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THE annexation of Hawaii is almost a certainty.

Congressman Jas. L. Slayden is a candidate for congress again in this district.

ADJUTANT General W. H. Mabry is recommended to fill the presidency of the A. & M. college.

This country is not hankering for a fight, but if Spain insist upon it we'll have to oblige her if only as a matter of international courtesy. —St. Louis Republic.

GOV. CULLERSON refused to interfere in the Eugene Burt case, and was executed on Friday of last week for the murder of his wife and children.

Czar Reed broke his word to Bailey of Texas on the Cuban question, and the Czar's party has broken its St. Louis platform on that same issue. And the're bad breaks both of 'em.—St. Louis Republic.

Our attention has been called to an article on the land laws of Texas by Senator Tillett, and we have been asked to give our views in regard to it. This we are unprepared to do for the reason that we don't know a confounded thing about the land laws, and don't know of anyone who does. We shall try, however to find space for the article and let Mr. Tillett explain what the land laws are and should be, if he can. —Abilene Reporter.

Having got his first fees for public service by acting as a juror in New Jersey for two dollars a day, George Gould is now credited with an intention of asking for a seat in the Senate of that State. "Stranger things have happened," he said to a friend who doubted his ability to win. Yes, stranger things happened in New Jersey. For example, Griggs is now the most important law officer in the United States. If Griggs can be trusted to administer law, George can be trusted to make law.—St. Louis Republic.

We are informed by a prominent dealer in farm and garden seeds that there is sold in Dallas alone 100 car loads of sorghum seed annually, all of which is brought from Kansas and Missouri. This is only a single item. Millet seed grass seeds, corn and products, all of which can be grown here, are brought in from the farming states of the west, always in car-load lots. The same gentlemen said his house, alone, would buy for cash the seed product of 10,000 acres of land. All these seeds and many others can be produced as well here as in Kansas, and yet there are men who profess to be farmers, who will tell us that it is useless to raise anything but cotton "except for family use." Others contend that there is no over-production of cotton—nothing but "under consumption," implying that we can cause the world to buy more cotton by producing more. But if we produce more than the world wants at a fair price, and so much that there is a great unmanufactured surplus left of each year's crop, which we can't sell, we would ask for a better definition of the situation than "over-production!" —Farm & Garden.

## CHAIRMAN BLAKE'S Call.

Texas Democratic Executive Committee to Meet in Dallas, February 22.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 21.—Chairman J. W. Blake of the State Democratic Executive Committee today issued the following call from Mexico, the committee headquarters:

"A meeting of the state Democratic Executive Committee is hereby called to convene in the city of Dallas at 11 a. m., Tuesday, February 22, 1898, for the following purposes:

"First—To fix a day for holding primary elections on conventions and adopt rules for the government of said primaries.

"Second—To select a time and place for holding the State Convention and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the committee.

"In accordance with a resolution adopted by the Executive Committee at its last meeting, all cities which are candidates for the State Convention are requested to submit to the committee a written bill, stating the amount of money they will contribute to the State campaign fund in addition to the necessary accommodations for the proper entertainment of the convention.

"County Chairmen are requested not to call any meetings of their committees until after the State Committee has acted and I ask that all meetings which have been called shall be either canceled or postponed until after this meeting of the State Committee, so that they may conform their action with the recommendations of the State Committee and thus avoid conflicts and confusion. This is important for the fullest co-operation on the part of county chairmen in efforts to secure uniformity of action to prevent factional strife in the party and in securing a fair expression of the votes in the selection of delegates and candidates. Let us have no 'snap' conventions, and do nothing which would give any candidate advantage over another. Hoping that harmony may prevail in our meeting and that we may subdue every selfish motive and desire and let our actions be controlled only by a purpose and desire to strengthen the great party we represent, advance its interests and perpetuate its principles.

Very truly, "J. W. BLAKE, Chairman State Democratic Executive Committee."

A New Postage Stamp.

For the third time in the history of the nation, in recognition of the importance of a brilliant enterprise Postmaster General Gary has decided to order a series of special postage stamps, commemorative of the holding of the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition at Omaha in 1898. The stamps will be issued in denomination of 1-cent, 2 cent, 5 cent, 10-cent, and 21, making it possible for the public to use these stamps on all outgoing foreign as well as domestic mail matter and packets of merchandise. In the United States there are 70,000 post offices, so that the wide-spread circulation of these special stamps, suggestive of the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition, will be readily attained. The issue lends the Exposition, the prestige of government recognition and support.

—Ex.

## SOLOMON'S TEMPLE COST

The Seven Years Work Figured Out in Dollars and Cents

A noted statistician and investigator who has lots of time for such work has been doing some figuring on the cost of the temple of Solomon, and says a few people even in these days of palmy extravagance and millionaire display have an adequate impression of the enormous cost of the great temple. According to Villalpandus, the "talents" of gold silver and brass were equal to the enormous sum of £6,879,822,000. The worth of jewels is placed at a figure equally as high, says the Philadelphia Record.

The vessels of gold, according to Josephus, were valued at \$140,000,000 talents, which reduced to English money, was equal to £575,296,293. The vessels of silver, according to the same authority, were still more valuable, being set down as worth £640,344,060. Priest's investments and the robes of singers, £2,010,000, and the trumpets, £200,000. To add this at the expense of the building material, labor, etc., and some wonderful figures result. Ten thousand men hewing cedars, 60,000 bearers of burden, 80,000 hewers of stone, overseers, all of whom were employed for seven years, and upon whom besides their wages, Solomon bestowed £6,733,780. If their daily food was worth 50 cents, the sum total for all was £32,877,088 during the time of the building. The materials in the rough are estimated as having been worth £2,545,337,500. This gives a total, just for this much of the expense, which by no means expresses the whole cost of £10,717,700,261, or about \$52,117,034,867.46.—Ex.

Bond Test Case Decided.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 11.—The supreme court yesterday reversed and remanded the case of the county of Mitchell vs. the City National Bank of Paducah, Ky. This is a test case, brought to determine the validity of courthouse and jail bonds issued by the various counties of the state. The decision sustains the validity of the bonds, holding that it is not necessary for a county commissioners' court to make provision for the levy of a tax to pay interest and establish a sinking fund for such bonds at the time they are issued. The general state law under which the bonds were issued is a sufficient levy of the tax required by the constitution, and the commissioners' court, after such bonds are issued, can be compelled by the writ of mandamus to make all further necessary orders. Both courts below held the bonds to be valid, as does the supreme court, but the latter holds Mitchell county issued more bonds than she could legally do, hence the reversal, but holds valid bonds issued under the above circumstances. The people voted down a constitutional amendment last August seeking to validate bonds in the above stated condition held by the state school fund. This decision virtually validates all bond of a above character, held by whom they may be.

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# Coke County Rustler.

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The prosperity of Chicago is somewhat indicated by the fact that she has to have a vigilance committee to protect her citizens from highway robbery.

"Loan companies," in most of our cities, advance small sums of money on the security of household furniture, charging anywhere from six to twenty per cent, a month interest.

The federation of women's clubs at Syracuse was ruled by Sorosis in the selection of a president, and the opposition bitterly says it did so through a Tammany system of politics. Thus the federation is at war with itself, and the result is an immensity of grief and hysterics, to be followed by the hopeless fracture of the entire establishment. It is singular that women cannot dwell together in unity—any more than men can.

The Tuskegee Normal and Industrial institute for colored people has just dedicated an agricultural building. One of the speakers said: "It is a great deal better for the state of Alabama to spend one hundred dollars on each of these boys and girls than to spend perhaps ten thousand dollars in convicting them later on." Illiteracy is expensive as well as deplorable. Education is economical, for it reduces crime; and there is no color line in this fact.

A foreign writer recently said: "Germany feels more and more the need of foreign markets. She has ceased to be a pre-eminently agricultural country, and is becoming every year more and more an industrial and commercial country. In 1882, of every 1,000 persons 425 were supported by agriculture and only 355 by industry and 100 by commerce. In 1895 the proportions were already nearly reversed, 391 per 1,000 derived their livelihood from industry, 115 from commerce and only 357 from agriculture. Foreign markets, must therefore, be secured abroad for the surplus production of her industry, and, on the other hand, food and raw materials must be obtained in increasing quantities from abroad."

At the opening of the agricultural building at Tuskegee, Ala., Secretary of Agriculture Wilson said: "There is a growing demand for men educated in the sciences relating to agriculture. We want a soil physicist at the department in Washington—a simple want, one would say. There are 1,000 people asking places in the department, well-educated people, but not one has studied soils. An inquiry comes from a university for a biologist; none of the 1,000 is proficient along that line; a scientific dairyman is in demand; very few are to be had, while the country has a surplus of men and women well-educated along lines that do not apply to the farm and its various departments. We must educate young people to do something that somebody wants done, where money is waiting to pay them."

It is reported that at the Grand Island, Neb., sugar beet factory a flock of 50,000 sheep and a number of cattle are now being fed almost exclusively upon the sliced beets, after the juices and sugar are extracted. City delivery wagons deliver to owners of cows or other live stock in the city all the feed of this kind that can be consumed for the nominal price of 25 cents a week. At first only one wagon supplied the demand, but now there are three engaged in the service. To encourage the industry the Grand Island factory exacts no charge for the food. Stock feeders and farmers are at liberty to haul away the product in unlimited quantities. At the stock yards near by 150 tons of the beet refuse are fed daily and, it is said, stockmen find that with the addition of small quantities of grain cattle and sheep are quickly placed in fine condition for the market.

The second sealing conference closed with an agreement of the American, Canadian and British seal experts upon certain matters of fact. Among these are the statements that the Pribilof seal herd is not more than one-third or one-fifth as large as formerly; that the catch at sea contains a marked excess of females; but that deep-sea sealing has fallen off in greater ratio than the herd has; and that the herd is not in danger of actual extermination while its haunts on land are protected, and the protected zone around the islands is maintained. This agreement of the experts was followed by a diplomatic conference, at which the representatives of Canada submitted propositions for an adjustment of all questions at issue between the United States and Canada, through an international commission. These propositions are to be formally presented later for the consideration of our government.

## INSURGENTS ACTIVE.

They Enter a Village Near Havana and Destroy Property.

Havana, via Key West, Fla., Jan. 24.—Insurgents concealed behind the railway station at San Miguel, eight miles from Havana, fired upon a train, killing several animals in one of the cars. Others entered the cultivated zone of the town of Las Vegas, near Havana, destroying all the huts and the crops.

Gen. Pando has sent Col. Domingo, of Capt. Gen. Blanco's staff, to Spain, under serious charges.

The coast line steamer Mortera has left Havana with two battalions of troops and one battery, en route for Gibara, to aid the garrison of Holguin, which is besieged by Gen. Calixto Garcia.

A private report from Puerto Principe confirmed the news that Gen. Castellanos has destroyed Esperanza (at the extreme western end of the Sierra Cubitas), the headquarters of the insurgent government, which moved to Najasa, saving documents and files. When the insurgents retired they left 57 of their number dead on the field, but carried away their wounded. The government troops lost 27 killed and 87 wounded. Juan Masso, whose surrender to the authorities was recently reported, is a nephew of Bartolomeo Masso, president of the Cuban republic, not a brother, as before stated. It is reported here that the governor of Havana province, who is a stockholder in La Discusion, has secured the subvention of \$200 monthly for the paper.

Additional troops are to be sent to the province of Santiago de Cuba, to carry on the operations there.

The action of the government in searching certain mail matter before allowing it to be delivered is considered by persons well informed upon the subject a direct violation of the international postal union treaty. Many persons, including a number of loyal Spaniards, such as Senor Guzman, ex-president of the congress, and others of social standing in the city, make complaint of the non-delivery of letters addressed to them. It is reported that in consequence of the government's action, steps will be taken to expel Spain from the postal union.

Endeavors have been made to induce Dr. Cabera to remain at Siguaney, to obtain the surrender of the leaders, Rego and Monteagudo. It is said \$70,000 has been wired to Gen. Aguirre for the surrender of Masso and his party.

Senor Lopez, who formerly held a command in the Spanish army in Cuba, but who was dishonored and sentenced to jail, and who escorted Gomez and Maceo during their invasion, but later surrendered, has been captured by Gen. Pando, and is now acting as a government agent, riding through the Santa Clara province, trying to induce the insurgents to surrender.

The gunboat Galicia has captured a schooner manned by four men, one of whom stated that they had been engaged to assist in the landing of provisions, etc., from an English vessel. The schooner was sighted by the gunboat six miles off the coast. The member of the schooner's crew who made the above statement added that the insurgents did not lack clothing, and that he was ignorant of the fact that they were short of ammunition.

Several of the local papers comment upon the report of the surrender of Masso with 100 men, which number they declare is exaggerated.

Si Diario de la Marina says that the papers which preach loyalty most coldly print the news without flavoring the same, adding that El Liberal of Spain declares there are many Spanish who would see with pleasure the failure of autonomy. The Union Constitution replies to El Diario, saying that autonomy is a sign of peace.

### Gen. Lee Guarded.

Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 24.—A telegram from Key West says: Admiral Sicard, with the battleships New York, Indiana, Massachusetts, Iowa and Texas, arrived off the bar at 10 o'clock. The Maine, Montgomery and Detroit and the torpedo boats Cushing and Dupont went out and joined the fleet. An important message was received at 11 o'clock for Admiral Sicard, but there is no way of transportation to the fleet. Telegrams from Havana state that extra guards have been placed around Lee's office. Circulars were distributed around Havana calling on volunteers for the protection of the American colony. There is no news of an attempt to assassinate Lee.

### Battled.

Winnie.—"Did you get many nice presents at Christmas?"  
Emma.—"Didn't I though! Why, I got a pair of tins—just what I needed; and a silver-plated lamp—dearest thing you ever saw; and a new kind of bell—a regular chime; and a complete repair kit—curling-irons and all; and a cyclometer that weighs only a quarter of an ounce!"

## Anti-Jewish Riot.

Algiers, Jan. 24.—The anti-Jewish riots were renewed here yesterday. The mob invaded the Jewish quarter and pillaged the shops in the Rue Babazon, driving the Jewish merchants into the street. A squad of chasseurs was ordered to the scene and charged the mob with drawn swords, but the mob reformed further on, cheering for the army. Revolvers and daggers were freely used. One man, who was stabbed in the back and shot in the head, died on the spot. Many were seriously stabbed, one named Cayoi, dying from his wounds at 4 yesterday evening.

The crowd hearing of this, became dangerously excited, shouting: "They are murdering us!" "Death to the Jews!" and resumed pillaging. The fronts of six shops were destroyed and the loot was burned. The police repeatedly charged the rioters, but were stubbornly resisted and were powerless to restore order until the troops arrived.

Several policemen were severely maltreated. Many arrests for theft have been made. The Jewish authorities recommended their co-religionists to remain indoors. Both the men killed in the riot were Christians and their companions have sworn to avenge them. It is feared there will be further riots.

The belief that there would be further rioting was well founded. Disturbances and the looting of Jewish shops continued throughout the evening despite the efforts of the troops to quell the disorders. At 10 o'clock last night some Jewish flour stores were pillaged and their contents thrown into the streets. The zouaves then charged the crowd with fixed bayonets and dispersed them, many persons being injured. At the time this dispatch is sent (at 11 o'clock) the rioters are reassembling on the quays and setting fire to the Jewish spirit stores. Troops are being hurried to the spot. Already there have been 150 arrests. The maintenance of order has been entrusted to the military.

Midnight—By midnight the town had become more quiet and the fires on the quays had been extinguished. The streets are patrolled by troops.

It is reported that similar demonstrations have taken place in the suburbs of the town.

## THE OHIO RIVER.

There is Still Fears of It Overflowing the Lowlands.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 24.—There is still danger of an overflow of the lowlands along the banks of the Ohio, for the river yesterday started to rise again and in creeping up the banks at the rate of two inches an hour.

The indications are at present that the mark of thirty feet will be shown before the waters begin to recede. In fact, the conditions are so similar to those of the floods of 1833 and 1884 that the oldest and best informed river men say they would not be at all surprised to see them equaled.

Already the water is up to the trestle at the foot of Fifth street, and it is crawling toward the doors of the houses at the foot of Fourth. The people are preparing for the worst.

In Shippingport the same state of affairs prevails, and all day yesterday the residents were busy moving to places of safety until the danger is past.

On the point there is much alarm felt, for the cut-off embankment is said to be unsafe, and it is liable to break under the terrible strain and send the angry waves pouring into the houses that are located in the lowlands beneath it. It is estimated that in the event the levee breaks 1000 families would be made homeless.

### A Severe Tidal Wave.

Sheboygan, Wis., Jan. 24.—The fleet of vessels in winter quarters in this city experienced a severe shaking up yesterday, occasioned by a tidal wave, the third of the season. The wave was caused by the northeast gale and the water swept up the river in such great volumes that the harbor was turned into a veritable whirlpool. Ice from twelve to sixteen inches thick was ground into chunks as small as hen's eggs and vessels were torn from their moorings and were driven in all directions.

### Big Snow Storm.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 24.—The most severe blizzard which has visited this section in years continued in its fury until about 6 o'clock yesterday morning. Snow to the depth of eighteen inches has fallen and with the wind blowing at the rate of fifty miles an hour great drifts were formed in all parts of the city, making travel almost an impossibility. Railroad trains came in very irregularly and only passenger trains, each with the aid of several locomotives, attempted to get through.

### Where the Tide Is Highest.

The Bay of Fundy, in Canada, has the highest tide in the world. It rises a foot every five minutes and sometimes attains a height of seventy feet.

## THE NECHES RIVER.

It is Higher Than It Has Been in a Number of Years.

Beaumont, Tex., Jan. 24.—The Neches river is now raging along in its course. Saturday night it was within two feet and ten inches of the famous high water mark of 1886, and was rising at the rate of fifteen inches every twenty-four hours. It is more than probable that this high limit will be reached, and if it is the saw-mills will be compelled to shut down, as, with one exception, the water will reach the driving wheels. In late years the rises in the river have been light, due to the jetty system at Sabine Pass, presumably, but the steady rains of the last few weeks have brought a great change, regardless of the jetties. The river at this point is two and a half miles wide, so that it can be seen what an immense rise is really on. It will aid materially in scouring out the channel at Sabine Pass, especially as the Sabine river is reported in the same condition.

The large dredgeboat came up Saturday, and will shortly receive the enormous dredge that is being built here for Messrs. Charles Clarke & Co., for the work on the channel at Port Arthur. This dredge will be the largest on the Gulf of Mexico, and will have an enormous capacity. It will cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000, and the best material will be used in its construction.

## COMMITTED SUICIDE.

John N. Newbill Drank Laudanum and Cut His Throat at El Paso.

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 24.—John N. Newbill, aged 21, a telegraph operator from Eastland, Tex., cut his throat with a razor in the Lindell hotel yesterday morning, drank laudanum, and then walked out three miles down the Southern Pacific tracks, to the back of Evergreen cemetery, where he threw himself in front of a freight train. He was terribly mangled. The body was brought to this city and his uncle, W. H. McCord, an operator at Eastland, and a Knight of Pythias and Mason, was notified. McCord wired to take care of the remains and send them on to Eastland for interment. This will be done. Newbill sent off a message Saturday night from El Paso, telling the lady receiving clerk at the Western Union with tears in his eyes that this was the last message he would ever send. She remarked afterward that Newbill was either intending suicide or going to get married. The cause of suicide was Newbill's being discarded.

A note was found in the suicide's room, which was badly daubed with blood, stating his intention to kill the girl, her husband, and then himself. On her photograph, found in his room, was written "Farewell." How Newbill managed to reach the cemetery after slashing himself and taking laudanum is a mystery.

### Going to the Klondike.

Mineral Wells, Tex., Jan. 24.—W. L. Richards, a cattleman of North Dakota, who has been visiting here, Frank Richards and Gus Wyckland form a party who left for the Klondike country Saturday. They are well equipped for the undertaking, and have plenty of funds for the trip. They will go at once to Seattle, and push on up into the gold regions as soon as possible. Mr. Wyckland has been firing on the passenger train on the Weatherford, Mineral Wells and Northwestern.

### Telegraph Line Being Built.

Houston, Tex., Jan. 24.—Mr. John Thompson, foreman of the construction force of the Postal Telegraph company, accompanied by Mr. Ralph Crews, a member of his force, arrived in the city yesterday en route to New Orleans, where the work of construction will begin and be pushed forward to this city as rapidly as possible. In this connection it is understood that a construction force is at work on a line from Dallas pushing forward toward this city.

### River Bank Protection Wanted.

From Great Britain comes a call for a method of preventing the current of a river from wearing away the banks. The claim is set forth that the present system is unsatisfactory because, while the banks may be strengthened, nothing is done to deflect the current from weak points nor to diminish its force.

### A Redeeming Feature.

Plankinton—I hear you have been having trouble with the collar of your new house.

Von Blumer—Yes. But every misfortune has its compensation.

Plankinton—How's that?

Von Blumer—I learned to swim.—Truth.

Arthur Jennings was killed near Augusta, Ga., recently, while resisting arrest.

Thomas Parsloe, an actor, died in New York the other day.

## BEFORE THE BULL FIGHT.

Chapel Where the Toreador Prays That He May Kill Successfully.

"Now," said my friend, "we will go to the chapel." "The chapel?" "Why, yes, the next room is a small chapel where every toreador goes before the fight to pray and ask God and his patron saint that his life be spared, and that he be given the courage and strength to take that of the bull." We entered the small chapel, at one end of which was an altar covered with flowers and lighted candles, in the middle a crucifix and behind a painting of the Virgin Mary, says a writer in the Illustrated American. One of the toreadors came in and, kneeling at the end of the altar, began to pray. What a contrast! This man, covered with silk and gold, kneeling in front of the Christ, asking for the protection of the kind and sweet lover of humanity, and asking (in order to kill) the protection of Him to whom all lives are dear and precious. "You see the man there kneeling and praying?" said my friend. "Well, he is Manuel Garcia, generally called 'Espartero,' the greatest living toreador. He is the first espado of Spain and is celebrated for his courage. When he sticks the sword in the bull's neck he never jumps aside, as other toreadors do; no, he wants to stop the bull there, to kill him on the spot. As it is nearly impossible, he has often been seriously wounded by dying bulls. He has saved over 100,000 pesetas. He will retire from the ring a rich man in another year." The man had finished praying. He left the chapel shaking hands with his friends, and I could not help thinking, "A rich man in one year; yet, provided— But I did not dare to finish my thought even to myself, and raising my eyes to the crucifix I murmured involuntarily, 'God, spare him!'"

### Output of Cent Pieces.

The mint of Philadelphia is almost constantly engaged in turning out cents made of copper, with a slight alloy of zinc and tin. The state of Pennsylvania alone absorbed 11,000,000 last year, and New York 9,000,000. There is as much curiosity about the final fate of these cents as there is about that of pins. Nobody is able to tell where the pins go to, and it is impossible to even surmise what has become of the hundreds of millions of cents issued by the mint since it began operations. It is rather a profitable business for the government, as it means the conversion of copper costing 10 cents a pound into a form in which it is worth \$2 or more a pound.

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### Rural Note.

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## FEARS OF A FLOOD.

**The Ohio River Rising Steadily at Louisville, Ky.**

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 21.—Fears are entertained here of a flood. The Ohio is rising steadily. At 6 o'clock yesterday morning the danger line was but three feet off, but by noon this distance had been increased by nearly eleven inches. The waters are touching the curbstones at the foot of Fifth and Fourth streets, and the residents in these localities have packed their belongings preparatory to flight. During Wednesday night the rise was three feet, but the rain has ceased and the rise yesterday morning was not so great. At noon the reading at the locks was 23 feet 2 inches, in the canal 48 feet 7 inches.

Reports received indicate that much damage was done throughout the state by the heavy rain and wind storm which came up about 3:30 o'clock. Thomas Cross, a drummer from North Vernon, Ind., was drowned while crossing a swollen stream near West Baden, Ind., while a son of a farmer named Drury and a negro farm hand, who were riding a horse across a Cumberland river ford in Jackson county, Tennessee, were drowned. In Kentucky a Methodist Church near Falmouth was unroofed and barns and farm houses in Garrard, Grayson, Henderson, Union and Hickman counties were damaged. The Licking, Big Sandy, Cumberland, Green and all their tributaries are booming and many of them are out of their banks.

The Ohio river is expected to reach the danger point at this place by 5 o'clock this morning. The stage at 10 p. m. was twenty-two feet ten inches, a rise of nine inches since 6 p. m. If the waters continue to rise at the present rate until 3 o'clock to-day a stage of thirty feet will have been reached. This will be six feet above danger line and will submerge many houses in Shippingport, from Third down to Seventh streets, the island, a part of the point, and all of the bottom lands for fifty miles above.

Tow Head Island is submerged and the glue factory above the cut-off has three feet of water on its floor. The tributaries in this section are reported bank-full or overflowing from the recent heavy rains. The weather cleared yesterday, and if no more showers come the duration of the present flood will be short.

T. S. Cross, a salesman of North Vernon, Ind., was drowned Wednesday night near French Lick while trying to ford a swollen stream. A farmer named Drury and his farm hand, Fordice, were drowned while trying to ford the Cumberland river, in Jackson county, Tennessee. The bodies were recovered three miles below.

## GOING TO KLONDIKE.

**The Transportation Companies at San Francisco Expect a Big Business.**

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 21.—The local transportation companies are preparing to accommodate the rush to the Klondike. The Pacific Coast Steamship company has arranged a schedule that will give a five-day steamship service between San Francisco and Alaskan ports. The company expects to handle 10,000 passengers out of this city next month, and during the entire season the total tonnage in this port is calculated to accommodate 50,000 people.

About June 1 steamers will be placed on the run between this city and St. Michaels. The Alaska Commercial company will run the steamers St. Paul, Dora, Bertha and Portland, with an average carrying capacity of fully 300 persons each. These vessels will connect with the river steamers upon the breaking up of the ice, and not less than two trips a month will be made from here.

The Pacific Steam Whaling company will run steamers to Cook Inlet and Alaska. The means of getting to the gold fields will be greatly augmented when the vessels now in course of construction are completed.

## National Fisheries Congress.

Tampa, Fla., Jan. 21.—The National Fisheries congress was called to order at 11:30 yesterday morning by Chairman Gillette, who, as mayor of the city of Tampa, delivered an address of welcome, and gave assurance that the presence of the delegates was appreciated. When the congress convened Tampa Bay casino was packed with an immense crowd of people, representing nearly every state of the Union and several foreign countries.

## Torpedo Boats.

Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 21.—A special from Key West, Fla., says: The torpedo boats Cushing and Ericsson have left for Tampa. The Dupont left last night. The Porter will remain here as a dispatch boat. The Maine, Montgomery and Detroit will leave port to-day to join the squadron of Tortugas as it passes this port.

## Dynamite Bomb Explosion.

Havana, via Key West, Fla., Jan. 21.—Since Saturday the rioters have been quiet, with the exception of a dynamite bomb exploded in the Plaza de Colon, which did no harm. The rumors that the volunteers would revolt against the government have had no foundation. Nevertheless on Saturday several generals arrived here from Matanzas province and the outlying portions of Havana province, with additional reinforcements. About 15,000 men are now located in the city limits and in the outskirts.

Certain politicians have industriously circulated rumors that the volunteers would join in the riots, and have still further increased popular passion by saying that the government intended to disarm them. It has also been asserted that the volunteers would not have the ballot, because in the pay of the government, which is not the fact, as only the buglers, the mobilized guerrillas and a few others are paid. The rest are merchants and clerks, serving without government pay. Those responsible for circulating these rumors are interested, it is asserted in palace circles, in breeding trouble between the government and the volunteers, so as to have the latter disarmed, and to be insured of 8000 men less against the insurgents.

Now that disturbances have quieted down, the greater part of the troops have returned to their respective stations. Among the government supporters the riots are explained as "spontaneous and wholly without previous arrangements." They are ascribed to violent attacks upon, not only army officers, but also upon prominent loyal Spaniards like the marquis of Pinar del Rio and Madame Eva Canel, the well-known newspaper woman. The rioters, on the other hand, blame the authorities for tolerating newspaper attacks prohibited by law. Though without social standing, the rioters insist upon their patriotism.

It is not true that the conservative municipality of Cienfuegos has a deficit of \$114,000. This charge is only political intrigue, to enable the governor to suspend the municipal authorities and to appoint autonomists. The money in question was invested in hospitals and in defence of the city.

Upon the body of Capt. Puga, military commander at Rincon, this province, was found a letter signed by Puga, offering to insurgent leader Hernandez \$2000 and free passage to the United States if he would surrender with fifty armed followers. Another letter answering the above was found addressed to him, saying that if he continued his attempts to corrupt the insurgents he would be court-martialed and shot if captured. As Puga could not induce Leader Hernandez to surrender, he began negotiations with Leader Juan Delgado, through the latter's father. Leader Hernandez having learned of this, captured and shot Capt. Puga, without allowing him to communicate with Delgado. When this was known a Spanish force left Rincon and recovered the body, with the letters on it.

The body also sent \$20,000 to the military commander at San Juan de las Yeras, to procure the surrender of Leader Loreto Cepero and his nephew. The insurgents Wednesday night raided Jaruco, this province, and without firing a shot carried away the horses of the Spanish cavalry squadron, whose members fled at the sight of the insurgents and took shelter in the civil headquarters. The Spaniards will be court-martialed.

Wednesday night the reflection of large fires in cane fields in the direction of Guanabacoa were clearly noticeable here.

Senor Marcos Garcia, civil engineer of the province of Santa Clara, has gone to Remedios to await, it is said, the surrender of an insurgent leader whose name is not yet given.

The members of the cabinet will issue a manifesto explaining the "salient points of the scheme of autonomy, and its advantages over independence," together with an appeal to the insurgents to surrender. When Senor Govin, minister of the interior, landed here last Saturday, he hastened through the rear entrance of the custom house, in order to avoid being hissed by the crowd.

## Ratcliffe Jailed.

New York, Jan. 21.—Edward J. Ratcliffe, the actor, was arraigned in police court yesterday on the charge of perjury. On the application of Assistant District Attorney Lloyd and despite the objections of Ratcliffe's counsel, an adjournment was taken until Saturday morning. Ball was fixed at \$3000 and Ratcliffe was taken back to the Tombs. Had Ratcliffe furnished bail he would have been at once rearrested, as there was a detective in court with a bench warrant issued in New Jersey charging Ratcliffe with bigamy.

The Hockett-Putnam Piano company assigned at Cincinnati, O., recently.

## A Gold Strike.

Waco, Tex., Jan. 22.—The people in the portion of McLennan county bordering on the upper waters of the South Bosque feel encouraged by a gold strike, not a rich one, but pure gold ores, which have been discovered by prospectors and demonstrated by standard assayists to contain the real yellow stuff as genuine as any yet brought from the Klondike or elsewhere. Large lumps of the gold-bearing rock were gathered from the outcroppings along the South Bosque and brought to Waco. Mr. W. H. Lastinger and his son, W. W. Lastinger, interested themselves in behalf of the discoverers of the ores, and forwarded specimens to Denver. Yesterday Messrs. Lastinger received certificates to the effect that the best specimens run about \$5, and the poorest about \$1, to the ton. Experienced miners are on the South Bosque, making a careful investigation of the head of the streams and the rocky cliffs through which it passes on its course from the divide, near the Bell county line, to its junction with the Big Bosque. The land from which the specimens shown Mr. Lastinger were taken is located between the tracks of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas and the Cotton Belt route. It is a picturesque valley, abounding in rugged scenery, the creek tumbling over chalky ledges.

The first finds of gold-bearing ores brought from the South Bosque were made by fishermen, who penetrated the bushy retreat after trout. The rocks sparkle with silicious particles, and the attractiveness of the fragments caused the fishermen to fetch specimens home in their pockets. The assayist writes that silver, copper, gold and platinum are present in the ores. The experts say they do not feel willing to prognosticate as to the matter, but recommend that, as pure gold has been located on the South Bosque, the reconnaissance be continued until the extent of the existence of the precious metals in the region be fully known and demonstrated.

Mr. W. H. Lastinger, who has resided at Waco many years, and has the confidence of the people, remarked that he hoped no excitement would grow out of the publications concerning the gold find. "It is," he said, "good gold, and it was found on the South Bosque, but the yield to the ton from the fragments I submitted to a competent mining engineer for examination are not sufficient to warrant any great hopes that rich lodes exist in the region. I think the ores in my possession were gathered from the Epps land. I learn that prospectors are in the region, working in the bed of the creek and climbing all over the hills, but I have not yet heard of any one staking off a rich claim on the land and making a show of nuggets of yellow gold taken in McLennan county."

## CREEKS BOOMING.

**Wagons Loaded With Provisions Swamped in a Stream.**

Nacogdoches, Tex., Jan. 22.—The recent heavy and continued rains have put roads in a terrible plight and raised the creeks so as to cause much trouble among farmers and travelers. The two creeks that flow through this town were out of their banks and spread over the valleys. An accident occurred near the Burrows bridge, a mile northeast of here. A farmer named Beck, from Shelby county, had brought cotton to town and sold it and bought supplies. He started home with three loaded wagons, and at the slough this side of the bridge, the first wagon crossed safely, but the second and third wagons got into swimming water and were swamped, with their loads of goods. The teams were saved. One wagon bed, with its contents, was carried away. The two wagons remained there over night, and all the goods not lost were badly damaged. Efforts have been made in the past to get the county court to bridge this slough and improve the road by removing it onto higher ground, as it is always dangerous in its present shape in time of overflows. The court has refused on account of the expense.

## Quarantine Suspended.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 22.—L. W. Krake, general agent of the St. Louis National stockyards, is in receipt of a telegram advising that Gov. Tanner of Illinois has suspended quarantine in that state until February 1, thus permitting southern cattle to enter the state the balance of this month. This action was taken by the state authorities of Illinois to meet the conditions now existing in Kansas relative to admitting southern cattle for a longer period than originally decided on January 15.

Fred Schiel, a little boy, was accidentally shot at Marlow, I. T., the other evening.

## State University Regents.

Galveston, Tex., Jan. 20.—The annual meeting of the board of regents of the state university was held here yesterday, with all the members present. The budget of the medical college for the next year was considered, and appropriations for the support of the college and the equipment of the various schools were made, to the amount of \$46,000. Plans were matured for consolidating the laboratories and pharmacy, and for the enlargement and better equipment of the laboratories in biology, pathology, histology and bacteriology.

The regents ordered that the standard of admission to the medical college, as well as to that of the law department, be made as high as the entrance requirements in the academic departments of the university. This order is intended to elevate the standard of instruction, and thus secure graduates of the highest possible qualifications. It was also ordered that the machine shops be equipped with tools and material, so that henceforth the institution can more economically do its own repairing, and to some extent manufacture its own apparatus.

The board accepted from Mr. George W. Brackinridge of San Antonio the new building, known as the university hall, recently constructed opposite the Sealy hospital. This structure is intended by Mr. Brackinridge as a home for the lady students of the medical college, and its management is entrusted entirely to a board of directors selected from the ladies of Galveston. The board decided also to add another building to the equipment of the main university at Austin, or rather to complete the main building by the addition of a wing. The present year shows so large an increase of students as to render impossible their proper instruction without additional rooms.

The budget of the main building was considered, and appropriations were made for the purchase of such apparatus for the various scientific laboratories as will need to be imported from abroad.

The board, by unanimous vote, adopted suitable resolutions concerning the death of Gen. L. S. Ross.

## ANNUAL CONVENTION OVER.

**The Stockmen at San Antonio Finished Their Labors and Adjourned.**

San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 20.—The seventh annual convention of the Live Stock association came to a close yesterday at noon. In many respects the convention just closed has been the best in the history of the association. It has certainly been the largest attended. The members, as a rule, have paid closer attention to the discussion of various questions of interest to the stockmen.

At the session yesterday morning there was an extended discussion on the best method of feeding cattle for export. Some took the ground that it was necessary to feed both cotton seed meal and corn meal, with a greater quantity of the latter toward the end of the feeding. Others took a different view. It was decided to ask the state agricultural department to experiment in the matter. C. H. McMaster of Galveston, V. P. Brown of San Antonio, E. R. Irvine and J. F. Greene were appointed a committee to attend to the matter.

C. H. McMasters of Galveston read a very interesting paper on the exportation of cattle from the Texas ports, in which he told of several experiments that had been made recently. The paper was ordered printed.

Various committees were appointed, as follows:

On railroad commission—W. H. Jennings, Jr., Charles Schreiner, M. Sansom, J. M. Chittim, V. P. Brown and M. Half.

Exportation of live stock—John Clare, A. S. Reed, C. B. Lucas, J. B. Wilson and M. Sansom.

Resolutions were adopted asking the legislature to pass a law extending the limits of pastures in which hunting and fishing can be done. The resolution stated that it would aid in the renting and sale of school lands.

The state agricultural department was asked to find some way to destroy the horn fly.

Officers were elected as follows: John T. Lytle, president; C. B. Lucas, first vice president; J. F. Greene, second vice president; V. P. Brown, secretary. The executive committee consists of Charles Schreiner of Kerrville, John Todd of Corpus Christi, M. Sansom of Alvarado, Sol West and I. T. Pryor of San Antonio, John I. Clare of Beeville, George B. Loving and A. S. Reed of Fort Worth and James McLymont of Del Rio.

An invitation from the city of Galveston to hold the next convention in Galveston was accepted upon the condition that the people of that city would lend their influence toward returning the convention to San Antonio the following year if San Antonio should ask for the same.

## FARM AND STOCK ITEMS.

Twelve new wells have just been completed by the Bar S company on their ranch in Tom Green county, making in all fifty wells on their place. Stockmen in that section are extensively inoculating their calves with the Pasteur lymph for the prevention of blackleg.

Alice, Neuces county, shipped eighty-three cars of cattle during the past few days. About one-half the number were fat stock for Kansas City, and the rest were stockers for the Indian Territory. Three cars of fine Herefords were received at Alice the other day, intended for the Santa Gertrudes ranch. This will be followed by other shipments in the next few weeks.

A stock grower from South Texas was in Fort Worth the other day, and mentioned this remarkable instance of great profit during the year just passed in the cattle business. A year ago a man bought a cow for \$10 in Foard county. The calf she brought last spring sold for \$15, and the cow to-day is valued at \$25, showing a clear profit of \$30 on a \$10 investment in a trifle over a year.

A number of sales of cattle were made during the past few days at San Angelo. Some of the most important were: Phil Given bought from Jim Williams 118 cattle at \$16 around. M. R. Lohr purchased from W. H. Rusk 175 2-year-old steers at \$31.50. G. W. Schneider bought of different parties ninety-eight calves, five 1 and 2-year-old steers at \$14 for calves, and \$20 for 2-year-olds. He also bought several other lots amounting to 166 calves and yearlings.

A car of fine polled Angus calves were received at the Union Stock Yards in Fort Worth the other day from Cedarville, Kan. They were reared by D. F. Darlington of that place, and were billed for San Antonio. Their average weight was 800 pounds, and average age 7 months. Four cars of fine stock also came in from Texarkana, consigned to parties in Chickasha, I. T. A number of hogs were received also from different points and it is a noteworthy fact that the quality of the hogs received in that market of late shows a great improvement over those shipped in some months ago, both in breed and in condition.

The report that there would be an estimated loss of 40 per cent in cattle and sheep in Crosby county is greatly exaggerated. Careful investigation shows there will hardly be any loss in native cattle and sheep, and in Mexican and other foreign importations calculations show a loss of little more than one per cent. The range, with the exception of the portion in the west and southwest recently burned, is in excellent condition, and the stock show fine form and will easily be able to withstand the remainder of the winter. The same cannot be said of the horse stock, however. Many are "loosed" and quite a number show signs of being affected with some form of spinal disease. The farmers are all well supplied with feed and fodder.

A prominent sheep man of San Angelo county claims that mutton can be raised cheaper than beef and will now bring a higher price. A small number of sheep on a farm offers so many inducements to the farmers that he cannot understand, he says, why so few take advantage of the opportunity. A few sheep can be profitably grown on almost any farm in the state. They keep down certain kinds of pernicious weeds and aid the farmer in cleaning and clearing his land. Their increase insures a good, large profit for anyone can spare a few acres on which to keep them. He states the scarcity of sheep in the east causes a much greater demand for the western stock.

The oil mills at Weatherford, Parker county, are now feeding 1300 head of steers and 1500 sheep. Shipments from there will begin in a week or two, although a few cars are leaving there daily, chiefly for the Kansas City market.

There are many farms containing low places where water stands for one or two or three days after every heavy rain. These spots are planted and cultivated every year, but the product is generally unsatisfactory; and if rows cross such spots valuable time is lost waiting for the soil to become dry enough to plow, and in the meantime other land on same rows becomes too dry. All such places should be drained. In most cases such water-logged spots may be drained by simply plowing a furrow as deep as possible through it and to the nearest outlet and scraping the furrow out with hoes—perhaps a day's work and an acre or two of good land reclaimed. The writer once drained a prairie pond by digging a hole to sand and filling the hole with stones. The water was carried into the hole and drank up by the substratum. This was sub-irrigation spelled with capital letters.—Texas Farm and Ranch.

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There is evidently but little attention being paid to the action of congress, or else the newspapers have got tired, and are letting it have its way without criticism.

The Free Silver Republicans of Kansas have issued an appeal for the republicans to break party lines on account of the party's position on the silver question.

James McKenna, Attorney General, has been appointed a justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Gov. Griggs, of N. J. will succeed him as Attorney General.

An effort is being made to contest the election of Mark Hanna to his seat in the U. S. senate. Investigation are in progress, and it is claimed by his opponents that bribery was resorted to, to accomplish his election.

Considerable donations are being made by citizens of the United States for the relief of the starving Cubans. The Secretary of State announces that supplies donated can enter Havana free of duty, and that Consul General Lee will assist in properly distributing them.

Raffling is a species of gambling and has a fearfully bad influence on the boys of a town. Its tendency is bad and bad only. If there is no law against it one ought to be passed at the first opportunity. Boys are inclined to grab at chances and mere shadows too much any way.—Spokesman.

From present indications Uncle Sam may have trouble yet over the Cuban question. The fact that Spanish mobs there are threatening an attack upon the United States Consulate in Havana, and the United States have twelve war ships stationed at Key West, at the command of Consul General Lee, looks somewhat like trouble.

Last Saturday night Ballinger made his final effort at securing its subsidy for the Colorado Valley railroad, according to the committee's call. We have failed to learn the result of the meeting.

Dr. Latham and family returned Wednesday from a visiting trip to San Saba county. He reports having had a pleasant trip.

Likes The Morning "Snooze."

A San Angelo sunset is a thing of beauty and a joy—while it lasts. A San Angelo sunrise is said to be equally beautiful but that last little nap has more joy in it than all the painted horizons and all the pretty day lines.—Enterprise.

EDITH DOTS.

Edith, Texas, Jan. 27th 1898.

EDITOR RUSTLER: We had a six inch snow last week which will start the tallow weeds.

Quite a number of the Edithites went to San Angelo this week.

Rev. John Reed's new residence is nearing completion.

J. C. Arnett is hauling lumber to build residence near the North Pecan tank.

Our school is getting along nicely.

J. B. Cotton has a part of his household goods loaded to go to Scurry county.

Rev. John Reed killed a hog this week that weighed 480 pounds.

Mrs. Nellie Norred of Burnett county a niece of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Arnett and cousin of J. C. Newton was here on business last week.

Hurrah for the RUSTLER and the C. V. R. R.

PETE.

SILVER DOTS.

Ed. RUSTLER—I will give you a few dots from this community. It seems that the 14th was a good day for moving.

G. W. Tubb moved to W. W. Normans place, which he bought.

J. I. Westfall moved to G. W. Tubb's place, which he rented in order to get near the school. He has only six children to send.

Mr. Norman left with his family for Scurry county, on the 15th.

J. M. Meek sold to W. M. Green and moved to Mitchell county, west of Colorado.

The Cedar Hill school is getting along fine under the management of Mrs. Dr. Martin. The children say she talks like she would whip if necessary and they about half way believe she will. Several new scholars last week and one more this week, and others expect to start soon.

Dr. Martin came up last Saturday and remained over till Monday. He informs us that Mr. Cole, of Saneo was thrown from his wagon and broke his leg near the his thigh.

Success to the RUSTLER,  
MIKE.

Mothers whose children are troubled with bad colds, croup or whooping-cough will do well to read what Dr. R. E. Roby, of Olney, Mo., say on this subject. He writes: "For years we have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and always keep it in the house. It is regarded in our family as a specific for all kinds of colds and coughs. The 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Ed. M. Mobley."

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FROM BROTHER FAIR.

Lometa, Texas, Jan. 20th 1898

EDITOR RUSTLER:—I will try to comply with my promise, by telling your readers something about this part of the moral vineyard.

Lometa is a small town of about two hundred inhabitants. Situated on the G. C. & Santa Fe Ry in Lampasas county—22 miles east of Goldthwaite, and 18 miles west of Lampasas. It has two dry-good stores, two grocery stores, one drug store, two hotels, two blacksmith shops, two barber shops, one cotton gin, two school houses, one masonic hall, one church house two schools and three church organizations—Methodist, Baptist and Campbellites.

My work is mostly in Lampasas county have but the appointment in Mills county.

The county is broken—it is prairie interspersed with mountains, resembling the north-east part of Coke county.

The soil is a black waxy. It is a poor farming country, but very good for stock. When the season suits they can make very good grain crop.

We recently closed a good revival meeting in Lometa, beginning on the first night of the year and closing on the night of the 16th.

Brethren Lassater and Steele were with us, most of the time. Steele did nearly all of the preaching. He is a young man, who has served five years as Capt. in the Salvation Army, and has had a considerable experience in dealing with sin. His preaching, though rough and sarcastical reached the people, and many sinners, resolved to lead better lives.

His sermon to men was a clincher, though his language was chaste yet condemned secret sins, of man in an unsparring way. Many resolved to lead pure lives. Lassater led the singing and preached a pointed sermon. One on Christian Education, which will bear fruit for good in the years to come.

We had 18 or 20 professions, and 14 accessions to the church, others intend to join soon.

We organized a woman's parsonage and Home Missionary Society, with 28 members. We have an Epworth League with 30 members.

The ladies prayer meeting has increased from five to thirty. The prospect for the circuit are good. I find a clever and kind people in this country. I will give you a specimen of their kindness. One brother gave us about 75 pounds of honey, in the comb. Now we are a sweet set and don't you forget it. I will close for fear of the waste basket.

Success to the RUSTLER and Coke county,  
Geo. F. FAIR.

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## LOCAL CHIPS.

Commissioners court was in session Thursday.

John Patteason now rides a new bicycle.

J. E. Warren, of Edith, was in town Thursday.

S. S. Ackleson was in town Wednesday.

Justice Tunnell's court was in session Monday.

Did you get sand in your whislers Monday?

The Teachers Institutes is in session here to-day.

J. H. Burroughs made a flying trip to Ballinger the first of the week.

A few names are incidentally talked of as possible candidates for the various offices of the county.

W. F. Buchanan returned from a trip to El Paso the latter part of last week.

J. D. Colloier & Co., are selling good cotton checks at 4 cents per yard, and everything else proportionately low at the Edith Store.

Pres McDorman and a brother of John Knight left Wednesday for the Colorado Valley works to see if they could obtain work.

W. F. Buchanan bought this week the grocery and grain business of Deats & Buchanan.

J. L. Taylor, formerly of this county but now of Midland, was here this week in attendance at court.

Vita Ore, the famous health restorer and tonic is for sale at Harrison and Webb's.

Mr. G. C. Laswell, one of Sanco's prosperous farmers, was in Wednesday, and "dropped a dollar in the slot" for the RUSTLER.

Go to the Lee Restaurant, when in San Angelo. First class meals only 20 cents.

Mrs. R. B. Higgins, who has been sick for several weeks, is said to be in a dangerous condition.

W. C. Barron made a trip to San Angelo this week after ranch supplies.

Jack Atkin, one of Sanco's industrious farmers was in town one day this week paying taxes.

G. S. McClusky, the blacksmith, has just received a full supply of material horse shoes, wagon timbers, etc., and is fully prepared to do your work.

When you come to town call at the RUSTLER office and tell us the news of your neighborhood. We will consider it a special favor.

The sand storm Monday and Monday night was the severest of the season.

The candidate crop promises to be a full one if Madame rumor can be depended upon.

We are sorry to learn that Temp Whitesides is sick with slow fever.—Enterprise.

Ed Good reports that Judge Perryman is organizing a stock company to start a bank at Robert Lee.—San Angelo Standard.

J. B. Morris, the chicken man, has discovered a furniture polish which makes old furniture as good as new, and destroys the germs of bed bugs. All work guaranteed or money refunded. Produce taken in exchange for work.

E. Meneille and his nephew passed through town Wednesday evening on their return to the Meneille ranch from San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Booser of Booser creek country were in the city the first of the week, the guest of M. H. Davis and family.

W. P. Walling, of his ranch near Edith was in the city the first of the week, and reports everything getting along nicely.

Wiley Byrd was in town Tuesday. He says he has erected a 12 foot Aeromotor in the middle of his pasture, and has watered 270 head of stock for the past 10 days without any delay. Wiley says he would not lay the Aeromotor down for any man's windmill.

Persons who are troubled with indigestion will be interested in the experience of William H. Penn, chief clerk in the railway mail service at Des Moines, Iowa who writes: "It gives me pleasure to testify to the merits of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhea Remedy. For two years I have suffered from indigestion, and am subject to frequent severe attacks of pain in the stomachs and bowels. One or two doses of this remedy never fails to give perfect relief. Price 25 and 50 cents; sold by Ed. M. Mobley.

B. F. Montgomery was in a day or two this week looking after business affairs. He reports everything in the stock line going well in his neighborhood.

Sheriff Murry returned Monday from San Angelo, where he met the sheriff of Bosque county, and turned over to him the prisoners who he arrested in the northern part of the county last Saturday morning.

Surveyor Gid Graham smiles and says, "It's another girl." It made its arrival at his house the first of the week.

The election of the Robert Lee School board next Tuesday is an important matter and should be carefully considered by those interested in the upbuilding of the school here.

Mr. and Mrs. Lum Hudson and children, of their ranch were visiting in the city this week, the guests of the Lee Hotel.

What about the candidates? Is it possible that all are waiting for his opponent to announce first? It seems to us that the first out will catch something that later candidates will miss.

Why not call a meeting to consider nominations for the school board which are to be elected next Tuesday? It seems to us that more harmonious action could be had in this manner, and besides a much better selection be made. It is important that men be elected that are good business men, as much will depend on their actions in awarding contracts for the school building, the floating of the necessary bonds, collections, and other necessary work.

The effort made by the officials to a place in the Asylum for Mrs. Cosper, who was adjudged insane here a few days ago, has failed, there being no room in either of the Asylums for other subjects. Judge Chapman called the County Commissioners together Thursday for the purpose of making arrangements for her care until she can be admitted to the Asylum.

Inquiries about Robert Lee real estate are getting quite numerous, and should we be so lucky as to catch the C.V. railroad, they will be more numerous, and a general boom on this line.

### Notice to Tax Payers of Coke County.

There will be 10 per cent additional tax collected on all taxes unpaid after Jan., the 31st 1898.

Respectfully,  
L. B. MURRY,  
Tax Collector.

By way of chance we happened along by the farm of L. A. McDorman's this week, and in conversation with Mr. McDorman, he informed us that he had raised last year between \$1,200 and \$1,500 worth of products on his farm and not taking into account the forage and other small crops raised for home consumption. Mr. Mc is one of our best farmers, believes strictly in the diversity of crops, and at the same time practices his belief. Last year he raised between four and five hundred bushels of wheat, seven or eight hundred bushels of oats, plenty of corn, and more than twenty bales of cotton on the side.

### OBITUARY.

Arthur Laswell was born July the 5th, 1875, and was converted and embraced the Christian religion in July 1892, at which time he joined the Methodist Protestant church, in which he lived a consistent member until the time of his death, which occurred on December the 13th, 1897.

In the death of Arthur, the church has lost one of its most useful and consistent members; the family has lost a good and obedient boy; and the neighborhood a model young man.

Many tears have been shed, many hearts have been made sad by the death of one beloved brother, but it should not be so when we remember the precious promises Christ has made to the Christian who dies in the Lord.

While the home of Arthur is made sad by the vacant seat and because his gentle voice is no longer heard, yet Heaven is rejoicing in him, in the fact that one more soul is saved through the blood of the Lamb.

Weep not dear friends and relatives, but be faithful, as was Arthur, that when life shall have ended you may join him in the City of our King, and partake of the ambrosial fruit of the Tree of life, and bathing your souls in the seas of heavenly rest, and join in songs of praise to him that giveth the victory.

By A. S. MILLER, P. C. M. P. Church.

Judge McCallum, of Mitchell county, says that with a dog poison made by Bass Bros. in Abilene, \$2 per section has rid large portions of his country of the dog pest. He says that all we need in this country is co-operation upon the part of all, and a few days will settle them for years. Even three times the cost mentioned would be returned several times in one year in grass alone. When we come to calculate the number of cattle the grass eaten by prairie dogs would fatten, we can see something of the loss they inflict upon the country yearly. We shall take up this subject again in the near future.—Abilene Reporter.

This is a little better than Bass Bros. promise, but the dogs can be killed with this poison cheaply. The price is \$1 per bottle (for peck wheat) 4 bottles, \$3.50; 5c per bottle extra by mail. For sale by all druggists.

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**Mrs. E. c. Fitzgerald.**

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## SCIENTIFIC POINTERS.

### CURRENT NOTES OF DISCOVERY AND INVENTION.

**An Enemy of the Fly—Gold in Sea Water—A Wonderful Surgical Operation—To Keep the Breakfast Hot—A Horse Ambulance.**

**An Enemy of the Fly.**  
NUMBER of articles on the subject of the parasite of the house fly have appeared in various journals. A scientific publication has made the assertion that these parasites are not supposed to exist in sufficient numbers to reduce the number of flies. To combat this statement several housekeepers have given the results of their observation which go to say that as soon as these small creatures appear upon the bodies of flies they begin to thin out quite rapidly. In several families the advent of this enemy is eagerly watched for on this account. Even the children have learned to look for its coming and readily notice how they gather upon the bodies of these winged pests. One or two seem to be carried about with but little inconvenience, but when there are three, four or half a dozen, as is sometimes the case, they simply suck the fly dry of blood and it is found hanging to wall paper, window shades and all objects about the room where it can attach itself. There are two sorts of insects that fasten upon the ordinary house fly. One is a creature with lobster-like claws, that apparently uses the fly as a means of transportation. These are not very abundant, and as they cling to the fly they really do very little harm. The other is the true parasite, and is a most voracious blood-sucker. With the naked eye one may see them clinging to their prey, burying their heads into the soft tissues of the fly's body. Even scientists may learn something from practical and observing youngsters who have been trained to keep their eyes open.

**Gold in Sea Water.**  
At intervals the subject of gold in sea water comes up, and there are new inventions in the way of processes for separating the gold from the water. It is estimated that three barrels of water contain from two to four cents' worth of gold. It would seem like an easy matter to pump up the brine and put it through the necessary chemical process, but such chemicals are expensive, and the appliances for using them are sometimes still more costly. While it is admitted that the Klondike is of little value as a gold deposit when compared to the ocean, scientists are forced to acknowledge that the Klondike, with all its obstacles, is much more easily worked than the sea. Some one who claims to have figured on this subject declares that the ocean holds a sinking fund valued at something like seventy-five billion dollars. The experimenter who finds a cheap and easy way of extracting this gold will be able to snap his fingers at Klondikers while he sits by and watches the sea water pouring through his sluices and leaving behind its rich deposit of precious metal.

**To Keep the Breakfast Hot.**  
Something entirely new in the way of dining and breakfast heating trays are now on sale in London, being designed to meet the breakfast or afternoon tea requirements. The idea is to keep the viands and vessels in which they are served up hot for many hours. The heat is derived from blocks of a material furnished with the outfit, these being heated in an ordinary stove and then stowed away in a drawer in the bottom of the tray, radiating their heat for many hours. The tray also contains a white enameled pan, designed to receive the muffins and toast, so that the tardy breakfaster may be served with extra hot muffins and toast. These trays are handsomely got up, with repousse silver-plated top and wrought-iron stand, so that one makes a decidedly decorative adornment for the table. The ideal feature of the arrangement is that, once started, no further attention is necessary and the heat is not intense enough to dry up the food. The arrangement illustrated shows plates, coffee pot and serving dish, which we can imagine to be maintained delightfully warm.

**A Chainless Bicycle.**  
The wheel and its various changes and improvements is one of the most interesting of the topics of the present day. Just now the possibilities of the chainless wheel are being discussed, and the question arises whether the wheel of the future will be a bevel gear or the chain with which we are so familiar. One of the objections to the chain is that it works loose and in so doing alters the pitch and causes an increased friction, thereby making the wheel run harder. It is claimed that the chainless machine will be entirely free from this objection. There is also an added advantage, especially for ladies' wheels, in that the sprocket wheel and chain were very likely to catch the dress, many serious accidents having occurred from this cause.



**A Wonderful Surgical Operation.**  
One of the most wonderful surgical operations known to science has been performed upon a San Francisco man. It consists in the coiling of 15 yards of silver wire about the size of a hypodermic needle within the aorta, the great artery leading direct from the heart. Three or four months ago, from the result of an injury, there arose very grave danger of a rupture of the aorta, which, of course, meant instant death. The physicians, therefore, coiled this wire within a distended portion of the great artery, in order to partly fill it and form a clot that would, it was hoped, contract the channel to its normal size. Having been in place for this length of time, the physicians entertain strong hopes that the desired result will be secured. When the peculiar construction and functions of the aorta are taken into consideration, it will be seen that this experiment was one of the boldest strokes in medical history. If it proves a complete success, a most signal triumph in the treatment of arterial troubles has been achieved.

**Hudson River Railroad Disaster.**  
The accident caused recently by the

sliding of the bank on which the track was built into the water, has drawn the attention of intelligent persons to the dangers that menace travelers who pass over lines built in close proximity to deep water courses. Many civil engineers consider it possible to anchor the foundations of a track so that it will be, to all intents and purposes, perfectly secure. That the best-laid plans are not sufficient to avert disaster is a self-evident fact. The causes of these slides are, first of all, the steep embankment, then the continuous agitation of the wet mud by the passing of trains. If a stick is thrust suddenly into a mud bank, it meets with instant resistance, and a considerable amount of force is necessary to drive it in for any distance. If, however, the stick is gently shaken or pressed, it penetrates readily and rapidly, and a very slight pressure is sufficient to displace the mud for some distance around. The shaking of the track by the moving train and the consequent vibration which is communicated to the soft earth, is precisely the condition necessary to disintegrate a mud bank. That more such accidents do not occur is the result of good luck rather than good management. It is not safe to build a railroad on a slope with wet mud forming any portion of the foundation. A track laid in this way is almost certain to slide or warp sooner or later.

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**Ambulance for Horses.**  
The German army has adopted a new idea in transports for horses, to be connected with the cavalry and artillery stables. The vehicle is hinged back of the front wheels and in practice the sick or disabled horse is led in the back door and out the front, a feature which greatly facilitates the act of loading or unloading, and also increases the comfort of the animal.



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**Gas Regulators.**  
For the past twenty or more years the ingenuity of inventors has been exercised in the construction of gas-saving appliances. Most of these have turned out to be dismal failures, and the few that have seemed successful are objectionable in many respects. The one obstacle in the way of the successful regulation of gas is the deposit of an adhesive gummy substance that collects on the inside of the pipes. Any device sufficiently delicate to control the current with any nicety speedily becomes clogged by this gum and is rendered worthless. Efforts have been made to introduce some substance that would cut this gum away, but this involved a feeder, which is very difficult to apply without danger of leakage. Therefore, up to date, the gas regulator for the use of households is not a marked success.

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## A DESTRUCTIVE STORM.

**It Does Considerable Damage Near Sutton, Arkansas.**

Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 22.—News of a destructive storm near Sutton post-office, in Nevada county, reached here yesterday. What is described as a whirlwind gathered near McCant's plantation, four miles southwest of Sutton, and blew down several tenant houses, fences and outbuildings. Going in a northeasterly direction, the wind cut a path 100 yards wide, destroying everything before it. A mile from McCant's it struck a tenant house on the Jones plantation occupied by John Ward and family. The house and its contents were totally demolished and some members of the family badly bruised. A little further on a large building was demolished and other buildings were wrecked near the Jones plantation. Further on the residence of A. C. Lowery was unroofed and all his outhouses destroyed.

At David Evans' plantation great damage was done, and the home of J. F. Garrett was blown entirely away. The last place in the storm's path was that of James M. Waddle, on the Precott and Falcon road. All his houses were unroofed. The chimneys to his residence were blown down and crashed through the ceiling, smashing right in his house. His family were covered with the debris and three children badly if not fatally injured. The storm was a regular whirlwind and large plum trees were literally twisted off and thrown fifty to seventy-five feet from their stumps before hitting the ground. The damage to property will foot up many thousands of dollars.

## BATTLE WITH INSURGENTS.

**After a Fierce Engagement They are Routed.**

Havana, Jan. 22.—According to information from Spanish sources Gen. Castellanos, being aware that the insurgent government was established at Esperanza, seventeen leagues from Puerto Principe, at the extreme west end of the Cubitas ridge, proceeded in that direction with 1200 infantry, 400 cavalry and two field cannon. After a three day's trying march he forced a difficult position and overcame the obstinate resistance of 1000 insurgents, pursuing them six miles and destroying and burning houses at Esperanza, including the insurgent government buildings.

On the following day Gen. Castellanos engaged the reunited insurgents, 2500 strong, near Esperanza and routed them after two hours' combat. The insurgent loss is believed to be numerous. The insurgents left fifty-seven dead on the field. The Spanish lost five killed and had thirty-one wounded, among the latter being Lieut. Col. Pere Monto.

The insurgents under Leader Montegudo attacked the town of Esperanza, Santa Clara, but were repulsed, leaving nine dead.

Washington, Jan. 22.—The Spanish minister has received the following telegram:

Havana, Jan. 21.—Gen. Castellanos has taken possession of the village of Esperanza, in the Sierra de Cubitas, where the insurgent government had its headquarters. Luring the stubborn resistance made by the insurgents their government officials escaped. The next day the same defeated a body of 2500 insurgents who were coming to the aid of the government.

## A Courtmartial Case.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 22.—The court martial of Capt. O. M. Carter dragged along slowly yesterday. Mr. A. S. Cooper, assistant engineer under the accused, was on the stand all day. This is his second day on the stand. His most interesting testimony was that the Atlantic Contracting company boosted Capt. Carter into an appointment at the court of St. James. He reiterated the statement that the work in the harbor was not up to the specifications and that he called Capt. Carter's attention to this without effect.

## Paid the Death Penalty.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 22.—Jefferson, alias Jack Knight, of Pensacola, Fla., was hanged for the murder of Frank Dantzer yesterday. This was one of the series of killings which caused the great excitement in Mobile at the close of last July, and Knight was placed in jail with great difficulty, after being captured some miles from the city. Special Officer Humphreys was the executioner. Knight's neck was broken and he died in ten minutes. The condemned man made a full confession on the scaffold.

Miss Nellie Mangan shot R. K. Halloran and then herself at St. Louis, Mo., recently. Neither can live.

## Washington News.

Washington, Jan. 22.—The stormy scenes of the last few days in the house were followed by comparative quiet yesterday. At the opening of the session a bill was passed to grant the commissioners of Dale county, Alabama, the right to construct two bridges across the Choctawatchie river. Under the rules yesterday was private bill day, but Mr. Cannon, chairman of the committee on appropriations, antagonized it with a motion for the consideration of the senate amendment of the urgent deficiency appropriation bills. His motion was carried—125 to 31.

The senate Neargane canal commission amendment was non-concurred in.

One of the senate amendments was concurred in with an amendment to appropriate \$15,000 for the repair of the new cemetery at Fort Smith, Ark.

This amendment was offered by Mr. Little (Dem.) of Arkansas, who explained the necessity for it, owing to the devastation caused by the recent storm in that section. The main fight came up on the senate amendments striking out the provisions of the bill requiring depositors of bullion hereafter to pay the cost of transportation from the assay offices to the mint.

Mr. Bell (Pop.) of Colorado moved concurrence in this amendment. The question was debated extensively when the bill was originally before the house.

The debate drifted into a discussion of the silver question, as it did on the former occasion. Mr. Cannon finally submitted a modified proposition providing that the depositors of bullion should pay the cost of transportation to "the nearest mint." It was defeated—98 to 130.

The senate amendment to strike out the whole provision was then agreed to without division in the committee of the whole.

Mr. Cannon gave notice that he would demand a ye and nay vote in the house. The vote in committee was confirmed on a ye and nay vote in the house—yeas 144, nays 112. The bill was sent back to the conference.

Washington, Jan. 22.—At the opening of the senate yesterday Mr. Quay of Pennsylvania said that he had noticed in the morning newspapers that he had voted for the consideration of the Teller resolution because the senator from Missouri (Mr. Vest) had asked him to do so. This, Mr. Quay said, was not true in any sense, as he had not conferred with the Missouri senator about it. He had voted as he had, said he, because he thought the present consideration of the resolution would benefit the country and the republican party.

Mr. Lodge of Massachusetts, somewhat to the surprise of the people in the galleries, who were expecting a discussion of the Teller resolution, moved that the senate go into executive session.

"Before the motion is put," said Mr. Vest, "I desire to make a brief statement. I gave notice yesterday that the resolution reported by the committee would be further considered today, but several senators opposed to the resolution have said to me that their personal convenience require that the resolution shall not be pressed at this time. They have suggested to me that we permit the resolution to go over until next Tuesday, and that it be taken up at the conclusion of the morning business on that day for discussion; that a vote upon any amendments that may be offered thereto be taken at 4 o'clock next Wednesday. I wish to say that this arrangement is agreeable to me, and so far as I know, to my colleagues on this side of the chamber."

Mr. Stewart of Nevada said that he would like to make some remarks on the pending resolution, and would do so on Saturday if the senate was in session.

Mr. Turple of Indiana proposed that instead of taking the final vote on Wednesday, that it be taken on Thursday, and that proposition was agreed to.

Mr. Perkins of California added that at the conclusion of the morning business on Monday he would call up the pension appropriation bill.

Upon Mr. Lodge's motion, the senate then, at 1:05 p. m., went into executive session.

At 4:45 the senate adjourned.

## To Navigate a River.

Cleveland, Ok., Jan. 22.—The people of this town propose to prove by practical test that the Arkansas river is a navigable stream. A boat of twenty tons capacity to be propelled by steam is just being completed and will make the first trip from this place to Tulsa, I. T., on February 1. The boat will there make connection with the Frisco railway, thus giving this town all the advantages of railway connection. The distance is thirty-five miles and the boat will make daily trips each way.

# Cancer Of the Breast.

Mr. A. H. Crausby, of 158 Kerr St., Memphis, Tenn., says that his wife paid no attention to a small lump which appeared in her breast, but it soon developed into a cancer of the worst type, and notwithstanding the treatment of the best physicians, it continued to spread and grow rapidly, eating two holes in her breast. The doctors soon pronounced her incurable. A celebrated New York specialist then treated her, but she continued to grow worse and when informed that both her aunt and grandmother had died from cancer he gave the case up as hopeless.

Someone then recommended S.S.S., and though little hope remained, she began it, and an improvement was noticed. The cancer commenced to heal and when she had taken several bottles it disappeared entirely, and although several years have elapsed, not a sign of the disease has ever returned.

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## GEORGIA TO THE FRONT FOR TRUTH.

**Dr. J. E. Jones**  
Ranger, Ga., writes: Twelve years ago I had Heartburn, Kidney Disease, Constipated Bowels, Glimmering Before my Eyes, Belched up Gas, and other troubles. Was completely run down and in bed most of the time. Had a Doctor attending me, but nothing did me any good until I quit everything else and used Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine, which completely cured me. I have tried "Black Draught," but think Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine is ahead of that of any other medicine.

**Palpitation of the Heart.**  
Whenever one becomes restless of the beating of their own heart, they are liable to be frightened and imagine they have some form of heart disease. If they really have palpitation, Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine is a certain cure for it, but in the majority of such cases the trouble arises from some form of gastric difficulty. The stomach, distended with food and gases, will derange the heart in some persons, while indigestion with its many variations is responsible for very many so-called heart troubles. The digestive organs need to be stimulated by the use of Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine, when the general health will improve and the heart renew its normal action.

**J. E. Jones**  
Athens, Ga., writes: In 1872 I had suffered for years from Headache, Dizzy Spells, with Black Spots before my eyes, Bad Taste in mouth, very little appetite. Two Packages Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine cured me, and for 10 years I never had an annoying symptom. From living on river I contracted Malaria, which it is now curing. I have used Zeller's "Red Z" and Theodor's "Black Draught" and found such a difference between them and M. A. S. L. M. that I did not like them at all.

Spread the News. Tell it far and wide that a medicine composed of cheap material and improperly compounded is a dangerous thing to fool with; the old proprietors of the article now called "Black Draught," and J. E. Zeller & Co., proprietors of an imitation called "Simmons' Liver Medicine," both have injunctions against them, enjoining them from using the words composing our trade name, but we learn those articles have been sold as "just the same" as ours, while neither of the proprietors in their advertisements claim theirs to be the same as ours.

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**An Excellent Substitute.**  
The riots in the Austrian reichsrath are attracting a great many Viennese to see the fun," remarked Squidig. "Why not?" remarked McSwilligen. "The sessions make an excellent substitute for football games."—Pittsburg Chronicle.

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If the girls would shingle their hair, they would not have so much trouble with it.

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Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic cleans your blood and keeps it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

A man will quarrel with his best friend over a ticket to the theatre.

**SALZER'S SIX WEEKS POTATO.**  
This is the greatest potato in the world for Texas and the South, far superior to Bliss Triumph. Send 6c postage to John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., for big catalogue of potatoes, vegetables and farm seeds and sample of 14-Day Radish. w.n.

**Left Him Guessing.**  
"I don't know whether I have been complimented or not," said Chollie. "What is the reason?" asked his friend. "Miss Fogg told me she believed I was more intelligent than I pretended to be."—Indianapolis Journal.

**AN OPEN LETTER TO MOTHERS.**  
We are asserting in the courts our right to the exclusive use of the word "CASTORIA," and "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," as our Trade Mark. I, Dr. Samuel Pitcher, of Hyannis, Massachusetts, was the originator of "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," the name that has borne and does now bear the fac-simile signature of CHAS. H. FLETCHER on every wrapper. This is the original "PITCHER'S CASTORIA" which has been used in the homes of the mothers of America for over thirty years. Look carefully at the wrapper and see that it is "the kind you have always bought," and has the signature of CHAS. H. FLETCHER on the Wrapper. No one has authority from me to use my name except The Centaur Company of which Chas. H. Fletcher is President.  
March 8, 1897. SAMUEL PITCHER, M. D.

There ought to be a law compelling men with whiskers to eat soup in private.

**No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.**  
Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. \$1. All druggists.

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## ADVICE TO MINISTERS.

Given by a Minister.

Preachers who practise it will preach better.

No class of people is so liable to throat trouble as the great class who make up the Gospel ministry. The strain put upon the vocal organs by constant exercise; the sudden change from a heated building to the cool air when the vocal organs are in a state of complete relaxation; the fact that a minister feels impelled to use his voice when actors and lecturers would take the needed rest; these are among the reasons why "clergyman's sore throat" is known as a special disease. The Rev. E. M. Brawley, D. D., District Secretary of the American Baptist Publication Society, writes from Petersburg, Va., the account of an experience of his own which is profitable reading to those afflicted with bronchial or other throat troubles. The substance of the letter is as follows:

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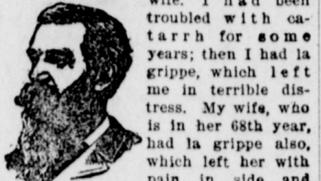
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For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25 cents a bottle.

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To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address: Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

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Dogs usually bark at the moon because they are lying awake contemplating mischief.

**Fruit for the Farmer.**  
T. E. Goodrich, president of the Illinois State Horticultural society, contributed a paper to the annual issued by the students of the Illinois agricultural college, in which he said:

I have visited nearly every portion of Illinois, have met her farmers on public conveyances, at institutes, on their farms and in their homes. I have met them under all circumstances of farm life and am always surprised at the lack of fruit. Their tables are painfully barren of this great necessity. No other class of our citizens consumes so little fruit as they, and a large proportion of what they do consume is bought, not grown. Why this is so is a mystery yet unsolved. With the land, the teams and the tools; with the intelligence to plant and care for, they too frequently buy or go without. A few have all they can consume and a surplus for less fortunate friends and neighbors, a few have a partial supply, but the majority have a very scant allowance, or none at all.

Many a doctor or merchant, on a town lot, working during his leisure moments and chiefly for the love of it, produces a greater supply of luscious, health-giving fruit than scores of farmers on their broad acres, and the enthusiasm they show is refreshing to see. Why, I have seen ministers bring specimens of fruit to fairs and fruit growers' meetings that would be a credit to any fruit exhibit, and they discuss it and their mode of growing with equally as much eloquence as when discoursing on other themes in their own pulpits. Whatever their efforts may have been in changing the natural man to a more fruitful condition of good work and the cardinal virtues, their efforts as fruit growers were certainly a noble example and a beautiful object lesson to all fortunate enough to see and hear. I have in mind professors and physicians in the several educational and charitable institutions of Illinois, who, more from love of horticulture than from necessity, grow a surprising amount of fruit from a very limited area. These are men whose knowledge and opinion are eagerly sought for by the various societies of the land, showing conclusively that the knowledge and skill acquired by them is within the reach of all.

For some unexplainable reason farmers seem reluctant to experiment for themselves, and not infrequently are reluctant to accept the results of the experiments of others. With abundant and reliable nurseries at hand and with express companies ready to lay down trees and shrubs at their doors, too frequently the farmer's table is without fruit and his dooryard without ornamentation. Is it any wonder that the boys leave the farm? The wonder is that they do not all go. Let the farmers begin planting fruit and work up to a home supply. A few bushels of wheat or corn, even at present prices, will buy trees and plants enough for a beginning. If possible ascertain what varieties thrive best in one's own locality and plant them. If that is impracticable then take the following varieties as a suggestion:  
Strawberries: (for early) Crystal City or Michels; (for medium) Warfield, fertilized with Sucker State; (for late) Gandy. Set 500 plants each.  
Raspberries: Gregg or Kansas for black, and Cuthbert and Hansell for red. Set 100 plants each.  
Blackberries: Early Harvest and Ancient Briton. If for a cold climate, substitute Snyder.  
If but one kind of tree fruit can be planted, let it be apples, and three of each variety—Early Harvest, Duchess, Connell's Fancy, Jeffries, Ben Davies, Jonathan, Grime's Golden and Minkler.  
If cherries are to be planted set three trees each of Dye House and Early Richmond.  
Of plums set Wild Goose and Burbank.

**Sweet Clover as a Honey Plant.**  
H. R. Boardman, in Gleanings. I am surprised that any bee-keeper of experience, who has had a reasonable opportunity of observing, should report sweet clover anything less than a first-class honey plant; and yet I am aware that there are a few adverse reports coming from very reliable sources. I am quite sure—yes, I think I know from my own experience and observations with this plant, extending through a period of a dozen years or more—that it is unsurpassed, and equalled only by the noted alfalfa, and these convictions are supported by the opinions of some of the most practical and reliable bee-men of my acquaintance. The last season was the first for several years when white clover alone yielded me any surplus, and this, too, with the fields white with its bloom in every direction as far as bees could fly; and yet I should not be warranted in claiming that white clover was not a good honey plant. It has a world-wide reputation that is unimpeachable. If it were no more abundant than its cousin it would hardly have gained this enviable reputation—certainly not in the last few years.

In many places the apple and other trees are scraped once a year and the trunks whitewashed. It does not injure the looks of the orchard, and it is believed to keep away borers and some other pests.

Valuable birds—Gold eagles.

**CHRONIC RHEUMATISM.**  
From the Industrial News, Jackson, Mich.  
The subject of this sketch is fifty-six years of age, and actively engaged in farming. When seventeen years old he hurt his shoulder and a few years after, commenced to have rheumatic pains in it. On taking a slight cold or the least strain, sometimes without any apparent cause whatever, the trouble would start and he would suffer the most excruciating pains.  
He suffered for over thirty years, and the last decade he suffered so much that he was unable to do any work. To this frequent occurrence of dizzy spells were added, making him almost a helpless invalid.



**In All Sorts of Weather.**  
He tried the best physicians but without being benefited and he used several specific rheumatic cures, but was not helped. About one year and six months ago he read in this paper of a case somewhat similar to his which was cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and concluded to try this remedy.

After taking the first box he felt somewhat better, and after using three boxes, the pains entirely disappeared, the dizziness left him, and he has now for over a year been entirely free from all his former trouble and enjoys better health than he has had since his boyhood.

He is loud in his praises of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and will gladly corroborate the above statements. His post office address is Lorenzo Neeley, Horton, Jackson County, Michigan.

**The Pickpocket Got Hold of a Snake.**  
Ex-Representative Harvey Horner, of Sumner county, is a snake tamer, and usually carries around with him in his pocket a live bull snake with which he makes lots of fun. A pickpocket "touched" Horner at the circus at Wichita Monday and happened to get his hand into the pocket where the snake was kept. The shock made him scream and Horner held him until the police arrived.—Kansas City Times.

We would as soon cross Chilcot pass in winter as move a lot of household goods in winter.

**Hawaii and Japan.**  
Despatches from Washington state that there are about to be important developments in the Japanese imbroglio with the government of the Hawaiian Islands. However this may be, certain it is that the disturbance of the stomach caused by simple indigestion will develop into chronic dyspepsia unless checked at the start. The finest stomachic is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which promptly restores gastric trouble, and does away with irregularity of the bowels and liver.

A girl doesn't love every man she is willing to go to a dollar and a half show with.

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by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.  
We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.  
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Also, large bottle, 300 doses, for \$1.00 and for the next thirty days, three bottles for \$2.50.

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The examining trial of J. L. Taylor, with the theft of a jack, held Thursday, but at the time of closing our forms yesterday morning the court had not rendered a decision as to whether he would be bound to await the action of the grand jury, or be acquitted.

Any one wanting old furniture made as good as new, and a prevention for bed bugs, will find it to their interest to see or apply to J. B. Morris, Robert Lee or Ft. Chadbourne. All work guaranteed or money refunded. Produce of all kinds taken in exchange for work.

From the number of high grade bulls being shipped into West Texas, one must conclude that the "long horn" will soon be a thing of the past. Our stockmen are, as a rule, good business men, hence the effort to infuse better blood into their stock.

Our stockmen should look closely after their stock during the cold spells, and if necessary feed some. A small amount of feed stuff at the proper time will more than pay for itself. A few dollars expended for feed may save many in stock.

Brother Jones, of the Conroe Courier, in writing up a wedding in his town last week, said that: "the young couple had the best wishes of their friends for a long and useful life." The brilliant type of the office inserted the word "fruitful" in the place of "useful," and now Brother Jones is managing his affairs by mail from a saw mill, eight miles in the country.—Richmond Coaster.

#### DIED.

Tuesday, January 25, at 2 o'clock a. m., Walter Harris aged 43 years, after a lingering illness. Deceased was the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Harris, a brother Messrs. F. L. and R. H. Harris and Madames William Childress and Eugene Cartledge. He leaves a wife and four children to mourn his loss. The Enterprise joins the entire community in condoling with surviving relatives.—Enterprise.

There is an opinion prevailing among some of our country people that the town should put up the larger part of the bonus to secure the Colorado Valley railroad. This is largely a mistaken idea, when we consider the resident ownership of property here. Of course the town property will show the most advanced increase in values, but a small house and lot, as owned by the majority of the town people, cannot increase in values sufficient to equal the owners of large country estates, while each will share the benefit.

#### Bronte Siftings.

Bronte, Tex., Jan. 24, 1898  
Ed. Rustler:

Once more Round Up will give a few dots from this part.

We had some rain a few nights ago, which puts the ground in plowing condition and the farmers are jubilant over it.

The health of our community is good.

We are glad to note that Mrs. Popplewell is up again. A few days ago Lem Nation little girl was playing with I. E. Adams little daughter on the river bank, when the bank caved off with them. They fell about 15 feet, hurting Mr. Nation's little child very bad—dislocating her hip. She will be in bed several weeks possibly.

Mr. Woullard traded his Bronte property to T. E. Williams for one of his farms near Bronte. Mr. Woullard is building him a dwelling near the gin. So Bronte is slowly, but surely improving.

Henry Key is in Ft. Worth going to school. The gins continue to whistle.

We all had a pleasant time at our monthly school meeting the other night. The recitations and speeches were splendid, and songs by the little boys and girls were interesting, but the funniest thing was when, song by the large girls was called for Bob Cumbie, Ed Walton and John Baker came forward with the girls. So here after it will be Misses Bob, Ed and John.

Peter Keese, who lately moved from here to Scurry county, we learn that his daughter Ollie was accidentally shot and killed by her little brother. Ollie has many friends and school mates here to mourn her death. She was loved by all who knew her. We should all be very careful and not allow children to handle a gun.

Well we are glad to learn there is hopes of Lee securing the Colorado Valley Ry. The county site is the place for it. More anon.

#### ROUND-UP.

Our correspondents well represent in this issue of the RUSTLER, the local affairs in their respective communities, and we hope to secure a few more good local writers so that each neighborhood in the county may be represented. We extend our thanks to our present corps, and to the new ones we hope to secure, in advance.

J. O. Logan's rustling sheep, man of his ranch at Big Lake passed through town yesterday on his way to Sweetwater.

Mr. Arch Blackwell, the Edith sheepman was in city yesterday.

J. R. Finch made a trip to San Angelo this week.

The bicycle rage has struck Robert Lee.

#### EDUCATIONAL COLUMN.

Edited By  
O. W. GARDNER.

Observations for Written Examinations:

1. Let the school understand that the examination will surely come.
2. Have a rigid and searching examination in all the studies at least once each month.
3. Let the examination be written.
4. As to the nature of the question, don't make them too long.
5. Not too difficult.
6. Not too short.
7. Not too easy.
8. Require full and complete analysis.
9. Don't allow tediousness in explanations.
10. Avoid technical questions.
11. Avoid memory questions.
12. Avoid detail.
13. So arrange your questions as to be convenient in grading the papers.

#### The Two Teachers.

##### THE POOR TEACHER.

1. Never sweeps because she didn't expect company to-day.
2. Begins school when she gets ready; does fancy or outside work for a few hours at noon and recesses, while the pupils tear down the fences and outbuilding, and insult the passer by; dismisses at three in order to attend the entertainment.
3. Makes reports to the trustees from her imagination.
4. Does not know any of the patrons and would not associate with them if she did.
5. Never attend the teachers' meetings nor reads a book pertaining to her profession.

##### THE GOOD TEACHER

1. Keeps the school room neat and orderly.
2. Begins work on time and dismisses on time.
3. Keeps a true record of attendance, tardiness, classification etc., and reports the same to the trustees.
4. Knows all her patrons, and sympathizes with them in their successes or failures.
5. Always on time at the Institutes and never allows interest to flag—Ex.

#### Value of a Good Teacher.

A good teacher is worth his weight in gold. A poor teacher too dear at any price. To employ an inferior teacher for the sake of saving a few dollar, is an inexcusable waste of the resources because it wastes the time, efforts, and brains of the children, than which there is nothing more valuable in the commonwealth. No extravagance in the purchase of books, charts, maps, apparatus and other appliances can make up for the loss inflicted upon the community by the employment of an inefficient teacher.—N. C. Schafer Supt. of Pub. Instr. in Pa.

The progress ladies of Westfield, Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1898. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and we notice the following from a correspondent which the editors printed, realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: "The best remedy for croup, colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it." 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Ed. M. Mobley.

Lee Connor was moved to the McBurnett hotel and is said to be mending very nicely.—Spokesman.

W. D. Harrison paid his Edith ranch a visit this week.

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#### WAGON YARD.

D. A. Cameron is proprietor of the Central Wagon Yard in Ballinger. And as its name indicates it is centrally located, easy of access; well, wind mill and plenty of good fresh water, dry gravelled yard; good roomy stalls and camp houses an abundance of all kinds of feed and in fact every accommodation belonging to a first class wagon yard. We will guarantee good treatment under the present management. Remember the Central Yard.

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Dr. Caly's Condition Powders for horses are the best tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. Price, 25 cents. Sold by Ed M. Mobley.

If the "little things" that are wasted on farms of Texas were taken into account, it would be many thousand dollars better off annually. There is poultry, the eggs, the fruit, the garden stuffs etc., that is neglected marketing. By some because they think it is too small to bother with, and others of pure neglect. The old maxim "take care of the dimes and the dollars will take care for themselves," is very applicable to these things.

There are many subscribers on our books that have read the RUSTLER every issue for several years, and many times have they been made to rejoice at seeing their names in print, and been called "one of our best citizens," and other pet names, yet we have not received one cent for all this rejoicing and—well "misrepresentation" will modify the term. Our best citizen" pay up occasionally, and we have had these delinquents in the wrong company.

#### Whitney's Lightning Dandruff.

Will cure dandruff and any diseases of the scalp. I sell it on a positive guarantee. Come to see me. E. W. YARDLEY.

The railroad commission has granted authority to the Colorado Valley railroad to issue mortgage bonds to the amount of \$42,000, or \$8000 per mile, on the five miles of road already built. There is no longer any doubt about that sweetwater road being built and san Angelo had better awaken from its lethargy.—SAN ANGELO STANDARD.



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