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TREES IN TEXAS.

The subject of growing trees is attracting unusual interest in Western Texas this year. Last season more interest was displayed in this branch of industry than during any previous year and now farmers and settlers are becoming fully alive to the importance of this subject. Shade and ornamental trees are being planted in front yards and about the dwellings as rapidly as it is practical for new comers to invest in them, and older settlers are thus beautifying and improving their houses to a very gratifying degree. But the most interest is taken in fruit trees; among these the peach, pear, plum, apricot, nectarine and many varieties of grape and strawberries, in their respective order, are being rapidly introduced. The wild goose plum grows excellently in this climate and is a delicious fruit. Among our people the Montrose strawberry is becoming the favorite, because it grows well in dry climate.

The interest taken in the cultivation of trees is so extensive in this section at least three nurseries in the State are strictly engaged in the budding and shipment of trees, while one or two others outside our borders have their agents and salesmen traversing the country.—Austin Review.

This matter of tree cultivation should receive more attention all over this western country. Here in Clarendon if every property owner would set out one or two dozen trees every season on each residence lot he or she may possess we would in a short time be in the midst of a young forest whose innumerable benefit would more than pay them for all the labor

and care necessary to protect them.

Who will be the first one to set the example?

ASSASSINATION OF THE CZAR.

On March 13th as the Emperor of Russia was returning in a carriage with the Grand Duke Michel Manege, there was thrown a bomb which exploded beneath the body of the imperial carriage. The Czar alighted unhurt, but he had scarcely taken a step when a second bomb exploded at his feet, shattering both legs below the knee and inflicting other injuries. The Czar lingered an hour and a half.

From our exchanges we glean the following partial history of his life.

Alexander Nicolaivitch was born on the 29th of April 1818, he was married on the 28th of April 1841, one day before his twenty-third birthday. He accended the throne on the 2nd of March, 1855. He was a nephew of the present Emperor of Germany.

THIS IS FOR MEN ONLY.

The following is not intended for the ladies. We call particular attention to this fact to avoid any misunderstanding that might arise if any should accidentally peruse it. We know they will skip it now after we have called attention to the matter.

BEWARE LADIES—DON'T READ.

If she had to stand by her head. If she knew she'd get at it somehow. This poem she's already read. Now, we'll bet ten cents to a farthing. If she gets the least kind of a show. But you bet she'll find it out somehow. It's something she ought not to know. If there is anything worrier a woman.

WOMAN'S GLOSSARY

The position taken by Senator Mahone, of Virginia, will give the republicans control of the Senate by the Vice President, as soon as the Senators elected or appointed to fill vacancies in Iowa, Minnesota and Maine shall have taken their seats. With David Davis voting with the Democrats the roll will stand—democrats, 38; republicans, (with Mahone), 38. Just here is a point at which it becomes important to have the vote of the Vice President.—Ex.

During 1880 there were driven from Texas into northern states and territories 394,684 head of cattle. With two exceptions, this was the largest number ever driven north in one year

since 1866. 1871, 600,000 head were driven, and in 1873 about 400,000. About 4,000,000 head have been driven from Texas in fifteen years.—Stock Journal.

Instead of calling the months by ridiculous old names, derived from the Latin, we should describe them by names would suggest the most prominent qualities of the months. That would enable children to learn the names readily on the Kindergarten plan, as applied Mr. Squeers. The months, if this sensible plan were adopted, would be named as follows: January, would be Slushuary; February, Slopuary; March, Winduary; April, Rainuary; May, Buduary; June, Warmuary; July, Roastuary; August, Broiluary; September, Chiluary; October, Colduary; November, Frostuary; December, Snowuary.

Not long since at Gold Run, Cal., a man by the name of Taylor slipped into a flume in which the water was running at so fearful a rate that, like a flash, he was carried through the flume, a distance of one hundred feet, then over the dump, a fall of eight feet, then down the canyon stream, a further distance of five hundred feet, before he could possibly stop his involuntary journeying. With the exception of a few flesh bruises he escaped without injury.

The Clarendon Choir is a decided success. It is composed of eleven active, working members, and the different parts are well sustained. Mrs. Murdock, formerly of Henrietta, and an accomplished musician, is the organist. The music rendered, would be a credit to a church choir in a city of ten or twenty thousand inhabitants.

There is a gilded rooster on the steeple of the Congregational Church at Newton, Connecticut, which bears the marks of bullets made during the war of the revolution. It is 112 years old. The bell has been in the steeple over a century.

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Geo. Osborn lost one of his best horses by the prairie fire last week.

Mr. Thompson our adobe maker expects to build a residence this season.

E. J. Rising Esq. came down from Mobeetie last Friday looking hale and hearty.

L. G. Colman one of the extensive stock men of this section, paid us a short visit week before last.

The Quarterly Meetings at Cambridge and Sherman were held on the 13th and 21st of March.

Several entire blocks will be enclosed in town and planted to gardens this year.

Messrs. Wright, Morse, Freeman and Stamm will each fence in their farms more or less completely this spring.

Messrs. Bell and Morrison paid us a visit last week; both gentlemen spoke of the decided improvement in the appearance of our town.

Geo. Osborn is doing a fine job of painting on Van Horn & Co's. new store.

James A. M. Glenn Esq. has returned after a visit of some length at Mobeetie. We are glad to see him among us once more.

Messrs. Forest and McClelland came in from the "brakes" Monday night. They are busy filling their cedar contracts.

The annual round-up of stock will be a laborious and extensive affair this spring. Losses of stock have not been severe even during this exceedingly rigorous winter.

A small party of colored people were met near Vernan, with good teams and outfit, whom, we are informed are enroute for our country on a tour of observation.

We are informed that the contractors on the mail route between Fort Griffin and Mobeetie will soon place buckboards on the route from Clarendon south, connecting here with the stage from Elliott. Good!

The Clarendon Choir, in connection with the Sabbath School intends giving a Sabbath evening concert, on

Sabbath eve, April 10th. Arrangements are being made for the holding of monthly concerts.

Norman Holcomb Esq. leaves in a few days to take charge of the farm at Mr. Summerfield's home ranch. Although sorry to say good bye to Mr. H we are quite sure that he is just the man for the position. Can he farm? "That's just what he can do."

Judge J. G. Murdock and family arrived last week. The Judge made many friends while here on a short visit some time since and we are happy to extend to him, and his, a cordial welcome.

Plows by the dozen are running along the red river valley in Hardeman Wilbarger, and Wichita counties.

Mr. J. Summerfield, well known to all of our citizens, arrived from Sherman last week, having made the trip in seven days. He was enroute to his ranch at the head of the Pala Dura.

Messrs. Cheeney, Williams and Yeckley came in from their sheep range on Monday; although these gentlemen have had a tough time this winter on account of the extreme winter they appear to be in good spirits as to their future prospects. We are glad to see this as they are all number one men and deserve to be prospered.

Mr. W. T. Clancy one of the solid business men of Alamosa, Iowa, arrived on the stage last Friday night, the principle object of his visit is to get a better idea of our cattle interests with a view to making some investments in that direction. Mr. Clancy is a genial and courteous gentleman one with whom it is a pleasure to converse. We hope that he may find it to his advantage to become one of us.

Nelson Trumbull late of Clay County has arrived in town with his family and purposes settling among us. Mr. T is an industrious and energetic man and means business in whatever he undertakes. We esteem the family a valuable accession to our community and especially so to our school, in as much as he has several children which he propose to send to send We wish and bespeak for them abundant success.

Hiram and Harvy Drake two young men from Clay County are in town looking about to see where they can strike a bonanza. They are desirous of employment at some cattle ranch. From a personal acquaintance with the boys we commend them to the stock men of the PanHandle as being steady and trustworthy young men of good habits.

"Notes by the Way" will probably be followed by sketches of travel during the spring and summer, if the time of the writer is not too overcrowded with other affairs. We welcome letters and contributions from all parts of the west and southwest or from our friends abroad.

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The Clarendon Public Library will be open on next Monday night at the school house. Two ladies will be in attendance to welcome visitors and a cordial invitation is given to all who may wish to pass a social hour or who would like to obtain books or late papers. The Library will be open hereafter on Monday and Friday evenings and Saturday afternoons.

This enterprise is in the hands of those who are determined to make it a success. New books will be received regularly and new attractions will be presented from time to time. Entertainments will be given monthly.

Any one willing to contribute to the library in the way of books or periodicals will please send them to either of the following ladies: Mrs. Mattie Kimball, Mrs. O. L. Stamm or Mrs. A. T. Drake.

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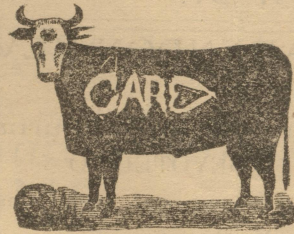
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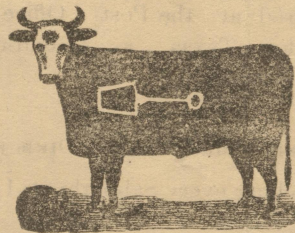
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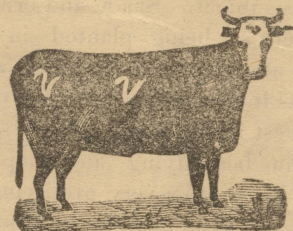
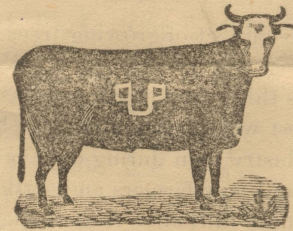
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E. E. & L. H. CARHART,

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NOTES BY THE WAY.

March 3rd. at Morrisons, 25 miles from Clarendon.

So busy yesterday I didn't get time to jot down one word of the days doing but if you'll forgive me dear old journal I'll try hard to do better in the future. Such lots of baking and cooking to be done, a flour sack of cookies, the same of doughnuts, ham to boil and bread to bake, pickles to pack, and bedding to be provided, and then the home must be left in safe condition such a sorting over of things to take and things to leave, a person who has never left home for the season knows nothing about it. Then in the evening just as I sat down to take a last stitch in came Mrs. K and said "you're going to have company and forthwith the room was filled with friends and neighbors, and the way our tongues did run, and the violin and guitar music by the young men made the evening so pleasant I quite forgot to be tired, till they were all gone and I had gone to bed to dream of the journey on the morrow. Mr. Mertz goes in company on a business trip, the Elder goes to his district work the children go along for the fun of it and I—well its always safe to have a woman along.

Such a bustle and confusion as we had this morning packing our wagon and getting things ready to leave. The neighbors were so thoughtful and kind, surely Clarendon is blessed in the kindly feeling and acts of its citizens for each other. So many "good byes" to be said, and so many last things to be done we did not get started till eleven o'clock, and then it was with a feeling more of regret than pleasure that we turned our backs upon Clarendon and our faces south and eastward. We only reached Carroll Creek however when we discovered that some of the necessities of the trip had been left behind, so while the Elder walked back then we had a little parting visit with friends who had accompanied us that far.

At the top of the hill two miles from town we found the prairie all on fire, it had just reached the rail fence around Mr. Wright's stack when we first saw it, and spread so rapidly that for a time we thought we would have to burn a place to wait upon and allow the fire to pass us, but by hard driving we kept ahead of it, and when we stopped for lunch at the Lakes, we were almost out of sight of it. As we looked back from a distance on the way, we could see the smoke, in black pillars from the ground to the sky looking like a water spout, and moving rapidly before the strong west wind, which reminded me of the pillar of clouds which moved before the Israelites of old. I don't know why our life here in this new country so often reminds me of the history of the old

Jewish people, unless that here we seem to depend so specially upon the guiding hand of God. After eating a lunch at the lakes, we drove on to Morrison's Ranch where we arrived about dark, and were warmly greeted by Mr. Morrison Sen. who was waiting supper for some of the men who had gone to see where the fire was. We drove our wagon up near the house, and have just hung our lighted lantern under the bows and will spend our first night in our over land sleeping coach as comfortably as if at home. I think there never was a better arranged wagon for this frontier travel. We can lie and read all day and sleep all night if we wish with perfect comfort. But the children are sleepy so I must not write more to-night.

4th. This morning we spied some turkeys just as we left Morrison's ranch, and the Elder had an opportunity to display his skill, but as usual when he aims at game he failed to bring them down. I was more sorry for his disappointment than for the loss of the turkeys, he was so sure of his aim.

Mr. Mertz rode ahead a little and went to Curtis ranch while we turned across a shorter road and made fire about noon and had coffee ready by the time he joined us bringing a large piece of beef. I packed the dishes while the children dug wells in the sandy creek bottom and Mertz and the Elder hitched up the mules and were soon on our way again and reached this place about 5 o'clock which is a splendid camping ground down behind a blackberry grove and while the children fed the fire, and Mertz hunts for turkeys in the neighboring trees, and the Elder lounges on the ground, with pencil in hand and valise for writing table, I write these lines sitting on the spring wagon seat while the fire light gleams and dances across the page. No happier hearts probably in all the glittering pageant of the Washington's Inaugural to-day, than this lone quintette around this glorious camp fire.

6th. Did not write yesterday but I must put down our crossing of Red River which always brings to my mind the children of Israel crossing the Red Sea for we go over dry shod. The river here contains scarcely any water, but a sand bed nearly a mile wide.

7th. Sabbath. We had intended to rest at least part of the day, but the rain began to fall before we had finished our breakfast and the Baby declared that under the wagon was good enough for her, we thought best to travel on and find shelter. It rained a little all day and we sang and talked by turns till we reached Worsham's head quarter ranch, where Mr. Jones settled his reputation in our opinion as a cook and a gentleman in the kind entertainment we enjoyed. After dinner we drove on, crossed Pease River and found shelter for the night under Mr. Rector's hospitable roof.

8th. This has been a beautiful day and we have made a good drive, camping to-night on Tenth Cavalry Creek.

9th. We have come through such

nice country to-day, good farming lands of Wichita county; we ate dinner on Gilbert Creek, so warm that the shade was very grateful, and at 4 o'clock crossed the Big Wichita.

9th. We reached Henrietta yesterday just in time to eat dinner with Bro. Murdock and wife, whom we found all ready packed to start for the PanHandle. He with his family and Mr. Trumball and family start to-morrow morning. Several others are anxious to go, and two or three will probably move during the summer.

Mr. Mertz starts for Gainesville this morning and we are to stop at Cambridge over Sunday with Bro. Adams for Quarterly Meeting.

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THE WOMAN'S TEMPERANCE CRUSADE.

The Woman's Temperance Crusade was commenced at Hillsboro, Ohio, in December, 1873. "It was an assault on the liquor traffic all along the line by heroic, determined women, whose motto was VICTORY OR DEATH!" It was conducted under the leadership of such noble Christian women as Mrs. Annie Whittenmyer, Miss Frances E. Willard, Mrs. Eliza J. Thompson, Mrs. Sarah Knowles Bolton, Mrs. S. K. Leavitt, Mrs. Jennie Fowler Willing, Mrs. Mary T. Bunt, Mrs. Mary C. Johnson and many others, all of whom were women of the highest character, and of the first social standing. For more than two years the conflict raged throughout the northern states. Mass-meetings were held; prayer meetings were held in the streets and in the saloons; thousands of saloons were broken up and their keepers converted to temperance and Christianity; town councils and state legislatures were visited and addressed and society was shaken as if by an earthquake. Never in the world's history was such moral heroism displayed as that shown by these temperance crusaders. Having accomplished its mission the crusade campaign was closed, and the Woman's National Christian Temperance Union was organized, and under its banner the women have, during the last five years, been conducting a regular siege against the liquor traffic. Kansas has already surrendered and we hope they will soon invade Texas. Then let the women of Texas set the battle in array. A movement is now being inaugurated to have the prohibition question submitted to the voters of our state at the next general election but it cannot be carried without the active co-operation of the women of Texas. One earnest, Christian woman can do more for the promotion of any moral reform than a score of men can do.—Ex.

Temperance men wishing to found settlements where no liquor can be sold, will be interested in the decision of the United States Supreme Court in the case of the Colorado Springs settlement. Building lots were sold with the condition annexed that intoxicating liquors should never be vended nor manufactured on them, and this condition having been violated by a grantee, who attempted to open a bar-room, suit was brought to eject him. His defence was that a man has a right to do anything not

prohibited by law on his own property; but the Supreme Court has decided against him, and has adjudged his title forfeited by his breach of the condition in his grant.—Galveston News.

Our representative, Matlock of Montague has the honor of presenting and pressing the recent temperance agitation at Austin. We are proud of the man, and pray for the blessing of God and the people upon the endeavor to banish the rum traffic from our State. We understand that a small majority favors the bill. Let every true man and woman awake and by all means agitate and press the matter until we triumph.

We are sorry our PanHandle people and notably our dwellers at Clarendon did not send in a stout and radical petition praying also for this thing.

HUMOROUS.

Senator-elect Sewell, of New Jersey, is a man of sweet disposition. He can say a compliment to a lady without making her husband jealous.

HORSE-DEALER.—"Although he is gentle, you won't find him lazy. He finished up an old lady last week, and I advise you to decide whether you want him now, for there are three married men making up their minds about him already."

THE HORSE THIEF IN POETRY.

He found a rope, and picked it up,
And with it walked away;
It happened that to t'other end
A mule was hitched they say.
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