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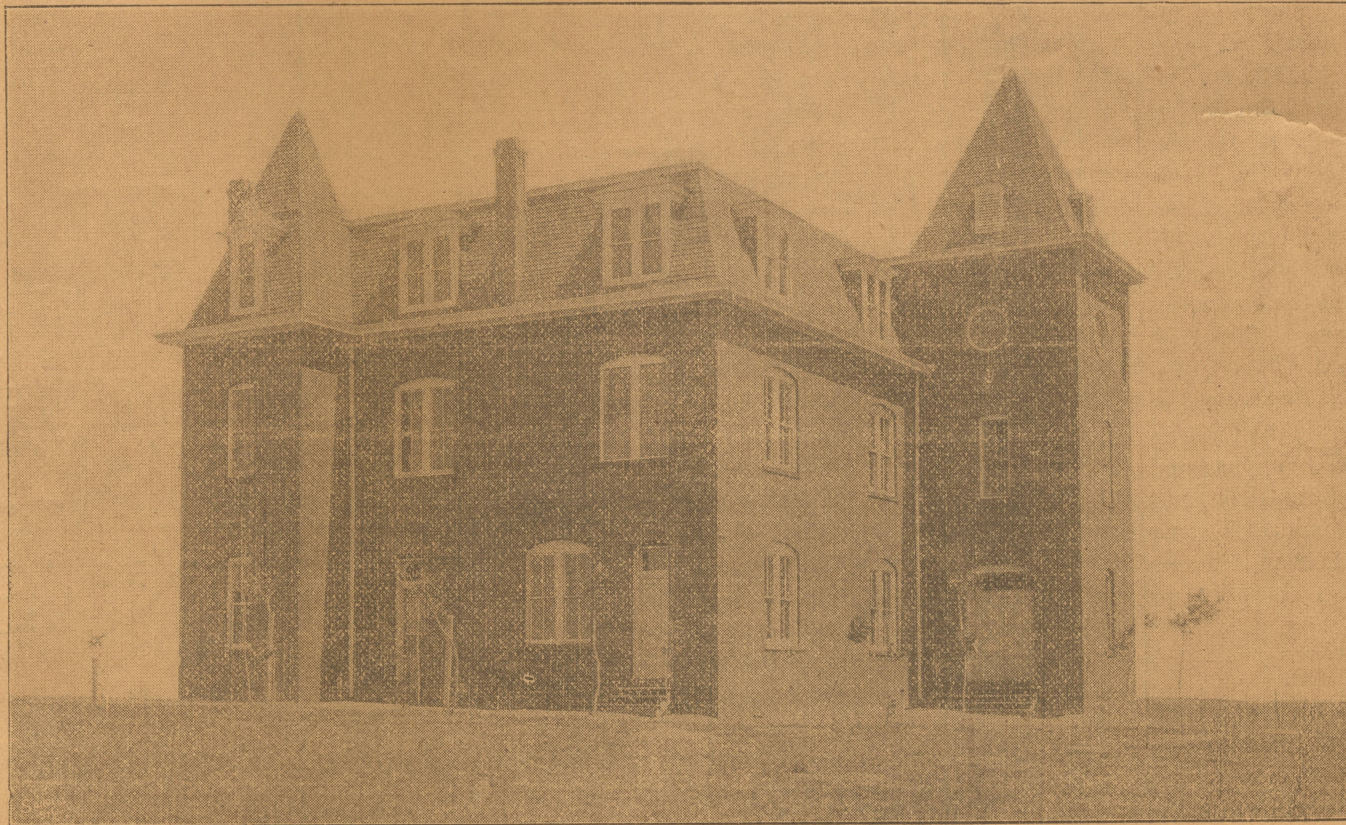
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grapes, and figs, and all manner of burdens, which they brought into Jerusalem on the Sabbath day; and I testified against them in the day wherein they sold victuals. There dwelt men of Tyre also therein, which brought fish, and all manner of ware, and sold on the Sabbath unto the children of Judah, and in Jerusalem. Then I contended with the nobles of Judah, and said unto them, what evil thing is this that ye do profane the Sabbath day? Did not your fathers thus, and did not our father bring all this evil upon us, and upon this city? Yet ye bring more wrath upon Israel by profaning the Sabbath. And it came to pass, that when the gates of Jerusalem began to be dark before the Sabbath, I commanded that the gates should be shut, and charged that they should not be opened until after the Sabbath; and some of my servants set I at the gates, that there should no burden be brought in on the Sabbath day. So the merchants and sellers of all kinds of ware lodged without Jerusalem once or twice. Then I testified against them and said unto them, why lodge ye about the wall? If ye do so again, I will lay hands on you. From that time forth came they no more on the Sabbath." Here is an inhibition of buying and selling all kinds of goods and wares including victuals. It is a perversion of the day to buy or sell. The discipline of the Methodist church conforms to this divine enactment and positive

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Mailed at the post-office at Clarendon, Texas,  
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Clarendon, Texas, Aug. 10, 1899.

The Pecos Valley Railway has tendered an excursion to the Press association over their line to Roswell, N. M. A good many members will go leaving tonight.

If you don't want your daughter the wife of a drunkard, then forbid her keeping the company of a young man that drinks, no matter what good qualities he may possess. This alone disqualifies him, believe what we say. Lot's daughters tried to reform those Sodomites but remember they were burned with the city. The great trouble is that parents wait too long, and after a girl is engaged she will marry him, generally, drunkard or no. If parents think a young man is not what he should be give him to understand at the first he is not wanted and see to it that he stays away, that's our ticket.

We believe the present grand jury intends to do their duty as far as possible and let every citizen that wants to see the law enforced do what he can to furnish information. Write a letter informing the jury of any one knowing or likely to know of the violation of the law and address it to the foreman of the grand jury, the one furnishing the information need not sign their names if they prefer. We believe it the duty of every lover of justice to help enforce the law and in this way the facts may be obtained without any risk to the informer. as the jury will not

10:30 the banquet begun and did not end until 12 P. M. The menu of the banquet was large and contained everything that would tempt the appetite. During the courses the following toasts were responded to:

"Clarendon the Pride of the Panhandle."—B. R. Blankenship.

"The Editor's Wife."—Orion Procter.

"The Northwest Texas Press association."—W. A. Johnson.

"Why he quit the Newspaper Business."—John W. Dale.

"The Chief Factor in Developing a new Country."—A. M. Beville.

"Does a Preacher in the Newspaper Business keep a Devil."—J. R. Henson.

The visitors were well pleased with Clarendon and the courtesies extended them during their stay here. We are sure the Press meeting here will be of much good to Clarendon, advertising the town as never before. We appreciated their stay among us and hope to have them visit us again with some future meeting of their association. The meeting for 1900 goes to Bridgeport.

## Mormonism.

We are told in the Bible of a time when the Devil shall be turned loose, and if he is ever to have more power than at present the world will truly be in bad shape, but from all reports we think he is loose now. We are reminded of an incendiary; as fast as you put out the fire in one place it is kindled in another. Our only hope is in holding out to the end. The Devil with all his allies are trying to rob us of the Sabbath, and next, to run our homes. Mormonism is reviving again under the guise of Later Day Saints. They are sending out fifteen hundred elders everywhere to proselyte while Polygamist Roberts with many wives make laws for this land. Shame these wolves

## Careless Speech.

The habit—for it is often nothing more—of deteriorating speech is so common that it would be well for all of us to stop and think about it.

This sort of thing is so often heard: "I don't think she is so very pretty, as people say," or "I don't think he (or she) is so very clever"—or economical, or stylish, or bright, or cheerful, or a thousand other things. We do not stop to think that while perhaps we do not think her so pretty as we have heard, that we do not think her pretty; and, again, if not very clever, surely interesting, and all the others in like measure. It is merely a habit with many people, not skin deep, but just the cruel and unfortunate habit of depreciating speech.

A woman with a sharp tongue, but with the tenderest of hearts, the most generous of natures, but with a keenly critical mind and a rare intuition as to character, was brought up, "all standing," as she expressed it, after she had been talking one day with a friend about several people, and before a young girl who was visiting the friend. In a sudden lull in the talk, the girl said, as if by uncontrollable impulse, "Don't you like anybody?" "What do you mean?" said the startled woman. The girl blushed and hesitated, and then said: "Please pardon me, but it seemed so." Little more was said; it was passed off and passed by as in the polite world things which are unpleasant are passed over, but into the heart of that woman the criticism sank deep, and from that hour she watched and guarded her tongue. Now she does not depreciate in speech, and, if she can not appreciate, is silent.

Much credit is due Mrs. Belle Gray, Mrs. F. A. Faker and Mrs. Dr. Morris for labor and direction of the banquet at the College last night. The occasion will be. In connection with the

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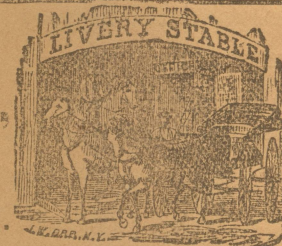
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Arrives 7:02 a. m. Leaves 7:11 a. m.

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### RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

Baptist, 2d, 3d and 4th Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—Rev. L. Tomme, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night. Sunbeams 4 p. m. every Sunday.

M. E. South, services every Sunday—Rev. J. R. Henson, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Junior Epworth League at 3 p. m. Epworth League at 4 p. m. every Sunday.

Christian, — Elder F. T. Denson, pastor. Services 3rd Sunday and Saturday and Friday night before. Society of Christian Endeavor every Sunday at 5 p. m. Sunday school 10 a. m.

First M. E. 2nd & 4th Sunday 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m.—Rev. L. C. Patterson pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

Presbyterian—Services every Sunday 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Rev. W. P. Dickey, pastor. Sunday school every Sunday 10 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8:30 p. m. Meets in the Court House. Every body cordially invited.

### SOCIETIES.

I. O. O. F.—Clarendon Lodge No. 381, meets every Thursday evening in their hall in 3rd story of courthouse. Visiting brothers made welcome. W. T. JONES, N. G.

JOHN MCKILLOP, Sec'y.  
EVENING STAR ENCAMPMENT No. 143 I. O. O. F. meets 1st Tuesday night in each month. JOHN LAUGHLIN, C. P.

FRANK WARD, scribe.

A. F. & A. M.—Clarendon Lodge No. 700. meets 2nd Saturday night in each month over the Bank of Clarendon. GEO. MORGAN, W. M. W. H. COOKE, Sec.

CLARENDON CHAPTER, No. 216 R. A. M.—Meets the first Friday night in each month at 8:30 o'clock. Visiting companions cordially invited. J. K. PALMER, H. P.

G. F. MORGAN, Sec.

W. O. W., Woodbine Camp No. 476—Meets in Odd Fellows Hall 2d and 4th Friday evenings. Visiting choppers invited. W. T. JONES, C. C.

W. R. SILVEY, Clerk.

CLARENDON CHAPTER, ORDER EASTERN STAR—Meets every third Friday of each month at 7:30 o'clock in Masonic Hall over Bank of Clarendon. MRS. MARY ANDERSON, W. M. MRS. LIDA BLANKENSHIP, Sec.

### LOCAL NEWS.

John Hoffer is having his warehouse enlarged.

More than thirty new names have been added to the AGITAOR list the past week.

Mrs. J. O. Morgan and children returned Tuesday night from a visit to her father at Nocona, Tex.,

Dr. Baily and wife, of Denton, attended the Press association and visited the family of Editor Erwin of the Banner.

R. G. Cates and wife who have been visiting B. L. Merrel returned to their home at Grapevine, Tex., last Monday.

Dr. Stocking reports a ten pound girl born to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Woodward, of the Cree ranch, last Monday morning.

Mrs. Puckett and daughter, Miss Dollie, mother and sister of Mrs. Dr. Morris returned home this week after a very pleasant visit here.

G. W. Baker has exchanged his two houses north of the roundhouse to Frank Jupe for the Swanson section east of town. Mr. Baker will build a new residence for himself in the west part of town.

Rev. W. B. McKeown, the new president of Clarendon College, arrived Wednesday night. He spent today at the picnic at Goodnight. From now on he will be in the field all the time working for the College.

Dr. Oliver, of Terarkens, brother

Mr. Collins, of Henrietta, Tex., father of Ed. and Robt. Collins, is visiting his sons here this week.

A great many people went on the excursion to Goodnight today. Memphis sold 281 tickets and Clarendon 365 while a great many from here went by private conveyance. A cheap excursion will always get a crowd.

Those who failed to hear Judge White's address of welcome last Tuesday missed a rare treat. The press people were so pleased that they unanimously made the Judge an honorary member of their association.

The faithful members of the Clarendon band who neglected their other business and personal comfort to help entertain our visitors are deserving of much at the hands of our people. To them is due more than any others for the splendid entertainment furnished our visitors.

District court met Monday and has transacted considerable business to this time. The Reed murder case transferred from Hall county is on trial now. The work of selecting a jury was not complete at noon today. There are a large number of witnesses in attendance for this case.

### League Conference.

The Epworth League conference of the Clarendon District Northwest Texas conference met at Memphis Aug. 4th 1899.

After a happy service held by Bro. G. A. Nance the conference was called to order and Rev. J. R. Henson was elected secretary. Rev. J. T. Bloodworth, the District League president, was on hand and run things through without any drag in the service and it was good to be there from the start. It seemed each meeting got better, many splendid papers were read and talks given. The preaching was good.

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## OUR WORST ENEMY.

### A Lesson of Pathos From the Police Court.

For twenty years or more he had stood in the police court now and then to answer the charge of being intoxicated, and he was there again yesterday afternoon. The bloated face and the bloodshot eyes were silent witnesses of the offence he had committed so often, and the untidy and unkempt raiment mute evidence of the downfall of a man who might have been a good and useful citizen.

He offered no defence, no excuse, for he knew of the tale-evidence of the silent, mute witnesses of his dissipation and that no corroborative testimony was needed to stamp the seal of guilt upon him.

Once in the past, some time ago, he had stood by the side of a smiling maiden, whose heart beat rapidly to the chimes of the wedding bells. Children's voices had made sweet music in his home. Love and hope had waked ambition's dearest dreams.

And then the same old story of temptation and weakness and drink, and the going down step by step, lower and lower until nothing but the abyss of the grave itself was felt.

Many years has the maiden who smiled when the wedding bells were ringing been at rest under the kindly sod and the pitying violets. Her broken heart was mercifully given the rest and peace of the tomb.

It was said that when she passed away that his only friend was gone and there would be none to help him when he was dragged to the police court and the chain gang staring him in the face, for until

### The Question Before the People.

One of the most vital questions that confront the people of this country is whether the land shall be owned by the few or the many. The aggregation of capital in the hands, or under the control of comparatively a few persons is regarded everywhere as a menace to the interests and prosperity of the great mass of the people. It is not my purpose to antagonize the opinion of those who think that the population of the surrounding country is increasing. In some localities this is evidently true. And, possibly, a census of this entire section would show a decided increase. Yet that there are quite a number of localities not far away, where the decrease of population is so great as to seriously affect every interest of society is to me a matter of personal knowledge. In such places the Church is threatened with disorganization, the Sunday school follows in the wake, and the public school will be reduced to a status that makes it practically of little value. Of all the monopolies known to society land monopoly ranks among the most hurtful to the welfare of the people. A little reflection reveals this fact to any one. A county owned by a few parties may have its rich lands, its fine grass and its fat cattle but it is a mere wilderness when compared to a similar county dotted with the residences of happy families. The object in view should always be the greatest good to the greatest number. This is good politics and it is also good morals; in fact good religion. A county so sparsely settled that its citizens are not in social touch with each other is deprived largely of all the advantages that the Church and the schoolroom bring to the home and the family. In short such a condition is so destructive of all those agencies and institutions that elevate and bless mankind

transfer his home without placing it in the hands of another party who will take his place in society. Such a course would largely protect communities from that disintegration which threatens them. True it requires some sacrifice of personal interest but the man who will make no sacrifice for public good is unworthy of citizenship in such a land as ours. Third, in view of the fact that personal rather than public interest will govern most men in their business, it is the duty of those who make our laws to enact such legislation as will as far as possible obviate if not remedy this evil. The restriction of the first purchase to four sections is in the right direction. Why can it not be applied so as to prevent any one who has as much as four sections of said land from purchasing any more? It takes this or some similar law to make the present law attain the object intended. The public interest demands something in this direction.

JNO. W. HALL.

### Kind Words.

CANADIAN, Tex., Aug. 4th.

REV. JNO. HENSON,

Dear Bro.—I have received two or three copies of the AGITATOR and we all enjoy reading it. I suppose it is through your courtesy we are enjoying it, if so I enclose 50cts. in payment of subscription for one year. Please address the paper to our boy, Jephtha Todd. Wishing you success in your work,

Very truly

W. J. TODD.

Rev. W. B. Andrews, pastor of the Methodist church at Quanah, Texas, is urging his people to repair their church building and they are responding nobly. The contracts have been partly let and the funds in sight for the completion of it. The edifice will be one of the neatest and most comfortable in north-west Texas. In connection with the

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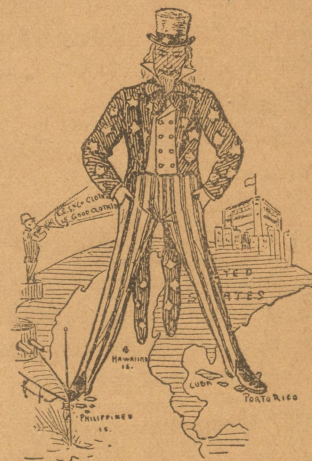
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