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MONITOR WIND MILLS, the Noiseless Light Running Kind. WE SELL THEM

HIGGINBOTHAM-CURRIE COMPANY

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A SUCCESSFUL REUNION INSURED

Ballinger Merchants Put Up Liberally to Entertain Visitors.

Secretary Lee Maddox has made the rounds this week soliciting funds for the Commercial Club, most which will be used in defraying the expenses of the forthcoming reunion. He has met with success, which is evident by the following report:

Citizens National Bank	\$100.00
Ballinger State Bank	25.00
First National Bank	25.00
Hall Hardware Co.	50.00
Giesecke Bennett Co.	25.00
R. A. Risser & Co.	25.00
Harry Scott	25.00
Jones, Walton & Co.	12.50
Winkler Dry Goods Co.	12.50
Concho Lumber Co.	10.00
Ballinger Dry Goods Co.	12.50
Van Pelt & Kirk	12.50
Lankford & Hathaway	15.00
G. M. Vaughn	12.50
Sunflower Shoe Store	10.00
R. L. Shaffer	10.00
City Drug Store	10.00
Hardin & Bateman	10.00
Ballinger Lumber Co.	10.00
Bourland & Thomas Co.	5.00
Jno. G. Key	5.00
M. B. Marten	5.00
T. J. Kinzer	5.00
W. H. Davis	5.00
Dr. J. H. Grant	5.00
Mixon & Bair	5.00
Currie Grocery Co.	5.00
Ledger	5.00
E. O. Shawe	5.00
Banner Leader	5.00
R. A. Terry	5.00
Dornberger & Hopkinson	5.00
The Globe	5.00
Owl Pharmacy	2.50

He is not through with the subscription list and in case your name is not included in the above list, don't get excited. Just be quiet he will get to you, and all additional subscribers will be published in next week's paper. The Club needs all the money it can raise. It will require considerable to defray the expense of the reunion, and there are other matters suffering for want of attention, and the Club must look after them to say nothing of some obligations that must be met at once. Get on the honor roll for all your conscience will stand for.

B. Y. P. U. Program

Subject—Faith
 Leader—Auda Gustavus
 Opening Exercise
 Scriptural Reading, Galatians 3; 5 to 29 Inc. by Leader.
 Song.
 What Faith enacted Abraham to accomplish, paper—Miss Sanders.
 Song
 Justification of the Heathern, paper—Mrs. McKay.
 The Life of the Just, address W. B. Currie.
 Song.
 What we can accomplish by Faith, by Bro. Hudson
 Closing Exercises

HOME STEAM LAUNDRY BURNS

Blaze Wednesday Night Damage Wash Factory \$1000

The fire company succeeded in saving the Home Steam Laundry owned by W. A. Talley, from total loss Wednesday night. Fire was discovered in the laundry about one o'clock Thursday morning and was under good head way when the alarm was turned in. A frame building standing at the rear of the main building was first to catch on fire and it had burned down when the fire company reached the scene, and the fire was eating its way into the main building which is a stone building. The fire company checked the fire after it had burned out the back end of the main building and saved the main building from being a total loss.

The ware room and the engine room were totally destroyed and the stone building and its contents were considerably damaged. The total loss will probably figure up close to \$1000 and Mr. Talley has no insurance. Workman are already at work repairing the building and the laundry will be ready for business by Aug. 1st. Mr. Talley has arranged to have his work done at Brownwood until that time.

Sensibles Take First Game

A slow game, but a fairly good one was played on the Ballinger diamond yesterday between the White Sox, of San Angelo, and the Ballinger Sensibles. A slow drizzle rain, in the first two innings of the game made the attendance light. Very little interest was manifested in the game.

The first three men up for the Sensibles scored and the White Sox scored in the second inning and two in the fourth. The sensibles scored again in the seventh and the game ended in a score of 4 to 3 in favor of the Sensibles.

Score by Innings:
 Sensibles 3 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 4
 White Sox 0 1 0 2 0 0 0 0 3
 Summary: Batteries, Griffin and Newman, Miller and Williams; struck out, by Griffin 11, by Miller 13, Base on balls, off Griffin 2, off Miller 6. Hits, White Sox 5, Sensibles 7. Errors, White Sox 3, Sensibles 5.

Shooting at Comanche

Representative Gains of Comanche shot his opponent Reese Thursday in Comanche. These gentlemen were rival candidates for the Legislature, and have been saying rough things about each other during the campaign. Reese is not expected to live.

"Go you one better" 15 bars soap 25 cents at M. D. Chastains.

TWO BUSY NIGHTS FOR FIRE BOYS

Home Steam Laundry, Ballinger Mattress Factory and Ostertag Furniture Co. Destroyed, at Loss of \$30,000.00

OSTERTAG FURNITURE COMPANY HEAVY LOSERS

The fire bugs, if there be such a thing in Ballinger, got in a very damaging night's work last night. About 1:30 o'clock fire was discovered in the Ballinger Mattress Factory, and the interior of the building and the contents were destroyed, the fire company reaching the scene in time to save the hull of the building. This fire occurred just across the street from the Home Steam Laundry which burned the night before, and occurring under such peculiar circumstances caused considerable comment and suspicion.

The Mattress Factory was established the early part of this year, the promoters being Lankford & Hathaway and W. A. Talley, and it will be remembered that Mr. Talley owned the laundry that burned the night before. The plant was a modern one and was installed at a cost of about \$1,500. The company carried insurance to the extent of \$500 in the Lee Maddox agency.

The fire company stopped the mattress factory fire and returned to the fire station about three o'clock and at 4:30 they were called out to fight flames at the mammoth furniture store of Ostertag Furniture Co. Fire was discovered coming from the rear windows of the second story of that building. The fire boys responded promptly and for over an hour applied four big streams of water to the fire but the contents being of an inflammable nature and fire with a good start succeeded in eating its way through the composition roof and leaped high until the building was gutted and the fine stock of furniture etc was destroyed. By heroic work the fire boys kept the fire confined to the one building, and the adjoining stores, Hartman & McAdams on one side and Weatherall's saloon on the other were not damaged in the least.

Ostertag Furniture Co. carried perhaps the largest stock of furniture of any house in this section of the state, and were also undertakers, having a large supply of undertaking goods on hand. Their stock amounted to about \$20,000, and their building cost over \$7,000. Their loss is estimated at reasonable figures to be \$25,000, and they carried

insurance for less than 40 per cent of the loss, having \$2,000 on the building in the Austin, \$2,500 on the building in the Reciprocal Underwriters of San Antonio, \$1,000 on the stock in the Southern National, \$1,000 on the stock in the German American, \$1,000 in the Austin, \$1,000 in the Phoenix, \$1,000 in the Scotchish, \$2,000 in the Northern British Mercantile, \$1,000 in the Home, and \$750 in the Hartford, a total of \$13,250 on the stock and building.

The warehouse well filled with furniture and in which was the hearse located just back of the store caught fire from the main building but burned very little; the damage in this department will be from water.

The Bush & Gerts Music Co. of Dallas shipped a car of pianos here about two weeks ago and had them on display at Ostertag Furniture Co. They were closing their sale, to-day being the last day, and they moved all the pianos except eight out the evening before. We understand that these pianos were valued at about \$3000 and were fully covered by blanket insurance.

Three disastrous fires in two in one nights, and occurring under such peculiar circumstances has caused considerable sensation and every body is of the opinion that all the fires were started from the match of some vandal, and the officers will make a rigid investigation.

Fire Notes.

The Ballinger Mattress Factory will be rebuilt.

All the boys did splendid work and all deserve special mention.

Work is under headway rebuilding the Home Steam Laundry.

The light plant suffered a loss of something like \$100 for light meters.

The Telephone company lost the phones in the fires amounting to \$25 or \$30

Money was raised in a short time after the fire this morning to buy suits for the fire boys.

Four big streams of water and a strong pressure encouraged the boys to fight the flames to a finish.

Ballinger has a water works engineer that is a dandy. He

has the pump going when the boys say "Give us water".

A big fire in the middle of a block under most any kind of circumstances would get the block, but the fire boys delivered the goods.

The Ernest Plummer agency carried \$6,000 of the risk, Lee Maddox \$3,250, T. A. Tidwell \$2,000 and \$2,500 was carried by a San Antonio Company.

Fire Chief Globber requests us to notify all parties to keep away from the fire hose during a fire and not to yell and holler, giving orders. It confuses the fire boys.

The limit would not be too bad to give the vandal who starts a fire, destroying thousands of dollars worth of property and endangering life.

Ostertag Furniture Co. composed of Joe Ostertag, Will Dunlap and Will Schleyer, have not given out a statement as to their future plans but they will very probably come again as soon as matters can be adjusted.

The phone girls deserve credit for the prompt answer to the many inquiries about the fire. Had you ever thought how many calls flow into the central office at one time when the fire alarm is given? Just as many as there is phones in the home of the people.

W. A. Talley has the sympathy of his friends in loss sustained in the laundry and mattress factory fires. This has been an unfortunate year for Mr. Talley. It will be remembered that he lost his baby being burned and only a few weeks ago he lost his wife. It seems that trouble never comes single handed.

Mollie Bailey Coming.

Mollie Bailey's great show is billed to be in Ballinger the three days of the reunion. Lee Maddox closed a contract in which the Commercial Club gets ten per cent of the receipts of the Mollie Bailey Show. Mrs. Bailey has not been to Ballinger with her show in two years, and since here she has enlarged her show and quit traveling through the country. She has her own train and has made wonderful improvements in her show.

Scratch Everything except "For the Submission"

HERE IS THE WAY THE TWO QUESTIONS WILL APPEAR ON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT:

"FOR THE SUBMISSION by the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas of a constitutional amendment to the people of the State of Texas for their adoption or rejection, prohibiting within the State of Texas the manufacture, sale, gift, exchange and interstate shipment of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication, except for medicinal and sacramental purposes."

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FELIX M. SHAW DIES SUDDENLY

A Former Runnels County Stockman Dies at San Antonio

Felix M. Shaw, a stockman widely known in Southwest Texas, died last night at 9:30 o'clock at the family residence, 323 west Woodlawn Avenue, leaving his widow and four children surviving.

Mr. Shaw had been ill ten days as the result of becoming overheated while at his ranch at Carrizo Springs, Dimmit county. He was directing his men in the branding of cattle when stricken and his wife and Dr. Amos Graves Sr. were sent for, going to Uvalde in a special train and from that point in an automobile. Mr. Shaw was brought to San Antonio and stood the hard trip very well, and it was not thought until a few days ago that this illness might prove fatal termination.

A brother living at Fort Worth his father, J. H. Shaw, and a sister of Austin were summoned to his bedside and were present when the end came.

Mr. Shaw was a native Texan being born November 24, 1859 in Travis county, near Austin. He has resided in Texas all his life and had built up a comfortable stock and ranching business five years ago Mr. Shaw came to San Antonio with his family and has resided here since that time.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 5 o'clock at the family residence, Rev. E. D. Mouzon officiating. The list of pallbearers is as follows: Honorary Dr. Amos Graves Sr., George W. West, W. J. Moore Sr., C. C. Clamp, W. B. Blocker, Lane Taylor, V. P. Brown, Thomas C. Frost; active, John B. Blocker, J. T. Woodhull, A. H. Jones, A. E. Mitchell, W. H. Jennings, W. J. Moore Jr., J. W. Kokernot, J. M. Kincaid.—San Antonio Express.

Felix Shaw was one of the pioneer citizens of this county and is well acquainted among the early settlers and the many friends of the family will be grief stricken to hear of his death. Tom Shaw a brother of the deceased lived here up to within a year ago when he moved to Fort Worth.

UNCLE JOHNNIE DISTURBING PEACE

Peddlers, Merchants and City Gents Gets
a Few Pointers. Credit System
Condemned

The tree peddler is abroad in the land.

One of these, not knowing my repugnance to peddlers, approached me the other day and I told him: "Yes I want to buy a lot of trees, but there may be a difference between my price and yours." The tree man seemed to be surprised that I had a "price." He said he would make the price all right, and I said: "No I'll make the price." He seemed still more surprised that I wanted to make the price on his goods. I told him that if he would sell me the tree as cheap as I could buy them elsewhere, I would give him my order. He jumped at the proposition and said he would compete with any man, and that he would sell me his finest peach tree at only 25 cents apiece. I said, "Well we are not very far apart. I can get all the trees I want for five cents apiece and I reckon since that would give me five trees for the price of one of yours, I had better order my own trees as I know the man I am getting them from."

The agent has to have something like \$60 per month for going around and taking these orders. Would it not be good business to give him a little gooseneck hoe, a big fat lemon

We Buy The Best For You

We appreciate our trade and we use every precaution to guard against inferior grades or brands of anything. The Best is what we give you, and stand ready any time to make good in case what you buy from us is not just as represented. We realize that if anything should be pure and of the best to be had it is medicine-Drugs. We take great pride in holding up the standard, and allowing nothing but the best to be sold to our customers.

Our Prescription Department

Is based on the best drugs accurately compounded. Accuracy in filling prescriptions is of vital importance. It won't cost any more to secure our service and you'll know you're safe.

**Walker
Drug
Co.**

and save thousands of dollars to the country in this way.

I generally keep a sign nailed up on my big gate down in front of the house: "Agents keep out."

Now, these agents are nice gentlemen, polite and affable, and we don't blame them for selling five cent tree for two-bits, if they can find somebody to sell them to.

But it is a part of Uncle Johnnie mission here on earth to see that they don't find many people here below, to sell trees for five prices. The nurseryman will sell you all the trees you want from five to ten cents apiece.

I have bought hundreds of them at that price. The man that I have been getting them from is responsible and he is making more money on trees than the average cotton grower is on cotton. Did you ever stop to figure on how many trees will grow on an acre of land. They will grow as thick as cotton in three feet rows.

The Runnels county farmers and the Texas farmers are mighty tired of being buccooed and beat out of his hard earnings. The farming communities are very prosperous and the average farmer has been easy to work but he is going to balk some of these days and kick out of the harness. Every leech and blood sucker that comes along, and there is one borned every second, jumps on the unsuspecting farmer. If the farmer gives him the frozen face he goes off and tells somebody that "the old crust back yonder is a scally citizen"

When an agent comes to me with hard tales on my neighbor he raises that neighbor in my estimation 100 per cent.

The country gentleman is going to demand his rights. When he goes to town he puts his team in the the wagon yard or livery stable and goes to the hotel and pays his fare. If the town man goes to the country he is entertained at the farmers home without money and without price and some big melons piled on his buggy the next morning. That's the difference.

If the country town has a big blowout and the county people are invited to attend and help swell the crowd, they must bring "a well filled basket," or fill up on gunny bread and half cooked beef.

If the city gent is invited to the country picnic he is treated to the best that the earth can produce. Did you ever think about it? And then if the country customer saves 33 1-3 per cent on an article ordered himself, instead of getting the merchant to order it for him the merchant gets his back away up on his shoulders and threatens to "close his books" against all farmers, and by the way it would be the finest thing on earth if he would. The credit system is worse than tree peddlers. Both together are worse than either. Lets abolish them.

"UNCLE JOHNNIE

Intermediate League Program

Subject—The Converted Life.
Leader—Miss Pearl Jackson
Opening Song.
Topic I—Miss Effie McKay
Song
Topic II—Miss Doris Wynne.
Select Reading—Miss Billie Gustavus
Song
Topic III—James Cockrell
Topic IV—Miss Orlie Williams.
Song.
Prayer
Topic V—Fred Mixon
Quartet—May Buttler, Lilla Thomas, Maymee Godwin and Minta Starkey.
Select Reading—Miss Lucille Powell
Song
League Benediction

Ladies tan and black oxfords \$3.00 quality, \$2.20. W. A. Gustavus & son.

POURS OIL OVER HIMSELF

Aged Frenchman at Buffalo Gap Commits
Suicide in Most Horrible Way.

Abilene, Texas, July 19.—Jacques de Vill, an aged Frenchman residing near Buffalo Gap, today poured oil over himself and set the oil afire, which resulted in his death.

He had been subject to mental aberration for several years and it is supposed the deed was done while laboring under one of these spells.

The deceased is a native of France, but had resided in the neighborhood of Buffalo Gap for several years pursuing the occupation of a market gardener. The last few months he had been in feeble health, and at the time of his death was being cared for by one of his neighbors. He was unmarried, and so far as known leaves no relatives in this county.

Die By Own Haud

Five accounts of suicides were published on the page of last Sundays Fourth Worth Record.

Dannie Mitchell shot himself with a 44 pistol at Iredell Texas.

Jacques de Ville, a Frenchman, at Buffalo Gap, poured oil over himself and touched a match to his clothing.

Mrs. Will Cunningham died at Denton from drinking carbolic acid.

Miss Effie Cantrell of Bellvue shot herself with a target rifle.

Chas. Stoval a deaf mute at Austin, cut his own throat.

Five suicides in one day in Texas, and maybe more. It seems that in most of the five cases the parties were in a demented condition.

For Sale, On Easy Terms

Five residence lots, constituting one half block, in Woodward heights Addition to the city of Ballinger, each 60x40, two corner lots, and thrite inside lots, nice smoothe lots, tilted good.

Will sell corner lots for \$75.00 each \$15 cash, balande \$5.00 per month. inside lots \$60.00 each \$15.00 cash, balance \$5.00 per month.

A good way to invest in a small way your earnings.
C. P. SHEPHERD
Ballinger Texas

Democratic Executive Committee Meeting.

By virtue of the power vested in me as chairman, I hereby issue call for a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Democratic Party of Runnels county, to meet in my office in Ballinger on Saturday, August 1st, for the purpose of counting the election returns of the July Primary.

Jno. I. Guion,

Chairman Runnelu Co. Democratic Executive Committee.

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File your application now.
For a catalogue address S. E. Andrews, Secretary, College Station, Texas.

IT'S YOUR KIDNEYS

Don't Mistake the Cause of
Your troubles. A Ballinger
Citizen Show How
to Cure Them

Many people never suspect their kidneys. If suffering from a lame, weak or aching back they think that it is only a muscular weakness; when urinary trouble sets in they think it will soon correct itself. And so it is with all the other symptoms of kidneys disorder. That is just where the danger lies. You must cure these troubles or they may lead to diabetes or Bright's disease. The best remedy is to use Doan's Kidney Pills. It cures all ills which are caused by weak are diseased kidneys. Ballinger people testify to permanent cures.

J. E. Minshew, N. Fifth St. Ballinger, Tex., says, "My back some times ached so badly that I could not sleep at night. I felt tired and languid all the time from this, had an idea that my kidneys were out of order. Knowing of Doan's Kidney Pills I got a box from the Walker Drug Co. and commenced their use. I used this box and half the contents of the second and since then have had no trouble whatever from my kidneys. I can now sleep well and I am free from all pain.

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Forter-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—ane take no other,

Will Run for Only One Office

Ballinger, Tex. July 6, 1908.
To the voters of Justice Precinct No. 1:

I offered for two offices of county commissioner and justice of peace but I find a great many of our citizens are opposed to one man holdind both offices. Therefore in deference to the wishes of the people, I hereby withdraw from the race for county commissioner and respectfully ask your vote for justice of peace only.

Very respectfully,

43-3t J. A. DEMOVILLE

A Millionaire's Baby

attended by the highest priced baby specialist could not be cured of stomach or bowel trouble any quicker or surer than your baby if you give it McGee's Baby Elixir. Cures diarrhoea, dysentary and all derangements of the stomach or bowels. Price 25c and 50 cents. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Clean Clothes

Why not wear them? We clean and press your clothes by the month and give ten shoe shines, all for \$1.50 per month.

June, July and August are the hot dirty months on clothes. Let us clean your clothes these months.

20th Century Tailoring Co.,
(Next door to Alvis Bro's old grocery store)

A Contended Woman

is always found in the same house with Ballard's Snow Lintment. It keeps every member of the family, free from aches and pains, it heals cuts, burns and scalds and cures rheumatism neuralgia, lumbago and all muscular soreness and stiffness. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 a bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Notice to Stock Holders Union Warehouse

There will be a stockholders meeting of the Farmers Union Ware House Co., at the Court house in Ballinger, the first Monday in August. All Stock holders requested to be present.

3t G. W. Mathis, Mgr.

A rich man is the man who always has money. Put some of your money in the Citizens National Bank of Ballinger and you will begin to be rich right away.

I have just added a nice line of embroidery to my stock. Call and see how cheap it is being sold, Kinzer.

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EXCHANGE CLIPPINGS

Items of Interest to our Readers Culled from the Exchanges that Come to our Desk each Week. The Happenings in our Neighboring Towns

Winters News

Enterprise

Mrs. J. M. Boozier of Sweetwater spent several days this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hall.

On Tuesday night at 10 o'clock all that was mortal of Uncle Jerry Tinkle took its flight into the realms of the great beyond. A useful consecrated life has closed and the spirit in heaven will reap the reward of the deeds done in the body.

J. L. Allred traded W. A. Glenn 79 acres of land at \$30 near Pumphrey and took a 10 acre block at Hamlin for \$1,000 and sold it to Bob Fullerton at above figures and took 160 acres of Glascock county land at \$10.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Parten visited Ballinger Wednesday, returning Thursday. Mr. Parten stated to the Enterprise man that his cotton and feed crops were good but his potato patch was not very good. He always grows a variety of crops and has never yet made a failure.

The young people of town and surrounding neighborhood attended an entertainment at the pleasant home of Mrs. J. E. Oliver last night, which they pronounce the most enjoyable in many months. The entertainment was given in honor of Miss Lucile Reeder of Ballinger who is a guest of the family, and Miss Carrie Belle David gave valuable assistance in making the festivities complete. Delicious refreshments were served which added to the full enjoyment of the occasion.

Ballinger has Competition for Reunion. Brownwood Bulletin

It has been suggested that Brownwood invite the Mountain Remnant Brigade Veterans to hold their annual reunion in Brownwood during the summer of next year, and it is not altogether improbable that the invitation will be extended. Veterans of McCulloch and Menard counties will probably join a Brownwood delegation in an endeavor to bring the next meet to Brownwood.

T. S. Marsden a prominent veteran of Brady, says Brownwood would be a central point and is large enough to accommodate the rapidly increasing crowds. He says further that if a delegation will go from Brownwood to Junction City for the purpose of extending an invitation they

Heartburn Comes From the Stomach

The heart is an organ that people are not inclined to trifle with, but a person may have fluttering of the heart, heartburn and similar troubles and yet have a perfectly sound heart. Nine times out of ten the disorder comes from the stomach through dyspepsia, constipation or some other digestive ailment.

So instead of taking "heart cures" or other such things that contain stimulants and narcotics, take a harmless but effective remedy like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin which will correct the digestive disorder and in that way cure the supposed heart trouble. The remedy is guaranteed to do this, and you can obtain it of any druggist in 50 cent and \$1 bottles. As there are about 150 doses to the latter the cure will cost you but a few cents.

The experience of Mrs. Knight, of Bellview, Tenn., in this regard should be of interest to all who suffer from heartburn, etc. She writes that for five years she suffered from indigestion and constipation, from fainting spells, fluttering at the heart and heartburn. She couldn't eat meat or anything seasoned with meat. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin was recommended to her and after a few doses the indigestion and constipation was relieved and the fainting spells and heart trouble soon disappeared. She takes a dose of the remedy after eating and now never feels any ill effects no matter what she eats. It would be well for those who suffer in this way to do as she did and be cured.

There is no question that Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is the best tonic laxative and digestant at the disposal of the American people. It is gentle in action and pleasant in taste. It never gripes. It is the ideal remedy for stomach, liver and bowel complaints, and owing to its gentle action is especially to be recommended to children, women and others who cannot stand the violence and griping of salts, purgatives and cathartic tablets.

FREE TEST Those wishing to try Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin before buying can have a free sample bottle sent to their home by addressing the company. This offer is to prove that the remedy will do as we claim, and is only open to those who have never taken it. Send for it if you have any symptoms of stomach, liver or bowel disease. Gentlest yet most effective laxative for children, women and old folks. A guaranteed permanent home cure. THE PUBLIC VERDICT: "No Laxative So Good and Sure as DR. CALDWELL'S SYRUP PEPsin." This product bears purity guarantee No. 17, Washington, D. C.

PEPSIN SYRUP CO. 119 Caldwell Bldg., Monticello, Ill.

will receive the hearty support of the McCulloch delegation. The matter is being discussed and some steps may be taken to see if the big meet cannot be pulled to Brownwood.

Did it ever strike you how many ways of enjoying yourself there are at church. If you are really devout, there is an inestimable blessing for you. But if you are not so devout, you can, if the minister is able, enjoy listening to his words, for their informing and literary value. If he is not able, you can enjoy yourself thinking how much better you could do were you in his place. If he is positively feeble, or if you are not interested in his particular subject or in his way of treating it, you can go to sleep as comfortably there as in a chair car and, whatever other people may do, you will have a refreshing season. Then your feet will not swim and you will be bright and chipper on Monday morning, to take your part in the really important things of life. As a resort for a summer Sunday, church beats a railway excursion all to pieces. Try it.—Brownwood Bulletin.

A horse and buggy belonging to Prof. G. H. Carpenter were stolen from in front of the Methodist church at Brownwood last Wednesday night, and two days later a man giving his name as B. A. Blossgrove and claiming San Angelo as his home, was arrested in Brady while in possession of the rig. He had letters in his pocket addressed to him at Meridian, Miss. He claimed that he had bought the horse between Mercury and Brady.

Forty-four cars of grain have been shipped from Santa Anna this season. With a liberal supply of oats in the granaries, a large amount of fine hay cut and baled, a good corn crop practically assured and excellent prospects for at least an average cotton, crop Coleman county farmers have every reason to be in good spirits.—Menardville Messenger.

Glass Factory for Brownwood.

Parties here made an examination of the sand hills around Santa Anna, and found that the sand is of the kind that make the finest glass. A company is being organized composed of capitalists and a glass factory will be located at Brownwood, where gas is plentiful.

To Those Interested in a Musical Education

As pianoforte instructor I wish to offer my services in this city, beginning my class in September. I believe my qualifications sufficient to merit your patronage. I graduated in the Music Department of Baylor University in 1906, took two years post-graduate work receiving my Bachelor of Music degree in 1908. I hold a recommendation from my teacher who is director of the Department of Music in Baylor University.

Hattie Hutton, Ph.B., B.Mus.

Large Peaches.

Mrs. Ed O'Kelly presented the Banner-Leader with three peaches Monday of this week that were grown on the Stovall farm near Crews, this county which for size surpass anything we have seen this year.

They measured 9 1-2 inches in circumference and weighed 7 ounces.

For the next thirty days I will clean and polish your jewelry free. See me for fine watch and jewelry repairing.—B. F. Wiley at Owl Pharmacy.

ANTI-SALOON NOTES

(Published Under Direction of the Prohibition Committee)

Twenty-two months of no-licence in Kansas City. Kansas, has been amply sufficient to demonstrate to any fair-minded person, the economic value of a dry city. Despite the general business depression all over the country during these twenty-two months, the banks of Kansas City estimate that the saving of the people under the no-licence plan is about two and a half million dollars annually. During the twenty-two months that the city has been under no-licence the bank deposits have increased 35 per cent.

The declaration made by the liquor forces when the saloons and joints were abolished almost two years ago, that the grass would grow in Kansas City streets, and that large business interests would avoid the city, has not materialized, since twenty-seven new factories have been established during the dry period and a large number of new buildings have been erected and the postoffice receipts increased 18 per cent the first year.

The increase in assessed values on property for the first year was \$995,910, and the tax rate was reduced 20 cents on \$100 of assessed valuation. During the last year, Kansas City has paid off \$245,000 of its bonded indebtedness. The records of the city show less crime, less poverty and less suffering of every kind and instead of the city's being depopulated it has 11,000 more people than when saloons and joints were abolished.

The temperance reform on the Western Continent is evidently not confined to the United States and the Dominion of Canada. Old Mexico is feeling the effects of the crusade throughout the United States and steps have already been taken throughout the republic to limit the evils of the liquor traffic.

In Mexico City a large number of restrictions have recently been passed on the liquor traffic. The sale of liquors to minors has been prohibited and the federal and local licence has been increased.

In Morelia, the capital of Michoacan, the sale of liquor is now prohibited, except in original packages or in unopened bottles. No liquors can be drunk on the premises and drinking over the bar has been entirely done away with. Chihuahua has just adopted the same policy, and the law will go into effect there next September.

The Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M., of the State of Washington in its recent annual convention to members of the order makes an iron-clad rule prohibiting any Mason from engaging in the traffic of intoxicating liquors. The rule also provides that the violation of this order will in future be deemed a Masonic offence, and will be punished by expulsion.

A Golden Wedding

means that man and wife have lived to a good old age and consequently have kept good health. The best way to keep healthy is to see that your liniment does its duty 365 days out of 365. The only way to do this is to keep Ballard's Heabine in the house and take it whenever your liver gets inactive. 50c per bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Do You Itch?

The cup of human misery is never quite full until some form of itching skin disease is added. Then it overflows. Hunt's Cure is a specific for any itching trouble ever known. One application relieves. One box is guaranteed to cure any one case.

FOUND—A bundle of fishing tackle containing a minnow seine. Call at Leader office for particulars.

Northington---McAdams

John Q. McAdams, cashier of the Winters State Bank, came down from Winters Tuesday and returned at noon Wednesday with Miss Lela Northington as his bride.

This wedding was billed to take place the latter part of August, but circumstances were such that Mr. McAdams pressed his claim and the wedding was consummated Wednesday at noon at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. K. V. Northington, Rev. J. D. Leslie performing the ceremony.

The happy couple left immediately after the ceremony for Winters, where they were to meet an automobile from Abilene and expected to reach Abilene Wednesday night in time to attend the wedding of Mr. McAdams, sister.

Miss Lela is one of Ballinger's best girls. She has lived here for a number of years and her friends are numbered by her acquaintances. She had been elected to teach in the Rosebud schools, but on account of the engagement she could not accept the place.

Mr. McAdams has been cashier of the Winters State Bank since its establishment. He has many friends in Ballinger, and in his home town he is a strong factor in the progress of progressive Winters. The bank of which he is manager has prospered under his administration. A host of friends in Ballinger and Winters join The Leader in best wishes for Mr. and Mrs. McAdams through the remaining years of life.

It's Fine

C. M. Johnson Louisville, Ky. writes: "I have used your Hunt's Cure and it is fine." We have many similar letters. Hunt's Cure is a strictly guaranteed remedy for any variety of skin diseases. It stops itching instantaneously.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK

AT BALLINGER, STATE OF TEXAS at the close of business, July 15, 1908.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$355,519.30
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	11,161.48
U.S. Bonds to secure circulation	100,000.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	50,000.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	25,000.00
Other real estate owned	9,392.25
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	2,927.39
Due from State Banks and Banks	4,547.17
Due from approved reserve agents	62,603.12
Checks and other cash items	2,935.50
Notes of other National Banks	5,000.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	42.90
Specie	18,279.30
Legal-tender notes 2,400.00	20,679.30
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	2,200.00
Total	652,008.41

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	200,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	14,419.71
National Bank notes out standing	100,000.00
Due to other National Banks	1,503.21
Due to State Banks and Banks	1,259.59
Individual deposits subject to check	207,130.65
Time certificates of deposit	2,164.30
Certified checks	358.40
Cashier's checks outstanding	172.55
Notes and bills rediscounted	2,500.00
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	97,500.00
Total	652,008.41

State of Texas, County of Rummels } ss.

I, M. A. Traylor, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. A. Traylor, Cashier.

Correct:—Attest:

J. McGregor }
J. Wilmeth } Directors.
B. B. Stone }

Subscribed and sworn to before me

(L. S.) this 20th day of July, 1908.

Annie VanDoren, Notary Public

Recapitulation

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$355,519.30
Overdrafts Cotton	11,161.48
U.S. Bonds	100,000.00
Other Bonds	50,000.00

Bank Building Furniture and Fixtures	25,000.00
Real Estate	9,392.25
Cash in vault and with bank	100,935.38
Total	\$652,008.41

LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock Paid in	\$200,000.00
Surplus and Profits	39,419.71
Circulation	100,000.00
Bills Payable	97,500.00
DEPOSITS:	215,088.70
Total	\$652,008.41

Will Serve Dinner

The Ladies of the Methodist church will serve dinner to-morrow (Saturday) in the Wilke building on Seventh Street. Just below the Higginbotham Currie Co. lumber yard. Lots of good things to eat. Come, help the ladies and get a good dinner.

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work.

Fains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries.

It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail.

Home of Swamp-Root. free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Elmhurst, N. Y.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Elmhurst, N. Y., on every bottle.

Home of Swamp-Root. free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Elmhurst, N. Y.

LADIES

While Shopping Don't Forget to Attend the Ladies Department of The Ballinger Dry Goods Co.

5.00 Parasols	4.00		Agents for the 		4.00 Oxfords	3.50
3.50 "	3.10				3.50 "	3.10
2.25 "	1.80				3.00 "	2.55
1.50 "	1.20					
1.25 "	1.00					

LADIES' SKIRTS

We have the celebrated McDonald Skirts, excelled by none.

16.50 Voiles Silk Folds	-	\$13.20
15.00 " " "	-	12.00
12.50 " " "	-	10.00
10.00 " " "	-	8.00
7.50 Panamas	-	6.00
5.00 " " "	-	4.00

We have them in blue, black, brown and tan.

Muslin Underwear

We have now ready for your inspection one of the finest lines of Muslin Underwear ever shown in the market.

5.00 lace and embroid'y Gowns	\$4.00
3.50 " " "	2.80
2.75 " " "	2.20

Underskirts, Corsets, etc. at the same reductions. Don't fail to inspect these prices.

All Belts, Bags and Novelties will be Reduced

Ballinger Dry Goods Co.

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C. P. SHEPHERD, Bus. Mgr.

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If you have visitors or if you know
any item which would be of interest to
our readers, please phone us and if
necessary we will send our reporter out
to get data.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the
following candidates subject to the ac-
tion of the Democratic Primary:

FOR REPRESENTATIVE 102d DIST.:

BROWN F. LEE

FOR COUNTY JUDGE:

R. S. GRIGGS.

T. T. CROSSON

FOR SHERIFF AND TAX COL.:

R. P. (BOB) KIRK.

E. F. EDWARDS.

JIM FLINT

FOR COUNTY AND DIST. CLERK:

R. A. TERRY.

OVERTON L. PARISH

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY:

EDWARD S. MCCARVER.

W. E. SAYLE.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER:

T. J. STOCKS

S. J. (WALTER) CARPENTER

FOR TAX ASSESSOR:

EDWIN DAY.

FOR PUBLIC WEIGHER:

JOE SPOONTS.

FRANK STUART.

FOR SUPT. PUBLIC SCHOOLS:

E. L. HAGAN.

FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR:

J. E. POWELL.

FOR J. P. AND COMMISSIOER:

B. S. TAYLOR.

W. H. WEEKS.

J. A. DEMOVILLE.

FOR J. P. PRECINCT NO. 2:

A. D. TALLY

FOR CONSTABLE PRECINCT NO. 1

B. F. ALLEN

B. W. PILCHER

J. AUDICE REESE

The B. & A. will be built.
Now laugh.

Get busy for the success of
the Reunion.

From all indications, the man
who is elected Cotton Weigher
will have a fat job.

When the Santa Fe gets ready
to build that new stone passen-
ger station, Ballinger will be
ready to take hold and build the
proposed park, and it will be a
beauty.

The good lady of the house is
providing for a rainy day by
filling the pantry with nice jelly
and preserves. The fruit crop
is fine and sugar and fruit jars
are in demand.

A big barbecue, a big dance,
plenty "Get Wiser" mixed with
a good rain took place at Rowena
Monday. Most of the candidates
and quite a number of others
joined in the festivities of our
neighbor village.

Concho Beach is a new place
of amusement at San Angelo. A
stock company has been organ-
ized and a large bathing pool
provided, and San Angelo citi-
zens can now take a plunge with-
out going to Galveston.

Go to the polls on July 25 and
vote for submission. This will
be Democratic. Let's submit the
question to the people and let
them say whether we shall have
State-wide prohibition or not.
All parties will be allowed to
vote on the prohibition question
in 1909. Democrats in the pri-
mary next Saturday will ask the
Legislature to submit the ques-
tion to the people.

AGRICULTURAL EXPERT TO SPEAK

Commercial Club Arranges for Agricultural
Expert to Lecture in August.

H. E. Hershey industrial agent
for the Santa Fe, was here this
week, conferring with the Com-
mercial Club in things of gener-
al interest to the development of
the county. While here he
agreed to arrangements which
will give the farmers of this sec-
tion a chance to hear lectures on
the subject of Agriculture and dai-
ry Prof. C. O. Moser U. S. Govern-
ment expert on dairy and agricul-
ture will speak to the farmers
at Ballinger, some time in Aug-
ust, the date to be announced
later, and Prof. C. H. Alvord,
Prof. of agriculture in the A & M
College will also address the
farmers some time in August.

The Lectures will be free to
all farmers and it is the desire
of the club to have a large at-
tendance to hear these able
speakers.

Honest Bob or Honest Tom
for Governor. Tomorrow will
decide the question. As in
every issue, we find good men
on both sides. The Williams
crowd are yelling good and
strong, but he that laughs last
laughs best. The "Camels" are
coming.

When you sign a petition for
a prohibition election, you are
not voting for prohibition. When
you vote for submission you are
not voting for prohibition. The
election will be held in 1909, and
then you will have a chance to
vote for or against State prohibi-
tion.

"People talk about the mid-
night oil as if it had some virtue
attached to it," writes Doctor
Hale in Woman's Home Com-
panion for August. "In truth,
four times out of five the mid-
night oil means overwork, or it
means that you have neglected
some duty which should have
been attended to before the sun
went down. Unless each night
recovers the ground lost in the
exertion of the day before, you
are committing suicide by
inches; and you have no right to
commit suicide at all.

Our attention was called to an
article published in the Center
Champion, this week, signed by
one Padon, a man who has been
out in this country prospecting,
and returning home gives his
experience. The article was
headed "East Texas vs. West
Texas." The said Padon evi-
dently has little respect for the
truth, or he has a desire to be-
come the champion liar of the
whole land. The article mis-
represents this country worse
than anything we have ever seen
published in the East Texas
papers that delight in knocking
this section of the State. For
instance, the writer says it costs
a thousand dollars to sink a well
in this country, and that this
country has the largest grave-
yards in the State. He talks
about crop failures in this section
and says a little maize and kafir
corn are the principle crops.
People who come here from East
Texas, says the writer, return
to their old homes as soon as
they can. This man claims that
he traveled out through Brown,
Coleman, Runnels, Tom Green,
Reagan and a number of other
counties. We don't believe that
the writer's nearest neighbors
will believe his report of this
country; hence the country has
not been hurt, and the only
damage done is to the writer,
who has heaped a few lumps of
Old Satan's hot stuff upon his
own head to be touched off at
the proper time.

W. E. Bartlett the Photo Man
Ballinger Texas. tf

THE WORLD'S CHAMPION LIAR

HE HAS BEEN LOCATED IN NACOGDOCHES
COUNTY, TEXAS

Under the head of "East Tex-
as vs. West Texas" the following
communication appeared in the
Center Champion, a paper pub-
lished at Center, Shelby county,
Texas:

Dear Champion:
I have often thought of writ-
ing an article for publication,
giving a fair and impartial write-
up of the western country in
comparison to our own piney
woods section.

It is a fact that cannot be de-
nied that the west contains more
wealth than the east, but that is
easily explained. The wealth was
not created in West Texas, only
in a few instances but the wealth
came when the settlers from
other sections came. No one
has ever made a fortune farming
there, but the ranchmen have
done fairly well, but they had the
wealth to start with.

In Crockett, Iron, Reagan,
Tom Green, and many other
counties there is but little farm-
ing land considering the vast
area. In those high, dry, roll-
ing and rocky sections very little
cotton and corn is grown. Milo
Maize and Kafir Corn are the
main feed crops. Milo Maize is
cut and shocked and brought to
market a ton at a load and finally
sold at from \$7 to \$14 a ton
according to condition. The
birds very often clean the heads
of seed before it can be harvest-
ed. Johnson grass is a great
hay product on the irrigated
lands. Alfalfa and Johnson
grass farms are numerous in
Irion county. Spring creek,
supported by springs, has sever-
al fine irrigated farms on it, but
the men who own the lands were
wealthy when they located them
and are getting wealthier each
year.

The Concho river in Tom
Green county furnishes abun-
dant water for all purposes,
and while the bottoms are very
narrow they are quite fertile,
and the ranchmen have cut off
the river lands and made farms
of them, but the hill lands are
only used for grazing.

Coke county is said to be a
good farming county, and is
said to grow good cotton, but
corn does not do as well there as
in many other western counties.

The advantages East Texas
has over the west are numerous.
A poor man can never buy a
home there and pay for it farm-
ing, because the land won't
make it. It takes just the right
kind of seasons to make any-
thing at all. To wet or too dry
will ruin any kind of a crop ex-
cept perhaps Johnson grass
while in East Texas a poor man
can better his condition if noth-
ing else. It takes money to
make money in the west.

East Texas has plenty of good
wood and freestone water, some-
thing that the west has very lit-
tle of. East Texas will produce
a crop under the same conditions
that a West Texas crop would be
a failure, the soils so contrast.

Thousands of farmers irrigate
their lands, especially truck
patches, from wells that cost,
complete with windmills attach-
ment \$1000. A farmer can sink
and equip three or four wells in
East Texas at the cost of one in
the west. The water in the west
is deep, generally 300 and 400
feet and is sunk by drilling
through rock from top to bottom.
If it pays a farmer to sink and
equip a well for irrigation pur-
poses in the west, then why
would it not pay the East Texas
farmers? The land owners hold
the land at \$20 to \$100 per acre,
and many of the ranchmen only
own options which very often
sell for those prices. But the
men that buy them never can
make the purchase money on the
land.

The man who has been lucky
enough to get a hold as a real

estate dealer has made money,
and always will, because many
people move in and buy a tract
of land paying a portion down,
perhaps all they had, and then,
after a few years of hard strugg-
ling are compelled to let it go
back, to be sold to some other
sucker.

The health in the West is real-
ly no better than in East Texas
The graveyards are generally
larger, in fact, it would astonish
a man who might go to San An-
gelo for his health to take a peep
at the city cemetery. It is the
same way at Ballinger, Brown-
wood, Abilene, and other west-
ern towns and cities.

We easterners have our trials
and ups and downs, but when
we try to improve them by go-
ing west we make a sad mistake
and every farmer who sells out
here to go west will regret his
move as he will never be satis-
fied until he gets back to where
he can get a drink of water that
tastes like water

J. A. PADON,
Decoy, Nacogdoches county, Tex.

Former Shelby County Citizen's Reply

A. T. Rider, who lived in
Shelby county for twelve years,
but now one of Ballinger's good
citizens, makes the following
reply to the above communica-
tion so coated with falsehood:

Ballinger, Tex., July 22, 1908
Banner-Leader:

We hand you here-
with a clipping from the Cham-
pion, a paper published in our
home county, Shelby, written by
one J. H. Padon, in which he
either knowingly or ignorantly
misrepresents this great county.

The wealth, he says, was not
created in the West. We spent
about twelve years in Shelby
county and know the conditions
there, and have been here about
eighteen months and think we
know something of the conditions
here. The best and truest
friends we ever had live in
Shelby county, and it would be
an injustice to them for us to say
anything that would reflect on
them or their beloved country.
In regard to the wealth not being
created here, we are bound to
say the writer is very badly mis-
taken. This country referred to
by Mr. Padon is capable of and
does produce more stuff one year
with another than twice the same
territory in East Texas, espe-
cially the piney-woods section re-
ferred to. We farmed there for
a number of years and know
what we are talking about.

One man can cultivate there
twenty acres if he will get up
early and work late, and on this
twenty acres, on an average, he
will not get more than 150 bush-
els of corn and four bales of cot-
ton, often not that much. In
this county (Runnels) one man
can cultivate eighty acres with
more ease than the man can do
the twenty there, and there is plenty
of farmers here one man culti-
vating 100 acres, and on an
average this county will make
more per acre of corn, cotton,
wheat, oats or anything else
than that country.

Last year was the worst year
in the history of this county, and
Ballinger received 20,000 bales
of cotton nearly all raised in
Runnels county, while Shelby
county, the God's country the
above writer speaks of, produced
about 1,200 bales of cotton and
not much corn. With the pres-
ent prospect for the cotton crop
with no disaster, Ballinger will
get 60,000 bales this season and
nearly all raised in Runnels
county. It is nothing uncommon
for one man to make by his own
labor forty or fifty bales of cot-
ton, and the man that makes
only ten or fifteen thinks he has
made a failure.

Again he says: "A poor man
can never buy a home here by
farming, because the land wont
make it." The truth is we have
as rich land as any part of the
State and it produces as much
per acre on an average as any
other section. Quite a number
of the best and most substantial

citizens we have come here only
a few years ago without means
and today they own their homes
worth from \$10,000 to \$25,000,
and don't owe anything.

Mr. A. F. Adams came here a
poor man only a few years ago; he
now owns 700 acres of fine land,
worth \$30.00 per acre and don't
owe a cent. W. W. Powe cleared
\$3,000 per year since coming to
this country and has now on
hand 7,000 bushels of oats grown
this year. J. S. Lee, of Maver-
ick, made more than enough cot-
ton on land the first year to pay
for the cost of land. The truth
is this is the poor man's country.
There are hundreds of men here
who started almost without any-
thing and by paying a very little
cash down, today own their
homes and are out of debt, and
they made it farming. In re-
gard to the man buying land and
paying a portion down and then
losing it, we don't know of a
single case where a man used
proper industry and good judg-
ment in farming that he could
not pay for his land in a short
time.

In regard to the graveyards
being so large here we will say
people don't live always even in
this healthy country; but the
real cause of large graveyards
is that there are hundreds of
people from East Texas and the
old states that stay back there
until they are just about ready
to die and then come out here to
find health, when they have
waited too long and only get here
in time to be buried in this good
land of ours. However, we
commend them in this, as it is
some consolation even to know
you are going to be buried in a
good country.

The great trouble with most
people (and perhaps this applies
to Mr. Padon) leaving their old
home they can't think of any-
thing but their old friends and
associates, and the first thing
you know they are so infernally
home sick they would leave a
gold mine and then misrepresent
the facts in the case when they
got back in order to keep their
friends from knowing the truth
in the matter.

Now we are not writing this
to boost West Texas or Runnels
county; but we have given the
facts as they are, and we don't
want any knockers in this part
of the country because that class
has done this country an injury
that time only can repair. To
the good honest citizen that
wants to better his condition, we
invite you to come and investi-
gate for yourself, as we have
only given you a few of the
advantages of this country.

A. T. RIDER.

Judge Smith of Colorado, Tex-
as, was here, Tuesday and Wed-
nesday in the interest of his race
for congress. He had been out
in Tom Green county, and said
conditions were very favorable
for his success in the election
to-morrow.

15 Section Ranch for Sale.
15 section ranch well improved
2 house, six wells, crossed fenced
into four pastures, good farm.
Located within 20 miles of San
Angelo, can be had for \$5 per
acre on easy terms.
W. B. Page, Ballinger 2t

Best of All
R. J. Mayher, No. 406 South Clark
St. Chicago writes the following:
"I have kept and used your Hunt's
Lightning Oil for the last ten years
in my family. It is the only kind to
have and the best of all."
It cures cuts, Burns, Bruises, Sprains
Aches, Pains, Stings and Bites. It
kills Chiggers, too.

A NUMBER OF BABIES

Have money on deposit in
their own name in this
bank. In a few years they
will be old enough to know
the value of money and ap-
preciate a bank account.
The parents realize this
and are giving the child an
early start on the road to
wealth.
Does your child have a
bank account? Would it
not be a step in the right
direction to encourage the
boy or girl to save?
You can start them out
with One Dollar at this
bank.
Think it over.

First National Bank
Ballinger, - Texas.

YOUR LUMBER BILL

Will always be satisfactory
if the Ballinger Lumber Com-
pany sells you. If you want
to build a house, let us figure
on your lumber and building
material. We carry Lumber,
Paint, Cement, Lime, Common
and Fire Brick, Gedar Posts,
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You Lose If Don't See Us Before buying Hardware.

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JUST ONE HALF

of the Time is Left in Which to Attend the Fourteen Days Spot Cash

Mid-Summer Mark Down AND Clearing Sale

AT

Winkler Dry Goods Co.

THE first week has been a success, and many have availed themselves of the opportunity afforded to buy good clean merchandise at greatly reduced prices. You know our stock is composed of the best, all new goods, and it is our purpose to sell out as close as possible all summer merchandise, and not carry them over to next season, and in order to do this we have cut the price to where there is no profit to us, but a great saving to you. We quote below only a few items to give you an idea of the reductions made:

THESE PRICES HOLD GOOD UNTIL SATURDAY, AUG. 1st

25 dozen ladies' Vests
regular 10c quality,
Sale price

5c each

20 dozen bleached
Huck Towels, size
18 x 36, regular 10c
quality, sale price

6c each

Large lot of Valen-
cenes and Torchans
Laces, all in one lot
Clearing sale price

3½c a yd.

Big Lot Embroider-
ies 10c and 12 1-2c
kinds, sale price

7c a yd.

Corset Cover Em-
brodery, 25c quality
sale price

14c a yd.

10 doz. ladies' Hand-
kerchiefs, excelent 15
cents sellers, clearing
sale price only

9c each

15 doz ladies' Hand-
kerchiefs, the 10 cent
kind, sale price

6c each

Men's Undershirts
and Drawers, the
best 50c grades that
can be had, sale
price

38c each

Genuine Scrivens
Elastic Seam Draw-
ers, sale price

58c a pair

DRESS GOODS BARGAINS

\$1.50 Dress Goods, Clearing Sale price, only	\$1.15
\$1.55 Dress Goods, Clearing Sale price, only	93c
\$1.00 Dress Goods, Clearing Sale price only	79c
85 cent Dress Goods, Clearing Sale price only	62c
75 cent Dress Goods, Clearing Sale price only	54c
65 cent Dress Goods, Clearing Sale price only	43c
50 cent Dress Goods, Clearing Sale price only	36c
\$1.50 Silks at the Clearing Sale price of only	\$1.15
\$1.35 Silks at the Clearing Sale price of only	95c
\$1.15 Silks at the Clearing Sale price of only	85c
75 cent Silks at the Clearing Sale price of only	55c
50 cent Silks at the Clearing Sale price of only	36c
65c and 50c Silk Novelties, Clearing Sale price, only	39c

WASH GOODS BARGAINS

Your choice of any 35c Wash Goods in the house at Clearing Sale price, only	23c
Your choice of any 25c Wash Goods in the house at Clearing Sale price	16c
Your choice of any 15c Wash Goods in the house at Clearing Sale price, only	9½c

Ladies' Shlrt Waists at less than Cost of Material and Making

\$3.50 fine white Waists, Clearing Sale price	\$2.45
\$3.00 fine white Waists, Clearing Sale price	\$2.15
\$2.50 fine white Waists, Clearing Sale price	\$1.85
\$2.00 fine white Waists, Clearing Sale price	\$1.35
\$1.75 fine white Waists, Clearing Sale price	\$1.20
\$1.50 fine white Waists, Clearing Sale price	\$1.10
\$1.25 fine white Waists, Clearing Sale price only	89c
\$1.00 white Waists in this Clearing Sale at only	65c

All men's Shoes and Slippers at a big reduction.

All ladies', Misses' and children's Shoes and Slippers at greatly reduced prices.

Boys' Suits and knee Pants at Clearing Sale prices.

MEN'S SUMMER CLOTHING

We are determined to make a clean sweep of all summer suits, hence the following radical price reductions:

\$25.00 summer Suits, Clearing Sale price	\$18.45
\$20.00 summer Suits, Clearing Sale price	\$14.65
\$18.00 summer Suits, Clearing Sale price	\$12.75
\$15.00 summer Suits, Clearing Sale price	\$10.35
912.50 summer Suits, Clearing Sale price	\$7.95
\$10.00 summer Suits, Clearing Sale price	\$6.35
One lot men's double-breasted summer Suits, regular \$15.00 suits, your choice of the lot for	\$8.50

Men's Odd Pants at Clearing Prices

\$5.00 men's Pants, at Clearing Sale price only	\$3.75
\$4.50 men's Pants at Clearing Sale price only	\$3.35
\$4.00 men's Pants at Clearing Sale price only	\$2.85
\$3.50 men's Pants at Clearing Sale price only	\$2.60
\$3.00 men's Pants at Clearing Sale price only	\$2.20
\$2.50 men's Pants at Clearing Sale price only	\$1.65

Men's Overalls and wash Pants, best \$1.00 grades, Clearing Sale price **79c**

Men's Hats at Clearing Prices.

\$5.00 Roelofs Hats, Clearing Sale price only	\$3.50
\$3.00 Hats, all styles Clearing Sale price	\$2.20
\$2.50 Hats, all styles, Clearing Sale price	\$1.85
\$2.00 Hats, all styles, Clearing Sale price	\$1.45

Men's Furnishing Goods Greatly Reduced

\$2.50 Ide Shirts, soft negligees, collars and cuffs attached, Sale price	\$1.65
\$2.00 Ide Shirts, soft negligees, collars and cuffs attached, Sale price	\$1.45
\$2.00 Ide dress Shirts, very fine Shirts Sale price	\$1.45
\$1.50 Gold Shirts, both dress and negligee styles, good line of patterns, your choice	\$1.15
\$1.00 Silver Shirts, positively the best regular dollar Shirt sold any where, Clearing Sale price	79c
Yale Shirts, made of fine soft mercerized Pongee, collar and cuffs attached, the 1.50 and 1.75 grades, during this Sale	\$1.15
Yale Shirts, fine mercerized Pongee, cream and white, collar and cuffs attached, regular 1.25 grade, Sale price only	85c

Extra Special

Best 15c Collars, all sizes, new lot just received, all go in this sale at only

10c each

50c men's four-in-hand Ties, clearing sale price

35c each

25c men's four-in-hand and clnb Ties, clearing sale price, only

15c each

50c quality men's Half Hose, black and fancy hose, your choice for

33c a pair

25c men's Half Hose black, blue, tan and fancy hose, your choice for

18c a pair

Men's 20c pure linen Handkerch'fs, clearing sale price only

12½c each

Men's white Handkerchiefs, 5c kind, clearing sale price

2½c each

President and genuine Guyot Suspenders, best 50c suspenders made, sale price

38c each

Ladies' Skirts — A big reduction on all Skirts. Come and price them.

Winkler Dry Goods Company

BALLINGER, TEXAS

DAY OF "OLD MAID" IS GONE

Now Bachelor Woman May Order and Enjoy Her Life as She Pleases.

Afternoon tea is an institution in England, and there is where the woman with a small establishment shines. She has regular days at home and announces them, and after the announcement nothing is allowed to interfere with them. They are assets which no popular woman can afford to overlook. I know a handful of women who live a similar life in this country, and always in large cities. The smaller ones do not take bachelor women seriously, it would seem, for their comfort is not considered one bit. They used to be dubbed "old maids," and were expected to subside into burden bearers for prosperous relatives. All hope of any but a miserable drab existence was given up at 30 unless the spinster happened to be a person of means, in which case she was an object of solicitude to a horde of expectant relatives. Nowadays a woman can live about as she pleases, and if her life is dreary and colorless it is her own fault.—Chicago American.

HE KNEW HE WAS A YANKEE.

Once upon a time Supreme Judge Harlan was traveling in Virginia. He stopped at a newly constructed country hotel. The walls of his room had been freshly calcimined. They shone white as the lamp was lit. But near the head of the bed was a stain. Some one had thrown a quid of tobacco on it and it had stuck.

"If I had that Yankee here who stained that wall I would wring his neck," said the judge, in apparent anger.

"Why, how do you know a Yankee did the trick?" asked a friend.

"How do I know it was a Yankee?" exclaimed the Kentuckian.

"Why, can't you see it is fine cut?" No one in the south chews that kind.—Washington Star.

OIL PAINTINGS.

Artists sometimes use a raw potato for cleaning oil paintings. Cut off the end of the potato and rub the painting very gently with the cut end. As fast as the potato becomes soiled cut off a thin slice and continue to use it until the whole surface is cleaned.

Another method is to rub the soiled surface with the finger wet in warm water. If the dirt is very hard and old, use oil instead of water. Let it rest for a few hours, so that the dirt may be softened, then wash off with a sponge and tepid suds.

SCOTTISH SAVINGS BANKS.

There are now 274 penny savings banks in operation in Glasgow and the west of Scotland which acknowledge the Glasgow Savings bank as the parent institution. The value of these minor banks is very great not only in inculcating the virtue of thrift in childhood but in their actual result. There were 1,230,336 transactions, but at the end of the financial year the depositors had £31,754 to their credit in the Glasgow Savings bank. The amount deposited during the year was £91,453.

THE DIFFERENCE.



Nimbo—Can you tell me, my dear Dumplin, the difference between a sick cow and dead bee?
Dumplin—Couldn't say, Cocky.
Nimbo—Well, one is a seedy beast, and t'other is a bee deceased.

HAS HOPE IN EUGENICS.

Francis Galton, the eminent British scientist, has just begun his eighty-seventh year, in the serene hope that the human race, even though he will not live to see it, is destined to improve prodigiously through the new science of eugenics, in which he was a pioneer.

RESULT OF PRACTICE.

Father—That lawyer chap who is coming to call on Maria is no quitter. I guess he is taking advantage of his law practice.

Mother—In what way, pa?

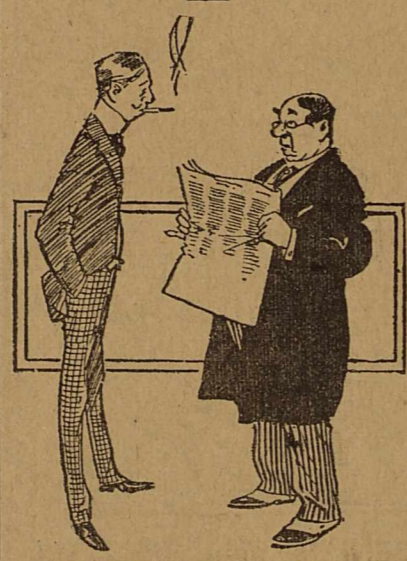
Father—When he comes to court, he always manages to secure a stay.

IN DEFENSE OF THE SURGEON

Dr. Maurice H. Richardson Declares Somewhat Prevalent Idea is All Wrong.

In a recent lecture at the Harvard Medical school Dr. Maurice H. Richardson set forth the absolute need of resorting to the knife in certain cases. The idea that the surgeon lacks sensibility and is more or less indifferent to human suffering and may even perform an operation when not absolutely necessary he declared to be all wrong. He said that the contrary was shown by the fact that the surgeon is constantly laboring to make his profession unnecessary, by preventing the recurrence of the diseases for which he operates, as well as by endeavoring to cure without resorting to operation. "A popular delusion that the surgeon is simply looking for an opportunity to keep busy all the time," Dr. Richardson added, "results in thousands and thousands of deaths of sufferers who are persuaded by friends not to submit to operation, until it is too late to save the patient."

UNKIND.



Jenkins—What do you think of that new photo of mine?
Dawkins—It's very good, but I don't think you do it justice.

TERRIFYING MIX-UP.

"Did you ever see a 'roaring well, sonny?" asked the wandering peddler, who was selling photographs of natural freaks.

The freckled lad on the fence grinned his broadest. "Did I ever see a 'roaring well,' mister?" he echoed. "Wall, I reckon. Last week the old yellow tomcat chased a toad to the edge of the well and they both tumbled in. Then the dog tried to catch the cat, and he went in, too. Dad tried to grab Towser's tail, tripped over the gray mule that was grazing by the trough, and they all went in together. Was that a 'roaring well?' Well, mister, for two hours, until the bunch was fished out, there was more roaring in that well than in all the earthquake predictors put together."

OPERA SINGER WORKS HARD.

Mme. Albani has never taken her art lightly. Her old master, Lamperti, she once recalled, kept her studying a single opera, "La Sonnambula," for months, and she has always declared that "slow and sure" is the motto which makes for success.

It may not be generally known, by the way, that the popular notion that Mme. Albani derived her name de theater from Albany, in New York state, is quite erroneous; it was chosen for her by Lamperti, after a famous Italian family. The good people of Albany, however, jumped at once at the other idea, and Mme. Albani never had the heart to undeceive them.

FENCE POSTS CONFISCATED.

Special Agent Frank Grygia of the United States land office recently seized 5,000 fence posts which were illegally cut in Union county by non-residents from Colorado.

The department of the interior is making special efforts to stop all illegal cutting of timber, and special agents are kept busy looking after the public domain. Additional arrests will likely be made. The department in each instance is willing to compromise, providing the offenders will pay for the timber taken at a little higher price than they could have secured if had they purchased it legally.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

LITERALLY, AT LEAST.

"Mr. Pedagog is an old time teacher. He believes in the rod to brighten up dull boys."

"Well, isn't that the natural way to make them smart?"

Citation by Publication

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting:—

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to summon Friederich Behrens, and the unknown heirs of Friederich Behrens, deceased, and Gustav Theissen, and the unknown heirs of Gustav Theissen, deceased, and J. R. Sweet, and the unknown heirs of J. R. Sweet, deceased, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 35th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, on the first Monday in October, A. D. 1908, the same being the 5th day of October, A. D. 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 6th day of July, A. D. 1908, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 937, wherein W. W. Farmer and Lewis F. Farmer, a partnership under the name of Farmer & Farmer, are Plaintiffs, and Friederich Behrens, and the unknown heirs of Friederich Behrens, deceased, and Gustav Theissen, and the unknown heirs of Gustav Theissen, deceased, and J. R. Sweet, and the unknown heirs of J. R. Sweet, deceased, are Defendants, and said petition alleging:

THE STATE OF TEXAS | In the COUNTY OF RUNNELS | In the District Court, October Term, 1908. TO THE HON. DISTRICT COURT OF RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS: W. W. Farmer and Lewis F. Farmer, a partnership under the firm name of Farmer & Farmer, who reside in the County and State aforesaid, hereinafter styled Plaintiffs, complaining of Friederich Behrens, deceased, and Gustav Theissen, and the unknown heirs of Friederich Behrens, deceased, and J. R. Sweet, and the unknown heirs of J. R. Sweet, deceased, whose places of residence, respectfully, are unknown to Plaintiffs, hereinafter styled Defendants, represent:—

That heretofore, to wit, on or about the 1st day of June, 1908, Plaintiffs were then and are now lawfully seized and possessed, holding the same by fee simple title, as hereinafter shown, the following described tract of land, to-wit:

All of Survey No. 100 in the name of F. Behrens, Certificate No. 64, Abstract No. 41, said to contain 320 acres, situated in Runnels County, Texas.

That Plaintiffs, and those under whom they claim, have been so seized and possessed of said tract of land, in actual, peaceable and adverse possession thereof under Title by Deeds duly recorded in the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, having paid all taxes due upon said land up to the date of the filing of this suit, and in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of same, having the same inclosed by good and lawful fence, cultivating, using, claiming and enjoying the same for the period of more than five years next preceding the filing of this suit, and that Plaintiffs' said Title to said land has long since been perfected by the five years Statute of Limitation herein pleaded and asserted:

Plaintiffs further allege, that they, and those under whom they claim, have been in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of said tract of land, having the same inclosed by a good and lawful fence, cultivating, using, claiming and enjoying the same for the period of more than ten years next preceding the filing of this suit, and that Plaintiffs' said Title to said land has long since been perfected by the ten years Statute of Limitation herein pleaded and asserted:

That on or about the said 1st day of June, 1908, while Plaintiffs were so lawfully seized and possessed of said land, holding the same under the Title herein before pleaded, the aforesaid Defendants unlawfully asserted and are now unlawfully asserting some pretended claim of Title in and to said land, the exact nature of which is unknown to Plaintiffs, which has cast a cloud upon Plaintiff's said Title to said land and disturbed their said peaceable possession thereto to their great damage:

Wherefore premises considered, Plaintiffs pray that Defendants be cited by publication, in manner and form, as required by law in such case made and provided, to answer herein and that on final hearing hereof they have judgment against the Defendants for the recovery of Title to said land and that said cloud so cast thereon be removed, and that they be quieted in their possession thereto, and for all costs in this behalf expended and for general relief.

M. C. SMITH,

Attorney of Plaintiffs

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the

District Court of Runnels County.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger this 6th day of July, A. D. 1908.

[SEAL] R. A. TERRY, Clerk, District Court, Runnels County By J. SHIELDS, Deputy. 43-8t

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Bad Symptoms.

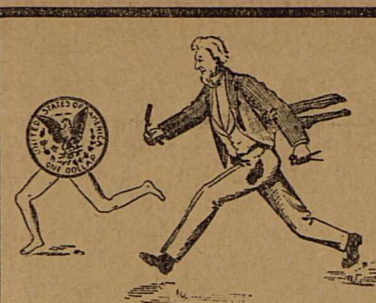
The woman who has periodical headaches, backache, sees imaginary dark spots or specks floating or dancing before her eyes, has gnawing distress or heavy full feeling in stomach, faint spells, dragging-down feeling in lower abdominal or pelvic region, easily startled or excited, irregular or painful periods, with or without pelvic catarrh, is suffering from weaknesses and derangements that should have early attention. Not all of above symptoms are likely to be present in any case at one time.

Neglected or badly treated and such cases often run into maladies which demand the surgeon's knife if they do not result fatally.

No medicine extant has such a long and numerous record of cures in such cases as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. No medicine has such a strong professional endorsement of each of its several ingredients—worth more than any number of ordinary non-professional testimonials. The very best ingredients known to medical science for the cure of woman's peculiar ailments enter into its composition. No alcohol, harmful, or habit-forming drug is to be found in the list of its ingredients printed on each bottle-wrapper and attested under oath.

In any condition of the female system, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription can do only good—never harm. Its whole effect is to strengthen, invigorate and regulate the whole female system and especially the pelvic organs. When these are deranged in function or affected by disease, the stomach and other organs of digestion become sympathetically deranged, the nerves are weakened, and a long list of bad, unpleasant symptoms follow. Too much must not be expected of this "Favorite Prescription." It will not perform miracles; will not cure tumors—no medicine will. It will often prevent them, if taken in time, and thus the operating table and the surgeon's knife may be avoided.

Women suffering from diseases of long standing, are invited to consult Doctor Pierce by letter, free. All correspondence is held as strictly private and sacredly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y. Dr. Pierce's Medical Adviser (1000 pages) is sent free on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps for paper-covered, or 31 stamps for cloth-bound copy. Address as above.



FRUIT TREES

If you will call at my Barber shop when you are in town I will save you from 10 to 20 per cent on your fruit tree order. I live here and will guarantee satisfaction. If you want anything in the fruit tree line See MIKE AGT. Austin Nursery.

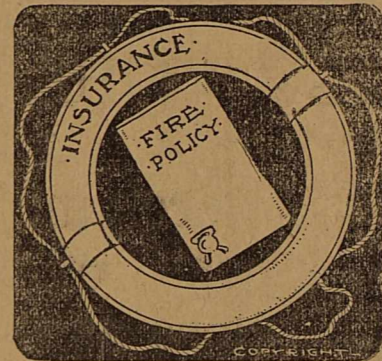
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is the first law of nature. It's aptly applied to the insurance business. Those who insure want absolute security. Some get it, others don't.

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issued from our office makes you as secure as a government bond. A risky policy may cost a shade less, but it won't give as peaceful sleep. Before insuring, see us.

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NO TIME TO STOP AND PRAY
Quaintly Worded Appeal That Had to
Answer in Case of Decided
Emergency.

Harry and Ethel were crossing a
field on their return from Sabbath-
school, when they encountered a bull.
At the animal's approach they fled
in terror. Faster and faster they
ran, yet nearer and nearer came the
bull.
"We must pray," panted Harry.
"You do it," Ethel pleaded. "We'll
kneel down right here."
"No, we'll pray running. You
ought to do it; you're a girl."
"O Lord—O Lord—I can't,"
sobbed Ethel. "You do it."
The proximity of the bull dem-
anded immediate action, and Har-
ry rose to the occasion. Loudly and
fervently he prayed:
"O Lord, for what we are about
to receive make us truly thankful!"
—Success Magazine.

TOO MUCH RESTRAINT.
The cause of the suspension of
the Peking Gazette after bearing the
whips and scorns of a thousand
years of press censorship is no longer
a mystery. It was when the edi-
tor received command not to use
vigorous language in discussing the
boycott that he forever laid aside
his ancient and honorable marking
brush with the remark: "We are
done! We can moderate our lan-
guage on the subject of transfers,
the tariff, Denis Kearney and the
Peking expedition looting, but when
it comes to the boycott, as for us it
is vigor or bust! With this issue we
bust!"—New York Sun.

INDIA RUBBER.
When we think of the many differ-
ent uses to which India rubber is
now put, we cannot repress a smile
as we read the following allusion to
it in Dr. Priestley's book on Per-
spective, published in 1770, which,
it is said, is the earliest mention of
the substance: "I have seen a sub-
stance excellently adapted to the
purpose of wiping from paper the
marks of a black lead pencil. It is
sold by Mr. Nairne, mathematical
instrument maker, opposite the Royal
Exchange. He sells a cubical piece
of about half an inch for three shil-
lings, and he says it will last several
years."

"MEMORIAL OF ADAM."
April 1 was marked on old calen-
dars as the "Memorial of Adam."
The orientals relate that Adam,
when dying, charged his children
to bury his body, embalmed with
myrrh, incense and cassia, in the
cave of Al-Kanuz, near Paradise.
When they quitted the place they
were to convey his body to the center
of the earth, whence would come
salvation to his posterity. This is
said to have been done by Noah and
Melchizedek, who reburied him on
the sacred hill of Calvary.

BE JABERS!

Visitor—That's a long rope, Pat.
Pat—Long, be jabers! I think some-
body must have cut the end off it!

HURRYING CUPID.
"I'd like to buy a parlor sofa,"
announced the old gentleman with
the gold rimmed glasses. "My daugh-
ter has started receiving company
from a young man."
"Ah, here is just what you want,
sir," responded the polite clerk.
"This will last a lifetime."
"Then it won't suit. Show me one
that will wear out in six months.
I don't believe in long engagements."

HE HAD GORGONZOLA.
"Waiter, have you any Gorgonzola
cheese?"
"Yes, sir."
"Is it very nice and white?"
"Yes, sir, very white."
"And good and hard in the mid-
dle?"
"Oh, yes, sir. Stone hard."
"Thanks. Gorgonzola cheese
ought to be green and very soft!"—
Everybody's Magazine.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Runnels County—Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to
summon Thomas T. Williamson and the
unknown heirs of Thomas T. William-
son by making publication of this Cita-
tion once in each week for eight suc-
cessive weeks previous to the return
day hereof, in some newspaper pub-
lished in your County, if there be a
newspaper published therein, but if
not, then in any newspaper published
in the 35th Judicial District; but if
there be no newspaper published in
said Judicial District, then in a news-
paper published in the nearest District
to said 35th Judicial District, to appear
at the next regular term of the District
Court of Runnels County, to be holden
at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger,
on the first Monday in October,
A.D. 1908, the same being the fifth
day of October, A.D. 1908, then and
there to answer a petition filed in said
Court on the 13th day of July, A. D.
1908, in a suit, numbered on the docket
of said Court No. 938, wherein W. L.
McMasters and O. R. Sellers are Plain-
tiffs, and Thomas T. Williamson and
the unknown heirs of Thomas T. Wil-
liamson are Defendants, and said peti-
tion alleging:

W. L. McMASTERS, ET AL.
vs.
THOMAS T. WILLIAMSON
and the unknown heirs of
Thomas T. Williamson
County, Texas, October Term, 1908.
TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID
COURT:
W. L. McMasters and O. R. Sellers
who reside in Tom Green County, Texas,
hereinafter styled plaintiffs, complain-
ing of Thomas T. Williamson and the
unknown heirs of Thomas T. William-
son whose residences are unknown to
plaintiffs, hereinafter styled defend-
ants, the plaintiffs respectfully rep-
resent and show to the Court that on
the 1st day of January, 1908, they were
and are now lawfully seized and pos-
sessed, holding the same by fee simple
title the following described tracts of
land in Runnels County, Texas, to-wit:
396 acres more or less out of Surveys
Nos. 12 and 13, both in the name of
Thomas T. Williamson, being Abstract
Nos. 680 and 681, Certificate Nos. 74
and 75, Patent Nos. 279 and 280, Vol-
ume 33, and described by metes and
bounds as follows: BEGINNING at a
stake in the east line of said Survey
No. 13, set ten varas south of the origi-
nal northeast corner of said Survey
No. 13, same being made for the south-
east corner of the Dangerfield 100-acre
tract; THENCE south 702 varas to the
original southeast corner of said Sur-
vey No. 13; THENCE west 1257 varas
to a corner; THENCE north 105 varas
to the northeast corner of the Sumner
Bacon Survey No. 495; THENCE west
to the north line of the said Sumner
Bacon Survey No. 872 varas to the
southeast of the Robt. Owens Survey
No. 436; THENCE north with east line
of the said Owens Survey at 607 varas
past the original northwest corner of
said Survey No. 13 at 922 varas to
stake, same being the southwest cor-
ner of the Valley Creek Missionary
Church two-acre tract; THENCE east
at 56 2-5 varas past southeast corner of
said two-acre tract at 112 4-5 varas
to stake, same being the southeast cor-
ner of another two-acre tract heretofore
conveyed to said Church; THENCE
north 200 varas to a stake in the south
line of the M. D. L. Barnett tract of
land, same being the northeast corner
of said last named two-acre tract;
THENCE east with south line of said
Barnett tract 1053 6-10 varas to stake,
same being the northwest corner of
the said Dangerfield 100 acre tract;
THENCE south 525 varas to stake for
interior corner of said tract, same
being the southwest corner of the said
Dangerfield tract; THENCE east with
south line of said Dangerfield tract
1075 4-10 varas to place of BEGIN-
NING.

Plaintiffs allege that they and those
under whom they claim have been
seized and possessed of said land under
deeds duly recorded, paying all taxes
due thereon up to the filing of this suit,
and have had peaceable and adverse
possession under fence, cultivating,
using and enjoying the same for more
than five years next preceding the fil-
ing of this suit and that plaintiffs' title
has long since been perfected by the
Five Years Statute of Limitation here-
in asserted and pleaded.

Plaintiffs further allege that they
have had actual, peaceable and adverse
possession of said land, having same
fenced, cultivating and enjoying same
for more than ten years next preceding
the filing of this suit, and plaintiffs'
title thereto has long since been per-
fected by the Ten Years Statute of
Limitation herein asserted and pleaded.

That on the day last aforesaid while
plaintiffs were so lawfully seized and
possessed of said land, holding same
under titles herein pleaded and asserted,
defendants asserted and do now assert
title to said land, under the patents
aforesaid, which casts a cloud upon
their title thereto and disturbing their
peaceable possession therefor, to their
damage.

Wherefore, premises considered,
plaintiffs pray that defendants be cited
by publication in the manner as required
by law to answer herein; that on final
hearing they have judgment against

and paying all taxes due thereon, for
a period of more than five years next
before the entry of defendants thereon
on said June 1st and before the com-
mencement of this suit and for a period
of more than five years after defend-
ants' cause of action, if any they ever
had, accrued, and this he is ready to
verify.

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a period of more than five years next
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on said June 1st and before the com-
mencement of this suit and for a period
of more than five years after defend-
ants' cause of action, if any they ever
had, accrued, and this he is ready to
verify.

HARRIS & SHEPHERD,
Attorneys for the Plaintiffs
HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have you be-
fore said Court, at its aforesaid next
regular term, this writ with your return
thereon, showing how you have exe-
cuted the same.
WITNESS, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the
District Court of Runnels County.
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal
of said Court, at office in Ballinger this
13th day of July, A.D. 1908.
[SEAL] R. A. TERRY, Clerk,
District Court, Runnels County
By J. SHIELDS, Deputy. 45-8t

Citation by Publication.
STATE OF TEXAS.
To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Runnels County—Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to
summon H. L. Newman, W. B. Farr,
and the unknown heirs of H. L. New-
man, deceased, and the unknown heirs
of W. B. Farr, deceased, and the un-
known heirs of James Fuqua, deceased,
by making publication of this Citation
once in each week for eight consecutive
weeks previous to the return day here-
of, in some newspaper published in your
County, if there be a newspaper pub-
lished therein, but if not, then in any
newspaper published in the 35th Judicial
District; but if there be no newspaper
published in said Judicial District, then
in a newspaper published in the nearest
District to said 35th Judicial District,
to appear at the next regular term of the
District Court of Runnels County, to be
holden at the Court House thereof in
Ballinger, on the 1st Monday in October,
A.D. 1908, then and there to answer a
petition filed in said Court on the 5th
day of June, A.D. 1908, in a suit, num-
bered on the docket of said Court No.
930, wherein A. Rosenauer is Plaintiff,
and H. L. Newman, W. B. Farr, and
the unknown heirs of H. L. Newman,
deceased, and the unknown heirs of W.
B. Farr, deceased, and the unknown
heirs of James Fuqua, deceased, are
Defendants, and said petition alleging:
THE STATE OF TEXAS | In Honor-
able District Court, Fall Term A. D.
1908.
TO HON. JOHN W. GOODWIN,
Judge of said Court:
Your petitioner, A. Rosenauer, here-
inafter styled plaintiff, resides in Run-
nels County, Texas, complaining of H.
L. Newman, W. B. Farr, and the un-
known heirs of H. L. Newman, deceased,
and the unknown heirs of W. B. Farr,
deceased, and the unknown heirs of
James Fuqua, deceased, hereinafter
styled defendants, respectfully repre-
sents, that the residence of the defend-
ant H. L. Newman is unknown to this
plaintiff, and that the residence of the
defendant W. B. Farr is unknown to
this plaintiff, and that the names and
places of residence of the heirs of H. L.
Newman, deceased, and of W. B. Farr,
deceased, and of James Fuqua, de-
ceased, are to plaintiff unknown.

For cause of action, plaintiff says,
that heretofore on the first day of June,
1908, he was lawfully seized and pos-
sessed of the following described tract
of land situated in Runnels County,
Texas, holding and claiming the same
in fee simple, to-wit: Four Hundred
and One acres a part of the James
Ratakin Survey No. 11 1/2, Cert 31-227,
Patent 340, Vol. 41, said Four Hundred
and One acres bounded as follows:
BEGINNING at the original north-
east corner of said James Ratakin Sur-
vey; THENCE west 1900 varas to the
original northwest corner of said sur-
vey; THENCE south 1115 varas with
fence line to a stake; THENCE east
with fence line 1055 varas to corner of
fence; THENCE south with fence line
169 varas to fence corner; THENCE
with fence line east 345 varas in east
line of said James Ratakin Survey;
THENCE north 1284 varas to place of
BEGINNING. That on the day and
year last aforesaid defendants unlaw-
fully entered upon said premises and
ejected plaintiff therefrom, and unlaw-
fully withholds from him the possession
thereof, to his damage One Thousand
Dollars.

Plaintiff says that he, and those
whose estate he has, claiming the said
four hundred and one acres of land
hereinbefore described, under deeds
duly registered, has had peaceable,
continuous and adverse possession of
said four hundred and one acres, cul-
tivating, using and enjoying the same,

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and paying all taxes due thereon, for
a period of more than five years next
before the entry of defendants thereon
on said June 1st and before the com-
mencement of this suit and for a period
of more than five years after defend-
ants' cause of action, if any they ever
had, accrued, and this he is ready to
verify.

Plaintiff further says that he and
those under whom he claims, claiming
to have a good and perfect right and
title to the said four hundred and one
acres of land hereinbefore described,
has had and held peaceably the said
four hundred and one acres of land,
and adverse possession of the same,
cultivating, using and enjoying the
same for a period of more than ten
years next before the entry of defend-
ants thereon and for ten years next
before said first day of June, 1908, and
of this he is ready to verify.

Wherefore plaintiff says that he is
the owner of said land by virtue of the
five and ten years Statute of Limita-
tion, and herein pleads the same.
Wherefore plaintiff prays judgment
of the court that defendants be cited
by publication in accordance with law,
to appear and answer this petition, and
that plaintiff have judgment for the
title and possession, of said above de-
scribed land and premises, and that writ
of restitution issue, and for his damages
and costs of suit and for such other
relief as he may be entitled to.

JOHN I. GUION,
Attorney for Plaintiff.
HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have before
said Court at its aforesaid next regu-
lar term, this writ with your return
thereon, showing how you have exe-
cuted the same.
WITNESS, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the
District Court of Runnels County.
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal
of said Court, at office in Ballinger,
this 5th day of June, A.D. 1908.
R. A. TERRY, Clerk,
Dist. Court Runnels Co.
I, R. P. Kirk, Sheriff of Runnels
County, hereby certify that the above
is a true copy of the original Citation
now in my hands.
R. P. KIRK, Sheriff,
Runnels County, Texas.
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The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.,

New gingham, just arrived W. A. Gustavus & son.

Thos. F. Jackson was here from Paint Rock Tuesday.

Rasbury & Bruce are buying wheat and oats now 36-4t

Mr. and Mrs. John Hall were here from Winters, Tuesday.

Baby pictures a sure thing at Bartlett's photo studio. tf

The Banner-Leader has lot of old papers at 20c per 100.

W. T. Bundick is a new reader of the Leader.

We want your accounts large or small. Citizens National Bank.

Attorney McCarty of San Angelo was here Tuesday.

Picture postals for everybody at Kinzer's

John B. Stetson hats \$3.50. W. A. Gustavus & son

Judge Hutchinson was in from the Norton country, yesterday.

Dr. E. C. Baskin, dentist office over Brewers jewelry store. tf

Mrs. Myrtle Dickinson went to Brady on a visit, Tuesday.

Red Bird laundry soap 16 bars for 25 cents at Kinzers.

Mrs. R. R. Jones went to Waco on a visit, Tuesday.

A full and complete line of the best toilet soaps at Kinzer's.

Miss Hill, of San Angelo, is here, the guest of Miss Van Pelt.

Bartlett's studio for Kodak finishing. tf

Jones Webb was in from the ranch on Oak creek, Tuesday.

Frank Maddox is visiting his father and mother in Taylor county, this week.

Mrs. J. F. Lusk went to Moody last Tuesday, on a visit to relatives.

Water Works Superintendent Smith is at home and at work, after a ten days vacation.

A. J. Stocklass, the tailor, went to Chicago on business Wednesday.

High grade photographs a specialty at Bartlett's photo studio. tf

W. G. Churchill, of Brownwood is here this week looking after compress interest.

Judge Jones, of Athens is here on a visit to his niece Mrs. E. C. Baskin.

Send your friend or sweetheart a postal. Many kinds to suit many people at Kinzers.

Rev. J. D. Leslie went to Mineral Well, yesterday, for a ten days vacation.

Mrs. Max McCreary is here visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Francis.

Call and see Bartlett's fine photos: on Eighth Street north of Higginbotham Currie Co. tf

W. N. Adams, the candidate for senate against Grinnaan, was here Tuesday.

Mrs. W. A. Norman and children are in Paint Rock on a visit this week.

Fresh line of good groceries on hand all the time at Miller Mer. Co. Call and see us.

Mrs. A. L. Burk, and Miss. Hall of Paint Rock, went to Mineral Wells, Monday.

Mrs. John Loveless went to Mineral Wells for a visit, Monday.

Tomorrow tells the tale. Read the returns at the Walker Drug Company.

Miss May Crawford is here from Oakville on a visit to her sister, Mrs. G. W. Bair.

Uncle Johnnie Spain is here this week, looking as young as possible.

A. F. Adams was in from Antelope with a load of grain Tuesday.

Chas. Daily, Jr. is here from San Angelo this week visiting at the home of J. F. Currie.

J. W. W. Spener, a former Ballinger citizen, now living in Big Springs, was here this week.

Miss Willams, of Palestine, Texas is here the guest of her aunt, Mrs. E. R. Walker.

Any price for photos at Bartlett's studio from \$1.50 per dozen up. tf

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Stokes, of Miles were here Sunday to see their brother George Stokes.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Alexander came in from Lampasas Monday, where they had been attending the Baptist ecampment.

If your want to rent dishes for any purpose go to Kinzer's. All kinds of dishes for sale or rent cheap.

J. S. Worsham, of Norton was in town first of the week, and while here made the Leader office a pleasant visit.

Miss Annie Van Doren went to Belton to see home folks Monday, and take a two weeks vacation.

J. A. Thomas, of San Angelo was here yesterday. Mr. Thomas formerly lived here and was city water works engineer.

Mrs. H. P. Boyd returned to her home at Fort Worth yesterday, after a visit to her brother A. F. Voss.

N. A. Perry and Chas. Bowman, the Brownwood gin men, were here yesterday looking after gin interest.

Will Harvey came in from Odessa, yesterday to visit his father, J. H. Harvey, and other relatives.

The First Presbyterian church people are at work making some improvements on the interior of their church.

Mr. Clark, a cotton buyer arrived with his family first of the week and moved into the new house just built by Dr. Thomson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hopkinson are entertaining a little daughter that arrived Monday morning.

Clavie Royalty came in Tuesday from Gatesville, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Royalty.

Parties were in from Wingate Wednesday after the ice and ice cream for the big picnic held near Wingate yesterday.

Shirley Shields returned to his home in Missouri Wednesday, after a visit to his brothers, Buck and Lawrence.

Miss Katie Bell Gregory came in from Austin where she attended the State Normal. She visited San Antonio after the close of the Normal.

Fresh Live Oak and mill flour on hand all the time each kind guaranteed and made good if you should find a bad sack at Miller mer. Co

The steep hill on Broadway near the First Presbyterian church is being improved and the street put in a much better condition.

Mrs. J. R. Smith, and little daughter, of Hindsville, left for a visit in North Carolina, Monday, after a visit to her brother, Dr. W. B. Halley.

Work on Edwin Days new home is assuming shape. The lumber is on the ground and in a short time another nice home will be completed.

J. M. Majors came first of the week, from Mississippi to join Mrs. Major and the children who were here on a visit to Mrs. Major's sister, Mrs. W. R. Ray.

Mr and Mrs. Ed Moellendest passed through yesterday enroute to their home at Gatesville. While here they were the guest of Mr. and Mas A. F. Voss.

Rev. Geo. W. Fender went out to Norton, Wednesday to assist in a meeting. He will return Saturday and be here to preach for his congregation Sunday.

M. C. Braden, the leading wagon yard man of town, inlisted with the Leader's readers, having handed in the dollar with the request to send the paper.

Will Duffel representing the Texas Insurance Co. of Waco Texas, was here the latter part of last week looking after the interests of his Co.

Tom Patterson, of San Angelo, has been here this week assisting his brother-in-law Jim Flynt, put the finishing touch on the Sheriff's race.

Harry Thomson came in from the camp on the Concho, first of the week. He stocked up with supplies and returned to the camp Tuesday.

H. C. King stated to a Leader man that he sold \$40 worth of peaches in Ballinger on Monday of this week, and Monday was not good day for peaches either.

Mrs. W. J. Miller went to Newton, Kansas, Monday, in response to a telegram stating that her daughter who was there on a visit, was seriously sick.

W. A. Tally went to Brownwood yesterday, to arrange to handle his laundry patronage until he can repair the damage done by fire Wednesday night.

The small depositor is just as welcome as the large and the same courteous treatment will be extended him at the Citizens National Bank.

W. W. Poe was in from his place in the upper edge of the country, first of the week. Mr. Poe says he has about 7000 bushels of oats that he has refused to sell at the prevailing price, 48c.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church

Regular services at this church Sunday morning and night.

Miss Louise Sherrill, of San Angelo, will sing at the morning Service, and special music will be prepared for the evening hour every body invited.

Clarendon Ions of San Angelo was here Wednesday of this week looking after business matters Mr. Ions is associated with Mayos Paul in the insurance business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Moorehead returned from a visit to their old home at Sulphur Springs, first of the week. They stopped over in Dallas several days and took in the Elk's Convention.

J. T. Snellgrove was in from the Norton country yesterday to deliver some grain he had sold. He said the insects were bad in the crops, and to much cloudy weather would make it bad on cotton.

The Banner Leader is in receipt of a postal this week from D. Reeder with his wife is spending a month in Colorado, in which he says the climate is delightful and the scenery grand. They are expected in the first of next week.

C. R. Stephens has sold his old house on the corner opposite the home of J. McGregor. The house is being moved off, and Mr. Stephens will have a nice residence erected on the lots at once.

D. C. Howard came in from Glasscock county, Wednesday. Mr. Howard is one of the pioneer citizens of Ballinger, but has been away for two or three years and being a carpenter, he of course observed, the wonderful changes made in the growth of his old home town.

D. S. Moore of Granit Oklahoma, returned to his home, Monday. Mr. Moore had been here for a week prospecting and while here he purchased 205 acres of land in the the Crews country, paying \$35 per acre for it. He will move to this country in the fall.

The picnic and barbecue at Wingate drew on Ballinger for a crowd yesterday. All the county candidates went out to make one more speil to the voters before the campaign closes. The picnic had been well advertised, and a large crowd was present to enjoy the hospitality of the Wingate people.

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REAL ESTATE--ABSTRACTS

Mrs. J. R. Holliday and daughter were in from the ranch on Coyote creek, Tuesday. Mrs. Holliday made the Leader a pleasant visit and renewed the Leaders subscription to her sister, Mrs. Ray in Washington D. C.

Judge and Mrs. John I. Guion returned from a months stay in Colorado, at Colorado Springs and Denver. Judge Guion was present at the National Convention at Denver. Their daughter, Miss Irene, who accompanied them will not return for some time yet.

The Paint Rock base ball team has beat every team in Concho County, and they are anxious for a game with Ballinger. The Sensibles have received quite a number of challenges from weak teams but they have turned them down because Ballinger people will not pay to see slow ball. It takes a good team to make the game interesting in Ballinger.

Eastern Stars Meet.

Miss Carrol Johnson, Grand Matron of the order of Eastern Stars, was here Wednesday night to visit the local chapter. Several ladies from Miles and Paint Rock came over to meet the grand Matron and attend the meeting of the chapter Wednesday night.

Two candidates were initiated into the order and Miss Johnson spoke in the highest terms of the work of the local chapter.

The visitors from Paint Rock were Mesdames Wade, Woodruff, Huston and Crozier, and Miss Annie Gober.

At the proper time delicious refreshments were served, and the meeting was one of the most successful ever held by the local chapter.

Lumber Cheap

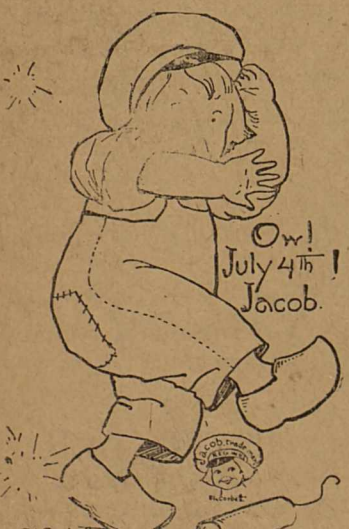
D. Reeder has associated J. K. Hutton in the lumber business and has bought 40 cars at lowest cash price, you will save money by calling on them. Clean new stock. Call on them for bill large or small. tf

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July 4th will soon be here. Won't you be glad? We will have a picnic then. Mama told me this morning to go down to the grocery and get a whole lot of things for the 4th. This is what I got. Bulk olives at 40c Lemons 1 doz 30c Bannas 1 doz 25c cakes and crackers Bulk Pickles and some canned goods.

Your friend
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10c colored Lawns now, per yard	7 1/2c	Men's Wash Ties, 25c grade, now	17c	Boys' Blouses, 65c grade, now	45c
40-inch white Lawn now, per yard	15c	Men's Balbriggan Undershirts and Drawers	25c	31-inch white Lawn now, per yard	10c
It's worth 25 cents		Men's Hemstitched White Handkerchiefs, 10 cent grade, price	5c	It's worth 20 cents	
Polka dotted Duck now, per yard	7 1/2c	Ladies' White Wash Belts, Nickel and Gilt Buckles price	10c	10-4 Peppercill Sheeting	25c
Best grade Calico now, yard	5c	Men's Black Satine Shirts, 50 cent grade, now selling for	35c	Misses Fans, now are selling for, each	3c
Coronet Blue Calicoes now, yard	4c	Wash Ribbon, pink, white, light blue, for underwear, now only	4c	36-inch unbleached Dimity, now	8 1/2c
Solid color Gingham now, yard	7 1/2c	Ladies' Back or Side Combs	10c	36-inch Lonsdale bleached Domestic	8 1/2c
Ladies' elbow length Gloves, black per pair	25c			17 X 37 Towels now	10c
68-inch Bleached Table Cloth, yd	29c				

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