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BAD NEGRO KILLED

APPLIES UGLY EPITHET TO A
WHITE MAN AND GOES TO
HIS REWARD.

PATTERSON SURRENDERS

And is Lodged in Jail to Await the Verdict of the Inquest.

Gus McElroy, negro cook at the Mansion hotel, was killed at about 1 o'clock this afternoon in the kitchen of the hotel and John Patterson, the young man who drives one of Ramsey's milk wagons acknowledges that he committed the deed, and surrendered to Constable Randolph a short time after the killing. He was lodged in jail to await the verdict of the jury of inquest, which is being held over the dead body of the negro at this writing.

The difficulty, or rather the dispute which led up to the difficulty, was over the measurement of milk. Patterson had driven up to the hotel to make the delivery and the negro cook came out to get it, and, according to Patterson's statement, claimed that the measurement was not correct. The lie was passed and finally the negro is alleged to have called Patterson a "white son of a bitch." Patterson said he could not take that and drove to his home and got his sixshooter, returning immediately to the hotel, where he found the negro washing dishes at the kitchen sink, and without multiplying words, fired one shot, the ball striking the negro in the breast and it is supposed to have went through his heart. After the shot was fired the negro went from the sink to a closet on the opposite side of the kitchen, where, apparently, he kept his sixshooter on a shelf, and securing the weapon he turned upon his slayer, but before he could fire fell to the floor where he expired without speaking.

A Times reporter was on the scene of the killing a few minutes after it took place and found the negro stretched out on the floor by the side of the kitchen range. He was a very large negro and wore on the lapel of his shirt or kitchen apron a pin in the shape of a gold, pearl handled sixshooter.

Sheriff Davis was present and showed to the reporter the "44 Winchester" sixshooter, which he picked up from the floor near the dead negro's feet.

Mr. Ramsey, Patterson's employer, says that the young man is not by nature a quarrelsome fellow. Patterson's mother is said to be very low with pneumonia and judging from this fact he must have either thought his life in great danger or was crazed by the ugly epithet which the negro had applied to him when he did the killing. The weapon used by Patterson was a .38 Colt's on a .45 frame.

MR. LOONEY TO WITHDRAW.

Will Leave Attorney Generalship Contest to Wynne and Davison.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 18.—State Senator B. F. Looney of Hunt county is to withdraw from the race for the attorney generalship, says Judge J. B. Sherrill of Greenville, who is in the city today.

Judge Sherrill was formerly speaker of the Texas house of representatives and is well versed in the political condition in the State. He says that he saw Senator Looney at the depot in Greenville last night and that he was informed by him that he would withdraw from the race.

"GAMBLING HELLS."

Marston Denounces All Exchanges Without Discrimination.

By Associated Press. Dallas, Tex., Feb. 20.—The second day's session of the Southern Cotton Association was devoted to a discussion of the question of cotton exchanges. The principal speaker was B. W. Marston of Shreveport, La., who denominated all exchanges as "gambling Hells."

Matings! A large line just received at North Texas Furniture Co.

WYNNE AROUSES SPECULATION.

Texas Congressional Delegation Interested in His Announcement.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 20.—Among members of the Texas delegation who are watching the evolutions of Texas politics with absorbing interest, the announcement of Col. Richard Wynne's candidacy for attorney general has been almost a sensation. Apparently the most intimate of Senator Bailey's friends, none among them had heard any intimation that Col. Wynne might announce.

Therefore, there was some consternation and much speculation as to the meaning of his entry. While those who would be most likely to know declare they have no information as to what circumstances have prompted the candidacy of Col. Wynne, they are pretty generally agreed that it presages the withdrawal of Mr. Looney.

So far as could be learned today no member of the Texas delegation had talked with Senator Bailey about the matter, but they assume, as a matter of course, that Col. Wynne, because of his relations with Senator Bailey, would not have taken this step without the Senator's cognizance nor without his approval.

It is said that Senator Bailey will return to Texas within the next two weeks. He desires to make a somewhat extended speech on the currency question and will start for Texas shortly thereafter.

WILL SUPPORT WYNNE.

Senator Looney Endorses Candidacy of Fort Worth Man.

Special to the Times. Greenville, Tex., Feb. 20.—Senator Looney, who withdrew from the race for the attorney general's office today, announced that he would support Col. R. M. Wynne of Fort Worth for the same office.

SENTENCED TO DIE

GEN. STOESEL TO MEET AWFUL PUNISHMENT FOR SURRENDER OF PORT ARTHUR.

PETITION TO EMPEROR

Removed That Judges Will Ask That Sentence Be Changed to Fifteen Years' Imprisonment.

By Associated Press. Bulletin—St. Petersburg, Russia, Feb. 20.—General Stoessel has been sentenced to death.

Want Sentence Commuted.

By Associated Press. St. Petersburg, Feb. 20.—It is persistently rumored here that the judges have agreed to sentence Generals Stoessel, Pock and Reize to death, but that they have applied to the emperor at Tsarskoe Selo to commute the sentence to fifteen years imprisonment.

Verdict Was Delayed.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 20.—The handing down of a verdict in the case of Lieutenant General Stoessel has been postponed until 4 o'clock this afternoon. Sentries are on duty at the doors leading to the judges' room. It is believed that the delay indicates a difficulty in reaching a decision.

GEN. FRANCIS M. DODGE DEAD.

Famous Indian Fighter and War Veteran is No More.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 20.—Brigadier General Francis M. Dodge of the United States army, retired, who was awarded a medal of honor by congress for his distinguished gallantry at the battle of White River in Colorado in the Indian campaign in the sixties, died at his residence here yesterday.

General Dodge served with the twenty-third Massachusetts volunteer regiment during the civil war. He was 66 years old.

Be sure to read the display ad of the W. F. Jordan Furniture Company in this issue.

FLEET AT CALLAO

BATTLESHIPS SIGHTED THIS MORNING AT PERUVIAN PORT.

ADMIRAL EVANS WORSE

Illness Such that Command of Fleet is Given to Admiral Thomas.

By Associated Press. Callao, Peru, Feb. 20.—The American battleship fleet has just been sighted off this port.

The latest wireless dispatch from the flagship Connecticut says that Rear Admiral Evans is still in poor health and that Rear Admiral Charles M. Thomas, commander of the second squadron and the third division of the fleet, has assumed charge of the vessel.

From an early hour this morning the street cars coming into Callao were crowded with passengers, who are eager to witness the arrival of the American war vessels.

Callao, where the American battleship fleet is to make its fourth stop in its cruise around South America, is one of the most important ports on the Pacific side, and is the great depot for the commerce of Peru. It is second only to Valparaiso, Chile, 1,500 miles to the south. Approximately one-half of the foreign trade of Peru, which amounted last year to more than \$50,000,000, passes in and out of Callao, making it a busy, active and industrious city. Fully 1,000 vessels put into the harbor every year, and twenty steamers, together with forty sailing craft, may any day be seen lying at anchor in the bay.

Callao is one of the finest and safest harbors on the Pacific, and the Peruvian government is showing great energy not only to make it modern, convenient and secure, but also to equip the city itself with every necessity for comfortable and hygienic living. There are massive wharves at the water's edge, protected by a pier 800 feet long. This pier is connected with the shore by a bridge, built on iron piling, 2,800 feet long. In the bay is a floating dock which will admit vessels of twenty-one feet draft and 5,000 tons weight. Steamers lie alongside the wharves and freight is transhipped immediately into cars on tracks within a few feet of the water. The resemblance to a modern port like Havre or Hook of Holland is remarkably striking. The machinery about these docks is chiefly electric, the power being drawn from the streams only a short distance back in the mountains.

A natural protection of the bay is the island of San Lorenzo, which shelters the city from southwest storms. Adjacent to Lorenzo is the Palominos group, on which is a powerful lighthouse, the light from which is visible for eighteen miles.

Callao as a town is very old. Its foundations dating back to the year 1537. The original site was destroyed by an earthquake in 1746 and swallowed up in the sea. The present city is modern in every sense of the word. The population numbers 32,000.

Lima, the capital of Peru is only nine miles from Callao, and lies 500 feet higher, close against the foothills of the Andes.

SENATOR LATIMER DEAD.

Death Follows Operation for Twist of the Bowels.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 20.—Senator Latimer of South Carolina is dead. He was operated upon for twist of the bowels last Monday, but the operation failed to save his life.

His body will be taken to the Latimer home at Belton, S. C. The journey will be begun tonight.

Senator Tillman will announce the death of his colleague when the senate convenes today, after which the senate will immediately adjourn. A committee from the senate will be appointed by the vice president to accompany the body to South Carolina.

TALKS ON TWO-CENT FARES.

General Manager of Santa Fe Says Retrenchment Was Not Caused By Rate Laws.

Special to the Times.

Guthrie, Ok., Feb. 20.—That the 2-cent passenger fare which is in force in several States through which his line operates is not responsible for the recent radical retrenchment moves of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad, was the statement of General Manager Hurléy of that road before the corporation commission here today. He also said the trains recently taken off in Oklahoma were paying expenses and that the reason for taking them off was that the company would still have the business at less cost.

COMBS CASE REMANDED.

Weatherford Man, Convicted of Wife Murder, Gets New Trial

Special to the Times.

Weatherford, Tex., Feb. 20.—Dispatches received here today state that the court of criminal appeals at Dallas has reversed and remanded the case of George Combs, convicted and sentenced to serve a thirty year term on a charge of wife murder.

The case of Carl Curtis of this county, who was found guilty of violating the local option law, was also reversed and remanded.

A KENTUCKY FEUD.

"Kid" Stewart Shot and Killed Wm. Stamper at Stewart's Branch.

By Associated Press.

Sergeant, Ky., Feb. 20.—At Stewart's Branch, a few miles west of here in Knott county, "Kid" Stewart shot and killed William Stamper, his near neighbor, today. The killing was the result of a feud of several years standing. After killing Stamper Stewart walked three miles to an officer and gave himself up.

FAVORS HARRIMAN

JUDGE BALL DISSOLVES INJUNCTION AGAINST VOTING OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL STOCK.

FISH HAS BEEN ROUTED

286,230 More Shares of Stock Can Be Voted By Harriman at Meeting in March.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 20.—Judge Ball has dissolved the injunction against the voting of the Illinois Central stock granted to Stuyvesant Fish last October. This decision is in favor of Harriman.

The decision dissolves the temporary injunction granted to Stuyvesant Fish, by which 286,231 shares of stock were enjoined from being voted at the annual meeting of the Illinois Central railroad company. This stock was held by the Union Pacific and Railroads' Securities Company of New Jersey, and can now be voted at the annual meeting, which will be held in this city on March 2nd. The decision of Judge Ball was quite extended, amounting to about ten thousand words.

Today's Live Stock Market.

Special to the Times.

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 20.—The total cattle receipts today were 1,600. The market was steady to strong.

Beef Steers—Receipts, 600, mostly South Texas grassers. The market was active and steady at \$3.60@45.00.

Butcher Cows—Receipts 600. Quality fair to good. Market active and higher at \$2.75@45.00.

Calves—Receipts light. Quality medium. Market active and steady. Tops sold at \$4.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 2,000 head, mostly choice Texans. Market active and higher at \$3.75@44.60.

Some time last night some person or persons unknown tore off the wire screen covering one of the windows at the city calaboose and handed in to the prisoners a quantity of booze. This morning most of the prisoners had the "morning after" feeling.

LODGE ORGANIZED

MANY VISITING ELKS HERE ATTENDING INSTALLATION OF WICHITA FALLS LODGE.

ARE HAVING BIG TIME

Initiation Rites in Progress This Afternoon—Banquet Tonight Will Close the Program.

Many members of the antlered crowd from other cities are in town today to attend the installation of the Wichita Falls Lodge, B. P. O. E.

The installation and initiation ceremonies under the direction of District Deputy Darling of Temple are in progress in the hall in the City National bank building this afternoon.

Following the installation and organization an elaborate banquet will be spread in the dining room of the St. James hotel tonight and will bring an eventful day to a close.

The new lodge begins its life with over fifty charter members and a splendid foundation for one of the most prosperous lodges in the State.

Charter Members.

The charter members of the new lodge are: A. R. Duke, V. G. Skeen, H. A. Waller, W. W. Gardner, M. D. Walker, F. P. Avis, C. B. Woods, Fred Harrington, G. L. Mater, C. W. Hendricks, P. P. Langford, George Dillard, T. T. Reese, A. L. Huey, J. W. Clabey, E. P. Walsh, Alex. Kahn, W. M. McGregor, W. H. Walker, W. A. Reid, Harley Heath, A. R. Robertson, H. M. Hughes, D. P. Woodward, Ira Willis, J. A. Kemp, T. B. Noble, N. Henderson, C. W. Bean, W. H. Felder, A. S. Fonville, W. J. Bullock, R. L. Miller, Sam Scalling, J. W. Stone, A. Marcus, M. L. Austin, E. B. Gorsline, K. A. White, John Tipton and Vic Stampff.

The following were already members of the fraternity, but have transferred their membership to the Wichita Falls lodge: M. A. Marcus, C. L. Stevens, C. F. Bowen, Charles Malone, J. G. Gilbert, Ed. H. Lysaght, J. T. Schwab, N. C. McIntyre, J. S. Flack, D. P. Talley, J. E. Berry, S. R. Cockrell and J. T. Roberts.

Visiting Elks.

Among the members of the fraternity from other places attending the installation were: J. I. Kendrick, Amarillo; A. D. McArthur, Pittsburg; L. A. Wright, Fort Smith; T. C. Davidson, Temple; Gug Karsman, Abilene; C. M. Andrews, Terrell; A. F. Moffett, Temple; John B. Baker, Abilene; S. R. Cockrell, Fort Smith; E. J. Bates, Abilene; J. E. Berry, Jackson, Tenn.; E. A. McDaniel, Bonham; J. S. Flack, Amarillo; J. F. Schwab, Sheridan, Wyoming; C. F. Watkins, Abilene; W. T. Peyton, Amarillo; E. T. Turner, Amarillo; M. C. McIntyre, Fort Collins, Col.; J. B. Fleming, Amarillo; Allen H. Chambers, Dallas; Joe B. Hines, Fort Worth; R. D. Gresham, Temple; C. L. Stevens, Temple; G. W. Curtis, Fort Worth; J. M. Patis, Gainesville; J. P. Hacher, Mayfield, Ky.; T. E. Harbone, Gainesville; F. M. McClure, Fort Worth; M. McCarty, Anell H. Ross, Clem B. Potter, S. F. Zacharias and J. H. Goff, Gainesville; A. G. Carter, L. M. Mitchell, Tom Roberts and Marshal Spoonce, Fort Worth; J. P. Bryan, Chillicothe, Mo.; T. B. Gallagher and L. B. Simmonds, Amarillo; Dr. C. P. Comeg, Gainesville; T. E. Riley, Fort Worth; C. F. Bowen, Macon, Ga.; F. E. Redeker, Fort Worth; E. M. Wade, McKinney; M. J. Stimpson, Sherman; R. A. Holmes, Dallas; Clayton-Holt, Abilene.

ADJUDGED INSANE.

Prominent Russian Writer Too Persistent in Unwelcome Attention.

By Associated Press. San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 20.—R. Livingston, a Russian writer, personal friend and follower of Count Leo Tolstoy, and a brother of Countess Amelia C. Viviani of Russia, was adjudged insane at Oakland yesterday because he persistently forced his unwelcome attentions on young women students of the University of California.

A BIG COMBINATION

OF YELLOW PINE MANUFACTURERS ALLEGED TO BE ON TAPIS.

TIMBER LANDS AND MILLS

Are Said to Be Included in the Plan, Which Was Discussed at a St. Louis Meeting Recently.

Southern Lumberman.
Information reached the office of the Southern Lumberman in Nashville Tuesday morning of a meeting being held in St. Louis that day of a most momentous and epoch-making character—that is, if the purpose and nature of that meeting prove to be as indicated in the report.

The meeting was reported to be one of a number of the biggest holders of yellow pine stumpage in the country, and its object that of effecting a gigantic consolidation, not only of their stumpage holdings, but of the milling plants. Details of the plans were not given in the report, but it is said that the initiative in the movement had been taken by an individual whose operations are west of the river, and who has heretofore been conspicuously affiliated with association work in the yellow pine trade.

The report indicated a consolidation of the timber holdings of all the constituent concerns, with a wholesaling concern to be organized to handle under contract the entire cut of the individual mills, something on the order of the plan of the Louisiana Red Cypress Company, limited, in handling the product of the principal mills cutting that wood.

The report reaching Nashville gives the names of the following concerns as interested in the movement, and as being represented or to have been represented at the conference:

Long-Bell Lumber Company, Kansas City, Mo.

William Buchanan, St. Louis, Mo., and Texarkana.

Great Southern Lumber Company, Bogalusa, La. (This is the Goodyear outfit with holdings in Southern Mississippi.)

Lackawanna Lumber Co., Scranton, Pennsylvania.

J. J. Newman Lumber Company, Hattiesburg, Miss.

United States Lumber Co., Scranton, Pa. (This is a timber holding company for the two concerns mentioned next above, of all of which Mr. F. L. Peck of Scranton is president. These three concerns are frequently referred to as the "Peck interests." Their holdings are also in Southern Mississippi.)

Chicago Lumber and Coal Company, St. Louis, Mo. (As is well known, this is the concern of which Mr. S. H. Fullerton is the president, and one whose recent large purchases of timber have been widely chronicled.)

W. R. Pickering Lumber Company, Kansas City, Mo.

Missouri Lumber and Land Exchange, Kansas City, Mo.

Frost-Trigg Lumber Company, St. Louis, Mo.

W. T. Ferguson Lumber Company, St. Louis, Mo. (One of the William Buchanan concerns.)

Industrial Lumber Company, Houston, Texas. (Sam Park.)

If the above list is even approximately correct and a consolidation is effected of their holdings, along the lines indicated, it will be by far the most momentous development that has ever occurred in the lumber industry in this country.

The stumpage holdings of the concerns named are immense. Every concern is a strong one, and several of them operate more than one big milling plant.

The aggregate output of these concerns would probably reach in the neighborhood of 2,000,000,000 feet, or close to 20 per cent of the annual production of yellow pine as given in the government report for 1906. It would be a much larger per cent than this of the output of what are known as "big mills."

The timber holdings of the concerns is harder to estimate off-hand. Several of them have recently made big purchases, and practically all of them have extended their holdings within the last three to five years. Even an approximate guess at the extent of the holdings involved in a consolidation of such interests would be impossible unless a more accurate list of the concerns could be referred to, but those

named would control an amount reaching far into the billions.

While some such idea of a consolidation of yellow pine interests has been suggested from time to time for a year or more past, and a man connected with one of the concerns now mentioned is known to have been at work on the matter for two years or more, the Southern Lumberman does not believe that anything beyond a tentative discussion of the matter is at all likely to have occurred at this St. Louis meeting. In the first place, it would take an immense sum of money to put through such a consolidation on any basis that would offer promise either of effectiveness or permanence, and money for such an undertaking would be, we imagine, exceedingly difficult to secure at this time. The holdings of the above concerns are scattered over a big territory, and are diverse in character and valuation. If a company or syndicate is to be organized many weeks would be required to estimate the amount of the timber and thrash out its relative value.

Of course, the impelling idea in such a coalition is patent to everybody. The big holders of the yellow pine stumpage in the South have millions of dollars invested in a form of property that for the present at least is being dissipated at a price that everybody knows to be far below its value. How long such a condition of affairs is likely to last is problematical. As already indicated, nearly every one of these holders of stumpage has also many thousands of dollars invested in an operating plant, which is nearly valueless unless it can be operated. If they have got to operate and can find no market for the output at a price that leaves the stumpage figure to which they are entitled, they are in hard lines, and it is not surprising that they should take any legitimate steps for the protection of their investments and securing from that asset the money to which they are entitled.

We do not imagine that there is a man posted with the lumber conditions in this country, who will doubt for a moment that yellow pine stumpage in the South is today worth anywhere from \$3 to \$5 and that in a few years it will be worth from \$5 to \$7, and then from \$7 to \$10. It would seem too bad if any considerable quantity of it has now to be dissipated through selling the output of the lumber mills at prices that leave nothing for the timber. Undoubtedly the stumpage owned by the men mentioned in this report would be a good purchase today at any price under \$5 per thousand, or even at \$5, and if some arrangements could be made for financing such an undertaking, there is no doubt about the returns on the money and the tremendous relief it would afford to some of the individual holders, since it would permit of marketing as much of the product of the mills as the country will take at remunerative prices and hold the remainder against the day when otherwise the country will be compelled to have it, or some substitute, at prices enormously elevated above what they would otherwise pay.

It will be seen that the names given in the report reaching Nashville are somewhat different from those reported by our St. Louis correspondent as actually in attendance on the conference.

San Angelo Growing.

San Angelo, Tex., Feb. 19.—The new city directory just issued shows the population of San Angelo to be 12,500, an increase of 29 per cent in two years. San Angelo will have 15,000 in two years more and when the Orient is completed from here to Kansas City the rate will increase. The same company that took the census here recently compiled a city directory of Amarillo, giving that city 11,600, an increase of 35 per cent, the highest rate of increase any Texas town has reported. There are forty real estate firms in San Angelo; 34 lawyers and 34 doctors. Building contractors number 30.

About Wichita Falls.

Fort Worth Telegram.
Wichita Falls is the proud possessor of free mail delivery, and the correspondents took opportunity, in telling the story, about the many miles of sidewalk in that city and the splendid growth in its population. It is a dull day when Wichita Falls does not have something to say about its sidewalks, and as a matter of fact, the town has more sidewalks to talk about than most Texas cities twice its size.

Sells Ice Company Stock.

P. C. Maricle has sold his stock in the Wichita Ice Company to W. W. Robertson, a former resident of this city, who has lately been living at Dal-

Don't Use Up Your Last Can of Home Preserved Fruits :-:

About this time of the year your supply of home canned fruits and preserves is probably running very low; especially this year, as last fall the fruit crop was not as plentiful and cheap as ordinary.

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- Apple Butter, 3 lb. jars..... 50c
- Strawberry Preserves, small tins..... 30c
- Damson Plum Preserves, small tins..... 30c
- Pineapple Preserves, small tins..... 30c
- Mince Meat in tins..... 25c

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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.

County Attorney Wichita County and Notary Public.
Office Over Farmers' Bank and Trust Company.

Mr. Maricle will give up the management of the company's plant and will be succeeded in that capacity by Mr. Robertson.
Mr. Maricle has not yet decided upon the business in which he will engage, but it is reported that he has under consideration a deal which will keep him in this city.

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PHONE 233 **Arthur Reed & Co.**

J. J. Lory has had plans drawn for the construction of another story on his building on Seventh street near the Denver depot. It is understood that the floor will be occupied by railroad offices. While it is almost certain that Mr. Lory will build one story, it is probable that he will build two, the third floor to be occupied as lodge and club rooms by a local fraternal organization.

There is nothing better than cherries for pies. We offer our Richelleu "Roly Poly" Red Pitted Cherries at 35c a can or three cans for \$1.00. Try them.

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Break the monotony by eating Whole Wheat Gems for breakfast. Whole wheat flour at 25c a package. J. L. Lea Jr. 241-2t

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You can get it from King & White. Pure ribbon cane syrup with all its original sweets. 211-1f

TEST IN HOUSEKEEPING.

Charles Barnard's Novel Undertaking at His Home in Darien, Conn.

Charles Barnard, the writer and lecturer, who is devoting his time to conducting a "housekeeping experiment station" in Darien, Conn., talked about his institution the other day as follows:

"A housekeeping experiment station is a new idea. An agricultural station must have barns, field laboratories and greenhouses. It is wholly different with a housekeeping station. All that is needed is a good country house. It should not be a city house, flat or apartment, because the great majority of housekeepers in this country live out of town or on farms and without gas or electric light.

"The aim of a housekeeping experiment station should be to make experiments on a housekeeping scale with ordinary appliances and under normal household conditions. This is precisely what is done. So far as known it is the first housekeeping experiment station in the world to open its doors to the house mothers of this country.

"Experiments are performed in schools and colleges in household economics, notably at the Teachers' college in New York. But these are schools. The new station is a large occupied and used as such, and also used as a place where experiments in housekeeping are conducted for the benefit of any householder who wants to know how and why certain things done in housework can best be done."

For nearly two years Mr. Barnard used his home as a place where he could test new housekeeping appliances, new methods and materials. Housekeepers have applied to the station from every part of the country, manufacturers of household appliances send their new inventions to the station to be tested, town officials ask for information in regard to the best method of lighting streets, and architects have sought information in regard to laying out and furnishing kitchens.

A delegation from the Teachers' college of New York recently spent an afternoon as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Barnard and were surprised and pleased by the demonstrations in the use of alcohol in housekeeping. Mr. Barnard is a believer in the future of denatured alcohol and has done much experimenting with it.

SHELTER FOR QUAIL.

Farmer's Plan of Growing Sugar Cane to Stand During Winter.

William E. McCulley of Macon county, Mo., thinks he has solved the problem of preserving quail. He owns quite a large farm, and he discovered that quail were becoming more and more scarce each year. Then he set about studying the cause and came to the conclusion that it was lack of shelter.

Since then he has every spring planted sugar cane along the side of the hollows of his farm and permits the same to stand during the winter. It affords quail not only food, but shelter of the kind they like. Other farmers in Boone, Callaway and several other counties of the state have adopted Mr. McCulley's plan, and they think it is just what was needed.

It is a fact that quail will not stay where they cannot find shelter. In many of the best counties there is very little natural shelter left, as every foot of available ground is under cultivation. In such localities it has been observed that the quail have nearly all left, and it seems pretty well settled that they will never return unless artificial shelter is provided for them.

Sugar cane when thickly planted furnishes just what these birds seem to want. They are very fond of the seed, and as the season advances the cane stalks fall down and provide a thick mass in which the quail can hide from their natural enemies—hawks and owls—and also affords a nesting place in the spring and summer.

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No censorship of right or wrong can light the way of love. It walks in pathways all its own. It laughs at reason and dispels despair. It is the lisping word of children, the puzzle of philosophers, the talisman of rulers. It is the first and last of life—murmured at the cradle, cherished at the grave. It is the rainbow after tears, the cure for every sorrow, the one joyous impulse that rules the whole wide world. —Wade Mountfort in Era Magazine.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For County Tax Assessor:
W. J. BULLOCK.

For District and County Clerk
W. A. REID.

For County Judge:
M. F. YEAGER.

Some of those who subscribed for stock in the new opera house company would like to know what progress is being made in the way of building. The Times is not in a position to give any information on this important subject beyond the fact that a site for the building has been selected and contracted for. In due time, however, it feels confident those in charge will collect up the stock and proceed to let the contract for the construction work.

After a struggle for ten years, the thriving little city of Denton is promised free mail delivery by May 15th of this year; just a month sooner than Wichita Falls. But this city only made application for free delivery of mail about two years ago. Denton's service will start with three carriers, while Wichita Falls will have four.

If all do their duty the year 1908 will be the greatest yet recorded for Wichita Falls. We have made a splendid start and the work of town building should be pushed with more energy than ever before. The best way to accomplish this is to have your name enrolled as a member of our Chamber of Commerce.

Lumber is cheaper now than it has been for several years and the indications are that it is cheaper than it will be again for years to come. Those who are building homes in Wichita Falls seem to realize this fact and are taking advantage of it.

Judge Sherrill of Greenville is authority for the statement that Hon. B. F. Looney will withdraw from the race for attorney general and let Davidson and Wynne fight it out.

The fashion girl with the hipless frock has made her advent into Texas.

Canker in Southern Democracy.

The New Orleans Picayune regrets that there is not in Louisiana an opposition to Democracy great and strong enough to cause democrats to stand solidly together upon party principle.

"If there were two respectable political parties in Louisiana," says the Picayune, "each would operate as a check on the other, and in case of political corruption on one side there would always be an independent element that would act as a balance of power and vote for honest government with that party that would insure it."

"But when there is no such balance of power and conditions which make it operative, but only a factional fight between the 'outs' and 'ins,' no good purpose is subserved, for the talk about corruption and good government is most commonly the shouting of those who would least profit by good government, and whose chief object is to get possession."

Unfortunately the condition existing in Louisiana prevails pretty much to the same degree in every other Southern State. Of late, however, in Tennessee and, we dare say in other Southern commonwealths, there is beginning to be an easy identification of those who, claiming to be democrats, are yet ready and willing to bolt the action of the party. Thus, in a way, because of the repeated bitter contentions at the primaries, there is developing a well defined opposition to democracy throughout the South.

This new party continues, as yet, to call itself Democracy, but as its members decline to yield obedience to party action, when such action does not conform to their individual political preferences, it is patent that it is not really and truly a portion of the South's great party. Indeed, there is open talk of a national democratic party, of a democracy for the State, but of independentism for county and municipal politics. Here, then, is a split that may not be cemented; so wide is it that those who are democrats first, last and all the time find themselves beset, harried and forced to fight in municipal and county contests the very men who help to guide the party councils in State and national measures.

It is evident, too, that the split, now extending only to municipal and county matters, has a tendency to stretch itself further; for the acrimony which led to the local crack is fast entering into State questions. Besides, there is the principle involved. If independentism is good for city and county, why not for State office? It is only a question of degree, and if we venture to say that sooner or later democracy will be called on to fight this view, just as it is now forced to battle for its life against this "free choice" party in municipal and county affairs.

Here, then, is arising in the South an opposition to Democracy that is rapidly developing into a party. From Southern democracy has far more to fear than from republicanism, not that

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it, per se, would bring evil to the South; but that through its insidious strife upon democracy, it is apt to weaken to the degree of impotency against republican attack."—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

CRUSADE TO RID THE TOWN OF VAGRANTS.

The city authorities have commenced a crusade against vagrancy and expect to rid the town of that class of citizens who live without visible means of support. The vagrants will be given a choice of three things—either they must go to work for themselves or take a job with the city street gang for about thirty days or get out of town.

Oscar Meroney was the first man arrested upon a vagrancy charge. Meroney, it is understood, will stand trial upon the charge. He was arrested last night while the officers were investigating a robbery case, in which it was reported that an aged Oklahoma man had his purse stolen in a saloon. The officers were unable to discover information upon which they could arrest any certain person upon a charge of robbery.

Numerous cases of petty thieving and some cases of holdups and the robbing of intoxicated men have been reported within the past few weeks and the officers believe that if there were fewer vagrants there would be fewer robberies.

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BECKHAM OFFERS TO RETIRE.

Statement Issued Declaring He Will Quit Senatorial Contest.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 19.—J. C. W. Beckham announced in a written statement submitted tonight to the Anti-Saloon League of Kentucky that he is willing to drop out of the race for United States Senator of the republicans will agree to pass the county unit bill and submit to a vote of the people next fall a prohibitory constitutional amendment making the State a unit on prohibition. He asks for no quarter in his fight for temperance.

His republican opponent, Governor Bradley, also issued a statement to the Anti-Saloon League that he favors the passage of the county unit bill, "when fairly and squarely presented on its merits," he objects to it being presented in order "to elect the democratic candidate for the senate."

Gov. Beckham's written statement is given out from the headquarters of the Anti-Saloon League tonight. Since it is charged that the candidates for the office of United States senator were making unfair use of the county unit bill to gain votes in the furtherance of their candidacy, a committee authorized by the Anti-Saloon League called upon both ex-Gov. Beckham and ex-Gov. Bradley, and to each of these gentlemen the committee propounded the following question:

"Irrespective of all others, what is to be from now on your attitude toward the passage of the county unit bill?"

The replies came like a stroke of lightning to the members of each party and they decline to speculate on the result.

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In the city of Strassburg at the close of the eighteenth century soldiers of all ranks had ample opportunities of picking quarrels whenever they wished. A captain of bussars named Fournier indulged in this amusement to his heart's content and became celebrated for his aggressive temper and his address with arms. Strassburg had to reproach him for the loss of her sons, and especially for having challenged without any plausible reason a young man named Blume, whom he killed without the slightest pity.

On the very day of Blume's funeral General Moreau gave a ball, to which were invited all the members of the high bourgeoisie. It was desirable to avoid the scandalous scenes which could not fail to take place between the fellow townsmen, perhaps the relations, of the unfortunate deceased and the aggressor, who was styled his murderer. General Moreau therefore desired his aid-de-camp, Captain Dupont, to prevent Captain Fournier from entering the ballroom. Dupont stationed himself in a corner of one of the ante-chambers and immediately he caught sight of him accosted him abruptly.

"What are you going to do here?"

"Ah, is that you, Dupont? Good evening, Parbleu! You see what I am doing. I am come to the ball."

"Are you not ashamed to come to a ball the very day of the funeral of that poor fellow Blume? What will his friends and relations say?"

"They may say what they please; it is all one to me. But I should like to ask what business that is of yours?"

"It is everybody's business. Everybody is thinking and talking about it."

"Everybody is wrong, then. I don't like people to poke their noses into my affairs. And now, if you please, let me pass."

"You shall not go into the ballroom."

"Indeed! Why not?"

"You must take yourself off. The general orders you to return to your own apartments."

"Am I turned out of the house?"

Dupont shrugged his shoulders.

"Are you aware of the consequences of turning Fournier out of doors?"

"I don't want to hear any of your rodomontades. Just have the goodness to take yourself off."

"Listen!" said Fournier in a fury. "I cannot have my revenge on the general because he is my superior officer, but you are my equal. You have presumed to take your snare in the insult, and you shall pay for the whole of it. We will fight."

"Listen in turn," said Dupont. "I have long been out of patience with you. I am disgusted with your bullying ways, and I hope to give you a lesson you will long remember."

Fournier would have gone mad with vexation had he not been consoled by the hope of killing Dupont. But the result of the combat was not what he expected, for Dupont gave him a frightful wound.

"You fence well," said Fournier as he fell.

"Not badly, as you see."

"Yes. But now I know your play. You won't catch me another time, as I will soon show you."

"You wish for another encounter?"

"Parbleu! That's a matter of course."

In fact, after a few weeks' nursing Fournier for the second time was face to face with his adversary. It was now his turn. He gave Dupont a home thrust, with the comment: "You see you hold your hand too low to parry properly. After your lunge you gave me time to stock three inches of cold iron between your ribs."

"This is only the second act," cried Dupont. "We'll come to the catastrophe as soon as possible."

At the third meeting they each received a trifling scratch. So these two fire eaters, annoyed at such a negative result, agreed to recommence the struggle until one of the two confessed himself beaten. They therefore drew up a treaty to this effect, and whenever the madmen were able to meet they fought. Their persons were marked with numerous scars, yet they continued to cut and slash at each other in most enthusiastic style. Fournier used to observe now and then, "It is really astonishing that I, who always kill my man, cannot contrive to kill that devil Dupont."

After these encounters had continued some years Dupont, now promoted

to the rank of general, received orders to join the army of the Grisons. He was not expected and was trying in vain to find a lodging when he perceived a chalet, through whose windows a light was gleaming. He knocked at the door and entered. A man was writing at a bureau. He turned his head and, recognizing his visitor, said before the other could cross the threshold:

"Ah, is that you, Dupont? We will have a little sword play."

"With all my heart," said Dupont to Fournier, who chanced to be the occupant of the chalet, and they set to work, chatting between the passes.

"I thought you were employed in the interior," said Fournier.

"The minister has promoted me to the Fourth corps."

"Vraiment! What a curious coincidence! I command the cavalry there. And so you have only just arrived? I am delighted."

At last General Dupont's sword, after piercing General Fournier's shoulder, struck the wall.

"Saprist!" shouted Fournier. "You didn't expect that."

"On the contrary, directly I left my guard I knew I was caught. But 'tis you who don't expect what is going to happen."

During the little dialogue Dupont kept Fournier pinned to the wall as a naturalist would a butterfly.

"Well, what will happen?"

"The moment you stir I shall give you a thrust in the belly. You are a dead man," said Fournier.

"I shall parry your thrust."

"Impossible."

"I shall keep you pinned till you throw down your sword."

"I shall not do that. I intend to kill you."

Fortunately the noise made by the two generals was heard by some officers, who separated the combatants.

Dupont, the more reasonable of the two, sometimes thought of the absurdity of a quarrel which still went on after so many conflicts and at last decided to make an end of the matter.

One morning he called on Fournier.

"Are you come to fix a day for a match?" inquired the latter.

"Yes, but first of all let us talk a little. Listen. I intend to get married, and before doing so I should like to be done with you."

"Oh! Oh!"

"Our quarrel has now lasted for nineteen years. I do not wish to continue a style of life which my wife might consider not exactly comfortable, and therefore I am come to propose a change in the mode of the combat. One of my friends has at Neuilly an inclosure planted with trees, surrounded by walls with two doors, one at each end. At the hour agreed we will go to the inclosure separately, armed with our two holster pistols, to take a single shot with each. We will try which can find the other, and whoever catches sight of the other shall fire."

"That's a droll idea."

"Ten o'clock on Thursday morning—will that do?"

"Agreed. Adieu till Thursday."

They were punctual at their rendezvous, and as soon as they were inside the inclosure they sought each other cautiously. They advanced slowly, cocked pistols in their hands, eye on the watch and ear all attention. At the turn of an alley they perceived each other. They threw themselves behind a couple of trees and waited.

At last Dupont resolved to act. He waved the tail of his coat just outside the tree which protected him; then he protruded his arm, drawing it back instantly. Immediately a bullet sent a large piece of the bark flying. Fournier had lost a shot.

After a time Dupont recommenced the same maneuver on the opposite side of the tree trunk without, however, drawing his adversary's fire. Then, holding his hat in his hand, he displayed it as far as the brim. In a twinkling the hat was blown away. Fortunately there was no head inside it. Fournier, therefore, had wasted his second bullet.

Dupont then sallied from his fortress and marched up to his opponent, who awaited him in the attitude of a brave man for whom there is no further hope. When Dupont was close to him he said: "I can kill you if I like—it is my right and my privilege—but I cannot fire at a human creature in cold blood. I spare your life."

"As you please."

"I spare you today, but you clearly understand that I remain the master of my own property, of which I allow you the provisional enjoyment. If ever you give me any trouble, if ever you try to pick a quarrel with me, I shall take the liberty of reminding you that I am the lawful owner of a couple of bullets specially designed to be lodged in your skull, and we will resume the affair—exactly at the point where I think proper to leave it today."

So ended a duel begun in 1794 and finished in 1813.—Chambers' Journal.

The Only Difficulty.

Ted—You're wasting your time, old man. You're courting the wrong girl.

George—No; she's the right girl, all right. I'm afraid the trouble is that I'm the wrong man.—Illustrated Bits.

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We have just opened for your inspection a complete line of the celebrated Mamie Shirt Waists. We know the fit is correct and the prices we are willing to leave to you. Come in and see us, we have the goods and are making the prices. Yours to please

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CYNTHIA ANN PARKER'S RESCUE.

Assistant Adjutant General Corrects a Misstatement of History.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 18.—Colonel E. M. Phelps, assistant adjutant general, gave out the following today:

The Washington, D. C., correspondent of the Houston Chronicle, in its issue of February 14, gives an interview with Major Loeffler, doorkeeper at the White House, in which he claims to have captured Cynthia Parker and her baby (Quanah Parker) in the Indian fight on Pease river on December 19th, 1860.

This claim on the part of Major Loeffler, as shown by the original report of Captain L. S. Ross, commanding a company of Texas rangers, to Governor Sam Houston, dated January 4, 1861, not quite two weeks after the fight, is without foundation in fact, other than he might possibly have been one of the three men of company H, Second Cavalry, who participated in the fight under Sergeant Spangler.

"In order to make the refutation of the claim of Major Loeffler clear it is only necessary to quote the following paragraph of Gen. Ross' report:

"During the engagement Lieutenant Killiker saw one Indian mounted on a fleet pony, and in advance of the others, and supposing it to be a 'war bold' he started in hot pursuit, eager for a single handed contest, but after a race of two miles he came up with what he supposed a formidable adversary, and was just in the act of firing, when a white woman threw up her baby and cried 'Americano.' She had been with them from childhood."

The captured woman and her child were ascertained afterward to be Cynthia Parker and her son, known as Quanah Parker. She was led into captivity by the Comanches in 1836. See John Henry Brown's 'Indian Wars of Texas.'

Fresh line of Lowney's candies at Ralph Darnell's. 241-1f

GIRL STOLE THAT FRIEND MIGHT EAT

New York, Feb. 19.—Joseph Campion and his 18-year-old wife, the latter with a baby in her arms and another small child clinging to her skirts, came into police court yesterday to answer a charge of stealing. With them was Mildred Dean, 19 years old, housekeeper for Thomas Queenan, who was the complainant against the three.

He said that articles had been stolen from his house by the two women, who had pawned them. Miss Dean told the court that she took the articles and gave them to Mrs. Campion, with whom she had formerly gone to school. She said she did it to keep the Campions from starving. Campion was ill and out of work and his family was suffering for food when Miss Dean discovered them. She had no money, but stole from her employer's house to provide her friend and the babies with food.

Mrs. Campion at first denied the story absolutely, saying they had always had plenty to eat, but when the police officers told of several visits to the house and of the little ones crying for food and with nothing to eat in the house but a single onion, she admitted the family would have starved but for Miss Dean's thefts. Queenan, on hearing the story, immediately withdrew the charge and contributed to the fund raised in the courtroom for the family.

Poor, Inconsistent Man.

It takes less time for a fashion to die than it does to become firmly established. We are able to keep in close touch with French and English fashions by means of foreign correspondence, by fashion books and by the semi-annual trips our high priced modistes take across the ocean. Yet we are always a bit behind, because we are slow in accepting new models. But let us get word from a reliable source that a fashion has been discarded abroad and we promptly frown it down.

Look at the heads of the women you see in public places. There is an occasional marcelled coiffure, but not on the head of a woman who keeps in touch with the fashions or a girl who aims to be smart. You will see some heads of abnormal size, but these, too, are out of date, for French women who set the fashions have placed a ban on "rates" and false hair, even the popular puffs being made of the hair nature has provided. These changes have not been gradual, but were so sudden as to attract masculine interest. You have probably noticed the average man's aversion to artificial aids to beauty—when he knows it—and even if you have not heard him rail at the puffed out hair of the girl of the period, you can imagine what he would be likely to say. Poor man! He is so inconsistent.

For mark this—he has allowed his barber to add to the shaving process a facial massage whose benefit he admits, although he has a prejudice against the same treatment for his wife and daughters. He has his mustache curled as women curl their hair, with hot irons. His tailor pads his shoulders to give them breadth when he makes coats, but the dressmaker who does a similar service for the women of his family falls under the ban of his disapproval. I had some fun at the expense of a young man whose attacks on girls who used powder and rouge were as bitter as the tongue of a rather easy going mortal could be. He lost his heart to a young woman with a skin of peaches and cream, whose praises he was forever singing. He saw her after a saucy wave had swept over her two or three times and left the peachy skin in streaks that could be wiped off.

His disappointment was so keen that he kept away from her till heart hunger drove him back to her side, and through reconciliation he became a convert to the theory that it is a woman's duty to look her best. I believe, though, he reserves the right to judge of that best in the case of this particular woman. In the case of the increased size of feminine heads and the hats such coiffures demand I do not remember to have heard a single word of approval from the other sex. I was thinking the other day, as I viewed the fashionable audience at a musical afternoon that the women who skirt the fashions, so to speak, have the best of it. They belong to neither the ultra-smart circle nor the dowdy one because they avoid extremes. They are always nice to look upon.

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PERSONAL MENTION

George T. Darling made a business trip to Electra today.

Rev. J. W. Morgan of Iowa Park was transacting business in the city today.

Misses Redding and Hughes have returned from the millinery markets.

W. W. Gardner, one of Jolly's enterprising citizens, was here on business today.

Abe Marcus has quit the road and has again taken up his residence in this city.

City Marshal Harrison Schwiendt of Henrietta was in the city today on official business.

Jack Skeen has been appointed local representative of the Great Western Life Insurance Co.

Mrs. N. M. Greathouse, who has been visiting her friend, Mrs. W. A. Bennett of Seymour, returned home today.

Miss Daisy Clayton left this morning for Louisville, Ky., where she goes to take a course in music and visit relatives.

Miss Elizabeth Patterson, daughter of H. B. Patterson and wife, who has been quite sick for several days, is much better today.

Miss Willie Dean Jourdan has recovered from her illness and returned yesterday to Sherman to resume her studies at Kidd-Key college.

W. H. Knight of Bisbee, Arizona, was in the city today meeting friends. He is visiting his brother, George Knight, of Iowa Park.

Mr. C. P. Fowler, who has been confined to his home for the past three weeks with a severe case of grip, is able to be at his place of business today.

Mrs. W. R. Gibson and daughter, Mrs. S. J. Ashmore, left this afternoon for Springtown, Parker county, where they were called by telegram to attend the funeral of Mrs. Gibson's father, who died yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Perry of Pike county, Illinois, and also Mrs. John Phebus, from the same place, arrived here today on their way to Thornberry, where they will visit with Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Stephenson.

Mattings! A large line just received at North Texas Furniture Co.



DR. J. W. DuVAL,

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A Patriotic Citizen.

Mineral Wells Index.
Secretary J. W. Register submits the following correspondence which has passed between himself and the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce at Wichita Falls, in the belief that the people here are as patriotic as any in the State:

Wichita Falls, Tex., Feb. 14.

J. W. Register, Mineral Wells, Tex.
As to your inquiry concerning the phenomenal extent of Wichita Falls' concrete walks, will say that the full forty miles is not yet an accomplished fact, though it will be so when the work now under way shall have been completed.

The only method we pursue in carrying this work to a successful issue is to appeal to the pride and patriotism of the people. When the movement for a perfect system of sidewalks was initiated there were only three or four property holders who showed a disposition to block the enterprise, but even these soon surrendered and made it unanimous. The spirit of progress is unusually high and active here, and the city council has never experienced the least difficulty in carrying out its plans for public improvements. Yours truly,
WALT SMITH, Secretary.

J. F. Wilcoxson, proprietor of a hotel at Electra died at that place at 6:45 a. m. yesterday after an illness with pneumonia. The deceased was a member of the local lodge of Masons, and the funeral was held under the auspices of that fraternity at Electra this afternoon. A number of Masons from this city went to Electra this afternoon to attend the funeral. Among those who went were J. D. Avis, Frank Collier, Milton Erwin, L. H. Lawler, J. L. Waggoner, C. M. Doke and J. O. Smith.

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Ralph Darnell takes subscriptions for all papers and magazines. 233-5t

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Pond's Laundry is now turning out the best work ever done in Wichita Falls. Everybody says so, and what everybody says must be true. 231-tf

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Patronize those that patronize the Crescent Candy Company. 239-3t

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