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THE GRACE OF BEAUTY

Straight Shoulders an Important Feature.

Everybody admires pretty faces, and the great majority of people would be happy, indeed, to wear one, but like so many other things, standards differ. The face you call beautiful your friend may not admire at all, and where your friend finds beauty you see no attraction. We read too, "that beauty fades," "that it is only skin deep," "that pretty is as pretty does" and many more little thoughts to console those who are not blessed with good looks. In spite of this, beauty continues to attract, and most people endeavor to present the best appearance they can, which is everybody's duty. Few are so ugly but what a little thought and time will improve them.

There is one mark of beauty that no one denies, one that is universally admired.

All nations and all times have delighted in straight shoulders. The woman with plain, or even homely face, is attractive if she walks with a body properly poised, and is more admired than a pretty face that appears above stooped shoulders.

Straight shoulders are not only a mark of beauty, but they give an impression of health in body and mind. Even though a man or woman be poorly or shabbily dressed it never occurs to you that they need help or sympathy if they carry themselves well. Low spirits and despondent mind are not associated with straight shoulders, and quick energetic step.

While your sympathy goes out almost involuntarily to the man or woman who shuffles along the street bent and stooped, it speaks a burden of mind and body, or both.

It is interesting to watch the people walk. Not many weeks ago several women were idling time away by watching from an office window, the people going up town from a matinee; the object of all seemed to be to get there as soon as possible. Everybody was "dressed up" and everybody was in a hurry and no two walked alike. There were only a very few with really stooped shoulders, for women who think about their appearance at all, usually "straighten up" about the first thing when they are trying to look well. You may find stooped shoulders at home, about the house work, but on the street they are becoming rare. We were, however, talking about the matinee crowd. Some tripped and mined along, some were graceful and easy, some were stiff and trying so hard to walk right, but the great majority just walked, each a little different from the other, but the average woman who walks straight looks well. She does not attract attention one way or the other,

cause of especial grace or awkwardness.

In all this crowd there was but one woman who as the saying goes, "walked like a queen." Much taller than average, her stately, graceful carriage is the more striking. She has never studied the "art of walking," you would know that it was not a result of training. She is one of the very few whom Nature has blessed with grace of motion, and it is only one in thousands who is so favored. Have you ever noticed how few are the people whom you have to watch, walk because of especial grace? You will admire a hundred pretty faces while you will find but one who's walk attracts you. It is the rarest of gifts. Most people of today carry themselves well, but the perfect grace cannot be had just for the trying. Yet Canyon City can boast of one woman so favored. This is not all about straight shoulders. Anybody can have straight shoulders. Unlike a pretty face they will not fade if you will to keep them. They are more than skin deep, and since "pretty is as pretty does," the man or woman with straight shoulders feels straighter. When you feel lonely and downcast raise your shoulders and your spirits will rise. It is the best medicine you can take and a mark of beauty that is in the reach of all. Let us straighten our shoulders.

Call at Thomas Bros. and see the celebrated Thompson & Sons Piano.

An Oration on Texas.

A Texan, while visiting in another state, was asked to tell in a speech what he knew about Texas, and he responded:

"Texas is a whopper. She's a peach. She's the broadest and longest country on earth, extending from west to east, and also from north to south.

She could put Rhode Island in her vest pocket. She could swallow three or four states like Maryland and Vermont and wash 'em down by drinking the Mississippi dry, and could digest them without ever having the colic. Texas is the Empire State of the Union, without any Kaiser Bill for an emperor. She's the chiefest among ten thousand and altogether lovely and wild and reckless. She's the pebble on the beach. She's one of the old blue hen's chickens. She's the cock of the walk and the democrat of the world. She's a wolf, and it's her day to howl.

"Texas is bounded on the east by the alligators of Louisiana and the huckleberry thickets of Arkansas. She is bounded on the north by the tomahawk and the war whoop of the red men. She is bounded on the west by the chill con carne of New Mexico and the tamales of Old Mexico. She is bounded on the south by the Gulf of Mexico, and if it wasn't for that mensly body of salty water she would extend beyond the south pole. As I said in the beginning, Texas is a whopper; she's a Jim Dandy and you never doubt it."—San Angelo Standard.

Both sides of any public question should be heard in a newspaper which seeks the public good. That is the News' way of presenting important mat-

Notes For Stockmen.

The natural conditions that bring about prosperity to the cattlemen are all right. We never remember having seen a better season in the ground at this time of year. Why, with just a few weeks sunshine West Texas will be covered with as pretty a coat of grass as a man ever saw. But there are other things in the way that block the road to prosperity. Some mighty big chunks are lying along the path that the stockman has to travel in the future. First of all comes the unsettled conditions of the school land. There is a demand for this land for actual settlement, and however strong we may fight legislation of that kind it is coming, and let us tell you now, if indications count for anything, it is coming right away. This will leave many of our neighbors in a hard shape; it will force lots of cattle on the market and thereby lower the price.

Then comes that quarantine legislation proposed in Oklahoma, keeping cattle out of that Territory. That will be another severe blow, and will without doubt have a lowering tendency. Couple to that the threat of northwestern buyers and northern feeders that they will not pay last year's prices for steers, and it looks very much as if there was to be a "slump." Some people talk about Texas being all right with a Chinese

in Texas at this season of the year is that they have had their hammers too much in evidence. While the average Texas cowman is prepared to concede that some losses have occurred in the Northwest this winter, he does not understand why that unfortunate fact should be steadily paraded as the paramount reason why he should take from \$2 to \$5 per head from the real value of his cattle as an incentive to the Northwestern man to buy. It is morally certain that Texas cowmen are not responsible for climatic conditions that exist in the Northwestern range country, and there exists no valid reason why they should be called upon to assume even a small proportion of such losses as are said to have occurred.

Our Northwestern friends have not manifested the proper spirit in their dealings with Texas cowmen. For two years now they have persistently hammered on prices. They have filled the Texas range country with emissaries at certain seasons of the year to report upon the number of marketable cattle held upon the ranges. If the number has appeared large, they have been quick to raise the cry of excess—that the supply was much greater than the demand, and would be free to take the cream at their own valuation. If the supply was deficient and Texas ranchmen showed any stiffening about their spinal column in the matter of making prices, they were met with

The News Office Is Now Prepared TO DO Your Job Work.

wall around it, but it is foolish to talk that way. We want access to all markets. We, however, do not predict such a thing as the market going to pieces. We raise the cattle and the world has got to have beef. But we do say that the stockman has a path to travel that is not altogether a rose bed; he has got to put on his thinking cap, watch every crook and turn, and always be there, "Johnny on the spot," when his interests are involved, or he will lose out.

There was a time when the stockman only had to look after his cattle, and he would trust to the market and accept what was given him, but the stockman of today has to be a politician, an expert on ticks, a diplomat, and God only knows what. It is a different game than it used to be when John Chisum, Clay Mann and the Slaughter were the push, in those good old days of long ago, when actual settlers and tick fever were things undreamed of. We are betting, however, that the stockmen will come out of it and continue to prosper. They are made out of that kind of material and you can't stump them with just half a dozen hard propositions. No sir!—Ozona Kjeker.

The following extract in an exhaustive article in answer to the Northwestern buyer's howl for lower prices for Texas steers, was clipped from the West Texas Stockman and will prove interesting to the readers of this column:

The great trouble with our Northwestern friends who usually buy cat-

threats of cheap cattle imported from Old Mexico, as if the average Texas ranchman cared anything for the competition that could emanate from that source.

The Texas ranchman is too independent this year to be choiced into sacrificing his stuff. Outside of a portion of the Panhandle country, cattle have wintered unusually well. Rain or snow has visited all the range country and early grass is already assured. Our pastures are all getting green now, and so many cattle have gone to market that there is room for all who do not desire to try the experiment of carrying their own cattle to the Northwest. We have steers to sell—not to give away. Texas ranchmen are liberal, broad-minded and fair, and just in all their dealings. They sympathize with their Northwestern brothers in the heavy losses they are alleged to have sustained. But that is no reason why they should be called upon to contribute \$300,000 to make good those losses through depreciation of their own values.

Down here in Texas we are not at all discouraged. We have an abiding confidence in the justness of our cause, which greatly sustains and comforts us in the hour of our trial.

Wanted:—The News office would like to have correspondents from all sections of the county. The usual inducement is offered to good writers. If you are interested in having your community represented in your county paper, your assistance in this capacity will be appreciated.

Good News For The Deaf.

It is heartily wished by lovers of the race that the new device which is said to enable the deaf to hear may be entitled to all that is claimed for it. Of course there must be some cases beyond mechanical or other relief. The inventor of the new piece of mechanism believes that if there has been no destruction of the mechanical devices in the ear and no paralysis of the auditory nerve, the deaf person can be made to hear.

The apparatus differs from others previously tried in the use of a battery to intensify the sound, and in the construction of a transmitter collects and transmits sound waves, the battery intensifies them and the receiver delivers them to the ear. It is a well-known fact that many deaf people can receive messages by telephone which they cannot hear as well as otherwise.

The experiments thus far made seem to have been with the young, and it is probably the child who will reap the greater benefit from the new discovery if it is perfected for practical use. The invention will facilitate the education of the deaf, and as a means of communicating with others it will add much to their enjoyment of life. The worst inconvenience of deafness will be overcome, and with the restoration of hearing in childhood there will be fewer mutes.

The loss of speech is to be accounted for in many cases by the loss of hearing; the child who does not hear naturally fails to appreciate sounds, and therefore fails to articulate. Schools for the deaf and dumb have done much for the unfortunate afflicted with deafness, but the remedies and methods of teaching are slow working, and the new invention, if it proves a success, will do much to restore and develop the power of speech and bring happiness to thousands.

The announcement of the discovery of a new device by which the hearing of unfortunate relatives, friends and fellow mortals can be materially improved touches a responsive chord in every sympathetic heart.

Grip Remedies in Great Demand.

When colds and grip are prevalent the quickest and surest remedies are in great demand. Mr. Joseph D. Williams, of McDuff, Va., says that he was cured of a very deep and lasting attack of la grippe by using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy after trying several other preparations with no effect. This remedy has become famous for its cures of colds and la grippe, and can be depended upon with implicit confidence. It prevents any tendency of those diseases toward pneumonia. For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

The W. C. T. U. will meet every 1st Saturday evening of each month at the Baptist church.

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(THE STAYER.)

GEO. A. BRANDON, Prop.

WALTER R. BRANDON, Editor.

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SUBSCRIPTION.
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ADVERTISING RATES.
 Locals 10 cents per line for
 the first insertion, 5 cents each
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 Display ads, one inch, \$1.00
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G. F. Swift, president of the
 Swift packing company, died at
 his home in Chicago, Ill., March
 29, of internal hemorrhage, re-
 sulting from a surgical opera-
 tion performed some time ago
 for an infraction of the gall
 bladder. Thus ended the life of
 a man who started in life as a
 butcher, and at the age of 63
 years had accumulated several
 millions of dollars.

No doubt some of our readers
 will have their eyes peeled for
 the "tenderfoot," or "back east"
 editor to enter some complaint
 through the columns of the
 News against the weather we
 have been having for the past
 two days, but we beg to inform
 such that considerable wind and
 grit is needed in the newspaper
 business, and the News is no
 exception to the rule.

**What Our Exchanges Say
 of The News.**

The Canyon City News (Stayer)
 comes to us this week under
 a new management and a new
 name. This is the first issue of
 Vol. 7 and the editor promises
 much in the way of improve-
 ments and we wish for him un-
 bounded success.—Hereford
 Searchlight.

We have received the first
 number of the Canyon City
 News, which succeeded the
 Canyon Stayer. It is a neat
 and creditable publication, both
 as to mechanical construction
 and the quality of its contents.
 The News deserves to succeed,
 and The Brand ventures to pre-
 dict for it a pleasant and profit-
 able career.—Hereford Brand.

The Canyon City Stayer has
 changed hands and changed its
 name to The Canyon City News.
 The new editor, Bro. Brandon,
 has added new material and new
 machinery to the plant. We
 can read between the lines of
 the News the fine Italian hand
 of the thorough, all round news-
 paper man, one who will make
 a paper that its people will be
 proud of. The Herald welcomes
 him to the Plains and extends
 wishes for his success.—
 Hale County Herald.

A Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the public
 for their liberal patronage since
 entering the newspaper busi-
 ness, and assure those who have
 opened accounts on our books
 that the same has been most
 heartily appreciated.

Very respectfully,
 GEO. A. BRANDON.

We can furnish back numbers of
 the News on application.

SEEKING INFORMATION

**Many Prospectors From
 Abroad Want To Know
 Something About
 Canyon City.**

We print the following letter
 received a few days ago from a
 citizen of Atlanta, Georgia,
 who has an intention of coming
 West and is first going to secure
 evidence of the best locality by
 the perusal of representative lo-
 cal papers, or such other matter
 as may be descriptive and of a
 nature to give him an idea of
 the town, country, people, enter-
 prise, and the various other
 things that one wants to know
 regarding the choice of a new
 country.

This is not the only letter we
 have received from prospectors
 abroad who have a view of lo-
 cating in the West and is going
 to judge by the paper whether
 or not Canyon City gives prom-
 ise of a citizenship of prosper-
 ous, enterprising citizens.

The letter follows:

March 26, 1903.
 Sir:—I write asking a favor.
 May I have a copy or two of
 your paper or any matter you
 may have describing your local-
 ity. I am interested and wish
 to make myself better acquaint-
 ed.

Truly,
 LYLE C. WATERBURY,
 Atlanta, Georgia.

Now, my kind reader, be you
 a business man or private citi-
 zen, let us in all candor, at the
 same time with all good humor,
 give you a plain, business talk.
 Placing ourselves, as an illus-
 tration, in the position of the
 above gentleman who writes for
 information about our town,
 would we, by looking over this
 paper think Canyon City a
 thriving, progressive town?
 Mind you, the only foreign rep-
 resentative or advertisement for
 a town is her local paper, unless
 that town has progressed to
 the extent of having advertising
 committees or immigration bu-
 reaus. A practical and succes-
 ful business man in seeking a
 new location can determine at
 one glance at the local paper if
 that town is worthy of his atten-
 tion and investment, and it is
 invariably the case that this
 fact is the deciding point in
 making the selection of the
 town. You ask how, and why?
 Simply on this basis: a wide-
 awake, enthusiastic people is
 not content with the knowledge
 that everyone in town knows
 you and when they want any
 thing in your line they will call
 without your solicitation
 through the local paper, but
 they will persistently keep the
 fact before the public, not only
 to your neighbors, but to those
 abroad. A newspaper, to be oper-
 ated successfully, must devote
 a certain part of its space to its
 advertising readers, be the pa-
 per large or small, and if that
 space is not used, the paper will
 gradually sink into oblivion.

Why? From the very simple
 fact that the newspaper busi-
 ness must be supported to thrive
 as any other business. Do not
 consider this article an old-time
 harangue for the advertisers
 ear. It is not. The matter de-
 velves to this point: The News
 management has the capital and
 experience to make of your
 home paper a credit and an ad-
 vertisement to the town. It is

not in the compass of human na-
 ture to devote brains, time and
 capital to such an undertaking
 when that institution would fall
 on an unappreciative people.
 We do not expect too much, but
 when we make a fair and square
 proposition which will result in
 your benefit as well as our own,
 we do expect for it to at least
 reach a responsive chord in
 every throbbing heart for Can-
 yon City. Can you say that it
 is entirely self-interest and self-
 aggrandizement that prompts
 us in an effort to help the town?
 In a measure, yes; but take the
 matter home to yourself and see
 that if after careful study it will
 not benefit you by a hearty co-
 operation to the same purpose.
 But we have deviated from our
 original subject. Considering
 that this gentleman of Atlanta
 has in good faith asked for this
 medium of determining his
 choice for a location. And, for
 the sake of argument, let us say
 that he has capital and is seek-
 ing a good-sized town for the
 launching of some needed enter-
 prise; could he, by looking at
 this copy of the News estimate
 the size of the town, the number
 of business houses and the
 various other institutions that
 promote the progress of a town.
 And he might, though this is
 not used as an accusation, see
 by the subscription rolls of that
 local paper, that some of the
 business men did not even take
 the paper, though this is a rare
 instance. Again we beseech
 you not to consider this as a cry
 for your dollars, for dollars are
 not generally gotten this way.
 It is in this category: Are
 you willing for this paper to
 be a foreign advertise-
 ment to your town by appre-
 ciating our humble efforts
 in that direction. This is a
 plain talk, my gentle reader,
 but it is unengendered with
 malice or complaint.

A CITIZENS DUTY.

Next to a man's family and
 business nothing should stand
 dearer to a man's heart than the
 community in which he lives. It
 is his home. It is the place in
 which he earns his competence
 and educates his children. If
 he wants to make it popular, as
 thrifty and widely known as
 possible, he cannot afford to be
 indifferent to anything that will
 further these ends. It can be
 said that a town that is not
 worthy of the devotion of its
 citizens in making it widely and
 generally prosperous is a town
 in which it is not worth while
 to live at all. If a town is worth
 anything it is worthy of our
 greatest energy, whether we
 merely take our share of the
 common benefits accorded our
 home town.—Exchange.

PUT ON THE ARMOR.

A town must be judged in the
 light of its opportunities. What
 has the concerted and contin-
 uous movement of good citizens
 accomplished in Canyon City
 during the past year? Surely
 no one will hold up his head and
 say that the generous support
 of most of its citizens has been
 unavailing in the step by step
 progress that eventually lifts a
 town from a primitive frontier
 trading point, to a town of pro-
 gressive citizenship whose
 hearts in every pulsation re-
 sponds to its call for her patri-
 otic sons. Canyon City must be-
 gin to take on the air of confi-
 dence which comes from the re-
 alization that it can at least
 make a shadow in the era of de-
 velopment of the Panhandle.
 Now as never before the rapidly
 materializing promise of a per-
 manent settlement of this here-
 tofore arid region should add
 inspiration and zeal to the
 citizens of our town.

It would be too much to say
 that the town lacked self confi-
 dence, for in the past it has al-
 ways manifested something like
 unshakable faith to those things
 to which it actually laid its
 hands. It has not been a falter-
 ing town at any time in its his-
 tory; we know no such thing
 here as abandoned undertakings.
 If the town has had a fault it
 lay in the fact that it undertook
 too little.

Numbered in the list of con-
 servative towns of the Panhan-
 dle, Canyon City has indulged
 a just pride in its conservatism,
 and preened itself upon a repu-
 tation for solid citizenship, pos-
 sessed of substantial wisdom
 and the fact of having avoided
 great mistakes in the whirl-pool
 of speculations.

When, some time ago, the riv-
 alry for size and numbers with
 Amarillo was put beyond ques-
 tion by the latter's acquisition
 of railway facilities that enables
 it for the time being to gain su-
 premacy, we fell behind with
 rather good grace and consoled
 ourselves with the reflection, in
 which we have been justified,
 that at least we should escape
 the evils attendant upon too
 sudden acquisition of area and
 population.

It is possible that we have
 erred in the direction of exces-
 sive conservatism, that we have
 gone further than necessary to
 eliminate the element of chance
 from local enterprises, that
 ultra-caution has resisted
 growth and expansion. This is
 the harshest criticism offered
 against the town's course, and
 it has come only from outside
 sources. Were it not entirely
 well-founded, Canyon City
 might make ready answer that

at worst it had erred only in
 clinging too long to an over-
 wise, prudential policy.

Persons thoroughly familiar
 with inside history and condi-
 tions do not by any means ad-
 mit the justice of the charges of
 over-caution, but assert that
 prudence and foresight have on-
 ly served to prevent mistakes
 and to concentrate our energy
 and strength in substantial pro-
 cesses and full, normal develop-
 ment.

Whatever the spirit of the
 past has been, a new spirit
 must replace it. We must not
 wholly abandon the conserva-
 tism inherent in our institutions,
 but must add energy and enthu-
 siasm, born of conviction. Con-
 fidence in the strength of unsur-
 passed natural advantages,
 Canyon City must build and en-
 courage others to locate, with a
 new assurance. Progression,
 enterprise, well-knowing its
 compass and free within wise
 and proven limitations, must be
 the spirit rife in Canyon City
 today. Evidences of its mov-
 ing force will daily multiply and
 beget faith and enthusiasm.
 Visual demonstrations inspire.
 Take for an instance, the town
 of Hereford. There seems to be
 no end to its growth, and why?
 Simply because a prospector is
 apt to govern his investments
 in a town by the visible and un-
 mistakable signs of progression.
 It is by no means an induce-
 ment to a prospective citizen to
 locate in a town where the apa-
 thetic atmosphere has pervaded
 and is holding undisputed do-
 minion. Draw your own com-
 parison and the pearl of truth
 and sound logic will not be dif-
 ficult to see.

Notice of Change in Business

This day, April 2nd, 1903, I,
 A. C. Thompson, until now in
 the Drug business at Canyon
 City, Texas, have sold out said
 drug business to S. V. Wirt and
 T. E. Money, who will continue
 the business at the same stand
 under the firm name of Wirt &
 Money. In this deal A. C.
 Thompson is entitled to collect
 all due on account of said busi-
 ness to date and he assumes and
 will pay all lawful charges
 against the same to this day.

Wirt & Money are authorized
 to collect and receipt for moneys
 due said Thompson growing out
 of said drug business.

J. R. HARTER,
PIIONEER BLACKSMITH :
Horse shoeing and general
repair work a specialty.
 My work is sufficient rec-
 ommendation to all who
 know me.

ST. JAMES HOTEL
 H. JAMES, Proprietor.
\$1 PER DAY.
 This hotel is the workman's
 favorite. Liberal rates by the
 month.

To SUBSCRIBERS:—We have
 transferred the names of Stayer
 subscribers to another book.
 Only those who appear on the
 old books as bona fide subscrib-
 ers are copied. If we have left
 any off that should be there
 kindly notify us and we will
 gladly make corrections.

FOR SALE:—Several second-
 hand buggies, in good order.
 BRENT C. TAYLOR.

If it is a new home you want
 There will be many necessities which you will
 have to consider, but the principal need is a
 determination to have that home and have
 it as you want it.

THE CANYON LUMBER CO.,
 Will make it easy to get the materials after you
 say that you want us to go ahead for you.
 It won't be difficult by our plan.

If your old home needs a new spring dress, we
 will furnish the material which will put it
 at the height of the season.

Purely Personal.

Mr. G. H. Williams, of Happy, was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. S. B. Lofton and children were in town shopping Tuesday.

Mr. F. M. Cox, of Ceta, was in town trading yesterday.

This office has a supply of deeds and other blanks for sale.

Dave and Jenks Curry, of Happy, were in town Tuesday, trading.

The ladies said they made no extra charge for the grit served with the dinner yesterday.

The owner of this paper desires to purchase a residence of not less than five rooms. Can pay cash.

Herbert Bates returned from Roswell Tuesday, where he has been prospecting.

W. M. Kaufman and Plus Friend, of Umbarger, were in town the first of the week.

Whitman Bros. and L. J. Taggart, of Swisher county, were in town last Saturday on business.

Mrs. R. W. Morgan, editor of the Star at Amarillo, was in town yesterday on business.

Mr. W. W. Stephenson went South on the Plainview stage last Wednesday morning.

Scott and Rowland, the contractors and builders, are building a house for a Mr. Willard, some ten miles south of town.

Liveryman M. F. Slover, has sold out his business to Brent Taylor. Mr. Slover does not know whether he will remain with us or not.

R. L. Stowers and wife, J. F. White and wife, and W. A. White, all of Happy, were clients of Buie and Rollins, our attorneys, Wednesday.

J. R. Luna, of Umbarger, a brother of our venerable tax assessor, and J. B. Hall, postmaster of the same town, were in town Wednesday.

Those of our citizens who are sending papers to relatives and friends out of the county, would do well to call and see us as we may drop them from the list if the time has expired.

I have purchased the boot and shoe shop formerly owned by Harry Miller, and will conduct the same at the old stand. Give me a trial.

JOHN WEISTERHANS.

Rev. Burrow, of Henrietta, father of Mr. C. R. Burrow, manager of the Canyon Lumber Co., at this place, will preach at the Presbyterian church here next Sunday.

J. H. Dunbar, the bustling boot and shoe maker, received an order for a pair of boots from a customer in Montana this week.

For causes unknown to this paper the cattle sale here Thursday was not a success. There were some two or three sales, but the prices were very unsatisfactory, especially so, when we stop to consider the quality of the stock offered for sale.

G. M. Stimms, residing some six miles in the country, called on us Thursday, paid up old scores and had the paper continued to his father, T. C. Stimms, of Fairville, Mo. He states that stock losses in his section were light.

W. B. Jones, familiarly known as "Dad" Jones, has purchased the interest of G. H. Price, in the bakery establishment of Price and Miller, and will embark in the business in the new building at an early date. Success to you, Mr. Jones.

Those who secured the \$5 prize in the box opening contest at A. L. Anderson's for last month were: Mrs. Dr. Howell, Mrs. Gatewood, Mr. J. N. Donohoo, Mrs. M. K. Meyers and J. O. Robinson. Each of these parties received \$5, and tender to Mr. Anderson their thanks.

Milas Little, for several years a leading business man of Lampasas, will be with us in a few days prospecting. If he likes the situation he will open up a general dry goods establishment in this town. He is a good hustler and the citizens of Canyon would value him highly in a business light and also as a neighbor.

W. D. Orr, of Roswell, an ex-sheriff of this county, has been in town the past week.

T. F. Gilceland, of Happy, was in town yesterday, and attended the combination sale of Hereford and Shorthorn cattle. While here, Mr. Gilceland paid this office a pleasant call and left a dollar in our possession for the News one year. Thanks.

Walter Brooks, of Kansas, a nephew of our popular townsman, M. F. Slover, shipped his household goods here this week and is now with his family occupying the Reeves house just south of this office, which he has purchased. The News is glad to welcome him as a citizen.

Frank Johnson has sold his interest in the Canyon Mercantile Co., and moved this week to Stratford. We regret to lose Mr. Johnson as a citizen and wish for him unbounded success in his new field.

This week has been an unusual one in the business circles of Canyon City, many of the business houses having changed ownership, and otherwise changing hands.

Messrs. S. V. Wirt and T. E. Money have purchased the drug business of A. C. Thompson and will conduct the same under the firm name of Wirt & Money.

Rev. J. F. Owens of Dublin, an uncle of Rev. J. F. Stephens, of this place, will preach next Sunday morning and evening at the Methodist church.

The ladies of the order of the Eastern Star will give an Ice Cream Klatch next Tuesday evening at the residence of Miss Mary Burrows. The proceeds of the evening will be for the benefit of the local order at this place and everyone in the city should make it convenient to attend.

Three citizens of Lampasas will be here prospecting within the next four weeks. Two of them are good business men and the third is looking for a small ranch. They are all of them good citizens, and much depends upon their reception here as to whether or not they remain with us or go on to a neighboring town. They will come here first at the instigation of the proprietor of this paper and we trust that each of them will find it to be their interest to remain with us.

Of course its windy, but you will find we are not blowing when you inspect our stock of first class Lumber.

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A CARD OF THANKS.

Dear Editor:—I would like to express as best I can, my gratitude and thankfulness to the people of Canyon City, (through your paper) who, during my husband's sickness, have helped us very graciously indeed, and while I know that I shall never be able to repay them the kindness and help they have given us in our extreme hour of need, I trust that Heaven's richest blessings may be their reward. And may the Lord look to their every need while they are passing through this life, and when it is passed, may they receive at His hand a crown of life, and join in the song of all saints, unto Him that loved us and washed us from our sins with His own blood.

Very respectfully,
Mrs. D. H. Gardner.

I have re-purchased the livery business which has been operated by M. F. Slover, for some time past, and shall endeavor to serve the public in the future as I have strived to do in the past. Thanking you in advance for any courtesies you may feel disposed to show me, I am,
Very respectfully,
BRENT C. TAYLOR.

The Spring grass is sprouting, but Burton-Lingo Co., won't let it grow under their feet if they know you are in the market for Lumber.

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Trading Is Slow.

C. A. O'Keefe, one of our leading cattlemen, returned from a business trip to Fort Worth this morning. He reports but little doing in cattle circles down there and no trading in progress. The general impression is, however, that there will be material improvement in the situation at an early date.—West Texas Stockman (Colorado, Texas.)

Mr. C. A. O'Keefe is a brother of our worthy townsman, Mr. R. W. O'Keefe.

Out of County subscribers—If you are in arrears on subscription and still desire this paper, kindly remit the price—one dollar a year, and you will get on the new books. All moneys due the Stayer on subscription are payable to us.

Young Men's Social Club.

At the called meeting last Wednesday evening of the young men who organized a social club on Wednesday evening of last week, the usual routine of business was transacted, the principal feature of the evening consisting in the adoption of the constitution and by-laws for the necessary governing of the organization and the investing of the club with the name of the "Young Men's Social Club." The constitution and by-laws will be printed in full in next week's issue. The meeting adjourned to meet in called session, tonight, (Friday.) All members are requested to attend this meeting and assist in the preliminary work of getting the club started on a firm basis.

SCHOOL NOTES.
Edited by the
County Superintendent.

An examination of teachers will be held on Friday and Saturday, the 24 and 25th of April. Teachers desiring to apply for certificates should be on hand at that time as there will be no meeting of the board in May.

The spring term of Rowan school opened in last month. This is one of our best country schools, having voted the 20c special tax several years ago. The trustees propose painting the house this summer.

I hereby call a meeting of the County Teacher's Institute to convene at Canyon City, on Saturday, May 6th next. All teachers, trustees and friends of education in the county are respectfully requested to attend. The program will be published next week.

There will be a special meeting of the Commissioners Court on Monday, April 13, for the purpose of examining the annual report of the county tax collector, and for the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before the court.

Respectfully,
A. N. HENSON,
County Judge.

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Settle The Country First.

The following extract from an article by John Howard, in Farm and Ranch is worth reading:

"Building towns in the Panhandle country, like raising cattle without feed, is a hard proposition. You can't build towns to stay good, permanent, substantial towns unless you have people and lots of them, in the country. Neither can you raise stock in the Panhandle without providing some feed, water and shelter.

"Men may continue to plan and work for years to come in the Panhandle, as they have for years past, to build towns, but until they solve the Texas land question and open up the country to the small stock farmer, they will continue to meet with disappointments, said an observing man to me on the train. Yes, they had better take a year off and study the situation; find out the reason the country don't settle up and then apply the remedy. This done, they can go ahead and do business, and build up their towns."

One Woman's Experience With a Grip Remedy.

While suffering from a severe attack of the grip and threatened with pneumonia, Mrs. Annie H. Cooley, of Middlefield, Conn., began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and was very much benefited by its use. The pains in the chest soon disappeared, the cough became loose, expectoration easy and in a short time she was as well as ever. Mrs. Cooley says she cannot speak too highly in praise of this remedy. For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

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A young preacher received this advice from an old preacher: "When you go to town to preach take your best coat; when you go to the country to preach take your best sermon." A town audience is the best judge of a coat; a country audience is the best judge of a sermon. Another young preacher on going to town to preach received the following admonition: "Whatever you preach about, preach about 30 minutes."

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The Canyon News man feels that his lines have fallen in pleasant places. The longer he stays with the Canyon people the more fully will he be convinced of the fact, he says: "Never in the history of the writer's experience has he been the recipient of so hearty a welcome as has been rendered by the citizens of Canyon City. The true, hospitable spirit is a characteristic of worthy western people and the representative citizenship of this town is composed of that type of humanity that never let the stranger feel the pangs of a separation from the dear old surroundings of a far off home."—Hale County Herald.

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From California comes the news that the first attempt to supply a daily press report by wireless telegraphy has been successfully made, and the first newspaper depending entirely upon that method of telegraphy has been launched. One notable point is that the news for the first edition of the paper was sent during a violent storm. The name of the new paper is quite appropriate—"The Wireless." So we will soon have wireless press reports.

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The record of the week at the Fort Worth stock yards is a good one. Every week will be better. Stock will come this way as fast as the packers can slay and pack. Fort Worth Register.

Some people are so selfish that they never entertain anything save their own opinions.

The Fallings of Education.

The methods of public school instruction, as applied in New York City, do not always meet the approbation of the parents of the pupils, as was evidenced the other day when a German woman of commanding figure strode into the school, and approaching the principal, demanded:

"What it is, a lobster?" The principal politely explained that a lobster was a species of shell-fish.

"Well, how many legs has it—dis lobster?"

"The number of legs was stated."

"Well, I work me for a burry, and if your teacher cannot find better dings than to ask my boy Jakey how many legs has it, a lobster, und make him come home to bodder his lodder mit questions, 'what it is, a lobster?' it is pad peesness."

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All good judges of horse flesh have pronounced Ranger a chip off the old block; being a grandson of Belmont, the world-renowned trotter, is sufficient recommendation to all breeders who are acquainted with the lineage of pure-bred horses. Ranger is a saddle horse with qualities of the first water, traveling all gaits known to the lovers of saddle stock.

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"But where to find that happiest spot below; Who can direct, when all pretend to know?"

Goldsmith. Many are satisfied to live in Northwest Texas, having proved the value of the land in this region as a good crop raiser. Not only cattle, but wheat, cotton, corn, feed-stuffs, cantaloupes, garden truck and good health flourish here in a district where malaria is impossible and very little doing for jails and hospitals.

Land, which is being sold at really low figures—the constantly increasing demand is steadily boosting values—is still abundant; and farms and ranches of all sizes, very happily located, are being purchased daily.

We will gladly supply all askers with a copy of a little book, published by the Northwest Texas Real Estate association, which contains an interesting series of straightforward statements of what people have accomplished along the line of

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Pass. Dept., Ft. Worth, Texas.

N. B.—We find our passenger patronage very gratifying. It is necessary to run three trains daily each way as far as Wichita Falls, and two clear thru. We continue, the year round, the excellent Class A service that insures the preference of Colorado and California Tourists, winter and summer. By the way, we offer now more than half a dozen rates to California, the newest trip via Dalhart (also good for Old Mexico,) with first grade eating cars all the way.

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Fourth Sundays morning and night, Rev. Randolph Clark, Christian pastor.

Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

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BAPTIST.

Preaching every Sunday, morning and evening, Rev. J. D. Ballard, pastor.

Sunday School every Sunday morning, J. W. St. Clair, Superintendent.

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Ladies Aid Society every Tuesday at 3 p. m. Mrs. A. H. Thompson, President.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

Choir practice and teachers' meeting every Friday evening.

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