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PUTNAM DOTS.

March 29.—We had a fine rain yesterday. Weather warm and pleasant, grass getting fine, stock doing well, farmers are delighted, merchants seem to be in good spirits, health of our town is good, and in fact everything seems to be on the upward move.

Our new depot is progressing nicely.

Mr. James Walker was in our town Saturday looking after the interest of THE STAR. We are delighted to know that THE STAR is a welcome visitor to our town each week. THE STAR ought to be commended for the earnest effort put forth in trying to build up our towns and country. I believe THE STAR is as good all around clean cut sheet as you will find west of the Brazos River.

W. A. Short went to Merkel last Friday and returned Sunday.

Mr. Clarence Ramsey of Cottonwood was in our town Saturday.

Dr. L. J. Cook Mr. Jay Wheeler and Uncle Dave Epley went fishing last Saturday, (result) Dave caught a cold, Mr. Jay Wheeler fell in the creek and Dr. Cook soiled the bosom of his new pants.

Mr. A. Jones; the barber is talking of visiting his relatives in South Texas soon, where he has an uncle with 14 boys, and he says they are all his cousins.

The Methodist have organized a prayer meeting here and old Bro. Gaither opened up the meeting with a good warm talk of an hours duration.

Dr. L. J. Cook has been exercising his gifts as a traveling salesman for several days. He says a man has got to have an unlimited nerve sometimes to keep the line of direction from falling out-side his base. For instance he says let a new traveling man start up the streets of a strange town where everybodys eyes are set on him, his grip, which resembles an eight-day-Seth-Thomas clock, well sacked; and in this condition to meet one of Ham's boys with the following interogations: "Hello mister! will you please stop and play us a tune?" Then he says you can begin to feel the pangs of life and fully realize how sweet it would be to be translated.

MORE ANON.

DEEP CREEK DOTS.

March 30.—Maj. Sam Cutbirth of Belle Plaine has decided to move his gin to this neighborhood and selected the other day a site for the tank and building. Work will begin immediately.

J. I. McWhorter bought a bunch of about 40 yearling steers in this vicinity last week and paid $10 for good ones and even $8 for seven months old calves if they were in good condition. The demand for all classes of cattle is still active, especially for stock that shows the strains of improved breeding.

Your correspondent acknowledges with thanks and invitation of Miss Dora Stewart, the popular teacher of the Union school to be present at the public exhibition of her class, which was held last Friday. Unfortunately Mrs. B. had left us alone in charge of the house-hold and family affairs and so we had to forego the pleasure of accepting the invitation. But we learn from all sides that the well selected program was a success thoughout and bore high testimonial for the teacher and pupils.

The stately two story rock house at Belle Plaine built by John Merchant and now belonging to Sam Cutbirth Sr. is undergoing a general overhauling. If certain signs not fail the Major will have a new branch establishment of his prospering family.

Prof. Abe Martin who is the principal of a flourishing school near content in Runnels Co., dropped in suddenly last Saturday morning about 1 o'clock on a flying visit to his parents He returned Sunday, notwithstanding the rain, to his school, which will be running for nearly 2 months longer. It seems that in other counties people manage to have longer terms.

H. W. Ross of Baird looked at a bunch of fat cattle at R. C. Dawkins' and other places.

J. H. Wood Esq. accompanied by that efficient deputy sheriff Dan Dean went yesterday to Cottonwood on official business.

This neighborhood was blessed again with a fine rain Sunday morning. The clouds came from the East or better the South-East. Around Cottonwood fell at least thrice as much rain as here and the tanks are overflowing.

R. Cordwent is pushing the work at his fence with his usual vim and vigor and ten hands.

Free cedar wood will soon be out of sight.

H. B.

Just out.

A large supply of Chattle Mortgages just finished at THE STAR JOB OFFICE. You should buy now while there is plenty in stock. We also have Crop Mortgages, Bills of Sale, Notes, Receipts, Etc.

DEAR OLD MOTHER.

Mother! How sweet is that name to the man of the world as the frail boat of humanity is tossed hither and thither on the cruel breakers on lifes troublesome sea.

Mother! How that name sweet as an Eolian harp in the enchanted garden, fills the heart and chokes the voice of the sin-tossed son of weary wandering as he meditates on his past and sometimes checkered life. Perhaps he thinks of some little act, whereby he could have saved her a little heart-ache or a moment of sadness, maybe he can look back in the tomb of the dead past, see how willful and rude he had been to the dear old mother, who to save him from pain and punishment would have laid down her life. Again, when too late, he realizes that all of true, pure love that ever he knew was that bestowed upon him by dear old mother. Mother!

She is old now, time has scattered the snowy flakes on her brow, plowed deep furrows in her cheeks, but is she not beautiful now? Aye, the lips which have kissed many a hot tear from the childish cheek are the sweetest in the world The eye is dim, yet it glows with rapt radiance of love which can never fade.

Oh, yes, she is a dear mother. Her sands of time are nearly run, but feeble as she is she will go further and reach down lower, weep and plead more for that wandering one than any other person on earth. You cannot walk into midnight where she cannot see you; you can never mount a scaffold too high for her to reach that she may kiss and bless you: in evidence of her deathless love when the earth shall despise and forsake you—when it leaves you by the roadside to die unnoticed—dear old mother will gather you up in her arms, carry you home and tell you all your virtues until you almost forget that your soul is disfigured with vices Sweet mother, truest lover awarded man. Love her tenderly, there is nothing under the shining canopy of Heaven that you can do to repay her for her troubles, but she will be satisfied if you only share your true love and respect for her and to reverence your God. Love her tenderly and cheer her in her declining years with holy devotion.

A mothers son far away,
J. H. D.

A CARD TO THE PUBLIC.

I will open a private school Apr. 5, 1897, and will occupy my old room in the Baird High School building. The school will be conducted solely by myself, and continue as long as desired by the patrons. Tuition from $1.50 to $2.50. Where more than two come from the same family a discount will be allowed. Every effort will be made to the best interest of the pupils intrusted to my care.

Respectfully
C. H. PACK.

NEWS SERVICE EXTENDED.

The St. Louis Republic recently made arrangements with the cable companies, whereby direct news from all sections of the civilized world are received. It now prints more authentic foreign news than any other paper and continues to keep up its record for publishing all the home news. The outlook for the year is one of big news events, fast succeeding each other and they will be highly interesting to every one. The price of The Republic daily is $6 a year, or $1.50 for three months. The Twice-a-Week Republic will remain the same—one dollar a year, by mail, twice-a-week. 17 tf

THE STAR wants WOOD.

The Big Springs Pantagraph and Snyder Coming West think it would be a good idea to send speakers to East Texas to advocate the adoption of irrigation amendment to the constitution to be voted on in August. This would no doubt be a good idea. Another good idea is for every West Texas editor to make it a point to attend the annual meeting of the Texas Press Association which meets in Greenville May 11th and there present the matter to the newspaper men. If we can get the support of the Texas Press it will do more good than an army of speakers. The press can reach thousands where a speaker could barely reach hundreds. Our hope of success is the Texas press; let us all be there even at a sacrifice of our own personal interest. West Texas is vitally interested in this question, and the adoption of that amendment means a new era of prosperity for the west. We should leave no stone unturned to insure success either at home or in east Texas. Many no doubt consider the amendment as good as adopted and here is where the danger lies. It will take hard work to convince some people, and especially those not interested that this amendment would be a good thing. There is a large element in the state that always oppose any change in the state constitution and this amendment, which is to apply only to that part of the state known as West Texas, is liable to meet with stubborn resistance in some quarters. We hope this will not be the case; but if we sit down and do nothing we are liable to see the amendment, that means so much to us, go down in defeat. We cannot afford to take any chances so let us be up and doing before opposition begins to form against the amendment. No time is to be lost.

OLD PAPERS For Sale at THE STAR office

LEVEES GIVING WAY.

THE SITUATION AT GREENVILLE, MISS., IS ALARMING.

The Latest Reports are That Water is Pouring Through a Crevasse 500 Yards in Width With Tremendous Force—Hundreds at Work on the Levees.

Memphis, Tenn., March 30.—The flood situation in the vicinity of Greenville, Miss., is alarming. The break at Wayside, nine miles south of that city, was fully confirmed last night, and the latest reports are to the effect that the water is pouring through a crevasse 500 yards in width with tremendous force.

But the most startling news reached Memphis at 6 o'clock yesterday evening. A telegram from Perthshire, forty-eight miles north of Greenville and immediately at the head of the fertile Yazoo delta, states that a break has occurred in the main levee there. Just how serious this break is the telegram does not state, but special trains loaded with laborers and sacks of sand have been hurriedly dispatched to the scene. If the break at Perthshire assumes anything like the proportions of the crevasse at Wayside the destruction will be enormous. The waters will sweep over the rich farm lands of Bolivar, Washington, Sharkey, Issaquena, Warren, Yazoo and Sunflower counties, in Mississippi, and the loss to stock and property will be appalling.

Ten thousand men line the levees between Memphis and Vicksburg watching and working with a desperation almost pitiable. The warning sent out by the weather bureau from Washington Sunday night is having its effects. Many of the inhabitants of the delta have corralled their animals on high strip of land and moved their families out of danger's reach.

The situation at Memphis is about the same as on Sunday. The river continues to fall slowly, the gauge last night registering 36.2 feet.

A dispatch from Gunnison, Miss., says that a break in the levee is momentarily expected at Sunnyside, but it is thought that catastrophe can be averted if 150 men and material could be had at once. Accordingly 100 white men were dispatched on a special train from this city to the scene. The negroes at Camp Congo were offered $1 per day and all expenses to lend a helping hand, but, with one exception, the offer was refused. There is much indignation among the citizens at this action of the negro refugees.

Good Citizens' Convention to Meet.

New York, March 30.—A call for a national good citizens' convention, to be held at Nashville, Tenn., on May 19 and 20, has been issued by an organization of church workers at Nashville, of whom Rev. R. W. Brinkley is chairman. The purpose of the convention, as stated in the circular, is to discuss matters relating to the many evils of the day, "crime and lawlessness, Sabbath desecration, intemperance, licentiousness, gambling and dishonesty, the undesirable economic, financial and industrial situation; the hard-up and debt-burdened condition of the people generally, and especially the poverty and slavery of millions where capital and labor together produce the greatest plenty every year," and to effect a permanent organization of the International Good Citizens' league. The signers of the call are from every state in the union, among them being Joseph Strong, D. D., New York; William M. McCarthy, mayor of Nashville; Bishop W. X. Ninde, Detroit; George Lorimer, D. D., Boston; Sam T. Nicholson, Washington; Theodore L. Cuyler, D. D., Brooklyn; Kerr Boyce Tupper, D. D., Philadelphia; W. G. Bell, president Texas Christian Endeavor union; President O. A. Gates of Iowa State College; James M. Morse of Massachusetts, President A. L. Miller, LL. D., Waynesboro college, Pennsylvania; Neal Dow, Joseph McCay, Ph. D., Pennsylvania; Sam P. Jones, Georgia, and Lou J. Beauchamp of Ohio.

Another Mrs. Blanther.

Lake Charles, La., March 30.—A handsome, stylishly dressed woman, apparently 23 years of age, came to this city a week ago and stopped at the Lake house, but would not register. She started out to do manicuring and pursued her professional duties until Saturday, when, in a prominent home, she heard the occupants talking of the suicide of Joseph E. Blanther or A. D. Forbes at Meridian, Tex., last Monday. She sank down in a chair and has been fairly prostrated ever since. She returned to the hotel and registered thus: "Mrs. Joseph Ritton von Blanther."

She says she was Blanther's original wife and they separated on account of a romance. Learning that her husband was wanted for a crime committed in California, she supposed he was in jail somewhere and she has been searching every jail throughout the south, hunting for him.

Charged With Obtaining Money by Fraud

Shreveport, La., March 30.—R. A. Brantley reached the city yesterday morning from New Orleans, where he was arrested on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses.

Brantley is a piano tuner and has been here for several months.

The affidavit charges Brantley with obtaining money by fraud and false pretenses and was sworn out by District Attorney Land upon information filed. Mr. Brantley had some acquaintances who would have gone on his bond, but thinking it safer to go behind the bars, he went.

A Chinese Fune a

St. Louis, Mo., March 30.—Lee Pon, grand recorder of the Chinese Free Masons in America, was buried here Sunday. His obsequies occupied two blocks of St. Louis streets for several hours, provided entertainment for 5000 people and scared more horses than the police have any record of. Three Chinamen on horseback led the procession to the cemetery, sharing the honors of public notice with the Chinese bands, which played Confucian dirges, and a German band, which performed circus tunes. Lee Pon was somewhat of a church member. The Chinese band was the Mascot end of the affair, but it was understood that the German musicians were adopted as a proper concession to American customs—as understood in Chinatown. Between Seventh and Eighth on Market street a platform was erected. Three tables loaded with Chinese delicacies were placed upon it and the coffin was laid under a white canopy. Priests in white robes said prayers, the Chinese population of St. Louis marched in procession around the tables, offerings were made to the gods of China and the spirit of Lee Pon. Salvos of crackers were fired, joss sticks were burned, and after the leaders had been carefully set in position on their horses the procession started for Wesleyan cemetery. The ceremonies at the grave side were short and the crowd dispersed, satisfied with the biggest Chinese funeral St. Louis has ever seen.

Arbitration Question.

Washington, March 30.—Upon going into executive session yesterday the senate promptly took up the arbitration treaty and Senator Bacon of Georgia took the floor in advocacy of his amendment to exempt claims against southern states from the operation of the agreement. He spoke at some length, going into the general merits of the treaty.

Mr. Bacon's contention was in the interest of a general amendment, which would preserve the constitutional prerogatives of the senate as a part of the treaty-making power of the United States. He said that he would support the Chilton amendment or any other that would accomplish this result.

Mr. Bacon was followed by Senator Turpie in support of the treaty and in contention for the sufficiency of the senate amendments.

The senate adjourned at 3 o'clock in order to permit the preparation of amendments for their presentation. So far the amendments have been only tentatively suggested.

A New State Proposed.

Albany, N. Y., March 30.—The proposal to establish the state of Manhattan, including its boundary the territory now included in the Greater New York city is before the legislature. Assemblyman Trainer last week introduced two bills with that end in view. The proposition is not entirely a new one; it was first proposed in the days of Wm. M. Tweed. The bills are the sequence of threats made by democrats and republicans alike, who have represented for the last ten years the city of New York that unless the city was relieved from paying 75 per cent of the entire taxation of the state it would ask to be separated from this state and made an individual body. Since Mr. Trainer introduced the bill and since the laugh went around at its introduction there has been a decided change of sentiment and there will be a very serious hearing on Thursday next when the assembly committee will listen to all notable persons advocating the measure.

She Wouldn't be Bluffed.

Guthrie, Ok., March 30.—The lease of Jesse Bryer, near Blackburn, on a piece of Indian land was canceled by the department because of a technicality, and a government agent and eight Indian police went to eject Bryer from the land.

His farm tools, implements, etc., were all thrown in the road and then they started for the house to carry out the household goods, but Mrs. Bryer, who was at home alone, met them at the door with a double-barrel shotgun, called a halt, ordered them off the place and at the muzzle of the gun enforced the order.

Hostilities Resumed.

Athens, March 30.—A dispatch received her from Reitmo, island of Crete, says that several British and Russian officers with a strong detachment of marines arrived there yesterday to notify the insurgents of the decision of the powers to grant autonomy to the island. While the officers were parleying with the insurgents chiefs under a flag of truce hostilities between the Turks and Christians in town were recopened and the detachment retired.

The Proper Man.

She—"Are you the editor?"

He—"I am one of the editors."

"Well, I'm just dying to get my name in the papers."

"Well, wait a minute; I'll call the obituary editor."—Yonkers Statesman.

Forest Reservations.

Washington, March 30.—The president Saturday listened to some strong representations respecting the order made by President Cleveland in the closing days of his administration creating extensive reservations of public lands for forest protection. There were present Senators Allison, Pettigrew, Mantel, Clark, Shoup, ex-Senator Moody and Representative Hartman of Montana. They criticised the order in the fervest terms.

THECRETAN TROUBLE

THE BOMBARDMENT OF MALAXA CAUSED PROTESTS.

The Cretan Delegates in Athens Have Published a Pamphlet in English, Protesting Against Autonomy—Nitro Glycerine Explosion.

Athens, March 27.—The bombardment of Malaxa has produced a painful impression here. The newspapers are filled with indignant protests. The Cretan delegates in Athens have published a pamphlet in English protesting against autonomy, and declaring that they prefer the Ottoman yoke, just as they did after the failure of the insurrection in 1866. The pamphlet closes with the declaration: "The Cretans will die, if necessary, for the sake of the cause of union with Greece."

M. Skouzes, minister of foreign affairs, sent the following communication to the powers on March 21:

"I have the honor to acknowledge your note of the 18th instant, wherein you inform me that Crete will be placed in a state of blockade from today. A notice of that fact has been given to the shipping interests, which it concerns. Nevertheless, as owing to the blockade, it will be henceforth impossible to import cereals into Crete, whereas the population of the island has always obtained its provisions from outside, it is my duty, having regard to the ties which bind the Greek nation to the Cretan population, to bring these considerations to your notice, foreseeing, as I do, consequences which may arise and which may not correspond with the sentiments of humanity, which animate the government of the powers. SKOUZES."

Nitroglycerine Explosion.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 27.—Three men were blown to atoms and ten other persons injured by an explosion of nitro-glycerine at the Repauno chemical works near this city yesterday. The dead are:

Joseph Hamilton, aged 20 years; Charles Wright, aged 25; J. T. Stiles, aged 28. All were married.

The injured are: John Langford, Wm. Gasiner, Wm. Tussey, John Jefferson, Peter Pellman, John Williams, Joseph Donnelly, Charles Madeira, Lizzie McGinnis and Emma Bates. The injuries were sustained mainly from concussion or from broken glass. They are not serious.

The works are situated on the New Jersey side of the Delaware river. The dead men belonged in Paulsboro, and the injured live in Gibbistown. All were employed in the works. The explosion occurred at 12:24 o'clock, when the workmen were returning from dinner. Most of them had not reached their posts, or the loss of life would have been greater. The concussion was felt for miles around, and a plasterer at work on a scaffolding three-quarters of a mile away was thrown off. The mutilated remains of the three victims in the works were gathered into two buckets. Wright was identified by a ring on one of the fingers and Stiles by his shoulders, from which the head, as well as the lower part of the body, had been torn.

Physicians from the vicinity looked after the injured, the majority of whom were cut about the head and face by flying glass.

The explosion was of such terrific force that besides totally destroying the two houses, tore a hole fully eighty feet long and twenty-five feet wide in the ground upon which the buildings had stood. It was learned that Stiles was in the separating room and Hamilton in the weighing room when the explosion occurred. Wright's duties kept him going from one to the other of the buildings, and he may have been in either.

The cause is assigned to excessively high temperature in one of the houses, quantities of the explosives being in both at times.

An inquest will be held to-day.

The plant covers about 600 acres, and is almost completely isolated from any other habitation.

The plant comprises about seventy separate small frame and iron buildings.

On March 24, 1894, an explosion occurred, by which nearly the entire plant was destroyed and six men were killed. That explosion was caused by the generation by nitric acid of excessive heat, and among the killed were Lammot Dupont, president of the company. He was the second of that family to meet death at the works in a similar manner.

Presidential Nominations.

Washington, March 27.—The president yesterday sent the following nominations to the senate: State—Edgar Thompson Scott of Pennsylvania, to be second secretary of the embassy of the United States at Paris. Interior—To be receivers of public money, James Kelley of Oklahoma at Mangum, Ok.; Anton H. Classen of Oklahoma at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Territory. To be register of land office, Henry D. McKnight of Oklahoma at Mangum, Ok.

Turkish Commander Refused.

Canea, March 27.—It is understood that the admirals have invited the Turkish commander to re-occupy Malaxa under the protection of the international fleet, with the promise to send the insurgents should they attack him. But the commander declined, on the ground that his troops are too much demoralized. Col. Vassos says that a block house at Malaxa is outside the neutral zone, but if the admirals had asked that the Turks be allowed to withdraw they would not have been molested.

Died of Fright.

Chicago, Ill., March 27.—Elizabeth Paulson, aged 18 years, is dead from the effects of fright. Such is the opinion of the attending physicians, and the coroner's jury so found after listening to his testimony and that of the family. Miss Paulson was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Paulson, respected German people. She was a comely young woman, and was the special care of her parents, although there were sons and other daughters in the little household.

Last Friday evening Elizabeth and a younger sister, Thora, were alone with their mother. When the two girls went to their room to retire they took no light with them, for their chamber was but a step from the living rooms. Thora found occasion to go back to the other part of the house, and left her sister for a moment. An instant later a frightful scream came from the room, and Elizabeth rushed out, calling piteously for help. Mrs. Paulson came to her assistance, but it was some time before the girl could speak plainly enough for her mother to understand the cause of her sudden terror. At length she was able to say there was a strange man in her room.

By this time the other members of the family had arrived, and they joined in making an investigation of the room. To everybody's surprise nothing of a man more nearly than a man's cloak and hat, which hung on the wall in a position where the light from a neighboring gas lamp cast a strange shadow, and this was what Miss Paulson had seen, and was the cause of her terror. For the time the matter was taken by the family as a good joke. However, all the efforts to calm the girl proved futile, and her condition became serious. She seemed to be in a constant condition of terror, and nothing could relieve her of the frightful vision. Symptoms of epilepsy developed, the periods of unconsciousness grew more protracted, and Friday she died.

Railroad Receivers Meet.

Chicago, Ill., March 27.—Receivers of the western roads met yesterday afternoon for the purpose of discussing the recent decision of the supreme court and its probable effect on the association under which the western roads have been working. B. F. Ayre, the general counsel of the Illinois Central, was chosen chairman of the meeting. The conference lasted the entire afternoon and terminated in nothing so far as action is concerned, though it seemed a foregone conclusion that the decision would have the effect of doing away with the Western Freight association as it is at present organized. There is no doubt that the Western Passenger and Freight associations will be in operation within a short time, but in a form different from that in which they have been working.

Two more roads withdrew from the Western Passenger association yesterday, the Rock Island and the Sioux City and Northern being the members to pull out. The rooms of the association were practically closed all day and no effort was made to do anything beyond the mere routine.

Already the western roads are beginning to take independent action on rate matters, though there has not yet been any official notice of the dissolution of any of the traffic organizations. The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul and the Chicago and Great Western have made some changes in their northwestern rates.

Arbitration Treaty Debate.

Washington, March 27.—The debate on the Anglo-American arbitration treaty was continued by the senate in executive session yesterday. Senator Gray, member of the committee on foreign relations, held the floor during the two hours that the question was under consideration, but he yielded to numerous interruptions, some of which amounted to independent speeches. Mr. Gray defended the treaty as one which would reflect credit upon its authors and upon the two nations which it was intended to bind together even more closely than they are at present bound.

The afternoon developed quite a pronounced tendency in the direction of an amendment similar to the first amendment originally reported by the foreign relations committee excepting all questions of policy, and it was suggested by some that there should be a return to the original position of Lord Salisbury favorable to the arbitration of only pecuniary claims, leaving out all questions of policy and of territorial rights.

Indian Commissioners in Session.

Atoka, I. T., March 27.—The Choctaw and Chickasaw commissioners have been in session here several days. The meeting has been held behind closed doors, and it is impossible to learn what action has been taken. They adjourned yesterday evening and will meet the Dawes commission here next Tuesday. Intimations of submitting their propositions to them in reference to the outcome of what they agree to recommend to congress in regard to this country.

Nothing to See.

On his return from a tour which he had been making with his mother in Switzerland, a servant, being asked what he had seen, replied:

"Oh, one can't see anything. There's nothing but mountains everywhere.—Tit-Bits.

Oiling Her.

Little Mary was discovered one day by her mother vigorously applying the oil can to the kitten's mouth. On being reproved she replied: "Why, mamma, kitty squeaks so awful when I pull her tail."—Harper's Bazar.

IN WOMAN'S CORNER.

SOME CURRENT READING FOR DAMES AND DAMSELS.

Chapter on the Treatment of Children—Send Them to Bed Happy—Some Notes of Spring Fashions—Japanese Girls as Housemaids.

H, STAY thy tears! for they are blest
Whose days are past, whose toil is done,
Here midnight care disturbs our rest,
Here sorrow dims the noon-day sun.

For laboring Virtue's anxious toil,
For patient Sorrow's stifled sigh,
For faith that marks the conqueror's spoil,
Heaven grants the recompense—to die.

How blest are they whose transient years
Pass like an evening meteor's light;
Not dark with guilt, nor dim with tears;
Whose course is short, unclouded, bright!

How cheerless were our lengthened day,
Did Heaven's own light not break the gloom,
Stream downward from eternal day,
And cast a glory round the tomb!

Then stay, thy tears; the blest above
Have hailed a spirit heavenly birth,
Sung a new song of joy and love,
And why should anguish reign on earth?

Treatment of Children.

The mother of a happy family was telling some young matrons how best to look after the little ones. She laid special stress on sending the children to bed happy, holding that this should be mother's nightly care. "No little one," said she, "should dread the bedtime hour nor fear the dark nor be allowed to go to bed under a sense of disgrace or alienation from household love. Whatever the child's daytime naughtiness may have been, at nightfall he should be forgiven, and go to rest with the mother's kiss on his lips nor her tender voice in his ears. Hardly anything can be worse for a young child than to be scolded or punished at bedtime. The mother does well to be a little blind to some things, remembering that a good deal of childish culpability is superficial only, and washes off almost as easily as does the dirt which the evening bath removes from the skin. The main thing with children is to have them well started with good principles, which they will carry through life. Obedience, truth, unselfishness, purity are essentials, and these can all be lovingly cultivated and well flourish in the right home atmosphere.

"When the nursery brood is undressed and to bed, the lights turned low, the room quiet for the night, the mother or nurse or elder sister or the kind auntie, who is still to be found in some fortunate homes, should have a little fund of stories on which to draw for the small listeners' pleasure before they embark on the train for dreamland. Fairy stories are always enjoyed by children, and the literature of fairyland is not far to seek. Imagination is very active in little children, and occasionally one meets a mother who does not understand the child's world, having forgotten her own early days and their illusions, or who is afraid that fancy and its imageries will lead her child into deceit. While the most exact and rigid truthfulness should be practiced in our dealings with children, and they themselves should be taught to shun equivocation and every form of lying, still we need not fear to let imagination give them pleasure. They learn to discriminate between the false and the true—or perhaps it would be better to say that they learn to find the truth wrapped up in the husk of the story. Our fairy lore is other than civilization. The same stories, with variations, have in all ages and climes been taught and told to children; and they have their origin in the needs and the hearts of the race. Children thrive on fairy stories and are the better able to grasp other literature in early fed on these."

Japs as Domestic Servants.

A number of Japanese girls and women who came over to the world's fair were employed in the country and have had to support themselves as best they could. All these have taken refuge in housework or have been engaged as sewing maids. They came originally to dance or sing or form a part of the furnishing of a Japanese booth or domestic "interior." Their aim, after being dismissed, was to make money enough to return home, but, as is not unusual, they see the advantages of life in America and have decided to live here. They are said to be far superior to the Chinese in such positions, being more adaptable and more intelligent in every way. So popular have Japanese servants become in New York that the Japanese consul there receives applications every day, and though he doesn't pretend to be running an intelligence office, he turns over anxious householders to his secretary, who directs them to a Japanese college student who keeps a list of newly arrived Japs. There is a constant stream of immigration from Japan and both men and women gladly accept positions as household servants.

Something New at the Waist.

An entirely new effect was attained at the waist of this pictured gown, which had a narrow pointed belt of white satin spangled with green and gold, and quite conventional of itself. But radiating from it were six triangular pieces—four on the skirt and two on the blouse waist—of ivory white moire, the edges of the dress goods being joined by cord loops and tiny buttons. The dress material was reseda green diagonal serge, and the waist had a yoke of white mousseline de soie, with stock collar to match, trimmed with lace and reseda green ribbon. The revers matched the belt, and chiffon frills edged the wrists.

Wash silks are so pretty that it is

A TAILOR-MADE GOWN.—From "Godey's."

pity to think of their being snubbed for muslins, but that seems likely. The early models for the coming season show wash silks so drowned in floods of mull or muslin or fluffs of lace, in crisp frills of transparent cotton goods, that the silk assumes the insignificant position of a lining. Light colors and beautifully blended plaids in brilliant shades contrast each other charmingly in the new foulards and wash silks, but there is a happy absence of the

mottled effects that became so painful late last season.

Frills of Fashion.

The latest fancy for trimming silk petticoats is two or three accordion plated ruffles fully a quarter of a yard wide. These are pinked on the edge and sometimes caught up in festoons fastened by bows of ribbon.

The autograph tea cloth is one of the fads among English women. It is plain white linen with a broad hem stitched hem. Numerous friends write their names diagonally above the hem and each one is embroidered in white or colored cotton.

WHEN DOCTORS DIFFER WHO SHALL DECIDE?

History of a Woman who Could not Walk for Six Years.

From the Palladium, Richmond, Ind.

Miss. T. E. Osborne is the name of a young lady living at 126 North Seventeenth Street, Richmond, Ind. She is the daughter of Mr. W. H. Osborne, one of the most prominent horsemen in Eastern Indiana.

She told your reporter a most interesting and remarkable story. It will interest physicians as it was a most unusual case, and to the various ones who treated her, diagnosed it differently.

"None of the doctors, and I tried all of them," said Miss Osborne, "knew what was the matter with me. Some said I had rheumatism, while others frankly admitted that they did not know. I was at first taken with pneumonia. One of my feet pained me almost constantly, then the doctors pronounced it rheumatism.

"Gradually, but steadily, the trouble grew and spread until my entire body was involved and I was utterly helpless. Then we changed doctors. No relief came, and we changed again. We tried nearly all of the local physicians, and I was taken away to the baths. Nothing did me any apparent good, and I suffered very much.

"It is now six years since I became unable to walk. Afterwards I grew worse and was absolutely helpless. Braces were used in the hope of strengthening my limbs so as to make me able to walk, but they did no good.

"I was completely disfigured and so were my people. My friends gave me up to die, and the doctors, each one of whom at first declared he could have me walking soon, all declared that I could never walk again. I had no longer any faith in any doctor or any remedy."

Finally, after persistent effort, her friends induced her to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, but against her will, for she was discouraged. She says of the results:

"I noticed no change after taking the first box or so but they asked me to give the medicine a fair trial, so they kept on prescribing it.

"I took no other at the time, so that if any good were to come we would know what had brought it about. Pretty soon a change was noticed. My muscles became more flexible, and I suffered much less. At the end of three months I found I could move my limbs, could lift myself up, and was no longer helpless. I kept on and still refrained from every other sort of medicine.

"In one year from the time I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People I could walk, something all the doctors had decided I never could do again.

"At first, having been helpless for so long I could not trust myself to walk on the street, as I felt afraid. Soon, however, I grew more confident, and walked everywhere as well as ever, and have been doing so ever since. I took the pills for two years, as I was afraid to stop until I was sure the cure was complete. Before I took them I was a wreck, and now my general health is very good."

Miss Osborne was repeatedly questioned as to her opinion of what cured her, and she has often declared it is to have been Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, as she had been growing steadily worse until she had began using them, and as she used no other medicine after taking the pills.

Druggists in Richmond now have a large sale of these pills, and it is a frequent occurrence to have a customer ask for the medicine that cured Miss Osborne.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People contain all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are for sale by all druggists, or may be had by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y., for 50c. a box, or six boxes for $2.50.

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WEIGHTY WORDS FOR Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

FIGHT WITH REBELS.

THE DETAILS OF THE SIEGE OF JIGUINI.

When the Troops Reached the Cautillo River the Insurgents Made a Desperate Attempt to Prevent Them from Crossing but Were Repulsed.

Havana, via Key West, Fla., March 29.—Full details of the siege of Jiguini have been received here. Gen. Reyes, with a column left Manzanilly on the 15th. When he reached Sabana on the Lamar plains he found the insurgents building intrenched for the purpose of preventing the passage of the troops for Cauto. The march was continued toward Bayamo. The column was made up of seven battalions with four field pieces, a company of mounted guerrillas and one squadron of cavalry. On the next day they reached Tucaidanala. The insurgents were waiting for them, drawn up in horse shoe form, ready for battle. Gen. Reyes ordered an immediate attack. After a brief skirmish, however, the insurgents withdrew leaving a number of dead on the field. Of the government forces one major, two captains and ten soldiers were killed and twenty-six soldiers wounded. The troops again resumed the march for Jiguini. After they had passed Bayamo they were constantly harassed by the insurgents.

When the column reached the Cautillo river the insurgents made a desperate attempt to prevent them from crossing. The battle which ensued resulted in the defeat of the insurgents and their trenches and positions were seized. The government forces lost one officer and bad six soldier seriously wounded.

Before Gen. Reyes with his column reached Jiguini, the insurgents had laid siege to the town, using two field pieces and two cannon. As a result of the insurgents cannonading a fort on the road to Alto hill and a blockhouse near by were destroyed. The barracks of the blockhouse were killed. Two other forts at the entrance to the town were also destroyed and the soldiers compelled to seek refuge in earthworks. The cannonading was continued all day and at 7 o'clock at night a single cannon shot indicated the insurgents decision to take the town which they did, entering from three sides at the same time. They sacked and burned a number of houses and secured considerable booty. During the siege the soldiers in the town kept up a constant fire on the insurgents. In all fourteen cannon shots were exchanged.

Smallpox Raging.

Washington, March 29.—Under date of March 20 Sanitary Inspector Burgess of the marine hospital service at Havana reports that small-pox continues an active epidemic, the number of deaths from it in the past week being a little more than in previous ones. A number of deaths from yellow fever have occurred in the military hospitals among Spanish soldiers, and one civilian died of it in the city near the cathedral. In the east diseases are quite common. During the week ending March 18 there were ten deaths from yellow fever, and 850 new cases of small-pox, with ninety-one deaths.

In a report to the state department on the plague in India, C. P. Myer, vice consul of the United States at Bombay, estimates that the exodus from that city to escape the ravages of disease amounts to one-half of the population. The number of people in the city is estimated at this time to be 410,882, as against 821,764, according to the census of 1891. Under date of Feb. 19 last the vice consul says: "The total number of deaths has decreased from 1911 last week to 1728 for the week under report, but as the exodus still continues, this difference is believed to be accounted for by a corresponding decrease of the population still remaining in Bombay, which is confirmed by the low birth rate.

Heavy Loss by Fire.

Norfolk, Va., March 29.—A fire that burned from 12:30 to 6 o'clock occurred at Portsmouth yesterday morning, making fifty families homeless and causing $100,000 damages. Huge brands were blown across the city to the southward and at 2 a. m. the steeple of the Catholic church three blocks away caught fire. In less than half an hour the edifice was in ruins. The flames spread from the church in a row of residences on High street and while they were burning the flying sparks caused another blaze in Newton about a mile away. The militia was called out to protect property and aid the firemen. The occupants of nearly all the houses destroyed lost their household effects. The Catholic church cost $60,000 and the total loss on all property destroyed probably will reach over $100,000. Several firemen and a number of spectators were injured by falling timbers.

At Yukon, Ok., recently, a 4-year old child was burned to death.

L. C. Baker's Funeral.

Little Rock, Ark., March 29.—The funeral services over the remains of Col. L. C. Baker, district superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, who died at St. Louis Thursday night, occurred at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon at Christ Episcopal church. Rev. Dr. John Gass officiating. The interment occurred at Mount Holly cemetery.

The pall bearers were J. A. Henry, J. A. Woodson, John B. Bond, John G. Fletcher, J. V. Zimmerman, Sam B. Adams, all old personal friends of the deceased. The funeral was largely attended.

Crown Prince Leaves.

London, March 29.—A dispatch from Athens says that when it became known on Saturday afternoon that the crown prince, Constantine, would leave the city in the evening for the Greek camp at Larissa, to take command of the Greek army in the field, a large crowd gathered in the Constantinople square, adjoining the palace. As the evening approached the crowd increased to a multitude, and the square and streets adjacent were filled with an excited throng, cheering, singing patriotic songs and firing revolvers.

The populace shouted: "For union and war," and cheered continually for the crown prince and the army. After an address by a popular orator, a deputation was chosen to present an address to the crown prince. The demonstrations of the crowd increased during the service in the palace chapel, and thousands gathered in front of the palace to witness the departure of Prince Constantine.

Great disappointment was expressed when later it became known that the crown prince had left the palace privately. An immense throng, including many thousands of Cretans, assembled on the quays at Pieraues, brilliantly illuminated by lights, to witness the embarkation. The wildest enthusiasm was displayed, with shouting, cheering and the incessant discharge of firearms.

The Lauruda Movements

Philadelphia, Pa., March 29.—The famous filibustering steamer Lauruda, which has been a thorn in the side of the Spanish officials in this country almost since the beginning of the Cuban outbreak, passed in the Delaware capes at 6:30 Saturday night. The Lauruda, after having her boilers examined and repaired in an unsafe condition, cleared from Baltimore, ostensibly for Wilmington, Del., for repairs about Feb. 20 last. It was reported at that time that the famous filibuster had gone on another expedition, but Capt. John D. Hart, her owner, denied the story emphatically, saying the Lauruda would be in Wilmington in a few days, having possibly been forced to put into Hampton Roads, owing to the heavy weather. Since that time, however, the Lauruda has been reported but once. This was by the captain of the steamer Gurley, which arrived in Philadelphia March 24, from Jamaica. He states that he had seen the Lauruda on March 19 off Watling's island, one of the Bahamas. He said she had a cargo of some kind on board and was heading to the eastward.

The captain of the Gurley was positive in his identity of the Lauruda, saying he was near enough to read her name.

There is Danger.

Washington, March 29.—Prof. Willis L. Moore, chief of the weather bureau, yesterday issued the following special bulletin:

The crest of the flood wave is still at Cairo, which shows a stationary stage, reading 51.6 feet for the past four days. There is great danger yet to come from the flood in the region from Helena south to New Orleans. The river will continue to rise for at least ten days in the region from Helena southward to Vicksburg and rise during a longer period from Vicksburg southward. If no breaks occur before, the levees will be subjected to the greatest strain about April 10 in southeast Arkansas, western Mississippi and Louisiana. Should the levees break there will be one of the most disastrous floods ever known.

Weather indications now indicate additional heavy rainfall in the lower Mississippi valleys, which will materially intensify the flood conditions.

Those living in districts overflowed in former years should be on the safe side and transfer stock and movable property to places of known safety while there is yet time.

Desperados Captured.

Bentonville, Ark., March 29.—Four desperadoes—Charlie Williams, J. A. Andrews, Jack Andrews, brothers, and Elias Andrews, a nephew—who Thursday night robbed the postoffice and store at Wager, this county, were captured in a running fight ten miles south of here Friday and brought here. One of the robbers was badly wounded and a horse shot from under another before the posse made the capture.

Held for Counterfeiting.

Guthrie, Ok., March 29.—R. K. Gordon, aged 23, a member of company B, tenth United States infantry, stationed at Fort Reno, who was absent on a furlough, was bound over to the next grand jury and sent to jail Saturday evening on a charge of counterfeiting. He had passed a number of spurious coins at Round Pond, Kremlin and other points and had several in his possession when arrested.

An immense sawmill at Kingsland, Ark., was consumed by fire the other day.

A Ship's Trial Trip.

New London, Conn., March 29.—The United States gunboat Wilmington succeeded in making her trial trip Saturday and speeded over the course in three hours, thirty-five minutes and fifty-four seconds, making an average of fifteen knots during the run, unofficial time, but the condition of the tide on both legs of the course will increase the speed. It is estimated that the boat has won a premium of $40,000 for her builders, the Newport News Shipbuilding company.

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West Texas is more interested in irrigation than the Cuban or Creten wars.

John Sherman is more conservative as Secretary of State than he was as senator.

Every republican expects a postoffice, a pension or something "equally as good."

Every original McKinleyite now demands protection or a postoffice as compensation for protecting the National honor last year.

Nobody seems anxious to pull any tail feathers out of the American eagle so long as said eagle has fifteen to twenty million men to back him.

The Greeks of the United States are responding with enthusiasm to the call of King George of Greece for soldiers to fight their ancient enemy, the hated Turk.

The town of Chandler, Okla. was badly wrecked by a cyclone Wednesday evening. Twenty odd persons are known to be dead and more than one hundred badly hurt.

The United States courts have decided that the North Western traffic association, formed by various railroads to maintain rates, is a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. Anarchy.

Attorney General Crane has filed suit against every fire insurance company in Texas, claiming that they have violated the anti trust law of this state in formulating an agreement to fix rates. More anarchy!

Those patriots who were so anxious last year to protect the "national h-o-n-a-h" are all at Washington now, either after office or demanding special protection for their own interest at the expense of the public. Oh you glorious old humbugs!

They call Senator Tillett at Austin the "great amender." Stay with them Senator. About the best service you can do your constituents and the state is to offer an amendment to strike out the caption of ninty-nine bills out of every hundred presented.

Tom Reed has made the pops billin hot in congress. They asked him to recognize the pops as a separate party but the czar refused to do this and classed them as democrats. This leaves the pops in the house without any official recognition whatever.

It is not generally known but it is a fact that Gen. John Mugwumpus Palmer, burleque candidate for president, was elected county surveyor of Sangamon county, Ill., at last election. It is not known whether or not Palmer has assumed the duties of his office. The Dallas News, the chief Jugleman of the veteran Rep-Dem-Mug candidate, might be able to give some light on this question.

W. D. Bynum, the repudiated Indiana democratic statesman, is hanging around Washington trying to get a crumb from the McKinley pie counter. Mac has not enough pie for his own hungry crew, and he is not likely to to give any of it to the stranded manager of the Palmer-Buckner side show, though gratitude for heroic services rendered by this acrobatic statesman should prompt the president to give him something.

Balm of Gilead is on the free list of the Dingley bill. This shows a thoughtful care for the lacerated bosoms of Mr. Bryan and his free sliver associates.—Toledo (Rep.) Blade.

If the Dingley bill operates like the McKinley bill did the Republicans are liable to need some Balm of Gilead for their own lacerated anatomies, not necessarily their bosoms either. We are glad the soothing Balm is on the free list. The democrats need it now the republicans may need it a great deal worse later on.

Every time a law officer tackles a trust of any kind the monopoly organs denounce him as a demagogue, and a howl goes up about intimidating capital. Gradually we are coming to the point that either the people must control the trusts or the trusts will control the people. The contention of the trusts that they cheapen articles of commerce is false in most instances and exactly the reverse is more often the case. Trusts and monopolies are formed for the purpose of strangling competion and make as much as possible out of the people.

They are trying to pass another fee bill at Aussin. The trouble with most of the fee billers is that they have no practical experience with the question which they purpose to deal. Some county offices, perhaps, make more money than they should, but they are very few, and not enough to raise such a thundering howl about. The last legislature and the present has spent a great deal of time and money wrangling over the different fee bills presented. Some of these bills should never have been reported and we doubt if one of them possessed enough merit to justify the amount it cost the state to print them, much less the money spent in wrangling over them by the house and senate.

The Toledo Blade, Republican, says that old free trade lie that the McKinley bill did not produce sufficient revenue has been revived. The Blade makes a lame effort to saddle the deficiency on the present law, when every one who reads knows that the treasury was bankrupted when Cleveland succeeded Harrison; and the latter staved off a bond issue and threw that responsibility on his successor. No tariff law was passed until near two years after Cleveland went into office the last time. The Blade's effort to lay the blame for the deficiency on the Wilson bill two years before that bill became a law is purile and ridiculous. Everybody knows that had Harrison been re-elected that he would have been forced to issue bonds or cut down the expenses of the government at least one hundred million dollars annually. The deficiency in revenue under the McKinley law in the last year of Harrison's administration was eighty-eight million dollars The hundred million dollar surplus Cleveland left Harrison was gone; and in order to keep the deficiency from appering as large as it really was a fund kept for their demption of bank notes, never before counted as surplus, amounting to 54 million dollars was counted as available cash. Th is is the truth about the McKinley law and no one knows it better than the Blade, but suppose it must do something to defend the high tariff robbery regardless of the truth of history.

H. C. Hayter came in today and paid his subscription to the Reporter up to Sept. 1898. Who is ahead of that?—Abilene Reporter.

Why, a ranchman came in here and got drunk and paid up to 1900. He since wrote to us to stop the d——d paper and skipped the flat for H'england.—Snyder Coming West.

THE STAR can knock out either of the above statements and not exagerate. A number have paid up to Dec. '98. Two have paid to Dec. 1900, one to Feby 1, 1901 and three to Dec. 1st 1902. In every instance cash was paid and no rebate or discount was given any one. Occasionally some picayunish fellow will tell a newspaper man that he is afraid to pay a years subscription in advance for fear the paper will "bust" and he will lose a few cents. THE STAR is proud to say that it has few if any such closedsted subscribers on its list. We do not want them, and if we ever get one we one we are glad when he quits. Half these fellows who pretend to be so fearful that the newspaper man will break and they will thereby lose a few cents nearly always work the publisher for five times the amount of his subscription in free advertising if he pays it, which nine times out of ten he don't. Some of these same fellows who years ago would not pay in advance for fear THE STAR would break are owing us four or five dollars which they forgot to settle when they moved away. Some are in one state some in another. We won't say they ought to be in hades but fear that is where they will land in the wind up if they do not repent.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE.

The best Salve in the world for cuts bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required It is guaranted to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by R. Phillips Baird, Texas. 52 1yr.

LAND OFFICE CIRCULAR.

Austin, Tex., March 27.—The land commissioner has issued the following to the public:

This will give you notice that the act authorizing the forfeiture of school land sales under acts of 1881 and 1883, as well as all others which may have to be forfeited from time to time, will not take effect until ninety days after the adjournment of the legislature. This will give all parties who desire to put their school land accounts in good standing ample time to pay up their interest. I would urgently request local or county papers to publish this item, as it is of great importance and public interest, besides a patriotic service to the state. For the next four months all persons could be fully advised through this public notice and large expense saved the state in postage. Besides it will help many men to prepare to save their land.

Below I publish the law in full.

Very Respectfully,
ANDREW J. BAKER,
Commissioner.

Be it enacted by the legislature of the state of Texas:

Section, 1. That if upon the 1st day of November of any year any portion of the interest due by any person to the state of Texas for lands heretofore sold by the state of Texas, whether said lands be a part of the public domain or shall have been heretofore set apart for the public schools, university, or any of the other various state institutions, has not been paid, it shall be the duty of the land commissioner to indorse on the obligation of said lands, "Lands forfeited," and shall cause an entry to that effect to be made on the account kept with such purchaser, and thereupon said land shall thereby be forfeited to the state, without the necessity of re-entry or judicial ascertainment and shall revert to the particular fund to which it originally belonged. and be resold under the provisions of the existing law, or of any future law; provided, the purchaser of said land shall have the right at any time within six months after such indorsement of "lands forfeited" to institute a suit in the district court of Travis county, Texas, against the commissioner of the general land office for the purpose of contesting such forfeiture and setting aside the same upon the ground that the facts did not exist authorizing such forfeiture; but if no such suit has been instituted as above provided, such forfeitures of the commissioner of the general land office hall then become final and conclusive; provided, that if any purchaser shall die or shall have died, his heirs or legal representatives shall have one year in which to make payment after the 1st day of November next after such death. This act is cumulative and is not intened to deny the state the right to institute any legal proceedings that may be deemed necessary to secure the purchase money or possession of the land so sold. And this act is intended to be applicable to all purchases heretofore made under any or all of the various acts of the legislature under which land may have been sold by the state.

Sec. 2. The fact that the commissioner to make forfeiture of land without judicial ascertainment has been questioned, and the fact that there are now more than 10,000 purchases which can be forfeited under the law for non-payment of the interest due thereon, and the further fact that it is almost impossible and certainly impracticable to institute so many different suits against so many purchases, creates an imperative public necessity requiring the suspension of the constitutional rule providing that bills be read on three several days, and the same is hereby suspended.

Texas was swept by a storm last Sunday and great damage to property by high water in Middle Texas The storm was severe at Austin and Calvert. It is estimated that the damage to railroads by washouts will amount to half a million dollars. The Texas and Pacific was the only road running trains regularly on Monday.

Cleveland was elected in '92 on the tariff issue; but about the first important official act he performed was to call congress in extra session to knock out silver. McKinley was elected last year on the money issue, and the first thing he did was to call an extra session of congress to pass a high tariff law. Cleveland ignored the question upon which he was elected, McKinley does the same thing. Cleveland caused the defeat of his party, which only saved itself from destruction by repudiating Clevelandism in toto. Is history going to repeat itself? It looks that way.

The Greatest

OF ALL GOOD THINGS

—ARE TO BE FOUND AT—

BOYDSTUN'S STORE.

Enterprising and up to date methods are used in building up one of the most attractive business houses in the West. It is our intention to treat you better and give you more than anyone else for the same amount. If we don't do that then we will say take the will for the deed. We are alive and hustling. We have good new stylish Goods and are plunging prices down to bed rock.

In these days as previously Remarked:

A man may guy,
A man may cry,
A man may puff and blow,
But he can't get trade,
Sitting in the shade,
Waiting for business to grow

☞Now we carry trade winners and keep in stock a fair assortment at all times. Our dress goods for spring are unequaled, we have a fine line of light weight goods in silk and wool also silk gloria, and our line of tailor made suiting, ducks, piques, dimities or gandies, Lespell mults, India Linens and many other cotton linen goods are very beautiful. The ladies rave over our table linen, napkins and towels. We have a beautiful line of draperies, lace curtains and window shades.

☞It is not necessarry to mention our line of Millinery for the ladies have already spread the news and we have orders after orders now waiting to be trimmed. The veiling, belts and chiffron are extremely pretty and deserve all shoppers notice.

☞We own our part of the shoe trade for the reason we handle the best brands made—Hamilton Brown for ladies and Hamilton brown and W. L. Douglas for men, The ladies oxfords are pretty and the ladies have shown their appreciation by buying them.

BUTTERICK PATTERNS

☞The April Delineators are here and are very unique. Our patterns will arrive about the 20th. We are constantly receiving new goods and you will find by visiting us often you will keep up with what is new.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

All ads in this column, under appropriate heads, Lost, Found, Strayed or Stolen, etc. 5 cents per line each insertion; provided that no ad shall be inserted for less than 10 cents for each insertion. All transient advertisements must be paid for in advance. We cannot open accounts for such small amounts. So don't ask for credit. All regular customers of THE STAR, however, can run ads in this column on same terms as other advertisement and accounts will be made out at the end of each month. Try this column.

DR. J. B. BROOKS,

Late physician in charge of the Keeley Institute at Hot Springs Ark., and the Tri-Elixer Remedy Co. Memphis Tenn., has opened a private institute at Hot Springs for the treatment of the

MORPHINE,
WHISKEY,
OPIUM AND
COCAINE HABIT

And for the treatment of all diseases that come to this great health resort such as rheumatism, neuralgia, insonia, nervious, blood, kidney, liver and stomach complaints. References any banker or city official of Hot Springs Correspondence solicited and confidential. 13 1yr

How is this?

☞Ladies Oxford Ties (slippers) for 54, 74 and 99 cents.
Window Shades,
Straw Matting,
Dry Goods and
Ladies Shirt Waists,
Lower than anyone.

H. F. FOY.

LANDS, FOR SALE.

640 acres 1 mile S. W. from Putnam, school section No. 306, good mes quite prairie, near town, schools, etc. Price $3.50 per acre, in trade, or on easy terms. 1280 acres more adjoining it also for sale cheap.

640 acres, school section No. 14, 12 miles west of Baird, in I. N. Jackson's pasture, good prairie land, $3.50 per acre, in trade, or on easy terms.

960 acres, 6 miles east of Baird on R. R., a well improved stock farm two dwellings, 160 acre farm, plenty of lasting water, other pasture land adjoining for sale cheap, price $5.75 per acre, easy terms.

640 acres, 8 miles south of Baird, on Coleman road, School Sec. No. 2, 60 acres timber, balance prairie, $3.00 per acre, on easy terms. 500 acres of pasture lands adjoinng it also for sale cheap

2040 acres, 4 miles S. W. of Putnam, prairie land, price $1.75 to $2.50 per acre, easy terms, or in trade.

340 acres, 4 miles north of Cottonwood, open timber lands, $1.75 to $3.00 per acre, easy terms, some trade taken.

50 acres, Wyatt Hickman Sur., near Caddo Peak, $1.50 per acre, on time or in trade.

A 160 acre farm near Abilene, 87 acres in cultivation, very cheap, must sell it, even at a big sacrifice.

I will cut any of these lands, to suit all buyers.
Horses, mules or cattle taken in payment, or part payment.
Other lands and improved farms for sale on easy terms.
Cattle, Horses and mules for sale.

A. G. WEBB,
Baird, Callahan County, Tex.

S. M. Moon & Co.

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—TRY READING—

The Star.

T. & P. R'y SCHEDULE.

EAST BOUND.

No. 4 ..... 9 30 a. m.

WEST BOUND.

No. 3 ..... 3 15 p. m.

J. B. HARMON, Agent.

County Officers.

County Judge ..... J E Thomas
County Attorney ..... B L Russell
County Surveyor ..... M E Bailey
County Treasurer ..... T B Holland
County and Dist. Clerk ..... W W Dunson
" Deputy Clerk ..... W P Cochran
Sheriff and Tax Collector ..... J W Jones
" Office Deputy ..... J E W Lane
" Jailor ..... Jno. Hart
Tax Assessor ..... T J Sorrel
Public Weigher ..... W M Coffman
Inspector ..... W C Asbury
Commissioner Precinct No. 1 ..... W A Hinds
Commissioner Precinct No. 2 ..... R E Merchant
Commissioner Precinct No. 3 ..... A M Sprawls
Commissioner Precinct No. 4 ..... H D Baum

MAILS.

TOMATO, COTTONWOOD, CADDO PEAK CROSS PLAINS.

Leaves Baird ..... 8 A. M.
Arrives ..... 5 P. M.
PUTNAM AND CLYDE ..... Train schedule.

TECUMSEH AND EAGLE COVE.

Daily, except Sunday.

Leaves ..... 8 a m
Arrives ..... 6 p. m

LOCAL NEWS.

W. J. Rylee was in town Wednesday.

Prof. Eli Cummins was in town Monday.

Frank Sterrett was in the city last Saturday.

District court will convene at Baird next Monday.

Nick Brightwell was up from the Bayou Monday.

John Woods Jr., of Putnam, was in the city Saturday.

H. B. Smallwood, of Tecumseh, was it the city Monday.

"Cap" Gilliland spent a few days in town this week on business.

John Varner, from near Cottonwood was in the city Wednesday.

Miss Mary Hearn from the Bayou, visited friends in town last week.

Tom and Cal Windham, from Tecumseh were in the city Wednesday.

John Bowyer, of Abilene, came down Monday on some legal business

S. S. Ramsey and P. D. Norton, of Cottonwood were in town last Friday.

Jesse Gibbs from Turkey Creek was on the streets of Baird Wednesday.

Sam and George Thomason, from Cottonwood were in the city Tuesday.

W. J. Weeks, R. J. Harris and other Callahan Citylites were in town Tuesday.

Lots of old timers in the city this week, and lots of new faces are seen too.

We don't hear anything more about that custom mill that so many farmers want.

Ike Johnson, of Abilene, spent several days in town visiting relatives, last week.

T. J. Dean's new residence in the East part of town is nearing completion.

Luke Cathey, the good natured cow man of Putnam, was in the city last Saturday.

See J. H. Peters card in this issue and when in need of insurance give him a call.

Hugh Breeding, from near Cottonwood was in the city Monday loading up with goods.

Several of Baird' youth and beauty attended a social hop in the country last Friday night.

Squire Hugh Moore, the chief justice of the Tecumseh bailiwick, was in the city Saturday.

R. C. Dawkins and T. J. Davis, of the Tomato neighborhood, were in town last Saturday.

Prescriptions carefully compounded at R. A. Speer's. Laboratory in charge of Dr. S. T. Fraser. 17tf.

Mrs. F. W. James and Miss Edith returned to Baird this morning.—Abilene Reporter 27th.

Baird needs a telephone line to Cross Plains via. Buchen's Store, Tomato and Cottonwood.

SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR

The Cheapest, Purest and Best Family Medicine in the World

For DYSPEPSIA, CONSTIPATION, Jaundice, Biliousattacks, SICK HEADACHE, Colic, Depression of Spirits, SOUR STOMACH, Heartburn, etc. This unrivalled remedy is warranted not to contain a single particle of MERCURY, or any mineral substance, but is

PURELY VEGETABLE,

containing those Southern Roots and Herbs which an all-wise Providence has placed in countries where Liver Diseases most prevail. It will cure all Diseases caused by Derangement of the Liver and Bowels.

The SYMPTOMS of Liver Complaint are a bitter or bad taste in the mouth; Pain in the Back, Sides or Joints, often mistaken for Rheumatism; Sour Stomach; Loss of Appetite; Bowels alternately costive and lax; Headache; Loss of Memory, with a painful sensation of having failed to do something which ought to have been done; Debility; Low Spirits, a thick yellow appearance of the Skin and Eyes, a dry Cough often mistaken for Consumption.

Sometimes many of these symptoms attend the disease, at others very few; but the Liver is generally the seat of the disease, and if not Regulated in time, great suffering, wretchedness and DEATH will ensue.

The following Highly esteemed persons attest to the virtues of Simmons Liver Regulator: Gen. W. S. Hoke, Pres. Ga. S. W. R. R. Col. Rev. J. R. Felder, Perry, Ga.; Col. E. K. Sparks, Albany, Ga.; C. Masterson, Esq., Sheriff Bibb Co., Ga.; Hon. Alexander H. Stephens.

"We have tested its virtues, personally, and know that for Dyspepsia, Biliousness and Throbbing Headache it is the best medicine the world ever saw. We tried forty other remedies before Simmons Liver Regulator, but none gave us more than temporary relief; but the Regulator not only relieved, but cured us."—GA. TELEGRAPH AND MESSENGER, Macon, Ga.

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J. H. ZEILIN & CO., Philadelphia, Pa.

James M. Reed, brother to our hustling young blacksmith, Bob Reed, was in the city Monday.

The Commissioners court held a prolonged session last week, finishing up their labors on Friday.

Go to Speers for pocket cutlery, he has a fine line manufactured by J. F. Mount & Co., all hand forged goods.

Miss Hattie Brightwell, from the Bayou, visited her sister, Miss Jennie, who is attending school here, last week.

Another rain—several of them, Sunday last. Truly the fates favor the farmers and stockmen of West Texas this year.

Capt. Jones has had his storm house upset The man who built it did not make a good job of it and it was considered unsafe.

Brown Seay is having a partition put across the rear part of his saloon. This will add greatly to his already magnificent bar room.

Ed J. Leeman the hustling editor of the Merkel Mail was among the delegates to the Epworth League Conference Friday and Saturday last.

W. B. Gardner, of Eagle Cove, was in town Saturday and replenished THE STAR exchequer to the amount of $3.00. May his shadow never grow less.

Oscar Gray, of Burkett, Coleman county, was in town Monday with some Hereford bulls for Dr. Snyder of Moran who was to receive them at Baird.

The Epworth League held a most successful meeting at Baird last week There were a large number present and they all seemed to enjoy themselves.

The next semi-annual meeting of the Medical Examining Board of the 42nd Judicial District will meet at DeLeon, Comanche Co., Tuesday, April 27th, 1897.

J. A. Rushing was in town Sunday dressed in his Sunday suit and his blandest smile. "J. A." seems to have a great deal of business in Baird, especiolly on Sundays.

Sterling P. Williard, of the Eastland Chronicle, passed through the city last Saturday enroute to Abilene, returning Sunday. S. P. always has business (?) in Baird when passing through.

While in Putnam last Saturday F. P. Shackelford remarked, that himself and Simmons, the, barber, occupied the only business houses in Putnam—the others being in the country.

Rev. J. T. L. Annis and wife, of Anson, were among the delegates to the League conference. Bro. Annis and wife have a host of friends in Baird who are always glad to welcome them among us.

Signs of improvements are to be seen around town in various places and if the flattering prospects for good crops we now have materialize there will be lots of building and repairing in town this coming summer and fall.

A count of the Gun Club Tournament at San Antonio, April 15th to 17th, reduced rate of one fare for round trip. Tickets to be sold April 14th, limited for return to April 18th with privilege of having return limit extended to April 23rd.

THE STAR will have a bran spanking new head next week.

Maj. D. W. Wristen of Abilene was in town a day or two this week.

Uncle George Loper and Fred Gartner of Eagle Cove were in town yesterday.

Charley Middleton of Ft. Worth was in town yesterday and went on to Abilene on evening train.

C. E. Huffman and J. F. Morrison, two of St. Louis commercial tourist, spent Wednesday and Thursday in Baird.

R. A. St John has bought the Dr. Brittain place in East Baird, from Ed Wristen and moved his household effects to same yesterday.

Dock Conner, the hustling young man who is entrusted with Uncle Sam's mail from Putnam to Cottonwood, says its all nonsense about that Cottonwood boy being jealous because he has to stop at certain places enroute to deliver mail, and besides he sometimes has to let his "hoss" rest.

John Smartt was in town Monday. John informed THE STAR man that his digestive organs were seriously impaired by eating some of the clamy flour purchased some months ago, but John must be mistaken, because he was in the usual good spirits, and a man afflicted with indigestion usually has an ungodly temper and smiles rarely illuminate his face.

Prof. D. S. Switzer, president of Weatherford college, spent a day or two in town last week in the interest of his college. We learn that several young people at this place contemplate entering Weatherford college this fall. Prof. Switzer has a splendid record as an educator and if our people wish to send their children off to school the Weatherford College is the place to send them.

The cure of Rheumatism has often taxed medical skill, but it's prevention has been very easy by an occasional use of Simmons Liver Regulator. It keeps the liver well regulated, and the system free from poison. Therein is the secret of health. "I have used it for years for indigestion and constipation, and also found it gives one relief from a touch of Rheumatism."—N. Hughes, Lordsburg, N. M.

The Base Ball boys are beginning to make preperations for the coming season. The following is a list of the ball players so far signed with the Baird team this season: C. S. Boyles, Pres. and Mgr.; B. N. Leonard, Treasurer and Property Holder; W. P. Cochran, Secretary; M. H. Pace, Field Captain; H. C. McGowen, T. W. Fraser, E. L. Roberts, J. E. Alexander, Fred Lane, Henry Morgan and Charley Fisher.

A "traveling" printer was with us last Friday and when ready to take his leave for parts unknown he informed us he was also an artist, this we doubted, until Saturday morning when we visited Putnam and cast our optics on the artistic (?) post office sign he was just finishing for Y. A. Orr, Putnam's hustling young druggist, then our doubts forever vanished. Yancy prizes the masterpiece of art very highly, and as it only cost him "one half-dollar" he considers himself a lucky fellow.

The following delegates to the Epworth League mere to go to Baird this morning: Mrs. Walter Jennings, Miss Minnie Meyers, Arthur Watson and Ed Williamson. Mrs. N. G. Rollins, third vice president of the state League, also went, as did Elder J. S. Chapman. The session will last over Sunday, and the prospects are good for a large attendance and good results. Representatives went through this morning from other Leagues west of Abilene. Dr. Chapman's district extends from Cisco to Midland.—Abilene Reporter 26th.

All the bridge bond talk we heard so much talk about last week was chaff The Commissioners never had any idea of issuing bonds for such a purpose so some of them informed us, and all that talk about saving the county so much by defeating the project was merely moon shine—so many men in buckram fought by Falstaff. We do not think the present commissioners court will take any snap judgment upon the people of Callahan county about increasing the bonded debt. The people have about all the taxes they can pay now, without increasing their burdens; and besides the country needs good roads worse than bridges and neither bad enough to increase the tax burden at this time.

MARRIED.

DUNSON—FARRAR.—County Clerk W. W. Dunson and Miss Ida Farrar were quietly married Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. W. B. Wilson officiating. All of Baird. THE STAR extends congratulations.

MANY THINK!

when the Creator said to woman, "In sorrow shalt thou bring forth children," that a curse was pronounced against the human race, but the joy felt by every Mother when she first presses to her heart her born babe proves the contrary.

Danger and suffering lurk in the pathway of the Expectant Mother, and should be avoided, that she may reach the hour when the hope of her heart is to be realized, in full vigor and strength.

MOTHER'S FRIEND

so relaxes the system and assists Nature, that the necessary change takes place without Nausea, Headache, Nervous or Gloomy Foreboding of danger, and the trying hour is robbed of its pain and suffering, as so many happy mothers have experienced. Nothing but "Mother's Friend" does this. Don't be deceived or persuaded to use anything else.

"Mother's Friend" is the greatest remedy ever put on the market, and all our testimonials are genuine.—W. H. Kirg & Co., Whitewright, Tex.

Of druggists at $1.00, or sent by mail on receipt of price. Write for book containing valuable information for all Mothers, mailed free.

The Bradfield Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga.

All school lands may now be forfeited without suit. See circular of Col. Baker issued in connection with bill just passed by the legislature.

Mrs. Parker who has been teaching in the Public schools here for some time left yesterday for her home in Limestone county. Mrs. Parker made many friends while here who were loth to see her depart, especially some of Baird's mature bachelors.

Parties traveling on the public roads in the country, and meeting the U. S. mail would do well to note the fact such mail hack always has the right of way; and not to give it is an offence against the U. S. statutes for which the party so offending is liable to prosecution.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Books and periodicals R. A. Speer.

Jewelry a specialty at Phillips.15.

Fishing tackle R. A. Speer, 14 tf

Thorough bred poultry and eggs for sale. J. L. LEA. 15tf

Tobacco, cigars and pipes. R. A. Speer. 14 tf

Drugs, patent medicines and toilet articles. R. A. Speer. 14 tf

Headquarters at Vaughn & Co. the best house in town. 15tf

The finest assortment of matting in town at Vaughn & Co. 15tf

If you need an attorney call on J. H. Wood, Baird, Texas.

Finest line of tablets, box paper, paperie. Nelson & St John. 14 tf

Try my U. S. Flour the best in town. J. NORTON.

You will save money by examining my stock before buying elsewhere. 15tf R. PHILLIPS.

Go to R. A. Speer for your prescriptions, pure drugs, and skill combined. 15tf.

McMullen Poultry Wire Netting at Harry Meyer.

If you want an elegant hair cut in any style go to young Dean's parlor, he is natural artist.

Collier's white lead, Sewall & Hughes mixed paint and pure linseed oil. Nelson & StJohn. 14 tf

Just received a new and complete line of 97 wall paper. Prices to suit all. Nelson & St John 14tf

Go to L. O. Oliver's Meat Market for fresh beef, pork, sausage, head cheese, smoked hams and breakfast bacon. 14tf

For paint, oils, varnishes, wall paper, drugs and druggist sundries fishing tackle, etc, go to R. Phillips for bed rock prices. 15tf.

We invite you to call and look through our beautiful line of carpets, We can and will please you. Nothing like it ever shown in Baird. Prices are right and so are the goods. Don't forget to look at our matting. H. SCHWARTZ, Mgr.

COWS FOR SALE.

I am quitting the milk business and have five excellent milk cows for sale. Your choice for $25. J. L. LEA.

MILLINERY.

My line of Milliney for the spring and summer is now complete with all the latest novelties of the season. A nice line of French trimmed hats. Am sure I can please you in styles and prices.

Come and see me whether you wish to purchase or not.

Mrs. Annie Cunningham.

First Door South Court House.

-CRYSTAL PALACE-

J. B. SEAY, PROP.

Opposite Depot.

THE BEST

Beer, liquors and cigars,

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Please Call and Settle Your Account.

2 CANS OF B. T. Babbitt's PURE POTASH IS EQUAL TO 3 of any Other BRAND.

3 Cans of any Other Brands, - 25 cts.
2 Cans of B. T. Babbitt's PURE 20 cts.
SAVES THE CONSUMER, 5 cts.

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Pure Potash or Lye.

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Whiskeys, Alcohols, California Wines, Ice Cold Beer and Best Cigars

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It Costs You Nothing for Jugs.

Call and see me, my place is quiet and pleasant and a goods guaranteed. J. B. MAXWELL, Baird, Tx

W. G. Crowder is moving to Quash Hardiman County.

Mrs. August Weicks left Wednesday for Jaurez, Mexico, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Claude Yonge.

H. Wagley of the Moran country was in town yesterday and set his subscription to THE STAR forward a year.

Mrs. Jas. Young and family will leave in a few days for Cripple Creek, Col. to join Mr. Young who has been out in that country for a year or more.

If the County Judge has the authority to pass upon and issue warrants on accounts against the county the Commissioners Court is a useless piece of governmental machinery and ought to be abolished. This proposition is so plain that no one will hardly dispute it.

PASTURE FOR LEASE.

The Daugherty pasture on the Bayou contains about five and a half sections. Good grass and everlasting water. Apply to J. L. LEA, 17tf Baird, Tex.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF CALLAHAN.

Taken up by J. C. Crutchfield, and reported by W. A. Hinds, county commissioner in and for Callahan county Texas on the 8, day of March 1897, the following described stock to wit:

One ball faced sorrell mare 14 hands high 8 years old, 2 white feet, branded [illegible] on left shoulder and has on a large bell.

The owner of said animal is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take said animal away or the same will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 1, day of April 1897.

W. W. DUNSON,
Co. Clk. Callahan Co. Texas.
By W. P. COCHRAN, Deputy.

The Baird Star.

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W. S. GILLILAND, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR

People of splendid appearance seldom improve on acquaintance.

It is intimated that Lexow will not be chary about sitting down on the rattan trust.

As tin is used in making the new gold, let us hope that the old tin can problem is now solved.

An evangelist named Pepper is converting many sinners in Missouri. His sermons are said to be "hot stuff."

In Boston it is considered quite out of the common for a man to shut up his store on the day of his mother's funeral.

Electricity is the most shocking discovery yet made. It will shock the most brazen-faced men or women in the dark.

If this thing keeps up, a state of belligerency will have to be recognized between the American correspondent now in Cuba.

With a full-fledged king on its staff, that New York paper may manage to print a little truth. "Uncle Sam lies the head that wears a crown."

Never bear more than one kind of trouble at a time. Some people bear three kinds—all they have had, all they have now, and all they expect to have.

An Oregon pioneer has sent Major McKinley a tomahawk, but the Major will not need it in his business during the next four years. No kind of hawks are needed.

A Tennessee woman wants to legislate the collar button out of existence. That's the trouble with the collar button. It's already non-existent nine times out of ten when you want it.

From the manner in which Mr. Lexow tackles the tobacco trust it is evident he thinks that where there is so much smoke there must be some fire. He also intimates there is a good deal of water.

A member of the South Carolina legislature proposes to wring a few dollars out of labor by imposing a tax upon washerwomen. It is a scrubby sort of a statesman who would favor a law of that kind.

An Eastern exchange says a scientist has discovered that the earth will be dead in three hundred millions of years from now. Whether it will be totally annihilated or just dead, like David B. Hill, is not stated.

With a delicacy of expression that almost entitles the man to a full realization of his wish, a veteran of the Civil War, who was wounded while running away from a Confederate force, declares that he believes himself entitled to a pension because he received his hurt "while marching rapidly in front of the enemy."

A smile is as cheap as a frown, and has occasionally turned out to be worth vastly more in hard cash. Recent English newspapers tell of a lonely old bachelor leaving all his property to a young lady known to him only from the fact of living opposite, because for several years she had smiled pleasantly upon him when they casually met in the street, and the smile had cheered his lonely heart and won this practical recognition in his will.

It is certainly grievous that the New York man who for four years has washed the dishes, cleaned the house and taken care of the children while his wife worked out to gain the necessary domestic supplies should not be allowed a day or a night off now and then. His rebellion is surely justifiable. The exacting nature of the new woman is plainly in evidence in this case. It is easy to see what we may come to when woman shall have obtained complete mastery in all things.

Giving employment rather than alms is an idea that is making progress in New York large work rooms have been opened where women can be employed at tasks requiring little skill, and similar work is provided for men at the "Wayfarers' lodge." Books of tickets have been prepared to be sold at the rate of $3 for 12, or $5 for 20 tickets, each ticket entitling the bearer to a day's work in the lodge and about 50 cents' worth of groceries and supplies to be taken home at night. There is so much work that ought to be done that there should never be lack of employment anywhere. Until our civilization shall have so far progressed that no willing hands shall be idle, we shall have little reason to boast of our moral advancement.

Congressman Sprague of Massachusetts needed nine large cars to take his domestic supplies to Washington. In one car was the conservatory; another contained the splendid horses and their groom, which fed at the same hour and in company; a third held carriages; a fourth harness and saddles, and the rest various articles for the use of the horses and the congressman. Some of the Massachusetts papers are criticising this wealthy representative and measuring the distance between such a man and Daniel Webster.

A DOUBLE DROWNING.

A YOUNG LADY AND YOUNG MAN LOSE THEIR LIVES.

They Were Returning to the Young Lady's Home When They Drove Into the Swollen Stream Which Caused the Sad Accident—Their Bodies Recovered.

Gainesville, Tex., March 30.—Miss Ruby Smith, daughter of Alderman W. S. Smith of this city, and R. S. Thomason, were drowned Sunday afternoon in a branch seven miles west of Gainesville.

Miss Smith had gone to Era Saturday to secure a class in music and Mr. Thomason was returning home with her when the accident occurred. Late in the evening residents near the place where the parties were drowned, saw the buggy enter the stream. It disappeared and owing to the heavy rain at the time, the strong wind and the swollen stream, the bodies could not be recovered Sunday night and nobody knew who the unfortunates were.

Yesterday morning search was renewed with the result of finding Miss Smith's body about 300 yards below the place where the buggy was driven in and still further down the body of Thomason was found. Miss Smith wore a watch with her name engraved in it. The watch had stopped at 4 o'clock. Thomason's body was badly torn, as it had passed through several wire fences before lodging.

Miss Smith's remains were brought here and are now resting at the house of her parents, while Mr. Thomason's were taken to his home in Era.

A New Railroad.

Austin, Tex., March 30.—Louis J. Wertham, secretary of the Southwest Texas Railroad company, chartered last month, and which is to be built by the Manhattan Construction and Equipment company of New York, is in receipt of an important communication from D. Roger, vice president and general manager of the company.

Among other things, Mr. Rogers says: "I intend dividing the work into three divisions, viz. Brownsville or Corpus, Corpus to Brownsville and Corpus to Eagle Pass, and having two or possibly three corps of engineers on each division."

The Manhattan company is a New York corporation with a capital of $1,000,000, the president being Mr. Steers, a millionaire and president of a prominent New York city bank. His counsel is Charles W. Dayton, postmaster of New York, and a prominent democratic politician. Col. Edgarton, second vice president of the new road, is in Mexico arranging for the concession and subvention of the Mexican end of the projected short line, which will probably be built soon thereafter. The new road will shorten the distance between Mexico and eastern points over 500 miles, with lower grades and the best possible roadbed and rolling stock. All the money will be furnished by a well known London syndicate and the attorneys of different interests are in London and New York and are now arranging all necessary legal preliminaries. It is expected to have the road entirely completed inside of two years.

Doctors to Organize.

Corsicana, Tex., March 30.—There is a move on foot here among the medical examiners of this the thirteenth judicial district to organize a state association.

Dr. William Pannill, who is the physician of the state orphans' home here and a member of the board of medical examiners of this district, in discussing the matter had this to say:

"On account of the failure of the twenty-fifth legislature to enact proper and efficient legislation regulating the practice of medicine in this state and the want of concert of action on the part of different medical examining boards and to bring about a uniform system or method of conducting examinations and to regulate or establish a proper standard of graded correspondence is being had with the various boards in the state with a view of calling a convention at an early day to discuss these very important subjects. I am satisfied that I speak authoritatively when I tell you that the medical board in the thirteenth district is a unit in favor of such a move."

Fair Directors to Meet.

Corsicana, Tex., March 30.—The following call has been issued by President T. B. Roberts and Secretary T. D. Hightower of the Navarro County Fair association:

By order of the Navarro County Fair association at a meeting held March 27 a meeting is hereby called for Saturday, April 17th, at 2 o'clock in the city hall at 11 o'clock a. m. At this meeting all the present officers and directors and all other persons who feel an interest in the success of a fair this fall are hereby requested to be present, as a board of directors are to be elected, managers of various departments elected and committees on catalogues, etc., appointed.

Crops Damaged.

Lancaster, Tex., March 30.—The rain of Sunday has done great damage to fields and growing crops. Mr. D. M. Waters had twenty-odd head of hogs drowned at his place on Ten Mile creek, four miles west of here, water from the creek overflowing the entire pen. Mr. Jack Shoopman left the creek bottom for higher ground, thinking it dangerous to remain over night. He found his house still standing yesterday morning, however.

Mrs. Margaret J. Preston died at Baltimore, Md., the other day.

Work of the Wind.

Calvert, Tex., March 29.—A terrific wind storm struck this place about 4:30 yesterday afternoon, coming from the southwest, and afterward the storm's course was changed to the northwest, with much greater force. It was accompanied by a heavy rain.

The steeple of the Methodist church was blown down, and the large auditorium hall of Mr. J. Bedack was also demolished.

Quite a number of fine dwellings have suffered greatly from chimneys being blown on the roofs, which, in one instance, that of Mr. Joseph A. Foster, crushing in the roof.

One dwelling, which contained an old lady and two children, was blown 40 to the ground, but not much hurt.

There is no loss of life reported.

In the business portion the Grand Central hotel had a portion of its roof carried away. Garrett & Co.'s store was uncovered and their stock of goods badly damaged by water. The roofs of I. Oscar's store and the Odd Fellows' building were torn off. Oscar's stock of goods was damaged. E. H. Long, in the Odd Fellows' building, will suffer to the extent of $500 or more. The whole front of a row of frame storehouses was blown away. The roof and chimneys of the city public school were entirely destroyed.

The damages are not yet be estimated, but it will be over $100,000. People living here for twenty-five years say they never witnessed such a fearful storm before. A heavy rain continued after the wind storm. All telephone and electric wires are down, and the telegraph lines are also down.

Austin, Tex., March 29.—The northern portion of the city was struck by a small sized cyclone yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock, which resulted in considerable damage to property, but fortunately no lives were lost.

The wind got in its most damaging work on the State university. The roof of Brackenridge hall was lifted off and carried across the street, falling on a dwelling house occupied by Mrs. Shepherd. The cottage was smashed, but the inmates escaped.

The hall is occupied by about forty students and their belongings were ruined by water. In some portions of the building water stands at a depth of three feet.

The university is damaged to the extent of every chimney being down and the windows on the west side of the assembly hall are smashed in. About 500 beautiful young shade trees in the campus are lying on the ground, some of them being twisted from the roots.

The "Honey" church, at the corner of Twenty-fourth and Whites avenue is a total wreck. The northern portion of the roof was carried away and the end walls crumbled in. Adjoining it is the residence of City Physician Graves was partially destroyed, causing the family to vacate immediately.

A new residence in course of construction, belonging to Burt McDonald on Twenty-fourth and Seventeenth and Congress avenue, was almost totally demolished. It fell against the residence of William Vining.

One of the city electric towers, located on the extreme west end of Sixth street, was blown down.

The residence of G. W. Littlefield was slightly damaged, portions of the cornice work being destroyed.

The university mess hall has been deserted, and the students could be seen moving the goods to various boarding houses and hunting places to spend the night.

Several small shanties in portions of the colored quarters are on the ground and chimneys all over the city are blown down.

Denton, Tex., March 29.—A heavy rain fell here all day yesterday, and all the creeks are overflowing. Pecan creek, running through town, is out of its banks, and several families in the lowlands were driven out of their homes, the water varying in depth from two to fifteen or eighteen feet.

Mill Company Organized.

Sanger, Tex., March 29.—The Sanger Mill and Elevator company was organized here Saturday by electing the following board of directors, viz: A. D. Miller, J. C. Rice, A. J. Nance, A. M. Wilson, J. R. Sullivan, G. M. Kerby, P. Schuman, F. C. Thatcher, J. D. Bourn. The directors then organized by electing A. J. Nance president and J. C. Rice secretary and treasurer. Finance committee—J. R. Sullivan, A. D. Miller, J. D. Bourn. A charter will be applied for and work begin at once.

Rendered His Decision.

Houston, Tex., March 29.—Judge Tod announced his decision Thursday in the case of R. C. Storrie vs. Houston City Street Railway company and the American Loan and Trust company. The plaintiff recovered judgment for $24,282, with 10 per cent interest from date and foreclosure of lien on the property and franchises of the street railway company. The case has been a hotly contested one, several days having been consumed in the trial.

Teachers' Institute in Session.

Blossom, Tex., March 29.—The Lamar County Teachers' institute met at this place Friday and Saturday with about fifty teachers present. The Friday session was devoted to a discussion of primary methods. The main features of the session were a lecture on "Our Texas Fathers," by Prof. J. P. Cooper, and a discussion by the session over the adoption of a course of study for the schools of the county.

Every unmarried man thinks he can manage a woman.

The County Judges.

Waco, Tex., March 27.—All the black land counties were represented in the meeting of the North Texas County Judges and Commissioners' association, which held two sessions yesterday and will meet again to-day to finish up the business. The association has undertaken to find a solution for the problem of the making, development and improvement of the public roads. The gigantic proportions of the task has caused several associations to disband after one glance at the situation. The public roads in mile are beyond computation, and the cost and labor of getting them graded and paved, so that they will be passable at all seasons, is something too large for contemplation. In the black lands bad roads are general, and as the black lands produce the largest yield, the improvement of the roads in those counties is particularly necessary.

The association which met here yesterday was organized in Dallas, and adjourned there to meet in Waco. The officers are: Mack Smith of McKinney, president; Thomas Lacy of Dallas, first vice-president; M. J. Montgomery of McGregor, second vice-president, and P. T. Woodward of Dallas, secretary and treasurer.

In the course of its deliberations yesterday the association went over nearly all the departments of county government. The discussions were intelligent and interesting. They were conducted by earnest men, who have faced the difficulties of governing a county and keeping down expenses while keeping up improvements. They have stood between the demand for betterments in roads, bridges and buildings and the walls of the taxpayers who see the necessity of the work but who groan under the load of the tax against the assessor, the collector and the commissioners' court, which is the disbursing agency of the county funds.

All the delegates spoke in favor of working the county convicts on the roads—that is, all those suitable to that class of work and not otherwise profitably employed.

An address of welcome was delivered by Mr. James I. Moore and responded to by President Smith. In the course of his remarks Mr. Moore mentioned the road problem as the largest and most engrossing of all the problems confronting humanity in its progress from bad to better conditions. Bad roads, Mr. Moore said, perplexed Caesar, defeated Napoleon, agitated Cozey and tormented the earth. He believed if a solution is ever reached it will be through the united efforts and the wisdom of just such men as compose the County Judges and Commissioners' association.

Kugadi on Trial.

Brenham, Tex., March 27.—The motion for change of venue in the case of Charles Kugadi, charged with the murder of his sister, was refused by the court yesterday morning after the examination of several witnesses. The work of impaneling a jury was commenced and it took until 5 o'clock to complete the jury. Considerable time was taken until after supper. At 8:15 p. m. court convened and the taking of testimony begun. Eight witnesses were examined and at 11 p. m. the court adjourned for the day. The court was thronged with people, who came from all sections of the county to witness the proceedings. Kugadi was cool and cheerful throughout the session.

Buildings Destroyed.

Van Alstyne, Tex., March 27.—At 12:50 a. m. yesterday a fire was in progress which bid fair to destroy the southwest portion of the city.

W. D. Shurlin's and J. W. Kerley's residences burned and the Masonic hall and Field & Sheridan's lumber yard were burning. The fire company was helpless, owing to the south wind. The lumber yard caught from sparks and pieces of shingles from the residences which are about 400 yards apart. Insurance could not be obtained at that time.

Freight Rate Question.

Fort Worth, Tex., March 27.—The wholesale merchants of the city and the press of this place have for Austin in full force to-day, or Sunday, for the hearing of the complaints of the former before the railway commission. The former contend that under existing tariffs they are wholly unable to compete with foreign jobbers. They are going to make a determined fight for rates which will, they say, enable them to compete with outside jobbers in Texas territory, at least.

Laying Iron Completed.

Winsboro, Tex., March 27.—The Sherman, Shreveport and Southern finished laying the iron yesterday on the twelve-mile branch road from this place to the pinery. This road is constructed for the purpose of hauling logs to a large saw mill, which sawed its first log yesterday. The mill is one of the largest in Texas. This road will probably be soon extended to Big Sandy or to Gilmer in the near future.

The report from Arkansas City, Ark., that the Desha levee board cut levees was false.

Neglected Education.

Mistress—"Gracious, Bridget, you don't clean this house at all! See, I can write my name in the dust on the mantel."

Bridget—"Shure, mum, you've got er good eejikashun. That's more than I kin do."—New York Journal.

Uncle Eben's Wisdom.

"Hit am better," said Uncle Eben, "ter be er man dat changes 'is mind dan ter be one dat didn't hab no mind ter change in de fus' place."—Washington Star.

THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE.

Summary of Matters Acted Upon by the Law-Makers at Austin.

The senate bill by Mr. Turner restoring civil and criminal jurisdiction to the county courts of Menard and Atascosa counties was ordered engrossed.

The bill changing the time of beginning of the fall term of the district court of Grayson county from the first Monday in September to the third Monday in September was ordered engrossed and passed under suspension of the rules.

A bill creating a more efficient road system for Bexar county was passed.

The committee substitutes for Harris' and Gilbough's bills amending the city charter of the city of Galveston were ordered engrossed.

The bill by Mr. Crawford requiring owners or lessees of coal mines to provide for the safety and health of employes passed.

Mr. Burns' bill appropriating $25,000 for the purchase of the battle field of San Jacinto and making a public park thereof, on its third reading was called up by its author and finally passed without discussion. Yeas 18, nays 7.

Mr. Beall called up his bill creating a more efficient road system for Ellis county, which was ordered engrossed and passed under a suspension of the rules.

In the senate, the house concurrent resolution providing that the superintendent of buildings and grounds shall provide rooms in the capitol building for the exhibition of relics of the republic of Texas, and that the Daughters of the Republic be the guardians of such exhibit, was adopted.

Mr. Meade's cold storage bill, on third reading, came up and passed without discussion.

House bill creating a more efficient road system for Hopkins county, was passed.

A concurrent resolution, asking congress for an appropriation reimbursing citizens of Brenham for fire in July, 1866, caused by federal troops. The claims amount to $130,000. Adopted.

The senate bill defining the crime of burglary and fixing penalties, passed.

Senator Neal's bill empowering guardians to loan the money of wards on real estate worth double the amount of the loan, was called up. An amendment providing that nothing in the act shall authorize the county judge or responsibility on his bond as now provided by law was offered by Mr. Bumpass and passed.

House bill by Mr. Henderson exempting about 110 counties from the operation of the animal inspection law was read a third time and passed without discussion.

Mr. Lewis' bill, requiring foreign corporations to file their charters with the secretary of state and that permits be issued before doing business in the state, passed.

The bill, providing for an additional method of preparing transcripts and legalizing printed transcripts was passed.

A bill, reducing notaries' fees by one-half, in protesting commercial papers, was ordered engrossed and finally passed under a suspension of the rules.

The bill by Mr. Robbins authorizing the attorney general to institute suit for the cancellation of patents to the four leagues of land recently granted by the state to Greer county for school purposes passed under suspension of the rules with the emergency clause attached.

Mr. Morris' bill regulating sheriffs' fees and mileage in civil cases was taken up. The bill regulates the amount of mileage of sheriffs and constables in civil cases. The bill provides that the officers shall receive mileage only for the actual miles traveled both ways in serving such processes, and when two or more persons are mentioned in the same writ only the proportion of mileage at 5 cents per mile can be charged in each case, as if the service was on one person, and when two or more writs are served one person then the mileage is to be charged but one way. The bill was read a third time, and passed without the yea and nay vote, which prevents it going into the journals.

The Other Kind.

Justine—Is it true that Ethel's French marquis touched her father for money within a week after their marriage?

Conny—Yes, so I hear.

Justine—Did he get a check?

Conny—Yes, and a rather severe one. The old gent made an assignment the day before.—New York Journal.

His Dead Toes Ached.

At Kokomo, Ind., the amputated leg of a drawman who had chilblains and corns is to be disinterred under his doctor's orders and buried below the frost line in order to relieve the man's present sufferings from the old complaint.

Very Simple.

Husband—How is that; whether I give you much or little, you always seem to get along all the same?

Wife—That's very simple. When you give me much I use the surplus to pay the debts I make when you give me little.—Fliegende Blaetter.

That Explained It.

Badger—Great Scott! Podkins, what a racket! Is there a fight going on in the flat above?

Podkins—Oh, no; that's a whist club.

Badger—A whist club? Well, maybe you think I believe that!

Podkins—It's a ladies' whist club.

Badger—O——h!—New York Herald.

Japanese Ship Bounties.

Japan is going to grant government bounties to shipowners and shipbuilders.

A REMARKABLE FEAT.

How a Snake Swallows Its Equal in Size.

The following is an interesting paragraph in a letter sent to friends here by Harry Hammond, formerly of this city, who is now making his home in Florida:

"Today I had the good luck to see a curious sight, that of one snake killing and swallowing another. We came on the scene just as a 'king' snake was killing a blacksnake, each a little over three feet long. The king was tied and coiled round the black, and the latter's tail could just wiggle. After a few minutes, during which the king tied himself in the most curious knots and ran his head up and down his victim's writhing body, biting it here and there as if examining his supper, he turned the black's head, gave it a preliminary bite, and then slowly proceeded to take the blacksnake into camp. It seemed impossible that he could swallow a snake as long and as large as himself, but he did. This is how he did it:

"He would stretch his head as far as possible, get his teeth hooked in his victim's scales, then slip his body up till it was in wrinkles at his neck and for some way down, then loose his tooth hold and slide his head forward for another grip, just as if you were putting on a tight glove, in fact. It was the most interesting operation I think I ever witnessed, and the king swallowed all but three inches of the tail of the poor blacksnake, and then, with that dangling from his mouth, glided off into the grass. We let him go, as he is a known enemy of the rattlesnakes, and often kills them."—Indianapolis Journal.

The Faults and Follies of the Age

are numerous, but of the latter none is more ridiculous than the promiscuous and random use of laxative pills and other drastic cathartics. These wrench, convulse and weaken both the stomach and the bowels. If Hostetter's Stomach Bitters be used instead of these no-remedies, the result is accomplished without pain and with great benefit to the bowels, the stomach and the liver. Use this remedy when constipation manifests itself, and thereby prevent it from becoming chronic.

There are few men who can look impressed when their wives talk about their economy.

Absent-Minded.

She (dreamily)—Just think of it, in two weeks we shall be married.

He (absent-mindedly)—Oh, let us be happy while we can.—Vogue.

"STAR TOBACCO."

As you chew tobacco for pleasure use Star, it is not only the best but the most lasting, and therefore, the cheapest.

A fat man is all right so long as he is not in his own way.

As soon as a man falls in love, everything conspires to punish him.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c

When a loafer does make a little effort, how the people tumble over each other to applaude.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

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.

No dinner tastes as good as it reads in a cook book.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has been a family medicine with us since 1865.—J. R. Madison, 3402 42d Ave., Chicago, Ills.

The complaint known as grip is as depressing as unrequited love.

Oxidine, the Great La Grippe Cure

and Pain Killer. Prevents Pneumonia. Kidney Cure. At Druggists. Patton Med. Co., Oak Cliff, Tex.

Most people only get married to keep the neighbors from talking.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

A Contractor.

Muggins—Is your son in business?

Juggins—He's a contractor.

Muggins—What line?

Juggins—Debts.—Tit-Bits.

Impure Blood

"My blood was out of order, and I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. It has purified my blood and relieved me of rheumatism, kidney trouble and sick headaches. I am now able to do a good day's work. Rheumatism has troubled me since I was a child, but I am now entirely well."—Miss Phoebe Bailey, Box 445, Pasadena, California.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier.

Hood's Pills are purely vegetable, reliable, beneficial. 25 cents.

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The GRAY FALCON

By M. L. CADOR

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CHAPTER XIX.

The market boy stood at the gateway with his square basket, and Jules had brought out the tray of bouquets, one clear, bright morning, while Chlotilde's white fingers arranged them in the most tempting show; when the three were startled by the sudden appearance of a man who, throwing open the folds of his cloak, which had concealed his face, stepped forward from a hidden nook, and spoke gaily:

"Good day, my fair gardener! Sell me one of your bouquets, I pray you."

Jules saw the deadly pallor which overspread his companion's face, and dextrous bending between them, himself singled out a bouquet and held it toward the stranger.

The sharp, keen eye of the latter served over his features triumphantly; but without remark, he accepted the bouquet, and again turning to the girl he inquired the price.

She had summoned resolution enough to answer without sign of trepidation.

He hunted up the money, took his bouquet, and marched away, never once turning to glance behind.

Chlotilde—as he called her—seized Jules' arm, and drawing him aside, she whispered:

"We must fly! not an hour, not a moment, not a second can be lost. It was M. Pierre; he knew me beyond a doubt; I read his malignant triumph on his face. Oh, Jules! let us get to Emile—somehow, as speedily as possible."

Jules perceived at once the dangerous emergency.

"Get your hat and cloak, Chlotilde; we will go with the boy to find Emile. What can we find to fill our baskets, to give us excuse for reaching him?"

Chlotilde pointed to her plants. Without another word, Jules hastened to dig them up, and set them in the basket; while she entered the cottage for the few articles she dared take with her.

Side by side they followed, breathlessly, the lead of the wondering peasant boy, and went on into the crowd and stir of the city. They were too excited and eager to be aware of the dark browed, villainous looking man, who followed stealthily in their steps, never losing sight of them for a moment.

The streets were alive with a dense throng of people, and it was evident some great event was at hand, by the gleaming eyes, violent gesticulations, and set faces of the multitude, who all seemed surging in one direction.

The guide, in spite of the remonstrance of Jules, joined the living tide, with the careless explanation:

"We shall be sure to find citizen Emile at the square; the Gray Falcon is always at hand when such sport is going on. It has something to do with the Austrian woman; maybe they are to take off her head to-day. You're in luck to be in to see the sight."

Lady Felicie strove to hide the shudder which ran through her frame at these words, and glanced apprehensively at her companion.

Jules had turned deadly pale, his lips were set, his eyes gleamed fiercely as he answered:

"Tell me where we can find the Gray Falcon's usual resort, and then you may go your way. We have no time to waste now."

The boy laughed coarsely, as the crowd growing more and more dense took them along with it.

"You have no other choice," said he; "and there be those in Paris who would take you up right smartly for calling it a waste of time to see the neck of tyranny broken on the shrine of freedom."

Jules took the rebuke mildly. The horrors of witnessing the terrible scene his imagination presented, had quite overpowered his fears for personal safety, but now once again returned the remembrance of their own danger.

"We shall sell nothing here, Chlotilde," said he; "if we could only see the Gray Falcon, we might return again to witness the brave sights."

A broad shouldered, red-faced virago, one of a crowd of fiercely gesticulating Amazons, overheard his words.

"What do you expect to do with the flowers, white face? You had better throw them away and take up a pike. There are no fine lords to buy your bouquets now; why do you bring them here?"

"Are the fine lords the only ones to enjoy flowers?" answered Jules. "I thought we citizens were to be allowed to enjoy them now. They are nature's jewels, she puts them around the cottage more plentifully than before the palace. Take a bunch, citizens, and see how pretty it will make you look; so young and gay, you know."

The woman laughed coarsely, thrust out her horny hand for a bouquet, and fastened it at her breast.

"Well, well, at the best, I can make use of it, for when the proud Austrian lays her dainty head on the block, I'll fling it in her face. She's used to bouquets, you know, and will appreciate the compliment."

Jules echoed her laugh, though his heart was frozen at the brutality of the creature, but his companion turned her wild eyes into the woman's face with an expression of utter horror which it was impossible to misunderstand.

The virago perceived it, and excited angrily:

"What ails that simpleton? does she dare to sympathize with the proud tyrants? She's an aristocrat, I'll swear!"

Lady Felicie trembled from head to foot; her fortitude seemed entirely to have forsaken her.

Jules hastily pressed her arm in warning, and began to rail angrily.

"Yes, yes; she's a silly thing. She's been sick and lost all her sense. She was always afraid of blood; I'm in hopes to teach her yet the difference betwixt aristocratic blood, which deserves to be spilt, and the honest tide of the people's pulse."

"She looks like one of 'em. Stand out, here, wench, and let us make sure; that's too doll-like a face to belong to a citizen's daughter. And she shows her guilt; I'll swear she's one of them."

She cleared a little space around them as she spoke, and dragged Felicie forward.

The poor girl, white as any statue, turned her eyes appealingly to Jules, as the iron fingers left their cruel print upon her tender arm.

"Nay, nay; she's a good girl, citizeness, only for being so frightened," cried Jules; "let her go, I beg of you."

By this time other attention was drawn to the scene, and the hurrying crowd paused to gather around the group, and question the cause of their agitation.

"An aristocrat; she would save the Austrian woman!" cried the Amazon, with her grasp still tightening on the arm of the terrified girl.

"Away with her then; to the prison with her!" shouted a dozen fierce voices, as the angry eyes glared upon her.

"Leave her to me!" exclaimed Jules, pressing forward to her side. "I shall punish her well for this silly terror."

"Make her look on and see the haughty queen's proud head rolling in the dust," shouted another.

"Bid her shout with us, Death to the aristocrats! Liberty and equality forever!"

"She can do that. Come, Chlotilde, shout with me!" cried Jules, swinging his cap and sending up a cheery huzza for "Freedom and equality forever!"

A man in the crowd stepped forward and looked eagerly and scrutinizingly into the pallid, but handsome, clear-cut features of the youth.

"I'll swear to that face!" muttered he, "it's him, and no mistake."

Jules himself caught that searching glance, and though his face gave no sign, his heart sank in despair.

"Let's take them along," said the man; "we'll see for ourselves how the pair enjoy Jubilee day."

He who had so persistently tracked them all the way from the cottage, added his voice now.

"Yes, yes; show them how Marie Antoinette finds a necklace sharper than diamonds, the free gift of the people. There'll be some one here, anon, who can tell their names."

"What! is the man suspected, also?" asked the woman who had caused the whole detention.

The last speaker nodded acquiescence. Whereupon the whole crowd, around took up a fiendish yell, more like the cry of a blood-thirsty, wild beast than the voice of human beings, and began hustling the pair along toward the spot where the hapless queen was expected to appear.

Jules flung his arm around his companion to steady her steps, and shield her from the rude jostling of the crowd.

"It is only a jest, Chlotilde," said he, in as cheerful a voice as he could force himself to assume; "they will discover our innocence, and let us go. Perhaps some friend will appear to give assurance of our good behavior and loyal sentiments."

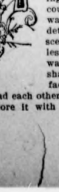
She knew what he meant; it was indeed her last desperate hope. If Emile would appear to save them! And yet, how was it possible for any one to aid? She asked this question dreamily, as her eye ran along the sea of faces around her, and found no pitying eye, no gentle expression of mercy—only flaming, infuriated, revengeful countenances.

The peasant boy who had acted as guide, after hearing the first words of the crowd darted away. Young as he was, he knew the danger of falling under the displeasure of these lawless mobs; or of seeming to hold acquaintance with any one suspected of the obnoxious aristocratic name.

And almost lifted from their feet, amidst jeers and threats, and bitter taunts, Jules and his fair companion were borne toward the fatal guillotine where Louis had already laid down his life.

The Place De La Revolution was already thronged and there was scarcely standing room left. Horrible jests, violent imprecations, demoniac rejoicings were tossed to and fro from mouth to mouth.

CHAPTER XX.



These two sensitive, refined natures, transfixed with utter loathing and horror, could give no outward sign of their detestation of the scene. A dozen pitiless eyes were watching every shade upon their faces.

They had each other's icy hands, and sternly bore it with all the heroism they could master. It was not possible for either to behold their beautiful queen led forward to the block. Despite the scrutiny bent upon them, both instinctively closed their eyes and shuted their breath through the last terrible moments.

The wild shout that broke upon the deathly stillness told when the spirit of Marie Antoinette joined that of her murdered husband. At the instant of moment Felicie fell fainting against Jules' shoulder. The struggling mass of people shut out the air, and almost crushed her unconscious form.

The man who accosted him imploringly for a single trace of humanity, but found none. Supporting her as well as he could with one arm, he chafed with the free hand her icy fingers and marbly stiff arms.

The same virago whose attention had interrupted their progress in the commencement, waddled her way to him.

"You think more of the dainty minx than you pretend, sirrah," she said, angrily; "she's an aristocrat beyond doubt. She must go to the trial, and will take her turn at the axe yonder, I doubt not. Why must she swoon away, when France is made free? Nothing, no queen now. Liberty and equality forever! Death to the aristocrats!"

"She is a young creature, and has no strength; such as she cannot look calmly upon bloodshed, be it friend or foe. Let her go now, I beseech you. She is the niece of the Gray Falcon; she is no aristocrat, I will vouch for it," exclaimed Jules imploringly.

"Who ever heard such those lady features? and look at her hands! pshaw! citizen."

"Add do you deny that we may find much lovely and delicate frames among the people?" cried Jules, still more eagerly; "nay, beauty has no partiality for nobility. This maiden is of humble birth, and yet no princess was ever more lovely in person or character. I assure you she is of the people."

Felicie had slowly revived. As he said these words a strong shudder shook her frame.

"Perhaps you are right," said the woman, slowly; "but if the Gray Falcon is her uncle, he should teach her a little of his spirit. I should like to see the man who knows her."

"Here comes the very one you wish to see, citizeness," said a smooth voice, whose first accent made the Lady Felicie spring wildly to her feet. "I am well acquainted with the girl; she will tell you so; I will take care of her."

Jules knew, without asking, who it was that spoke. M. Pierre had arrived to complete their despair.

He advanced eagerly and laid his hand upon the girl's shoulder, while he said significantly:

"You have nothing to fear now from the people—if you come with me peacably. I have been looking for you a long time; but as you remember of old, I never grow weary of working to secure my object."

Lady Felicie shrank back and clung to the arm of Jules.

The brow of M. Pierre darkened, and bending closely to her ear, he said in a whisper:

"Your life is not worth a straw, not safe an hour, if I do not save you. They will tear you limb from limb; beware then how you refuse my aid, how you reject my friendship. Will you come?"

All the strength which till now had seemed entirely lost, came back to the girl with the tide of indignation and abhorrence which throbbed in every pulse.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

A LOST MINE.

Much Time Spent in Seeking for Secret Treasures.

An usual feature is that a particular Indian sometimes with a companion or two used to return from the west every year at a certain moon, ostensibly for the purpose of honoring the graves of his fathers and to use again his ancestral right of hunting the deer and bear among the wild and verdurous hills, says Lippincott's; yet gossiping turtlehels hold that really the visits were for the purpose of opening again the concealed mine of lead or silver, whose rich spoil the sons of the forest have been bearing off in their packs. Another form of the story relates that a certain hunter (always "won't tell," or now "dead," or "moved west") got all the lead for his bullets from the foot of a mountain above a cove on a certain creek; or an old counterfeiter (now "in the penitentiary" or "fled" into parts unknown) used to coin quarters and halves of good silver (still seen in circulation), yet was never known to buy silver in any form. Weeks and months and years each year in searching for these secret treasures. Occasionally the enthusiasm would mount to the height of sending far off somewhere to fetch back the "old hunter." More than once such a one has been persuaded that there was more richness in his bullets than he had supposed; and, regretting rashly the many pounds of good silver lead that he had shot away at deer, coons, geese and other game, he has been brought back to his old haunts. Then, with many a keen eye tracking his goings with his persuading friend, weeks would be spent in bushbeating, cliff climbing and laborious search along rocky shores, about cavernous hills in fens, bogs, and dismal dens in the deep woods, but only to the utter disappointment of all their fond anticipations. The "old hunter" finds that time has obliterated his waymarks; bush and tree and rock and cliff lack the familiar aspect, and he whose confused recollections formed the basis of vast schemes of gain returns to his distant home dispirited and dishonored.

An open foe may prove a curse, but a pretended friend is worse.—Pope.

DAIRY AND POULTRY.

INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm—A Few Hints as to the Care of Live Stock and Poultry.

EARD'S Dairyman says: There is more dairy literature floating around in the air now than ever before in the history of this country. Some of it is good and much of it worse than nothing, for it is based on exploded ideas. The following twenty-three points we find in a daily paper, evidently culled from some other source, so we do not know to whom to give credit. In the main they are good suggestions:

SELECTION AND BREEDING.

1. Select the best cows in your herd, or that you can buy, to keep, and dispose of the others.

2. The best cow for the dairy is the one that produces the greatest amount of butter fat in a year (for food consumed) when being fightly fed.

3. Test your cows by weighing the milk of each cow for a year and testing it occasionally with the Babcock milk tester, and know how much butter fat each one does produce.

4. To renew or increase your herd raise the heifer calves from your best cows.

5. Use the best dairy-bred sire you can get; one, if possible, that has a long line of ancestors and have been fed-class dairy animals.

6. In this way you can make each generation better than the preceding one, if they have at all times proper care and feed.

7. It is neither profitable nor necessary for a cow to go dry more than four to six weeks.

8. Especially should your young cows be watched and not allowed to acquire the habit of drying up too soon.

9. Darken the stable in which the cows are milked through fly time. It will not only economize the patience of the milker, but the cost of milk production as well.

10. Keep a record of the time when cows are bred, and have no guess work about the time of calving.

11. Provide a roomy box stall, and allow the cow to become accustomed to it a week prior to calving.

12. Rich foods should be withheld for a short time prior and subsequent to calving.

13. The udder should receive prompt attention. An obstacle may be removed from the teat the first hour that might bade science later.

14. A pail of scalded bran should be given to the cow as soon as possible after calving.

15. The calf should be permitted to nurse its mother for two or three days.

16. After separating the calf from its mother, feed the natural milk as soon as drawn, for a week or ten days.

17. Then begin gradually to substitute skim milk with oil meal jelly stirred into it.

18. Scald the calf's feed pail daily.

19. Feed three times a day and not more than three quarts at a time until the calf is well started.

20. Warm the milk by placing the vessel that contains the milk in hot water.

21. Warm the milk in 90 degrees Fahrenheit.

22. Don't trust your finger, but a thermometer. It will save many a calf's life.

23. The man whose ideal of a cow is high, coupled with good care, feed and gentleness, is sure to receive the highest profit in milk and pleasure that can be made in dairying.

We will add a couple of other points:

24. Always clean out the box stall after a cow has calved therein, and thoroughly disinfect it with a solution made of one part of sulphuric acid to nine of water. This is to prevent septic poisoning of the next cow, which may easily occur.

25. Do not milk the udder out clean until the four day after calving. This will often prevent a chill, which often produces milk fever.

Chicken Roosts.

A great many of our farmers seem to think that a hen will do as well with a poor roost as a good one, if I may judge from my own observation, says a writer in an exchange. The style of roost that seems so scientific and economical to the general class of farmers is that of the step or stair style—one roost back and above the other. The lowest one is very close to the floor, while the upper one is, generally, as near or nearer the roof or ceiling. It saves space, of course, but you are always sure to find the lower pole nearly empty, while the upper one is crowded full. Often the fowls crowd one another off with fatal effects. Some argue that fowl will do roost high, therefore the roosts should all be high to satisfy their desires. It is true that fowls wish to roost high, but it is an error to think that it does good unto the fowl in its natural state. They wish to roost high to keep from danger. If your house is kept well closed there is no need of high and dangerous roosts. I place my roost poles on a level and about eighteen inches above the floor. This is in the part of the room where the air is the purest. The impure air rises to the ceiling and some gases fall close to the floor; this style of roost avoids both, as well as prevents fowls from jumping down from the roosts. For roosting poles I use a 2x3-inch scantling, rounded on one edge so as to fit the feet of the fowls. I place them on trestles with suitable notches in them, with the rounded edge up. Keep the roosts clean, and by placing oil or tar on the bottoms of them you will be without lice. A good coat of whitewash is also good to keep away the pests. The diseases caused by high roosts are mainly bumble-foot and lameness, but other diseases have their origin from them.

Effects of Getting Wet.

Mr. W. P. Aikin, Graham, Texas, was unfortunate in having some four months old chicks get wet, the result being that they have been sick ever since. He states to the Poultry Keeper the details in a letter below:

"I have a flock of fourteen Black Minorcas about four months old. We had a rain about one month ago and they all got wet and stayed wet all night. In a few days I noticed a viscid mucous blubber on their nostrils. They do not have any canker in their mouths or throat, but the roof of the mouth seems inflamed. I have given castor oil, turpentine and carbolic acid with a medicine dropper, in the nose and throat, but they do not improve very fast. Can you recommend anything for the feed? Will they be fit for breeders if they get well? They look perfectly well and hearty. If you did not look close and see the trash sticking on their beaks you would not suspicion anything being the matter with them. I have four roosters in the flock and they seem worse than the pullets. I used peroxide of hydrogen on them yesterday. Do you think that good for them?"

The Journal mentioned comments as follows: "We do not know of anything more injurious to tour months' old chicks than to become soaking and remain so. If they had gotten wet during the day and had the warmth of the sun, it might have been different, but to remain wet all night means that they were chilled through. It is a surprise that they did not die in a few days. The treatment is correct but laborious, and as the climate of Texas is mild they may recover. If they make a complete recovery they can be used for breeding. The best remedy is to add a teaspoonful of chlorate of potash to each quart of drinking water, and repeat the peroxide of hydrogen occasionally.

Look at That Bull.

Prof. Sheldon, the eminent English authority on dairying, speaks his mind on the vicious practice of using scrubby, low grade bulls, as follows:

"Look, for instance, at the weedy, miserable bulls that many farmers are content to use in their herds—wretched quadrupeds that should never be allowed to live beyond the age of veal. Some men say, by way of excuse, 'My poverty, not my will, consents.' Yet, on the other hand, it may be remarked that no man can really afford to use inferior, low valued bulls in his herd. That any man should continue to do so year after year can only be regarded as a kind of heedless infatuation which precludes all hope of improvement. 'The bull is half the herd,' is an axiom which should be drilled into the mind of every farmer's son who is himself to be a dairy farmer—drilled in until he fully realizes what it means. That there are many of the present generation of farmers who do not half comprehend the vast importance of this is greatly to be feared, for it is plainly enough to be seen in the inferior sires that are kept for stock purposes. It would be interesting to hear the answers such men would give to the following questions: What sort of stock do you expect such a bull will get? or, Do you really expect to pay your way as a farmer by using a bull like that? or, What would you say if you saw another man burdened with a similar load of crass stupidity? Unfortunately, it never occurs to them to put such questions to themselves, and it is too commonly nobody's business to do so in their default. There is no excuse nowadays for a man who uses scrubby bulls among his cows. Plenty of well descended bulls are to be had at prices within the reach of any man who can afford to keep cattle at all."

Essentials of a Dairy Farm.

A United States Agricultural Department bulletin makes the following summary of what is needed in the successful operation of a dairy farm:

A roomy, clean, dry, light and well ventilated stable or cow house. To produce good milk, cows must be comfortable, and these conditions not only add to their comfort, but are absolutely necessary to keep them in the best of health.

Healthy and clean cows, which appear well fed and contented.

An abundance of pure water to which cows are given access at least twice a day.

Feed of good quality, the grain and coarse fodder should be free from dirt, decay or a musty condition.

A spirit of kindness towards the stock, exhibited by every one employed about them, and gentleness of the animals themselves.

Facilities for washing and sterilizing or scalding of utensils which come in contact with milk.

Provision for straining, aerating and cooling the milk in a clean atmosphere, free from all stable and other odors. This treatment should take place immediately after the milk is drawn from each cow.

Facilities for storing milk and keeping it cold.

Especially great cleanliness in regard to everything connected with the milk. The atmosphere of the stable should be pure and free from dust when milking is being done. Employes should carefully wipe the udders and wash their hands before milking, and should be in clean clothes. Whitewash is a good disinfectant, and should be seen in many more stables, and land plaster should be sprinkled about to absorb moisture and odors.

THE OLD WAYSIDE INN.

House Made Famous by Longfellow Sold to a Boston Man.

If there is no hitch in the papers the old wayside inn at Sudbury, Mass. made famous by Longfellow, will pass into the ownership of a Boston gentleman of antiquarian tastes, who will preserve the building and fill it with articles of historic interest, says the New York Times. The name of the buyer will not be given out until the papers have passed. This estate passed into the hands of ex-Mayor S. H. Howe of Marlboro and ex-Ald. Homer Rogers of Boston in 1892. Those two gentlemen have expended considerable money in renovating the house and improving it, such as shingling the roof and retopping the chimneys, which had been broken in several places. This work is no way, however, interferes with its exterior or its historic worth, for Mr. Rogers told a reporter at his house in Allison that he would not have that happen for thousands, and the work was done for preservation. When the deed came into the hands of Mr. Rogers three years ago it was the first time it had passed out of the hands of the Howe family since the house was originally built, two centuries since. The building was built shortly after King Philip's war and up to 1893 it was known as Howe's tavern. David Howe built it soon after the commencement of the eighteenth century and in 1702 received from Samuel Howe, his father, a tract of 130 acres of land. John Howe, the grandfather of David, had the lot on which the tavern stands assigned him in the apportionment of 1651. In 1746 Col. Ezekiel Howe, who won fame in the revolution, hung out the red-horse sign on the inn. In 1776, the colonel died. Adam, his son, took the tavern, and for forty years conducted it as a public house. Lyman Howe, a brother, took possession when Adam passed away, and continued to keep an inn until about 1866. Then its days of usefulness in this direction ceased. It has, however, been open to the public for several seasons past. Time and the storms have dealt lightly with the historic structure, for the white-oak beams are in a fine state of preservation.

COYOTES SOMETIMES ADROIT.

Instances in Which They Have Circumvented Their Enemies.

No cuter animal is found in the west than the coyote. The coyote is to the plainsman what a fox is to an eastern farmer, only the coyote is more in evidence, says Forest and Stream. A dog that spends his time in chasing and otherwise worrying coyotes was led into ambush by one coyote and then set upon by several other of the prairie wolves and almost done to death. About 9 o'clock one night one of the coyotes came to the kitchen door and howled aggravating at the dog, which thereupon set after the coyote full tilt. The coyote fled around the house, down to the corral and around the blacksmith shanty, the dog yelping after. Behind the shanty were other coyotes, six or seven of them, and all of them made for the dog in a way that made it feel lonely. The ranchman heard the fight and the dog's howls of pain, and grasping his rifle started that way on the run, yelling as he went. The coyotes took a fewself up piece and fled, leaving a sore dog behind. Since then the dog has not been so much interested as on former occasions in coyotes. It follows single coyotes sometimes, but the appearance of another sends it back as fast as it can run. The coyote likes badger flesh very much, but one coyote is not equal to a badger in a fight, consequently the coyote, when it meets a badger, has to resort to stratagem till aid arrives. The manner in which it does this is interesting. "A few weeks ago," a writer says, "as I was riding along I saw a coyote and a badger. The coyote seemed to be playing with the badger. He would prance about it, first as if to bite it, then run off a little way, the badger following, evidently very angry. When the badger saw me it ran into its hole, while the coyote went off forty or fifty yards and lay down, evidently expecting to have fun with me. The coyote's device was evidently to lease and so keep the badger interested till another coyote happened along, when the badger would have been killed."

"The Gold and Silver Gospels."

"The Gold and Silver Gospels" is the name of a very peculiar book now preserved in the Upsala Library in Sweden. It is printed with metal type on violet-colored vellum, the letters being silver and the initials gold. When it was printed, by whom or what were the materials used, are questions which have great interest for the curious, but have never been answered.

Constantly Engaged.

Jones—How does your wife like her new sealskin? Brown—I haven't seen her lately. Jones—Where's that? Brown—She's been so busy calling on her friends.—Larks.

RAM'S HORNS.

Anybody can say prayers, but only a worshiper of God can pray.

The man who tries to hide his sin, forgets that God is everywhere.

No man can do God's will until God's time first been done in him.

When the devil comes to an empty mind, he at once begins to fill it.

Idolatry is a plan of salvation that the sinful man makes for himself.

Many who are born in sight of heaven, appear to do all their traveling toward the pit.

"Look unto me and be ye saved," shows how easy God has made man's part in being saved.

SINGING CONVENTION.

Each and every singing class in Callahan County is requested to elect delegates to the county convention which meets at Scranton, Texas, May 8th and 9th 1897. Delegates please come and bring your song books.

C. S. KENEDY, Pres.
J. N. ALLEN, Sec.

STANDS AT THE HEAD.

Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Safford, Ariz., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption Coughs and Colds. I cannot say enough for its merits." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. It has been tried for for a quarter of a century and to-day stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at R. Phillips Drug Store.

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SOMETHING TO DEPEND ON.

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowded, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with LaGrippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develope into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. Kings New Discovery in the store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half a dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it: Free trial bottles at R. Phillips drug store.

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The State of Texas } In the justice
County of Callahan. } court, March term: A. D. 1897.

To the sheriff or any constable of Callahan County, Greeting:

Whereas oath has been made that the residence of the defendant is unknown by affiant.

You are hereby commanded, that by making publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in said county, (but if not then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published), for 4 weeks previous to the return day hereof, you summon N. L. Clark of unknown county, to be and appear before the justice court, to be holden for Precint No. 2, at old town of Belle Plaine, on the 27th day of March 1897, File Number being 4, then and there to answer the petition of H. L. Buchen filed in said court on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1897 against the said N. L. Clark and alleging in substance as follows, to-wit, That in the months of Feb. and March 1895 said N. L. Clark purchased merchandise of the said H. L. Buchen to the amount of ($14.20) fourteen dollars and twenty cents for which the said N. L. Clark still owes with interest at the rate of 8 per cent from April 1, 1896.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said Court this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness J. I. Rawson J. P., Justice Court of Callahan county. Given under my hand and seal of said Court in Belle Plaine this 18th day of February A. D. 1897.

J. I. RAWSON, J. P. Pre. No. 2.
Callahan County Texas.

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DISTRICT COURT.

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J I McWhorter	T S Motley
R P Odom	F P Shackelford
C C Seale	S B Bailey
Gabe Smartt	D W Claiborn
J B Cutbirth	J M Merrick
W B Dodd	W E Kennard

PETIT JURY FIRST WEEK.

April 5th.

B E Higgins	R B Hazlewood
E F Thrailkill	J H Perry
W M Coffman	M R Street
J M Aycock	J W Tatum
Lee Morris	Charley Crowley
F M Dunlap	T W Keblinger
W F Evans	T F Lester
W T Gurney	R L Howell
D J Rouden	J E Neff
W T Clifton	W B Farmer
R A Barclay	A W Tipton
J G. McDonel	Mode Hearn

THIRD WEEK.

April 19th.

J A Heyser	W S Melton
J F Luce	Geo Clifford
J L Baum	W F Pearson
J P Hutchins	H W Ross
F I Taber	R S Hornsby
W J Rylee	J C Shuford
W Bennett	A G Elliott
C A Brooherton	J F McElee
R C Dawkins	E L Finley
R E Merchant	C A Bowlus
I C McCarty	F C Lilly

$300 REWARD.

By a resolution unanimously passed at a regular meeting of the Protective Stock Association of Callahan and adjoining counties a standing reward of $300 is offered for the arrest and conviction of any person for the theft or illegal brand ng of any cattle or horses onlonging to any member of said association.

Attest.
J. B. CUTBIRTH, Pres.
F. S. BELL, Secy.

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The Stock Raisers Association of Coleman and Adjoining counties hereby offer a reward of $100 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons who are guilty of stealing or killing any stock belonging to any member or members of this association. To be paid when satisfactory proof is made to the executive committee of this association.

R. H. OVERALL, Pres.
A. T. BROWN, Sec. 12tf

ESTRAY NOTICE.

Reported by H. D. Baum, county commissioner Precinct No. 4 Callahan Co. Texas on Feby 15, 1897 the following described stock to-wit:

One bay mare about 13½ hands high, about 8 years old, small snip on nose, branded U G on left shoulder. Ranging in neighborhood of L D Richardson's 2 miles west of West Caddo Peak.

The owner of said animal is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take said animal away or the same will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 17 day of March 1897.

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By W. P. COCHRAN, Deputy.

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ESTRAY NOTIGE.

Reported by A. M. Sprawls County Commissioner precinct No. 2 Callahan Co., Tex, on the 16th day of February A. D. 1897 the following described stock, to-wit:

One bay saddle mare about 8 years old branded N on left jaw, H on left shoulder, H on left thigh, split in left ear and about 13½ hands high.

One bay horse 2 years old, 14 hands high unbranded.

One sorrel mare 14 hands high, about 7 years old, branded T P on left shoulder. All ranging in J. O. Lenser's pasture near Moran.

The owners of said animals are requested to come forward and prove property and pay charges or the same will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand an seal of office this 2, day of March 1897.

W. W. DUNSON,
Co. Clk. Callahan Co. Tex.,
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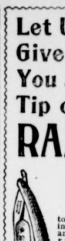

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14 4t C. E. SATTERLEE, Sec.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

Taken up by S. M. Bogle and estrayed before J. M. Bryant Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 5, Callahan county, Texas, Feb. 27 1897, the following described stock, to-wit:

One bay horse 4 years old about 14 1-2 hands high branded T on left shoulder.

The owner of said animal is requested to come forward prove pasperty pay charges and take said animal away or the same will be dealt with as the law directs.

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By W. P. Cochran Deputy. 15 tt

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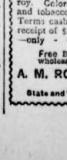

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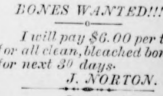

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