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## PLATFORM ADOPTED.

ENTHUSIASM IS DISPLAYED BY DELEGATES AND SPEAKERS.

The Free and Unlimited Coinage of Both Silver and Gold is Demanded at the Ratio of 16 to 1—Opposed to Interest Bearing Bonds.

Chicago, Ill., July 10.—Ten acres of people on the sloping sides of the coliseum yesterday saw the silver helmeted gladiators in its arena overpower the gold phalanxes and plant the banner of silver upon the ramparts of Democracy. They saw what may prove the disruption of a great political party amid scenes of enthusiasm, such as perhaps never before occurred in a national convention. They saw 20,000 people with imagination inflamed by the burning words of passionate oratory, swayed like wind-swept fields; they heard the awful roar of 20,000 voices burst like a volcano against the reverberating dome overhead; they saw a man carried upon the shoulders of others, intoxicated with enthusiasm, amid tumult and turbulence; they listened to appeals, to threats, to cries for mercy and finally they watched the jubilant majority seat its victor and the vanished stalwarts vanish forth into the daylight.

Following is the platform in full as adopted:

We, the Democrats of the United States, in national convention assembled, do reaffirm our allegiance to those great and essential principles of justice and liberty upon which our institutions are founded and which the Democratic party has advocated from Jefferson's time to our own—freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of conscience, the preservation of personal rights, the equality of all persons before the law and the faithful observance of constitutional limitations.

During all these years the Democratic party has resisted the tendency of selfish interests, the centralization of governmental power and steadfastly maintained the integrity of the dual scheme of government established by the founders of this republic of republics. Under its guidance the great principle of local self-government has found its best expression in the maintenance of the rights of the states and in its assertion of the necessity of confining the general government to the exercise of the powers granted by the constitution of the United States.

Recognizing that the money question is paramount to all others at this time, we invite attention to the fact that the federal constitution names silver and gold together as the money metals of the United States, and that the first coinage law passed by congress under the constitution made the silver dollar the monetary unit and admitted gold to free coinage at a ratio based upon the silver unit.

We declare that the act of 1873, demonetizing silver without the knowledge or approval of the American people, has resulted in the appreciation of gold and a corresponding fall in the prices of commodities produced by the people.

We are unalterably opposed to the monometallism which has locked fast the prosperity of industrious people in the paralysis of hard times. Gold monometallism is a British policy, and its adoption has brought other nations into financial servitude to London. It is not only un-American, but anti-American, and it can be fastened on the United States only by the stifling of that spirit of love of liberty which proclaimed our political independence in 1776, and won it in the war of the revolution.

We demand the free and unlimited coinage of both gold and silver at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation. We demand that the standard silver dollar shall be a full legal tender equally with gold, for all debts, public and private, and we favor such legislation as will prevent for the future the demonetization of any kind of legal tender money by private contract.

We are opposed to the policy and practice of surrendering to the holders of the obligations of the United States the option reserved by law to the government of redeeming such obligations in either silver coin or gold coin.

We are opposed to the issuing of interest-bearing bonds of the United States in time of peace, and condemn

the trafficking with banking syndicates which, in exchange for bonds and at an enormous profit to themselves, supply the Federal treasury with gold to maintain the policy of gold monometallism.

Congress alone has the power to coin and issue money, and President Jackson declared that this power could not be delegated to corporations or individuals. We, therefore, demand that the power to issue notes to circulate as money be taken from the national banks, and that all paper money shall be issued directly by the treasury department and be redeemable in coin and receivable for all debts, public and private.

We hold that the tariff duties should be levied for purposes of revenue, such duties to be so adjusted as to operate equally throughout the country and not discriminate between class or section, and that taxation should be limited by the needs of the government, honestly and economically administered. We denounce as disturbing to business the Republican threat to restore the McKinley law, which has been twice condemned by the people in national elections and which, enacted under the false plea of protection to home industry, proved a prolific breeder of trusts and monopolies, enriched the few at the expense of the many, restricted trade and deprived the producer of the great American staples of access to their natural markets.

Until the money question is settled we are opposed to any agitation for further changes in our tariff laws except such as are necessary to make up the deficit in revenue caused by the adverse decision of the supreme court on the income tax. But for this decision by the supreme court there would be no deficit in the revenue under the law passed by a Democratic congress, that court having under that decision sustained constitutional objections to its enactment which had been overruled by the ablest judges who ever sat on the bench. We declare that it is the duty of congress to use all the constitutional power which remains after that decision or which may come from its reversal by the court as it may hereafter be constituted so that the burdens of taxation may be equally and impartially laid, to the end that wealth may bear its due proportionate expenses of the government.

We hold that the most efficient way to protect American labor is to prevent the importation of foreign pauper labor to compete with it in the home market, and that the value of the home market to our American farmers and artisans is greatly reduced by a vicious monetary system which depresses the price of their products below the cost of production and thus deprives them of the means of purchasing the products of our home manufactures.

The absorption of wealth by the few, the consolidation of our leading railroad systems and the formation of trusts and pools requires a stricter control by the Federal government of those arteries of commerce. We demand the enlargement of the powers of the interstate commerce commission and such restrictions and guarantees in the control of railroads as will protect the people from robbery and oppression.

We denounce the profligate waste of the money wrung from the people by oppressive taxation and the lavish appropriations of the recent Republican congresses, which have kept taxes high while the labor that pays them is unemployed and the products of the people's toil are depressed in price until they no longer repay the cost of production.

We demand a return to that simplicity and economy which best befits a Democratic government, and a reduction in the number of useless offices, the salaries of which drain the substance of the people.

We denounce arbitrary interference by Federal authorities in local affairs as a violation of the constitution of the United States and a crime against free institutions, and we especially object to government by injunction as a new and highly dangerous form of oppression by which Federal judges, in contempt of the laws of the States and the rights of citizens, become at once legislators, judges and executioners, and we approve the bill passed at the last session of the United States Senate and now pending in the House relative to contempt in Federal courts and providing for trials by jury in certain cases of contempt.

No discrimination should be indulged in by the government of the United States in favor of any of its

debtors. We approve of the refusal of the Fifty-third Congress to pass the Pacific railroad refunding bill and denounce the effort of the present Republican Congress to enact a similar measure.

We heartily indorse the rule of the present Commissioner of Pensions, that no names shall be arbitrarily dropped from the pension roll, and the fact of enlistment and service should be deemed conclusive evidence against disease or disability before enlistment.

We favor the admission of the Territories of New Mexico and Arizona into the Union as States, and we favor the early admission of all the Territories having the necessary population and resources entitling them to statehood, and while they remain Territories we hold that the officials appointed to administer the government of any Territory, together with the District of Columbia and Alaska, should be bona fide residents of the Territory or District in which their duties are to be performed. The Democratic party believes in home rule, and that all public lands of the United States should be applied to the establishment of free homes for American citizens.

We recommend that the Territory of Alaska be granted a delegate in Congress, and that the general land and timber laws of the United States be extended to said Territory.

We extend our sympathy to the people of Cuba in their heroic struggle for liberty and independence.

We are opposed to life tenure in the public service. We favor appointments based upon merit, fixed terms of office, and such an administration of the civil laws as will afford equal opportunities to all citizens of ascertained fitness.

We declare it to be the unwritten law of this Republic, established by custom and usages of 100 years, and sanctioned by the examples of the greatest and wisest of those who formed and have maintained our government, that no man should be eligible for a third term of the Presidential office.

The federal government should care for the improvement of the Mississippi river and other great waterways of the Republic, so as to secure for the interior States easy and cheap transportation to tide water. When any waterway of the Republic is of sufficient importance to demand aid of the government, such aid should be extended upon a definite plan of continuous work until permanent improvement is secured.

Confiding in the justice of our cause, and the necessity of its success at the polls, we submit the foregoing declaration of principles and purposes to the considerate judgment of the American people. We invite the support of all good citizens who approve them, and we desire to have them made effective through legislation for the relief of the people and the restoration of the country's prosperity."

## The Queen Goes in for Comfort.

Queen Victoria's luggage, which was sent from Windsor Castle to Nice, was all labeled "Countess of Balmoral." This is a title which her majesty conferred upon herself some years ago for use in continental travel. For many years the queen has given up appearances and gone in for comfort, and foreigners no longer expect to see the "countess of Balmoral" in professional royal attire. Her royal subjects sigh sometimes over those black gowns and bonnets which Victoria wears on the continent, as well as at home. Since the prince consort's death his august widow has worn but two toilets befitting her rank. One of these was worn at the thanksgiving services at St. Paul's in celebration of the prince of Wales' restoration to health. It consisted of a rich black silk, with trimmings of ermine. The other toilet was donned for the jubilee service in Westminster abbey in 1887 and was a composite costume of black and white satin, with priceless lace and diamonds. With these two exceptions Victoria has clung to black bombazine and crepe bonnets.—Exchange.

## Electricity from Coal.

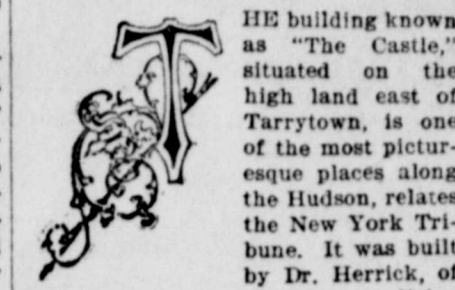
A new method of generating electricity directly from coal has been devised by Dr. Alfred Cohen of Berlin, who has succeeded in dissolving carbon in a galvanic cell, in precipitating again on a cathode and in forming a lead peroxide carbon couple with an electromotive force of 1.03 volts. This is the first time that carbon has at all been obtained in the ionic state.

There were seventeen cases of cholera and five deaths from that disease at Cairo, recently, among the Egyptian soldiers.

## CASTLE IS HAUNTED.

SPOOKS CONGREGATE AT A YOUNG WOMAN'S SCHOOL.

Ghost Stories Now Being Told in Which a Well-Known Tarrytown Institution is Conspicuous—Phantoms Are Attracted to Pupils.



THE building known as "The Castle," situated on the high land east of Tarrytown, is one of the most picturesque places along the Hudson, relates the New York Tribune. It was built by Dr. Herrick, of patent medicine fame, and has passed through a number of hands since then, remaining in the possession of none for any great length of time, until now it is occupied by Miss C. E. Matson as a school for young women.

When it was first erected all the architects, except the one who designed it, declared the building to be an architectural impossibility. It was all a matter of envy, perhaps, and the castle did not mind what they said about it, but it kept right on growing more and more picturesque for every year that passed over its gray walls. Some of the successive owners into whose hands the castle fell made alterations in the original building, and built additions thereto, mainly on the east side, but it is doubtful if any addition or alteration has been an improvement from an artistic point of view, and the west side, that faces the river, which is practically as it was originally designed, still remains its most striking and imposing point of view.

Upon entering the castle and passing through its spacious apartments, one is not disappointed, but finds it as stately and interesting within as it is without. The principal room is the parlor or drawing room, which occupies the main tower of the building. The room is circular, and has a highly ornamental vaulted ceiling, which is supported in the center by a cluster column that rises from the middle of the apartment. The dining room is a handsome apartment, with a high wainscoting of dark-colored wood, and a raftered ceiling decorated in gold. The room is lighted by an immense window looking to the northwest.

The view from this window is one of the finest in the Hudson valley. To the west, overlooking the Tappan Zee and Nyack, the Ramapo mountains, in the center of Rockland county, can be plainly seen, while to the north in succession Tarrytown, North Tarrytown, Croton Point, Haverstraw bay, Verplanck's point, Stony point, and in the distance the blue peaks of the Catskills. From all the windows on the north and west sides this view can be repeated, while it is made more impressive when seen from the battlements. Looking south, it is said that New York city can be seen from the top of the smallest and highest tower on a clear day.

As might be expected in a building constructed as the castle is, there are many odd-shaped apartments within its walls—long corridors, dark nooks, winding stairways, and darkened rooms, but the majority of the rooms are well-lighted, bright, and homelike.

Of course, there are stories connected with the place that are cultivated like the ivy and lichen upon its walls, because they naturally belong to a castle; for who ever heard of a castle that was not overgrown with ivy, or that belonged to the same category with Canning's knife-grinder, and had no story? There is the tale of the old housekeeper who declared that in one of her nightly tours of the castle she entered an apartment in one of the corridors which she did not remember noticing before. Once within the room everything was so strange and there seemed such a queer influence there, that she quickly retreated. The noise of a violently closed door followed her return to the corridor, down which she fled, calling for assistance. From that time until the present day the "lost room," as it is called, has been searched for in vain.

The experience of two teachers is also cited as proof that the castle is up-to-date in all the mystery that such a structure should possess. The teachers in question, two women of veracity, were seated one evening in the Christmas vacation in the apartment called the music room. The weather had been cold, the ground outside the castle was frozen hard, and no snow had recently fallen. Presently they heard

the sound of a carriage approaching the castle, that grew louder until the noise of the wheels upon the gravel and the sound of the horses' hoofs could be plainly distinguished. The equipage seemed to the listeners to draw up to the main entrance, where it stopped.

As guests were not unexpected, one of the teachers went to the door and opened it, intending to greet the newcomers, when, to her surprise, she found neither guests, horses, nor carriage; nothing but the empty driveway, across which she could look to the leafless trees that fringed the path, whose gaunt limbs swaying in the wintry wind seemed to mock her in her surprise. Whether the people that have been leaving the castle all these years in the body had taken to returning to it in the spirit, ghostly carriage, horses, and driver thrown into the bargain, was something the teacher was not prepared to answer. Certainly the place is one of many buried hopes; perhaps these at times become uneasy and make themselves apparent by strange manifestations.

One evening last winter the teachers and young women of the school were startled by a great clattering that proceeded from a room situated between the chapel and the west porch. Upon investigating the cause of the disturbance it was found that a panel in a wall of the apartment hitherto supposed to be solid had fallen out, disclosing a secret passageway. No school of nineteenth century young women could possibly allow any such relic of the dark ages as this to haunt them, so a number of the older pupils donned bicycle suits, and, armed with lanterns and a hatchet, they proceeded to examine the passage, which was found to contain a ladder, up which they went to a small apartment formed by one of the ornamental towers on the southwest side of the castle, and to which no entrance had previously been known to exist.

The iron doors that secure the silver or strong room of the castle are also curious from the fact that it is difficult to find the keyhole whereby the doors, once secured, are unlocked. Another door in the building is also peculiar. The name of "J. W. Herrick" and the figures "1859" can be found with a little study in the graining of the wood. This is only a sample of the many interesting things connected with the castle, that make it anything but an ordinary, everyday building.

## Time's Cure.

We were talking to a man who lately had a very great and soul-smiting grief. He declared that he never would get over it; that he couldn't; that death had come to his household and shown him that life was not worth living, for directly his affections were centered on any special objects those objects were removed and the void left thereby never could be filled. He knew that others got over such griefs, but he would prove the exception. He could not get over it and he believed it, but as we listened we recognized the fallacy of his sentiments, for have we not buried mother, father, baby, friend—all taken when most they were loved and needed—yet to-day the sun shines brightly for us, the sky seems blue and laughter comes spontaneously to our lips? We have not forgotten those loved ones who have gone. We think of them with a sweet though misty recollection of their personal relationship to us. The poignant grief at their loss is gone; time has dulled it—a blessed provision of nature, for were it not so we never could go on working out our plan of life deadened by a weight of woes that only those who have lost dear ones can know.—Philadelphia Times.

## Dan's Pay Day.

It having been the custom of a certain establishment in the north to pay the workers fortnightly, and the workmen having found the custom somewhat inconvenient, it was decided to send a delegate to the head of the firm to state their grievances. An Irishman, named Dan D—, famed for his sagacity and persuasive powers, was selected for the task. He duly waited on the master, who addressed him thus:

"Well, Daniel, what can we do for you this morning?"

"If ye please, sur, I've been sint as a diligant by the workers to ask a favor of ye regardin' the payment of our wages."

"Yes; and what do they desire?" queried the master.

"Well, sur, it is the desire of meself, and it is also the desire of livery man in the establishment, that we receive our fortnight's pay every week."

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Colorado has a "fun club."

Texas has quarantined against Louisiana cattle and horses. No more cattle can be brought from that state to this until the same is raised.

Senator Teller said that it would have been a mistake for the Chicago convention to have nominated him and that he will support the democratic nominee.

It has been suggested that Runnels be attached to Tom Green for judicial purposes. San Angelo Standard.

San Angelo is very suggestive on the above question.

The district Democratic convention will be held at New Braunfels August 1st.

The senatorial Democratic convention of the 25th district is called to convene at Del Rio July 23.

State Chairman Grant has called the Republicans to meet in convention at Ft. Worth Sep. 8, for the purpose of putting out a state ticket.

The way to kill off political cranks and extremists and to prevent visionary legislation is to give the people the demand. Ridicule only arguments part a strife and is neither a preventative or cure.

Sterling city erecting a new church—a good move for the town.

Judge Cochran, the farmer candidate, of Nolan county for railroad commissioner is a good man for the place. Every farmer and stock man in the west ought to support him.

Congressman Noonan has our thanks for a copy of the Abstract of the Eleventh Census, received this week.

State Chairman Heath has called the prohibitionists of Texas to meet in state convention at Dallas, Wednesday, July 29, 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the following purpose:

1. To ratify the proceedings of the national prohibition convention, which met at Pittsburgh, May 27, 1896.

2. To nominate presidential electors for the state of Texas.

3. To nominate candidates for the various state offices and to transact such other business as may come before the convention. E. E.

**Peoples Party Convention.**

Minutes of the Peoples Party convention of Coke county held at Robert Lee on Saturday July 11th, 1896, for the purpose of determining the utility of holding a primary election in the county and also to elect delegates to state, congressional, senatorial, representative and district conventions of Texas.

The chairman, T. C. Baldwin having declared the object of the meeting appointed C. H. Cooper, R. L. Allen and J. W. Tunnell committee on credentials.

Report of committee on credentials received and the following delegates seated:

Delegates.  
Edith, W. C. Benson and W. R. Boykin, 2 votes, Ft. Charlbourn, R. B. Ross and J. W. McDorman, 4 votes, Valley View, J. L. Taylor, M. H. Havis and J. M. Gannels, 3 votes, Robert Lee, J. O. Toliver, D. T. Averitt, J. A. Powers and G. W. Webb, 4 votes, Silver, J. N. Padgett, C. H. Cooper and T. T. Meek, 3 votes, Hayrick, W. T. Stephens and R. L. Allen, 2 votes, Bronte, J. W. Rodgers, G. C. Fletcher and J. D. Daniel, 5 votes, Simpson, W. S. Tripp, 2 votes, Sanco, G. W. Payne, W. W. Murray and D. H. Allen, 4 votes

By unanimous vote of the representatives of a majority of the voting precincts of the county it was decided (without a dissenting vote) that there be a primary election held for the purpose of nominating a county ticket.

Motion carried that the Primary be held on the last Saturday in July.

Motion carried that each voting precinct make its own restrictions with regard to the voting at the primary election in the county.

Motion carried that the returns of the Primary election be returned and counted at Robert Lee on Monday the 27th day of July 1896, at 1 o'clock p. m.

Motion carried that the presiding officers of each voting box, together with the county chairman shall constitute the board to count the votes.

On election of delegates to the State Convention, W. R. Boykin was elected delegate with H. E. Johnston alternate.

Motion carried that we instruct our Delegate to the State Convention to vote for Jerome Kearby, for Governor, Evans Jones, Lieutenant Governor, W. M. Walton Attorney General, S. C. Grandberry Land Commissioner, E. O. Metzger, Comptroller, S. O. Dows, Treasurer.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolve that we affirm our allegiance to the principles of the Peoples Party as set forth in the Omaha Platform—that we oppose fusion with any political party—that we are opposed to the elimination of any portion of our demands as set forth in said platform and that we instruct our delegate to the State convention to stand for the above resolution."

G. W. Webb was elected a delegate to the Representative convention and instructed to vote for J. D. Panshaw, of Sterling county for Representative.

D. T. Averitt was elected delegate to the Senatorial convention, no instructions.

There being no further business the convention adjourned.

T. C. BALDWIN

Chairman.

B. P. BYRNE.

Secretary.

One of the favorite arguments attempted against free silver is that, it would double the price of produce, and thereby double the cost of the poor mans living, the laborers living. They never mention the fact, if it is a fact, that the cost of the rich mans living would likewise be doubled. Then, if the gold standard advocates are correct in saying free silver would double the price of produce, and we believe they are, then is that not what we want? With 12cent cotton and 16 cent wool and other produce at like figures, is it not a fact that the farmer and producer could better pay his debts, pay for his home, pay his taxes and pay more for labor? With a double amount of money in the farmers pocket, would he not turn it into the channels of commerce, which would mean a double share for the manufacturing laborer. Any way and every way that it can be put, the double standard would help the whole country.

In case Judge Perryman does not make the race for the legislature, what's the matter with Pat Murphy for the place? While Mr. Murphy is not a silver man, he told this editor in answer to a question on that point that, if he should be sent to the legislature that if the national democracy went for free silver that he would stay with his people and vote for a silver man for the senate. Mr. Murphy is not a candidate, but he will not refuse to serve the people if they insist upon it. Murphy is a man that could and would do good work for west Texas if sent to the legislature.

There were thousands of fish killed by the rise in the Concho last week, and the theories advanced as to the cause are numerous. One man thinks the rush of cold water into the warm clear water chilled them suddenly and caused death; another that Alkali in the water was the cause; another that the mud killed them, others that the thick muddy water clogged up their gills and prevented breathing and they "drowned" and so on ad infinitum. It is a fact that thousands were found dead on the banks and floating down the stream following the rise, in cluding all the different varieties and sizes of each kind.—Runnels County Ledger.

The Populist national convention meets in St. Louis on the 22 of this month under rather peculiar circumstances. With McKinley, the Republican nominee, on a gold-standard-national bank platform, and Bryan, Democratic nominee on a free silver anti bank plank, it is a certainty that one of two candidates will be elected which will mean the adoption of one or the other of the policies represented by the two candidates. Now, the great question probably the question that will decide the fate of silver for many years or forever is, will the Populist national convention endorse the Democratic nominee, or will it nominate a candidate for the presidency and thereby secure the election of the gold standard, national bank tool, Wm. McKinley. In effect the nomination of a candidate for president by the coming convention will be for McKinley, gold standard, national banks, bonds and high tariff.

Spain continues to buy warships in the anticipation of trouble with the United States. It is to be hoped that she will buy good ones. Japan picked up a fine navy from China during the late unpleasantness between them.—Colorado Times.

Taylor McKee, of San Antonio, is the Populist nominee for congress in the 12th district.

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**COURTS.**

District Court convenes 1st, Monday in April and November.

County Court convenes 3d, Monday May, August, November and February.

Commissioners Court convenes 2nd Monday in February, May, August November.

**Coke County Church Directory.**

Robert Lee Mission, M. E. Church South; services as follows:  
Bronte, 1st " 11 a. m.  
Rock Springs, 2d " 11 a. m.  
Hayrick, " " 4 p. m.  
Robert Lee, 3d Sunday, 11 a. m.  
Sanco, 4th " 11 a. m.  
Eugene T. Bates, P. C.

Methodist Protestant Church; services as follows: Robert Lee 4th Sunday; Sanco, 1st Sunday; Silver, 2nd Sunday; Live Oak, on Oak creek, 1st Sunday; Rock Springs 3rd Sunday. Each appointment begins Saturday night before.

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### From Oak Creek.

### EDITOR RUSTLER:-

I will send you a few lines as we have a few things that may interest your readers. Had fine rains last week. Crops are doing well and farmers are busy at work. We hear of barbeques, of candidates particularly. How they do shake your hand and tell you what they have done and what they expect to do! How one gets enthused when he meets a candidate that is in for the full race! They are on the bottom round and climbing for the top of the crib. Not so with the primary fellows, they stand on an 1F.

A Friend.

### The Barbecue.

To call it a success does not express it. On Friday night the town began to fill up with people from far and near, and before noon Saturday the multitude ranged into the hundreds, all determined to devote that one day to pleasure. A flag bearing the stars and stripes floated in the breezes above the main street reminding each passer-by that he was a citizen of the greatest, grandest and freest on the globe. There were the candidates in all their glory, with a hearty hand-shake and a pleasant word for all comers and goers.

They were permitted to speak to their hearts content—beginning in the morning and speak until late in the evening. The Bronte baseball team was here in uniform, and though there was no other team to cross bats with them, they played a good game. There was good music and dancing, refreshment stands and the hobby-horses. The dinner was all that could have been desired for such an occasion—nicely cooked beef and mutton, the best of bakers bread, good coffee, pickles, onions and all things else that goes to make up a good barbecue dinner.

The fact is, there was meat and drink in abundance, fine music, oratory, pleasure, sociability, good order and everything that goes to make the 4th July one of the most welcome days in the year.

### Married

On Sunday, July 5th, at the residence of the brides parents, Mr D J Allen and Miss Florence Winters were married, Rev. William Burr officiating. Quite a number of their Ft. Chabourne friends were invited and after the happy couple had congratulated by their many friends, dinner was announced and we all marched to a long table that was loaded down with good things to eat. After dinner the young folks spent several hours very pleasantly engaged in conversation. We also enjoyed some nice singing. At 4 o'clock p. m. the crowd repaired to the Live Oak school-house where an hour was spent in Sunday-school. Then came the time to say good-bye, and all joined in wishing the happy young couple a prosperous journey through life.

Mr Winters is going to move away and several of the boys are feeling very badly over it. It took Hawley Allen just thirty minutes to tell Miss Laura good-bye.

Will Read and Oscar Sheppard both look crest-fallen, and ye scribe felt so curious about it that he asked Mr Winters twice, where he was going to locate? Both times he shook his head. It looks like he did not want us to know where he was going to stop.

Mr Winters is one of Coke's best citizens and his many friends re-

gret to see him move away.

Respectfully,

Scribbler.

### THE FISH-FRY.

On the 4th of July quite a number of the people of Sanco, and a few from other places found their way to the Co'alo river near Meadow mountains, gathered there for the purpose of having a fish fry. We caught some fish. Everybody had "all they eat." About half past 1 p. m., we returned to the camp from our fishing spree. We found dinner ready and waiting. Then our finest time began. We had:

"Kid and beef,  
Bread and beans,  
Sweet milk and sour milk,  
Coffee and cream,  
Jelly-cake, pound-cake,  
And butter roll,  
Chickens fried,  
And some cooked whole,  
Honey and butter,  
Pickles and pies,  
Pudding and ginger-snaps,  
Which dazzled our eyes;  
Potatoes, roasting ears,  
Onions and fish,  
And something in many another dish."

When dinner was over everybody seemed well satisfied. At 3 o'clock we started home.

Tomtinker.

From Bronte.

### EDITOR RUSTLER:

Not seeing any dots from this part of Coke, I thought I would give you a few Rain is needed badly.

I think fishing is the topic of the day with some. Grand Ma Pruitt is some better this week.

I understand that Mr A J Pettit will put up a fine gin and mill at Bronte this summer. Mr Pettit is a good man, who will treat the people right. The Christian people of this place are having the truth expounded to them this week by Rev. McGavitt of Hy-ton. Ches Hughes the girls had better look out—he is getting tired of batching.

Jack.

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## WAS IN WAR OF 1812.

EX-SENATOR GEORGE WALLACE JONES OF IOWA.

First Delegate in Congress from Michigan, Wisconsin and First Senator from the Hawkeye State—Has Had a Varied Career.



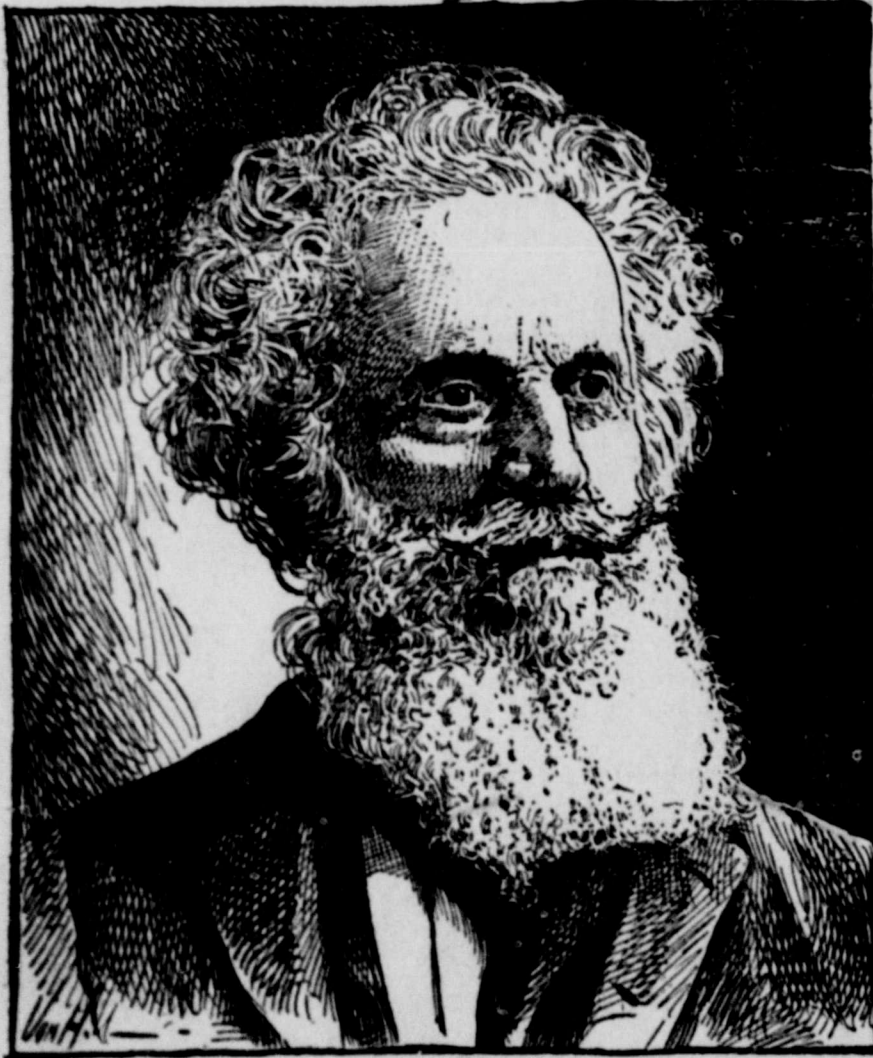
GEORGE Wallace Jones, ex-United States Senator from Iowa, has had a remarkable career. Born at Vincennes, Ind., April 12, 1804, he was a drummer boy in the war of 1812, and won distinction in the Black Hawk war.

He was the last delegate in congress from the territory of Michigan, the first delegate from Wisconsin and the first United States Senator from the State of Iowa, and he selected the names Wisconsin and Iowa. He has known every President since Monroe, was in the escort of Lafayette, was a business partner of Daniel Webster, was the colleague in congress of Thomas H. Benton, Charles Sumner, Stephen A. Douglas, William H. Seward and James Buchanan, was the intimate friend of John C. Calhoun, Martin Van Buren, Henry Clay, John C. Fremont, Jefferson Davis and Franklin Pierce, was a minister to South America before the war, was a party to seven "affairs of honor," caught the dying victim of the Cilley-Graves duel in his arms, was imprisoned by Seward on suspicion of being in collusion with Jefferson Davis, was the Chesterfield of Washington society nearly fifty years ago, was once the richest man in Iowa, but in his latter years has had little income except a pension of \$20 a month, granted eight years after his service as a drummer boy. To these must be added many minor distinctions.

colleague as United States senator from Iowa. After the war the pioneers of Michigan Territory chose him colonel of militia without his knowledge, although a son of Alexander Hamilton was a candidate. Later he became a major general. While organizing a company of soldiers at what is now Mineral Point, Wis., he was chosen county judge, although he had not sought the place.

In 1835 he was elected delegate to congress from the Territory of Michigan, which then embraced all the country from Lake Huron to the Pacific, the largest district ever represented by one man in congress. One of his first acts was to introduce a bill for the formation of Wisconsin Territory, which comprised most of the country west of Lake Michigan. He took the name from the Ouisconsin river, so named by Marquette, and secured the passage of his bill before the bill admitting Michigan to statehood was passed. He was elected delegate from Wisconsin while still holding that position from Michigan. He introduced and secured the passage of the bill creating the Territory of Iowa.

President Van Buren appointed him surveyor general of the Northwest Territory and he became a resident of Dubuque. President William Henry Harrison removed him, but he was reappointed by President Polk. He was chosen first United States senator from Iowa in 1848, a position to which he was re-elected. In 1859 he was appointed minister to the country now known as Colombia. While there he was a lieutenant with him in the Black Hawk war. Jones did not know of the beginning of the war, and the terms of his letter to his old friend put him under suspicion when it fell into the hands of Secretary Seward. General Jones was recalled and imprisoned in Fort Lafayette for sixty-four days. President Lincoln became convinced of his innocence and ordered his release. A year or two later General Jones retired from public life.



GEN. GEO. W. JONES.

General Jones is the son of John Rice Jones, mentioned in history as the friend of Benjamin Franklin. The father was for years chief justice of the supreme court of Missouri. The family lived at St. Genevieve, Mo., in 1814, and when Captain Linn was commissioned to raise a company of soldiers young Jones was the drummer boy who marched about the streets in that service. He graduated from Transylvania University at Lexington, Ky., in 1825. Henry Clay was his college guardian. In 1823 he was sergeant of the body guard of Andrew Jackson on his way to Washington to take his seat as United States senator. When Lafayette revisited America the young student was selected by congress as a member of a reception committee and escorted the French patriot through Kentucky.

After graduation young Jones lived three years at St. Genevieve, studied law and was clerk of the United States district court for Missouri. His health gave out and his physician ordered him into the woods to recuperate. Accompanied by a dozen slaves and a number of hired men, he went to Sinsinawa Mound, then in Michigan Territory, but now in Wisconsin, not far from Dubuque. He engaged in mining, smelting, farming and merchandising, living a simple, rough life, which restored his health, and he boasted freedom from sickness for nearly seventy years thereafter.

When the Black Hawk war broke out in 1832 he enlisted as aid-de-camp to General Henry Dodge, father of his

At one time he and Daniel Webster were partners in the town site of Madison, Wis., and Sioux City, Iowa. He acted as second for Jonathan Cilley in the fatal duel with William J. Graves in 1838. In 1892 congress voted him a pension for services in the war of 1812 and the Black Hawk war. It also reimbursed him for services while in South America.

### Railway to a Volcano's Crater.

The survey of the volcano Popocatepetl, Mexico, for the purpose of determining the best location for an aerial cable railway to the summit has just been completed. It has been determined to start the line from the ranch of Tlamanca, and it will be connected with the interoceanic railroad at the base, so that the business of shipping sulphur can be cheaply accomplished. This new railway will be a great attraction to tourists, who will now be able to make the ascent to the summit, 18,000 feet above the sea, and also descend to the crater, where the process of extracting sulphur is being carried out.

### Booth's Captor Dead.

Lieut. Luther B. Baker, who had charge of the party that captured J. Wilkes Booth, assassin of President Lincoln, is dead at Lansing, Mich. He was the only person to converse with Booth at the barn in which the latter had taken refuge and received Booth's dying message to his mother after he

## IS A SAUCY DUCHESS.

THE DAUGHTER OF DUKE VLADIMIR IN ILL-REPUTE.

Has an Ungovernable Temper and in the Habit of Slinging the Tableware at Her Attendants—About Her Mother.



IT IS greatly to be regretted that the Grand Duke Vladimir of Russia cannot see his way to giving his handsome daughter Helen in marriage to the young King of Serbia. According to all accounts, she is just the kind of wife that would suit that young monarch and keep him in order. It is reported at St. Petersburg that her temper is ungovernable, worse even than that of the Serbian Queen Natalie. Her latest feat has been to hurl a cup of scalding tea at the head of her governess, burning the poor woman in such a manner as to confine her to her bed for a fortnight.

From this it would appear that Princess Helen has inherited the temper of her hot-headed and strong-willed German mother, rather than that of her amiable and good-natured father. The Grand Duchess Vladimir is one of the most masterful women in Europe, and was the only member of the imperial family who defied the late czar and expressed herself indifferent to his wishes, save when they were conveyed in the form of affectionate appeals, as from one relative to another, rather than as if from autocrat to subject.

The Grand Duchess Vladimir is by birth a member of the German house of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, and she is the only foreign princess married into the imperial family of Russia who has absolutely declined to abandon her Lutheran faith for that of her husband—this, too, in spite of all the pressure that has been put upon her. It is difficult to believe that conscientious scruples have anything to do with her attitude in the matter, and the impression prevails that it is due to political motives; for her conduct is, to say the least, rapid, and has frequently given rise to great scandal.

Thus her intimacy with young Prince Lobanoff, nephew of the chancellor and captain of the Regiment of Chevalier Gardes de L'Imperatrice, is the talk of every capital in Europe, not only by reason of its flagrancy, the prince following her about wherever she travels abroad, but also in consequence of his using it to keep off his creditors. He is frightfully in debt. But the Grand Duchess is within a measurable distance of becoming empress, there being practically but one life between the present emperor and her husband's succession to the throne. And past experience in Russia goes to show that it is dangerous to offend the favorite of an unscrupulous and self-willed Czarina such as the Grand Duchess Vladimir would undoubtedly become.

Then, too, the Grand Duchess is responsible for the introduction of roulette into the salons of the St. Petersburg aristocracy. Gambling has always been the national vice par excellence of the Muscovite, but until the Grand Duchess intimated to her friends and acquaintances in the Russian capital that she adored roulette, and would be delighted to come to their houses if they would provide themselves with gambling equipments of this character, none of the leaders of St. Peters-



PRINCESS HELEN.

burg society had ever dared to provide this form of entertainment for their guests.

### ELOPED ON BICYCLES.

Deserted Husband Does Not Care for the Woman, but Wants the Wheel. Abram A. Terwilliger, a middle-aged farmer, who resides near Walden, N. Y., came to Newburg in search of his missing wife, who, he said, had eloped with a man named James Federson. Mrs. Terwilliger is an attractive-looking woman, 22 years old, and was married to Mr. Terwilliger nearly three years ago. He says she left home with Federson, who had boarded with them during the last three weeks. The couple are said to have eloped on bicycles and are supposed to have gone direct to Newburg, where Mrs. Terwilliger has a relative living. Terwilliger says that his wife's blue bloomer suit is missing and he thinks that she wore

it when she left home with Federson who is about 45 years old. Terwilliger says he don't mind his wife's eloping but that he wants to recover the new \$100 bicycle he had just bought her and which she rode away on; also that he would like to find out the reason she left him for such an old chap as Federson.

### A BRAVE WOMAN.

Mrs. Carrie E. Kistler Exposed Corrupt Colorado Politicians.

Since women in Colorado received the right to vote, they have worked aggressively in campaigns; they have held office; one woman has served upon a jury, even to being locked up at night with eleven men who could not agree with her; they have served in the legislature, and it has been the recent fortune of Mrs. Carrie E. Kistler of Denver to act as chairman of a county central committee and preside over the most turbulent convention ever held in that city of turbulent political meetings.

The occasion was a meeting of a county central committee, and it was split into two intensely hot factions. It was 3 o'clock in the afternoon when Mrs. Kistler called the meeting to order. After the roll of delegates had been called a point of order was raised that the roll had been improperly made up; the chair sustained the point, and an appeal was taken from the ruling.

Debate continued hot and fierce for over four hours, and during its progress the shameful tactics resorted to by the majority that controlled the committee on credentials, were exposed. Delegates duly elected had been ousted to make room for heeled of the worst description. Every position Mrs. Kistler took was enthusiastically cheered by the orderly element. Whenever motions were suggested, points of order taken, amendments proposed, or new lines of progress suggested, the chair was quick to decide, and she never made an error. Every ruling



MRS. CARRIE E. KISTLER.

was impartial and given without a moment's hesitation. Schemes to trip her were sprung, questions propounded and filibustering tactics proposed to stop the debate, but all to no purpose. With a sharp rap of her gavel she would declare: "The chair would state—" and then go on with her decision with the ever-succeeding applause for her correct rulings.

When a vote was finally reached, the appeal from the ruling of the chair was sustained.

"I knew I was wrong at the outset," she confessed. "I knew that the report of the county central committee was final, and that I had nothing to do but accept the roll and submit to the temporary organization without question; but if you only knew of the many shameful actions of that subcommittee in throwing out delegates and substituting others who had no possible claim to seats, you would see why I was so indignant. It was not right, and I wanted the public to know it. The only way to get it before the people was to rule as I did, and let the matter be fully discussed."

### TOLD THE DEAD TO RISE.

But the Dead Didn't Respond with the Anticipated Alacrity.

"I am the resurrection and the life; I am going to resurrect my father, the late Rev. Charles Baldwin, a former resident of Rose."

This was the statement which startled a number of persons in Clyde, N. Y., a few days ago, the speaker being a woman, good looking and stylishly dressed.

"Furthermore," continued she, "my father is now in his grave, but he is struggling to join me, and I am going to call him back to life."

It was seen that she was demented, but as she insisted on going to Rose, a young man volunteered to take her to the village. When she went to the cemetery at Rose, and, standing on her father's grave, called upon him in an excited manner to return to life. She dug down into the grave and tried to exhume the coffin, but it was too much of a task. She then resumed her exhortations to the dead, also calling for her sister, Nellie, who is buried beside her father.

The woman is Mrs. Mattie Ensign. She has been insane for some time and confined in the asylum at Ovid. She is still at Rose, but officers have gone for her to take her back to the asylum. She insists that her father will rise from the grave when she visits the cemetery again.

A most effective remedy for sheep scab and ticks is a preparation of pure nicotine prepared from tobacco. Owners of sheep generally are using it instead of lime, sulphur and arsenic and seem unanimous in believing that sheep ticks and scab will soon be totally exterminated. Nicotine is a deadly poison to insects, but when diluted for dipping does not affect animals. In this respect it differs from the mineral poisons. The Skaboura Dip Co. of Chicago are the largest manufacturers of nicotine in the world.

### Notes of Note.

There is only one \$10,000 United States treasury note in existence, and that has never been issued, but is kept in the treasury as a specimen. There are three \$5000 greenbacks. Two of them are in the treasury; the third was paid out several years ago, and is probably in the vault of some bank, because it has never been heard from since. One-thousand-dollar notes are numerous. There are 74,146 in circulation, and over 15,000 \$500 notes, 237,000 \$100 notes, 200,000 \$50 notes, 409,245 \$20 notes, 834,924 \$10 notes and 1,530,786 \$5 notes in circulation. They ought to let some of these big notes out so that fresh fellows who think they have all the money there is in the world can flash them in the street cars, and ask the conductors for change.

### Quite Crazy Enough.

Judge Jackson of Parkersburg, W. Va., is an eminently level-headed man. He recently sent to an asylum a man who was tried for the murder of his nephew and acquitted on the plea of insanity, although physicians who examined him after the verdict was rendered pronounced him of sound mind. The judge thought the verdict of the jury ought to stand in law over the opinion of an insanity expert, and if the murderer was crazy enough to murder his nephew he was crazy enough to go to an asylum. No murderer likes to stay crazy. As soon as one has been acquitted of crime on the plea of insanity he wants to go about his business again. A man cunning enough to escape the hanging he deserves must think it an insult to restrain his liberty.

### No Cinch.

Invasions of rats into private residences or business houses occur frequently in the quarters of Paris near the Seine, and La Nature illustrates in a recent number an extraordinary case of destruction of pipes wrought by these pestiferous rodents. The pictures show lead and rubber pipes on which are the teeth marks of the rats. The lead pipe was used to supply water to the laboratory of a chemist, and was gnawed through completely at several places. Rubber tubing, which was used for gas, was also damaged, but not to such an extent as the lead pipe. No hotel-keeper, according to this, can have a lead-pipe cinch against rats.

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### The Use of the Yawn.

A writer on social etiquette says that one of the most important things that a person entering society can learn is how to suppress a yawn. This can only be done after long practice. Where this art has not been attained it is best not to apologize, as such an explanation is worse than the original offense. A real, soul-felt yawn has to be lived down; it can never be explained away. Say nothing, and, as yawns are contagious, your neighbor may yawn himself, and one transgression will offset the other. Great care should be exercised in distinguishing between a natural yawn and an artificial yawn. The natural yawn may be the result of overworked nature; but the artificial yawn is a hint. When a man tells a woman about another woman's beauty she yawns, she means to inform him she doesn't care to hear any more. When the company generally yawns in the midst of a story, if the narrator doesn't cut it short he is impervious to hints that he is a bore. The yawn is mighty and will prevail, even in the best society, when people tell old stories.

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**A TERRIBLE RIDE.**  
 From the Times, Buffalo, N. Y.  
 Along one of the dismal roads in Western New York, a man and wife were driving as rapidly as the darkness and inclement weather would permit. The rain beat down upon the rubber covering and found its way into every crack and opening. The occupants of the buggy were Dean Jones and his wife, of Springville, N. Y. Everybody is familiar with the name. He is the well-known starting judge, who has become famous for his impartial and fair treatment of jockeys at the post.  
 It was about ten years ago when Mr. and Mrs. Jones took that fateful ride that came near costing her her life. Mrs. Jones' clothes were thoroughly soaked before town was reached. There was no fire in their hotel room and she became chilled to the bone before the little blaze the attendant started warmed the atmosphere. From that time on Mrs. Jones was an ill woman. Her trouble—well, it was about everything with which human flesh can be afflicted. She had a strange, queer feeling in her head, that felt as if several shot were rolling around loose on her brain. Pen cannot describe the torture she suffered. Local doctors told her she had water on the brain. A Times reporter called upon Mrs. Jones, who said:  
 "Ever since that terrible wetting I received, up to a year ago, I was an invalid. I had terrible neuralgia pains in the head which often went to my feet and limbs. I was often in such a terrible state that I had to use a crutch to get around or else slide a chair before me to move about the house. I was very ill for five years, in spells, and never expected to get well. It was a blood disease, I guess. One of the doctors I consulted said I had clotted blood in my head, and perhaps I did. He could not cure me, neither could several other doctors I tried. I also used many patent medicines, but they did me no good. My complexion was a perfect white, and my ears so transparent you could look through them. My blood was turning to water.  
 "Look at me now; do I look sick?"  
 The reporter was forced to admit that he had seldom seen a more perfect embodiment of health.  
 With pardonable pride Mrs. Jones said: "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People did it. I can go anywhere now, while before I commenced using Dr. Williams' remedy I could not move out of the house. For three years, would you believe it, I did not go to church. I was not always confined to my bed, but could not leave the house. Wherever I go, people say: 'Why, Mrs. Jones, how well you are looking. How did it happen?' and I always tell them 'Pink Pills did it.' I have not had the slightest touch of my old illness for the last six months, and feel as if I never had been ill in my life."  
 Mr. Jones said: "You can readily imagine how highly we regard the remedy in this house, where we have had a wife and mother restored to perfect health."  
 Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent post paid on receipt of price (50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50—they are never sold in bulk, or by the 100) by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

**He Greased It All Over.**  
 A hack driver of Murfreesboro, Tenn., hired a negro boy the other day to "wash and grease" his hack. He went away, and when he came back in two hours he found that the boy had greased the hack all over.

**WAS DANTE A LUNATIC?**  
 Prof. Lombroso Thinks He Was Subject to Epileptic Attacks.  
 And now Prof. Lombroso has stirred a hornets' nest about his ears. They are vigorous and vindictive hornets, for they have boiling in their veins the proud hot blood of the Latin races, quick to resent an insult that is directed against themselves or against any object of their affection and esteem.  
 Lombroso says that Dante was merely a crank, a lunatic, an epileptic, whose visions arose not from an ardent and piercing imagination but from a disordered brain.  
 If Dante were indeed an epileptic he is only one of many of the master minds of the world similarly afflicted. We need go no farther than Shakespeare to find that Julius Caesar had the "falling sickness." So, according to excellent authority, had Napoleon and Mahomet. And if Dante was insane is it not a general idea that genius and insanity are closely akin? There is hardly any couplet in literature so hackneyed as Dryden's—  
 "Great wit is sure to madness near allied  
 And thin partitions do their bounds divide."  
 I asked Dr. Cyrus Edson what he thought of this theory. He agreed with it in substance, though he objected to the phraseology. He thought that Maudsley's dictum confused cause and effect.  
 "On this subject," he said, "I have thought and written a good deal. The overstimulation of the brain, brought about by our high pressure civilization of today, is a fruitful source of nervous disorder—of insomnia, neuralgia and hysteria. The development of brain and nerves goes on at the expense of the body. Especially is this true of children. Their bodies are overtaxed in order to develop their brains. The nourishment which should be distributed over bodily and mental organs alike is all diverted to the brain.  
 "Children become abnormally precocious. They burn with an over-bright fire that soon consumes them. My advice has always been, build up the body first and foremost; let the building of the brain be a secondary consideration. Then body and brain will be developed on normal and healthy lines. There may be less hectic brilliancy, less of what we call genius, but there will more of the robust and dominating force which makes a man a power for good, an instrument to achieve solid happiness and substantial progress both for himself and for his neighbor."

**HOME TRUTHS.**  
 Which It Will Be to Your Interest to Read.  
 Young man, we would take a little of the conceit out of you, says the New York Mercury. Don't think that the girl you intend leading to the altar is marrying you for love, 'cause it's not so—she's marrying you because she's disinclined to provide herself with board and lodging for the rest of her days.  
 The man who howls because he's got "an aching heart" is an ingrate. If he'd got an aching tooth—one that ached in real earnest—he might have something to holler about.  
 Daresay you think it's a real good thing to be alive? And yet the very happiest time you have is when you're fast asleep and have forgotten everything.  
 You can't put an old head on young shoulders and you shouldn't put kid's togs on people old enough to be bald. After a man has reached the age of whiskers—whether he's got any or not—he shouldn't appear in the streets clad in knickerbockers.  
 Be modest like the violet. Reflect that it isn't a man's good qualities that get him into swell society; it's the denuded scarcity of men.  
 You needn't go and hunt all over for it, but should it come your way, you may solace yourself with the reflection (while poulticing the damaged spots with vinegar and brown paper) that there's a good deal of similarity between a man and a carpet—either hurts for a good beating occasionally.  
 Remember that you're never too big to learn. Every night before a certain billionaire lays his head upon his pillow he has learned some new way of making an absurd spectacle of himself.

**How Did He Get In?**  
 A bass viol player in distress and unable to pay his rent crawled into his big fiddle to die in Paris recently. He was missed after a day and discovered on the landlady seizing the viol for rent. It was found difficult to get him out, even after the back of the viol had been removed, and as the man is insane, no explanation of how he got into his instrument has been found.—Etc.

**Duty.**  
 Duty is a debt—something that we owe to somebody else. There isn't an important duty that needs to wait for the settlement of any question. Do not flout yourselves, then, to make excuses.—Rev. M. J. Savage.

**If the Baby Is Cutting Teeth,**  
 Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy. **Mrs. WILSON'S SOOTHING SYRUP** for Children Teething.  
 Nothing tires a man more than to be grateful all the time.  
 I believe Piso's Cure is the only medicine that will cure consumption.—Anna M. Ross, Williamsport, Pa., Nov. 12, '95.  
 Some men are too lazy to wash the tobacco stains out of their whiskers.

**MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,**  
 Tulane University of Louisiana.  
 Its advantages for instruction are large, in its laboratories and abundant hospital material. Free access is given to the great Charity Hospital, 100 beds and 30,000 patients annually. Special instruction at bedside of sick. Next session, Oct. 15, 1896. For catalogue address Prof. S. E. CHAILLE, M. D., DEAN, P. O. Drawer 261, NEW ORLEANS, LA.  
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**RESCUED FROM DEATH.**

The Son of Mr. Munzsheimer, General Merchant, Ardmore, I. T., Lay in Dallas, Texas, at the Point of Collapse—Could Not Leave His Bed or Move Without Pain—Suffered Terribly Until Veno's Medicines Cured Him Completely.

Read the Following Sworn Statement of the Facts, Showing Veno's Electric Fluid and Veno's Curative Syrup to be the Most Phenomenal Medicines in Existence.



Doctors were powerless to assist the young man. At last Veno's medicines were recommended by J. R. Cole, Jr., a prominent attorney of Dallas, with the following result:  
 City of Dallas,  
 County of Dallas, Texas.  
 Personally appeared before me, a notary public in and for the State and County aforesaid, W. Munzsheimer, who, being by me first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he has been afflicted with inflammatory rheumatism for three weeks and was confined to his bed for five days, and for eight days was entirely unable to walk, was swollen in nearly every joint and very weak. He was treated with Veno's Electric Fluid and Veno's Curative Syrup and in three days after the first treatment was able to be out of bed and walk around and now feels all right, entirely free from all pains and walks about as well as ever. His father is Mr. M. Munzsheimer, a general merchant at Ardmore, I. T. The young man is well known by J. R. Cole, Jr., a prominent attorney of this city, who induced him to try Veno's remedies.  
 Sworn to and subscribed by the said W. Munzsheimer in my presence this 18th day of November, A. D. 1895.  
 Notary Public, Dallas Co., Tex.  
**VENO'S CURATIVE SYRUP** is the best and only scientific cure. It permanently cures malaria (chills and fever) and thoroughly cures catarrh, constipation, strengthens the nerves, clears the brain, invigorates the stomach and purifies the blood, leaving no ill effects. This medicine has for its base the famous Llandrinod water, the great germ destroyer and blood purifier, and when used with **VENO'S ELECTRIC FLUID** will cure the worst and most desperate cases of rheumatism, paralysis, sciatica, neuralgia and all aches and pains. No home should be without these medicines. They are sold at 10 cents each, twelve for \$1. Ask your druggist to get Veno's Curative Syrup and Veno's Electric Fluid for you. **CLEAN CHILL CURE** positively stops chills in one night. 25¢. At drug stores.

**"Out and away the most popular."**  
 The New York Telegram recently organized a monster bicycle parade in New York, offering a bicycle each to the best lady rider and the best gentleman rider in the procession. The prizes were selected by popular vote of The Telegram's readers, and, as was to be expected, the result was another triumph for  
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 "It's a Good Thing. Push it Along."  
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## LOCAL CHIPS.

The re-union meets to-day.  
Grand Ma Perry has a severe case of sore eyes.  
Mr. and Mrs. Dorefield's baby is sick this week.  
Mrs. John Barton is taking orders for silverware.  
A. C. Gardner was in town and called at the RUSTLER office Wednesday.  
Mr. Gardner, who is visiting, has decided to locate in the county.  
Luncheon rains fell last and this week and it now seems that good crops are assured.  
Implements at Hagelsteins, Angelo.  
Two of the Weakley Br. s., of Roby, were here several days this week on the lookout for a school.  
Pay for your paper to-day.  
J. T. Hamilton paid his ranch a visit this week.  
Hardware at Hagelsteins, San Angelo.  
All is not argument that is labeled that way.  
Well Supplies, Hagelsteins Angelo.  
J. D. Collier, the Edith merchant, is offering some rare bargains in mens suits.  
Glassware at Hagelsteins, San Angelo.  
The Hon. S. J. Chapman declines to run for the judges office.  
Rex Lewis, of Nolan county, took a slice of the barbecue Saturday.  
The democrats of this county intend to organize into clubs at each voting precinct.  
Owing to heavy rains the San Angelo mail was recently carried on horseback a few times. This has been a very muddy country.  
Wire, at Hagelsteins, San Angelo.  
R. B. Higgins came in from Angelo Wednesday evening with new goods for J. W. Reed.  
Stoves at Hagelsteins, San Angelo.  
Rev. G. M. Gardner and Dr. Deets began a camp-meeting on Paint creek Tuesday night.  
Buggies at Hagelsteins, San Angelo.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Higgins were made happy by the birth of a fine daughter on last Thursday.  
Electric Repairs at B. L. Wilson Angelo.  
Another very fine rain fell last Thursday evening.  
Wagons at Hagelsteins, San Angelo.  
W. C. Merchant was at Edith Tuesday and Wednesday on legal business.  
Will Perry spent the first of the week in town.  
Hacks at Hagelsteins, San Angelo.  
A fine boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Don Green on last Tuesday.  
Aermotors at Hagelsteins Angelo.  
J. D. Collier says, if it is a suit of clothes or a bargain in groceries you want, it is not so far to Edith as to San Angelo.  
Tinware at Hagelsteins, San Angelo.  
Owing to heavy rains our paper failed to arrive last week and missed an issue, but in so far as we can we will make up for the loss this week.  
A Mr. Gardner, a brother of A. C. Gardner and a nephew of J. A. Gardner is visiting here from Arkansas; He thinks of locating here.

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in WEST TEXAS.  
**PIANO AND ORGAN  
Tuning and Repairing.**

Geo. Cole, the Oak creek country was in the city Tuesday.  
Mowers at Hagelstin San Angelo.  
Brother William Burr called on us yesterday. He reports plenty of rain recently and crop prospects good in the Oak creek country.  
Binders at Hagelst-in, San Angelo.  
The RUSTLER will say that, J. D. Collier & Co. of Edith, are offering goods at hard-time prices, that they carry a good, full stock and they propose to make it interesting for their competitors—go and look through their stock.  
Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Payne, of Saeco, are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter on the 7th inst.  
The proprietor of this most estimable dispenser of intelligence made a trip to San Angelo this week in company with his wife.  
Mr. I. J. Good was in town Wednesday night and a part of Thursday—said he was on a 'still-hunt.'  
A. C. Gardner bought of J. Smith 60 head of stock horses, with a few geldings in the lot, at \$7 per head—a good bargain.  
It is reported that Sam Neff will move his cattle from the Coaches to this county.  
T. L. Vaughn, a prosperous citizen of Coke county, was in the city on business the middle of the week. He says only moderate showers have fallen in his section of the country.—Ballinger Banner Leader.  
If our subscribers are able to help us to change to an all home print now is the accepted time.  
W. H. Robinson was in town last Saturday and informed us that the rains up about Ft. Chadbourne was immense.  
Will Grinnel presented us with a couple of grown cotton bolls last Saturday and plenty of them and a good cotton crop.  
Wm. Wight informs us that A. T. Mann has bought the J. A. J. Prauford stock of dry goods at Sweetwater.  
In Sweetwater Normal,  
Our spelling match was the enjoyable feature of Friday's work. Misses Emma Merchant and Fannie Childress were the champions.—Review.  
Bud Warren and J. S. McCullough, who were indicted by the last grand jury of Nolan county for theft of cattle, were arrested in Coke county this week. Mr. McCullough gave bond, but Warren was brought to this place and lodged in jail.—Sweetwater Review.  
Mr. McCulloch informs us that Bud Warren has given a \$500 bond and is at home again.  
Messrs. Arnett, Meineille, Wilson and Harris, Coke county cattlemen were in the city Tuesday.—San Angelo Standard.  
Postmaster J. L. Paelan left Tuesday for Washington to perfect a patent on a car-cooper, originated by Mr. Gillispie, a carpenter, in the employ of F. K. Nance.—S. A. Standard.  
Rev. G. C. Berryman started a camp-meeting in the Tubbs settlement about twenty miles up the river yesterday. Rev. B. H. Carroll, a very able preacher, is expected to assist in the meeting.  
Wm. Wight and Newton Fowler both of Sweetwater, passed through town Wednesday on their way to San Angelo. While here they called in to us, and we found out that they wanted to buy a stock of sheep at about one dollar per head, and when they were told that Coke did not grow dollar sheep they departed in peace.

J. D. Collier, of Edith, pays no house rent, does his own work, buys with the cash and looses nothing by selling on credit and proposes to sell goods for a small profit.  
This week the Rustler brings the name of Cal McCutchen before the voters of the county for Tax Assessor. Mr. McCutchen is an old-time democrat, who, so far as we know, has the endorsement of his party, and the qualifications for filling the office. Mr. McCutchen is a good man, well known by the voters of the county and we most respectfully ask that he be given the same consideration accorded other candidates.  
Go to A. D. White, San Angelo Texas for fresh Groceries of all kinds.  
Hub Holder, of Decker, was thrown from his horse last Saturday, breaking his leg in two places. Dr. Berts was called to see him and at present is doing well.—Sweetwater Review.  
Miss Douglass, of Ft. Chadbourne came in this week to attend the normal. Sweetwater Review.  
P. M. Devitt, of Ft. Worth, arrived Saturday from Bell county with 1300 head of steer yearlings and placed them in the Llano pasture north of town in charge of Ben Mayes.—Standard.  
Miss Lula Douglass, of Ft. Chadbourne, came in last week to take the train for Seymour to visit but decided to stay here and attend the normal. She has since learned that a normal was to be at Seymour on the 6th inst. and so went on there.—Sweetwater Review.  
Three men, with a good mule team and well arranged camp wagon, from the Indian Territory, were in town Monday. They were hunting for a better country than the Territory. It is with satisfaction that we notice the return of Texans from that over-rated country.  
Good Goods, low prices, honest weights and good measure is my motto. Come and see me when in San Angelo and be convinced that this is the place to buy your groceries and grain.  
A. D. White, Post Office block, San Angelo, Texas.  
John P. Hutchinson attended the barbecue last Saturday. He is with the popular dry-goods firm of Ballinger, A. R. Faucher & Son. John has sold goods to nearly every man in Coke and Runnels counties and a good part of the popularity of the firm he works for is attributable to him. While here he shook hands with many old-time friends and we hope to see him come again.  
United Confederate Veteran Encampment.  
On Saturday July 18, 1896, Camp No. 600 U. C. V. will hold their annual encampment at Robert Lee. All business of importance for the ensuing year will be transacted. Good speakers will be present and a good basket dinner is being arranged. All who can are requested to attend and bring their well filled baskets.  
Wm. Scarborough, Com.  
Per I. M. Bennick, Adj.  
Married.  
On last Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, at the residence of the brides cousin, Mr. Kelly, of San Angelo, Mr. Ed M. Mobley and Miss Portia Christian were made man and wife, justice O. K. White officiating. The affair was a surprise to our people, as they knew nothing of it until they returned yesterday evening. Miss Lucy the grooms sister, the only who attended the wedding from here.  
The RUSTLER joins their great host of friends in good wishes.

Abundant rains fell over a great part of the state last week and this.  
Messrs. Mobley and Montgomery, of Coke county are in the city this week attending county court.—San Angelo Standard.  
Wm. Wight, a Sweetwater merchant and Newt Fowler a sheepman, arrived Thursday on business. Wight thinks that a daily stage and mail line from Angelo to Sweetwater would pay.—S. A. Standard.  
Candidates will shell the woods from now until after the Peoples party primary on the 25th.  
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Brother Bates returned home from Denton county and other points east, where he says crop prospects are below an average. The recent rains, he says have been general between here and Ft. Worth and crops in some places will be short. He says he had a pleasant trip.  
Bert Sheppard and J. T. Hamilton started to San Angelo yesterday on Masonic Lodge business.  
Brother Bates has returned and will preach at the school house to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

J. B. Haselden writes from Collyns' ranch, in Stealing county, that he has a job there and is doing well; is entirely cured of the opium habit and is fastening his affections upon the neighboring widows of his adopted name. The old man says: 'I thought when I got here that I had got to the land of Nod, Mr. Cain found his wife, but time has changed things somewhat—so much for time.'  
This county is now promised another fine crop and grass is as fine as can be.  
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### Notice.

Saturday before the first Sunday in each month is meeting time of the Peoples Party club of Pre. No. 1, at which time the doctrines of the party will be discussed by selected speakers.

J. W. Tunnell,  
Chairman.

### CENTRAL HOTEL.

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### From Ballinger.

Ballinger, Texas, July 7, 1896.  
EDITOR RUSTLER:

July 4th has come and gone. Ballinger did not celebrate the day in any way, though a great many of her people went to places where they could celebrate—some to picnics, some to barbecues and some to fish-frys. The writer enjoyed the day giging and eating fish. There were some light showers of rain during the day, and after dark the clouds began to lover over the town of Ballinger and began to rain, and I do not think there has fallen such a rain here in 18 months. But it did not extend far out in any direction. The most of this county is and has been suffering for want of rain.

Although there have been some heavy rains extending only over a small territory. Well, I am a little inclined to think that the jail bird, Simmons, is out of the jail, I saw the jailer on top of the jail with a light and he seemed to be looking for something. And then, I heard that he was out. But I will tell you that it has become almost unsafe to even say the man is out.

One poor little man got a "head put on him" for intimating that the jailer turned him out, but I understand that "Chop" has lost his job all the same. I also heard that the sheriff has heard of Simmons and started immediately after him.

I am glad to hear such favorable reports of the crop outlook in Coke.

If any man who's eye falls upon this has a nice ranch to rent out for another year, I would like to hear from him. I have three little boys who should be learned to work. There commenced a camp or protracted Holiness meeting on Elm just below the bridge last night. The "second blessing" idea of holiness will be presented prominently through the meeting.

W. W. McKinley.

### Corrected.

D. O. Lively, former editor of the COLORADO TIMES is editor of the new sheet—FT. WORTH LIVE STOCK REPORTER.—RUSTLER.  
Ft. Worth, Texas, July 10, 1896.  
C. C. Merchant,

Robert Lee Texas.

Dear Sir:  
The accompanying clipping from a recent issue of your paper does a good man an injustice, and I write this that you may make your apologies to my friend Richard Lively of Colorado, before he wreaks a terrible vengeance on you. Richard, or as he is better known—Dick Lively is still the editor of the Colorado Times, and can claim the honor of not being related to me. Thanking you for kindly mention, I am, Yours very truly,  
D. O. Lively.

An amusing instance of the keen competition between the Santa Fe and Katy, took place at Temple last week. The round trip rate to Galveston was cut to \$2, then the Santa Fe added a meal at the Fremont, and the climax was capped by the Katy offering a round trip ticket, a meal at the Beach Hotel, a bath and a cigar all for one dollar. It is said that the cigars given the excursionists have spoiled the sea breeze in Galveston and permanently injured that place as a health resort.—S. A. Standard.

Now that the Democrats of Texas have declared against free raw material, it will be quite interesting to watch the evolutions performed in mid political air by that lofty tumbler, Roger Q. Mills.—Standard.

TESTIMONIALS published in behalf of Hood's Sarsaparilla are as reliable and worthy of confidence as if from your most trusted neighbor.

It has been said that path of a country editor is not strewn with roses, but it must be added that he occasionally stumbles onto a bushel of potatoes or a 50 cent load of wood for which he pays \$1 in good reading matter.

Wool growers should bear in mind that the decreased price of wool is not so much the result of tariff legislation, as of the inability of the people to wear cloth "all wool and a yard wide." Their remedy for low prices is an abundant currency.—Hico News.

Hon. G. H. Hagan, of San Saba, is out for congress in this district. He is said to be a good democrat and a free silver man and has the indorsement of his home people.

### From Live Oak.

Still it rains.  
Crops look well.  
Rev. Jay failed to fill his appointment at Live Oak last Sunday on account of continued rain.

There will be a protracted meeting beginning Friday night before the 3rd Sunday in July at the arbor near Live Oak—everybody invited to attend.

Not many watermelons in the country yet, but will be soon, then the old men will begin to lay around the patches with their shot guns.

Plenty of roasting ears.  
Byron Robinson likes to come up to Live Oak and we think some of the girls like to see him come.

Mr. Winters is gone and some of the boys look lonely, especially Oscar Sheppard and Will Bend.

Rev. A. M. Jay has moved down from Saneo and is living in the Winters house.

Hay Seed, of Ft. Chadbourne, is in the back ground now; He has quit riding so fast to "catch up."

Respectfully,  
Flower Seed.

Foy Bright, of Brownwood a boy about 17 years of age, was drowned July 15 in the Pecan Bayou, while bathing.

It is now Wm. McKinley, gold standard and national banks and republicanism in general, or W. J. Bryan, free silver, no bond issues or national banks with old-time peoples democracy.

The center of interest now shifts to the St. Louis Populist convention, which meets on the 22nd of this month.

A law department has been added to Baylor University with Senator Coke president.—Colorado Spokesman.

### Tired Of Kansas.

Missouri papers are alleging that this notice was recently found posted on the walls of a deserted homestead in the arid region of Kansas: "Four miles from a neighbor hood, six or seven miles from a postoffice, twenty miles from a railroad, fourteen miles from a school house, forty nine miles from a church, 180 miles from timber, half mile from water, 230 miles from a democrat, a quarter of a mile from hell and the same distance from a republican. Gone to Missouri, which is God's country, to get a fresh start."—Ex.

The Ft. worth Live Stock Reporter of July 14th says: Today's hog market strong to 5 higher.

Texas steers a dime lower at Chicago yesterday than the best last week.—The feed crop situation in Texas is like a scudal, in that it is hard to overtake it with fact, and the man who gets scared and turns loose feeder stock will find out his error by fall. Texas will raise all the feed she needs.

The National Live Stock Exchange meets at Ft. worth in October, at which time that city will give a fat stock show.

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