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FORT CLARK TO BE RE-BUILT.

This is the way that the "Army and Navy Journal," "The Houston Chronicle" and the other big dailies of the country has it:

ARMY POST IMPROVEMENTS

Three in Texas Came in for Good Appropriation.

OVER ONE MILLION

Will Be Spent in Building Barracks, Etc.—Bulk of the Money for Fort Clark.

Special to The Chronicle.

Washington, D. C., July 18.—Announcement has been made by Quartermaster-General Humphreys of improvements which the war department contemplates making at the various army posts throughout the country during the current fiscal year. Three army posts in Texas are scheduled for extensive improvements and something over a million and a half dollars will be expended in new buildings, barracks, etc. The bulk of this money will be expended at Fort Clark, Texas. It is contemplated to rebuild this post for a garrison of regimental headquarters and eight troops of cavalry, by erecting on the present reserva-

tion new buildings for the accommodation of a command of that size.

Fort Bliss is to be enlarged to provide in addition to its present garrison of four companies of infantry for regimental headquarters and a band.

At Fort McIntosh it is proposed to enlarge the post to accommodate four companies of infantry.

The work to be done at Fort Clark is of considerable extent and something like a million dollars will be expended there to create a garrison post of regimental headquarters and to accommodate eight troops of cavalry. The buildings which it is proposed to erect there follows: Colonel's quarters, constructed of brick, three sets of field officers' quarters, ten sets of captains' quarters, six sets of lieutenants' quarters, ten sets of sergeants' quarters, all of brick, eight sets of quarters for non-commissioned staff officers of frame, barrack for band, guard house, administration building, quartermaster's storehouse, subsistence storehouse, all brick, eight cavalry stables, one field and staff band stand, one stable for quartermaster's department, one wagon shed, ordnance storehouse, all of frame, eight company barracks, of brick, hay shed, granary, oil house and bakery, of frame.

At Fort Bliss there is to be erected one set of field officers' quarters, one double set non-commissioned staff officers' quarters and a barrack for the band.

At Fort McIntosh there is to be constructed one set of field officers' quarters and deck barrack

This is the way that the San Antonio Express puts it;

FORT BLISS TO BE REGIMENTAL STATION

Money Improvements To Be Made at El Paso Post.

Will Result in Expenditure of a Great Deal of Money for Betterments Chaffee for Improvements on Rio Grande.

Quartermaster general of the army has allotted funds for the erection of new buildings to make Fort Bliss a regimental headquarters. Work on these structures will begin soon. All plans have been completed.

While no official announcement has been made from Washington of the fact here stated, it is known that General Chaffee while inspecting the department decided to establish a regimental headquarters on the Rio Grande and was favorable to El Paso because of the transportation advantages offered there. The improvements that will follow will amount to between \$40,000 and \$75,000 in cost and will consist of barracks, field officers' quarters, bandquarters and a remodeling of the consolidated mess hall to separate mess halls. In addition to making Fort Bliss a regimental headquarters, it is also contemplated to make a regimental post at Eagle Pass of Fort Clark

For several years by a studied system, the Express has stooped to injuring Fort Clark and Kinney County generally by this method of procedure. Everybody has noticed it. Everybody has talked about it, and everybody is wondering why it does it. Now let us look at the matter a moment. The Express is the mouth-piece of the business men of San Antonio. Brackett is a customer, of San Antonio to the amount of about \$500,000.00 per annum. The question is, should we continue to trade with

people who, undeservedly, treat us in this way. We have always entertained the kindest feeling for San Antonio, her people and her business men, and we have given her our entire business for half a century.

We dislike to part with our old friends yet human nature must turn upon a continual wanton and undeserved attack.

Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth or any other city in the state will appreciate our trade, and the business men of this little town will see to it that we will do our trading hereafter with people who will treat us fair and just.

The San Antonio Fair.

We are in receipt of the Seventh Annual Catalogue of the International Fair Association, San Antonio, Texas, which gives valuable information to those desirous of making exhibits at this Fair, which will open this year on October 21st and will close November 1st.

Ample premiums are offered in every department as inducements to exhibitors. It is gratifying to note that at every previous Fair held by this Association, all the great buildings on the grounds were filled to overflowing with the products of the farm, orchard, garden, ranch, and factory, and we are informed that the prospects are good for a larger number of exhibits at this year's Fair than ever before. Realizing that a successful Fair cannot be held without something to see, the management has made arrangements to have at the Fair this Fall, the grandest line of free attractions and paid shows that has ever been brought into the State. All attractions of every description will be of the highest

moral order, and first-class in every respect.

In the live-stock and agricultural departments, the Fair Association has been extremely liberal in the offering of premiums, realizing that Texas is the banner State in this Union in the production of these products, and realizing that a Fair as for its base the up-building of the great agricultural and live stock industry of the State. In these departments more money is offered exhibitors than at any Fair of exposition ever held in this State. They offered for County farm exhibits \$750.00, and over \$2,000.00 for individual farm exhibits. These liberal premiums ought to induce every County in the State to make an exhibit of its agricultural resources.

In the range cattle class over \$1,000.00 in premiums is offered.

J. M. Vance, Secretary of the Association, will be glad to mail copy of the premium list to anyone writing for same.

Hellow, Pard! What's the rush? I'm bound for the Brackett Hotel.

A new kind of salad has been introduced in Atchison which is so rich and highly seasoned it makes the eater dream they are holding his funeral in a pouring rain.

Occasionally we become so interested in the affairs of other people that we forget to attend to the duties that belong to our own sphere. It is far better to give persistent thought to the things dependent upon us rather than try to manage the things committed to our brethren. After we have met our own obligations fully, it will be time to busy ourselves about the matters of those next to us.

Little Mildred had had a nightmare, and was telling the family about it the next morning.

"When I woke up," she said, "I was still scared, and my heart was beating a tattoo."

Herr her elder sister interrupted. "How could your heart beat a tattoo?" she asked sarcastically.

"Guess it could do it on the drums of my ears, couldn't it?" demurred Mildred indignantly. —Youth's Companion.

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Word in the World.

With all the recent talk about patent medicines and the determined effort in certain quarters to cast discredit upon all household remedies which come under that head, the fact remains that some of these medicines are so firmly established in popular favor and confidence, have so proved their worth and value, that all the denunciations of bigots cannot destroy the people's faith in them.

One of the best known of these remedies is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, a medicine which for years has been accepted by the people as a standard preparation for the cure of those ailments to which women alone are subject and which has proved to be a certain cure in nine cases out of ten and a sure relief in the other one.

There is nothing to conceal about the Favorite Prescription. It is an absolutely pure medicine—made of roots and herbs, Nature's own restoratives. Dr. Pierce is perfectly willing to let every one know that his Favorite Prescription contains Blue Cohosh (Caulophyllum Thalictrifolium), Black Cohosh (Cimicifuga Racemosa), Lady's Slipper (Cypripedium Pubescens) and Golden Seal (Hydrastis Canadensis). Every doctor knows that such a prescription is beneficial in the diseases of women and when properly compounded is certain to effect a cure in practically all cases when given a fair trial. Hereafter every bottle of the Favorite Prescription will plainly tell of what the medicine is composed. Thus Dr. Pierce will once more prove to the world his own confidence in the remedy which for forty years has borne his name and which is known all over the world as a sovereign cure for those diseases which, unchecked, make our women old before their time.

There is no alcohol in the Favorite Prescription. Dr. Pierce never believed in using alcohol in the preparation of his famous household remedies. For it he substituted chemically pure glycerine, which has wonderful properties for extracting the medicinal principles of roots and herbs and barks and preserving them at their full strength, without any deleterious effect whatever.

Your druggist sells the Favorite Prescription and also that famous alternative and blood purifier, the Golden Medical Discovery. Write to Dr. Pierce about your case. He is a well-qualified physician and will treat your case confidentially and without charge. For correspondence, address him at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., of which he is Chief Consulting Surgeon.

An Actor's Pipe-Dream.
John S. Flaherty, manager of the Majestic theater in New York, was walking along Broadway with a theatrical friend, when the latter's attention was attracted by a fine meerschaum pipe in a show-window. After admiring it for a time, the actor suggested that they go inside and ask the price.

"How much for that carved pipe in the window?" he asked.
"Only fifty dollars," said the clerk.
"It's a beauty, and is the genuine article. Shall I show it to you?"
"But he did not show the pipe," said Flaherty, in relating the incident.
"For the actor was out of the door and strolling down the street. When I overtook him, I heard him say to himself: 'Two weeks' alimony for a pipe? Well, I guess not!'"—The Sunday Magazine.

Excuse All Sufficient.
On the day when the news of Togo's victory reached town a popular member of the Japanese colony had a dinner engagement with a New York family. Shortly before the appointed hour came his excuses in this dainty note: "I am very sorry that I shall disappoint you. I hope that you will forgive me and renew the invitation for some other time. But to-night it is impossible for to-night I am drunk."

Reads Like a Miracle.
Moravia, N. Y., July 17th.—(Special)—Bordering on the miraculous is the case of Mrs. Benj. Wilson, of this place. Suffering from Sugar Diabetes, she wasted away till from weighing 200 lbs. she barely tipped the scales at 130 lbs. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her. Speaking of her cure her husband, says:
"My wife suffered everything from Sugar Diabetes. She was sick four years and doctored with two doctors, but received no benefit. She had so much pain all over her that she could not rest day or night. The doctors said that she could not live."
"Then an advertisement led me to try Dodd's Kidney Pills and they helped her right from the first. Five boxes of them cured her. Dodd's Kidney Pills were a God-sent remedy to us and we recommend them to all suffering from Kidney Disease."

Dodd's Kidney Pills cure all Kidney Diseases, including Bright's disease, and all Kidney aches, including Rheumatism.

Siena, Italy, is famous for the large hats of its women, and the long horns of its cattle. The hats, which we know in America as Leghorn hats, are a peculiar product of Siena, although they are known abroad by the name of the city from which they are exported.

The truth may be mighty, for it's mighty scarce on tombstones.

YELLOW JACK IN NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Texas Quarantined Against Sister State—Health Officer Urges Texas Cities to Clean Up.

Galveston, Texas, July 22.—Texas has quarantined against New Orleans. Dr. George R. Tabor, State Health Officer, yesterday received a telegram from Dr. Souchon, president of the state Board of Health of Louisiana, stating that yellow jack has invaded the Crescent City, and yesterday afternoon Dr. Tabor promptly put an embargo against passengers coming from New Orleans. He will leave for that point this morning and make a personal inspection, after which further plans will be evolved for the establishment of detention camps at the railroad entrances to Texas, if these are deemed necessary. Pending this, however, Dr. Tabor has by wire instructed the ticket agents at New Orleans of the Texas & Pacific and Southern Railroads not to sell tickets to Texas points, and he has also through the same medium apprised Vice President Fay of the Southern Pacific that he has placed in effect the quarantine mentioned.

Dr. Tabor says that passengers destined to Texas points may pass through New Orleans, but they will be required to show the proper credentials. An inquiry was made of Dr. Tabor as to the number of yellow fever cases in New Orleans, and in reply he stated that he did not know, and also could not say from whence it came. He said, however, that he had previously received information of suspected cases being there, and yesterday received confirmation from the Louisiana State Health Officer of the report. He said that for some time he had been afraid that yellow fever would invade the port from Central and South America, as the authorities have been utilizing too much of their efforts in watching Texas and Mexico, and possibly neglected their own port.

The State Health Officer urges that all Texas towns immediately institute a campaign of cleaning up, as he says this is the best precaution toward preventing such disease. He states that while so far as he knows there is no cause for alarm, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Last night Dr. Tabor communicated to the City Health Physicians of Galveston, Houston, San Antonio, Orange and Beaumont the information he has received.

The telegrams sent out by Dr. Tabor yesterday were as follows:

"Galveston, Texas, July 21.—City Ticket Agents Texas & Pacific and Southern Pacific Railroads, New Orleans, La.—Do not sell tickets from New Orleans to any point in Texas.

George R. Tabor, "State Health Officer."
"Galveston, Texas, July 21.—T. Fay, Vice President Southern Pacific Railroad, Houston, Texas, and L. S. Thorne, Vice President Texas & Pacific Railroad, Dallas, Texas.—Do not permit passengers over your lines New Orleans into Texas until further notice, account of yellow fever at New Orleans.

"George R. Tabor, "State Health Officer."
"Galveston, Texas, July 21.—To City Health Physicians, Orange, Beaumont, Houston and San Antonio, Texas.—Yellow fever reported in New Orleans. Advise you not permit passengers from there.

"George R. Tabor, "State Health Officer."
Dr. Tabor has been here during the past few days relieving Dr. McClelland, the local quarantine officer at this point. The latter is expected home about the latter part of this month. During the absence of Dr. Tabor the local station will be in charge of an assistant.

Dr. Tabor called attention yesterday that last year about this time he was called from Galveston to Brownsville upon a similar mission, but in that case found that the suspected cases were not yellow fever. In commenting upon Galveston's sanitary condition, he paid a high compliment to City Health Physician Trueheart, and said that Galveston is doing well in its efforts to exterminate the mosquito and clean up generally, and urged that every Texas city do likewise. Not that he apprehended an invasion of the state, but he said it is always a good thing to be prepared for any emergency.

"Mails from New Orleans," said Dr. Tabor, "will not be affected, as they do not become infected by mosquitoes. After I go there and size up the situation I will decide what I can do about disinfection of cars carrying freight should I consider this necessary."

TERRIBLE NAVAL DISASTER.

Boiler Exploded on the Gunboat Bennington at San Diego, Cal.

San Diego, Cal., July 22.—Twenty-eight dead bodies are lying at the morgues, on piers and on a deck of a ruined vessel of the United States navy, scores of men are lying grievously or painfully injured in sanitariums and hospital and fifteen sailors are missing and have probably found death in the waters of the harbor as the result of an explosion of a boiler on board the United States gunboat Bennington at 10:10 o'clock yesterday morning.

The Bennington at the time of the accident was lying in the stream, just off the Commercial wharf, at the foot of "H" street. The warship had received orders from the Navy Department at Washington to sail yesterday morning for Port Hartford, at which place she was to meet the monitor Wyoming and convoy the vessel to Mare Island Navy Yard.

Steam was up and everything was in readiness for sailing, when suddenly and without any warning whatever the starboard forward boiler exploded with a deafening roar.

It was immediately apparent that an awful disaster of some kind had happened on board the warship. The ferryboat Ramona was coming across the bay at the time of the accident. Capt. Bertelsen of the Ramona immediately gave orders to change the course of the boat and instead of continuing his trip to the San Diego side of the bay hurried to the aid of the stricken warship. The tug Santa Fe, the launch McKinley, the government launch Gen. de Russey and a great number of other launches and water craft which were near the scene at the time also rushed to the assistance of the Bennington and endeavored to lend every assistance possible.

Heavy Steel for the Sap.
San Antonio, Texas: The San Antonio & Aransas Pass Railway has placed orders for seventy-pound steel to relay the track between Cuero and Yoakum. It is said that the entire system will be relaid with heavy steel.

Hand-Davidson.
Marlin, Texas: Dr. Tom G. Hand and Mrs. Maggie Davidson were married at the court house Wednesday afternoon, Judge Boyles officiating. They reside east of the city.

deavored to lend every assistance possible.

On board the Bennington were presented terrible scenes. The force of the explosion had torn a great hole in the starboard side of the ship, and the vessel was already commencing to list. A section of the upper deck was carried away from stem to stern. Blood and wreckage were distributed over the entire ship.

Over it all hung a cloud of white smoke. Every physician who could be reached by telephone was called to the water front. Within a comparatively short time nearly a dozen physicians were on the scene and attending to the wounded.

A dozen or fifteen were blown overboard by the force of the terrific explosion. Capt. Wentworth, who was looking at the Bennington when the disaster occurred, says he saw hundred bodies hurled over a hundred feet upward.

A boat was lowered from the vessel's side and most of those thrown into the water were picked up and taken on board.

The shock of the explosion penetrated every section of the ship. Portions of the upper deck were carried away and great damage was done in all sections.

Cloudburst in Indiana.
Louisville, Ky.: Georgetown, Ind., a town twelve miles west of New Albany, was almost washed away yesterday by a cloudburst. The water in the main street of the town was three feet deep and great damage was done to stores and other property.

Little Indian Creek, which runs near the town, became a torrent and rising out of its banks spread over the surrounding country doing much damage. As far as can be learned no lives were lost.

"Socksless" Simpson Ill.
Roswell, N. M.: Hon. Jerry Simpson, former Congressman and nationally famed as "sockless Jerry" of Kansas, is seriously ill at his home here, having ruptured one of the blood vessels of the heart. Death may result at any instant.

Korean Loan Oversubscribed.
Tokio: The Korean loan of \$1,000,000 was oversubscribed four times. It was the first foreign loan ever floated in Japan.

THE TEACHER'S FOE

A LIFE ALWAYS THREATENED BY NERVOUS PROSTRATION.

One Who Broke Down from Six Years of Overwork Tells How She Escaped Misery of Enforced Idleness.

"I had been teaching in the city schools steadily for six years," said Miss James, whose recent return to the work from which she was driven by nervous collapse has attracted attention. "They were greatly overcrowded, especially in the primary department of which I had charge, and I had been doing the work of two teachers. The strain was too much for my nerves and two years ago the crisis came.

"I was prostrated mentally and physically, sent in by my resignation and never expected to be able to resume work. It seemed to me then that I was the most miserable woman on earth. I was tortured by nervous headaches, worn out by inability to sleep, and had so little blood that I was as white as chalk.

"After my active life, it was hard to bear idleness, and terribly discouraging to keep paying out the savings of years for medicines which did me no good."

"How did you get back your health?"
"A bare chance and a lot of faith led me to a cure. After I had suffered for many months, and when I was on the very verge of despair, I happened to read an account of some cures effected by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. The statements were so convincing that I somehow felt assured that these pills would help me. Most people, I think, buy only one box for a trial, but I purchased six boxes at once, and when I had used them up, I was indeed well and had no need of more medicine.

"Dr. Williams' Pink Pills enriched my thin blood, gave me back my sleep, restored my appetite, gave me strength to walk long distances without fatigue, in fact freed me from all my numerous ailments. I have already taught for several months, and I cannot say enough in praise of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

Miss Margaret M. James is now living at No. 123 Clay street, Dayton, Ohio. Many of her fellow teachers have also used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and are enthusiastic about their merits. Sound digestion, strength, ambition, and cheerful spirits quickly follow their use. They are sold in every drug store in the world.

Take common rock salt. Dry in oven, pound fine. Mix with spirits of turpentine in equal parts. Put in a rag and wrap around the felon. As it dries put on more. It is said to cure in twenty-four hours.

The Mundesley (England) Parish Council, which struck out a new line in municipalization by starting a poultry farm, has realized profits on the first year's working which are equal to a reduction in the parish taxes of a cent and a fifth on the dollar.

Men think it's awfully funny to see a girl trying to control a three-acre cold with a three-inch handkerchief.

Even He Would Be Useful.
George B. Cortelyou was entertaining a group of Englishmen with stories about America.

"Many interesting things happened," said Mr. Cortelyou, "at the time of the discovery of gold in California. Very resolute, dauntless and peculiar men were the pioneers who went westward over the plains to dig gold and to found towns in those days.

"An English tourist once met, in the West, a prairie caravan—a great file of prairie schooners, cattle, men and women.

"We are going to found a town," the leader of the caravan explained. "We will found this town in a scientific manner. We have everything needful with us here, nothing unnecessary. The man with the red hair is a baker. I am a blacksmith. The little fellow is a doctor. The fat chap is a butcher, and so on."

"How very interesting!" said the Englishman.
"Yes," said the leader, "we work on scientific principles. We don't have any waste. There isn't a person in our party who won't do some important duty in the new town."

"The Englishman pointed to an old and feeble man with a bent back and a long, thin white beard.

"But the very old man there," he said; "he can't possibly be of any use to you, can he?"
"Oh, yes," said the leader; "we'll open our new cemetery with him!"—Buffalo Enquirer.

COMES A TIME
When Coffee Shows What It Has Been Doing.

"Of late years coffee has disagreed with me," writes a matron from Rome, N. Y.; "it's lightest punishment was to make me 'logy' and dizzy, and it seemed to thicken up my blood.

"The heaviest was when it upset my stomach completely, destroying my appetite and making me nervous and irritable, and sent me to my bed. After one of these attacks, in which I nearly lost my life, I concluded to quit and try Postum Food Coffee.

"It went right to the spot! I found it not only a most palatable and refreshing beverage, but a food as well. "All my ailments, the 'loginess' and dizziness, the unsatisfactory condition of my blood, my nervousness and irritability disappeared in short order and my sorely afflicted stomach began quickly to recover. I began to rebuild and have steadily continued until now. Have a good appetite and am rejoicing in sound health, which I owe to the use of Postum Food Coffee." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason.
Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," found in each pkg.

RAILWAY STOCKS AND BONDS.

Governor Sayers Tells Some Things Not Generally Known.

In the reports of the Railroad Commission of Texas it is shown that the average annual capital stock of the railways of Texas during the five years ending June 30, 1904, aggregated \$131,801,776, upon which were paid dividends amounting to \$1,929,698—that is, a percentage on \$131,801,776 of one dollar and forty six cents on the one hundred dollars, or an annual percentage of twenty nine cents on the one hundred dollars. The dividends so paid, however, were not on the entire capital stock of all the railways, but only on that of four roads in 1900, five in 1901, three in 1902, six in 1903, and six in 1904; five of the roads paying dividends were not bonded. It, therefore, seems quite certain that the capital stock of the railway companies in Texas, with but rare exception, is altogether valueless for any purpose other than to give to its holders the control of the properties; and that the only profit which went to the owners of the railways from their operation during the past five years was the amount applied to dividends, and whatever enhanced value that may have resulted from the improvement of the properties in the way of betterments.

The number of roads showing deficits during that period were nine in 1900, thirteen in 1901, twenty-three in 1902, twenty-four in 1903 and twenty-four in 1904.

The average of bonds outstanding on an average of 10,548 miles of railway during the period of five years amounted to \$234,092,547, an average of \$22,247 per mile. Deducting betterments, rents and taxes, the net revenue to the roads was \$49,785,566. The interest accruing on the bonds amounted to \$57,593,786, which exceeded the net revenue, as found, by \$7,808,220, to say nothing of the deficiency that existed prior to July 1, 1899, which was \$14,074,455. The bonded indebtedness of the railroads of Texas is not so heavy per mile as that of other States. The last report of the Interstate Commerce Commission is that for the year 1903, according to which the average in bonds for the United States for that year was \$32,317 per mile. Comparing Texas with Group V, which consists of East Louisiana, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, Kentucky and Tennessee, we find that of those States the average bonded indebtedness of the roads for 1903 amounted to \$25,596 per mile, while that of Texas for the same year amounted to \$21,543 per mile, and for the year 1904 to \$21,191 per mile. All of the States named, it will be observed, have had for years Railroad Commissions. If space would permit it would be easy to show a like favorable comparison in respect to railway bonds with the other states of the Union.

So, it would seem, that the railway companies were, during the period named, altogether unable out of their earnings to pay the interest on the bonded indebtedness, unpaid deficits and floating indebtedness not being considered. It may be urged that this deficiency may have been partly, if not entirely met by postponing the expenditures for improvements and betterments. To have done this would, it must be apparent to all, have been detrimental to the character of the service which the roads owe to the public as well as to their own preservation.

It is a fact, well known to every one, that railways in this State have been constructed with funds derived from the sale of stocks or bonds, or by both, and with such assistance as has been given them in some instance by the State and the communities through which they run, in the way of lands, rights of way and depot grounds. When constructed, it is insisted that they should be allowed to earn a fair return upon the value of the properties, unless exorbitant or excessive rates be required; and, further, that in the matter of taxation they should be dealt with as are other properties.

J. J. Terrell, commissioner of the general land office has finished compiling a list of the public lands that will come on the market under the new law and is busy sending out "purchase blanks," to the counties in which the land is situated.

Detroit has sold \$20,000 bonds for the purpose of erecting a modern public school building.

A man can make or lose a fortune while two women are saying goodbye to each other.

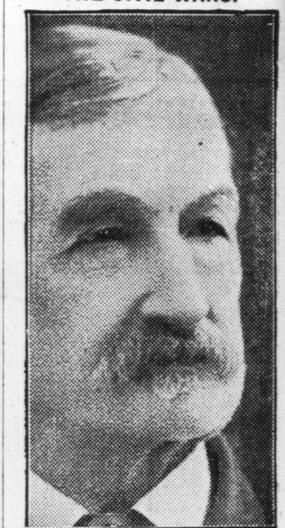
Now is the time to buy real estate on Wall street. You can get an entire square inch of it for \$4.

A Pennsylvania church pays its rent with a June rose. It's lucky the rent day doesn't fall in February.

A Montana man has invented a vineless potato. Now let some genius get busy and invent a dogless sausage.

Naples is inclined to be disconsolate because a scientist has predicted that the volcano will go out of business before long.

A VETERAN OF THE BLACK HAWK, MEXICAN AND THE CIVIL WARS.



CAPT. W. W. JACKSON.

Sufferings were protracted and severe—Tried Every Known Remedy Without Relief—Serious Stomach Trouble Cured by Three Bottles of Peruna!

Capt. W. W. Jackson, 705 G St., N. W., Washington, D. C., writes:
"I am eighty-three years old, a veteran of the Black Hawk, Mexican and the Civil Wars. I am by profession a physician, but abandoned the same.

"Some years ago I was seriously affected with catarrh of the stomach. My sufferings were protracted and severe. I tried every known remedy without obtaining relief.

"In desperation I began the use of your Peruna. I began to realize immediate though gradual improvement.

"After the use of three bottles every appearance of my complaint was removed, and I have no hesitation in recommending it as an infallible remedy for that disorder."—W. W. Jackson.

Address Dr. S. B. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

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List of All Lands, Lots or Parts of Lots Returned Delinquent for the Years 1901, 1902, 1903 and 1904, and upon Which the Taxes for Said Years Are Unpaid, and Being Situated in Kinney County, Texas.

OWNER.	Abt. No.	Cert. No.	Sur. No.	Original Grantee.	No. acres delinquent.	1901.	1902.	1903.	1904.	Penalty.	Total Taxes and Penalty and Cost.
Unknown owner	2			Juan Gonzales	4812.582	59	582	59	582	60	233 08
Unknown owner	1-145			J. W. T. & P. Ry Co.	640	7 68					76 20
Unknown owner	96			284 V. Haller heirs	2 85						2 85
Unknown owner	104	3-436		I. and G. N. Ry Co.	640						7 65
Unknown owner	413	9		I. and G. N. Ry Co.	213						2 88
Unknown owner	413	453		I. and G. N. Ry Co.	401						1 33
Unknown owner	486	391		Walter P. Lane	390	4 69					4 69
Unknown owner	487			George Law	320	3 83	3 83	3 83			1 14
Unknown owner	490			M. S. Maverick	320	3 83	3 83	3 83			3 83
Unknown owner	509			John Meyer	320	3 83	3 83	3 83			3 83
Unknown owner	517			Manuel Perez	1476	22 32					2 29
Unknown owner	521			John Schehardt	320	3 85					3 85
Unknown owner	522			John Sanders	320	3 83	3 83	3 83			1 14
Unknown owner	563			John Sanders	320	3 83	3 83	3 83			1 14
Unknown owner	574			H. Teel	320	3 83	3 83	3 83			3 84
Unknown owner	585			Tom A. Watson	738	10 34	10 38	10 38	10 37		1 14
Unknown owner	606			John Wilkinson	320	5 73	4 41	4 41			1 89
Unknown owner	639			I. and G. N. Ry Co.	76	1-2					2 50
Unknown owner	640			I. and G. N. Ry Co.	640						7 65
Unknown owner	716			Tom Stonehouse	90	1 00					2 29
Unknown owner	717			Tyler Tap Ry Co.	640	7 66					10 92
Unknown owner	743			Hugh Gorman	100	4 28	1 92				6 20
Unknown owner	758			M. C. I. A. and M. Co.	212						2 55
Unknown owner	759			M. C. I. A. and M. Co.	180						1 20
Unknown owner	760			M. C. I. A. and M. Co.	322	3 88					2 50
Unknown owner	760			M. C. I. A. and M. Co.	101						2 15
Unknown owner	760			M. C. I. A. and M. Co.	180						2 15
Unknown owner	760			M. C. I. A. and M. Co.	101						1 70
Unknown owner	761			M. C. I. A. and M. Co.	39	4 9					0 4
Unknown owner	761			M. C. I. A. and M. Co.	390						3 60
Unknown owner	761			M. C. I. A. and M. Co.	320	3 83					3 84
Unknown owner	763			M. C. I. A. and M. Co.	32						4 0
Unknown owner	765			Wm. Hall	80	50					0 50
Unknown owner	807			Carlos Falcon	159	1 00					1 00
Unknown owner	807			Carlos Falcon	79						7 9
Unknown owner	819			I. and G. N. Ry Co.	109						1 30
Unknown owner	823	23-170		I. and G. N. Ry Co.	15						0 1
Unknown owner	831			P. L. M. and A. Co.	50						60
Unknown owner	859			E. L. and R. Ry Co.	101						1 00
Unknown owner	897			A. and M. Ry Co.	240						7 65
Unknown owner	898			G. H. and H. Ry Co.	640	7 66					7 66
Unknown owner	905			Wm. Hall	640						7 65
Unknown owner	948			I. and G. N. Ry Co.	640						7 65
Unknown owner	949			I. and G. N. Ry Co.	12						1 6
Unknown owner	954			I. and G. N. Ry Co.	116	16 58					1 6
Unknown owner	965			Dave C. Lucas	320	16 58	3 83	3 83	1 14		2 50
Unknown owner	966			Mrs. S. Medrano	640						7 65
Unknown owner	973			E. P. and P. Ry Co.	417	2-3					5 00
Unknown owner	976			E. P. and P. Ry Co.	565						5 00
Unknown owner	984			S. S. Siveley	118						11 48
Unknown owner	988			J. M. and S.	140	1 69					1 69
Unknown owner	988			J. M. and S.	240	1 44					1 44
Unknown owner	988			J. M. and S.	400	4 78					4 78
Unknown owner	988			J. M. and S.	640	7 65					7 65
Unknown owner	1010			G. A. Anderson	15	1-2					30
Unknown owner	1011			Wm. Arledge	1280	15 30					1 53
Unknown owner	1022			G. C. and S. F. Ry Co.	189	2 29					2 29
Unknown owner	1044			H. E. and W. T. Ry Co.	171						2 04
Unknown owner	1049			H. E. and W. T. Ry Co.	320	3 83					2 29
Unknown owner	1052			Georgetown Ry Co.	150						1 92
Unknown owner	1058			H. E. and W. T. Ry Co.	149	1 78	2 01	2 01	2 01		7 8
Unknown owner	1119			C. Ry Co.	229						24
Unknown owner	1120			A. B. and M.	640						7 65
Unknown owner	1122			A. B. and M.	640						7 65
Unknown owner	1124			Mrs. J. Evans	56						67
Unknown owner	1191			G. C. and S. F. Ry Co.	640	7 66					7 66
Unknown owner	1192			G. C. and S. F. Ry Co.	314	7 66					7 66
Unknown owner	1245			Caroline Burnham	23	1-2					3 76
Unknown owner	1269			P. Palmer	23	1-2					3 76
Unknown owner	1319			G. C. and S. F. Ry Co.	640	7 66					7 66
Unknown owner	1321			G. C. and S. F. Ry Co.	16	20					62
Unknown owner	1321			G. C. and S. F. Ry Co.	26						31
Unknown owner	1321			G. C. and S. F. Ry Co.	73						44
Unknown owner	1375			G. C. and S. F. Ry Co.	640	7 66					7 66
Unknown owner	1381			C. Ry Co.	640	7 66					7 66
Unknown owner	1387			A. B. and M.	640						7 65
Unknown owner	1400			A. B. and M.	640						7 65
Unknown owner	1394			Reason Banks	160						1 92
Unknown owner	1396			John W. Berry	140						1 68
Unknown owner	1397			Aaron Burson	268	5 33					5 33
Unknown owner	1403			S. D. and R. G. N. G. Ry Co.	115	1 02	1 37	1 38	1 38		1 38
Unknown owner	1422			Juan Dalgado	80						96
Unknown owner	1410			G. B. Estes	160	1 88					1 88
Unknown owner	1414			G. H. and S. A. Ry Co.	427	5 12					5 12
Unknown owner	1418			G. H. and S. A. Ry Co.	215	2 59					2 59
Unknown owner	1422			G. H. and S. A. Ry Co.	215	2 59					2 59
Unknown owner	1422			G. H. and S. A. Ry Co.	38	5 84					5 84
Unknown owner	1456			G. H. and S. A. Ry Co.	38	5 84					5 84
Unknown owner	1457			G. H. and S. A. Ry Co.	38	5 84					5 84
Unknown owner	1457			G. H. and S. A. Ry Co.	160						1 92
Unknown owner	1463			J. T. Massey	128	1 54					1 54
Unknown owner	1471			W. J. Phillips	189						1 92
Unknown owner	1473			Solomon Rogie	889 1/2						9 77
Unknown owner	1478			Rusk Tr. Co.	640	7 66					7 66
Unknown owner	1478			Rusk Tr. Co.	640	7 66					7 66
Unknown owner	1485			John Strode	160						1 92
Unknown owner	1489			J. W. Weaver	640	3 80					3 80
Unknown owner	1490			J. W. Weaver	320	1 88					1 88
Unknown owner	1493			Day Land and Cat. Co.	340						2 04
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Unknown owner	1501			John Becknell	13						0 1
Unknown owner	1502			John Becknell	13						0 1
Unknown owner	1502			John Becknell	13						0 1
Unknown owner	1505			M. C. I. A. and M. Co.	106	3-3					1 30
Unknown owner	1505			M. C. I. A. and M. Co.	640	7 66	7 65	7 65	3 06		3 06
Unknown owner	1514			G. C. and S. F. Ry Co.	201						2 42
Unknown owner	1521			A. B. and M.	640						7 66
Unknown owner	1525			A. B. and M.	640						7 66
Unknown owner	1540			G. H. and H. Ry Co.	640	7 66					7 66
Unknown owner	1574			A. B. and M.	320	7 66					7 66
Unknown owner	1577			J. H. Spear	25	29					0 2
Unknown owner	1584			W. O. Shely	320	3 83					3 83
Unknown owner	1584			B. Pilepore	480	5 72					5 72
Unknown owner	1591			J. O. Pierce	130	4 33					4 33
Unknown owner	1606			G. H. and H. Ry Co.	27						3 4
Unknown owner	1622			A. L. Harrison	302						1 25
Unknown owner	1623			A. L. Harrison	222						1 25
Unknown owner	1625			Henry Larison	160						0 5
Unknown owner	1637			H. H. Shely	45						0 6
Unknown owner	1643			G. C. and S. F. Ry Co.	640						7 68
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Unknown owner	1656			G. C. and S. F. Ry Co.	640						7 68
Unknown owner	1656			G. C. and S. F. Ry Co.	640						7 68
Unknown owner	1659			Ed Ross	540 1/2						6 45
Unknown owner	1660			Francisco Saenz	160						1 92
Unknown owner	1665			Valverde Amado	640						

**Kansas City Live Stock Market
As Furnished by Stroller Live
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RANGE OF PRICES.**

Receipts in the Texas Division to-day aggregated 3573 cattle and 608 calves. The market was a little more active than in the previous two days. Prices ruled steady with the close on Tuesday for good to choice steers, some 1150 lb. meal fed steers selling at \$4.00. The market for this kind is 20 to 30c lower than last week. Grass steers range from \$2.90 to 3.60 and are 25 to 35c lower than last Wednesday. Good cows are steady with yesterday but 25 to 35c lower than a week ago.

Veal calves are in strong demand the best selling up to \$5.60 today.

Sheep receipts 3,000, market steady. Best wethers are quoted at \$5.25, lambs \$7.00 yearlings \$5.90. Three cars of medium lambs here today at \$6.50. Prospects for lower prices.

"Brother," says a Georgia editor, "don't stop your paper because you don't agree with the editor. The last cabbage you sent us didn't agree with us, either, but we didn't drop you from our subscription list."

The heartless pickpocket who stole an Iowa editor's pocketbook as he was entering church with bowed head trying to fix his thoughts upon holy things, will never get into heaven. Unless mayhap he found the editor's pass in the book.—Stanhope (La) Mail.

Little Sylva had been sent to the cellar with a pan. She dropped the pan, and her mother, hearing it, anxiously asked: "Are you hurt?"

"Why, mamma, do you think I would rattle that way?" asked Sylva.—Little Chronicle.

The tourist left the train at every station and went ahead to the baggage car to ask if his trunk was safe. "Are you quite sure?" he asked the baggage officer for the sixth time, "that my trunk is safe?"

"Begorra, I wish the Lord had made you an elephant instead of an ass," was the exasperated reply, "an' then you'd always have your trunk in front of you."—Harper's Weekly.

What an irrelevant or irrelevant customer the editor of the Ralston (Okla.) Exponent is, to be sure. He says: "We never did henker after office very much but we would like to be a member of the ladies' aid society, so we could attend quiltings and other public meetings. Geewhiz, but couldn't a feller get scads of news!"—Ex.

An Irishman, who was a great favorite in his regiment on account of his ready wit, was one day caught running away from the enemy during a sharp engagement. When asked by an officer where he was going, he

replied: "I've heard, sorr, that the world was round, so I'm just going around to attack them in the rear."—Ex.

An old negro woman carrying a basket of clothes was crossing Twelfth street at Main yesterday when a street railway flagman warned her to look out for a car. She paid no attention to the warning and the car barely missed her. "You want to be more careful," said the flagman. "That car almost hit you." "It wouldn't a-did no harm if it had a-hit me," replied the woman. "Dese heah clothes ain't washed yet."—Kansas City Times.

Take two half dollars. Lay them within six inches of the wall of your room. Take a fifty-cent piece, stand back from the two halves six feet, hit the two half dollars with the fifty-cent piece, making it bounce up against the wall and back on the two halves. If you succeed in doing so, keep them, but if not, you will know they do not belong together, consequently, this being the kind of money that the printer always gets, bring it to this office and get your money's worth by subscribing for the Qui-Vive.—Malta Bend (Mo.) Qui-Vive.

A Bright Young Man.
A firm in Merkel recently engaged a raw country youth as office boy. In the discharge of one of his duties—that of attending to the telephone—he was anything but a success. In reply to the usual query, "are you there?" he nodded assent. Again the question came, and still again and each time the boy gave an answering nod. At the fourth time the boy lost his temper and roared through the telephone, "Man, are ye blin?" I've been noddin' me head off for the last ten minutes."—Merkel Mail.

Poor Satisfaction.
We were told the other day that a trucker of this section became so angered and disgusted with the low prices offered for his onion crop, he got drunk, and started back home with his onions. Arriving at a creek he pulled out the end gate of his wagon and dumped the whole load into the water.—Weimer Mercury.

A Sam in Arithmetic.
"Yes," said the old mathematician, with a gleam in his watery eyes. "I've always looked at it that way. Marriage is addition; when the little ones come its multiplication; when dispersion looms up to cloud the horizon of their happiness its division, and when the final parting comes it's subtraction."—Crockett Courier.

NOTICE.
At the this season of the year it is a public duty to maintain cleanliness about premises. Each one owes it to himself as well as to the neighbors to protect the health of the community and attention is called to the following statutes that will be enforced when ever it applies to any premises in this community.
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County Health Officer.
ART 423 Penal Code of Texas reads as follows:

Offensive trades and nuisance. If any person shall carry on any trade, business or occupation injurious to the health of those who reside in the vicinity, or shall suffer any substance which has that effect to remain on premises in his possession he shall be punished by fine of not less than ten nor more than one hundred dollars, and each separate day of carrying on such business, trade or occupation, or of permitting such substance to remain on the premises shall be considered a separate offence.

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The Artful Editor.
Representative Brownlow of Tennessee tells that once he was running a country paper during campaign times and was printing "fighting" language every week. One day, just after the paper was out, a big man, armed with a club, walked into the sanctum and fiercely inquired of the editor was in. The frightened Brownlow had wit enough to answer that he was not, but that he would go out and hunt him up. He started for the street and at the foot of the stairs met another fellow, who asked: "Will I find the editor of this dirty sheet upstairs?" "Yes," said Brownlow, "he's up there at his desk just itching for a fight." The second man went up and Brownlow disappeared. Which whipped the other is not related—and Brownlow did not go back during the day to find out.

SOCIETIES.
Las Moras Lodge No. 444 A. F. & A. M. meets 1st. and 3rd Saturday in each month in Masonic Hall, over Stratton & Co's store. A cordial invitation extended to all visiting Brethern. O. F. Seargeant, W. M. E. A. Jones, Sec'y.

Echo Lodge No. 279 I. O. O. F. meets every Thursday night at their Lodge room in Filipone hall, Visiting brethren cordially invited to attend. Frank Smith N. G. Geo. W. Fairchild, Sec.

Las Moras Lodge No. 122. K. of P. meets every Monday night at their hall. Visiting Brethern cordially invited to attend.

Lewis Post No. No. 17 G. A. R. meets the first Monday in each month at their Hall, Visiting Comrades cordially invited to attend. Wm. Kitch Post Com.

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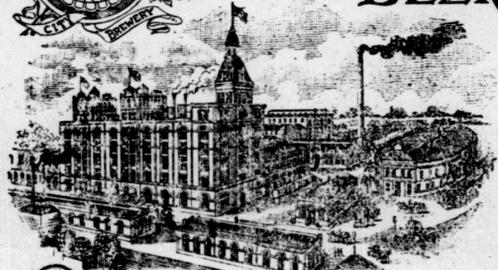
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