collars and Cuffs at Johnson Bros.

—Warren Edge was in the city this week attending to school matters in his neighbor hood.

—The Place to buy your Prairie Dog poles is at the Drug store of Bass Bros. Abilene Texas.

—J. A. Lomax of Granbury father of R. C. Lomax Esq. is visiting his son at this place.

—Valenciennes, Flouncings, Embroideries, Laces, Mosquito Bars and Nets, Veiling etc. at Johnson Bros.

—A thief stole two sacks of wool from Tom Marr last Saturday night, the wool was valued at \$75.00.

—J. W. Walker the Photographer is doing some fine work, his outdoor and resident scenes are unsurpassed.

—D. R. Gass will sell you a good Golden Eagle Cultivator as cheap as they can be obtained from any other dealer. 4-20-11.

—O. P. Killough and family have moved to Haskell. The FREE PRESS welcomes such citizen to our county.

—Capt. J. S. Williams was in the city Wednesday. He had a load of wire for the pasture fence he is having built.

—E. F. Miller H. R. Jones Ed Springer and W. J. Nowel went down on Patat creek fishing this week and had fine sport.

—Spurs, Bridle-bits and Reins, Quirts, Curry-combs, Stirrups, Whang Leather, and the best Rope in the market at Johnson Bros.

—D. R. Gass is agent for the McCormick Mowers, Harvesters, and Binders, and all pieces for the repair of these machines. 4-20-11.

—J. W. Red & Co. have the most select stock of Dry Goods and Clothing ever brought to Abilene, and their low prices on all will surprise you.

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—When in Abilene call at the Drug store of Bass Bros. on west Pine street, and examine their stationery, books, wall paper, etc. before buying, they carry a large stock and sell remarkably low for the cash.

—I will give \$25.00 for any evidence leading to the apprehension of the thief who stole two sacks of wool from an unoccupied house in Haskell owned by Geo. Keistor on last Sunday night.
 Tom Marr

—So far there has been no convictions in the county court. J. G. Dewees who was charged with trival offense was acquitted after a mistrial by a jury who could not agree on averdict.

—Do not fail to call upon J. W. Red & Co., when you visit Abilene. Read their prices given in "ad" of this issue. They carry a full line of Dry Goods, Clothing and Groceries, and is the only house in the city that carries stockmen's bed-sheets, or tarpaulins.

—N. PORTER, Abilene, Tex.

—SINGLE BUGGY HARNESS—\$10.00—\$12.00 and \$15.00. Full NICKLE HARNESS \$16.50 and \$18.00. Team Harness \$12—\$15—\$18—\$20—\$25.

—Steve Harvey was bitten by a skunk Monkey night. The animal had climbed in the bed of himself and wife, and was trying to bite their infant and when Mr Harvey caught it to prevent it biting the infant it bit him twice on the arm, the bite was very painful and Mr. Harvey is taking precaution against Hydrophobia.

Unparalleled Offer.

I am offering for sale in the next 30 days 10,000 good mesquite posts at 5cts per post, this offer will be promptly discontinued on June the 4th 1889. People that are disposed to howl about the under signed getting all the posts in the county are now respectfully invited to come forward and buy while they are offered cheap or else forever stop their racket.
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Matt. 5: 17-19; Ps. 19: 7-11; 1st John 3: 4; Rom. 7: 12-3: 31; Ps. 119: 120; Mark 7: 7-9; Eze. 13: 4-8; Isa. 8: 20;

For The Free Press.—Stand by the law, once proclaimed from Sinai. Some its teachings and its force deny; What says the savior! Now hearken and obey. "Not one jot or tittle shall pass away."

Ten are its precepts, consider them again. Love to God and love to fellow man; Four point to God and the duty that we owe. And six the relation to our fellow men show. Since by the law we are sinners proved to be, Christ has died that we may all be free; Free from the death which the broken law demands.

But not from obedience to its commands. Now if the law was unknown till Sinai, All were righteous who before did die; And if its precepts, by Christ were done away, There lives not a sinner on the earth to-day.

All yearly Sabbaths and offerings the same, Lost their meaning when the Savior came: But kill the law and the devil goes to heaven, No need of a Saviour or sins forgiven.
 L. E. M.

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At Austin there is a large free school for the blind children of Texas, where they can pursue all studies of the ordinary schools, and besides, if they have talent for it, can study all branches of music. They may also learn how to make brooms, mattresses and pillows and to button chairs with cane or rattan. Girls can learn to sew by hand or machine, and do crochet and bead work. The buildings are large, roomy, and well furnished. No charge will be made for board, tuition, washing, or use of books and instruments—everything is free. Clothing and railroad fare will be furnished for those who are unable to furnish money for those items. Plans address
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 AUSTIN, TEXAS.

To Rebuild Mansfield College.

Mansfield, Tex., May 5.—Pursuant to a call of Joseph Nugent, the citizens of Mansfield and vicinity met at the city hall last night to devise ways and means by which to rebuild the college, which was burned a few days since. The noble and public spirited John Collier proposes to donate to the public the entire school grounds provided the citizens will erect a building that will be an honor and ornament to the city. The community feels confident of success after having elected the following gentlemen as trustees: A. J. Duke, John Blessing, H. Poe, Joe Nugent, Troy Aackler, E. Harding and J. B. Chorn.

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THE CRISIS COMING.

Soldiers Start on the Work of Clearing Out the Cherokee Strip.

Oklahoma Polls a Big Vote at Her First Election and Captain Couch Is Elected Mayor—Notes.

CLEARING THE CHEROKEE STRIP.

FORT RENO, I. T., May 2.—Capt. Hall and a company of cavalry left Kingfisher yesterday to eject the settlers from the Cherokee strip, and a company also left Guthrie for the same purpose. Several hundred settlers are now on the strip. They are determined men who have staked everything on the Oklahoma opening, and failing to get their claims, have gone to the strip. No organized resistance to the military is expected, but cases of individual resistance and a large amount of hardships and suffering are certain to ensue.

GUTHRIE AND OKLAHOMA CITY.

A dispatch from Guthrie says the surveyors engaged in laying out the Guthrie town site have succeeded in locating the exterior corners of the business quarter, and Mayor Dyer at once issued an order to all property owners to make their lots conform to the lines laid down. The past two days have wrought many changes in both Guthrie and Oklahoma City. At least fifty buildings have been erected in each place. Two banks are doing business in Guthrie and a third will be in operation this week. Board and lodging may now be secured for a reasonable sum. In three or four weeks both towns will have reached a point where predictions as to their future can be made with greater certainty. The work of settling claims is proceeding rapidly, but there are few indications that settlers will do much toward improving their lands this year. Between Guthrie and Kingfisher there are not more than a dozen claims on which plowing has been begun. The fact is the season is too far advanced to promise any decent reward for labor this spring and many of the settlers have gone to Guthrie, Oklahoma City or Kingfisher where there is a demand for men and teams in hauling freight. Oklahoma City has settled its differences arising from claim jumping and the people there profess to view the general situation with great satisfaction.

OKLAHOMA'S FIRST ELECTION.

Oklahoma, I. T., May 2.—The deputy United States marshal of this place this afternoon arrested a man named Roberts, from Texas, for introducing whisky into the territory.

Deputy United States Marshal G. E. Thornton brought to the city this morning five men arrested on Mustang creek, nine miles west of this place. The men were charged with perjuring themselves in order to file their claims.

Full and correct returns of yesterday's election just received. It is the first municipal election in the territory. Capt. Couch, the celebrated boomer, was elected mayor by a large majority. The remaining officers elected are as follows: Mr. Blackburn, recorder; Mr. Violet, police judge; Quinton, treasurer; Chamberlain, engineer. The city was quiet and orderly all day. Several ladies voted, many did not vote. Total vote, 1366.

RUN DOWN.

The murderer of Frank Graves in Jail—Full Particulars of the Affair.

BONHAM, Tex., May 2.—Sheriff Chaney arrived in town to-day with John Wright, the man who deliberately murdered Frank Graves near Honey Grove, in this

county, last Tuesday evening. The following particulars of the tragedy were learned to-day.

It appears that Wright had been making some slight remarks about a young lady, the daughter of his employer, who was related to Graves, who informed the young lady's father of what he had said. The father questioned Wright about the alleged slander and the latter denied having talked about the girl, branding the statement of Graves as false. Wright sent a note to Graves asking him to meet the former with the girl's father for the purpose of adjusting the matter. Graves went to the place appointed for the meeting thinking the affair would be settled in an amicable manner. Graves arrived at the place fifty yards in advance of the girl's father. Wright was there, however, and once asked Graves to retract what he had said. To this Graves replied that he would not do it; that the statement had been made by Wright and he did not propose to utter a falsehood to shield him. Wright said he would ask him one more time to retract and he had better do so. Graves replied as before that he would not, whereupon Wright drew a pistol and commenced shooting his victim, who was unarmed. The first shot took effect in Graves' arm the next striking him in the back, causing him to fall from his horse. Wright who was on foot, then walked up to the wounded man and placing the pistol near his head fired the third time, the last shot causing instant death. Several persons witnessed the shooting, but none it appears were near enough to intercept the murderer, who immediately fled. Sheriff Chaney was telegraphed for and left Tuesday night with the bloodhounds. Yesterday morning the trail was struck and followed all day across Red river into the nation, and late yesterday evening the man was found sitting on the railroad track near Caddo, I. T., sixty five miles from where the murder was committed. Wright who was on foot, covered this entire distance in about twenty-six hours. When he found himself surrounded by the officers the murderer attempted to draw his pistol, but was at once covered by a Winchester, and finding resistance useless he surrendered without further trouble and was placed on the train and brought in on the cannon ball and lodged in jail. After the arrest the prisoner informed the sheriff that he had bought the pistol on purpose to kill Graves. He had accomplished his purpose and was satisfied. The murderer is a nephew of Col. W. B. Wright, a prominent criminal lawyer of Dallas.

TROUBLE BREWING.

Bloodshed Expected as a Sequel to the Killing of a negro by Young Lynch.

TEXARKANA, TEX., May 2.—Reports are rife to-day of an anticipated tragedy at New Boston, twenty miles west of here, between Messrs. Lynch of the Bowie abstract company and Frank Brooks, a young lawyer of New Boston. The difficulty, as we understand it from street reports, dates back to the reported shooting of the yellow negro a couple of months ago for an attempted outrage upon a young lady of New Boston. The negro had been raised by Mrs. Brooks, mother of Frank, and of Mrs. Artie Goodwin of Omaha, Neb., and James Sharp of New Boston. It is understood that the members of the family in which the negro was raised have regretted his death and felt hostile toward Mr. Lynch, whom they accused of killing the negro whilst the latter was en route to jail. Yesterday a circular was issued "To the Citizens of New Boston" and signed by Tom Lynch, it is said, stating in substance that a torn letter to Mrs. Sharp, from her sister Mrs. Goodwin had been found which being pieced together was easily deciphered and which letter advised Mrs. Sharp to insure

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her property for money and then set fire to the town. It is understood that the circular further recited that the latter made an indecent assault upon the character of reputable ladies of New Boston. It was reported here that Mr. Frank Brooks, brother of Mrs. Goodwin and Mrs. Sharp, had threatened to get a shotgun and kill Lynch. The latest news from there to-day is Lynch and Burrows drew a gun on Mrs. Sharp and ordered her to leave the town and she asked the protection of the officers of the city.

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You cannot afford to waste time in experimenting when your lungs are in danger. Consumption always seems, at first, only a cold. Do not permit any dealer to impose upon you with some cheap imitation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, but be sure you

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 - No. 2. 640 acres 15 miles west of town, near Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos river, fine land, price \$2.50 per acre, 1/2 cash, balance 1 and 2 years.
 - No. 3. 800 acres 9 miles southwest of town, high open ridge land, rich, level and nice, some timber, no surface water but very productive black sandy land. \$2.50 cash, \$2.75 to out and on partial payments.
 - No. 4. 160 acres 5 miles north of town on Benjamin and Haskell road, close black land, level and rich, near Lake creek, some timber, good grass, price \$3.50 per acre.
 - No. 5. 213 1/2 acres 16 miles southwest of town, fine red loam, mesquite land, good grass and good land \$2.50 per acre cash.
 - No. 6. 304 acres of as fine land as in the county on Lake creek 17 north of town, good mesquite timber, price \$3.00, 1/2 cash, balance 1 year.
 - No. 7. 1,000 acres 4 miles southeast of town, fine dark red loam, mesquite timber and good water, \$3.00 per acre.
 - No. 8. 320 acres 12 miles southwest of town, on waters of Paint creek, good land and good grass, \$1.50, 1/2 cash. (Vintag.)
 - No. 9. 1230 acres 14 miles southwest of town on Paint creek, fine red loam, farming or pasture land, lays well, \$2.00 per acre, 1/2 cash, balance 1 and 2 years.
 - No. 10. 640 acres 7 miles northwest of town, as fine black land, with good mesquite timber as in the county on head of Lake creek. \$3.00 per acre, terms easy.
 - No. 11. 276 1/2 acres 10 miles southwest of Haskell in 921 acre blocks, mostly prairie, on Willow Paint, \$2.00 per acre, will sell a portion or all in a body.
 - No. 12. 320 acres about 15 miles southwest of town, a splendid little piece of dirt for a farm, only \$2.00 cash.
 - No. 13. 640 acres 16 miles north of town on Lake creek. This is a magnificent body of farming or pasture land, has water, timber, grasses and good land all combined, making it one of the most desirable tracts in the county.
 - No. 14. 545 acres on Miller creek, very fine level land, will make a splendid farm, \$2.50 per acre cash.
 - No. 15. 320 acres on Paint creek 10 miles south of town, all good level land with good mesquite timber, \$2.50, 1/2 cash.
 - No. 16. 640 acres 12 miles east of town, Paint runs through it, about 1/2 good land, balance suitable for pasture, good timber and grass and protection for stock, a magnificent place for stock ranch.
 - No. 17. 320 acres 10 miles north of town, very fine level land with good grass and timber, only \$3.00 per acre cash.
 - No. 18. 320 acres 7 miles southeast of town on Buffalo creek, plenty of stock water, grass, timber and splendid land all combined, makes this one of the most desirable tracts in the county, only \$3.00 per acre, on easy terms.
 - No. 19. 640 acres 16 miles northeast of town, fine level prairie farming land, \$2.50 per acre, 1/2 cash, balance on easy terms.
 - No. 20. 147 1/2 acres 7 miles east of town on Red creek, about 1/2 good farming land, balance good pasture, creek runs through survey, timber, water and grass combined, makes this suitable for a stock farm, price \$2.00 cash, \$2.25, 1/2 cash.
 - No. 21. 320 acres on Brazos river 16 miles west of town, good land, price \$3.00 per acre, 1/2 cash.
 - No. 22. 388 acres about 9 miles east of town on Red creek, splendid red land, price \$1.50 cash.
 - No. 23. 640 acres 14 miles west of town, fronting the Brazos river, good farming and pasture land, \$2.50, 1/2 cash or \$2.25, 1/2 cash balance on easy terms.
 - No. 24. 960 acres 12 miles north of town, good land, timber, water and grass, a splendid place for stock farm, \$2.50, 1/2 cash.
 - No. 25. 424 acres on Brazos river 18 miles northwest of town, as fine land as in the county, only \$3.00 per acre.
 - No. 26. 960 acres 10 miles northeast of town, level, red loam land, some timber but dry, only \$2.00 per acre, 1/2 cash.
 - No. 27. 430 acres 10 miles north of town on Lake creek, no better land in the county, good grass and timber, \$3.00, 1/2 cash down.
 - No. 28. 640 acres on same survey as No. 27, same quality of land, timber and grass, \$3.00 per acre, terms easy.
 - No. 29. 320 acres 6 miles north of town on Benjamin road, fine level black sandy land, good timber and grass, on Lake creek, only \$3.
 - No. 30. 3 sections (640 acres each) on Brazos river. This is as good land as in the west, lays well, \$2.00 per acre by the section, will sell either section or the whole in a body.
 - No. 31. 640 acres 11 miles northeast of town, very good red loam prairie land, only \$2.00 per acre cash or \$2.25, 1/2 cash.
 - No. 32. 640 acres 8 miles east of town on Haskell and Throckmorton road, splendid land at \$2.00 per acre, 1/2 cash.
 - No. 33. 3400 acres 20 miles north of town in the edge of Knox county, on Brazos river, no better land in the state, lays well, \$3.00 per acre, will sell in a body or cut to suit the purchaser.
 - No. 34. 300 acres 7 miles south of town on Mule creek, \$2.50 cash or \$2.75, 1/2 cash.
 - No. 35. 500 acres on Miller creek, all fenced with good house, two rooms, very fine land, grass, water and timber. Price and terms upon application.
 - No. 36. 320 acres 9 miles southeast of town, good land, water, grass with some mesquite timber. Horse creek passes through it, only \$2.25 per acre. A splendid ranch.
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