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Spring is Here

and if you haven't bought your New Apparel, it is now that you should do so. Our Double Aim is to

DRESS YOU UP

and make room for New Goods. Our inducement to that end is to offer our Entire Stock of Clothing at a discount of One-Fourth from the regular prices. Here are some of the good things:

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\$8.50	Suits sacrificed at	\$6.40
7.50	" " "	5.65
6.00	" " "	4.50
5.00	" " "	3.75
4.00	" " "	3.00

Men's Odd Pants.

A large assortment; all weights, colors, qualities and sizes.

\$4.00	Values will go at	\$3.00
3.50	" " "	2.65
3.00	" " "	2.25
2.50	" " "	1.90
2.00	" " "	

OUR WORST ENEMY.

The Point.

A great many people take one-sided views of large problems, and hold to their opinions, forgetting that there is another side—perhaps the most important of the two.

A gentleman said to us: "I do not favor prohibition. It would be an injustice to the men in business; besides, it would throw thousands out of employment. We replied: "You do not look at the issue from the right side. You take a contractor's view. Just before the war closed, a government contractor said in a car: 'I do hope the war will not close under two years. I will lose thousands of dollars; besides, many men will be turned out of employment from the government works.' A lady passenger, clad in weeds of mourning, rose to her feet, and with tearful voice said: 'Sir, I have a brave boy and husband sleeping the sleep of death in a soldier's cemetery. I have only one boy left, and he is in the front of the foe. O God! I wish that the cruel war would close now.'"

He saw the point. Do you?—The Pearl.

Let's Down The Saloon.

Nearly all the crimes committed in this country is in some way connected with whiskey and the saloon.

Hired Ministers.

If a congregation wishes to crush out the life of a minister, all they have to do is to treat him as a "hired man." Some of the most vigorous protests we have ever heard from ministers in private have been in opposition to this wretched sentiment. It has galled them to find that they have been treated as commercial commodities. The effect of being hired at such a price and for so long a time has been to degrade them, to destroy manliness, to wound their sensibilities, and to weaken their power for good. Under it they have been forced into a "stated supply" relation, and have rarely stayed more than a year or two in a place, and then have had to repeat the experiment elsewhere, though desirous of a pastoral relation where they could receive the loving, prayerful, and worthy support becoming a minister of righteousness. Ministers are willing to serve the Church and to work and sacrifice for Christ's sake in any way, but they have feelings which should be respected, and a sacred calling which entitles them to the warmest sympathy, the most generous treatment, and the heartiest cooperation.—Presbyterian.

Boyhood of Daniel Webster.

As a boy Webster showed signs of the greatness he attained in later years. He learned to read from the Bible and Psalm books. His memory was prodigious. He com-

Paragraphs For The Teacher.

A secular teacher who would stand up with text-book in hand and allow scholars to hold a text-book in their hands, and read the answers to questions from the same, would soon be considered a very poor teacher and not wanted long.

Do any Sunday school teachers follow that plan? If so, they have scarcely caught sight of the luxury of good teaching. We are coming to better things in this matter, thank God.

A secular teacher would not think of beginning a lesson without perfect order and attention; would not permit a scholar to sit with his or her back to him and engage in conversation with other scholars.

A Sunday school teacher who has no order or attention, and is not able to get it, has a very definite call to engage in some other part of the work for which he or she is probably better fitted.

A secular teacher will find out the cause of absence from the school, and report the same to the parent. If the reason is not a legitimate one, there will be an interesting investigation on the part of the teacher and parent.

Do Sunday school teachers follow as conscientious a plan? Do they seek every week to know the real cause of absence, and earnestly seek the cooperation of parent in this vital matter.

A secular teacher who is habitually late at school, thus setting a

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One Time Only.

For the past eighteen days and nights we have been passing one of the rough places in the road of life, eight cases of measles at one time with one complicated with pneumonia, while we were laid up with a dreadful arm from vaccination, but then we can't have measles again and we are sure we shall never be vaccinated again. So this is one part of the road we shall not have to pass over again. How glad we are that it is so, once is quite enough. And yet we feel thankful to the good ladies that cared and stood by us day and night and never leaving us where we were where we could take care of our selves, and the kind friends that sent so many nice things to eat. May the Lord reward them in that day when he comes to make up his jewels. Like Paul, we "thank God for true friends and the hope of Heaven and take courage for the future." J. R. HENSON.

The Dallas News in its issue of the 20th inst. discusses editorially the negro problem in the Southern States. Reference is made to the proposed colony upon Long Island, New York, open to settlement by negroes alone. From this a policy is advanced for the scattering of the negroes of the south throughout all the states of the Union and not confine this burden to a few weaker states in the south. By

Write a Letter to Your Mother.

Clarendon and this country has a great many young men in it, engaged in railway and cattle ranch work. These young men are away from the home of their youth and have fathers and mothers there. We dare say many of them have grown careless and seldom write to their mother at home. Don't allow the cares and pleasures of your surroundings keep you from showing your continued love for her. If you have been careless go write a letter to your mother today. It will do you both good.

Cake Walk Riot Occurs at Enid, Ok.—Many Shots Fired.

Enid, Ok., May 19.—A negro cake walk at the opera-house broke up in a riot between the whites and blacks, started by the negroes shooting into a crowd of white men. Three white men, Braly, Thrasher, and an unknown man, were wounded; when the whites returned the fire, fatally wounding four negroes and slightly wounding several others. More than fifty shots were fired before the disturbance was quelled.

No decent white man should ever be found at such a place.

District Conference.

Let all the pastors in the Clarendon District send to me at once the names of all delegates and visitors who will attend the District Conference June 15. We want all that can to come and enjoy the Conference and Clarendon will provide entertainment for all who may come, but we want to know beforehand who are coming, whether by public or private conveyance, and when we may expect you. Clarendon extends you a hearty welcome to come and bring your wives and daughters.

J. R. Henson P. C.

Woman's Home Mission Program.

The following is the program for above society, Clarendon district, to

A Man Found Dead.

On Wednesday of last week a young man 18 or 20 years old who had been about Clarendon a few weeks and who gave his name as Charley Patterson was found dead in an outbuilding about seven miles from town, up the railroad. Notwithstanding he had not reached his full manhood he was a slave to whisky and morphine and was locked up once while in Clarendon for being drunk and disorderly. He had evidently been dead four or five days when his body was discovered. A jury of inquest viewed the body and county authorities buried the body near where found, away off on the lone prairie. Poor boy! He deserved a better fate. Somebody will have to answer at the judgement for the temptation—the open saloon—which caused the destruction of this young man. Doubtless he as a boy had as fair prospects as any of our boys. Fond parents showered upon him the wealth of their love, but the temptation was too great and he has early fallen.

The same sad fate awaits many other boys. The open saloon exists all over the land and it must have boys for recruits. Parents who read this, which one of your boys will you give for a victim to the greed of the soul destroying saloon,—to be a drunkard, a vagabond, an out cast, a wanderer from home, to die in a strange land, off in an old chicken house alone, no friends, no father, no mother, to lovingly minister to him in his last hours, but to die alone, without hope of heaven, his body to be buried by the county, away out on a lone prairie where the howling wolves and lowing herds trample daily over his grave, there to await the final resurrection and the judgement at the last day and receive the condemnation of a lost soul. "No drunkard can enter the

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We have recently opened up a Restaurant in Clarendon and are prepared to please the most epicurean in taste. Ladies especially invited. We will give you Entire satisfaction.

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No. 2, Mail and Express—
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Local, No. 14, daily except Sunday—
Arrives 10:20 a. m. Leaves 3:43 a. m.

SOUTH BOUND.

No. 1, Mail and Express—
Arrives 6:35 a. m. Leaves 6:45 a. m.
Local, No. 13, daily except Sunday—
Arrives 3:20 p. m. Leaves 7:35 p. m.

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. Catholic, 3d—Rev. J. A. Lenert, priest in charge.

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.

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Builder's material at Anderson's. Crockett Taylor spent Sunday in Amarillo.

C. M. Kella, of Austin, is in Clarendon this week.

I. E. Jones has fitted up a handsome office in the front part of his grocery store.

R. A. Chamberlain has under way and nearing completion a 3-room addition to his dwelling on the north side.

The district parsonage is being re-

Armours barrel lard at Anderson's.

A new girl babe is reported at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Campbell, born Wednesday, 17.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. O'Neill are the proud parents of a girl babe born last Monday, so reports Dr. Morris.

If you like this paper, show it to your friend and ask him to read it and if he likes it to subscribe. You can help us very much this way.

If you are a friend to our paper and want to show us favors patronize those merchants who advertise with us. We vouch for it they will treat you right

John Swanson is building a small residence for himself near J. F. Carder. It only requires a small residence for John, as he persists in being an old bachelor.

The ice cream social up at the new college for last Friday night was rained out and was held Saturday night when a good crowd was present and an enjoyable occasion had by all present. The receipts were over \$20.

Misses Bessie Chamberlain and Bertha Graham are expected home tonight from Ft. Worth where they have been at school the past session. Fred Stocking will likely spend the summer in Chicago instead of returning home.

W. E. McLaughlin, of Childress county and a county commissioner there, has bargained for land over on Skillet in the northeast part of the county, near W. R. Harvey and will move his cattle there and later on move himself.

S. F. Colville of Claude has purchased land 10 miles west of town and moved on the same. Mr. Colville is one of our best citizens and we are glad to welcome him among us again. He formerly lived on Mulberry flat.

Myron Ralph, the three and one-half year old son of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Stocking died Wednesday May 24th at 11:30 a. m. from tonsillitis, the result of measles. The funeral service was held today at 10 a. m. from the south Methodist church. Ralph was a bright happy child, a regular attendant at Sunday school and a favorite with all who knew him. He was the youngest of their children and, being the baby one, was the especial object of their love. But God who doeth all things well, hath seen fit in the merciful dispensation of His Providence to take him from the earthly to the heavenly home. The heavenly home is brighter and sweeter by his going but the earthly home is sad because of the vacant chair. The family circle is broken, the sister, brothers and parents are bereaved because the pet lamb has been taken, but they sorrow not as those who have no hope, their faith is stayed on Him, the good Shepherd who hath taken their pet lamb unto Himself.

Clarendon College Commencement.

Let all the friends of the College throughout the Clarendon District that can attend the Commencement exercises beginning Friday night June 2 and ending Wednesday night June 7. Entertainment will be provided for all from out of town who may attend the exercises.

Our City of the Dead.

A committee of ladies were out this week raising money to have erected a windmill and tank in the citizen's cemetery. This is a worthy enterprise and we are glad to see the matter meeting with such a hearty response by our people.

Clarendon College.

The third story and roof of the new building is being painted this week which adds much to the

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Hardware, Stoves, Tinware

to school and engage in school teacher who attention, and is not a very definite call to the other part of the work or she is probably bet- teacher will find out the nce from the school, same to the parent. is not a legitimate one, an interesting investiga- rt of the teacher and school teachers follow is a plan? Do they k to know the real e, and earnestly seek of parent in this vi- teacher who is habit- school, thus setting a

Here and There.

A destructive fire visited Houston last Saturday, consuming about \$85,000 worth of property.

The American Line steamship, Paris, ran aground off the coast of England Sunday. No lives were lost.

The Dallas News has resumed its "State Press Column." The News has the thanks of the fraternity for so doing.

The military affairs of Alaska have been placed in the hands of Gen. Shafter. This is more in keeping with that gentleman's avoirdupois.

The case of Lee Bivens charged with attempt to murder Skid Ellis, transferred from Claude to Wichita Falls, was called for last Monday and set for trial today.

Armed highwaymen are giving trouble in Cuba. They are very ignorant. Their object seems to be the relinquishment of the island to a mythical syndicate of American capitalists who will reward them handsomely. Business operations have hardly been started as yet.

That and never a Peace Conference were where we could The Hague. The government will be for ourselves, and the government will be that sent so many nice things in the deliberation. May the Lord reward the influence. This influenza day when he comes to the enhanced to a great jewels. Like Paul, we paralleled success of for true friends and lies during the late Heaven and take court in war.

J. R. that the leaders of church in Utah are contrary to polygamy, their avowed intention statehood should be If this is the object leaders, the state of be abrogated and it territorial government. the negroes of the state as made overtures to out all the states of command in the Phil not confine this business of hostilities weaker states in the face. It is presumed

Kicking Up A Row.

I once learned a good lesson in a barnyard. It was a chill October morning. I was looking out of a window into the barnyard where a great many cows, oxen, and horses were waiting to be watered. For a while they all stood very quiet and still. Presently one of the cows, in attempting to turn round, happened to hit her next neighbor. In a moment this cow kicked her neighbor. She passed on the kick to the next, and directly the whole herd were kicking and biting each other with great fury. I said to myself: "See what comes of kicking when you are hit."

And just so we often see one cross word set a whole family of brothers and sisters quarreling. Now if we feel impatient or cross when we are spoken to, let us remember how the fight began in the barnyard. A little patience will save us from a great deal of trouble; but when the strife begins who can tell where it will end?

What a Little Girl Did.

A good many years ago a little girl of twelve years was passing the old brick prison in the city of Chicago on her way to school, when she saw a hand beckoning to her from a cell window, and heard a weary voice asking her to please bring him something to read. For many weeks after that she went to the prison every Sunday, carrying the poor prisoner each time a book to read from her father's library. At last one day she was called to his deathbed. "Little girl," said he, "you have saved my soul. Promise me that you will do all your life for the poor people in prison what you have done for me."

The little girl promised and she has kept her promise. Linda Gilbert has been all her life the steadfast friend of the prisoner. She has established good libraries in many prisons, visited and helped hundreds of prisoners; and from the great number whom she has helped, six

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THE SEMI-WEEKLY NEWS

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Real Estate Agents,

CLARENDON, TEXAS.

Will handle Clarendon and Donley county real estate on commission. If you have property for sale list it with us. We will advertise a description of the property and help you to an early sale. If you want to buy or sell, see us. We will from time to time publish partial lists of real bargains we have to offer.

A splendid section of land 18 miles from town. Two room house, 40 acres fenced with growing crop. An abundance of running water with lots of timber. This section can be had for \$1 bonus per acre. It is \$1 land.

A 4 room house with two lots, good well of water, all fenced, with shade and fruit trees. In northeast part of town. Good garden spot. Splendid neighborhood. Price \$500 one-half cash, balance on easy payments.

An unimproved section of \$1.00 per acre school land about 13 miles from Clarendon. Time lived out. Price 50c per acre bonus.

A four room house in east part of town with 2 lots, fenced and out-buildings. Price \$450, one half cash.

A five-room house and three lots close in. All fenced, has shade trees and out buildings. Price \$850.

800 acres of splendid pasture land in Hartley county at \$1.00 per acre if sold quick. This would be a splendid investment for some one.

Building lots—6 lots adjoining Clarendon College—price \$50 per lot if sold early—same terms can be had.

160 acres of patented land near Rowe switch in Donley county. Good well of water, small house and some fencing. Will make a nice country home. Price \$2 per acre.

A 3-room house, almost new, out buildings and 5 lots, for \$700. Only 2 blocks from business part of town.

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