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A. F. ADAMS, WINTERS DIED THURSDAY

It was sad news to the old timers and the many friends of A. F. Adams when it was announced here early Thursday morning that Mr. Adams was dead. While deceased had not been in good health for several months, it was not thought that he was dangerously ill, and the news of his death came as a surprise to those who had not been previously notified of his condition.

Alce Adams has been a citizen of this county almost since the beginning of the development of the county. He came here in the early days and no man has lived in the county that stood higher with his neighbors and friends. He has raised a family of six boys and three girls and they were all near their father when the end came. He is also survived by a wife, who has been in bad health for the last eight or ten years. On account of his devotion to his devotion to his wife Mr. Adams wife Mr. Adams has remained close at home, giving her every attention possible, and doing all that medical skill could do to restore her to good health, and he has been to Ballinger but few times, and for this reason his friends have not enjoyed his company as much as in former days.

Deceased came to this country a poor man. He was among the first men in the county to break land and till the soil. He put in to cultivation the land known as the Joe Johnson place just across the creek from Ballinger, and he used ox teams in breaking other land and giving this county a start in the agricultural world that makes it to-day rank with the best counties in Texas. By his honesty and industry Mr. Adams prospered and accumulated considerable property and at the time of his death he was in comfortable circumstances. For many years he has been living on his farm near Antelope, up until a few months ago when he moved to Winters to be near the physicians on account of his wife's health and also on account of his own health having failed. Bright's disease was the cause of the death that took from this county this good man, and he was about sixty years old.

Among the children who survive him is Mrs. Bennett, and two other daughters, whose names the writer cannot give, and the sons are John, Luther, Cleveland, Roger, Archie and a son whose name we can not give.

Arrangements have been made for the funeral and the remains will be laid to rest in the Winters cemetery Friday morning at 11 o'clock, and quite a number of friends in Ballinger will go out to pay their last respects to this good man.

GONE TO ATTEND HIS SISTER'S FUNERAL

Judge M. Kleberg received a phone message at two o'clock Thursday morning telling him of the death of his sister at Galveston. Judge Kleberg left on the Thursday afternoon train for Galveston to attend the funeral, and his office will be closed for a few days. Just one year ago his father died. He has the sympathy of his friends in his sorrow.

Tom McFarland, who had been doing some contract stone work at Waco and Gatesville the past few months, came in first of the week to visit his family and Ballinger friends a week or two.

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To the Voters of Runnels Co:

After due consideration based upon consulting friends throughout the county I have decided to make the race for tax assessor of Runnels County subject to the approval of the voters at the Democratic primary election in July. I feel that I am no stranger to the most of you, having lived in Runnels County for the past sixteen years. I am 36 years old was born in Lampasas County and resided there up till the time I came here and during my residence in Runnels County I have at all times been found in the ranks of those who were battling for the upbuilding and prosperity of our entire citizenship and have always tried to conduct myself in a way to gain and hold the esteem of every one in the county regardless of their station in life.

If you see fit to elect me to this

important office I do hereby declare at the end of four years, according to true Democratic principles I will retire to the private ranks, and in this I truly mean what I say. Your kind and careful consideration of my aspiration will duly be appreciated and if elected will serve you to the very best of my ability without fear or favor as I see my duty in office. Your vote and influence will be appreciated.

Very respectfully,

JIM McWHIRTER.

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W. C. Jones and family returned home Wednesday night from a short visit to relatives at Miles. They strated over in their auto and had the misfortune when about 4 miles from Miles to break the hind axle of the car, but no damage done to any of the occupants.

We want your job work.

BROWN COUNTY'S EMPTY JAIL

The various daily papers in Texas during the last few days carry a report from Brownwood to the effect that the Brown county jail is empty and has been for two weeks. That's a record any county should feel proud of, for it speaks well for the citizenship of that county where such conditions exist.

If it had not been for prisoners from our neighbor counties, and Brown county is one of them, the Runnels County jail would have stood vacant a good part of the time during the last year. Right here we wish to remind our neighbor Brown County that she has a prisoner in our jail, and we are informed by the local authorities that it is very probably that suit will have to be brought against Brown County to collect the board bill for this prisoner. There is over \$100 due at present.

However, we will state that Brown County's refusal to pay the bill is due to a difference of opinion as to what the law is in such matters. Heretofore the county judge of Brown county has construed the law as authority for his county allowing 75 cents per day for their prisoner being held in the Ballinger jail, and this amount was paid. It seems that the present judge of Brown county claims that the amount was too great and he is getting even by deducting what he claims was an over charge from the bill. Where this method of getting even is causing trouble is in the fact that Runnels County has changed jailors, and the jailor that is now furnishing the grub for the prisoner did not share in the overcharge, if there was an over charge, and it is going against the grain with him, and he has signified his intention of filing suit to collect his bill.

NEW STORE TO OPEN SOON

C. E. Jordan of Winters, who owns the Corbett building on 8th Street, is shipping in a stock of goods from Fisher county, where he traded for them and will open the stock for business in about ten days. The stock consists of a general merchandise line.

Weather Forecast

Tonight fair and colder, temperature will be from 22 to 28 degrees; Friday not so cold.

LONE ROBBER GETS \$14,000 DOLLARS

Beaumont, Tex., March 18.—Northbound Santa Fe train No. 202, which left here at 2:15 this afternoon, was held up four miles from here near Helbig by a lone robber and the Wells Fargo messenger was relieved of \$14,400 being sent by the Kirby Lumber Company from Houston to Brownell for the pay roll. The robber made his escape. The sheriff and police department are in pursuit.

The train was bound for Center. The sum stolen, which was partly in silver and partly in currency, was in charge of Reb Martin, railway messenger of the Wells Fargo Company. The robbery was committed by a middle-age white man who had hidden himself in the baggage car behind some boxes and trunks. He had evidently gained entrance to the car before the train left Houston but was not observed until the train was going through a stretch of timber country just north of Helbig. At that point the robber sprang from his hiding place and covering Messenger Martin with a revolver, relieved him of the money.

ALMOST 57 VARIETIES OF WEATHER IN 24 HOURS

It is just another one of those tricks the weather man plays in March, and the people are guessing what the weather will do next. Wednesday was a spring day, and the fishing fever got in its work on a number of the descendants of Isaac Walton. The pretty warm day was followed by a night of high wind and dust with a big tumble in the temperature, accompanied by rain, which was soon followed by sleet and just for a change about thirty minutes of snow fall during which time the big flakes fell fast and thick. On account of the ground being warm the snow was converted into water almost by the time it hit the ground. The rain gauge registered about two-tenths of an inch fall of water, and we are informed that it was about the same at different points in the county.

Judge Jno. W. Goodwin visited friends at Miles between trains Wednesday.

Ashby Tillery of Concho county, was supplying in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon.



"Some days must be dark and dreary: into each life some rain must fall." Storms often come up suddenly "Alas, how easily things go wrong." But it is a protection against most ills to have plenty of money in the bank. To have a bank account, you must START one. WHO gets the money you earn?

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"Just tell 'em we are going to instruct for Sam Sparks," said a prominent anti to the writer.

Candidates are still sprouting, and with refreshing showers they will come up several in a hill.

According to the weather forecast and the present keen cutting atmosphere to-night will be the critical time for the fruit crop. If it escapes death to-night there will no doubt be a small fruit crop.

President Wilson is not only a successful administrator of governmental affairs, but he seems to know how to handle his family affairs. He has only been occupying the white house one year, but he has succeeded in landing two son-in-laws.

Postmaster General Barleson seems to be determined to make the mail service a real convenience for the people. He has just

signed an order authorizing the delivery of parcel post packages with letter attached to the package, where both the letter and package contain the required postage. Other changes are scheduled to be announced about April first.

It is rumored that the Ballinger young men are going to adopt the El Paso plan which is working so successfully with the young men of that town, and will agree among themselves not to spend more than \$5 per week on their best girl. The young man that spends \$5 per week on his best girl is the one that cuts the allowance to \$5 per month after they are married.

A FELONY TO ELOPE

A bill has passed the lower house of the Kentucky legislature providing a penitentiary sentence for every man convicted of eloping with a girl whose parents object to the marriage.

That will be a very drastic way to treat romantic young people. It will be a punishment that will not fit the crime—rather it will be too severe for the crime. There is nothing of moral turpitude in an elopement. It is sometimes a commendable escape from parental tyranny.

Many young people are extremely foolish and there are many marriages in haste that bring misery to one or both contracting parties. As a rule parental counsel is wiser than young impulse. On the other hand, many marriages between mature persons deliberately endeavor to contract or sell their daughters into allegiances of wealth or station without regard to physical or moral fitness. It would be difficult to determine whether hasty marriages or selfishly contrived marriages result in the more unhappiness and social evil.

Anyhow, there are many evils which are so elusive that the law would best leave them alone and depend upon education for correction.

Proper parents in most cases have sufficient influence over their daughters to prevent elopement. The exceptions of wilful and unreasoning daughters of such parents are too rare to require protection by severe penalties of law. Besides the foolish daughters who would elope, but cannot because her lover will not risk the penitentiary, is quite as apt to marry foolishly after she reaches her majority and no longer must consult her parents. There is not such a vast difference in discretion between the ages of 18 and 21, and a girl who is unimpaired of parental advice at 18 is not likely to respect it at 21.

The need of the world is not for more law in the regulation of marriage but for more wholesome home influence and for the exercise of firmer parental authority beginning with the first dawning of the child's intelligence. Indulgent fathers and mothers are more responsible than foolish maidens for elopements and unwise marriages. The parents who begin early to exercise wise control over their children and who later make their children understand the justness as well as the certainty of restraint will have little cause to lament the wilful

ness of their daughters or the waywardness of their sons. But the parents who begin in infancy to let their children have their own way, or who maintain discipline by the sheer assertion of authority and by unfeeling punishment, without training the child's understanding and getting him into sympathetic appreciation of a rational upbringing, are inculcating rebellion and are making trouble for society, and no law against elopement or against any other peril of the marriage relation will reach the source of such evils.—Fort Worth Record.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. Rosenwasser returned Wednesday from a visit to relatives at Seguin, San Antonio, and other places.

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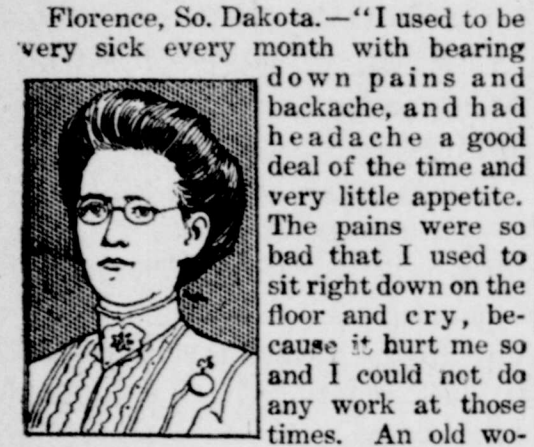
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- For Tax Assessor: MIKE C. BOYD, WILL L. STUART, C. C. SCHUCHARD, SAM H. McPIERSON, JIM McWILHETER.
- For County Judge: M. KLEBERG.
- For County Treasurer: W. L. BROWN
- For County Clerk: O. L. PARISH, C. C. COCKRELL
- For District Clerk: JOHN THOMASON, GEO. M. STOKES.
- For Tax Collector: T. L. TODD, M. D. CHASTAIN, EDWIN DAY, W. T. PADGETT.
- For County Attorney: C. P. SHEPHERD.
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 1: FEB McWILLIAMS.
- For County Superintendent: J. N. KEY, S. C. HARRIS, E. L. HAGAN.
- For Constable Precinct No. 1: CHARLIE EISENHUTH.

The WOMAN

A Novel by Albert Payson Terhune

Founded on William C. de Mille's Play of the same name

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—Congressman Standish and the Woman, believing themselves in love, spend a trial week as man and wife in a hotel in northern New York under assumed names. The Woman awakens to the fact that she does not love Standish and calls their engagement off. Standish protests undying devotion.

CHAPTER II—Wanda Kelly, telephone girl at the Hotel Keswick, Washington, is loved by Tom Blake, son of the political boss of the house. He proposes marriage and is refused.

CHAPTER III—She gives as one of the reasons her determination to get revenge on Jim Blake for ruining her father, Congressman Frank E. Kelly. Congressman Standish, turned insurgent, is fighting the Mullins bill, a measure in the interests of the railroads. The machine is seeking means to discredit Standish in the hope of pushing the bill through.

CHAPTER IV—Robertson, son-in-law of Jim Blake and the latter's candidate for speaker of the house, tries to win Standish over, and failing, threatens to dig into his past.

Continued from Yesterday.

"Hello, boys," repeated Jim Blake, glancing genially and inexpressively from one to the other, from beneath his hanging lids. "Seemed to me I smelt something burning. How are you, Standish? What's up, Tom?"

"Why," answered Tom vaguely embarrassed, "nothing very much. Just a little political discussion."

"So I gathered," yawned Blake. "Mark, you seemed to have been supplying the fireworks for it. I don't suppose it occurred to you that the whole surrounding landscape is fairly crawling with reporters? Nice little story for the morning papers, hey? High Words Between Speakership Aspirants in Keswick Lobby? And a half column more of what you both would have said if you'd said what the reporters thought maybe you might have said. Fine business. Especially at this time."

"He called me—" burst forth Mark. "And you showed your hand?" hazarded Blake. "Good poker, Mark. But punk politics. Mark, I'm afraid we're keeping Mr. Standish from his dinner."

"Good night," replied Standish, taking the broad hint with no show of feeling.

"Good night—till the house meets at ten o'clock," said Blake. "I suppose you'll lead your gallant insurgent cohorts in person this evening?"

"Yes."

"Don't want to call it off and come into the fold again, I s'pose?" suggested Blake quizzically.

"No, thanks," smiled the insurgent, and passed on toward the dining room.

"Hello, Van Dyke!" called Blake as the lawyer, with Neligan and Gregg in tow, came along the corridor toward them, from the bar. "What brings you to Washington? What's up?"

"That's what I'm trying to find out," answered Van Dyke, shaking hands with Blake and instinctively leading the way to the adjacent amen corner.

"What is up? You're supposed to be managing this fight, Jim. And here we find ourselves in the very worst hole we've been in since ninety-seven. If you and I hadn't fought shoulder to shoulder for years and years, I'd be tempted to say you were lying down."

"The crowd down on Broadway," answered Blake, "have handed us a raw proposition in this Mullins bill. The bill smells so rank that even the dear, dear public have got a whiff of it. And when the public gets its sense of smell into good working order—Oh, what's the use, Van Dyke? You can see what we're up against. You know the temper of the country. We can't even defend that bill of yours. And this is no time to put over such a raw one. It's like—"

"Still," argued Van Dyke, "you said you'd be able to put the deal through. And there's surely enough in it for us all."

"I said I could put it through. And I could—when we started. But Standish wasn't fighting it then. This isn't the Bill versus the People. It's Mat Standish versus the Organization. And Standish has the people—the waked-up people—behind him. He's their idol. He's the parsons' pet. They look on him as the Worthy Young Man who couldn't do wrong if he tried and who isn't wicked enough to try. In other words, he's never been found out. There's only two classes of men that I ever met—the sort that have been found out and the sort that haven't. If we can damage Standish in the eyes of the people—if we can make the

clergy repudiate him—"

"That's just the point," cried Van Dyke. "Why haven't you been able to do that, instead of sitting peacefully to one side and waiting for him to wreck himself?"

"We've had detectives on him," put in Neligan. "I told you all that, Van Dyke."

"Detectives?" snorted the lawyer. "What good is that? Your detectives will charge you seven dollars a day and expenses—mostly expenses—for giving you a full report of the way Standish spends the day and what he has to eat and the number of cigars he smokes and the addresses of some of the letters he writes. You'll never get Standish that way. If ever he's broken a law—and most men have—"

"Oh, not so many," gently contradicted Blake. "Two jails would be plenty large to hold all the folks who have broken any law. And the two jails could be built real easy—just by running a high wall around the equator. But you're right in one thing, Van Dyke. We'll never get Standish in the way these boys have been going about it. So, it's lucky I happened to put a man of my own on the job."

"Yes. While I've been 'lying down,' as you call it."

"I didn't say you had been—"

"No. But you thought it. Just because I don't run around in circles, barking, and now and then biting a piece out of the ceiling, you folks think I'm doing nothing. And I'll never teach you any better."

"But—"

"Oh, yes. I put a man of my own

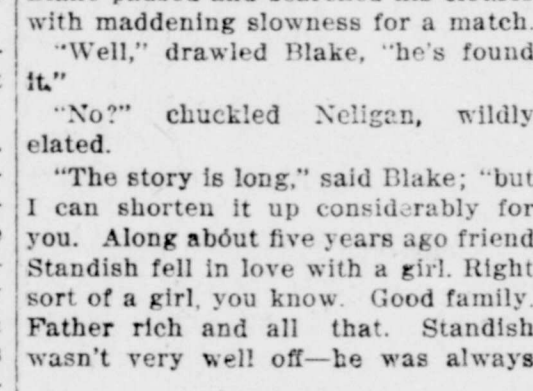
on to Standish's record. I told him not to bother about anything that had happened during the last three or four years. Your men would be busy on that; and there'd be nothing to find, anyhow. I set my man to scratching up ancient history. I told him to go back and back and back, in Standish's record; and to keep on going back till he found something."

"Well?" chorused the others as Blake paused and searched his clothes with maddening slowness for a match.

"Well," drawled Blake, "he's found it."

"No!" chuckled Neligan, wildly elated.

"The story is long," said Blake; "but I can shorten it up considerably for you. Along about five years ago friend Standish fell in love with a girl. Right sort of a girl, you know. Good family. Father rich and all that. Standish wasn't very well off—he was always



"Oh, Yes, I Put a Man of My Own on to Standish's Record."

honest, you know. And he and she were going to get married on the quiet and keep their marriage secret. But she had to go to Europe. And for some reason or other—the secretary didn't know why and it doesn't matter, anyhow—the wedding was sidetracked. Instead, they took a notion to run off to a little country hotel, for one of those honeymoons that—that never came through the custom-house."

"No!"

"Yes. And, as an afterthought, yes, again. I can show you the hotel register with—"

"The fool didn't register under his own name, did he?" demanded Gregg.

"No," said Blake. "Registered under the name of Fowler. But any handwriting expert can prove he wrote it, and the hotel manager can swear Standish was the man. The manager is ready to swear Standish called the woman his wife, too."

"Oh, the joy!" grinned Gregg, the worldling.

"You see," went on Blake, "he really expected to marry her. They were just taking time by the forelock. And then—here's the queerest tangle of all—after that week there, it seems she backed out and wouldn't marry him at all. No, Gregg, it wasn't he that threw her over. This was the other way around. The woman jilted him and went back to her family. One week of Standish was about all she was up to. And she balked at making a life job of it. I don't wonder."

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THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

"But didn't her family find out?"

"It seems not. They thought she had been away visiting a girl friend in the country. She got home safe, and everything looked proper as a rainy Sunday in a grave yard. Some women sure have luck."

"Go on," urged Van Dyke.

"That's about all," finished Blake. "She woke up, as I told you, to find it was all-a-mistake-and-no-harm-done-thank-heaven. And as far as I can make out, they haven't seen each other since. I won't swear to that part of it. But if they have, his secretary doesn't know it. Nor—"

"Who was the Woman?" queried Robertson.

"That," answered Blake reluctantly, "is the one thing left to find out."

Van Dyke fairly groaned.

"Then," he demanded, "how is this miserable story going to help us?"

"Oh," replied Blake, "the net's closing around her. I hope to have her name tonight."

"Tonight! We've got to have it tonight. Before the Mullins bill comes up. The name's no use to us after that."

"But," asked Robertson, "even if we do get it tonight, what use can we make of it? The house will be on the final debate of the bill by ten o'clock. By making use of every trick we know we can fix only a few hours' delay at most. What good—"

"What good?" retorted Blake. "Just this: Standish's long suit is morality. A lot of us have had smirches on our names from time to time. He never has. So the clergy are for him and the people swear by him. It's his chief pull with both church and public. Now—if we can get this story, properly authenticated, on the floor of the house tonight, it'll give a lot of men—Gregg, here, for instance—an excuse to swing over to us."

"Oh, we've got him! We've got him!" muttered Robertson once more, his usually quick mind loafing blissfully over the single grand idea.

"Yes," amended Van Dyke dryly, "we've got him—if we can get the Woman's name in time. It all depends on that. Without it, our story is worthless. Thus far, it seems, no one knows her name."

"Except Standish," corrected Blake.

"What good does that do us? He won't tell."

"What one man knows," returned Blake sententiously, "another can find out."

"And," put in Gregg, lowering his voice, "speaking of 'finding out,' reminds me. That little devil of a telephone girl over there—Do you suppose she could have heard anything we've been saying?"

"If she has a whole pair of ears," answered Blake, sinking his own voice, "she surely could. Especially what I've been saying. For I've been straining my voice to talk loud enough for her to catch what I said, ever since we sat down here."

"The deuce you have?" exclaimed Van Dyke. "What for?"

"For the same reason I've been 'lying down,'" returned Blake. "Don't worry over that. A man whose voice is as tired as mine isn't straining that

throat unless it's for a good cause. And you can leave the finding of the Woman's name to me, too, I guess. Now trot along, all of you. Mark, go in and order dinner. I'll be there in five minutes. I've a couple of things to attend to first."

The group began to drift across the corridor in the direction of the dining-room. Blake detached himself from the rest and started back toward the telephone switchboard. But Tom, noting his father's move, intercepted him. The young fellow's face looked worried and his manner had lost some of its wonted buoyancy.

"Dad," he said.

"Hey?" asked Blake, stopping and turning toward his son.

Reading Tom's face, as he was accustomed by instinct to read every countenance that came into his range of notice, Jim nodded and led the way to the amen corner.

"Now, then," he demanded, half-guilingly, half-anxiously, "what's on your mind? Speak up, son. There never yet was a delicate subject that wasn't the better for getting aired."

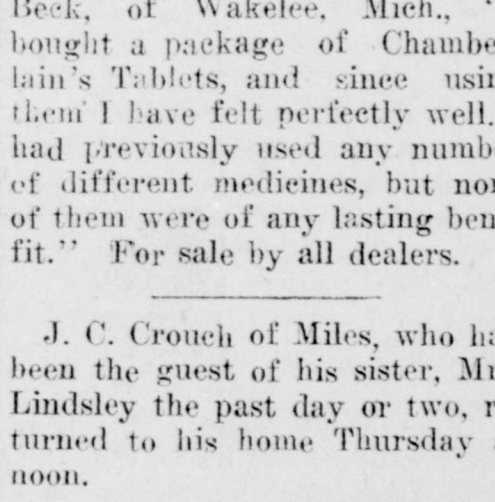
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Chronic Stomach Trouble Cured

There is nothing more discouraging than a chronic disorder of the stomach. It is not surprising that many suffer for years with such an ailment when a permanent cure is within their reach and may be had for a trifle? "About one year ago," says P. H. Beck, of Wakelee, Mich., "I bought a package of Chamberlain's Tablets, and since using them I have felt perfectly well. I had previously used any number of different medicines, but none of them were of any lasting benefit." For sale by all dealers.

J. C. Crouch of Miles, who had been the guest of his sister, Mrs. Lindsley the past day or two, returned to his home Thursday at noon.

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We have just opened in the old City Bakery Stand. Anything that you may do for us will be highly appreciated. Give us a trial.

We have it on good authority that negotiations are under way for a performance in our city about March 25th, by that pleasing musical organization—the Schubert Symphony Club and Lady Quartette, of Chicago. Many of our readers have heard this popular company and no doubt everyone knows of the high favor in which its 25 years of success has placed it. The great variety and excellence of this company's program has endeared it to the hearts of American music lovers, until today it stands undoubtedly first in their affections. Their new program is said to be the best they have ever presented, and no doubt their house will be large if they are secured for an entertainment here.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss, Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.
(Seal) A. W. Gleason,
Notary Public.
F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O Sold by all Druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

R. A. Nicholson returned home Tuesday night from Austin and made the trip in his new auto brought while away on this trip.

Notice of Sale.
C. A. Sewell in Bankruptcy
I, J. W. Powell Trustee will sell for cash on March 20th, at 3 o'clock p. m. in the town of Miles, Runnels County, Texas, the stock of Groceries, Dry Goods, Cash Register, Scales and fixtures of the estate of C. A. Sewell, Bankrupt.
J. W. POWELL,
Trustee.
18-2td

W. C. Penn, the cotton buyer, left Wednesday afternoon for Houston on a short business trip for his firm, The Ray-Penn Cotton Company.

The Mother's Favorite.
A cough medicine for children should be harmless. It should be pleasant to take. It should be effective. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is all of this and is the mother's favorite everywhere. For sale by all dealers.

C. J. Doerr, who represents C. M. Stanley at Miles in the irrigation proposition, after a short business visit in our city, returned home Thursday at noon.

Merry Spring Time Is Here

And you should paint those old building; **DE VOE** is the paint to use—handled by us. We handle a full line of screen doors, to keep out those pesky flies.

THE BALLINGER LUMBER CO.

Notice To Runnels County Democratic Executive Committee.

As Democratic Chairman of Precinct No. 1 of Runnels County Texas, I have taken the initiative to call a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of Runnels County. I earnestly and urgently request and insist that all of the duly elected chairmen of the various voting precincts of this county, to-wit: 24 voting precincts, meet and be sure to meet with me Monday, April 6th, 1914 at 2 o'clock p. m. in the court room of the court house for the purpose of appointing a county chairman of Democratic Executive Committee of this county our duly elected chairman having left the county, and to fill such other vacancies as may occur and to transact such other business as may be deemed necessary at this time.

C. R. CREWS,
Chairman Precinct No. 1 and
committeeman of Democratic Executive Committee of Runnels County, Texas. 19-1td2tw

J. W. Tippet, one of the substantial citizens of the Crews country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

FOR SALE—One car of full-blood and high-grade young Jersey cows, two and three years old at \$35.00. M. D. CARSON, Menard, Texas. 20-4td 1tw

Ed Gluber returned home Wednesday at noon from the East, where he had been on stock business the past few days.

LOST—Circular shaped watch charm. Small chipped diamond in center. Two small photos inside. Initials C. A. D. engraved on back. Finder return and receive reward. C. A. DOOSE. 3d1w

CHICHESTER'S PILLS
THE DIAMOND BRAND.
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known to Best Doctors & every Reliable SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.



LOSES LIFE TO SAVE TRINKETS

Waxahachie, Tex., March 18.—Supposedly crazed by the thought of losing a number of trinkets that had been in his family for more than a century, D. B. Davis 64, after having been twice led from the door of his room while it was filled with flames, plunged through a crowd into it early Wednesday and was burned to death.

Davis was living here at the home of his son-in-law, James Hamm, and while the family was at breakfast this morning a stove left burning in the aged man's room, is supposed to have set the room on fire. The smell of smoke warned the family and the old man, closely followed by Hamm ran to his room. When the door was opened the interior was a sheet of flame.

In the face of the almost certain death, Davis tried to elude the grasp of his son-in-law and enter the room. He was led away from the house, and Hamm returned to help those who were trying to save some of the contents. A few moments later he saw Davis again rushing toward his room and caught him just in time. Again Hamm took him away from the house, and cautioned others to keep watch over him. Then Hamm started to the house of a neighbor with his wife to place her in care of someone during the excitement.

While he was away Davis made his third dash for his room and breaking through a knot of firemen who tried to restrain him disappeared in the flames and smoke.

His body was recovered only after the house was a complete ruin and the flames had died down.

According to Hamm there was nothing of great value in the room except from a sentimental standpoint.

The Forty Year Test.
An article must have exceptional merit to survive for a period of forty years. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was first offered to the public in 1872. From a small beginning it has grown in favor and popularity until it has attained a world wide reputation. You will find nothing better for a cough or cold. Try it and you will understand why it is a favorite after a period of more than forty years. It not only gives relief—it cures. For sale by all dealers.

Thos. Lilley, of South Ballinger, returned home at noon Wednesday from a short business trip East.

Badly Burned
Nothing relieves a scald or burn more quickly than Hunt's Lightning Oil. This wonderful liniment is very healing For cuts, sprains, bruises, etc. it is fine. Sold by all druggists in 25c and 50c bottles.

Gus Glass, one of the prominent business men of Rowent had business in Ballinger between trains Wednesday.

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I. C. Browder, one of the substantial citizens of the Miles country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

What is Good for Headache?
One lady says, after suffering dreadfully for about seven years she tried Hunt's Lightning Oil, which almost instantly relieved her, and has been entirely free from those dreadful headaches since. Ask your druggist.

COULD SCARCELY WALK ABOUT

And For Three Summers Mrs. Vincent Was Unable to Attend to Any of Her Housework.

Pleasant Hill, N. C.—"I suffered for three summers," writes Mrs. Walter Vincent, of this town, "and the third and last time, was my worst.

I had dreadful nervous headaches and prostration, and was scarcely able to walk about. Could not do any of my housework.

I also had dreadful pains in my back and sides and when one of those weak, sinking spells would come on me, I would have to give up and lie down, until it wore off.

I was certainly in a dreadful state of health, when I finally decided to try Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I firmly

believe I would have died if I had taken it.

After I began taking Cardui, I was greatly helped, and all three bottles relieved me entirely.

I fattened up, and grew so much stronger in three months, I felt like another person altogether."

Cardui is purely vegetable and gentle-acting. Its ingredients have a mild, tonic effect, on the womanly constitution.

Cardui makes for increased strength, improves the appetite, tones up the nervous system, and helps to make pale, sallow cheeks, fresh and rosy.

Cardui has helped more than a million weak women, during the past 50 years. It will surely do for you, what it has done for them. Try Cardui today.

Write for: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. J-66

Mrs. Jack Howe and two children of Bisby, Arizona, came in Wednesday afternoon on a visit to her cousin Mrs. C. P. Shepherd and family and other relatives in our city for a while.

HELP WANTED—girl or woman to help do house work, three in family. W. C. McCarver, phone 522 or 467. d2t w1t

W. E. Allen the West End stock man left Wednesday afternoon for Granbury, Texas, on a short business trip.

The Best of everything to eat and to wear. Service to correspond. You can have both at A. J. Zappe's. 18-2d2tw

E. Bernon of Miles, who had been looking after business affairs in Ballinger the past two weeks, left Thursday at noon for his home.

W. B. Lewis of the Miles country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon and returned home on the night train.

Eczema, Ring Worm, Itching, and Tetter.

Sold under a positive guarantee to refund the purchase price if it does not cure itch, ringworm, tetter and all other skin diseases. Ask any druggist and read the positive guarantee that goes with each package. Price 50c. A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

ENTERTAINS S. S. CLASS

Miss Ione Cockrell entertained her Sunday School Class Wednesday night from 7:30 to 10 o'clock and all present report a very pleasant evening. After partaking of nice refreshments consisting of fresh strawberries and cream and cake the evening's entertainment closed. Those present were: Misses Juliett Miller, Stella Bateman, Nelle Lankford, Clara Steele, Ruth Davis, Ida Ray Cockrell, and Rev. A. C. Smith, pastor of the Eighth St. Presbyterian Church.

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