

TERRY COUNTY HERALD

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BROWNFIELD, TERRY COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JANUARY 12th, 1906.

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Professional Cards And Others.

Dr. S. H. Windham
Physician & Surgeon.
Will promptly answer all calls in Terry County.
Tahoka, Texas.

Big Springs Land Co.

Have Buyers For
Small Ranches.
Write Or Call On
Them At
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W. J. Head, Prop.
Remember when you want
a Hair cut, Shave or Shampoo
Come to my Shop and you
Will receive first class
ATTENTION.

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(OPPOSITE MASONIC TEMPLE)
When You Need Anything
In Furniture, Stoves and
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and Insurance Agent.

BROWNFIELD, TEX.

Job work

Done At

The Herald Office

LOCAL & PERSONAL.

J. R. Hill will pay 12 1-2c per lb for beef hides.

The fence around the court house yard is about half finished and it can already be seen that this will add much to the looks of the place.

Rev. J. N. Groves was here on business Saturday.

The Parsonage and Home Mission Society met with Mrs. D. Robinson Saturday afternoon.

Wanted—60 head of cattle to feed.
H. H. Cotten.

D. C. Walker and family and County clerk Dixon and wife returned from San Angelo last Monday.

Quite a crowd of young folks from Brownfield attended the dance at J. W. Brooks, Monday night.

Prof. J. L. Randal is having a nice fence built around his property in town.

W. J. Satterwhite is drilling a Well for H. H. Cotten.

Tax Assessor Nelson and wife returned from La Mesa Saturday.

Judge Copeland went out to his ranch last Monday.

Noah Bell came in town Monday to place his daughter in school she will board with Mrs. Copeland.

For Sale—One Jersey cow with calf.
H. H. Cotten.

Miss Flora Robinson is the happy owner of a handsome new Stodart piano.

J. C. Green and Bill Pyeatt returned from Big Springs Wednesday.

J. C. Scuddy, Dee Brownfield, Fred Wofford, J. W. Brooks, J. W. Black, and W. F. Kinsey attended the Woodmen lodge Saturday night.

J. W. Black and family were in from the ranch Saturday.

J. A. Foreman, L. W. McPhaul, J. J. Adams, J. T. Hamilton, W. J. A. Parker, and M. V. Brownfield were here Saturday to attend the Masonic Lodge.

Elzy Groves and Fred Wofford were in town Sunday.

M. V. Brownfield left for Colorado City last Monday.

Miss Flora Robinson was the guest of Miss Effie Brownfield Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Chas. Boon accompanied by Misses Irene Copeland and Myrtle Nicks were visitors at the Brownfield ranch last Saturday.

Christmas week in Brownfield was one continual round of frolic and amusement. The young people enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent and retired from the ring while there were some of the older folks who, it seems, were spry enough to participate in a dance on Saturday night.

This additional amusement was gotten up by Messrs. Small and M. V. Brownfield and was greatly enjoyed by those present.

Friends and patrons, our year's work is finished and naught remains but to extend to you our sincerest thanks for your kindness to us and to courteously wish you and yours every possible innocent enjoyment, perfect health, plenty and peace during the new year.

Weddings.

Seitz—Lane.

Mr. J. J. Lane and Miss Nora Seitz were married at Gomez Dec 23rd. Mr. Lane is the manager of the Stokes Wolcott Store at Gomez. Miss Seitz is the charming daughter of Mr. A. P. Seitz of this county. The bride and groom have a host of friends who join the Herald in congratulations.

Ambler—McPherson.

At Gomez, on Dec. 28th, Rev. A. B. Roberts officiating, Mr. W. T. McPherson and Mrs. Ruby Ambler were joined together in the holy bonds of wedlock. The bride is the accomplished daughter of J. T. Gainer, Esq. Mr. McPherson is a prominent attorney of this county and is to be congratulated on the suit he has just won.

The American New Year's Abroad.

While New Year's day means a great deal to Americans in their own country, it can hardly carry with it the patriotic glow of feeling that the American sojourner in all civilized countries abroad experiences on the 1st day of January, when he holds it his bounden duty to make a formal call at the house of America's official representative in the city where he resides. The occasion in London and Paris is more brilliant than in other foreign cities, for the reason that there are more of our countrymen in these two capitals. In the American colonies abroad you find all the Americans who have married foreigners calling at the ambassador's or consul's to pay their respects—even those who have forgotten how to talk United States or have lost their keen appreciation of the American humor which their more recently arrived compatriots are disseminating through the drawing rooms.—Washington Post.

The Pursuit of Happiness.

The man who begins on Jan. 1 to seek his own happiness is in a fair way to miss it altogether. Happiness is an elusive sprite. The more she is pursued the swifter she flies. There is doubtless for those who make pleasure their business a sort of gratification in their diversions, though it can scarcely be called happiness. Happiness is not the chief object of our existence. As Beecher once put it, "Man was not made to be eternally fiddled on by the fingers of joy." Character is the end of life. Happiness is incidental. Let a man look well to the ordering of life in its relation to other lives, seeking to make them happy, and he will find himself wearing the garland.—Rev. Frank G. Tyrrell.

The Deacon's New Year's Discourse.

"This is the time o' year," said Deacon Bimber, "that lots o' folks wait for, so they kin turn over a new leaf. Maybe they need to, bad enough, but what's the use? Them folks that's always turnin' over a new leaf at this time o' year mowt jest as well not do it, 'cause, so far as I ever knowed, ther ain't none o' 'em but what starts in right away on the new leaf same's they did on the old un. Them that wants to turn over a new leaf an' keep it clean don't wait for New Year's to come afore they do it."

A Familiar Superstition.

The familiar superstition that whatever you do on New Year's day you will do throughout the year is of ancient origin. The Roman workmen never failed to work a little on New Year's day, so that patronage would not be wanting throughout the year.

Letting the Old Year Out.

In old times the Saxons used to dance around an apple tree on New Year's eve singing a song. This was supposed to insure a good crop. Also bells were rung to notify the people of the going out of the old and the coming in of the new year.

A Popular Wedding Day.

In many countries New Year's is the most popular day in the twelvemonth for weddings, and all the young people arrange their marriages to take place then, so that their new lives together can begin on the 1st of January, thus securing additional happiness and chance of prosperity.

A Prosperous New-Year To

THE PEOPLE OF

TERRY AND SURROUNDING
COUNTIES:

WE

Extend to you a hearty welcome to our store, and want you to make it headquarters before purchasing

your supplies and respectfully ask that

YOU

Get our prices, for we know we can save you money and time. We have a general line and our prices are the lowest that can be made on the Plains.

Our Line of Goods is
Complete. See US for
BARGAINS.

Yours Respectfully,
Brownfield Merchantile Co.
Brownfield, Texas.

Stokes-Wolcott Co.

The Store That Saves You Money

You must visit our store before the line of new goods are gone and share in the benefits of thousands of special offerings in household Goods.

Our exhibit should command the

Attention!

of every gentleman and lady of taste. Our line of Goods are now on display, their magnificence can not be over estimated.

Buy now while our stock is yet complete.

A Happy New Year

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BROWNFIELD, TEXAS.

THE

Fine Location,
Amiable Citizenship,
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All goes to show the final great destiny of this town. Property can be had at your own figures and terms. See

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Terry County Herald.

W. R. Spencer - - - Proprietor
Brownfield, Terry County, Texas

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An Old Italian Custom.

A New Year's method employed by the Italian peasant girl to learn what Hymen has in store for her is to stand in the doorway of her home facing the road and kick off one of her slippers with sufficient force to send it backward over her head and back into the room. If the slipper falls on the sole, the toe pointing toward the door in which the girl stands, she takes it as an omen that before the new year dies she shall have walked out of her parental home and entered another house as its mistress and as a bride.

His New Year Alternative.
"Is Gussler going to swear off on New Year's?"

How to Decorate the Table.

Of the many ways of decorating the Christmas dinner table perhaps the most appropriate is the tiny tree all decked out in Santa Claus array with its candles and tinsels and many bright colored balls. These may be bought at different prices, from 50 cents up, ready to put upon the table. But if you prefer you can make one yourself out of a branch of a fir tree. This you can purchase for a very small sum, and then you can put whatever you choose on it in the way of gifts. There is another idea, though, that might be suggested. Make a red rose of something that is firm enough to hold a candle, say a stiffer red paper, and set firmly on a stem with green wood around, or some leaves would make it more natural. You perhaps could take some from the flowers on your summer hat. With a red candle stuck in the middle you could not have a prettier decoration.

How to Make Christmas Cakes.

Little cakes that will please the children either at the table or on the Christmas tree are made as follows: Bake the cakes in little patty or muffin pans and frost the tops with a white icing. Dip a small new paint brush in melted chocolate and draw a face on each. Make some crying and others laughing, the different expressions being made by the curve of the mouth line. The merest outline will be sufficient. Cut a circle of tissue paper of white or any color liked two inches larger than the cake, pink the edge with scissors and run a thread round one inch from the edge. Put a cake in the paper, draw up the thread, and a cunning little cap is formed. The pleasure of small children will well repay the trouble of making these little cake babies.

How to Make Icing.

Almond and sugar icing for the Christmas cake may be prepared as follows: Mix together four ounces of ground almonds, two ounces of sifted sugar and the white of an egg, having beaten the egg very stiffly. Spread this evenly on the top of a cake, using a broad knife. When quite set by a very gentle heat cover with this icing: Take half a pound of icing sugar, sift it very finely, add gradually a small teaspoonful of water and work the mixture to a very smooth, thick paste; add a few drops of vanilla essence. Spread the icing evenly on the cake, if necessary dipping the spreading knife into hot water. Let this stand in a cool oven, with the door open, till quite hard. Then decorate as desired.

How to Serve Apple Sauce.

If a roast pig graces your Christmas table, a very pretty way to serve the necessary apple sauce is as follows: Select a number of smooth, rosy, well flavored Baldwin pippins; polish them to the last stage of ruddiness, cut a slice off the top and scoop out the inside, leaving a wall of perhaps half an inch, enough to keep the apple in shape. Make a nice apple sauce seasoning, flavoring it appetizingly, and fill the hollowed apples with it. Insert the stem of an apple or any bit of twig by way of a stem, and serve one to each person on a pretty dish or like a sorbet on a dolly laid on a pretty plate. Very finely minced orange rind is a delightful flavoring for apple sauce.

NEED MORE ITEMS.

G. A. Whitley has gone to Lubbock with cotton.

Brook Gist is attending school in Brownfield.

J. K. Smith has moved into his new house. It is Mr. Smith, not Jim, since he left the dugout.

NEW YEAR'S IN ARCTIC.

A Merry Day With the Icebound New England Whalers.

They are making New Year's calls in the arctic, says the Boston Globe. "They" are the American women, wives of whaling captains, who spend three years out of every four in that region, where the perpetual blizzard is in motion, and where they rise superior to months and days and weeks.

You can imagine how welcome people are who are so scarce as in the friendly little fleet near Point Barrow. When you only have three or four women neighbors you are not going to be snippy and new fashioned and refuse to make the time honored greeting that used to prevail in this enlightened land. Instead you are going to don your best (fur) dress suit and sealskin hood and go and pay your respects to those ladies. And the respects will not be chilly, if the surroundings are, for the spirit of hospitality can overlook a great deal in the matter of climate and canned peach sherbet.

When the 1st of January dawns, with the first peep of the north pole day the men jump into their gunny-sack-like garments and begin work. The ships are frozen into the ice floes, and the snow must be swept away from ship to ship to form a path. The men have a feverish anxiety to see the day pass without a jar or jerk in the festivities, and they labor with great enthusiasm to convert this lonely land into something akin to a holiday "in town."

The women meanwhile have been making their preparations for the occasion. The plum pudding has to be steamed and the crackers and nuts put into dishes that will tempt the bashful whalers, and there is a general air of mysterious concoction that delights and confounds the hungry men who admiringly survey the scene. They fetch and carry with eagerness dishes and compliments and what not, and before you could say Jack Robinson there is a table set and an array of toastmasters alongside of it, and "The ladies, God bless 'em!" become sort of brown clad angels with sealskin halos and a corner on popularity.

At about 11 a. m. the real day begins, and then there are such a talking and such a feasting and such a belaying there as never were. When a sailor goes calling in the cold, cold land of six months of winter he is not looking for a frost and consequently doesn't get it.

And the dinner—gorgeous array that it is—one vast table in the inner cabin and one vast amount of temptations in the way of food and drink! They all sit down to the china pot, and the sandwiches, and the bits of cranberry, and the loads of walrus rump, and the beef stew, and the bean soup, and there is a lively time.

Dried fruits and spiced pickles and many jokes fly about, and there is as much jollity as you would expect from a blackberry juice toddy innocent of Kentucky rye. And then, after the dinner is over, there is a session of reminiscence and ease and handmade cigars, and the ladies do fancy work on the patterns of three years ago and chat with the men about anything but "shop." Whales may come and whales may go in the meantime, but the chatter goes on forever, or so the men wish it would as they lounge in the lighted cabin and tell stories of home and think of the women who await them there, and then more talk, and later tea again, and preserved ginger, and jokes not a bit older than those at home. And then they all march home to their icebound ships under the stars of that big night.

Mr. M. D. Williams who bought the C. H. Walker place arrived this week.—Nihil.

GROCERIES

When you buy Groceries you want Groceries. I keep them.

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Meadow, Texas.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE	
Brownfield State Bank	
OF BROWNFIELD, TEXAS	
M. V. BROWNFIELD, Pres. A. M. BROWNFIELD, Cashier.	
Made at the close of business on the 30th day of Sept, 1905	
RESOURCES.	
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check	\$9,454.00
Cash items	3,000.00
Currency	1,000.00
Specie	1,000.00
Other resources as follow:	
Stamps and taxes paid	6.10
Total	\$13,560.10
LIABILITIES.	
Surplus fund	\$10,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check	3,560.10
Total	\$13,560.10

STATE OF TEXAS, } ss. We M. V. Brownfield as president
County of Terry } and A. M. Brownfield as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

M. V. Brownfield, President.
A. M. Brownfield, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn before me, this 14 day of October A. D. nineteen hundred and five.

[L S] WITNESS my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid. W. R. Spencer Notary Public.

W. J. Parker }
CORRECT—ATTEST: J. R. Coble } DIRECTORS.
A. M. Brownfield }

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I immediately commenced to improve, and now I feel like a new woman, and wish to recommend it to all sick women, for I know it will cure them, as it did me."

Cardui is pure, medicinal extract of vegetable herbs, which relieves female pains, regulates female functions, tones up the organs to a proper state of health.

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Terry County Herald.

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Geo. D. Neal Lieut. Gov.
R. V. Davidson Atty Gen
J. W. Stephens Comptroller
J. W. Robbins Treasure
J. J. Terrell Land Com.
R. B. Cousins Supt. Public Instruction.

DISTRICT COURT.
District Court for the County of Terry and the unorganized County of Yoakum attached to Terry for judicial purposes of the 64th Judicial District meets in the town of Brownfield, Terry County on the 23rd Mondays after the first Mondays in January and July and may continue in session two weeks.
L. S. Kinder, Plainview, District Judge.
R. M. Ellard, Floydada, District Attorney.
W. T. Dixon, Brownfield, District Clerk.
Geo. E. Tiernan, Brownfield, Sheriff.

COUNTY COURT.
County Court of Terry County Texas meets in town of Brownfield on the First Mondays in February, May, August and November.

OFFICERS.
W. N. Copeland, County Judge
W. T. Dixon, County Clerk.
Geo. E. Tiernan, Sheriff.

COMMISSIONERS COURT.
Commissioners Court meets in regular session on the second Mondays in February, May, August and November. W. N. Copeland, County Judge, presiding.
W. A. Shepherd Com. Prec. No. 1
W. H. Gist Com. Prec. No. 2
J. N. Groves Com. Prec. No. 3
J. J. Adams Com. Prec. No. 4

OTHER COUNTY OFFICERS.
Thomas Deshazo, County Treasurer.
Geo. E. Tiernan, Tax Collector
N. L. Nelson, County Assessor
J. T. Gainer, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1.
S. M. Tow, Constable Precinct No. 1.
Court meets in town of Gomez, on the second Monday in each month.
J. D. Crawford, Justice of Peace of Precinct No. 2.
Court meets 3rd Monday in each month in the town of Brownfield.

CHURCH NOTICE.
Rev. J. N. Groves on 3rd Sunday in each month at 11 o'clock a. m.
Rev. Swinney, 1st Sunday in each month at 3 o'clock p. m.

SECRET SOCIETIES.
Officers of Lodge No. 903, A. F. A. M.
G. N. Foreman Worshipful Master
D. Senior Warden
F. Small, Junior Warden
W. R. Spencer, Secretary
M. V. Foreman, Treasurer
J. A. Foreman, Tyler.
E. Walforth, Senior Deacon.
J. J. Adams, Junior Deacon.
Lodge meets Saturday before the full moon in each month at 8 o'clock P. M.

Program of the Teachers' Institute

Of Terry County, Texas, Which Will Meet in Gomez, Jan. 26, 1906.

Friday, 9.30 A. M.

Song.
Welcome address, J. T. Gainer.
Business.
Formality in the School Room. Mrs. Ward.
Discussion.
Grammar with the Present Text Books. Mrs. Randal.
Discussion.
Reading, Fannie Thompson.
Song.

Afternoon Session, 1.30 P. M.

Song.
How the Teacher should master the difficulties that arise in and out of the school room. W. I. McPherson.
Discussion.
Reading, Miss Flora Robinson.
How to teach History with the present conditions of Rural Schools. D. A. Murray.
Discussion.
How to teach Fractions. J. L. Randal.
Discussion.
Recitation. Geo. McWhirter
Queries.
Song.

Saturday 9.30 A. M.

Song.
Reading, Miss Effie Brownfield.
Herbert Spencer.
Judge Spencer.
Discussion.
Paper. How to teach good manners in the School Room. Miss Bernice Deshazo.
Discussion.
Paper. Noyel Reading. R. D. Laney.
Discussion.
The Professional Teacher. Mrs. Woodard.

Afternoon Session 1.30 P. M.

Song.
School Law with reference to Teachers. Judge Copeland.
Discussion.
How should Spelling be taught. R. R. Patterson.
J. H. Gambrell.
Discussion.
Principles of Composition. Mrs. Brooks.
Discussion.
Recitation. Brock Gist.
Query box.
Song.
Every body is cordially invited to attend and remain during the entire session.
W. N. Copeland, Co. Judge.

By virtue of authority vested in me as County Judge of Terry county, acting as Ex-officio Superintendent of Public schools of Terry county, Texas, I hereby call a county Institute of two days duration to be held at Gomez Texas, in the Gomez Public School building, to begin on the 26 day January, 1906, and ending on Saturday evening, it being the 27 day of January 1906. All teachers are respectfully referred to the circular from R. B. Cousins, State Superintendent which has been published in numerous county papers, giving the law on the subject requiring teachers to attend said Institute which authorizes the County Superintendent "To cancel the certificates of any teacher who willfully absents himself from the County Institute."

Very Respectfully,
W. N. Copeland.
Ex-Officio County Superintendent, Terry County, Texas.

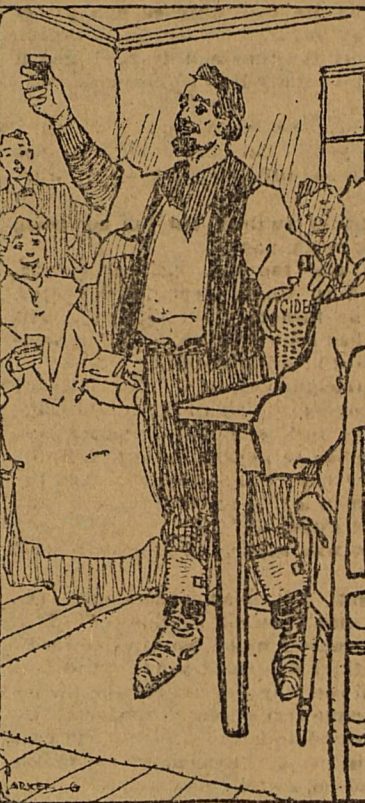
As a forerunner of Christmas, several parties proceeded to celebrate here during last week.

A New Year Toast "Here's Hopin'!"

YEAR ain't been the very best—
Party hard by trouble pressed;
But the rough way leads to rest—
Here's hopin'!

Maybe craps waz short; the rills
Couln't turn the silent mills;
But the light's behind the hills—
Here's hopin'!

Where we plant the roses sweet
Thorns come up and prick the feet;
But the old world's hard to beat—
Here's hopin'!



HERE'S HOPIN'!

P'raps the buildin' that we planned
'Gainst the cyclone couln't stand;
But, thank God, we've got the land—
Here's hopin'!

Maybe flowers we hoped to save
Have been scattered on a grave;
But the heart's still beatin' brave—
Here's hopin'!

That we'll see the mornin' light;
That the very darkest night
Can't hide heaven from our sight—
Here's hopin'!

—Frank L. Stanton in Atlanta Constitution.

Welsh Superstitions.
Many of the superstitions of the Welsh peasants with regard to New Year's day take the form of omens or auguries, foretelling joy or sorrow, prosperity or disaster, during the coming year. Thus it is a popular belief among this most interesting people that if a lamp or candle be taken out of a house New Year's day some member of the family will die before the new year—ushered in that day—is out. It is also a popular belief among them that to throw out ashes or dirty water, or, indeed, anything else, is certain to bring misfortune to the entire household during the whole of that twelve-month.

In Old Saxon Times.
In the old times the Saxons used to dance around an apple tree on New Year's eve, singing a song. This was supposed to insure a good crop. Bells were rung to notify the people of the going out of the old and the coming in of the new year. Another ancient custom in some parts of England was the opening of the house doors that faced the west to let out the old year, while the doors on the opposite side were opened to usher in the new year. In the sixteenth century pins, which had been newly invented, were extremely popular as New Year's gifts.

Mr. Pepys's Wassail Bowl.
That rare old gossip, Mr. Pepys, tells us in his diary how on New Year's day, 1661, he was offered the wassail bowl by a damsel who sang for him "very sweetly," it being often customary for the wassail lassies to sing appropriate songs while the wassail was being quaffed. The wassail bowls which the girls carried were often prettily adorned with ribbons and garlands.

The Greek Christmas.
New Year's day takes the place of Christmas in the Greek church so far as the giving of presents is concerned. The father of a family usually gives money to his wife and children on this holiday.

A New Year Thought.
Ah, friends, it were better for pleasure to fret not!
If our lives are but noble, our souls but sincere,
What matters the rest, though we get or we get not
"A Happy New Year?"
—L. Zangwill.

TREASURER'S REPORT

TO COMMISSIONERS' COURT
TERRY COUNTY, TEXAS.

In the matter of County Finances in the hands of Thos. Deshazo Treasurer of Terry County, Texas.

Commissioners' Court Terry County, Texas, in regular quarterly session, Nov. Term, 1905.

We the undersigned, as County Commissioners within and for said Terry County, and the Hon. W. N. Copeland, County Judge for said Terry County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, and each of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 14th day of November, A. D. 1905, at a regular quarterly term of said Court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of Thomas Deshazo Treasurer of Terry County, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 1st day of August, A. D. 1905, and ending on the 31st day of Oct., A. D. 1905, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Terry County, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since his last report to this court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 31st day of Oct., A. D. 1905, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said county Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Article 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session, approved March 20, 1897.

And we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in hands of the said Treasurer belonging to Terry county at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this the 14th day of Nov., A. D. 1905, and find the same to be as follows, to wit:

JURY FUND.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 31st day of July 1905, Dr., \$178.08
To amt. recd. since said date 68.40
Total \$246.48

By amt. disbursed since said date, Cr., \$20.16
By amt. to balance, 226.32
Total \$246.48

Balance to credit of said JURY FUND as actually counted by us on the 14th day of November, A. D. 1905, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 14th day of August, A. D. 1905, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of \$226.32

GENERAL FUND.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 31st day of July 1905, Dr., \$59.55
To amt. recd. since said date 26.86
Total \$86.41
By amt. disbursed since said date, Cr., \$20.63
By amt. to balance, 65.78
Total \$86.41

Balance to credit of said GENERAL FUND as actually counted by us on the 14th day of November, 1905, and including the amt. balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 1st day of Aug. A. D. 1905, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of \$65.78

SCHOOL FUND.

Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 31st day of July 1905, Dr., \$492.59
To amt. recd. since said date 885.60

Total \$1378.19
By amt. disbursed since said date, Cr., \$364.17
By amt. to balance, 1014.02
Total \$1378.19

Bal. to credit of said SCHOOL FUND as actually counted by us on the 14th day of November, A. D. 1905, and including the amt. balance on hand by the said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report the 1st day of Aug. A. D. 1905, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of \$1014.02

RECAPITULATION.
Nov. 14th. Balance to credit of Jury Fund on this day \$226.32
Bal. to credit of Gen. Fund 65.78
Bal. to Cr. of School Fund 1014.02
Total \$1306.12
Total cash on hand belonging to Terry county in the hands of said Treasurer as actually counted by us \$1306.12
Witness our hands, Officially, this 14th day of November, A. D. 1905.

W. N. Copeland, County Judge.
S. A. Shepherd, Com. Precinct No 1.
W. H. Gist, (SEAL) Com. Precinct No 2.
J. N. Groves, Com. Precinct No 3.
J. J. Adams, Com. Precinct No 4.

Sworne to and subscribed before me, by W. N. Copeland County Judge, and S. A. Shepherd and W. H. Gist and J. J. Adams and J. N. Groves County Commissioners of said Terry county, each respectively, on this, the 14th day of Nov., A. D. 1905.

W. T. Dixon, (SEAL) Co. Clerk Terry Co.

Discord is a bitter enemy of good will and peace. It separates friends and destroys neighborliness, it seizes and magnifies trivial things, and perils peace of mind and joy of heart and soul.

It possesses no merit or worth, and is a discredit to every one who takes part in it. Solomon says, "He that soweth discord among the brethren is an abomination unto the Lord."

A woman may be a perfect angel or a little goose; it's only a difference in the matter of wings.

It hurts a woman's feelings to find that a man has said her complexion was subject to changes.

When notoriety is mistaken for popularity some one is seen to be affected with an attack of conceit.

A duck which had laid several dozen eggs during the season complained that while her working record was better than the hen's the latter has books and poems written in her honor, while no one has a word of praise for the duck. A wise old rooster near by said: You lay an egg and wabble off without saying a word, while that sister of mine never lays one without letting everyone in the neighborhood know it. If you want to cut any ice around here, you must advertise.—Ex.

How to Make Popcorn Balls.
For the Christmas tree popcorn balls make a very pretty decoration. In a quart of water dissolve one-quarter pound of sugar and four drams of gum arabic. Boil for about eight minutes. Cut some splints from a new broom, wash them thoroughly and tie them together to form a small brush. Having previously popped the corn and kept it hot, sprinkle the sugar mixture over it while evenly spread out in a dish. Continue sprinkling and mixing until the entire mass of popcorn becomes quite sticky. Then butter your fingers and mold it into balls of various sizes.