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FROM TEXAS.

To all interested;

In response to many inquiries embracing several points of general interest to property owners in northwestern Texas, and Donley County in particular, concerning which we are all addressed from time to time by friends at a distance, please permit the following plain and brief statements, once for all.

1st. Touching the *legality* of land surveys; The work is intrusted by the State to a Surveyor General, and the actual surveys done by Deputies, all under heavy bonds. All work is mapped, platted and after due examination, recorded in the General Land office at Austin, where detailed and finely executed plats and maps of each county are subject to examination. These men understand their business. The decisions of the State are final, and intelligent men in this country, do not question the matter of legality. Surveys made and Patents issuing by authority of the State are considered solid.

2nd. Regarding *fertility*, there is considerable diversity and variety. A sandy loam, ranging from light sandy, to very dark and rich bottom lands, all bearing most excellent grasses, and all that will be needed for generations suitable to cultivation. In many places along the creeks are breaks and bluffs for stock shelter and unfit for cultivation. So far as tested by us, for three years, the soil responds to all reasonable demands for agricultural purposes. Good judges think grains and fruits will be produced at will. We have now growing, in fair yield and stand, Indian, and Egyptian corn, Sorghum, Broom corn, Millet, Irish and Sweet Potatoes, Cotton, Melons, Squashes, Pumpkins, and other garden vegetables with wild Grapes and Plums &c., Wheat and Oats have not yet had a fair trial, but enough has been done to justify our faith. One of our neighbors has this year grown 25 bushels of corn to the acre on a field of twenty-five acres, and on new ground. We are satisfied with the fertility of the soil, while, for grasses and stock growing no country has superior if equal advantages, as our numerous herds and herdsmen attest.

3d. The supply of water in some of the Counties of Western Texas is not abundant, but in all the region about

us and notably Donley County, the supply and quality of the water is all that can be desired. The County is cut from west to east by the middle Fork of Red River, and this quite powerful branch receives at least eight living streams from the north and south, besides the existence of hundreds of springs as feeders of these branches. Over one half the sections located by the manager of the Colony are watered. Water can also usually be dug at reasonable depth, or secured in tanks for stock in all parts of the County.

4th. The metes and bounds of all "blocks" of land are fixed. The corners of intermediate surveys are not usually established at the time the lands are first located. Unlike the United States Surveys we have no regard to range and township. Our surveys are made in *blocks* which may contain one or a hundred surveys, or sections, at option and lie in any desired shape. Of these blocks, the base lines are fixed by natural and immovable land marks, or "tied on" to other blocks so established. Many of the intersecting and cross lines are run subsequently, when greater leisure is at command, and as needed and desired, but the character of the scope covered by the block is carefully ascertained by observation with instrument, and by intersecting lines. From well established data in hand, all work and locations, the corners of which are not now fixed, can be accurately and easily made. In this County we are almost constantly resurveying and verifying old and former work. Metes and bounds are substantially fixed and known.

5th. We have within reach on all sides, timber for sawing, suitable for dimension and coarse building lumber, and enough to justify a mill. We think wheat will be grown by the time a mill can be built, and the 2500 bushels of corn now growing, and the fact that 25,000 bushels might have been grown this season, would indicate the necessity and wisdom of a mill for common gristing. Efforts at wheat growing has mainly been suspended because no mill was at hand to flour the grain when grown. The Water Power is steady and reliable.

6 The necessity and propriety of building a Church at Clarendon, the seat of the Colony and County, when organized, is esteemed by us beyond all controversy. The town and county are filling up with people and families from the north, east and south. At the present ratio of increase, the new church projected will be filled by the time completed. If any where, in any new and growing country a church, a Methodist Episcopal Church, is needed by present and pro-

spective growth, it is here and now, and we esteem all the aid possibly to be rendered by friends of the cause abroad, or by the Board of Church Extension as eminently fit an proper and that the cause of truth and righteousness will be conserved thereby. So are our cause and borders enlarging that where, two years since a single appointment in a vast wilderness, existed, now is found room and demand for a new District.

7th. We do not think the general merits of the country have been overstated. Most people form an over estimate of what a new country is to be to them, and foolishly compare the same with older States. With some the half was never told, with others, overstated. For this no one is justly responsible. We believe all reasonable people will be satisfied with Northwestern Texas with its unparalleled climate and health, on either stock or agricultural lines of industry.

SIGNED.

- I. B. Cartlich, member of Ohio Conf.
 - W. A. Allan, preacher in charge.
 - Jas. T. Otey, Treasurer of Board.
 - E. J. Rising.
 - L. H. Carhart, P. E.
 - A. T. Drake.
- Members of the Clarendon Quarterly Conference and Trustees of the M. E. Church.
- J. H. Parks, Surveyor.
 - Z. T. Williams, Dentist.
 - A. S. Williams.
 - W. W. Ames.
 - W. D. Kimball, Justice of the peace.
 - S. G. Lewis.

DISTANCES FROM CLARENDON EAST.

Measured by
Otey, Rising & Co.,

To Worley Lake Crossing,	12 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles,
" Morrison's,	25 "
" Curtis'	44 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
" Cotton Wood Bend,	57 "
" Red River,	65 "
" North Groesbeck,	82 "
" Forks of Groesbeck,	89 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
" Johnsons,	108 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
" Pease River,	120 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
" Paradise Creek,	125 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
" Plum Creek,	128 "
" China "	144 "
" Tenth Cavalry Creek,	156 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
" Marietta,	168 "
" Gilbert Creek,	172 "
" Big Wichita,	180 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
" Little "	196 "
" Henrietta,	198 "
" Montague,	228 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
" St. Joe,	241 "
" Gainesville,	267 "
" Sherman,	302 "

FROM THE SOUTH.

Mrs. E. C. L. Louis, traveling in the south and lecturing in the interest

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Semi-Monthly Journal,
DEVOTED TO

The Settlement and Upbuilding of
Northwestern Texas.

ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR.

of the people of color writes as follows from Louisiana.

"I find great dissatisfaction among the colored people here and they are very anxious to leave this State. They are very much oppressed and brutally treated. At Chonshatta, two weeks ago a colored man was taken out and killed for nothing. He had a quarrel with another man and hit him, he was arrested and that night taken from the sheriff and shot. I could find a number of colored women to go to your place but unfortunately they have no means. Some of the men have good farms but they will have to wait until the crop is gathered."

In reply to many inquiries from people in the south we would say, come up and see us and our country. If you don't like this part of Texas you can easily push on 200 miles north to Kansas. But we think this climate and country superior to the most of Kansas. We have tested cotton growing and find it a success. Water and climate superior and soil capable of all that can be demanded. We would advise all coming to bring all the stock, oxen, cows &c., they can. This country is eminently adapted to stock growing. All lands can be bought low, and produce will bear a high price. Those who have no money to buy land with can enter upon school lands and buy when it comes into market. Lands can be had to cultivate on shares at usual rates. Society is liberal in tone and all people white and colored are, and will be treated with respect. We extend to all who desire the free pure air of the northwest of the State a hearty welcome. Men and women of industrious habits and solid integrity will find profitable employment. The journey from La. or the south part of the State is long and wearisome, but grasses are good and all you have to do is to start and keep rolling, taking direction from point to point along the route, which may be seen from any state map.

CLARENDON M. E. CHURCH DIRECTORY

W. A. Allan, Pastor.

Preaching every Sabbath
M. and 7 P. M.
Sabbath School at ha.
Social Prayer and Ch.
Thursday night of each we.
Song services Tuesday at
day nights.

LOCAL GLEANINGS.

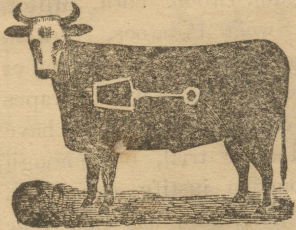


AND HOME BREVITIES.

Delightful.
Cool and delightful.
The breezes blow.
Furman Abbot of New Jersey, says he will be in Texas next summer if nothing prevents.
Our sorgum will be ready for mill soon.
Rev. Talbott of Pa. thinks his wife wants a \$25 share in our new Church.
Another fine rain on the night of the third inst.
The Temperance Mass Meeting was well attended.
A general Hardware Store and tin shop will pay well here, who will occupy?
Our Senior Editor and family moved into their house about the first.
Mr. Drake has broken ground for a new house, and expects his family via Dodge in October.
R. Mc Lalen of California, is negotiating with Hawkins and Hassar for a house to be ready by December.
Mr. Van Horn's new store on the corner of Fourth street and Lincoln ave. 25x75, is progressing finely.
Mr. James T. Otey presented the thirsty printers with a box of lemon sugar. Thanks. May the roses bloom on your backs long years to come.
Mr. Drake a practical mason and plasterer has found a bank of clay about one mile from town of a very superior quality, and can be utilized variously in lieu of mortar.
The skeleton of a mastodon, measuring over thirty feet in length, was recently found near Mobeetie on Sweetwater embedded in a stone quarry. A careful exhuming would have revealed a relic of rare value. Dr. Williams our informant, describes one of the teeth as nine inches across the crown, and the two tusks were set two and a half feet into the bone. The petrified nerve of one of the teeth was larger than the largest tooth of a horse.
Mr. Burlingame reports the new route from Dodge City, leaving Camp Supply and stage road three or four miles south of Dodge, as superior to the old trail, free from sand and dangerous crossings. He would advise all to take this easier route. Dodge to Elliott 180 miles.
Dr. Williams returned from Elliott on the third inst to complete some dental work here.
Rev. W. A. Allan expects to leave here on Sept. 20th for Sherman to meet his wife and family, who have been spending the summer in Wisconsin. They expect to be at Sherman Oct. 1 to 10th. and to reach Clarendon about Oct. 20th. This will be an excellent chance for some of our friends to have company enroute.
One of our Sabbath School teachers was relating the story of Lot's wife

turning into a pillar of salt, when a small boy with an eye to economy, inquired; "When they want salt, do they scrape it off of her?" The question was not answered.
Charles Kimball is not an M. D. but is our local physician.
We want a Brass Band. We need a Brass Band. We need a Brass Band because we want a Brass Band.
A moonlight night for a ramble. at least moonlight sufficient to ramble after melons.
It was a star crowd that went up to Rev. Cartlich's after Tanners chief luxury, water melons.
The sad and solemn Senior Editor was there, of course. The young and frisky Junior Editor was there, to be sure. The philosophic Printers Devil was there, you might know. But don't imagine that no one was there but quill drivers. A number of ladies and gentleman were there who follow a legitimate business.
A few melons were destroyed. Belshazzar's feast was eclipsed. Pan-Handle volunteer melons attain a weight of 30 to 40 lbs. How we wish that illustrious Tanner, had been there.
The fact that not a man seems inclined to sell his property in Clarendon is indicative of our present and future value and prospects.
Eight new subscribers to the News in a single mail. 2000 more wanted. Remember our paper is a semi monthly and price one dollar now.
Umbrella china, soft maple, several apple trees and grape vines which weathered the drought of last year are looking well.
Five dollars more on our new Church from B. H. White of Annamamosa Iowa. Many Thanks.
Dr. Williams reports hands full of work in the Dental line at Elliott and Mobeetie—will continue his his music lessons here when he returns. Guess the Doctor had better drive his stakes at C.
Plowing for crops ought to be done this fall or winter when the ground is soft and the plow should be let in to the beam. No trouble about crops if we give our sowing and plowing a reasonable chance.
A. T. Drake, Esq. formerly from Mich. will build in town and go to Dodge City in October to meet his family. Mr. Drake has a flock of, 666 sheep.
Parties coming this fall, if they want company, or would like know who else is coming about the same time, and by same route will do well to enquire.
A change of mercantile business relation has modified our plans for freighting and there is no certainty as to when the Clarendon Freight line will again at Sherman or Gainesville. For the whereabouts of the Senior Editor of this paper from Sept. 26th to Nov. 18th, see No. 4 of the News.
A keg of whiskey was recently applied to the little town known as Teepee City, some eighty miles south of us, and the immediate results; several wounds and one eye out. So is it gentlemen. Whiskey, wounds

poverty, dishonor, and death. Not any for us.
Mr. Lewis has finished up the new house in good shape. We have mechanics that can be relied upon to do good work. Let our friends who want buildings erected before coming send dimensions and specifications and we will find men to estimate costs and do the work.
Rev. W. H. Zellers of Wichita Falls, says he has visited and preached at Seymour in Baylor co. and found two members, and a flourishing town, and also has an appointment at Eagle Flats in Willbarger co. which is improving rapidly, and the people need looking after. A new District, embracing all west of Henrietta and Cambridge will probably be made at our next Conference.
R. Mc Lalen of California sends us packages of alfalfa clover, locust and flower seeds. Thanks. Wish we had a thorough and practical gardner. We believe that with proper culture and care almost any kind of fruit and flowers will do well. So far our plantings have not had an even chance, so many other things to do and think of.
Our friends outfitting at Gainesville Texas, will do well to make headquarters at the O. K. Wagon Yard. The proprietor, James T. Judd Esq. and his wife have just returned from Clarendon and can give details in the route and reliable advice in selection of teams and supplies. Gainesville is a flourishing city and a good point for purchasing. Our teams always stop at the O. K. Yard and find accommodation good.
If you want an Oliver Chilled plow walking or sulky, or a first-class wagon at Gainesville, go to E. A. Stare Esq. and he will supply you at lowest terms. The Oliver plows work well in our soil and we esteem the emreliable and durable.
WANTED IMMEDIATELY.
A good boot and shoe maker. Steady employment given, and fair wages paid. No one but a skillful and industrious workman need apply.
Address Christopher Kowalski, Clarendon Texas.
PERSONAL
O. L. Stamm Esq. of Mass., who visited the Colony one year ago, will come with his family in September, and probably via Sherman.
Mr. Lewis is drawing plans and making estimates for School House at Mobeetie. See his card elsewhere.
Mr. Lewis thinks a well boring apparatus of eight or ten inches diameter would pay well in this country. So also thinks the "News."
The families of Rev. Mr. Cartlich and Mr. Freeman living each about two miles in the country received surprise visits recently. A jolly turn out and O! what a slaughter of melons.
Smith & McTucker agents and Wiley & Calkins ranchmen on Pease River were here looking up space for their herds of 10,000 head.
Wm. Essary of Teepee City, with his family has pitched his tent while employment lasts and perhaps

permanently, welcome.
Mr. Van Horn of Elliot. expects to put in a \$20,000 stock of merchandise this month. His new store is going up. This is regarded a central and important trading point, and destined to remain so.
Burlingame and his fine freight line arrived all right from Gainesville last month and then made a trip to Dodge for flour and bacon. One ton of bacon and two tons of flour with an indefinite amount of corn constituted the haul from Dodge. No better man for a responsible place than Ed. Burlingame. Its easier to a brigade than his big overland freight line. Two years ago he came to this country about ready to die; but he has hardly lost a day from sickness and now has the appearance of any thing but death.
A joint Stock Company is being organized who expect to put in a herd of greater or less dimensions on upper Carrol creek soon. This ranch is now occupied by a portion of Mr. Allans herd.
C. Kowalski, our energetic boot and shoe maker is building a neat store on Lincoln ave. Will some good shoemaker with family notice his request for help and answer in person before another shall step in before him.
Rev. J. F. Kemper of Ohio, who visited us last summer; having previously purchased a stock ranch of 320 acres, a farm of 160 acres and 3 town lots, has just concluded to put \$500 into stock, to be run under his own brand with our herd. These facts are our best answer to scores who are debating and wondering. Mr. Kemper is a safe and reliable and prudent man, as well as a first class preacher.
Mr. Thomson, Capt. Goodnights book keeper, has been spending a few days in town.
S. G. LEWIS,
Carpenter
AND
Builder.
Plans and estimates furnished for Stone, Adobe or Lumber.
Clarendon, : Texas.
BLACKSMITH
-AND-
Wagon Shop.
A NEW OUTFIT and
A NEW TRADE.
HORSE SHOEING DONE ON
SHORT NOTICE.
Repairing done with dispatch.
Special attention to fire-arms. Satisfaction given or no pay.
A share of the public patronage respectfully solicited.
W. D. Kimball,
CLARENDON, : TEXAS.

Blade to shoulder, left side.
J. F. Evans & Co.,
Ranch White Fish and Saddlers Creek Donley Co. Horse brand same on left shoulder. Various marks. P. O. Clarendon, Donley Co., and Sherman, Grayson Co., Texas.

at 11 A.
past nine.
meeting.
Saturday

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THE POSITION OF WOMEN IN THE METHODIST EPIS- COPAL CHURCH.

Mrs. Mary L. Griffith.

To be continued in our next.

A GLIMPSE OF THE PALA- DORA CANYON.

A party consisting of Mr. Schick and Mrs. Frank Schick of Mobeetie, Mr. Charles Kimball, Mrs. Mattie Skinner, Miss Mattie Wright, Miss Estella Brewer and the Junior Editor recently visited the home ranch of Capt. Goodnight, situated in the vicinity of the famous Paladora Canyon.

The scenery along the route was beautiful beyond description. When within eight miles of the ranch we came to a plain almost as level as a field of ice; scattered over it, solitary and in groups; were numerous cattle grazing on the luxuriant grasses. As we looked at the large, fine, fat fellows, and considered that winter or summer, week-day or Sabbath, night or day, they were steadily growing their owner into a fortune, we almost wished we were a stock grower instead of a printer. On this plain could also be seen the graceful deer and antelope quietly grazing or bounding away in the distance like meteors.

After a pleasant days drive we arrived at our destination, and were received by our host and hostess. The first thing that impressed us was the air of comfort and even elegance that surrounded this frontier home. The house and out buildings were most substantial and convenient, while the supplies of milk, butter, poultry, fresh meats and garden vegetables were abundant. Here was a living refutation of the erroneous impression that a stock grower is necessarily excluded from all the conveniences of civilization.

The morning after the arrival, the party mounted on their war chargers, galloped away to see the canyon. We had no opportunity for an exploration, but the distant view we had of it was grand and inspiring. If the Paladora Canyon was known, its wild, grand, rugged scenery would be as great an inducement to attract the attention of nature's devotees, as many other localities that have a world wide fame. The Canyon proper is about 40 miles in length, by a mile in width, at places the rocky walls on either side rise to a height of five hundred feet. A man unacquainted with the by-ways and paths of this valley, would find it impossible to extricate himself from its gloomy depths.

Another locality of interest in this neighborhood, is Battle Creek, so called from a battle which occurred there in 1874, between the U. S. troops and the Indians of the plains. Relics of the combat are still to be seen. One of the young ladies of our party found an Indian skull which she preserves as a souvenir of the far west. We confess our inability to admire



METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF CLARENDON.

the red man of the wigwams. We take a savage delight in chanting "Lo the poo: Indian," is passing away.

We would like to speak of some of our haps and mishaps, but space forbids. Suffice it to say, that we will long remember; A glimpse of the Paladora Canyon and that day at the the Grande Vista Ranch.

The necessity and propriety of building a Church at Clarendon, the seat of the Colony and County, when organized, is esteemed by us beyond all controversy. The town and county are filling up with people and families from the north, east and south. At the present ratio of increase, the new church projected will be filled by the time completed. If any where, in any new and growing country a church, a Methodist Episcopal Church, is needed by present and prospective growth, it is here and now, and we esteem all the aid possible to be rendered by friends of the cause abroad, or by the Board of Church Extension as eminently fit and proper and that the cause of truth and righteousness will be conserved thereby. So are our cause and borders enlarging that where, two years since a single appointment in a vast wilderness, existed, now is found room and demand for a new District.

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DEATH.

Miss Emma Newman, of Macomb, Grayson Co., Texas, and daughter of Rev. B. B. Newman, recently of W. Va., Died of fever, on Aug. 11. Sister Emma was born in W. Va. March 23, 1858, and was 22 years of age at her death. The family came to Texas in 1879. She was reared in a most exemplary and careful manner and gave her heart to God and herself to his cause and work at the age of 14 years. Her walk was of even and

faultless christian consistency and her death peaceful. She is greatly missed by a large circle of young friends and as an active and efficient helper in church and Sabbath School work. All hearts are sad though her feet enter the enlarged delights of eternal life. Scattered and separated but not lost. He will gather all his jewels. Appropriate funeral services will be attended in connection with the next Quarterly Services on that charge.

NOTICE.

All letters of business concerning lands &c., written after Sept. 15 should be addressed to me at Sherman, Texas, for the next sixty days.

Matter concerning the paper, subscriptions &c. should be sent as before to E. E. & L. H. Carhart Clarendon, Texas.

L. H. Carhart.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS.

D. W. Van-Horn, 2 business lots \$100. S. G. Lewis, 4 business lots, \$200. C. S. Kimball, 1 business lot, \$50. C. Kowiski, 1 business lot, \$50. S. A. Bull, 2 residence lots, \$100. A. T. Drake, 1 residence lot, \$50. Mrs. Catherine Reiff, Baltimore, 1 residence lot, \$25. Trustees Cornell College (donation) 2 lots \$100. Lieut. A. Austin, 3 residence lots, \$80. 1 survey 640 acres. 1 lot 20 acres. Mrs. C. Reiff 160 acres. Messrs Graham, (Va.) 2 20 acres lots. J. F. Evans stock range.

C. W. Mertz Esq., of Paris, (recently on a visit here) is enroute with about 1200 head of cattle and his family will be here in the spring. Mr. M. is formerly from Ill. and for several years one of the successful business men of Paris. A christian gentleman and ready for any good work. J. F. Evans Esq. his personal friend is of the same stamp.

Miss Dora Heffelbower, of Denison one of our former belles, was married recently in that city. The "News" and many friends here send greeting and congratulations.

Mrs L. H. Carhart and two children

expect to leave Clarendon Sept. 20, with her husband for the last round of Quarterly Meetings on the District.

We have a church bell, one of Mc-Shanes' make, at Baltimore, weighing nearly 600 lbs., now laying at Gainesville waiting transportation. Its silvery voice will gladden the desert for several miles around. From the recent bellow of the buffalo, what a change, my countrymen!!

Give no heed to those who disparage our country or Texas, generally Kansas has lost more settlers by dissatisfaction than we have and yet Kansas as a whole, is a grand State. There are "rolling stones" that are never at rest, and never satisfied. For honest industry we have good openings and ample room and demand. Remember every new country has some disadvantages and hardships connected with its settlement a resolute will. Our pure air, water and good health, with business demands on all lands, are an inspiration to all except the chronic grumbler.

Albert Wheat and family, recently from north Pease River and Hall Co. have just arrived and located on Allens Creek, three miles N. W. of town. A nice herd of stock and milch cows will supply our market with butter and milk. Allens Creek is one of the most beautiful of our smaller spring branches, and this little ranch is a gem in its way. Messrs Wheat & Ross are partners and will add a brace of solid and sensible men to our community.

In reply to many inquiries in regard to the State Holiness Association we wish to say there is no relation or connection whatever between us and the late Haynes & Corsicana extravagancies. Those familiar with Wesley's Plain account of christian Perfection, will know our position and that of all genuine and square cornered methodist preachers. The annual camp meeting has just been held at Dallas, of which more anon.

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EVERY DISCRPTION

—DONE AT—

Reasonable

RATES.

E. E. & L. H. CARHART

Proprietors.

"Triumph by and by."



Conducted by Will. A. Brewer.

THE MASS MEETING.

The exercises were opened by singing "Only an Armour Bearer;" Cross and Crown;" the reading of scripture, and prayer by Rev. W. W. Ames. Rev. L. H. Carhart delivered a brief address. Then came the song "The Gospel Trumpet's Sounding." After this came select reading by Miss Estella Brewer, and the Conductor of this "Corner." The pathetic song "Nothing but Leaves" was sung with feeling and spirit. Mr. J. H. Parks was then called for, and responded with a neat speech. Mr. Parks makes no pretensions to being an uncompromising teetotlar, yet he believes in keeping the liquor traffic away from Clarendon, even if we have to fight it to the bitter end. This is the sentiment of all our citizens, both saint and sinner. After this followed the hymn "Go Bury thy Sorrow." Then select reading and remarks by Rev. Mr. Ames. Rev. L. H. Carhart made a few closing remarks, and the audience united in singing "Yield not to Temptation" and so closed the second Temperance Mass Meeting held in Clarendon.

The influences of these Temperance Mass Meetings are becoming broad and deep, and as we trust, lasting. "No whiskey in Clarendon forever," so say her citizens, and to all this we say AMEN.

IS IT IN VAIN?

Now, that the Temperance Mass Meetings have become a settled fact the question arises: Will they prove of any lasting or permanent benefit. Some there are, who will answer this in the negative. They will say that we might as well undertake to check the onward sweep of a tornado, or the rushing of a mountain torrent, as to endeavor to stem the tide of intemperance that rolls onward like a river of death. But we think differently. If we should measure the present influence of our efforts, there would be room for discouragement. We realize that every effect has a cause. Of the infinite chain of causes and effects, we see only the present or earthly links. The unseen links take hold on eternity. For instance: Here in Clarendon, we are agitating the subject of Temperance. In this way we create a little ripple of influence for God and the Right. In time this will create others. These becoming great rolling billows of influence, rushing through time, bearing on their crest thousands of saved inebriates, and finally surging into eternity, will break; discharging their precious burden at the feet of the worlds Judge and Redeemer. "Sure, ah, sure will the harvest be."

Placing our ear to the telephone that extends into the future, we hear the tread of oncoming multitudes.

Shall these multitudes be greeted with an open Bible, or the open door of a Saloon. Shall their pathway be lighted by the pure light emanating from the Gospel of Jesus, or the deathly glare that shines and gleams through the stained windows of earthly hells. This problem must and will be, and is being solved.

It is true that we have fearful odds to fight against. All the hate and scorn of immense liquor trade is expended on us. All the malignity of men and devils, we have to contend against. But however dark the night of scorn and hatred surrounding us, overhead is a clear sky, and shining there is the star of the eternal love of God. And his promise is: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

TEXAS DOTS

Ten cent corn spoken of in Fannin county this year.

A colored man by the name of Henry Com-back was recently drowned in the Brazos river near Chapel Hill. Guess he won't com-back.

A beet measuring 37 inches in circumference, and an onion grown from the seed this year, that measured 31 inches can be seen in the garden of a man in Fannin county.

Day-break prayer meetings are a novel feature of the colored Methodist revival going on in the east part of town.— Bonham News.

This week the track upon the Denison & Southeastern railroad, will reach Leonard's point thirteen miles from Whitewright. The company built one house and laid off the town last week.

Willis, July 19.— P. L. Elmore, a young merchant at Old Waverly, shot himself through the heart in his store to-day, at about 1 P. M., dying instantly. He was under the influence of liquor, and had been so for several days.

The cotton crop of Fannin county is about made.

The State health officer, Dr. Rutherford, has gone on an official trip to New Orleans. His purpose is to investigate for his own satisfaction and the sure protection of Texas from yellow jack this summer. He meets with the right kind of treatment at the hands of the board of health of New Orleans.

It is understood the Dallas and Wichita railroad will be pushed northwesterly from Denton to the iron and coal regions, between the Big and Little Wichita rivers, immediately after connection with Whitesboro.

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