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Editor and Proprietor.

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ISSUED EVERY FRIDAY AT STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

Subscribers failing to get their paper on time, will confer a favor by reporting same to us.

The average citizen puts in a good deal of time these days in adverse criticism of the Thirty-first Legislature. The writer remembers as far back as a legislative year under the E. J. Davis administration, and he fails to recall a single meeting of this body since that time, in which it was not assailed. The meeting of the Legislature seems to be the signal for us all to begin kicking. We grumble and raise all kinds of sound as if we expected a body of the magnitude of a Texas legislature could pass laws to suit us all. The milliner had as well try to invent a headgear that would suit all the women, as for a legislator to enact laws that would please us all. It can't be done.

The Comanche Chief, referring to the weather, says: "Keep a stiff upper lip and remember it is worse farther west." The Chief is like the man, who, when asked about his crops, said: "They are a complete failure, but thank the Lord, all my neighbors are in the same fix."—Brownwood Bulletin.

The Chief is like the man who was going down the Sabine river in a boat. The mosquitoes hung about him in clouds, and, at times, he felt as if they would eat him up. Passing a native who was sitting on the bank engaged in fishing and fighting the insects, he remarked to him: "Mosquitoes are awful bad here, aren't they?" "Yes, there are a few here, but they are not further on down the river," said the native, as he proceeded to rub off a swarm of gallinippers that had taken advantage of the pause in his slaps and settled on his back.

A story pretty but hypocritical is being told as to why Mr. Patten got out of the May wheat corner. He and his wife are said to be intensely religious, and spend much money and time in church work. The story runs that Mrs. Patten, seeing the hard ships which her husband's success inflicted on the poor, persuaded him to quit.

If the story is not true, it ought to be. For may one conscientiously buy the poor man's loaf and retain fellowship in a church which commands love of his neighbor? Does it not betray a covetousness inconsistent with Christianity?

The statute law is silent as to Mr. Patten's conduct. The law of business even applauds. But what says the higher law? And if the higher laws condemn, what is the proper attitude of the church?

At all events, Mrs. Patten's Christianity was of the more discerning and lively kind, which is not surprising.—Dallas News.

NOTICE OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Sterling County will, on the second Monday in June, sit as a Board of Equalization to inspect, correct, equalize and approve the assessment lists of the Tax Assessor.

Given by order of the Court.
Leonce E. Cole, Clerk
County Court, Sterling County, Texas.

supported themselves. It appears from the Yale class book that of the 301 members of the graduating class, one-quarter, or seventy-five men, supported themselves in whole or in part during their college course.

OUR COMMISSIONERS DO THINGS

They Got Busy And Straightened Out Three Roads This Week

Last Monday, our Commissioners Court came together for their regular May term. After passing on the reports of the various county officers and allowing ac-

over which the proposed road was arranged the damages and ordered the road opened up. While they were doing this, they put in their spare time discussing the building of a good steel bridge across the Concho and it now looks like they are going to do it, too, before the year is out.

The May term of this court will go down in Sterling's history as a record breaker for doing business with the public roads.

BRIDGE ACROSS THE CONCHO

We learn that a majority of our Commissioners Court are in favor of building a bridge across the Concho on the Sterling Creek road south of town. It is very probable that it will be built during the present year.

That, at least, one bridge across the river is needed is apparent to everyone. The fact that the

The man whose foresight is as good as his hindsight is always right by a good long sight. ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖

We are getting in a car of Wagons and Buggies this week and we are short on room. Until we can house these vehicles "comfortably" we have decided to reduce the prices for cash, or will give good terms if you need time—this in the face of the fact that wagon factories will advance prices the 1st of May. If you buy now, you not only get the benefit of our short store room, but our long buying. Use your foresight and get a wagon or a buggy now while they are "out in the weather."

LOWE & DURHAM

O K GRAIN STORE AND WAGON YARD

If you want your team fed, take them to the O K. If you are the market for any kind of Grain or Hay, in any quantity, you had best get prices at the O K before buying. If you want clean stalls and water for your stock, and a good, new horse for yourself and folks, stop at the O K, on Southeast corner of Square

Telephone No. 41

R. H. LAYNE, PROP.

TWO MEN KILLED

J. B. Clayton Fires Into Crowd Killing Two Men And Wounding Another

In a difficulty at San Angelo about 11 o'clock last night, J. B. Clayton is alleged to have shot and killed Bob Gibson and a son of Juan Flores, a very prominent Mexican, and wounded a brother of Juan Flores.

WANTED:—A man, with a small family, to work on a ranch. Good and sure pay. House, wood and water. Apply at this office.

MARRIED

On Tuesday, 11th inst., at the home of J. E. Motrow, Dr. J. F. Ramsey to Miss Josie Westbrook Reverend Davis officiating.

DIED

At Bandera, on Wednesday, April 28th, Elnora, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Drake, aged 13 years, 8 months and 23 days.

J. B. Clayton Fires Into Crowd

The groom is a prominent young dentist of Robert Lee.

DIED

On the morning of the 13th, inst., at the home of her son, Dr. J. T. Brannon, 6 1/2 miles east of Sterling City, Mrs. Maria Brannon, aged 82 years.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution in regard to Formation and Taxing Power of School Districts.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8
House Joint Resolution to amend Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts.

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:
Section 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 3. One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes and a poll tax of \$1 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 60 years shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free school, and in addition thereto here shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources, will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local action required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such districts, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts, heretofore formed or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein, provided that a majority of the qualified property (taxpaying voters of the district) voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall year such tax, not to exceed in any one year 10 cents on the \$100 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three (3) months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such newspaper may be published. And the Governor shall and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts," and those opposing thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the amendment to Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts," and these provisions thereof shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the amendment to Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts."

Sec. 3. That \$5000 or as much thereof as may be necessary be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

(A true copy.)
W. B. TOWNSEND,
Secretary of State.

So Blasphemous Signs for Them.

Vienna—The courts in the town of Eger, in Bohemia, have just carried into effect the refusal of the Austrian authorities to allow the erection of a statue of Bismarck with the funds collected by the panserbian party. The court declined to consider the legal aspect of the matter, simply taking the ground that the patriotic feelings of the Austrians might be injured by the proposed tribute to the German chancellor.

For sale:—Two young full blood Brown Leghorn roosters, at 50c each. Call at this office.

Lost:—24 sheep. Finder will please phone Foster & Barton, Sterling City.

For Sale:—5 spans of coming 3-year-old mules, average 15 bands and promise 16 bands when grown. Well matched. Price, \$250 per span.

W. R. Davis,
Sterling City, Tex.

LOST:—Dec 4 on Colorado road between Sterling City and the springs a gold watch, size 16 with Elgin works. "A M S" cut in back of case. On return of watch, finder will receive a suitable reward.

T. S. Foster,
Sterling City, Tex.
Wanted:—To lease a pasture, from 6 to 10 sections. If you have it, notify this office.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Validating School Districts and Their Bonded Indebtedness and Authorizing Levy and Collection of Taxes to Pay Such Indebtedness.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9
House Joint Resolution to amend Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto Section 2a, validating school districts and the bonded indebtedness of such districts and authorizing the levy and collection of taxes to pay such indebtedness.

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:
Section 1. That Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new section, to be known as Section 2a, which shall read and be as follows:

Sec. 2a. Every school district heretofore formed, whether formed under the general law or by special act, and whether the territory embraced within its boundaries lies wholly within a single county or partly in two or more counties, is hereby declared to be, and from its formation to have been, a valid and legal district.

All bonds heretofore issued by any such districts which have been approved by the Attorney General and registered by the Comptroller are hereby declared to be, and at the time of their issuance to have been, issued in conformity with the Constitution and laws of this State, and any and all such bonds are hereby in all things validated and declared to be valid and binding obligations upon the district or districts issuing the same.

Each such district is hereby authorized to, and shall annually levy and collect an ad valorem tax sufficient to pay the interest on all such bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to redeem the same at maturity, not to exceed such a rate as may be provided by law under other provisions of this Constitution. And all trustees heretofore elected in districts made up from more than one county are hereby declared to have been duly elected, and shall be and are hereby named as trustees of their respective districts, with power to levy the taxes herein authorized until their successors shall be duly elected and qualified as is provided by law.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such newspaper may be published. And the Governor is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds," and those opposing thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds."

(A true copy.)
W. B. TOWNSEND,
Secretary of State.

LAND WANTED

Within fifteen or twenty miles of Sterling City; land that will average seventy-five per cent good. My intention is to sell this land to Northern people. I will leave in this near future for Illinois to do some extensive advertising in that state.

C. W. BECHERT,
San Angelo, Texas.

FOR SALE—230 bred ewes, 5's and up, \$2.50. 350 coming yearlings, \$3.00. 70 lambs, 30 days old, 50c each. Will take one-third in good young horse stock, or young mules.

M. D. Sutherland,
Siles, Texas.

For Sale:—A lot of laying hens at 30c each. Call at this office.

BULLS FOR SALE
I have ten or twelve coming two's, high grade Hereford bulls for sale. Phone or write, R. W. Foster, Sterling City, Tex.

FOR SALE
A Canton disc plow, good as new and in splendid running order. A bargain for \$35. Will take trade.
H. K. RAY

WANTED:—To exchange good 200-acre farm for a section or two of grazing land. W. W. Watson, Robert Lee, Texas.

FOR SALE
210 acres of good valley land for sale at \$10 per acre, cash. Apply at this office.

THE STERLING CITY NEWS-RECORD.
 Published at Sterling City, every Friday.
 \$1.25 per year.

W. F. KELLES editor & proprietor
 Advertising rates:—
 Locals, 10c per line for first issue and
 5c for each subsequent issue.
 Single column, 50c per inch per month.
 Double column, \$1.00 per inch per month.
 Special rates to those wanting large
 space.
 The job printing a specialty.

General Directory.

District Officers.
 Judge—J. W. Timmins.
 Attorney—L. H. Brightman
 Clerk—L. B. Cole
 Court meets 4th Monday after first
 Monday in February and September.

County Officers.
 Judge—A. V. Patterson
 Attorney—Pat Kellis.
 Clerk—L. B. Cole
 Sheriff—Harvey F. W. Edle
 Treasurer—E. L. Gilmore
 Assessor—D. C. Darman
 Inspector—W. T. Conner
 Surveyor—W. F. Kellis
 Court meets first Monday in Febru-
 ary, May, August and November.

CHURCHES.

M. E. Church.—Preaching every second and fourth Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., and fourth Sunday at 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. every Sunday.
 Rev. S. J. Franks Pastor.
 S. W. Foster, S. S. Supl.
Baptist.—Preaching every 1st, 3rd, 4th Sunday in each month at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7 p. m. Confession Saturday night before the 7th Sunday. Sunday school every Sunday at 9 o'clock p. m.
 Rev. M. J. Lawford, Pastor.
 Prof. L. C. Durham, Opt.
Presbyterian.—Preaching every 2nd Sunday in each month at 11 o'clock a. m.
 Rev. Black, Pastor.

STERLING COUNTY BAND.—W. C. Fisher Director.

SOCIETIES.

Masons.—Sterling lodge No. 728. A. F. & M. meets Saturday nights on or before the full moon in each month.
 D. L. Siston Secretary
 A. F. Brown W. M.

Eastern Star.—Meets Saturday P. M. 8 o'clock on or before the full moon in each month.
 Mrs. B. F. Brown W. M.
 B. F. Brown Secretary.

County Commissioners.
 Comr. No. 1—M. Black.
 " " 2—A. B. Allaga
 " " 3—D. D. Davis
 " " 4—J. L. Glas

Justice Court.
 Court, Precinct No. 1, meets 3rd Saturday in each month. Malcom Black J. P.

LOCAL.

Several of our boys are out fishing today.
 All our sheep men are busy shearing their flocks.
 Meals, the best in town, for 25c at Central Hotel.
 Savell Bros. can get you to the train on time.
 For anything in the millinery line, see Mrs. Douglas.
 Rev. Hooten will preach at the Christian church tomorrow.
 J. S. Colp is transacting business in San Angelo today.
 "Booger Red" show failed to show up last Monday night.
 If you want an up-to-date hat at the right price see Mrs. Douglas.
 1-4 off on my entire stock of hats.—Mrs. Cole, at Roberts' store.
 A line of the Guert candies ever seen in this town is now on sale at Hooker & Gilmore's.
 Homer Murray, of Watervalley, was visiting his brother, Scott Murray, here yesterday.
 B. F. Brown and B. F. Roberts made a business trip to San Angelo this week.

Meals 25c at Central Hotel.
 New spring hats at Mrs. Douglas'.

All kinds of iced soft drinks at Hooker & Gilmore's.
Hats at 1-4 off, for one week.—Mrs. Cole at Roberts' Ask the man who has been a guest at the Central Hotel where to stop.

R. H. Patterson represents "Time tried and fire tested" fire insurance companies.

Ride in Savell's cars. Good service, polite employees and fast time.

We can give you the News-Record and St. Louis Semi-Weekly Republic for \$1.50 cash.

The sand-storm today is making some of our people feel pretty blue.

Mrs. C. N. Crawford, who has been visiting in Lampasas for several days, is expected home tomorrow.

Rev. S. J. Franks will fill his appointment at Mulberry next Sunday.

Overseer Rutherford is warning out his hands to work the Big Lake road.

One week only! For one week I place my entire stock hats on the market at 1-4 off.—Mrs. Cole

Hunters.—All persons are forbidden to hunt on any land owned or controlled by me.—W. L. Foster.

Misses Ethel and Jessie Foster left last Sunday for Dallas and Sherman to visit friends and relatives.

Boy Davis, who shot his toe off several days ago, was on our streets again yesterday. His wound is healing rapidly.

Have your property insured in an "Old Line" company—the kind that insures. Ask "Bert" about it.

J. T. Davis, with a crew of hands left for Crockett county to shape up the stock on the Foster & Davis ranch.

Mrs. H. Q. Lykes and children returned last Tuesday from Colorado, where they had been visiting relatives.

Will Graham returned Wednesday from the Pecos country with a flock of goats which he recently purchased.

Harrison Jones, who once resided here, but now of Sipe Springs, came in today on a visit to relatives.

See R. H. Patterson for livestock insurance. He represents the oldest company of the kind in the world.

Come while you can get your milliners goods at 25 per cent discount at Roberts' store—lasts only a week.

Mrs. Frank Parker and children will spend tonight with friends here. They are enroute from Sherwood to Snyder, where they will make their future home.

No need of that pain in the stomach, why writhe, groan and suffer? Take GRAND MA'S DIARRHEA CURE. It affords quick relief and is a positive cure for Diarrhea, Colic, Dysentery, Bloody Flux and relieves vomiting and purging.

All persons are hereby notified that my pasture is posted according to law. Any person or persons who shall hunt, fish, cut or haul wood or otherwise trespass on lands owned or controlled by me, without my consent, will be prosecuted. 4-2-9 W. J. MANN

The attention of our readers is called to the advertisement in this issue of the Robinson Seed & Plant Company, Dallas, Texas, said to be the oldest seed house in the Southwest, and who will send their new 1909 Catalog to all who write for it describing the best seeds and plants for the Southern Grower.

GRAHAM & SMITH

Real Estate And Livestock Agents
 Any one wishing to sell their property will do well to list with our new hustling real estate firm. Exchange of property a specialty. Office north side of square.

S. POYNOR W. V. CHURCHILL A. A. RUTHERFORD
STERLING REALTY CO.,
 COMMISSION DEALERS IN
RANCHES, CATTLE, STOCK FARMS AND STERLING CITY PROPERTY.
 OFFICE IN CENTRAL HOTEL STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing Cities and Towns with a Population in Excess of 5,000 to be Incorporated by Special Act.
 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1
 Joint Resolution to amend Article 1, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution of the State, authorizing cities and towns within the State of Texas to be incorporated by special act where the population exceeds five thousand inhabitants.
 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:
 Section 1. That Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, be amended so that the same shall hereafter read and be as follows:
 Sec. 4. Cities and towns having a population of five thousand or less may be chartered, either by general law, or by special act, and may levy, assess and collect an annual tax to defray the current expenses of their local government, but such tax shall never exceed for any one year one-fourth of one per cent, and shall be collectible only in current money, and all licenses and occupation taxes levied and all fines, forfeitures, penalties and other dues according to cities and towns shall be collectible only in current money.
 Sec. 5. Cities having more than five thousand inhabitants may have their charters granted or amended by special act of the Legislature and may levy, assess and collect such taxes as may be authorized by law, but no tax for any purpose shall ever be lawful for any one year which shall exceed two and one-half per cent of the taxable property of such city, and no debt shall ever be created by any city or town unless at the same time provision be made to assess and collect annually a sufficient sum to pay the interest thereon and create a sinking fund of at least two per cent thereon.
 Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such a newspaper may be published, and the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature.
 At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution."
 Sec. 3. That \$5000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.
 (A true copy.)
 W. B. TOWNSEND,
 Secretary of State

For Sale.—One disc harrow, \$32.50. One double row corn, cotton and cane planter, \$22.50. Address J. A. Anglin, Sterling City, Texas.

Wanted.—To let contract to grub 50 acres of land on the river. Apply by phoning or writing, GEO. H. M. ENTIRE, Sterling City, Texas.

GRAND MA'S OEA is a most pleasant vegetable laxative. Cures Constipation, Purifies the Blood, Cures Sick Headache and Biliousness. It will quickly remove pimples, beautifying the complexion and giving the skin the freshness of youth.

WINCHESTER
 THE RED W BRAND
 LOADED SHOTGUN SHELLS
 LEADER AND REPEATER
 Loaded with Smokeless Powder
 NUBLACK—NEW RIVAL
 Loaded with Black Powder
 Used by the
 Most successful shots
 SOLD EVERYWHERE

CRUEL INTERRUPTION.
 Marie, the farmer's beautiful daughter, as she posed for the young artist from the city, talked.
 "I love the beautiful in art and nature," she said. "The midsummer sky of tender, smiling blue, frail wayside flowers, the song of birds, the whispering wind in the wheat, the gurgling streams, the laughing line—these give me ineffable joy. I feast on nature's loveliness, nature, and more, far more than food to me."
 "Mary Jane Green!" cried a shrill voice from the kitchen. "Got fur did you go an' eat that big plate o' pork wot wuz left over from dinner? I told you we wuz goin' to warm it up for supper. I declare to goodness, gal, your appetite's enough to drive 'out o' house an' lum!"
 "Aye! Queen Doesn't Speak Italian."
 The Italians are disappointed in wit one thing with regard to their new queen; she does not speak their language and has not yet tried to earn it, although with both French and Russian she is well acquainted.

A Queer One from the Transvaal.
 The latest story from the Transvaal is that General De Wet is Charles Stewart Parnell come to life.
 Post Was Once a Barnstormer.
 Stephen Phillips, the poet, was at one time a member of F. R. Benson's company of players in which was also William Mollison.

SEEDS SOLD ON HONOR
 Our new 1909 catalog with 128 fully illustrated pages is now ready to be sent to you upon request. It fully describes the best seeds and plants for the Southern Grower. High bred.
 Cotton Seed, Alfalfa Seed, Watermelon Seed, Seed Corn, Rye, etc.
 Send all kinds of plans for House and Barn, or any other building. Also send names in Southwest, 25 cents of successful seed catalog. Write right for catalog.
 Robinson Seed & Plant Company,
 224 PACIFIC AVE.,
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FIRST STATE BANK
 OF STERLING CITY, TEXAS.
 SUBJECT TO GOVERNMENT INSPECTION
 CAPITAL, \$10,000.
 We will appreciate your business.
 Accommodations cheerfully extended.

NOTICE
 My big Maltese jack, "Jube" will stand this season at the Pope place five miles northwest of COWD.
 Price, \$7.50 per season; \$10.00 insurance.
J. L. ALLEN

ABSTRACTS
 After several years of tedious work and great expense, I have compiled a complete abstract of title to every tract of land and town lot in Sterling County. Parties wishing abstracts made to land can obtain them on short notice by applying to me at my office in the court house, or by writing or phoning me at Sterling City.
 J. S. Cole, Abstracter

SAN ANGELO & STERLING CITY STAGE AND AUTO LINE.
 WILL AND TOM SAVELL, PROPRIETOR. PHONE 509, SAN ANGELO.
 Auto will leave San Angelo at 7 o'clock every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday morning, and go through to Big Springs, stopping regularly at Hughes, Water Valley, Sterling and Konchasset.
 Team line will leave San Angelo at 7 o'clock every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning bound for Sterling City.
 All express left at Doran Hotel.

Dr. C. R. CARVER.
 General Practitioner with Surgery and Chronic Diseases a specialty.
 Calls promptly answered day or night. Office first door north of Fisher Bros' Drugstore. Phone 4507.
 STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

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 LAWYER AND NOTARY PUBLIC.
 STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

LOWE & DURHAM
 Dealers in Coffins and Caskets
 Carry in stock fine, complete line of Undertaker's Goods.

The Personal Barber
H. K. Hooker, Prop.
 HAIR CUTTING AND SHAVING IN MOST APPROVED STYLE

TRESPASS NOTICE.
 Any person hauling wood, fishing, hunting or in any way trespassing on any lands owned or controlled by me, will be prosecuted.
 R. W. Foster

NOTICE
 Any person hauling wood, fishing, hunting, or in any way trespassing on any lands owned or controlled by me, will be prosecuted.
 W. L. Foster

TRESPASS NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that any person who shall hunt, fish, cut or haul wood, or otherwise trespass on any of the lands owned or controlled by me will be prosecuted by the full extent of the law.
 4-5-07
 A. F. JONES

POSTED.
 Our pasture is posted and all persons are hereby put upon legal notice that any one who shall hunt, cut or haul wood or otherwise trespass upon any of the lands owned or controlled by us will be prosecuted by the full extent of the law.
 10-26-'01 Fisher Bros.

Notice to Hunters.—Posted.
 My pasture is posted according to the law made and provided in such cases and all persons are hereby warned and forbidden to hunt, fish, or otherwise trespass upon any of the enclosed lands owned or controlled by me, under pain of prosecution to the full extent of the law. J. T. Davis
 5-6-'02 J. T. Davis

NOTICE—KEEP OUT.
 Notice is hereby given that any person who shall hunt, fish, cut or haul wood or otherwise trespass on any of the lands owned or controlled by me will be prosecuted by the full extent of the law.
 G. W. Allard.

Posted.
 I have posted my pasture according to the laws made and provided in such cases, and all persons are hereby warned and put upon notice that any person who shall hunt, cut or haul wood or otherwise trespass upon any enclosed land owned or controlled by me, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
 J. S. Johnson.

TRESPASS NOTICE
 Any person hauling wood, fishing, hunting, or in any way trespassing on any lands owned or controlled by us, will be Prosecuted.
 W. R. MCENTIRE & SON

NOTICE
 All persons having any interest in house known as the "Hillside School House," in my pasture southeast of my ranch on Sterling Creek will present their claims to me at an early date, as I intend to move said building away soon.
 W. L. Foster

GIRLS SHINED BOOTS

Story of Ambassador Bryce's Visit to Madison.

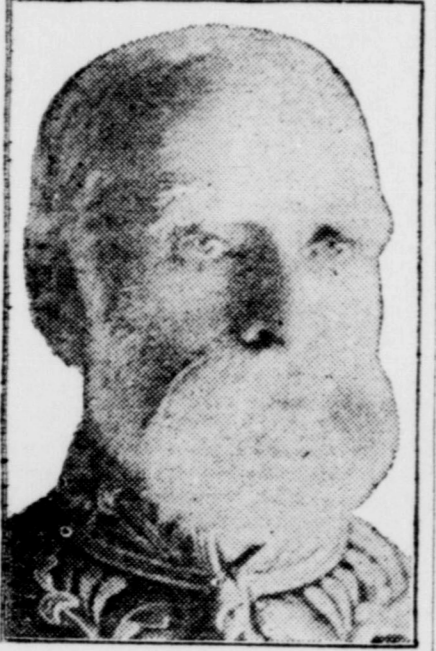
Daughters of President of University of Wisconsin Proved Equal to Task of Finding Envoy's Foot-wear at Door.

Madison, Wis.—An interesting story in connection with Ambassador James Bryce's visit to Madison last June when he delivered the baccalaureate address at the commencement exercises at the University of Wisconsin, has just leaked out.

During his stay here the distinguished Briton was the guest of President Van Hise. For weeks before the coming of the noted statesman his intended visit had been the subject of conversation at the Van Hise dinner table and every precaution had been made to make his stay as pleasant as should be. Especially interested in the plans for his entertainment were the two daughters of the president, Janet and Hilda, the former a Bryn Mawr girl of 20, and the latter a girl of 16, a student at the Wisconsin academy. While many distinguished guests had been entertained at their home, they looked forward to the time when they would welcome the British ambassador as "one of the family" for a few days at least.

The test of their hospitality came in a rather unexpected manner. When Mr. Bryce retired for the night he set his boots outside the bedroom door, according to the English custom, to have them polished by the man servant. While the Van Hises boast of a cook and second girl, the man servant is an unknown institution in their home.

As Janet and Hilda, the president's daughters, were passing along the hallway on the way to their boudoir, they spied the boots outside the room oc-



Ambassador James Bryce.

cupied by their guest. At first they were at a loss to account for their presence there, but it gradually dawned upon them that the boots were there for a purpose—to be shined.

The girls saw the funny side of the situation in a twinkling, and, picking up the boots, carried them to the kitchen, where they polished them up in a manner that would have done credit to the most attentive colored porter. Then they placed them where they had found them.

The girls said nothing about the affair, but when the same thing happened the next night they could hardly contain their mirth. The ambassador heard them giggling, but the next morning at the breakfast table, he asked them the cause of their merriment outside his room the night before. The whole story came out and nobody seemed to enjoy it more than Mr. Bryce.

It was noticed when the ambassador left Madison that he wore a different pair of boots than the ones he had arrived in, and when asked by Miss Janet for an explanation he answered that the others had been packed securely away to be put away as souvenirs of the time when his boots had been blacked by the daughters of the president of one of the great state universities of the United States.

Little Essay on Man.
Be not surprised, oh, wondering and gentle wife, because the eminent, high and mighty husband-man blames you for everything that happens. Should the north wind blow down the chimney or blow the chimney down, be prepared to confess that it was all your doing. The only way to treat a man is with a laugh. And why shouldn't we, since men are quite the funniest creatures on the face of the earth? Many of them feel that they must roar and fuss and fume lest we forget their magnificence and greatness and superiority. Joke, isn't it?—Exchange.

The "steeve dog of China" is the rarest breed of dog in the world. With the head of a pug, he has the under jaw and characteristic "wheel back" of the bulldog, a type to which his body conformation closely approximates. He has the same bowed forelegs, short in proportion to the hind legs, and quarters lightly made in comparison with his broad and massive front. Altogether he is the quaintest and most delightful of toy dogs, but so jealously is he cherished by the royal family of China that it is difficult to obtain a really good specimen.

AN INTERESTING PAINT TEST

There is a very simple and interesting chemical test by which to detect impurity in paint materials. Thousands and thousands of people, all over the country, are making this test. It is a sure way to safeguard against the many adulterated white leads which are on the market. Any one can make the test—all that is needed is a simple little instrument which may be had free by writing National Lead Company, 1902 Trinity Building, New York, and asking for House-owner's Painting Outfit No. 49. The outfit includes also a set of color schemes for exterior or interior painting, or both, if you wish, and a book of specifications. No houseowner would make any arrangements for painting till he gets this outfit.

One can't expect a satisfactory painting job without pure white lead. There's a way to make sure you're getting a pure white lead—without testing it. See that the keg bears National Lead Company's famous Dutch Boy Painter trademark, which is a positive guarantee of purity. Your dealer probably has his white lead. If not let National Lead Company know.

The Burnt Child.

Stern Parent—Hobby, I thought I told you to order that trunk sent round right away, all ready to use. The trunk has come, but there is no strap.

"Well, pa, I told the man he needn't mind sending the strap."

Certainty Convenience Economy.
Never has there been known a case where Mitchell's Eye Salve has not given notable relief. A pure harmless eye for application to the surface of the eye lids; the simplest of methods with wonderful results. The price 5 cents places it within reach of all. All druggists sell it.

The Great Necessity.

She laid down her Ruskin wearily. "It says here," she mused, "that man should resemble a river." I wonder what that means. Do you know, dear?"

Dear looked up from a batch of pills. "Sure I do," he growled. "It means that you don't amount to shucks these days unless you own a couple of tanks."

KNEW HIS SON.



Prodigal Son—Father, I have returned!
Father—Yes, got dern yeh. I thought you'd show up about the time the pretty summer boarders began to arrive at the farm!

SEEMED LACKING IN RESPECT

Little Girl's Innocent Use of Descriptive Slang Expression Amused Fellow-Traveler.

"I was going to Patchoque," said a woman at the Waldorf, "when I saw sitting near by a little girl with her mother, the mother evidently a foreigner, the child born in this country, both surrounded with bundles in the foreign way. The child was six. The conductor came along and the child of six held out the tickets.

"I want you to put us off at Patchoque," she said, smiling up at him, "and help us with our bundles, please. My mother's a greenhorn. She doesn't know anything about traveling."

"I watched her until the two arrived at their destination, and I think I have never seen a more polite little girl or a more seemingly dutiful daughter. It was quite evident to my mind that she meant no disrespect to her mother by calling her by what would seem to us to be an opprobrious epithet. She had merely adopted one of our slang words as the very best of English."—New York Press.

NOT DRUGS

Food Did It.

After using laxative and cathartic medicines from childhood a case of chronic and apparently incurable constipation yielded to the scientific food, Grape-Nuts, in a few days.

"From early childhood I suffered with such terrible constipation that I had to use laxatives continuously going from one drug to another and suffering more or less all the time.

"A prominent physician whom I consulted told me the muscles of the digestive organs were partially paralyzed and could not perform their work without help of some kind, so I have tried at different times about every laxative and cathartic known, but found no help that was at all permanent. I had finally become discouraged and had given my case up as hopeless when I began to use the pre-digested food, Grape-Nuts.

"Although I had not expected this food to help my trouble, to my great surprise Grape-Nuts digested immediately from the first and in a few days I was convinced that this was just what my system needed.

"The bowels performed their functions regularly and I am now completely and permanently cured of this awful trouble.

"Truly the power of scientific food must be unlimited." "There's a Reason."

Read "The Road to Wellville," in *Nks.* Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

PUBLIC STATEMENT

By a Public Official—County Treasurer of Granbury, Texas.

A. A. Perkins, County Treasurer of Granbury, Hood Co., Texas, says: "Years ago a severe fall injured my kidneys. From that time I was bothered with a chronic lame back and disordered action of the kidneys helped to make life miserable for me. A friend suggested my using Doan's Kidney Pills, which I did, with the most gratifying results. I made a public statement at the time, recommending Doan's Kidney Pills, and am glad to confirm that statement now."

Sold by all dealers, 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

NEVER SAY DIE.



She—But if you have completely cured Mrs. Tooter, you have done away with one of your most lucrative sources of income.

The Doctor—Ah, but I'll present her with my bill, and then I'll have to treat her for nervous prostration.

ECZEMA COVERED HIM.

Itching Torture Was Beyond Words—Slept Only from Sheer Exhaustion—Relieved in 24 Hours and

Cured by Cuticura in a Month.

"I am seventy-seven years old, and some years ago I was taken with eczema from head to foot. I was sick for six months and what I suffered tongue could not tell. I could not sleep day or night because of that dreadful itching; when I did sleep it was from sheer exhaustion. I was one mass of irritation; it was even in my scalp. The doctor's medicine seemed to make me worse and I was almost out of my mind. I got a set of the Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Resolvent. I used them persistently for twenty-four hours. That night I slept like an infant, the first solid night's sleep I had had for six months. In a month I was cured." W. Harrison Smith, Mt. Kisco, N. Y., Feb. 3, 1908. Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

Locations of Promotion.

Elzena, aged four, revealed in kindergarten lore, and each day imparted to her young mother the many interesting things that the sweet-faced teacher had told them. Among the vicissitudes of school life to be encountered was that of vaccination, which was new to the little one. After much explaining and reassuring this difficulty was safely passed. A few weeks later she returned one day from kindergarten in a whirl of excitement, exclaiming: "Mother, mother, I'm going to be promoted—mother, will I be promoted on my arm or leg?"

Grievance of Suffragists.

The suffrage papers are still grieving over their mistake as to Sweden having granted the ballot to women. The dispatch which caused the mistake read "to all inhabitants of 21 years and over." The suffragists in other countries are asking if Sweden does not enumerate its women among its inhabitants when taking its census.

For Headache Try Hicks' Capudine.
Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the aches are speedily relieved by Capudine. It's Liquid—pleasant to take—Effects immediately. 15¢ and 50¢ at Drug Stores.

Rather Mixed.

"Miss Adele has such a mobile face."
"Yes, I have noticed at times its automatic expression."

The way Hamlin's Wizard Oil soothes and allays all aches, pains, soreness, swelling and inflammation is a surprise and delight to the afflicted. It is simply great to relieve all kinds of pain.

The man who has only himself to please finds sooner or later, and probably sooner than later, that he has got a very hard master.—Swift.

Choose between WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT and indigestion. Choose between WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT and indigestion!

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SORE EYES. Weak, inflamed, red, watery and swollen eyes, use PETTIT'S EYE SALVE. 25c. All druggists or Howard Bros., Buffalo, N. Y.

You are right, Cordelia; to-day will be yesterday to-morrow.

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Eyes Are Relieved By Murine

when irritated by Chalk Dust and Eye Strain, incident to the average School Room. A recent Census of New York City reveals the fact that in that City alone 1,258 School Children needed Eye Care. Why not try Murine Eye Remedy for Red, Weak, Watery, Watery Eyes, Granulation, Pink Eye and Eye Strain? Murine Doesn't Smart, Soothes Eye Pain, Is Compounded by Experienced Physicians, Contains no Injurious or Prohibited Drugs. Try Murine for Your Eye Troubles; You Will Like Murine. Try It in Baby's Eyes for Scaly Eyelids. Druggists Sell Murine at 50c. The Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago, Will Send You Interesting Eye Books Free.

Mrs. Howe's Opinion.

Mrs. Julia Ward Howe's sense of the ridiculous has always been a saving grace, leading her to avoid grandiloquence. On one occasion a lady at Newport, trying to get a fine sentiment out of her, said, one moonlit evening on a vine-hung veranda: "Mrs. Howe, do say something lovely about my piazza!" Whereupon every one listened for the reply. In her delicately cultivated voice Mrs. Howe responded: "I think it is a bully piazz."—New York Herald.

STATE OF OHIO CITY OF TOLEDO, LUCAS COUNTY.
FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1898.

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Cow Never Said a Word.

When one of the fenders of the City railway cars picked up a young heifer at the corner of Third and Jersey streets the conductor filled out the required report blank to Superintendent Edward Howell. In answer to the question: "What did the victim say?" the employe wrote: "She was carried along on the fender for a short distance, then rolled off and ran away without saying a word."—Dayton Columbus Dispatch.

How refreshing the air is! It's full of WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT—fragrance of fresh mint leaves.

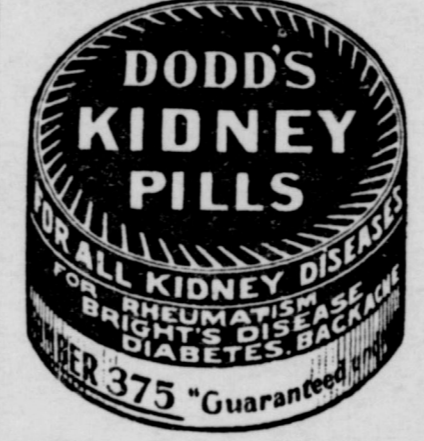
Some men are content not to do mean actions, I want to become incapable of a mean thought or feeling.

Send postcard request to-day for sample package of Garfield Tea, Nature's herb remedy for constipation, liver and kidney diseases. Garfield Tea Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Prussia's brick yards employ nearly 20,000 women.

Look for the spear or you won't like the flavor. Insist on WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT.

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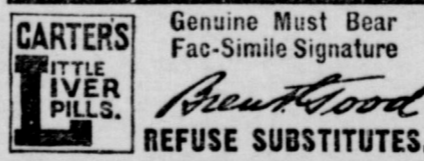


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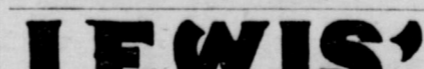
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It Will Help You

Mrs. Maxwell Johnson, Tampa, Fla., writes: "Cardui cured me after doctors and everything else had failed. I had been suffering with numb spells ever since I was 16 years old. One day I decided to take Cardui. I have now taken 5 bottles and I can say that it has cured me. I advise all suffering women to give Cardui a long and fair trial."

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