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COTULLA, TEXAS, SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 1898.

\$1. IN ADVANCE.

I. & G. N. R. R.

Between San Antonio and Laredo.

TIME TABLE.

South	Passenger Train	North
9:45 a. m.	San Antonio	7:00 p. m.
10:05 a. m.	Leon	6:38 p. m.
10:16 a. m.	Medina	6:28 p. m.
10:39 a. m.	Lytle	6:00 p. m.
11:00 a. m.	Devine	5:45 p. m.
11:20 a. m.	Moore	5:25 p. m.
11:40 a. m.	Eden	5:05 p. m.
11:52 a. m.	Pearsall	4:55 p. m.
12:08 p. m.	Derby	4:35 p. m.
12:27 p. m.	Dilley	4:00 p. m.
12:57 p. m.	Millett	3:47 p. m.
1:30 p. m.	COTULLA	3:35 p. m.
1:38 p. m.	Tuna	3:06 p. m.
1:40 p. m.	Twohig	2:57 p. m.
2:10 p. m.	Burro	2:38 p. m.
2:25 p. m.	Enenal	2:25 p. m.
2:45 p. m.	Cactus	2:05 p. m.
3:03 p. m.	Webb	1:47 p. m.
3:28 p. m.	Green	1:24 p. m.
3:40 p. m.	Sanchez	1:14 p. m.
3:55 p. m.	LAREDO	1:00 p. m.

LEROY TRICE, General Superintendent, Palestine, Texas.
D. J. PRICE, Gen. Pass. and Ticket Agent.

FRAZIER'S HACK LINE

Between Cotulla and Carrizo Springs.

Hack from Carrizo Springs arrives every Tuesday, and leaves Wednesday morning. Fare \$2.50 or \$5.00 for round trip. Leave orders at the RECORD office. JOHN FRAZIER, Proprietor.

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OFFICIAL.	
Governor	Charles A. Culberson
Congressman	Rudolph K. Klumb
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District Judge	M. F. Lowe
District Attorney	C. A. Davies
District & County Clerk	George H. Knaggs
Sheriff & Tax Collector	S. V. Edwards
County Judge	J. N. Daniel
County Attorney	C. C. Thomas
Assessor	James Breeding
Surveyor	J. M. Daniel
Treasurer	L. A. Kerr
Hide & Animal Inspector	J. T. Mitschinger
Commissioner of Public Lands	James T. Carr

Justice precinct No. 1	D. W. Melkey
" " " 2	M. T. Dunham
" " " 3	None
" " " 4	W. S. Cobb
" " " 5	Wm. Waugh
" " " 6	A. J. Anglin
Constable precinct No. 1	Warner Petty
" " " 2	J. W. Harper

CHURCHES.

Baptist Church—Rev. F. A. Starratt, Pastor.—Services:—2nd Sunday morning at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 9:30 a. m., J. A. Landrum, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. Every body cordially invited to attend all these services.

Methodist Church—Rev. M. T. Allen, Pastor.—Services:—3rd and 4th Sunday in each month at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 9:45 a. m., Dr. J. M. Williams, Superintendent. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:45 p. m. Every body cordially invited to attend all these services.

Presbyterian Church—Rev. S. J. McMurray, Pastor.—Services:—On Wednesday after the 4th Sunday in each month at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 a. m. E. Willenthal, Superintendent. Every body cordially invited.

SOCIETIES.

Knights of Honor—Cotulla Lodge, No. 3105. Meet 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights in each month, in their hall over Keok Bros. Geo. H. Knaggs, Dictator. G. Philipe, Reporter.

Woodmen of World—La Salle Lodge, No. 125. Meet 1st and 3rd Friday in each month, in the hall over Keok Bros. Dr. J. W. Williams, C. C. G. Philipe, Clerk.

T. Y. Sullivan,...

Tonsorial Artist.
You will get the best attention at my shop.
Shop on Front St., Cotulla, Tex

Mrs. S. M. Barret.

First-Class board. Sunny rooms, day, week or month, hot and cold water, Terms \$1 per day.
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S. T. DOWE,

Attorney-at-Law.
Collection of Claims a Specialty. Prompt and Careful Attention Given to all Business Entrusted to me.
COTULLA, TEXAS.

They Were Wed.

Pretty Miss Polly declared she'd not wed, she'd "rather, yes rather, far rather, be dead. 'Twere better to be in the cold, cold grave Than to be some horrid man's humble slave, 'For what is a wife but a slave?" she said, "A slave when once she is wed!"

A handsome young Harry, too, said he'd not wed. For a wife must be petted and pampered and fed. 'Twere better to live your life all alone, That your nose may escape the proverbial grindstone.

"For a husband is naught but a slave!" he said, "A slave when once he is wed."

As might be expected, this perverse young pair Fell in love at first sight and did straightway declare 'Twere better, far better, they twain should be one Than lonely to sigh and true happiness shun, 'For love is a slave, yes a slave!" so they said, "Forever as slave," and they wed.—Selected.

Military Exemptions.

The vice president of the United States. The officers, judicial and executive of the United States. All members of both houses of congress. All custom house officers and their clerks. All postmasters and persons employed in the transportation of United States mails. All ferrymen employed at any ferry on public roads. All inspectors of exports. All artificers and workman employed in the armories and arsenals of the United States. All pilots. All marines actually employed in the sea service of any citizen or merchant within the United States. The lieutenant governor and the heads of the several executive departments of the state government.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION.

The State of Texas and County of La Salle. To the unknown owner of the following described land and all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the state of Texas and County of La Salle for taxes, to wit: 640 acres of land in La Salle county Texas out of survey No. 1116 abstract No. 818 certificate No. 5 original grantee, Ruidoc Irrigation Company which said land is delinquent for taxes, interest and costs for the following amount \$46.71 for state and county taxes, interest and costs and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought for the collection of said amount and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the May term of the district court of La Salle county, and state of Texas, being the regular term thereof, to be held at the court house thereof at Cotulla, on the 4th Monday of May 1898, same being the 23rd day of May 1898, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes, interest and costs and cost of suit.

Attest: Geo. H. Knaggs clerk of the district court in and for La Salle county state of Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in [L. S.] Cotulla Texas, this 16th day of April 1898.

of La Salle, for taxes, to wit: 320 acres of land in La Salle county Texas out of survey No. 56 abstract No. 197 certificate No. 129 originally granted and patented to A. J. Harris which said land is delinquent for taxes interest and costs for the following amount: \$19.68 for state and county taxes, interest and costs, and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought for the collection of said amount and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the May term of the district court of La Salle county, and state of Texas, being the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court house thereof, at Cotulla on the 4th Monday in May, 1898, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes interest, costs, and cost of suit.

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March, April, May.

These are the months in which to purify your blood. The blood is impure and depleted in quality, hence that tired languid feeling Boils, pimples, eruptions which make their appearance now indicate the impure state of the blood. Red Clover with Sarsaparilla will completely renovate the system, remove all imperfections from the skin and produce rich red blood. Manufactured by J. M. Williams, Cotulla Texas.

A. C. Smith's .. Piano Rental Exchange.



Pianos, Organs, Sheet Music and Music Goods.
I Sell Strictly First-Class Goods at reasonable prices.

I promise to make it Greatly to your interest to call, or write to me before you buy.
A. C. Smith, 235 E. Houston St. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

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Seaside coats stripes and linen colors 75c. Woven cloth (same on both sides) \$1. and \$1.25. Alpaca and serge \$1. to \$3.

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Pants of all shades in woven cloth, white or striped duck \$1. to \$1.50. All are fast colors and washable goods.

Because these prices are lower than you have been paying is no reason you should not buy.

We take your measure Wana-maker & Brown do the rest.

J. A. LANDRUM & CO.

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CHARLES MAGERSTADT,

THE ONLY PRACTICAL HATTER IN SAN ANTONIO. 131 SOLEDAD STREET, NEAR OLD COURT HOUSE, SAN ANTONIO.

Hat cleaning and dying a specialty. Bargains in new stockmen's hats. Price list. Felt hats cleaned and blocked 50c; new trimmings 75c and \$1.00; Fine Panama hats, cleaned and bleached 50c, new trimmings 75c; First-class work guaranteed.

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T. LEE MOORE and WM. N. TERRY, Editors and Proprietors. Subscription \$1.00 Per Year in Advance.

Application has been made at the Postoffice Cotulla, Texas, to enter this paper as second class matter.

Advertising Rates. Business Cards, Per Year, \$10.00. Display Ads., Per Inch, Per Month, \$1.00.

Local Advertising. Per Line, Straight, 5 cents.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 1898.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

What is the matter with the candidates?

Our Country's Call.

At last to arms our country calls Our honor to defend, Who fain will shirk his duty When all of us depend.

The main question at present does not seem to be the Maine question, but how much money must be expended to settle the Spanish question.

We had a heavy rain Thursday night, accompanied by hail, and from the noise of the hail falling on the tin roof of our residence, we almost concluded that we were being shelled from Moro

SIXTY YEARS OF SPAIN.

Spain has Had Insurrections and Revolutions Continuously for the Past Sixty Years.

Queen Isabella, a child three years old, succeeded to Spanish throne in 1833, her father (Ferdinand VII) having abolished the Salic law. Her father's brother, Don Carlos, the next male heir, "protested and organized the first Carlist rebellion."

In 1840 the regent queen, Christina, was driven from the country by a military revolution and General Espartero, who had beaten Don Carlos, became regent.

In 1843 another revolution drove Espartero out and brought Queen Christina back. Isabella was declared "of age" and married to her cousin, Francis d'Assis, and her sister Maria to Montpensier, heir to the French throne.

In 1854 a military insurrection under General O'Donnell forced the restoration of the constitution of 1837.

In 1836 Madrid revolted and the kingdom was declared in a state of seige.

In 1860 the second carlist war broke out in favor of Don Carlos II. It was suppressed and the claimant died, being succeeded by his brother Don Juan.

Insurrections were too numerous to mention between 1865 and 1868. They were each suppressed, but one was always treating on the other's heels.

In September, 1873, a military insurrection against the throne, headed by Prim and Serrano, was successful, and Queen Isabella fled to France with her mother and children.

revolution involving 8,000 troops broke out in Madrid and insurrections in other places. Many skirmishes were fought and the kingdom placed under military law.

During the next four years peace fell upon the land, broken only by constant labor riots and the shooting of strikers.

In 1891 an attempt at military revolution at Barcelona came to grief. At Cadis and Bilbao bombs were exploded, but the people refused to "come out."

The year 1892 was distinguished by fierce rioting and fighting at Bilbao, Barcelona, Madrid, Grenada, Valencia, crunna and other cities.

Troops were ordered to the Basque provinces in 1893 to prevent revolution, and since then there has been left for colonies. New York World.

Sudious Habits.

One of the gravest mistakes of the day is the idea which is ordinarily carried into practice that when the school days are over then training ceases.

There is no reason why the studious habits acquired during the school days should not be continued indefinitely. Surely, as the mind matures and becomes able to grasp facts more clearly, the acquiring of knowledge ought to become easier.

It would be time well spent if farmers and artisans of country districts could spend two evenings a week at the schoolhouse reciting lessons, farm economy or public affairs, listening to lectures or watching demonstrations of ways to make a acre of land produce as much as is now cleared from two.

THEY MET IN AFRICA.

Captain Sebree and a Negro Who Had Returned to Barbarism.

Here is a good Missouri story, which possessed not only the additional one of never having appeared in print. Its authenticity is vouched for by and of the most accurately informed and widely known public men in the state.

An elder brother of Frank P. Sebree, of Kansas City, is Captain Uriel Sebree, a distinguished officer of the United States navy. The Sebree boys are the sons of the late Judge John Sebree, of old Howard county.

Back in the early seventies Captain Sebree, as coasting with his vessel along western Africa and cast anchor one day at a small village for the purpose of taking on a supply of fresh water and vegetables. He soon observed among the natives who were engaged in bringing the supplies on board a negro who spoke the English language very plainly, although he wore the garb and had the appearance of a native.

Capt. Sebree walked up to him on the deck and said: "I notice you speak the English language; where did you learn it?"

"In the United States, sir, was born in that country."

"Born in the United States—what state?"

"Missouri, sir."

Sebree had become thoroughly interested.

"What county in Missouri did you come from?" he asked.

"From Howard county, sir. I was born there, near a town called Fayette," was the reply.

"When did you leave there?"

"In 1840, sir."

Light began to dawn upon Capt. Sebree. He looked at the negro closely, and although many years had passed, he recognized in the face of the negro a barbarian of Africa whom he had seen in the

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"So you live near Fayette now?"

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It was now the negro's turn to be surprised. "Po' God, man, who is you, anyhow?"

"I am the little boy that you used to play with—Uriel Sebree—don't you remember me, Sam?"

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Our worthy young County Attorney, Covey C. Thomas gave us a brief to print this week, and besides considerable other job work, it has caused us to be late in getting out the RECORD, therefore we must beg our readers to excuse us and we will try to do better in the future.

The San Antonio Express says: The fellows who were only waiting for spring weather to start to the Clondike are now carefully scanning the bulletin boards or keeping in touch with the recruiting officers.

Yes, or making arrangements to move some where in close proximity to a cave or some other safe retreat.

Our National Banner.

O'er the high and o'er the lowly, Flights that banner bright and holy, In the rays of Freedom's sun, In the nation's heart embosomed, O'er our Union newly woven, One in all, and all in one.

Let that banner wave forever, May its lustrous stars fade never, Till the stars shall pale on night: While there's right in the wrong, Defeating, Who o'er there, hope in the hearts beating, Truth and Freedom shall not die.

As it floated 'fore before us, Be it ever floating o'er us, O'er our land from shore to shore; There are freemen yet to wave it, Millions who would die to save it—Wave it say it, evermore.

Things to Remember.

Love is like a convex mirror—it broadens what we see in it.

There is much of both the lion and donkey in everybody.

The more heart we put into a hard task the lighter our toil becomes.

Duty inquires, "What must I do?" Love asks, "What may I do?"

New circumstances often show us what strangers we have been to ourselves.

When a man begins to suspect that he is a fool it will not be long before he knows it.

military rule, which were suppressed with bloodshed and cruelty.

A government "by regency," with Serrano as the "regent," was established June 5, 1868.

November 16, 1870, Amadeus, a younger son of Victor Emmanuel, was elected king. He reigned from December 4th to February 11th, 1873, resigning.

In 1872, a third Carlist war broke out in favor of Don Carlos III, son of Don Juan, proclaimed King Charles VII, which gave Spain four years of the bloodiest and most devastating civil war.

June 18, 1873, the cortes proclaimed a republic, and Pi y Margall was chosen president.

July 9th Salmeron succeeded Pi y Margall. September 7th Castelar succeeded Salmeron.

A series of revolutionary movements for cantonal sovereignty followed, and between the republican insurrections in the south and the Carlist in the north. Castelar resigned—January 1874—and the republic fell to pieces.

Serrano held the executive power at Madrid until January 9, 1876, when Alfonso, one of Isabella's many "irregular" children, was proclaimed king by the armies of the center and north.

March 1, 1876, Don Carlos fled to France, and the kingdom, torn by ten years of civil wars within civil wars, had peace for a few weeks, until the Basque provinces revolted in April.

In 1883 there was a revolt in the army spreading from Barcelona to Cartagena.

In 1884 a "military conspiracy" was discovered in the army and stamped out, and half a dozen republican risings came to nothing.

In 1886 there were serious riots in Madrid, widespread conspiracies by republicans were stamped out through Catalonia, a revolution was started at Cartagena and the king fled. "Spain was on the verge of revolution."

September 19, 1889, a military

cultivation and the care of the soil ought to be apparent to the young mind. But as soon as the young leaves school the books are thrown aside, tossed in the attic, perhaps never to be opened again; the hours are spent in idleness or amusement and the only partially developed powers of mind and body are turned into reactions where not the slightest benefit can be derived. There is not a moment in the ordinary school course for the child to acquire the knowledge necessary to a successful career. How important, then, to supplement this by the regular and systematic study of subjects that are so common to one's everyday pursuit and to the working out of problems with which will make all the rest of one's after life more smooth and render the achievement of success easier and more brilliant than is ordinarily the lot of the prosperous business man.

It is easy enough to devote an hour or two each day to the acquisition of a language or the investigation of some popular subject, but to do this most satisfactorily the studious habit formed during school days should never be given up. Instructors are somewhat to blame for the fact the pupils consider themselves to an extent finished when they leave school. It would be far better if the fact were kept steadily before their minds that not only are the schoolhouse and graduation day not the end of a student's career, but that they are very truth nothing more nor less than the beginning.—N. Y. Ledger.

Made a Mistake.

Old Birch, who taught the village school, wedded a maid of homely habit; He was stubborn as a mule, And show was playful as a rabbit. Poor Kate had a acre be one a wife Before her maid and son to make her Think of estate polished life, and prize and formal as a Quaker.

One day the favor went abroad, And simply Kate sadly missed him, When he returned, both a her red, She shyly stole, and fondly kissed him. The husband's anger rose, and red And while his face alternate grew "I a freedom, ma'am!" Kate signed and said Oh dear! I did 't know 'twas you."

The contented mind has a continual feast.

Kin! words, like fragrant flowers, are admired by all.

Don't waste today's strength fighting tomorrow's battles.

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Smith & Welsh DENTISTS.

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A \$100. ORGAN, \$16. GUITAR, AND 25 PER CENT CASH COMMISSIONS.

The first person sending in 100 subscribers, with the cash, will receive a \$100. Farrand & Votey Organ.

The person sending in the second largest list will receive a \$16. guitar.

All persons getting up clubs will receive 25 per cent on all subscriptions taken.

As an extra inducement we will give all persons, competing for Organ or Guitar, a commission of 10 per cent on all orders taken.

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SEND IN AN ESTIMATE ON THE COTTON CROP SEASON OF 1897-98

CONTEST BEGAN MARCH 1—ENDS SEPT. 1, '98.

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AN EXTRAORDINARY OFFER TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS!

First Award: To the subscriber or subscribers naming the first most correct estimate we will give if the estimate is received during March, 1898, \$2,500. If during April, 1898, 2,000. If during May or June 1898, 1,500. If during July or August, 1898, 1,000.

Second Award: To the subscriber or subscribers naming the next nearest we will give if the estimate is received during March, 1898, \$1,500. If during April, 1898, 1,250. If during May or June 1898, 1,000. If during July or August, 1898, 750.

Third Award: To the subscriber naming the second next nearest we will give if the estimate is received during March, 1898, \$1,000. If during April, 1898, 750. If during May or June 1898, 500. If during July or August, 1898, 250.

SO, THAT THE FIRST THREE PRIZES AMOUNT TO \$5,000 IN CASH.

Note Specially. If the EXACT figures are not given during this contest, the money will be paid out to the NEAREST TO THE EXACT figures. Somebody will get the money, it does not go back to the Constitution by any means. Those who solve the problem at the longest range will receive proportionately the highest prizes, as you notice the figures grow less as the time expires and because the number of sales received up to certain dates, as the time advances, can be known exactly, leaving shorter time and probabilities to figure against.

In all three of the cases submitted it is distinctly understood that, should more than one correct or equally correct estimate be filed in the contest, the amount of the prizes so there will be divided equally among the correct answers. The prizes are offered in cash, correct answer, but this is brain versus brain, skill versus skill, pencil versus pencil, figures versus figures. Every man is interested in the cotton crop, the amount of the crop varies the price and the price of cotton in our territory is the barometer of the people's prosperity.

On Such a Vital Problem You Ought to Make Figures. THE CONTEST CLOSSES SEPT. 1st

The estimate is to be made upon the total United States Cotton Crop for 1897-98, the crop that has already been gathered and is now in the country as official figures of receipts will show it from Sept. 1, 1897, to Sept. 1, 1898. This is not the crop that is to be planted this spring, because the figures thereon will not be obtainable until Sept. 1, 1899. It is for the crop already in and marketed, official figures of which will be announced in September. As a guide for making your estimate we give official figures for each of the last ten crops. The conditions under which this last crop was grown and its probable output are elements for you to compute from and will aid in the correctness of your present estimate.

Table with columns: Season, Acres planted, Bales in crop, Season, Acres planted, Bales in crop. Rows include 1887-88, 1888-89, 1889-90, 1890-91, 1891-92.

Their Estimate of the Acreage for the Crop of the Season of 1897-98 is 23,320,000 Acres.

Following are the Conditions of the Contest: First—If the prizes offered under the EXACT estimate upon the number of bales, the prizes offered under the NEAREST TO THE EXACT figures, then the second prize would come in for the second nearest estimate and the third prize for the third nearest estimate.

ADDRESS ALL CLUBBING ORDERS TO THE RECORD, COTULLA, TEXAS.

LOCAL PERSONAL.

Miss Maggie Gilmer is visiting relatives at Twohig.

Fresh hams 10c lb. Landrum.

The rain Thursday night put the Nueces out of her banks.

If you want cookstove go to Keck Bros.,

Miss Eulalie Arnett has been visiting the Missis Irvin this week.

Go to Simon Cotulla & Co. for any old sweet thing.

Pride of Illinois corn, 2 cans for 25c, Landrum.

Conty Att'y Covey C. Thomas attended the picnic at Encinal to day.

Nice onions 2lbs. 5c, Landrum.

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We learn that the young people had a very enjoyable party at the residence of Capt. J. N. Daniel last night.

Fresh Hams 10 cts. per pound S. A. Morgan.

Keck Bros. sell the old reliable Studebaker wagon.

Rev. S. J. McMurray of Laredo filled his regular appointment at the Presbyterian church here this week.

For prices of ECLIPSE WIND MILLS call on Keck Bros.

Copying or typewriting, E. C. Stevens at S. T. Dowe's office,

Mrs. W. T. Tivy of Mountain Home Ark., daughter of J. J. Yowell, arrived this week and will make this her future home.

If you want good family paper at \$1.00 a year, the Record is the paper.

Call on S. A. Morgan for prices before buying elsewhere.

Mrs. E. Vesper and children returned from San Antonio this week.

"If at first you don't succeed," try advertising in the Record.

Go to Keck Bros. for barb wire. Prices as low as the lowest.

Try a bottle of Half-Hour Headache cure only 25 cents. J. M. WILLIAMS.

Oranges, Lemons, Bananas, Apples, cheaper than the cheapest. S. A. Morgan.

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For sale—thorough-bred Maltese Jack. Or will make the season for \$10. at my place, 8 miles west of Cotulla. J. W. ELKINS.

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No man deserves a compliment till he learns how to profit by a criticism.

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MARRIAGES.

GUINN-JOHNSON.

Miss Bertha Guinn, daughter of B. W. Guinn, was married to Mr. B. A. Johnson, a telegraph operator of Ennis, Texas, today. They left immediately for Ennis their future home. The RECORD extends congratulations.

WILKINS-MILLER.

Miss Jane Wilkins and Mr. Jno M. Miller, both of Dimmit county were married Wednesday, Judge J. N. Daniel officiating. We extend best wishes to the happy couple.

WINSLOW-KAUFFMAN.

Miss Maggie Winslow was married to Mr. Dan Cauffman both of Millett April 28th. Mr. Waugh officiating. The writer joins their friends in wishing the young couple a long life of unlimited happiness.

LEE-SPARKS.

Miss Libbie Lee of Divine, and Mr. Eldridge Sparks who is in the employ of the I. & G. N. Ry. at this place, were married last week, at the residence of her sister, Mrs. J. B. Coleman, Judge J. N. Daniel officiating. We extend congratulations, though a little late, and wish the young people much happiness and prosperity.

BIRTHS.

BORN.—to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Burwell, Wednesday morning, a baby girl. Mother and child doing well.

BORN.—to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Reynolds, Tuesday morning, a baby boy. Mother and child doing nicely.

Millett Chaff.

Miss Mayme Rowland is spending this week with relatives at Dilley.

Miss Carrie Cavender was the guest of Miss Waugh the latter part of the week.

Misses Keeler of Lona Vista are visiting their cousin Mrs. Binkley here this week.

J. M. Harris of Cibola was in the burg Monday.

C. C. Ellis was shaking hands with friends here this week.

Messrs Harper, Will Earnest, June Winslow and Fred Ray returned last Saturday from Tilden where they have been building fence for H. W. Earnest.

D. W. McKey sold a train load of cattle to John Lytle of San Antonio Monday.

Austin Ellis of Cibola was visiting his sister Mrs. J. A. Rowland at this place Saturday.

Mrs. A. M. Reynolds left for Twohig Monday where she is visiting her daughter Mrs. Jack Hill.

Mrs. J. W. McCombs returned Sunday from Big Foot where she has been visiting her sick sister Mrs. Whitley.

On April 30th a grand picnic will be given by the young people on the Cibola about three miles town. A cordial invitation is extended to all every one come and bring a basket of good things. THE BIG THREE.

We are sorry to say that Simon Cotulla is quite ill.

List of Patents.

Granted to Texas inventors this week. Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C.:

Joe Bennett, Coleman, Branding-chute; Geo. G. Clark, Sherman, Electric furnace; Henry B. Roach, Paris Washin-machine; James M. Teamer, Palestine, Protected rail-joint; Louis R. Waiting, Terrell, Car-coupling;

For copy of any of the above patents, send ten cents in postage stamps with date of this paper to C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C.

Special Notice.

We beg to announce that on and after May second, 1893, we shall sell strictly for CASH. Accounts will be kept only with customers who have a deposit with us or those who render bankable collateral. By refusing to extend credit on open account we shall mean no reflection on any one but business for all— However, we offer you such prices on these terms as will command attention:—Hams 10c. Pure lard 8c Compound 6c Potatoes small 1c Colorados 2c Dried Peaches 8c Lamp chimney 5c 4300 parlor matches 25c.

Simpson or Garner calicoes, fast colors 5c Pins 3 papers 5c 144 Agate Buttons 5c 50 wire hairpins 5c

Our best shirt \$1.15 (was \$1.50) \$2.50 shoes \$2.15 Box toe boots \$4.75.

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J. A. LANDRUM & Co.,

Misses Alice and Amy Wheeler arrived yesterday on a visit to Mrs. Tom Gardner.

Many a man has cheated himself while trying to defraud somebody else.

It is a blessing to any one who does wrong for meanness to be discovered by the world.

Men who are too busy to do right always manage somehow to find time enough to do wrong.

Items of Interest.

One of the most curious conditions of the hair is that known as albinism. The perfect albino has hair of a dull milky or pearly white color, usually very soft and silky. The pupil of the eye is of a bright red color, and the iris is generally pink. Albinism is due to want of pigment in the eye being supplied due to the blood circulating at the back of the eyeball. True albinism may be regarded as hereditary. Thus many families are and have been for many generations albinos in Circassia, a province of Russia. For this reason Circassian slaves were highly prized by Turkish sultans; and in their many raids the Turkish Pashas were obliged to hand over the albino women for the sultan's harem.

"What a beautiful, impressive line that is," exclaimed the man who quotes poetry; "if the waters could speak as they flow!" "It doesn't impress me," answered the practical friend. "I believe in letting well enough alone. If you had sat down in the cellar keeping track of the story that the gas tells as it flows, you'd be satisfied to go ahead paying so much a year for your water and not bother with a meter."—Washington Star.

—Extraordinary qualities are possessed by the River Tinto, in Spain. It hardens and petrifies the sand of its bed, and if a stone falls in the stream and alights upon another, in a few months they unite and become one stone. Fish cannot live in its waters.

A Liverpool corporation omnibus conductor has solved, at his own expense, the difficulty of seeing coins and tickets on the outside of the vehicle at night. In his necktie he wears a breastpin which can at will be illuminated with electricity, and by this means he is enabled to easily ascertain what sort of a coin is handed to him, and quickly give change.

A new method of applying chemicals to extinguish fires is being tried, in which a recess is formed in the hose nozzle and a solid chemical inserted, to be dissolved by the water passing over it, when the chemical substance is renewed.

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Funnygraphs.

"Well, how did you like the picnic?" Yost—"I was so glad to get me again that I was glad I went."—Up-to-Date.

"I believe your young college classmate is attracting much attention in the circles here." "By his talents?" "No; by his shakels."—Harvard Impoon.

A boy being asked to describe a kitten said: "A kitten is remarkable for being like mad at nothing whatever and stopping before it gets there." He must have been the same boy who thus defined scandal: "It is when nobody ain't done nothing, and somebody goes and tells."—London Tit-bits.

"For 12 long years," roared Spartacus, "I have met every form of man or beast the broad empire of Rome could furnish. The Numidian lion—" A voice—"How about the Welsh rabbit?" Cheers and cat-calls and much confusion in the rear of the arena.—Puck.

Mistress—"Your name is Maginnis, you say. But what is your first name?" Maid—"Mem?" Mistress—"What is your first name? Mary, Bridget—" Maid—"It's me second name ye'd be after. That is Mary. I was a Maginnis before I was Mary, don't ye mind?"—Boston Transcript.

A Mild Request. — Ethel — "O Clarence! Do you really mean what you say—that you will do anything I ask of you?" Clarence Sophomore—"Darling!—you have heard me swear it." Ethel—"Then, dearest, please, please, get yourself appointed center rush on the Yale football team next year."—Puck.

Not Disposed to Cevil.

"Do you object to having a sentence ended with a preposition?" inquired one member of congress.

"It all depends on circumstances," replied the other. "When some people here get started, I'd be thankful to have them end the entire address with any part of speech that comes handy."—Washington Star.

A Ventriloquist in Jail.

Monte La Crofte, who is lingering for a few days behind the bars of the city prison, is an all-round phenomenon.

His greatest feat is ventriloquism. This business he has developed to an astonishing degree. Last night a drunkard was put behind the grating of the same room with La Crofte.

La Crofte pulled his cot up close to the drunkard's. All at once there was a most unearthly screaming and howling in the dark ceiling of the room. The drunkard became excited. Then there was a pause.

All at once the awful noise began again—this time right under the drunkard's cot. With a howl the intoxicated individual bounded out into the middle of the room. He ran to the iron door, and yelled to Jailer Dagg.

"Help! Help! Come quick! There are wildcats in here!"

The rest of the prisoners caught on to the game, and began to help the ventriloquist along. One of them whispered to him to rake up some of the drunkard's past history. So, after things had again quieted down, a voice, apparently coming right out of the thin air near the drunken man's head, said:

"I am the spirit of John McGill. You hit me on the head with a stone, and from the effects of the injury I died. I have come back to haunt you and damn your soul."

Shivers of terror shook the carcass of the drunkard. Chilly sweat stood in moist profusion on his face.

"To-night you are going to die," continued the voice.

"Help, Dagg! Help," groaned the victim of strong drink.

"Five minutes more is all you have to live," said the voice in terrible earnestness.

"Don't hurt me! Don't do it!" sobbed the man.

"In just five minutes I will dig my claws into you, tear your heart out. I am the spirit of John McGill, whom you killed."

All the evening the voice artist tortured the helpless inebriate. It was probably the worst case of delirium tremens the man ever had. Finally the drunkard got sober, and when he found out the trick that had been played, he chased La Crofte with a chair, and would have done the ventriloquist harm had not the jailer interfered.—Tupika Capital.

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By H. Rider Haggard.

"And does that man hate you, lady?" "No," she answered, turning her head aside; "but if he loves me, I believe that he loves power more."

"Sirs, I learn now that you are to accompany us to the City of the Heart, should we live to reach it."

"Come if you will, but be warned, my people are a jealous people, and the name of a stranger is hateful to them."

"Now, sirs, choose whether you will accompany us in our march toward the City of Waters, or whether you will set your faces to the sea."

"I listened to these words which the lady Maya spoke very earnestly and with power, and understood that they meant much; they meant that in going to the City of the Heart we were, as she believed, going to our doom."

"I am glad that you are going, since you go of your own free will," she said, smiling. "May our fears be confounded and our journey and ours prove prosperous. And now let us rest, for you must be very weary, as I am, and we should be stirring before the dawn."

"Next morning at the first break of light we started on our journey, riding on three of the mules that we had captured, and leading the fourth laden with our goods and water skins. Very glad were all of us to see the last of that ruined temple, and yet it was sad to me to leave it, for there, hidden beneath some of the masses of the fallen masonry, lay all that was left of my friend and foster brother, Molah, he whose heavy hand and wit had saved our lives at the cost of his own."

"Our plan was to avoid villages where we might be seen by men, and keep ourselves hidden in the forest, for we had brought to account because of the death of Don Pedro and his companions; and this we were able to do, since having guns and ammunition in plenty we shot birds and deer for our food."

"Traveling thus on mule back soon our strength returned to us, even to the old man Zilbalbay, who had suffered the most from fatigue and from ill-treatment at the hands of the white men. In something less than a week we had passed through the inhabited districts of Yucatan and far out of the reach of the white man, and now were journeying through the forest toward the great Sierra that lies beyond."

"The sonar was never weary of questioning the silent Zilbalbay as to the history of the legend of the land through which we journeyed, or of listening to the lady Maya's description of the City of the Heart, till even she grew tired and begged him to speak instead of the country across the water where he was born of the ceaseless busy life, and the wonders of civilization."

"Strange as it may seem, I, who watched them both from day to day, know it to be true that she was in mind the more modern of the two, so much so indeed that in listening to their talk I might have fancied that she was the child of the new world, filled with the spirit of to-day, and he the heir of a proud and secret race dying beneath its weight of years."

"I cannot understand you," she would say to him. "Why do you so love histories and fables and stories of people that have long been dead? I hate them. Once they lived, and doubtless were well enough in their place and time, but now they are past and done with, and it is we who live, live live!" and she stretched out her arms as though she would clasp the sunshine to her breast.

"I tell you," she went on, "that this home of mine of which you are so fond of talking is nothing but a great burying place, and those who dwell in it are like ghosts who wander to and fro."

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The State of Texas and County of La Salle,

To the unknown owner of the following described parcel of land and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the state of Texas and county of La Salle for taxes to-wit:

An undivided one half of Block No. 5 in the town of Cotulla, La Salle County, Texas, as shown by a recorded map or plat of said town which said land is delinquent for taxes, interest and costs for the following amount: \$12.88 for state and county taxes, interest, and costs and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought

for the collection of said amount and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the May term of the District court of La Salle county, and state of Texas, being the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court house thereof, at Cotulla, on the 4th Monday in May, 1898, same being the 23rd day of May 1898, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land (or lots) and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes, interest and costs and cost of suit.

Attest: Geo. H. Knaggs clerk of district court in and for La Salle county, state of Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in [L. S.] Cotulla, Texas, this 16th day of April, 1898.

GEO. H. KNAGGS, Clerk District court La Salle county Texas.

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640 acres of land in La Salle county, Texas, out of survey No. 35, abstract No. 112, certificate No. 1-264, original grantee B. S. & F. patented, to E. D. Hardin which said land is delinquent for taxes, interest and costs for the following amounts: \$116.71 for state and county taxes interest and costs and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought for collection of said amount and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the May term of the district court of La Salle county, and state of Texas, being the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court house thereof, at Cotulla, on the 4th Monday in May, 1898, same being the 23rd day of May, 1898, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes, interest and costs and cost of suit.

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To Z. P. Dedrick and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the state of Texas and county of La Salle, for taxes, to-wit:

All of lots one and two in block No. twenty-one (21) in the town of Cotulla, La Salle county, Texas, as shown by a recorded map or plat of said town, which said land is delinquent for taxes, interest and costs for the following amounts: \$18.51 for state and county taxes, interest and costs and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought for the collection of said amount, you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the May term of the district court of La Salle county and state of Texas, being the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court house thereof, at Cotulla, on the 4th Monday in May, 1898, same being the 23rd day of May, 1898, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said lots, and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes, interest and costs and cost of suit.

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To L. Wall and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the state of Texas and county of La Salle, for taxes, to-wit:

All of lot No. 4, in block No. 6 in the town of Cotulla in state and county aforesaid as shown by a recorded map or plat of said town which said land is delinquent for taxes, interest and costs for the following amount: \$20.86 for state and county taxes interest and costs and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought for the collection of said amount, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the May term of the District court of La Salle county, and state of Texas, being the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court house thereof, at Cotulla, on the 4th Monday in May, 1898, same being the 23rd day of May, 1898, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land, and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes, interest and costs and cost of suit.

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640 acres of land in La Salle county, Texas, out of survey No. 1251, abstr. No. 1579, cert. No. 719, original grantee, H. E. & W. T. patented to E. R. Lane, which said land is delinquent for taxes, interest and costs for the following amount: \$44.50 for state and county taxes, interest and costs and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought for the collection of said amount, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the May term of the district court of La Salle county, and state of Texas, being the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court house thereof, at Cotulla, on the 4th Monday in May, 1898, same being the 23rd day of May, 1898, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes, interest and costs, and cost of suit.

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320 acres of land in La Salle county, Texas, out of survey No. 9, abstract No. 180, certificate No. 3457, originally granted and patented to J. D. Gilliland which said land is delinquent for taxes, interest and costs for the following amount: \$23.57 for state and county taxes, interest and costs and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought for the collection of said amount and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the May term of the district court of La Salle county, and state of Texas, being the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court house, at Cotulla, on the 4th Monday in May, 1898, same being the 23rd day of May, 1898, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land, and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes, interest and costs, and cost of suit.

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240 acres of land in La Salle county, Texas, out of survey No. 34, abstract No. 195, certificate No. 868, original grantee, T. J. Hall, which said land is delinquent for taxes, interest and costs for the following amount: \$81.09 for state and county taxes interest and costs and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought for the collection of said amount and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the May term of the district court of La Salle county, and state of Texas, being the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court house thereof, at Cotulla, on the 4th Monday in May, 1898, same being the 23rd day of May, 1898, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land, and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes, interest and costs and cost of suit.

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596 acres of land in La Salle county, Texas, out of survey No. 1811 Abst. 1183, Cert. No. 485, original grantee, G. C. & S. F. Patented to Geo. B. Robbins, which said land is delinquent for taxes, interest and costs for the following amount \$83.18 for State and County taxes, interest and costs and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought for the collection of said amount, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the May term of the District court of La Salle county, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court-house thereof, at Cotulla, on the 4th Monday in May, 1898, same being the 23rd day of May, 1898, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land, and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes, interest, costs and cost of suit.

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A \$5,000 Cash Offer!

This paper announces, in connection with The Atlanta Weekly Constitution, a new offer in which everyone may have a chance, SEND IN AN ESTIMATE ON

THE COTTON CROP SEASON OF 1897-98 CONTEST BEGAN MARCH 1—ENDS SEPT. 1, '98.

TO ENTER THIS CONTEST YOU MUST SUBSCRIBE FOR



IN CONNECTION WITH COTULLA RECORD, AT THE EXTREMELY LOW PRICE OF \$1.50

In connection with this Clubbing Rate, we will, if you send your guess with the subscription price, forward all for you and thus GIVE YOU A CHANCE AT THE SPLENDID CASH PRIZES

AN EXTRAORDINARY OFFER TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS!

Here it is, read it all very carefully and be sure you understand the terms: First Award: To the subscriber naming the exact number of bales in the cotton crop of 1897-98, we will give if the estimate is received during March, 1898, \$2,500. Second Award: To the subscriber or subscribers naming the first next nearest to what we will give if the estimate is received during March, 1898, \$1,500. Third Award: To the subscriber naming the second next nearest to what we will give if the estimate is received during March, 1898, \$1,000. Prizes are offered in cash. If during April, 1898, \$750. If during May or June, 1898, \$500. If during July or August, 1898, \$250. SO, THAT THE FIRST THREE PRIZES AMOUNT TO \$3,000 IN CASH.

Note Specially. If the EXACT figures are not given during this contest, the money will be paid out to the NEAREST TO THE EXACT figures. Somebody will get the money, it does not go back to The Constitution by any means. Those who solve the problem at the longest range will receive proportionately the highest prizes, as you notice the figures grow less as the time expires and because the number of bales received up to certain dates, as the time advances, can be known exactly, leaving shorter time and probabilities to figure against. In all three of the cases submitted it is distinctly understood that, should more than one correct or equally correct estimate be filed in the contest, the amount of the prizes so earned will be divided equally among the correct answers. The prizes are offered in cash. There is no "missing word" in this, no probability for some one to know absolutely the correct answer, but this is brain versus brain, skill versus skill, pencil versus pencil, figures versus figures. Every man is interested in the cotton crop, the amount of the crop varies the price and the price of cotton in our territory is the barometer of the people's prosperity. On Such a Vital Problem You Ought to Make Figures.

THE CONTEST CLOSES SEPT. 1st

The estimate is to be made upon the total United States Cotton Crop for 1897-98, the crop that has already been gathered and is now in the country as official figures of receipts will show it from Sept. 1, 1897, to Sept. 1, 1898. This is not the crop that is to be planted the crop already in and a later official figure of which will be announced in September. As a guide for making your estimate we give official figures for each of the last ten crops. The conditions under which this last crop was grown and its probable output are elements for you to compute from and will aid in the correctness of your present estimate.

Table with columns: Year, Acres planted, Bales in crop. Data for years 1887-88 to 1891-92.

Their Estimate of the Acreage for the Crop of the Season of 1897-98 is 23,320,000 Acres.

Following Are the Conditions of the Contest: First—If the prizes offered under the EXACT estimate upon the number of bales, the prizes offered under the second proposition will go to the nearest estimate, but if the first prizes are given for the NEAREST ESTIMATE, no one having named correctly the exact figures, then the second prizes would come in for the second nearest estimate and the third prizes for the third nearest estimate. Second—If from one should submit a correct estimate in one division of the time shown above and someone should send a correct estimate in some later division, this last estimate would take rank only among the second prizes, because the first had been previously awarded to someone who named the amount correctly in the former period. Third—The condition precedent for sending an estimate at the Cotton Crop is that each and every estimate must be accompanied by a year's subscription to The Weekly Constitution. If sent through the paper publishing this advertisement in acceptance of our clubbing offer, the estimate of the cotton crop will be forwarded. This must be sent in the identical envelope that brings the money that pays for the subscription. You cannot subscribe now and send your estimate afterwards, no forgetting it or leaving it out by accident or otherwise, or not knowing of this contest at the time you subscribe, or any other reason, will entitle one to send an estimate afterwards. The estimate must come with the subscription, not ours in forwarding your estimate, both as to the correctness of the figures as you intended them and the certainty of the forwarding of the estimate. Should a party send more than one estimate, he or she will be entitled to a share of the prize fund under which it may secure a prize for each correct estimate. Persons may enter the contest as many times as they send subscriptions, and under the rules the same person may receive a prize with each of the three propositions. Fourth—In making your answer just state simply "I estimate the number of bales of cotton will be for the year 1897-98, _____." Make your figures very plain. If you want to make estimates late, or if you want to repeat the estimates you have made, send other subscriptions. Don't forget every subscription for yourself or your friends will entitle you to an estimate.

ADDRESS ALL CLUBBING ORDERS TO THE RECORD, COTULLA, TEXAS.