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### Democratic Platform.

Resolved, by the democrats of Texas in convention assembled, that we endorse in every particular, the platform adopted by the national democratic convention at Chicago in 1896, but we especially commend and approve the declarations in favor of an income tax; against the power of banks to issue money; for a tariff for revenue that will operate without discrimination against classes or sections, and for the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, with full legal tender qualities and without reference to the action of other governments.

2. We denounce the republican party for the passage of the Dingley bill, which places the burden of tariff taxation upon those least able to bear it, which has resulted in a great deficit of revenue.

3. We declare that the present war excitement cannot and shall not obscure the money questions upon which the fight in 1900 will be chiefly made, and the interest now being taken in the 2,000,000 people of Cuba and Porto Rico must not detract from the vital interests of 75,000,000 of our own people.

4. That while we recognize the necessity of a war tax, we denounce the revenue bill passed by the republican party for the gross inequalities therein, both in the tax imposed and the exemption made.

5. That we congratulate the country upon the skill and intrepidity of American soldiers and sailors in the present war, which we declared to have been forced upon us by the conduct of Spain.

6. The national democratic party will give the president of the United States its full support in all measures necessary to conduct this war to an early and successful end.

7. That we favor the generous development of American navy to what ever extent it may be necessary to protect our commerce on every sea and our citizens in every land.

8. That we favor the construction of a Nicaraguan canal.

9. That we favor the carrying out of and spirit of the resolution under which we intervened in Cuba, and we insist that the Cubans shall be permitted to establish an independent government of their own. But in the event that the people of that island shall hereafter desire terms of annexation can be satisfactorily arranged between the two governments, we will welcome Cuba as a part of the territory of the United States.

10. We favor the acquisition of Porto Rico and all other Spanish possessions in the western hemisphere.

11. That we reaffirm our faith in the Monroe doctrine and oppose the annexation or continued retention of the Philippine islands or any territory in the eastern hemisphere.

12. We approve the action of the democrats in congress in engrafting upon the bill providing for the present army, that the increase thereof must be mustered out at the end of this war and we declare against any increase in the standing army of the United States.

13. That we endorse the action of the Chicago convention in the nomination of W. J. Bryan for president and approve the campaign he made and pledge him our support for renomination in 1900.

14. We endorse and commend the administration of Gov. Culberson and his associates as being economical, wise and patriotic.

15. That whereas, the democratic party can justly claim that from its organization it has been a staunch and consistent friend of the working classes, therefore we declare it to be correct principle that all public work (including public printing) should be done within the confines of the state, other things being equal, whenever possible.

16. We endorse the fee bill and text book bill passed by the last legislature.

17. We endorse the railroad commission law and the administration thereof, and

in this connection we demand that the legislature make all needful appropriations to enable the commission to employ such experts as the commission may deem necessary to enable it to examine into the traffic affairs of railroad companies in this state, and we further favor the enactment of a law making it the duty of the commission to keep such experts continuously employed in this work to the end that discriminations by railroad companies against persons and places be entirely prevented.

18. We endorse the able honest and economical method in which Attorney-General Craue has managed the business of high office.

19. We favor the appointment by the twenty-sixth legislature of a committee to consist of the governor, comptroller and state revenue agent, whose duty it will be to diligently inquire into our state's financial system, including the method of levying and collecting taxes and the system of accounting of the government officials, said committee to formulate such measures of reform looking to a fair and equitable distribution of burdens of government and to a more economical and expeditious collection of the taxes and at the same time provide all proper and necessary safeguards for checking the receiving and disbursing officers charged with duty of handling state funds, the same committee to report to the legislature, making such recommendations as may be deemed wise and practicable.

20. We recognize the necessity of developing our educational system. We therefore declare that all legislative assistance necessary will be given to bring the system to the highest possible degree of efficiency consistent with our financial conditions and in order to accomplish this purpose we demand that the law allowing the appropriation of any part of the permanent school fund to be transferred to the available school fund shall be repealed.

21. Feeling a just pride in the increasing usefulness of the university of Texas, the agricultural and mechanical college and other educational institutions we favor such appropriations by the legislature as may promote their efficiency and advancement.

22. We favor the greatest possible assistance to the eleemosynary institutions of the state consistent with its financial condition and especially favor the state caring for all of its insane idiots and epileptics.

23. We favor the enactment of a statute prohibiting all railway companies from giving free passes or free transportation to any one not in the employ of same.

If you have the money the Rustler would appreciate a part of it on subscription. We need all assistance we can get at this time of the year, as it pushes us to pay expenses and keep up the present standard of the paper. At no time would a few dollars be more appreciated from our subscribers.

According to the newspaper an Ohio husband became the happy father of seven children not long ago. Of the seven all lived but one. It is to be hoped that he laid in a supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, the only sure cure for croup whooping cough, colds and coughs, and so insured his children against these diseases. For sale by Ed. M. Mobley.

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Mrs. Ella Golbre, Mansfield, Tex.  
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RANGE AND FARM.

Corn was never better in Austin county.

Quannah expects to market 10,000 bales of cotton this season.

Foard county farmers expect to make a bale of cotton per acre.

The boll worm has appeared in some of the cotton fields in Burleson county.

Cotton picking is in full blast in Medina county, and pickers are in demand.

Farmers around Denison claim the boll worm will not seriously injure cotton.

The sorghum cane and potato crops are exceptionally fine in Polk county this year.

Sharpshooters are doing serious injury to the cotton in parts of Milam and Robertson counties.

Cotton prospects around Elgin are gloomy. Some farmers assert it will take ten acres to produce one bale.

Leon Halfin of Colorado City bought 135,000 pounds of wool from Arthur Anderson and 90,000 pounds from Ike Kronski.

The new roller mill at Denison will have a capacity of 200 barrels of flour per day and 100 barrels of meal. If necessary, 400 barrels of flour can be turned out.

All of the small stock farmers in the panhandle section of the state have plenty of feed to carry their cattle through a hard winter. They are not going to take chances.

Yearling steers in Hockley county bring \$20 readily, and but few are offered for sale. In Val Verde county the price is \$18, and with the same reluctance to part with the stock.

The boll worm is doing frightful execution in the bottoms of the Brazos, around Wellborn, and is beginning to infect the upland farms. Farmers are rather blue over the situation.

Farmers in Karnes county are gathering their corn as rapidly as possible, so as to be able to devote their entire time to picking the cotton crop, which will soon require their undivided attention.

There will be worlds of sorghum syrup made in Leon county this season, lots of peas and potatoes, a large and superabundant crop of corn, and doubtless a good turnout of cotton.

The latest report from the government inspectors and state authorities of Illinois interested in the condition of the cattle that were passed through the dipping vats at Fort Worth is that the experiment is a success.

Melons and tomatoes grown in the vicinity of Abilene are being shipped west this year in considerable quantities. The Pacific Express company reports that its business for a given time this year will exceed that of a corresponding time last year by 60 per cent.

W. T. Scott, the well known cattleman of Fort Worth, has returned from an extended trip through the northern part of the state, and reports that he never saw crops better, or the outlook for both farmers and stockmen more encouraging than it is at this time.

Thomas Montgomery, who claims Fort Worth as his home, but owns a large cattle ranch in Crosby county, where he spends a good part of his time, has returned from the ranch to Fort Worth. Mr. Montgomery says he never saw the grazing better or the cattle in finer condition throughout the southern part of the panhandle than they are now.

Cotton picking has commenced, and is being rapidly picked throughout the different portions of San Patricio. Several weeks ago cotton promised a good yield, but now, on account of the dry weather, leaf worms and Mexican boll weevil, farmers do not expect to average more than 400 pounds of seed cotton per acre, unless abundance of rain comes from this on, to insure a fall crop.

A cattleman from the panhandle district, where flies, both the heel fly and the horn fly, are causing great annoyance to cattle, says that if any one desires to know just how much flies can annoy stock let him lie down in an undarkened room on a warm day, from which the flies are not excluded. That would give him a realizing sense of what the annoyance is. He said that every switch of the animal's tail required energy, and that it takes food to make energy.

## FIRED ON BY MORRO CASTLE.

The San Francisco Has a Aole Driven in Her  
by a Shot From Havana's Fortress.  
The Battle Near Ciamo.

The San Francisco Hit.

Key West, Aug. 15.—The flagship San Francisco, the monitor Miantonomoh and the auxiliary yacht Sylvia were fired upon by the Havana batteries shortly before 5 o'clock Friday morning. One ten or twelve-inch shell struck the San Francisco stern as she turned to get out of range and tore a hole about a foot in diameter, completely wrecking Commodore Howell's quarters and smashing his book case to fragments. Nobody was injured and being under orders not to attack the batteries the ships retreated at fast as they could.

The flagship and the Sylvia lay parallel to each other not more than a mile from Morro castle and separated from each other by a distance of between three-eighths and one-quarter of a mile. The Miantonomoh lay about three-quarters of a mile to the rear of the others. All were within range of the shore batteries and the temptation was too strong to be resisted.

Thursday night the warships off Havana were in San Francisco, Sylvia and Miantonomoh and with nightfall they drew in closer to the shore than ever before and took positions as before stated. All night the ships rolled at their stations with lights out, according to the blockade regulations. Another twelve hours of dreary duty had passed with the same unvarying monotony and what happened soon afterward was unexpected and unwelcome.

The first glimmer of dawn was breaking through the eastern skies when without an instant's warning the look-out on the flagship saw a jet of smoke puff from one of Morro's big guns. Almost before he could shake himself together sufficiently to make a report of the incident ten and twelve-inch shells were screaming all around. It was, however, almost as futile an effort as in every preceding struggle. Shells fell between the San Francisco and the Sylvia, some fell short and a few went over them. The flagship signaled the Sylvia to get out of range without delay and both ships swung around and made for the sea.

It was then that the shell struck the San Francisco's stern and sent its fragments into the after cabin, wrecking Commodore Howell's library. The commodore was on deck with Capt. Leary when the shell struck.

All the shells fired were from ten to twelve-inch, and twenty-two in number.

The Sylvia was sent to Havana under a flag of truce with papers. A gunboat met her and the papers turned over to the Spanish captain.

Palma Cables.

Washington, Aug. 15.—Senor Palma, the head of the Cuban junta, has sent the following cable by way of Santiago:

"Bartolomeo Maso, president of the Cuban republic, Santiago, Cuba: I have this 13th day of August, 1898, accepted in the name of the Cuban provisional government the armistice proclaimed by the United States. You should give immediate orders to the army throughout Cuba suspending all hostilities. Preliminary terms of peace, signed by representatives of Spain and the United States, provide that Spain will relinquish all claim over the title of Cuba."

"T. ESTRADA PALMA."

Open to the World.

Washington, Aug. 15.—The merchant vessels of the world are now open to enter and leave Cuban and Porto Rican ports.

The state department holds that no further proclamation is needed raising the blockade of these islands. The order issued to the military and naval commanders and the president's proclamation of peace are said to be sufficient in themselves to end the blockade and open all ports to the shipping of the world.

This means much, not only to Spain and the beleaguered islands, but to the merchant shipping of Great Britain, France and Germany and other countries having commerce with Cuba and Porto Rico.

Battle Near Ciamo.

Ciamo, Porto Rico, Aug. 15.—Wilson moved the Lancaster battery out to the front on the 12th for the purpose of shelling the Spanish position on the crest of the mountain at the head of the pass through which the road winds. The enemy occupied a position of great natural strength, protected by seven lines of entrenchments and a battery of two Howitzers. The Spaniards were eager for the fray and earlier in the day had fired upon Col. Biddle of the engineer corps, who, with a platoon of troop C of New York, was reconnoitering on their right flank.

As our battery rounded a curve in the road 200 yards away the enemy opened an artillery and infantry fire. Four companies of the third Wisconsin, which were posted on the bluffs to the right of the road, were not permitted to respond to the infantry fire. The guns advanced at a gallop in the face of a terrific fire, were unlimbered and were soon hurling common shell and shrapnel at the enemy at a lively rate, striking the emplacements, batteries, and entrenchments with the rhythmic regularity of a trip hammer. They soon abandoned one gun, but continued to serve the other at intervals for over an hour. They had our range and their shrapnel burst repeatedly over our men. One shell burst on fragments, killing corporal Swanson of company L, and seriously wounding Corporal Yanke and Privates Bunce and Vought. Capt. Paget, the British army officer, who is with the American forces for the purpose of observing the operations in the field, distinguished himself by aiding Dr. Woodbury.

Here Capt. Lee and Private Sizer of company F were wounded by Mauser bullets. In about two hours the enemy abandoned the other gun and the men began to flee from the entrenchments toward a banana grove in the gorge. Our guns shelled them as they ran.

It had just reached the new position when Spanish infantry reinforcements filed into the trenches and fired down a deadly fire on our men, compelling the battery to retire at a gallop. Then both the enemy's Howitzers reopened and shrapnel screamed and Mausers sang. Another gun galloped from the rear, but our ammunition was exhausted.

Lieut. Haines was shot in the body by a Mauser just before his gun retired, the ball following a rib.

The orders issued for two companies to advance were countermanded and the firing ceased.

Rough Riders Arrive.

Camp Wikoff, Montauk Point, Aug. 15.—The transport Miami, with Gen. Joseph Wheeler and staff, Col. Theodore Roosevelt and staff and 680 rough riders, arrived at 8 o'clock last night.

Dr. McGruder went off in the quarantine tug, and returned bringing word that both Gen. Wheeler and Col. Roosevelt are well, as are most of the officers. Only thirty-four of the rough riders are ill, and none have infectious diseases. Roosevelt sent a message ashore to his wife at Oyster bay.

Sent Instructions.

Madrid, Aug. 15.—The government has telegraphed to the governor generals of Porto Rico and the Philippines instructions for carrying out the terms of the protocol signed by the United States and Spain, and to prepare for evacuation. Instructions were also sent covering the policy to be adopted in the event of the insurgents refusing to observe the armistice.

Bark Wrecked.

London, Aug. 15.—Advices from Melbourne report that the American bark C. C. Funk, Capt. Nissen, which sailed from Tacoma May 22 for Melbourne, has been wrecked on Flinders island, Tasmania. Eleven of those on board the bark, including Capt. Nissen, his wife and two children, were drowned.

Hobson's Plans Accepted.

New York, Aug. 15.—Lieut. Hobson has received word from the secretary of the navy that his plans for floating the Cristobal Colon were accepted, despite the fact that the naval board of examiners reported the vessel injured beyond repair.

Signed at Washington.

Washington, Aug. 13.—The peace protocol was signed yesterday at 4:23 p. m. by Secretary of State Day, representing the United States, and M. Cambon, the French ambassador, representing the Spanish government. The protocol provides:

1. That Spain will relinquish all claim of sovereignty over and title to Cuba.

2. That Porto Rico and other Spanish islands in the West Indies and an island in the Ladrones, to be selected by the United States, shall be ceded to the latter.

3. That the United States will occupy and hold the city, bay and harbor of Manila pending the conclusion of a treaty of peace which shall determine the control, disposition and government of the Philippines.

4. That Cuba, Porto Rico and other Spanish islands in the West Indies shall be immediately evacuated and that commissioners, to be appointed within ten days, shall, within thirty days from the signing of the protocol, meet at Havana and San Juan respectively, to arrange and execute details of the evacuation.

5. That the United States and Spain will each appoint not more than five commissioners to negotiate and conclude a treaty of peace. The commissioners are to meet at Paris not later than October 1.

6. On the signing of the protocol hostilities will be suspended and notice to that effect will be given as soon as possible by each government to the commanders of its military and naval forces.

The above is the official statement of the protocol's contents as prepared and given to the press by Secretary Day.

As soon as the peace protocol was signed the president sent for Secretaries Alger and Long and Gen. Corbin and by his direction orders to cease hostilities forthwith were sent to Gen. Miles, Merritt and Shafter, to Admirals Dewey and Sampson and military commanders generally.

Naval Commanders Notified.

Washington, Aug. 13.—In accordance with the proclamation issued by the president suspending hostilities, orders were issued yesterday to the naval commanders at the several stations in the United States, Cuba and the Philippines, carrying into effect the directions of the proclamation. The navy department not only transmitted the president's proclamation in full to the several commanders-in-chief, but also directions as to the disposition of their vessels.

The following orders in that sense are self-explanatory:

Navy Department, Washington, Aug. 12.—Sampson, Santiago: Suspend all hostilities. Blockade of Cuba and Porto Rico is raised. Howell ordered to assemble vessels at Key West. Proceed with New York, Brooklyn, Indiana, Oregon, Iowa and Massachusetts to Tompkinsville. Place monitors in safe harbor in Porto Rico. Watson transfers his flag to Newark, and will remain at Guantanamo. Assemble all cruisers in safe harbors. Order marines north in Resolute.

ALLEN, Acting Secretary. Navy Department, Washington, Aug. 12.—Remy, Key West: In accordance with the president's proclamation suspend immediately all hostilities. Commence withdrawal of vessels from blockade. Order blockading vessels in Cuban waters to assemble at Key West.

ALLEN, Acting Secretary. The notification to Admiral Dewey was not made public, but Assistant Secretary Allen stated that besides being put in possession of the president's proclamation he was ordered to cease hostilities and raise the blockade of Manila.

In compliance with the orders sent Admiral Sampson and Commodore Remy, each will send a vessel around the coast of Cuba to notify the blockading squadron that the blockade has been raised.

Admiral Schley is on the Brooklyn, and comes north with her.

China and Russia are said to have formed a secret alliance.

Death of Kirkland.

Valejo, Cal., Aug. 13.—Rear Admiral Kirkland, commandant of the Mare Island navy yard, died yesterday afternoon.

Rear Admiral W. A. Kirkland was appointed from North Carolina, July 2, 1850; made a midshipman June 20, 1853; lieutenant March 18, 1859; lieutenant commander July 16, 1866; commander March 2, 1869; captain April, 1888; commodore June 27, 1893, and rear admiral March 1, 1896.

President's Proclamation.

Washington, Aug. 13.—The president has issued the following proclamation: By the president of the United States—a proclamation:

Whereas, by a protocol concluded and signed August 12, 1898, by William R. Day, secretary of state of the United States, and his excellency Jules Cambon, ambassador extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the republic of France at Washington, respectively representing for this purpose the government of the United States and the government of Spain, the United States and Spain have formally agreed upon the terms upon which negotiations for the establishment of peace between the two countries shall be under taken; and,

Whereas, it is in said protocol agreed that upon its conclusion and signature hostilities between the two countries shall be suspended, and that notice to that effect shall be given as soon as possible by each government to the commanders of its military and naval forces.

Now, therefore, I, Wm. McKinley, president of the United States, do in accordance with stipulation of said protocol, declare and proclaim on the part of the United States a suspension of hostilities and do hereby command that orders be immediately given through the proper channels to the commanders of the military and naval forces of the United States to abstain from all acts inconsistent with this proclamation.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done in the city of Washington, this 12th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-third.

WM. M'KINLEY.

By the president.

WILLIAM R. DAY,

Secretary of State.

A copy of the proclamation has been cabled to our army and navy commanders. Spain will cable her commanders like instructions.

The order to Gen. Merritt to suspend hostilities was as follows:

"Adjutant General's Office, Washington, Aug. 12, 1898.—Merritt, Manila: The president directs all military operations against the enemy be suspended. Peace negotiations are nearing completion, a protocol having just been signed by representatives of the two countries. You will inform the commanders of the Spanish forces in the Philippines of these instructions.

Further orders will follow. Acknowledge receipt.

H. C. CORBIN,

Adjutant General.

By order of the Secretary of War.

The order sent to Gen. Miles and Gen. Shafter were identical with the above save as to the names.

Gen. Merritt will be directed to confer with the Spanish commandant at Manila to carry out the terms of the protocol and to occupy Manila immediately. Gen. Miles will put himself in communication with the chief authority at Porto Rico for the purpose of having the Spanish forces turn over San Juan and other points to him preparatory to evacuation. Owing to conditions in Cuba, the orders to Gen. Shafter to be sent hereafter will be much different from those to other generals.

Parliament Reassembled.

London, Aug. 13.—When the house of commons reassembled yesterday the members, according to custom, proceeded to the house of lords, where the queen's speech was read. Then they returned to the house of commons, where the speech was again read.

Body Recovered.

Providence, R. I., Aug. 13.—Maria A. Flynn's body has been recovered from the ocean. The woman was murdered on the pier while defending her honor. A trick bicyclist, who claims San Francisco, St. Louis and Cincinnati as his home, is accused of the crime. He protests his innocence.

Yellow Fever Death.

New Orleans, La., Aug. 13.—Yellow fever has developed at Franklin, La., a small town on the line of the Southern Pacific railroad, 100 miles west of this city.

Thursday night John Hobson died under peculiar conditions, and the parish physician held an autopsy, resulting in the verdict of yellow fever. The man had been treated for meningitis by the local physicians.

There is a crisis in Hungary.



#### Warm Engagement.

Washington, Aug. 12.—The war department late yesterday afternoon received the following:

Ponce, via Bermuda, Aug. 11.—Secretary of war, Washington: The following message was received from Schwan:

"Camp Near Hormigueros, Aug. 10.—Advance guard including cavalry of this command, while reconnoitering northwest of Rosario river, near Hormigueros, developed strong Spanish force which lay concealed in the hills north of Mayaguez. In general engagement that followed Lieut. Byron, eighth cavalry, my aide de camp, was wounded in foot, and Private Fernberger, company D, eleventh infantry, and one other private were killed and fourteen enlisted men wounded. It is reported that the most if not the entire Spanish garrison of Mayaguez and surrounding country, consisting of 1000 regulars and 200 volunteers, took part in the engagement. We drove the enemy from his position and it is believed inflicted heavy loss. A wounded Spanish lieutenant was found in the field and brought in our lines. Conduct of officers and men beyond all praise."

SCHWAN.

Coamo was captured next day.

#### The Wounded.

Washington, Aug. 12.—The war department has received two dispatches from Gen. Miles, under date of Ponce, Aug. 10, as follows:

Secretary of War, Washington.—The following is a list of the wounded in the sixteenth Pennsylvania in the skirmish beyond Coamo, Aug. 9: Corporal Barnes, company E, left side; Private C. C. Frank, company C, right side; Private George Whitlock, company C, right side; Private L. Ubold, company E, right elbow; Private E. V. Jolly, company F, left arm.

MILES.

Secretary of War, Washington.—Have established telegraphic communication with Gen. Brooke, who reports that in a skirmish on the 8th with the enemy, about three miles north of Guayama, Gen. Hains forced the enemy to retreat. The following men of the fourth Ohio were wounded (none killed): Capt. Edward O. Thompson, company K, in right breast; Private Samuel J. Jones, right knee; Private Noble W. Hanicker, company E, in ankle; Private Harry S. Haines, company C, in right foot; Private William J. Eddington, company A, in right hip.

MILES.

#### Transports Returning.

Washington, Aug. 12.—The following was received at the state department last night:

Consulate of the United States, Hong Kong, Aug. 11.—Moore, Washington: Information Gen. Corbin, steamship Sidney left Nagasaki 27th, Australia 29th, Peking 6th—all direct for San Francisco without stop.

WILDMAN.

Wednesday Secretary Alger cabled Gen. Merritt asking when the transports sent to Manila would return, and this reply of Consul Wildman gives the information desired. It is expected they will reach San Francisco about the 17th. The aggregate capacity of these vessels is about 3000 troops, and that number will be at once embarked for Manila.

#### Rush for Seats.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 12.—Since the Horton law legalized boxing contests in the state of New York, there has never been such a rush for seats at a athletic exhibition as is now coming in daily to the Hawthorne Athletic club officials of this city, before which club Corbett and McCoy will meet on the 10th of next month. Yesterday over \$6000 was received for seats alone, while scores of applicants for seats were turned down, the membership application not being enclosed. Every foot of the lumber to be used in the building is on the ground, and the contractor has received his first payment, in the shape of a check for \$3000.

Gen. Coppinger's army corps has been ordered to Huntsville, Ala.

The Yale has gone to Santiago.

#### New Camp.

Washington, Aug. 12.—Col. Miller of the quartermaster's department, who was at the department yesterday, reported that there would be no trouble at all about an abundant water supply at Montauk Point. He said that after passing through the hard pan in drilling wells they struck gravel, and found an abundance of good water. Surgeon General Sternberg says there appears to be no trouble whatever about an abundance of water of good quality.

#### Series of Skirmishes.

Key West, Fla., Aug. 12.—One more name has been added to the small list of the navy's war victims. Emanuel Koulouris, a coal passer on the gunboat Bancroft, was shot and killed during a sharp engagement with Spanish riflemen at a point of land jutting in Cortis bay, on the south coast of the province of Pinar del Rio, on August 2. It is not known how many Spaniards' lives paid for his, but the Spanish loss was undoubtedly severe. The Bancroft was cruising about the Cortis bay on blockade duty when a sail was seen close to the land, about ten miles to the northward. The gunboat's steam launch was armed with a one-pounder and Lieut. Henry B. Wilson, was sent to intercept the stranger. She turned out to be a Spanish schooner. When first observed the Spaniard lay near the wreck of the Sante Domingo, recently sunk by the Eagle. By the time the steam launch reached that point the schooner had worked into port and a party of Spaniards, including a body of soldiers, was attempting to haul her ashore. The launch stood boldly in and a brisk fire from her one-pounder speedily scattered the crowd. The Spaniards took refuge in high grass ashore, but in spite of the fact the party in the launch was ignorant of the enemy's strength, the Americans went ahead with their work with admirable coolness.

James Munroe, a first-class apprentice, swam to the schooner and pulled a line fast to her in order to pull her out.

At the same time Valdemar Hohengreen an ordinary seaman, dropped over the side of the launch and made for a pier where a small sloop-rigged boat was moored. The launch then commenced to haul off the schooner, but the line parted, and while another was being run to her the Spaniards, who had sought shelter in the woods, poured in a murderous fire.

Koulouris, who was leaning over the side of the launch, was shot through the breast and fell dead. Fortunately no else was injured. Instantly the men in the launch began a rapid return fire with their rifles, while Lieut. Wilson maneuvered the launch so as to take a line thrown by Hohengreen from the small boat which he had shoved off from the pier. He was opened on in ambuscade with such well directed aim that the Spaniards were routed without a chance to return the American fire.

On Aug. 4 Commander Clover, who was senior officer transferred his flag to the Maple while the Bancroft's boilers were undergoing repairs. He took the launch with him under Ensign Vogelsans, still armed with her one-pounder. They proceeded to the northwest extremity of the Isle of Pines and there saw a large sloop and schooner moored in shore.

The launch went after them, but as soon as she was observed approaching the crews of the Spanish vessels took to their small boats. The sloop was aground, and toward his vessel Ensign Vogelsans headed his launch. As the latter drew near to the sloop a party of Spaniards on shore opened fire on the Americans. Then the launch's one-pounder again opened on the enemy. But before she had fired many shots the Maple opened fire with her six-pounder and swept the brush along the beach. While the dense foliage ashore gave the enemy a decided advantage no American was hit. But it is safe to say that under the Maple's heavy fire a large number of Spaniards were killed or wounded.

The sloop turned out to be a trading vessel with no cargo on board, and not being worth the trouble to send to an American port, a few shots from the Maple put her under water. The schooner, however, proved to be of value.

#### Miles' Choice.

Washington, Aug. 12.—Alger makes a statement on his relations with Shafter. He denies that Shafter was selected with a view of humiliating Miles, and asserts that Shafter was Miles' choice.

Philippine insurgents want to be annexed to the United States.

#### The Wanda Arrives.

New York, Aug. 12.—The steam yacht Wanda, Capt. Miller, which has been in the service of the Associated Press for nearly four months as a dispatch boat, accompanying the American fleet and army in the West Indian waters, arrived here from Porto Rico yesterday morning. On board were Col. Charles S. Diehl, assistant general manager; Dr. E. R. Johnstone and Mr. N. C. Wright, staff correspondents.

#### Must be Promptly Annulled.

Washington, Aug. 11.—The following peace measures were decided on yesterday:

1. President sends to Spain a reiteration of the original demands of the United States which is in effect an ultimatum. Spain must reply within forty-eight hours. It is believed that she will accept the terms, owing to the failure of her last message to cause the United States to recede from its position.

2. Secretary of State Day and Ambassador Cambon agree on the terms of this message, which are:

(a) The immediate evacuation of Cuba by Spanish troops and the relinquishment of sovereignty over that island by Spain.

(b) The immediate evacuation of Porto Rico and all the Spanish islands in the Caribbean sea by Spain, and their cession to the United States.

(c) The United States to occupy and hold the harbor and City of Manila and Subig bay until a peace commission determines the rights of both Spain and the United States in the Philippines.

(d) The cession of an island in the Ladrones group, the island not being specially named.

3. The war department issued orders yesterday for the immediate sailing of 10,000 troops from San Francisco to reinforce Gen. Merritt at Manila.

4. The navy department announces that if Spain does not accept the ultimatum within the specified time the eastern squadron would be dispatched to attack the coast of Spain.

President McKinley has again outwitted Spain in diplomacy. He did so the first time when he compelled Spain to hand Woodford his passports. He did so yesterday when he threw upon Spain the responsibility of accepting or rejecting the American proposition. Spain's answer, received by the president Tuesday evening, was unsatisfactory.

On the highest official authority it may be said that the president was unable to determine whether Spain's acceptance of our proposition was final and the protests, inquiries and suggestions, or whether Spain made the acceptance of our proposition contingent upon the acceptance by us of her counter propositions. As a result of the cabinet meeting held last night a redraft of our first note was made by Secretary Day. It was in effect a re-issuance of our first proposition. Ambassador Cambon, Spain's representative, read the note, called by courtesy a protocol, and said he thought it was nominally fair. He lacked the power to sign it, a formality necessary to make it effective, and said he would submit the matter to the Spanish cabinet for permission on Spain's behalf to affix his signature.

#### Affairs in the Orient.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 11.—Carl W. ner, head engineer of the German ship at Manila, who has arrived from Orient, being interviewed, said:

"There will be no German interference. The ships went to Manila coal. Seven German ships are now there. The priests, nuns and children are fleeing from the Philippines."

Other items of interest gleaned from Oriental news papers are as follows:

The death rate from pestilence at Seoul is awful. On one day, the 16th of July, there were 1410 cases and deaths.

There were riots in Bombay because of the plague.

All Korea is excited by the German consul, Krein, slapping the minister of foreign affairs, Kin Fan, in the face with his unread letter and punching him in the chest. Korea demands quick vengeance.

There are widespread riots in the Zec Shaun district and a strong anti-foreign tendency. The English, French and German residents were mobbed and many Christians killed. The Roman Catholic and Protestant churches were destroyed by the rebels in the towns of Peilen Lerichnan. Seven thousand more troops left Canton in a hopeless attempt to suppress the rebellion.

#### Red Cross Nurse Dies.

Chickamauga, Chattanooga National Military Park, Ga., Aug. 11.—Miss Dorothy Finerty, a Red Cross nurse who came here to attend the sick soldiers at Leiter's hospital, died yesterday after a lingering illness. She was one of the most efficient nurses in the entire corps. She came from New Brunswick, N. J., and the remains were shipped there for interment.

George N. Curzon has been appointed viceroy of India.

#### Not Enough Food.

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 11.—A company of the tenth Pennsylvania volunteers, composed of recruits for companies C and D, now at Manila, has broken out in mutiny.

At meal time forty-five men of the full quota of sixty-two informed the acting commander, Sergt. Shaw, that they would not drill on the alleged scant fare furnished. Sergt. Shaw reported to Lieut. Col. Barnett, who promptly ordered all the malcontents under arrest. Up and down the camp they were marched for three hours. They have been stripped of their arms and are guarded on all sides by sentinels from the other companies. A courtmartial seems imminent.

#### Too Equivocal.

London, Aug. 11.—A Washington correspondent says:

Spain's acceptance of the American peace conditions was so equivocal that President McKinley determined to compel assent to a protocol, fixing definite terms and the answer given to M. Cambon practically amounted to an ultimatum.

It is understood that unless the protocol is signed immediately all negotiations will be suspended and the war vigorously continued. The United States will not abate its terms by an iota.

#### To Be Promoted.

Washington, Aug. 11.—The president has determined to recommend to congress that Acting Rear Admiral Sampson be advanced eight numbers and Commodore Schley six numbers. This will result in making each a read admiral, but will leave Commodore Schley ranking below Admiral Sampson. Capt. Clark of the Oregon will be recommended for an advance of six numbers in the captains' grade, and Lieut. Commander Wainwright will go up eight numbers. Other promotions throughout the fleet will be recommended.

#### Pope Ill.

Rome, Aug. 11.—Owing to the sudden fall in the temperature, the pope has contracted an internal chill. On the advice of his physician, Dr. Laponi, the pope has suspended all audiences.

The Observator Romano declares that there is no cause for anxiety, but rumors are current that the pope is suffering from extreme physical weakness and that all business is practically left to Cardinal Rampolla, the papal secretary of state.

#### Much Damage.

New Orleans, La., Aug. 11.—A fire started here last night in Osborne's Turkish bath establishment, on Bourbon street, and while no buildings were destroyed, it penetrated into several large Canal street retail stores, doing considerable damage to stocks. The loss will approximate \$200,000, well insured. The stocks of D. H. Holmes & Co.'s department store, S. Kreiger, millinery; Nickel Plate store; John McCloskey, confectionery, and J. Kraus, gent's furnishings, were more or less damaged.

#### Marines' Work.

Washington, Aug. 11.—The navy department gave out for publication the official reports on the gallant work of marines at Guantanamo bay. They included those of Commander McCalla of the Marblehead, in charge of the naval forces, Col. Huntington, in charge of the marines, and Capt. Elliott. The latter refers to the engagement which occurred when the well supplying the enemy's base was destroyed. It was the most interesting of the reports.

#### Rolls Turned Over.

Muskegon, I. T., Aug. 11.—Judge Clanton's rule requiring the chief inspector of the Creek nation to turn over to the Dawes commission the rolls of citizenship of the Creek nation, or show cause why he should not do so, has had the desired effect and the commission is for the first time, in possession of the rolls of citizenship of the Creek nation. The commissioners are enrolling the Creek freedmen at this place.

#### Steamers Released.

Key West, Fla., Aug. 11.—Acting under orders from Washington, Commodore Remy has released the Norwegian steamers Aladdin and Bermen, recently captured by the gunboats Hawk and Viking, respectively bound from Tampico and Vera Cruz, Mexico, for Sagua la Grande, Cuba. The ground for the release is that Sagua is not a blockaded port. Both steamers left here for their original destination.

#### Not to Be Balked.

A comparison made by an old carpenter twenty years ago may be applied in a much wider sense than he had in mind. He was speaking of two boys, brothers, who had been sent to him to learn the trade. They were bright boys, and their father, in telling the carpenter of his pleasure at their progress in their work, said he could not see but one had done just as well as the other. "Um-m!" said the carpenter. "I presume to say their work looks about of a piece, but I'll tell you the difference betwixt those two boys. You give Ed just the right tools, and he'll do a real good job; but Cy, if he hasn't got what he needs, he'll make his own tools, and say nothing about it. If I was casted on a desert island and wanted a box opened, I should know there'd be no use asking Ed to do it, without I could point him out a hammer. But Cy!" added the old carpenter, with a snap of his fingers. "The lack of a hammer wouldn't stump that boy! He'd have something rigged up and the box opened, if there was any open to it! I expect Cy's going to march ahead of Ed all his life." Twenty years have proved the truth of the words, for while the boy who "made his own tools" is rich, his brother is still an ordinary workman.

#### A Clever Monkey.

There is a popular monkey in the zoological gardens of the prater at Vienna just now, says a correspondent there, and she is much admired. "Miss Maja" has an exquisite bicycle, which she rides to perfection, imitating to a nicety all the movements of cyclists. She jumps into the saddle without touching the pedal, kisses her hand to everybody while she waits for the signal, then flies off at a splendid pace. From the wheel she jumps on a trapeze and then on the wheel again before it can fall. When she has shown all her arts and graces she claps her hands, calling upon the public to applaud. She thanks prettily for applause by bowing and putting her hand to her heart. The monkey has not been trained at all—only made to look on while men and women cycled. She has taught herself everything without any one's help. When money is given to her she runs to her nurse, takes her purse and puts it in. It has been proposed to let her have one of the many cycling medals distributed in Vienna, but the societies refuse to give it to her.—London Daily News.

#### The Old Idea and the New.

Margaret Deland spoke recently before the Ethical Culture Society in New York upon "The Changing Feminine Ideal." "The great hope of our women," Mrs. Deland said, "implies also a menace, as there are always two sides to a picture. It is the growing discontent of the girls. They want to do everything to live their lives so fully. The army of young women has found out that love making and marriage is not the only aim. Marriage is becoming to women what it has always been to men—merely an incident. Our mothers took as a guiding principle selfishness, and who of us, with our shallow, hurrying selfishness, dares to say we are better? Still, the modern woman sees that this old-time selfishness had an immoral side, for the self-effacing ways turned many a well-meaning man into a selfish brute, and raised selfish children for his generation. But the present woman's sense of her right to her own life is a constant menace to the family. The girl of today is supplementing the old word duty with the words 'to myself.'"

#### Suggestive Destination.

First Poodle—Why do you weep? Second Poodle—Because my mistress is going abroad. First Poodle—I thought you were fond of traveling. Second Poodle—So I am, but she's going to Frankfort.—New York Journal.

A nap in a bath tub is one of the latest fads.

It is not the coldest drinks that make us the coldest.

The tinkle of ice in a pitcher sounds nice these days.

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Now that the war is over it may be that the politicians can get the ear of the public.

The hay crop is the largest ever produced in the county, and numbers of loads are now being marketed here.

Whitecaps are reported at Whitewright, Texas, which have been giving considerable trouble to the officials. Every effort should be made to put a stop to this kind of lawlessness.

The war being over there is no reason why trade in all branches should not be pushed forward, and the great opportunities for development pushed to their full extent.

Farmers report cotton considerably damaged by the continued dry weather, but state that a great deal can yet be made on the late plantings if rain should come soon.

If party enunciations amount to anything it can be stated that in the near future the much talked of Nicaragua Canal will be built, as all political parties are now favoring its building in their platform demands.

Coke county farmers are better supplied with feed stuff this year than at any time in the past, and even if cotton will be a partial failure they will be in condition to live as independent as people in any part of the state.

Since the smoke of battle has begun to clear away, it may be asked, have the purposes for which the war was declared been accomplished? Is there any further proof secured as to who it was that destroyed the Maine, or are the humanitarian conditions bettered in Cuba?

While the war has cost the United States an immense sum of money, which will have to be replaced by the tax payers for some time, it will doubtless be beneficial to all branches of trade for a time, as the bond sales have been the means of bringing money from its hiding place, which will circulate for a time, thus making times more prosperous than would have been otherwise.

Pension applications are already pouring into the bureau at Washington, and it is predicted that two-thirds of the men sent to Cuba and Porto Rico will sooner or later be recipients of government bounty. The pension question is coming to the front as one of the really great issues this country will have to settle upon the basis of justice to the tax payers as well as of course to the country's defenders. —Dallas News.

## Populists Platform.

The following is the text of the platform adopted by the populist state convention:

We, the people's party of Texas, in convention assembled, renew our allegiance to the undying principles of the people's party as enunciated at Omaha and St. Louis.

We congratulate the president of the United States on the efficient and successful prosecution of the war between Spain and the United States. With most profound feeling of kindredship and national loyalty, devoid of all sectionalism, we most heartily embrace this opportunity of declaring soldiers and sailors the bravest, the most loyal, gallant and efficient of the world.

1. We demand the speedy construction and operation of the Nicaragua canal by the government of the United States alone.

2. We demand that no government bonds shall be issued in time of war or peace.

The war between the United States and Spain was at its inception declared and understood to be in the interest of humanity and not for conquest. We cordially endorse this sentiment and demand that the war shall be vigorously prosecuted to a successful termination on these lines and in this spirit, and we now and hereby pledge to the president and his administration our co-operation to that end.

4. We endorse the Omaha agreement of June 17th, 1898, and we further endorse the action of our national committeemen at said conference.

We arraign the state democracy for its maladministration of the state government for the past quarter of a century. Its platform promises are now a list of its past failures. Pledged to reduce the number of district judges, it has increased them. Pledged to protect the interest of shippers, it has levied a tribute of "all the traffic will bear," and when violations of its laws are discovered it has compromised with the corporations for a pittance to the people and an equal or greater sum to its political henchmen. Pledged to donate 50,000 acres of public lands to the colored race for educational purposes, it had no public lands then nor has it any now. Pledged to honest elections, it holds office by Harrison county methods and the illegal Mexican vote of the border. Pledged to carry out the constitutional provision requiring six months public free school in the year, it has signally failed in this, except in a few localities, notwithstanding the fact that for several years under the Jester amendment 1 per cent of the permanent school fund has been annually transferred to the available fund and also that \$1,200,000 of local funds have been used in one year to supplement the state and county funds. Pledged to economize it has persistently increased the taxes of the people. Pledged to reserve the public domain for actual settlers, it has donated the people's heritage to railroads and nonresident aliens, individual and corporate. Pledged to reduce of fiscal fees and salaries, it enacted a law that many of its own partisans will not defend. Pledged to economize in the expenditures of the government, it filibustered against an appropriation bill that would have saved to the tax-payers half a million dollars. Pledged to prevent dissipation against any kind of lawful money, it has

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We are authorized to announce M. H. Davis as a candidate for the office of County Judge of Coke county, at the November election.

## For District and County Clerk.

We are authorized to announce J. W. Barnett as a candidate for re-election to the office of District and County Clerk of Coke County at the November election.

## For Tax Assessor Coke County.

We are authorized to announce J. F. Deats as a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Coke County, at the November election.

We are authorized to announce H. E. Johnston as a candidate for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor of Coke County at the November election.

## For County Treasurer.

We are authorized to announce J. G. Walton as a candidate for the office of County Treasurer of Coke County, at the November election.

We are authorized to announce C. L. Hughes as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer of Coke county at the November election.

We are authorized to announce J. A. Gardner, Sr. for the office of County Treasurer, Coke county, at the November election.

## For Sheriff and Tax Collector.

We are authorized to announce L. B. Murray as a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Coke county, subject to the action of the People's Party.

We are authorized to announce Ed. M. Mobley as a candidate for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Coke county, subject to the will of the people at the November election.

defeated a bill prohibiting gold contracts. Pledged to free silver, it has selected for nomination candidates for governor and lieutenant governor who have been declared by their own henchmen to be harmony with the gold wing of the party and in league with the corporations of the state.

To the end that Texas may escape the evil here enumerated, we appeal to all good citizens to unite with us in the great struggle we are now making for state reform, which it is possible to secure in near future.

1. We declare the railroad commission has failed to perform its plain duty to the people of Texas in persistently refusing to properly exert its lawful powers in securing reasonable freight rates. While recognizing a railroad commission as tentative and asserting that government ownership is the final solution of the problem, we yet declare that a railroad commission can and should materially reduce freight rates in Texas. Therefore, we demand the construction and operation by the state of Texas of a relief railroad from Red river to the gulf.

2. We demand the speedy enactment of laws establishing a people's government under the system of direct legislation known as the initiative, referendum and imperative mandate.

3. We are opposed to increasing our interest bearing bonded debt, without a direct vote of the people—state, county or municipal.

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Go to Stewart & Son for Screw worm medicine.

Walter Thomason and wife, of San Angelo are here visiting friends and relatives this week.

Clothing at Harrison & Webb's—good suits \$6 to \$7.

Read the advertisement of the Robert Lee and Ballinger Mail Line in this issue.

If you want a free sample of Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment, read the ad in this issue.

Several interesting cases were disposed of in county court here this week.

No ranch, farm or stable can afford to be without a can of Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

Judge J. W. Hill, of San Angelo, was here this week in attendance of county court, being counsel in several cases pending in the court.

To kill the mange on your dogs use Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

Rufe Whitesides was in town this week. He says he has more fine grass and water than any man in the county.

To kill sand fleas on your dog or your chickens use Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

Cattle have fell considerable in price in the past week.

If you want a Sewing Machine cheap, call at this office and get description and prices. We can save you some money on one.

For a good and easy shave, nice hair cut or any tonsorial work call on A. J. Crockett, at the new barber shop. He is a first-class barber and will be sure to please you with his work.

#### Cattle For Sale.

We have for sale 65 head of good native cattle. For prices and further particulars call at the Rustler office.

W. P. Walling, that big hearted stockman, who ranches near Edith, was in town one day the first of the week on his way home from Bronte, where he has been buying a few steer yearlings. He bought 25 or 30 head \$11.50 per head.

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Manager The Famous Shoe Store, Ballinger, Texas.

Ben Acry, one of Hayrick's most substantial young stockmen was a visitor to the city one day this week.

Billy Whytock, of San Angelo will visit Robert Lee next week with an advertising scheme to paint the merchant's name and business upon gates, fences, etc. Those who believe in this kind of advertising will find Mr. Whytock competent and trustworthy.

A. J. Petit, one of Bronte's most substantial citizens was a juror here this week in county court. He reports everything getting along nicely down in his section of the country.

#### Mill Notice.

From now on I will grind corn on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays in each month.

Respectfully,

H. W. Walton.

B. F. Montgomery, of the Boozer country was here one day this week. He has just returned from a pleasure trip to Floyd and other counties, where he says everything is prospering.

#### Card Of Thanks.

We hereby adopt this method of expressing our sincere thanks to the people of Coke county for aid and deeds of kindness shown us at the time of our misfortune in getting our home and household goods destroyed by fire. We wish to assure all our appreciation of the favors shown, and shall remember the deeds of kindness for all time.

MR. & MRS. J. B. WINN.

#### Estray Notice.

Reported by E. C. Rawlings, Commissioner of Pre. No. 1, Coke county, Texas, on the 24th day of June, 1898. One bay or brown horse, 7 or 8 years old, streak in face, shod in front, about 16 hands high, and branded P on left shoulder, JIL on right thigh and K on right jaw.

J. W. BARNETT,

County Clerk Coke County, Texas.  
J. W. Hastings, a prosperous Sando farmer attended county court here this week.

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I have moved my blacksmith shop home, and those that want work can get it by coming to my place. And those that are behind with me for last year, pay up and then you can get more work, but want you to understand that I will not work for you until you pay your old account.

Respectfully,

G. S. McCLESKEY,  
Robert Lee, Texas.

Judge L. H. Brigham came up from Comanche Sunday to attend professional business during county court. He says he is well pleased with his new home at Comanche, and is building up a good law practice.

#### Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

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The weather has been much cooler during the last week, and where rain has fallen crops are doing well, however the rain which fell last week did not cover more than half the county, from all we can learn.

#### The Sure Lagrippe Cure.

There is no use suffering from this dreadful malady, if you will only get the right remedy. You are having pain all through your body, your liver is out of order, have no appetite, no life or ambition, have a bad cold, in fact are completely used up. Electric Bitters is the only remedy that will give you prompt and sure relief. They act directly on your Liver, Stomach, and Kidneys, tone up the whole system and make you feel like a new being. They are guaranteed to cure or price refunded. For sale at Ed Mobley's Drug Store. Only 50c. per bottle.

For rope burned horses use Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

### BATTLE AT LEE'S WELL.

Sheriff Garrett and Deputies Attempt to Arrest Oliver Lee and J. B. Gililand.

### Deputy Karney Murdered by These Desperate Outlaws.

Published by request.

Since March last warrants have been out for the arrest of Oliver M. Lee and Jim Bob Gililand, charging them with being implicated in the murder of Col. A. J. Fountain and his eight year old son, on February 1, 1896, near the south end of the White Sands. Since the warrants were placed in Sheriff Garrett's hands several unsuccessful attempts have been made to arrest Lee and Gililand.

Sheriff Pat Garrett with a posse of four deputies, consisting of Ben Williams, H. K. Karney, Clint Llewellyn and Jose Espalin, left Las Cruces in the direction of Dog Canon to arrest Oliver Lee and Jim Gililand who were reported to have been recently seen in the vicinity of Lee's ranch, or Dog Canon.

When Garrett arrived at the Organ mountain he found that Lee and Gililand had left Cox's ranch the same morning in the direction of the Jarrilla mountains.

The following are the facts as told by Sheriff Garrett and Deputy Williams on the trail to Lee's Well, and of the fight which took place there.

"We struck the trail of Lee and Gililand at Cox's ranch and followed it for about forty miles to Lee's Well, near Turquoise Station, arriving at the Well about two hours behind the two men. We surrounded the house at the Well and found Lee and Gililand horses and saddles there. This was Tuesday morning. We went into the house and searched it but did not find the men there. However we found two other men sleeping in the house. We asked one of them where Lee and Gililand were, and he said that he did not, that they were not around there. Their horses and saddles being there, we thought that they could not be far away, so we began to search around the premises. Soon Sheriff Garrett discovered a ladder on top of the house and then he became suspicious that he had located the fugitives. Then Garrett, Karney and Espalin got on the roof of some low out buildings. Williams got behind a large water nearby and Llewellyn remained in the house. None of them being more than 60 feet from the house where Lee and Gililand were fortified on top of the house behind thick adobe walls for breastworks, through which port holes for rifles were cut.

Karney, the wounded man, says that in climbing up on the out-buildings he was in front of Garrett and Espalin. As he reached the top he straightened up. At that moment he discovered Lee and Gililand aiming their guns at him. He called to them to surrender and they both fired. Then a general firing took place.

During the fusillade Karney received two wounds, one in the shoulder, breaking it, and as he was falling received another bad wound in the thigh. Espalin had the skin on his thigh burned by a bullet passing close to it. Garrett received several slight wounds in his face by splinters, flying and a quick dodge saved a bullet from passing through his head. Williams was behind a large tank full of water, through which three bullets passed, and the water which flowed out of this nearly drowned him. After Karney fell

a few more scattering shots were exchanged.

One of the men working at Lee's Well asked for a truce. This the sheriff's posse agreed to in order to gain possession of Karney, who was laying in range of Lee's and Gililand's fire. Lee after conversing with Gililand, agreed that they might take away Karney provided that the sheriff's posse withdraw from the field and drop pursuit for a time. This was agreed to by Garrett solely for the purpose of getting possession of Karney, who was badly wounded and exposed, stating that the pursuit would be taken up later. Lee and Gililand kept Garrett and his party covered with their guns, until out of range.

During the fight while Garrett was talking to Lee about surrendering, Lee took deliberate aim at Garrett's head through a hole in the adobe wall. Garrett saw the gun pointed at him and dodged just in time to escape, for the ball crashed through a board where his head had been a moment before.

Lee told Garrett that he would never surrender unless he was immediately granted bond. Garrett told him he had no authority to grant such a request but would guarantee him every protection by the law.

All the time while the shooting was going on Lee and Gililand could be heard laughing. At one time Lee called out to Garrett asking him if he did not think he (Lee) had the best of the situation. Garrett told him he did have the best of it, and Lee said:

"You don't know how much the best; I am down well fixed up here."

One ball passed through Karney's left shoulder breaking it and one lodged in the right leg just below the thigh. The wounds were badly lacerated, as though made by explosive balls, as many of these bullets passed through the corrugated iron roof of an out building, a bundle of cowhides in the house, through a wagon box on the outside of the house and then passing into the ground. The ball which struck Karney in the thigh, first passed through a corrugated iron roof and through the side of the frame outhouse. All the shots aimed at Ben Williams passed through a water tank full of water, at least eight feet in diameter.

Lee and Gililand were fortified on top of an adobe house, behind thick adobe breastworks, shooting through small holes in the wall. At no time were their bodies exposed to the sheriff's posse fire, and the mark that the posse had to shoot at was three small holes in the breastworks. Garrett's men were within sixty feet of Lee and Gililand, with no protection but low thin board walls and every time Garrett's men would shoot all their bodies, above their waist bands, were exposed to the fire of Lee and Gililand, while the fugitives were comparatively safe from the fire of Garrett and his men. Taking the situation into consideration, and the reputation of Lee and Gililand as crack shots, it is a miracle that a single one of Garrett's men escaped being killed.

Karney was brought up on Tuesday's train by Sheriff Garrett and deputy Williams and placed under the care of Dr. Rice.

After the truce had been called Garrett and his men withdrew and went to their horses, and when they returned about twenty minutes later, Lee and Gililand were seen going in the direction of Lee's ranch at Dog Canon. Where the fight took place.



# TAKING FORT SAN JUAN

## Description of the Battle That Preceded the Surrender of Santiago de Cuba—The Spaniards Fought Like Demons.

The attack upon San Juan, the Spanish fort near Santiago, was conducted under the command of Gen. Kent, with the main division of the army. It was a bitter struggle, the Spaniards resisting with a determination and fierce energy that was surprising. After some two hours' hard fighting, in which the attack swayed the right of the defense slowly but steadily backward, the center broke and the position was won. Driven once from their position, the Spaniards had no heart to return. They continued to fight in a desultory way, but retired after a brief period, the main body retreating upon the intrenchments of Santiago, others hurrying to El Caney, where a bitter fight was in progress.

El Caney proved to be the real buttress of Spanish strength. The hill on which it stood gave the defending force a great advantage. Not only this, the larger portion of the Spanish army had been stationed there, in anticipation of the attempt to cut off the retreat to the interior which the capture of El Caney affected. These two factors combined made the task before the right flank a most difficult one. Had it not been for the exceptional bravery of the men it could have only resulted in a disastrous failure.

The American attack was well directed. From the front Gen. Lawton led with his infantry force of several thousand men. He was supported in the rear by Gen. Wheeler with four light batteries of artillery, on the left by Gen. Young, in command of a force of the regular cavalry and Rough Riders, and on the right by Gen. Garcia, with a command of some 5,000 Cubans. It was Garcia's mission to pass El Caney to the north and complete the circuit of the city should the Americans fail in the assault on the town. This was an easy task, with the attention of the Spaniards distracted. He, however, disregarded his orders and came to the assistance of Lawton, and by his brave efforts won deserved praise.

It was Lawton who faced the serious work. The character of the fighting in storming the main redoubt was not fully realized. The entrenchments lay west of the hills. Without cover the Americans, in their advance up the slope, were for fully 300 yards exposed to the volley fires of men protected to the shoulders in rifle pits. But they carried the trenches by successive rushes, pausing and huddling behind every bush or rut for temporary shelter from the rain of bullets, like storm-driven sheep. The wounded were dragged out of the death hall. After each pause the men, undaunted, pushed on, firing as they ran. When they reached the trenches the latter were full to the brim with the enemy's dead. The Spaniards had fled over the summit of the hills, but standing upon the bodies of their fallen comrades, there they remained fighting valiantly to the end.

They refused to give way, but continued the work with their Mausers, enfilading the American line as it came over the trenches. One volley which a company of cavalry fired tumbled them forward on their faces. This was the charge in which the Sixth, Third, Ninth and Tenth cavalry and the Rough

Riders, all dismounted, and in which the Twenty-sixth, Sixteenth and Twenty-second Infantry and the Seventy-first New York were engaged.

After the trenches and redoubts were taken came a bold attempt by the Spaniards to recover them. This occasioned the fiercest fighting and the greatest loss of the day. When the Spaniards broke behind the hill and passed between the reserves, who came forward, with a rush upon our breathless men, striking and breaking the line in several places, their impetuosity for several minutes well-nigh made our boys waver. Then, rallying gallantly, they staggered forward, carrying confusion into the enemy.

Lawton's division bivouacked for the night near El Caney without fires. At 7 o'clock in the morning they were reinforced by Capt. Capron's battery, under Gen. Wheeler. Firing began at once. Promptly the Spanish answered



the challenge from their forts and trenches. Grimes' battery, coming up, opened on the Spanish troops to the right.

The common powder used by our troops smoked, and was a fine target for the Spanish field battery, which was served by Admiral Cervera's marines. The accuracy of the aim was remarkable. While our smoke gave the enemy our range, Grimes could not locate the enemy's guns, which used smokeless powder, except approximately. But, satisfied as to the Spanish position, our men worked like mad. The Spanish fire gradually slackened, and in less than an hour it ceased altogether.

After that only one aggressive move was made by the Spaniards. It resulted in defeat, and they abandoned El Caney. At about 10 o'clock the enemy dashed straight for the American lines. In one or two places our men fell back from their position, but quickly rallied and drove the enemy back pell-mell into their own ditches. The Spanish losses must have been frightful, as they were exposed to a terrific fire for a quarter of an hour. The losses on the American side were light, as our soldiers lay behind trees and had every advantage.



THE ATTACK ON SAN JUAN.

Even after capturing El Caney and San Juan and advancing upon Aguadores, the work of the Americans was not done. It was necessary to hold these positions against any sortie. Unless reinforcements arrived at once the men would be well-nigh exhausted by their difficult work and unprepared for any assault by the Spaniards. It was this precarious condition that existed on July 3, when the country was gravely alarmed by Shafter's dispatches. There was cause for alarm, not understanding the desperate straits in which Linares was, but there was no justification for the criticism of Gen. Shafter which was indulged in. His work was well done, and he deserves nothing but the highest praise. Subsequent developments soon proved these facts.

### FAT WOMEN AND THIN ONES.

The Doctor Tells Some of His Troubles With Them.

"With the coming of hot weather comes also the usual army of women who want to get thin and the regiment of women who want to get fat!" said the specialist in the breathing spell between writing a prescription for a slim girl who wanted a muscle tonic and peering deep into the eyes of a woman who said she had nightmare when wide-awake, relates the New York advertiser. "I may jog along in comparative peace all the winter and spring, working and praying with hysteria and prostration and neurasthenia and anemia and other simple and soulful complaints, but just as soon as the

warm days come and I begin to promise myself a little rest and relaxation, in pops Mrs. A. with an anxious face and fifty or sixty pounds for which she has no use and sets about bargaining with me as if I were a Shylock. She begs me with tears in her eyes to gaze upon her once sylph-like form and implores me to advise a 'surgical diet' for her. I tell her to row a boat and take a ten-mile walk at 5 o'clock every morning. I warn her against catnips, cool drinks, green peas, and all the other pleasures of life, and she goes away radiant. She always loses five or ten pounds during the summer, often more. Strength of will seems to develop with flesh. The slim woman is not nearly so persistent. A wasp-waisted little woman came in to see me this morning. She greeted me with a wave of her hand, flitted about to see the flowers in my window boxes, went into ecstasies over my new bookcase, straightened her hat before the mirror and called my attention to the little lines around her eyes, saying, 'You see how thin I am, and how old and ugly it makes me.' 'Every time you fly around the room in that animated fashion you lose an ounce,' said I. Then she sat down and spread her skirts out, poking them here and pulling them there, drew off her gloves, looked for her handkerchief, mopped her brow and sighed. 'There goes another ounce,' said I. 'A fat woman would have come into this office, plumped herself down in the first chair at hand and stayed there, skirt rumpled up or not. That's why she's fat.' Then I preached a sermon, for that is all I can do for the thin woman. She will listen to advice and likes to hear me draw glowing pictures of how she will look when she weighs 150, but she will not take her medicine—milk and oatmeal usually—and gets acute melancholia if forced to go to bed early. It's perplexing—the way in which dispositions are dealt out. The fat woman invariably loves to loll and eat sweet things can be serene and unworried. The thin woman adores exercise, scorns sweetmeats and has a positive mania for work and worry. But between them they make a sea voyage necessary for me every July."

### Travel in Dancing.

An average waltz takes a dancer over about three-quarters of a mile, a square dance makes him cover half a mile. A girl with a well-filled program travels thus in one evening: Twelve waltzes, nine miles; four other dances at half a mile apiece, which is hardly a fairly big estimate, two miles more; the intermission stroll, and the trips to the dressing-room to renovate her gown, and complexion, half a mile; grand total, eleven and a half miles.

### Brigades' Reunion.

Terrell, Tex., Aug. 11.—The annual reunion of the Ross, Ectors and Granbury's brigade commenced here Tuesday and continued yesterday, when a basket picnic and barbecue were given.

The programme as carried out Tuesday was: Invocation by Rev. E. H. Casey of the Methodist church; welcome address, Mayor M. C. Roberts; response, Capt. R. E. Henderson, of Rusk.

The veterans were assigned to various homes throughout the city, where they were entertained during their stay here.

The members of Granbury's and Ector's brigades held a business meeting yesterday in the Odd Fellows hall and the Ross brigade in the Masonic hall.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Ector's brigade—J. D. Johnson of Atlanta, president; D. H. Lane of Cooper, vice president; R. M. Henderson, Sulphur Springs, secretary.

Granbury's brigade—Capt. E. C. Perry of Poetry, president; W. H. Gibson of Willis Point, secretary and treasurer.

The election of division officers was as follows: R. M. Henderson of Sulphur Springs, president; A. W. Sparks of Sulphur Springs, secretary; Lieut. H. T. Moore, vice president Ross' brigade; A. E. Johnson, vice president Ector's brigade; E. C. Perry, vice president Granbury's brigade; W. W. Johnson of Willis Point, division treasurer.

Garland, Dallas county, was selected for the next reunion, to be held on the second Tuesday and Wednesday in August, A. D. 1899.

In the mortuary report the following resolution was passed, commemorating the death of Gen. Ross:

That in the death of our leader, his relatives lose a kindred endeared by all the ties of a loving nature, his friends lose a pleasant companion, the state one of her best citizens, whose strong arm was ever ready to defend her institutions and whose councils have been freely given in shaping her wisest policies and we, the Ross brigade, mingle our tears with those who weep, for we have lost our general, a comrade and companion, a councillor and friend in the death of Gen. Lawrence Sullivan Ross.

A canvass of the veterans was made requesting an expression of opinion as to their views on the constitutional amendment to be voted on this fall and a majority of them stated that they were in favor of the amendment being carried, as many of the other southern states had granted pensions to the indigent ex-Confederate soldiers.

A barbecue and picnic was given the veterans at Bush grove here yesterday, where an address was delivered by Hon. Dick Wynne after being introduced by W. H. Allen of this place.

### Englishman's Demise.

Texarkana, Tex., Aug. 11.—The remains of Charles H. Brookston were interred in the Rose Hill cemetery here Tuesday evening. His friends were unable to obtain an answer from the relatives of the deceased, who reside in London, which necessitated their action as above stated. The dead body of Brookston was found in his bed by the servant Tuesday morning as he went his usual rounds of the lodging-house. There were no evidence upon the man's body or in his bedroom that would betray violence. He was heir to a large patrimony in England, which yielded him an installment of \$5000 each month. He did not work. Brookston has large connections in London. He came to this country at the age of 31 and took service with the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf Railroad company as a civil engineer, and in that capacity he drifted to Texarkana during the construction of the road. In that interval his father died, leaving him an income. After this he stopped working and lived here in an aimless way, spending his fortune like water. He was 39 years of age.

### Purchases Stopped.

Bonham, Tex., Aug. 11.—Major Thomas Cruise, quartermaster; Dr. Buckingham, veterinary surgeon; Capt. Alexander, inspector; all of the United States army, are here inspecting and taking up the horses bought by Contractor E. D. Steger, who contracted to furnish 500 head, but owing to outlook for peace, the government 'has called him off, only taking 150, the amount he has purchased up to date, on above contract. This makes the fourth contract Mr. Steger has made with the government, having heretofore delivered 1500 mules and 800 horses. Mr. Steger is a resident of this place.

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# List of Lands and Lots Delinquent on March 31, 1898 For the Taxes of 1897, in Coke County.

Reported under the provisions of Section 10, Chapter 103, Laws of 1897.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }  
County of Coke, } I, L. B. Murray, Tax Collector of said county, do hereby certify  
T. the within lands and town lots assessed on the tax rolls of said county for the year 1897, are delin-  
ish un-ent for the taxes of 1897, and that I am entitled to credit for the taxes as shown thereon.  
the a b' L. B. MURRAY, Tax Collector.  
ing erg; Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 13th day of May, 1898.  
tv a' S. J. CHAPMAN, County Judge.

## Certificate Of Commissioners Court.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }  
County of Coke, } IN COMMISSIONERS COURT.  
We certify that we have examined the within report of lands and town lots assessed on the  
Coke county for the year 1897, which are delinquent for the taxes of 1897, and find the same  
that L. B. Murray, Tax Collector, is entitled to credit for the taxes as shown thereon, as fol-  
low: State Ad Valorem tax, \$18.26; State School tax, \$16.52. Total State taxes, \$34.78. County  
prem tax, \$22.81; County Special taxes, \$35.52; District School tax, \$18.26. Total County taxes,  
Given in open court this 13 day of May, 1898.  
S. J. CHAPMAN, County Judge.  
E. C. RAWLING, SAM SAYNER, J. C. NEWTON, J. H. CAMPBELL, Commissioners.  
Attest: J. W. BARNETT, County Clerk.

## LAND.

| Name of Owner. | Abst. No. | cert.No. | Sur. No. | Original Grantee. | No. Acres Assessed. | No. Acres Delinquent. | Total Taxes | Cost and Penalties |
|----------------|-----------|----------|----------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| A. P. McCarty  |           | 38-4346  | 354      | A.P. McCarty      | 320                 | 320                   | \$4.49      | \$1.46             |
| I. H. Robinson |           |          | 6        | I.H. Robinson     | 80                  | 80                    | 1.60        | 1.16               |
| W. G. Taylor   | 474       | 1415     | 1        | J.W. Johnson      | 602 1-2             | 602 1-2               | 7.38        | 1.74               |
| Unknown        | 1239      | 42       |          | B. F. Carr        | 160                 | 160                   | 3.94        | 1.39               |
| "              | 1296      | 321      | 20       | C. R. Calander    | 640                 | 640                   | 15.74       | 2.58               |
| "              | 1298      |          | 120      | J. G. Freeman     | 480                 | 480                   | 11.81       | 2.17               |
| "              | 1312      | 1258     | 2        | J. H. Pettit      | 128                 | 128                   | 3.14        | 1.31               |
| "              | 1320      | 1362     | 22       | Jas. Warner       | 640                 | 640                   | 15.74       | 2.58               |
| "              | 1330      |          | 41       | M. M. Boyd        | 161                 | 161                   | 3.94        | 1.39               |
| "              | 1335      | 38-4367  | 408      | L. H. Brightman   | 640                 | 640                   | 15.74       | 2.58               |
| H. Kempner     |           |          | 278      | I. M. Bennick     | 640                 | 640                   | 15.74       | 2.58               |
| C. W. Odom     | 741       |          |          | Mrs. Epie Warren  | 64 1-2              | 64 1-2                | 5.23        | 1.54               |

## CITY OR TOWN LOTS.

| Name of Owner.       | City or Town | Lot No. | Block No. | Total Taxes. | Cost and Penalties. |
|----------------------|--------------|---------|-----------|--------------|---------------------|
| Unknown              | Robert Lee.  | 1       | 2         | \$ 21        | \$ 52               |
| "                    | "            | 5       | 5         | 12           | 1.02                |
| "                    | "            | 5       | 15        | 13           | 52                  |
| "                    | "            | 7       | 15        | 12           | 52                  |
| "                    | "            | 1       | 24        | 13           | 19                  |
| "                    | "            | 2       | 24        | 13           | 19                  |
| "                    | "            | 4       | 24        | 12           | 19                  |
| "                    | "            | 5       | 24        | 12           | 19                  |
| "                    | "            | 6       | 24        | 12           | 18                  |
| "                    | "            | 10      | 24        | 12           | 18                  |
| "                    | "            | 4       | 32        | 13           | 1.02                |
| "                    | "            | 12      | 35        | 13           | 1.02                |
| "                    | "            | 9       | 43        | 12           | 1.02                |
| "                    | "            | 12      | 44        | 12           | 35                  |
| "                    | "            | 19      | 44        | 12           | 35                  |
| "                    | "            | 21      | 44        | 12           | 36                  |
| "                    | "            | 3       | 45        | 12           | 52                  |
| "                    | "            | 19      | 45        | 12           | 52                  |
| "                    | "            | 12      | 55        | 12           | 1.02                |
| "                    | "            | 11      | 73        | 13           | 1.02                |
| A. & N. L. & Co. Ad. | "            | 1       | 49        | 13           | 19                  |
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## Off To War.

On last Wednesday evening two of Robert Lee's brave and patriotic boys bid good-bye to friends and relatives, and left to join the Concho Valley Rifles, which was to leave San Angelo on Thursday morning.

In the near future, we hope to read among the gallant deeds of the soldiers, the names of Dennis Maddox and Marvin Brock as the most heroic, and that their deeds of heroism will imprint the pages of history for time immemorial.

These patriotic boys have the best wishes of our little city and surrounding country, and all hope for their safety and success as bearers of arms in defense of "Old Glory."

It is said that several other boys in this community desired to join the company at San Angelo but for various reasons failed to get off.

A select stock of shoes, all sizes and kinds, just received at Harrison & Webb.

## Yellow Jaundice Cured.

Suffering humanity should be supplied with every means possible for its relief. It is with pleasure we publish the following: This is to certify that I was a terrible sufferer from Yellow Jaundice for over six months, and was treated by some of the best physicians in our city, and all to no avail. Dr. Bell our druggist, recommended Electric Bitters; and after taking two bottles, I was entirely cured. I now take great pleasure in recommending them to any person suffering from this terrible malady. I am gratefully yours, M. A. Hogarty, Lexington, Ky."

Sold by Ed M. Mobley, Druggist.

E. White, scientific piano tuner, expert sewing machine repairer, watchmaker and jeweler will be at the Davis hotel until July the 18th and solicits repairing business in his line.

If you want a Sewing Machine cheap, call at this office and get description and prices. We can save you some money on one.

## An Original.

A decided original barber of Lubec, Maine, closed his shop the other day and posted the fol-

lowing upon the door:

"To the public: This barber shop will be closed for a brief period, as the proprietor has gone to help a few of Uncle Sams barbers, (better known as soldiers) scrape the face of the western hemisphere clear of the obnoxious growth of whiskers, commonly called Spaniards. I shall not be gone long, as Dewey and Sampson are applying the lather, and everything points to a quick job, and a clean one. I wish to thank the public for past patronage, and on my return home hope to have a share also."—Ex.

The permanent lease law certainly will retard the development of West Texas, for as long as lands cannot be purchased they will remain unimproved. But there is a difference of opinion in the West as to the best land policy, and the difference is easily discerned—just find out which avocation, stockman or farmer, and you are most sure to have the opinion of the individual.

## How To Look Good.

Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entire on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver is enactive, you have a billious look; if your stomach is disordered, you dyspeptic look; if your kidneys are effected, you have a pinched look. Secure good health, and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alterative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys purifies the blood and cures pimples, blotches and boils, add gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at Ed. M. Mobley's Drug Store. 50 cents per bottle.

Heavy rains fell in a good portion of the county.

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#### Bought it All Up.

Washington, July 1.—While not abating its close watch over the Cadiz fleet the navy department does not feel the same degree of apprehension respecting the movements of those ships as it did when the start was made for Port Said.

The government has done everything possible within fair lines to prevent this fleet from reaching the Philippines and the agents of the state department have been particularly successful in their work.

United States Consular Agent Broadbent has just made a master stroke which he reports to the department. While the Spanish ships were seeking permission of the Egyptian government to take coal at Port Said the consular officer succeeded in quickly buying up all of the coal available at that port. This amounted to 20,000 tons, and it is a good place to be shipped to Dewey and also to serve as a base of supplies for Commodore Watson's eastern squadron when it enters the Mediterranean or to coal any American vessels that may pass through the Suez canal bound to the Asiatic station if it should be decided that it is permissible for warships to take on coal at Port Said.

#### From San Juan.

City of Mexico, June 30.—A Spanish gentleman in this city has received a letter from a brother at San Juan de Porto Rico describing the American bombardment. Among other things the letter says:

"The aspect presented by the population during the first moments could not have been more distressing. Everybody was out in the streets, a prey to the most complete panic. The women, some of them half dressed and others with bare feet, ran about as if demoralized from one side of the streets to the other, believing that the end of the world had come, such was the great fear they had.

"I saw real miracles of locomotion. There was one lame man who ran with a velocity not less than eight miles an hour and others who, not being lame, reached Caguas without slackening their speed. The street railway of Rio Piedra was insufficient to convey the people who were fleeing from the bombardment. The city hacks earned as high as \$50 per trip and in the cars the people were packed like sardines.

The American residents will meet on Friday to discuss measures for securing a new cemetery, the existing one having been closed by order of the United States war department. An American lady who died yesterday, the first since the American cemetery was ordered closed, will be buried tomorrow in the neighboring English cemetery.

#### Didn't Pay For His Squaw.

Guthrie, Ok., July 1.—William Fox-tail, a Cheyenne Indian living in D county, has applied to an attorney here to bring some kind of an action to help him recover his wife. Three years ago William married the buxom and shining daughter of an Arapahoe chief, Bull Tail, and they lived happily together, blessed with several children and numerous dogs until two weeks ago, when the father of the bride of three years appeared on the scene and took her home with him, because her liege lord had failed to pay the six dollars and four pounds of tobacco which was a part of the consideration for his obtaining his daughter of the house of Bull Tail.

#### "Two Toes" Slain.

Alva, Okla., July 1.—"Old Two Toes," the gray wolf which has preyed upon cattle in western Oklahoma and Kansas for ten years, killing hundreds of cattle and seeming to bear a charmed life, has at last been killed. Four years ago he was caught in a trap and part of one foot torn off, leaving but two toes, hence his name. Numerous rewards have been offered for him, but he always escaped until a few nights ago, when Jack Middleton brought him down with a Winchester ball and will receive \$400 reward.

Washington is now in direct communication by cable with Gen. Shafter at Santiago.

#### Got Some Coal.

Port Said, July 1.—The Egyptian government yesterday afternoon gave its sanction to the Spanish fleet coaling from its own transports and the warships are now engaged in the work of taking coal on board. The Isla de Luzon, with a cargo of coal, has arrived here and this is the coal purchased. The Egyptian government had previously prohibited the Spanish fleet from taking on board any more coal than enough to enable it to return to Spain.

#### American Pluck.

Washington, July 1.—A second case of an attempt to transfer coal from an American vessel to a Spanish merchantman in Mexico has brought out the old time pluck of an American sea captain. The 600-ton American schooner Extra A. Phinney, of New Bedford, some days ago, was authorized to clear with 700 tons of coal from Mobile to Vera Cruz and affidavits of reliable citizens of Mobile that the coal was destined for railroad purposes. On reaching Vera Cruz Capt. Phinney was directed by L. Gonblanc his consignee, to place his vessel alongside the Spanish steamer Maria Herrera. In the presence of a group of excited Spanish sympathizers, Capt. Phinney bluntly refused, declaring with emphasis that no vessel in his charge should ever lie alongside a Spanish ship, much less supply her with even a pound of coal. The captain with a crowd at his heels marched to the American consulate and notified the consul, and wrote at once to Gen. Spaulding, acting secretary, that he had placed himself under American protection. Exports of coal to Mr. Boblane of Vera Cruz will cease, and the department will undertake to fix responsibility and punishment for the deed.

#### Killed in Japan.

Washington, July 1.—The United States consul at Nagasaki, Japan, has reported to the state department that on May 15, Owen Gannon, an American citizen, was shot and killed in a house kept by John Kelly, in Nagasaki. Gannon was born in Philadelphia in 1870, and was a corporal in the 23rd United States infantry in 1892, and was discharged from the United States steamer Yorktown in 1897. The papers found in his possession indicate that his conduct in the army and navy was "very good." There was a letter from his brother, James Gannon, dated Philadelphia, December 13, 1897, and one from Mary Brennan, his sister, mailed from No. 1625 Fillmore street, Camden, N. J.

Kelly was the only one present when the shooting occurred and he was promptly arrested. He is charged with murder and is committed to the Japanese jail to await trial.

#### Through Spanish Glasses.

Madrid, July 1.—Official Spanish reports received here from Havana say a column of American troops, advanced on Tuesday from Siboney, via Aguadores, and "immediately retired after an exchange of rifle shots with the Spanish scouts."

The dispatch adds: "During the last three days Americans have been endeavoring to land artillery at several points, but the boats grounded, and it was only with the greatest difficulty that they saved their stores."

Another dispatch announces that General Arolas "reimposed the decree fixing the price of provisions at Havana, owing to the fact that prices were raised during temporary suspension of the decree."

#### The Chicago's Commander.

Washington, July 1.—Capt. P. H. Cooper, superintendent of the naval academy, has been selected to command the cruiser Chicago. This vessel is one of the pioneers in the new navy and was the flagship of the white squadron which visited Europe several years ago. She has recently undergone extensive alterations and her efficiency increased many fold, until she now compares favorably with other vessels of her class in foreign navies. Other officers assigned to the vessel are Lieut. C. E. Colahan and Engineer Dixon. The Chicago will be ready to go into commission in about a month.

#### Catholic Chaplains.

Baltimore, July 1.—Cardinal Gibbons went to Washington yesterday, where he had an interview with President McKinley regarding more Catholic chaplains for the army. On his return home his eminence said his visit to the chief executive was a most pleasant one. The cardinal declined to say he had received any instructions from Rome for overtures towards negotiations to bring the war to an end.

Gen. Wheeler's official report of the fight at Siboney shows sixteen Americans killed and fifty-four wounded.

#### No Steps Taken.

Washington, July 1.—In diplomatic quarters it is stated that no steps have been taken thus far in the direction of peace overtures from any quarter, and that it is not likely such overtures will come either from one power or from a combination until the military situation materially changes by a decided victory or a decided defeat. Just why this should be awaited is not clear, but it is none the less said to be the element which delays any overtures for peace.

#### Cruiser Destroyed.

Madrid, June 30.—The cruiser Antonio Lopez while trying to enter the River San Juan, near San Juan de Porto Rico, secretly with a cargo of provisions and war material was detected by two American warships, but escaped by swiftly changing her course. Her captain determined to land his cargo, headed for shore at Salinao. The shock of grounding exploded the boiler. It is not known whether there was any loss of life.

The Spanish gunboats Concha and Isabella rushed to the assistance of the Antonio Lopez, whereupon the Americans withdrew and the Antonio Lopez landed her cargo.

#### Hawaiian News.

San Francisco, Cal., June 30.—The steamer Alameda brought these advices:

Honolulu, June 22.—The annexation news has caused a tremendous rise in sugar stocks. Even plantation stock is held to-day at \$400 a share, which is four times the par value. Other sugar stocks have risen in proportion.

The Moana arrived at an early hour yesterday with rigging dressed. She brought news for which the Hawaiians have waited and wanted for months, that annexation had triumphed in the United States. The passage of this bill by congress will not perfect annexation. It is a fact that the resolutions will have to pass both houses of the Hawaiian legislature before it can have effect. This will necessitate an extra session, as it was believed impossible to get the official papers in hand from Washington before the present session expires by limitation. If telegraphic news arrives of the final passage of the resolution before the session closes the members will simply wait in Honolulu for the proclamation calling the present session together.

#### Does Not Like War.

London, June 30.—The Madrid correspondent of the Standard says:

Capt. Gen. Augusti has renewed his request for permission to promise the Philippine insurgents extensive reforms.

Now that the cortes is closed, it is understood Senor Pulquerer, minister of finance, and Senor Gamazo, minister of public instruction and public works, desires to resign. Senor Gamazo politically and financially ruined. The whole world having recognized her gallant and traditional bravery, he thinks the government ought to have the moral courage to fix a reasonable limit for the national sacrifices.

It is an open secret that Senor Moret and many liberal statesmen share the views of Senor Gamazo. The peace agitation is spreading in the provinces, but not at Madrid.

The government has completed its arrangements for coaling and provisioning Camara's squadron, and he should now be able to reach Manila before the end of July, after stopping at several ports en route to receive instructions.

#### Nothing Official.

Washington, June 30.—No official reports have been received to confirm the story that Gen. Shafter's troops are in possession of the waterworks supplying Santiago. It is not doubted that the troops crossed the line of aqueduct and could have cut off the supply to Santiago if deemed desirable to do so. The opinion here is, however, that if the pipes have been tapped by the American troops, it has been done with the main purpose of supplying themselves with a stock of good drinking water.

It is not thought that there was a deliberate purpose to cut off Santiago's water supply, for on the minds of persons best posted on the situation such a method, while causing the population of the town a great deal of discomfort, would be entirely ineffectual in hastening the surrender of Santiago.

#### No Coal Allowed.

New York, June 30.—A dispatch from Cairo, Egypt, says: The Egyptian government, having positive information that 9000 tons of coal are at present on board the Spanish colliers Cavadonga, San Francisco and Colon, has instructed the governor of Port Said to notify Admiral Camara that no coal whatever can be supplied to him.

#### Signed at Once.

Madrid, June 30.—It was announced yesterday that the queen regent immediately signed the decree providing for the formation of the auxiliary cruiser division at Cadiz.

#### Will Prevent It.

Madrid, June 30.—Manila advices say it is supposed the German warships will prevent a bombardment of Manila and it is alleged Prince Henry of Prussia is expected.

#### Dolphin Damaged.

Washington, June 30.—Secretary Long has received word from Commodore Remy at Key West that the flagship Newark, with Commodore Watson aboard, has been in collision with the Dolphin. The Newark was uninjured, but the Dolphin sustained considerable damage. She is now on her way to a dry dock. No details are obtainable.

#### Sharkey Whips Ruhlin.

New York, June 30.—Tom Sharkey, the sailor pugilist of California, knocked out Gus Ruhlin, the Ohio giant, in less than one round last night before the Greater New York Athletic club at Coney Island. Ruhlin's defeat was accomplished in two minutes and seven seconds, and as soon as the referee had declared Sharkey the winner the sailor ran across the ring and shook hands with Ruhlin, who had been carried to his corner. Ruhlin was still in a groggy condition when Sharkey grasped his gloved hand, and was unable to reply to his conqueror's remarks, which were uttered in an apologetic tone. Sharkey then rushed to the ringside, and leaning on the rope, shouted: "I am now ready to meet Fitzsimmons, Corbett, McCoy or any other man for the heavyweight championship of the world."

#### A Favorable View.

Madrid, June 30.—In an interview yesterday afternoon Lieut. Gen. Corra, minister of war, said the government had no special news from Cuba, but took a favorable view of the situation. He asserted that Admiral Camara's squadron had begun the passage of the Suez canal.

It is announced the Vittoria, the Neumancia, the Alfonso XIII and the Lepanto, all armored cruisers, are ready to form the third squadron.

The armored cruiser Cardenal Cisneros and the torpedo gunboat Dona Maria de Molina, with several auxiliary cruisers and the torpedo boats that are to be included, will be ready shortly.

#### Eyesight Injured.

Washington, June 30.—Blood was spilled at Camp Alger Tuesday. During a sham battle Harvey Reed of company B, sixth Massachusetts, was shot in the head with a blank cartridge at close range. He lost part of one ear and it is feared his eyesight is injured.

An exciting encounter between two brigades occurred Tuesday a few miles from the camp. The second brigade was returning from its march to the Potomac when it encountered a column on the road, composed of the first Rhode Island, third Missouri and second Tennessee. The second Tennessee refused to give way, so that the second brigade might pass, and finally charged the brigade with fixed bayonets. Two or three men were slightly injured.

#### Heard From.

Ardmore, I. T., June 30.—Capt. Bob Bruce of one of the companies of the rough riders who is at Tampa has wired United States Marshal Hammer that his company would leave for Cuab in a few days. Mr. Hammer's son, John, was in the midst of the battle at La Omasina, and from what the marshal could learn his boy escaped uninjured, but eight of his companions fell by the wayside, the victims of Spanish bullets. Young Hammer joined the rough riders here, and passed a splendid examination at Muscogee. He was assigned to troop B and fought under Gen. J. H. McClintock, first volunteer cavalry, who was reported wounded in the battle.

#### Where They Are.

Washington, June 30.—The war department has published a table showing the present station of the troops of the volunteer army. It is the first of a series to be published weekly for the benefit of persons who are anxious to know the location of their friends and with whom they may wish to communicate. The list does not give the precise place at which the troops are, but indicates simply the headquarters through which they may be reached. It shows troops from the southern states to be located as follows:

First and second Arkansas infantry at Chickamauga, Ga. First and second Texas infantry at Miami, Fla. Third Texas infantry at Fort Clark, Tex. First Texas cavalry at San Antonio, Tex.

#### Extra Two Cents.

The postal department at Washington has instructed postmasters to make an additional charge of two cents on every postal money order they issue, regardless of the amount of the money order. This is a war tax.

The postal department also announces that arrangements have been made to deliver money orders to members of the army or navy either at the several camps or in the field.

Lord Salisbury wants peace restored.

Tell a young lady she smiles sweetly and you need never fear that she will find fault with you.

No day is long enough when we are with our sweetheart.

#### Reduction in Bicycle Prices.

It is said that western capitalists are contemplating the organization of a company, which hopes to make first-class wheels and sell them as low as \$10. Whether this be true or not, the fact remains that Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is a first-class remedy for the stomach, liver and kidneys. For fever and ague it is a specific.

Thinking of the one you particularly dislike tends to create hate.

#### Try Allen's Foot-Ease.

A powder to be shaken into the shoes. At this season your feet feel swollen, nervous and hot, and get tired easily. If you have smarting feet or tight shoes, try Allen's Foot-Ease. It cools the feet and makes walking easy. Cures swollen and sweating feet, blisters and callous spots. Relieves corns and bunions of all pain and gives rest and comfort. Try it today. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores for 25c. Trial package free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Some of the pretty new Japanese paper fans are unique.

#### CLEAN PEOPLE.

Cleanliness goes with health. If we have catarrh anywhere we cannot be wholly clean. Make systematic efforts to be free from this disgusting disease. Mrs. L. A. Johnston, 103 Pilham and Ripley sts., Montgomery, Ala., tells her experience with catarrh of the stomach and how she was cured:

"I will state to you that I have taken eight bottles of your Pe-ru-na and two of Man-a-lin and rejoice to say, 'God bless Dr. Hartman and Pe-ru-na.' And I earnestly assure you that it has done me more good than any medicine I have ever taken in my life. I prescribe it to anyone I meet who is suffering, as I am, with indigestion, flatulency, and a general feeling of uneasiness in the world, and I am sure it will do great good where I am almost entirely cured of indigestion, that great foe which has troubled me so many years, and now eat anything I desire without it is fruits or something acid."

To understand the scientific action of Pe-ru-na it is best to have Dr. Hartman's special book for women, or his book on chronic catarrh. These books are mailed free by the Pe-ru-na Medicine Company, Columbus, O. All druggists sell Pe-ru-na.

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Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever 10c. 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

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From Mrs. Rank to Mrs. Pinkham.

The following letter to Mrs. Pinkham from Mrs. M. RANK, No. 2,354 East Susquehanna Ave., Philadelphia, Pa., is a remarkable statement of relief from utter discouragement. She says:

"I never can find words with which to thank you for what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me.

"Some years ago I had womb trouble and doctored for a long time, not seeing any improvement. At times I would feel well enough, and other times was miserable. So it went on until last October, I felt something terrible creeping over me, I knew not what, but kept getting worse. I can hardly explain my feelings at that time. I was so depressed in spirits that I did not wish to live, although I had everything to live for. Had hysteria, was very nervous; could not sleep and was not safe to be left alone.

"Indeed, I thought I would lose my mind. No one knows what I endured. "I continued this way until the last of February, when I saw in a paper a testimonial of a lady whose case was similar to mine, and who had been cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I determined to try it, and felt better after the first dose. I continued taking it, and to-day am a well woman, and can say from my heart, 'Thank God for such a medicine.'"

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It is said congress will adjourn in a few days.

Senator R. Q. Mills has declined to re-enter the race for re-election.

The county candidates are beginning to show tender feelings toward the dear voters.

Do not forget your revenue stamps, unless you want to pay a heavy fine.

Everybody enjoyed the 4th here splendidly, and the day's celebration will be long remembered.

Criticism is easily indulged, therefore so much of it is accounted for in regard to the administration's plans of war.

It seems to be the natural disposition of some people to find fault and be on the wrong side of everything.

The only representative district in which the issues are clearly drawn out on the land question is 106th, the fight is waxing warm.

Uncle Johnnie Connor, of the Silver country spent a few days in the city, including the 4th, and paid the RUSTLER office an appreciated call.

A cotton compress is being talk of at Abilene, and if it materializes doubtless a larger portion of Cokes' crop will be shipped that direction.

It is announced that the Bank of Spain has signified a willingness to advance quite a sum of money to its government for war purposes.

The report is made that Dewey has destroyed a German Flag ship at Manila, and if confirmed, it may lead to complications with Germany.

It looks like that Spain has had enough, and willing to ask for peace, in the face of her doomed defeat, and heavy losses bound to follow her prolongation of the war.

There is too great a disposition on the part of Texas people to want something away from home even if it isn't the same quality. And this disposition is found in all lines, too.

Doubtless a larger number of prospectors and immigrants will come to Coke county during this summer and fall than ever before and each one of our citizens should take an interest in assisting them in finding homes.

## EX-CONFEDERATE RE-UNION.

Will be Held July 16th, At Robert Lee.

### PROGRAM OF THE DAY.

On July the 16th, the Ex-Confederate Veterans, of Richard Coke Camp will hold their annual re-union at Robert Lee, and every old soldier, Confederate and Federal, with their families, and the public in general are invited to attend.

A basket dinner will be on the ground, and other entertainments of which will be of interest to all who may attend.

The following program has been arranged, which will be a part of the entertaining features of the day.

#### PROGRAM.

At the bugle call, at about 10 a. m., all Ex-soldiers, with their wives, will meet at the court house, and form a procession and march to the arbor.

Upon arrival at arbor, and music, addresses will be delivered by Judges Chapman and Bowman.

Dinner will then be announced after which the following entertainments will be had.

Declamation, by Larkin Hayley.

Recitation, "Furl that Banner," by Miss Stella Rayner.

Reading, "Too Late," by Miss Earbra Davis.

#### Music.

Recitation, "The Pride of Battery B.," by Miss Lula Webb.

Recitation, "A Tribute to the Fallen," by Miss Lottie Hayley.

Class Exercise, "Our flag," by six little girls.

Song—Red, White and Blue.

Declamation, by Hayley, Price and.

Recitation, "The Deserter," by Miss Dora Davis.

Recitation, by Miss Caraway.

Recitation, "The Song In Camp," by Miss Ada Fry.

#### Music.

Short addresses by the members of the camp, telling their war experiences, which is denominated by the Old Soldiers as their "Love Feast."

The attending of all business of the Camp, electing officers for the ensuing year, etc.

### THE FOURTH.

Coke County Celebrates The Day In Grand Style.

As announced previous to the day, that a Grand barbecue would be had at Robert Lee on July the 4th was verified in every detail, and it seemed that almost every citizen in Coke county was present to help keep the glorious day in the memory of every inhabitant.

Early Monday morning the people began to arrive, and by 9 o'clock, it was clearly to be seen that a large crowd would be on the ground. They were coming in from every direction, and in every conceivable means of conveyance, and by noon the whole grounds were crowded with people.

Hon.—Bowman of this county and Geo. Ridgell, of Tom Green delivered addresses, which were highly entertaining and suitable for the occasion, in the morning.

After the morn speaking, the committee having charge of the eating department began preparation for spreading the table with delicious and well barbecued beef, mutton, bread, pickles, etc., and in abundance, and the crowd

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We are authorized to announce Gid Graham as a candidate for the office of County Judge Coke County.

We are authorized to announce Frank E. Thomas as a candidate for the office of County Judge of Coke county, subject to the will of the people, at the November election.

We are authorized to announce M. H. Davis as a candidate for the office of County Judge of Coke county, at the November election.

### For District and County Clerk.

We are authorized to announce W. F. (Frank) Robinson as an independent candidate for the office of District and County Clerk of Coke County, at the November election.

We are authorized to announce J. W. Barnett as a candidate for re-election to the office of District and County Clerk of Coke County at the November election.

### For Tax Assessor Coke County.

We are authorized to announce J. F. Deats as a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Coke County, at the November election.

We are authorized to announce H. E. Johnston as a candidate for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor of Coke County at the November election.

### For County Treasurer.

We are authorized to announce J. G. Walton as candidate for the office of County Treasurer of Coke County, at the November election.

We are authorized to announce C. L. Hughes as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer of Coke county at the November election.

We are authorized to announce J. A. Gardner, Sr. for the office of County Treasurer of Coke County, at the November election.

### For Sheriff and Tax Collector.

We are authorized to announce L. B. Murray as a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Coke county, subject to the action of the People's Party.

We are authorized to announce Ed. M. Mobley as a candidate for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Coke county, subject to the will of the people at the November election.

invited to proceed to take and eat to its satisfaction.  
The dinner was well prepared and distributed on the tables, and the throng did full justice to the spread. Everyone had plenty to eat, and with provisions enough left to have appeased the hunger of many others.

After dinner, a few hours was spent in social chats, greeting of friends and neighbors, etc., when Rev. J. F. Denton made an able and entertaining address, which was followed by number of our local candidates, who made their announcements and solicited the support of the voters at the coming election. The following are the names of those who took advantage of the occasion as above: Messrs. Gid Graham, and M. H. Davis, candidates for county judge; C. L. Hughes and J. A. Gardner, Sr., for county treasurer; H. E. Johnston, tax assessor; W. C. Merchant, county attorney.

By this time the shades of the evening was drawing near, and the people began to disperse, after having spent a day of celebration and pleasure, long to be remembered, and with the sincere hope that a new declaration of Independence was being carried by our gallant soldiers to land of a neighboring Island, whose people are to be freed from the galling yokes of oppression.

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MRS. T. BROWN & ROBERTSON, San Angelo.

## Change In Business.

I will not work this year on a credit, and all them that owe me will please come in and pay me as I need the money to run my shop and live. So please study up and you owe me anything come in and pay me. Yours truly,

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ROBERT LEE, TEXAS.

### LOCAL CHIPS.

The barbecue here Monday was a grand success.

J. J. Austin passed through town Wednesday.

Rufe Perry paid San Angelo a business trip the first of the week.

Go to Stewart & Son for Screw worm medicine.

W. F. Buchanan has contracted with J. J. Austin to make the latter a large tank, for stock water.

If you want a free sample of Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment, read the ad in this issue.

W. B. Harrison, our efficient post master paid San Angelo a business visit this week, returning Thursday.

J. D. Collier & Co., are selling good cotton checks and best brands of Calico at 4 cents per yard.

The Populist County convention will meet at the court house here today.

Anything you want in the Furniture line can be found at Henry Warren's, San Angelo, at low down prices.

J. I. Martishaw was in town Wednesday, and reports range, crops and stock in good shape.

High-back cane seat dining chairs at Henry Warren's for 90c. Other Furniture at similar prices.

Maj. A. G. Forse, who fell in the battle at Santiago last week was the owner of about 960 acres of land in this county.

When in San Angelo call at Henry Warren's and inspect his elegant stock of Furniture and get his prices.

Judge D. T. Averitt made a business trip to San Angelo the first of the week.

Henry Warren has one of the best stocks of Furniture in San Angelo. See him before buying elsewhere.

Our business men are reaching out after trade, by carrying enlarged stocks, and from what we can observe a large number of the country people are availing themselves of the opportunities offered. Let our business men and the surrounding country co-operate by dealing with each other, and success and the upbuilding of the country is assured.

Don't fail to call at the RUSTLER office when in town and report the doings of your neighborhood.

Dick Wynne has withdrawn from the race for governor, leaving the field for Sayers.

The Normal Music school at Bronte, promises to be the largest ever taught in Western Texas. Every one should sacrifice if need be to attend. Arrangements are being made for boarding places for all pupils from a distance who may wish to attend.

Go to Henry Warren's for Furniture. He has a complete stock to select from and at prices to suit the times.

The Concho Valley Rifles under Captain Burges and Lieutenants Cunningham and Duggan left Wednesday night the 6th inst. for the rendezvous at Houston.—Enterprise.

To prevent Screw Worms and to heal wounds, all at the same time use Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

Mollie Bailey show will exhibit here Monday night, for the small price of 25 cents admission.

Remember the trained Ponies. This is probably the last chance to see these wonderful curiosities.

Come out early and see the outside performance. Free of charge.

For those saddle sores on your horses use Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

Rev. C. H. Moley, pastor Paint Creek M. E. Church, South, will begin a series of meetings at above place, beginning Saturday night before the 5th Sunday in July. Everybody invited to attend.

Beef! Beef! Beef!!!

J. B. Burroughs authorizes us to say all who want beef can get it on Friday and Saturday, of each week, as those are the days that he kills.

Don't fail to get Henry Warren's Furniture prices. He leads in low prices in San Angelo.

New goods just arrived at Harrison & Webb's. Call and see them.

The West can be made the most independent and prosperous portion of Texas, but to accomplish this end much progress is to be made, and all our natural resources developed. To do this we must have people come and settle among us to help diversify and develop. The country is too large and people too few to accomplish much without help.

Letters addressed as follows, if not called for in 30 days from date of this advertisement will be sent to the Dead Letter Office, Alice Dunbar Mrs. Ida Lewis, W. F. Lasater, and J. H. Turner.

W. B. Harrison, Postmaster.

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Use Chloroform to kill the Screw Worm and Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment to keep them out and heal the wound.

Judge G. W. Perryman, of Robert Lee, Coke county, well and favorably known to most of our readers, passed through our city Wednesday en route to Coleman where he went as a delegate to the Methodist conference.—Runnels County Banner Leader.

Farmers from all portions of the county report crop prospects just as good as could be wished for, and broad smiles adorn all faces.

Silk Mits at Harrison & Webb's, 20c.

I have moved my blacksmith shop home, and those that want work can get it by coming to my place. And those that are behind with me for last year, pay up and then you can get more work, but want you to understand that I will not work for you until you pay your old account.

Respectfully,  
G. S. McCLESKEY,  
Robert Lee, Texas.

An assortment of dress goods at Harrison & Webb's.

Some farmers who thought their corn crop considerably damaged by the few hot days the first of last month, report that since the series of rains good corn will be made and later planting can't be beat any where in Texas.

Clothing at Harrison & Webb's—good suits \$6 to \$7.

For a good and easy shave, nice hair cut or any tonsorial work call on A. J. Crockett, at the new barber shop. He is a first-class barber and will be sure to please you with his work.

E White, the Jeweler, will be in Robert Lee until July the 18th, and will take your Photographs at prices ranging from \$1. up All work guaranteed to give satisfaction. Call and see him, and samples of his work, at Gallery or Davis hotel.

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According to the newspaper an Ohio husband became the happy father of seven children not long ago. Of the seven all lived but one. It is to be hoped that he laid in a supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, the only sure cure for croup whooping cough, colds and coughs, and so insured his children against these diseases. For sale by Ed M. Mobley.

Estray Notice.

Reported by E. C. Rawlings, Commissioner of Pre. No. 1, Coke county, Texas, on the 9th day of May 1898. One sorrel saddle horse about 6 years old little white in face, branded thus on left shoulder, J. S. T. and about 14 hands high.

J. W. BARNETT, County Clerk Coke County, Texas.

Nussbaumer's Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

The best Stable and Stock Ointment in the world for branding, altering, marking and sneering, for wire cuts, old sores, collar saddle or harness sores, scratches mange, scab, ticks, sand fleas, etc. It prevents Screw worms, and at the same time heals the wound. We will send a free sample box, post paid, by mail to any one sending their address to The Nussbaumer Chemical Co., San Angelo, Texas.

It is an old saying, and indications point that it is a true one, "that the seasons follow the plow." Since farming has become common in this portion of West Texas, drouths are beyond question less frequent, and whether the allwise providence has arranged it thus or not, it so appears to the casual observer.

## City Barber Shop.

For an easy Shave, neat Hair Cut or other Tonsorial work, call at the City Barber Shop, next door to drug store. G. W. MARTIN, Proprietor.

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## CROPS AND LIVESTOCK.

Grass in Archer county is reported as being never better.

Concho county had more rain recently than since 1872.

The Mexican boll weevil has appeared in Fayette county.

A mule with the glanders was killed near Howe, Grayson county.

Harvesting is progressing at a lively rate in the wheat and oat fields.

Stonewall county claims to lead when it comes to fine crops, fat cattle and good grass.

John Perry of San Angelo has leased a forty-section pasture in Crockett county, which he will stock with southern cattle this summer.

One of the best ranch sales made in the San Angelo country was the John Sheen by Mrs. Frary of 2217 acres of land in Irion county for \$2.75 cash per acre.

About 1800 2 and 3-year-old steers were lately sold by Baird stockmen to territory parties and shipped from 2000 to 3000 young cattle are needed to fill up the pastures.

H. N. and H. L. Flato of Lavaca county have leased the Molloy pasture in Concho county, containing 40,000 acres, and will stock it with 2000 of Lavaca county cattle.

The Lawn Farm Jersey company of Denison, capital stock \$10,000, has filed its charter at Austin. The company's purpose is the buying and selling of Jersey cattle and other live stock.

Well drilling is the order of the day in Tom Green county, and new outfits of well borers are coming in constantly and they all appear to find immediate employment at fair wages.

Dove creek, in Tom Green county, rose fifteen feet during the recent rains and washed out every dam on the creek. The roads in many parts of the county have been rendered impassable for freighters. Grass, corn, cotton, millet and all crops are growing luxuriantly and the season promises to be an unusually prosperous one.

A man named Clarence Evans killed a rattlesnake on his ranch on the North Concho, the skin of which measured, after being stuffed, eight feet and seven inches in length and two feet and eight inches in diameter. This monster was supposed to be responsible for the death of many heads of stock, resulting from his virulent fangs.

Henrietta is coming to the front as a flour-producing center. Week before last the Henrietta City mills shipped 100,000 pounds of flour to the City mills at Galveston for export to Europe. Henrietta people believe that within a month this business will assume still larger proportions.

The farmers in the Wichita Falls country are busy sowing their big wheat crop and are threshing much of it. The first load of new wheat was in the market on the 23d, and the Hunt elevator is being enlarged in order to be able to hold the large amount of grain it will receive. Wichita county will also have large cotton, corn and potato crops.

A farmer in Navarro county named Wirt Robinson has a small field of "Mexican blue corn." It is planted thick in hills two and one-half feet apart and the rows three feet apart. In most of the hills there are sixteen full ears of corn, the ears over six inches long. The yield will be at least one hundred bushels per acre.

Farmers in the Vernon district are making good use of the dry weather, and the great wheat crop is being rapidly gathered. The corn needs just one more rain, and then their crops will be large—larger, in fact, than last year by some 30 per cent. The area of wheat, oats and corn planted this year in Wilbarger is nearly or quite double that of 1897, and the favorable season promises large returns.

San Angelo wool growers are elated over the prospects of the wool market, and confidently look for a further advance. Texas wool now commands 15 cents, and many shipments have been made at that figure from the west. This price has greatly encouraged sheepmen everywhere in the state, and they have gone into the business with renewed energy. Very few sheep from Texas are going to market, although this is the shipping season, sheepmen apparently having decided to hold on to their flocks under the present conditions of the wool market and rather to replenish them than to make further sales.

In certain English fairs and markets the hog's tail is said to unerringly indicate the condition of the animal. If it hangs loose and flabby it shows that the animal is out of condition, and that its food should be changed. If, on the other hand, it is coiled tightly the hog is healthy and in good condition.

Childress county people think that there will be no more prairie fires for some time to come, owing to the generous rains that have fallen recently, and in consequence they breathe easier than previous to the showers.

## Blake Addresses Teachers.

Galveston, Tex., July 1.—The State Teachers' association, in its second day's work, was called to order by President Cousins.

The president called the attention of the members to a condition that confronts them. They would soon have to select a place of meeting.

He then introduced the Hon. J. W. Blake of Mexico, of whom he said that education has no better or wiser friend.

Mr. Blake spoke on the relation of church and state. He was afraid the relationship was not close enough. He would not be understood as advocating religious instructions in the common schools, but it does appear to him that in the effort to keep church and state apart, to keep religion out of the schools, the schools are guilty of being so upright that they lean backward. Compulsory education might not succeed now, but the time will soon be at hand. He felt it necessary in this connection to state that while the present president of the agricultural and mechanical college was one of his warmest personal friends, he was one of those who favored the appointment of a specially trained man.

The selection of a meeting place next year will be left to a committee, in order to secure the best possible results as to hotels and railroads.

## Bold Robbery.

Laredo, Tex., July 1.—One of the boldest hold-ups known in Laredo occurred Tuesday night at 10 o'clock. Mr. Joe Leyendecker, a Western Union operator, was riding leisurely along on Farragut street, one of the principal thoroughfares of the city, and in passing the residence of Mr. William Pfeiffer he was knocked from his wheel by four footpads who, after depriving him of his gold watch and chain and what money he had, left him on the ground. Up to this time no clew has been had of the robbers.

Owing to heavy washouts on the Mexican National road the Aztec limited from the City of Mexico was abandoned between Saltillo and San Luis Potosi, and there will probably be no through train until Friday.

## Naval Officer at Austin.

Austin, Tex., July 1.—Capt. Foster R. Winn of the United States navy, formerly surgeon on the staff of Gen. Gomez of the Cuban army, arrived here yesterday, having been granted a three weeks' furlough to visit his home at Sherman. He is assigned to the flagship New York and was on that vessel at the first bombardment of Santiago. In speaking of the attack which Gen. Shafter is preparing to make on Santiago, Capt. Winn said there was no doubt that the Americans would be successful, but he believed there would be a heavy loss of life. The Spanish troops were well entrenched and would make a fierce resistance. When Santiago is taken he does not look for many more serious battles. The Spaniards would fight in their guerilla style, but would all the time endeavor to keep out of the way of the enemy.

## Serious Joke.

Dallas, Tex., July 1.—Chas. Holmes, an Irishman about 50 years old, was taken to the Parkland hospital yesterday morning suffering intensely from a severely burned leg. Holmes told Dr. Florence that about 4 o'clock yesterday morning he climbed a step ladder in front of Joe Rode's saloon for the purpose of cleaning the windows. While on the ladder a young boy employed in the chile stand next door slipped out and poured some kerosene on his pants leg and another boy slipped up and stuck a match to it. Before the flame could be extinguished the old man's leg and hip were burned in a frightful manner.

The boys doubtless intended to have a little fun at the old man's expense, but the affair is likely to take a very serious turn, both for them and the old man.

## Three Injured.

Houston, Tex., July 1.—Shortly before 10 o'clock Tuesday night engine 49 brought in a freight car and three men who were injured in a wreck eighteen miles west of here. They were Conductor Pat O'Connor, brakemen Mitchell and King, all of Yoakum. They were on the east-bound freight train. Five of the rear cars left the track at 5 o'clock through the breaking of a car. The cars were considerably damaged. The men were in the caboose. O'Connor and King were both right seriously hurt, but will recover.

## First Bale.

Pearsall, Tex., July 1.—Frio county's first bale was ginned yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, weight 540 pounds. It was shipped by express yesterday evening at 4:35 o'clock, decked with red, white and blue ribbons and United States flags, to Slayden, Clarkson & Robards of San Antonio.

## SALUTING THE FLAG.

### CEREMONY FINALLY ESTABLISHED IN THE ARMY.

It Was Devised by Capt. William R. Hamilton of Milwaukee—Profound Greeting for "Old Glory"—A Similar Custom in the Navy.



HE sentiment that a soldier feels toward that combination of cloths and colors that symbolize the dignity and grandeur of his nation is more than proverbial—it is historic, and many a brave man has cheerfully fallen in the mad battle swirl to save that torn and faded cloth called the flag.

And still the homage of the soldier, while almost beyond understanding in the heat of the battle, has not always been as is now. Time was when the flag received no special recognition from the soldier other than the firing of the sunset and the sunrise guns. But now this is all changed, and thanks to Capt. William R. Hamilton, of the Seventh artillery, United States army, who is a Milwaukee boy, the flag, instead of dropping from the staff as though shot away, comes down with a graceful dignity and is treated with military reverence.

At the time for lowering the flag, usually called retreat by the soldiers, the garrison of an army post is paraded near the flag, the trumpets play retreat and as the last note dies away, the deep boom of the retreat guns wakes the echoes, the flag halyards are cast loose, and as the band plays the "Star Spangled Banner," the great garrison flag is pulled slowly down the staff, its white and red stripes flutter-

ing the parade and wheeling around stooping facing the regiment, while the sergeant major, breaking the regiment into column of companies, marched them in review to the colors, each company saluting the flag as it would a general. These little ceremonies instill in the soldiers a great deal of that spirit that carried our flag over the ridge at Mission Ridge, that broke down and swept away Pickett's brave division, that won for Thomas the proud name of the Rock of Chickamauga.

The navy is not a bit behind the army in its honor to the flag and its association with foreign ports and foreign ships makes it even more familiar with the ceremony of respect than is the army. When a squadron of warships is at anchor, the retreat is sounded on the flagship, and as the flag at the staff on the quarter rail is lowered, every man, jack and officer, rises to his feet and, facing the flag, raises his hat and so stands until the flag is down. At sea much the same ceremony is followed.

## "THE FOX OF THE DEEP."

How Semmes Gave Wilkes the Slip in 1863.

The chase after Admiral Cervera by the fleets of Sampson and Schley recalls the chase after the Alabama in 1863, when she had struck Galveston and destroyed the Hatteras. Commodore H. H. Bell, who was commanding off Galveston, saw the Hatteras sink, and sent a dispatch boat to Farragut. Then he sent the Brooklyn after Semmes, but she proved too slow, as also did a vessel he sent after the Alabama. The navy department sent the Vanderbilt with all speed to Porto Rico. The Keystone State skirted the southern coast of Cuba and reported that the Alabama had put in at Cienfuegos. The department promptly ordered the Vanderbilt to round Cape Maysi and skirt the southern coast. Capt. Wilkes met



CAPT. WILLIAM R. HAMILTON.

ing in the air, it seems, in time with the music. When the flag reaches the ground, it is caught by a detail of the waiting guard and carefully folded and escorted to the guard house, where it is kept safely through the night. And all through the ceremony the garrison under arms stand rigidly at the highest form of salute—the present, and those not under arms stand reverently uncovered. While many regimental commanders had devised one way or another for the honor of the flag, it was not until recently that the army regulations laid down a law on the subject. While the patriotic societies and the principles that they have fathered and encouraged deserve some credit for the feeling that has ended in so high a form of respect being paid the flag, it is to Capt. Hamilton that the credit of the regulation is due.

Nor is this closing ceremony of the soldier's day the only token of the soldier's respect that the old flag receives from him. When the regimental colors are not in use in the field, they stand in a rack in front of the commanding officer's quarters, in the care of a sentry, and every civilian passing is required to raise his hat to them—the soldiers do not need to be required to do that. When the colors are being carried to and from the drill field the sentries by whose posts they pass present arms, and every man who passes them raises his hat or salutes.

A great many regiments of the army follow a very pretty and dignified custom that was instituted in the Fourth infantry of the Wisconsin guard when Gen. Charles King was its colonel. At the close of regimental parade, the officers marched off the field and stood in a group a little off the parade ground, while the color sergeant marched straight to the front across

the Vanderbilt midway between Cienfuegos and Santiago. Then Wilkes sent the Vanderbilt to find the Keystone State. Then somebody told him that the Alabama was at Porto Rico. The Vanderbilt found the Keystone State at Cienfuegos, and the two stopped at Key West for coal, and finally reached Porto Rico, where they found Capt. Wilkes furious. He had learned that the Alabama had put in at Martinique, discharged her prisoners and, after filling up with coal, had peacefully sailed away for Azores. Cervera may be cunning, but he in no sense compares with Semmes, who was the "fox of the deep" in his day.

## Adulterated Food.

We might do very much worse indeed in the matter of protection against adulteration than take a leaf out of the book of the French, for France certainly knows how to protect the lesser rights of her people. Anybody who doubts the genuineness of an article of food that he has purchased from a Parisian tradesman may take it to the municipal laboratory for analysis. It will cost him nothing to have it analyzed and the fact determined whether it is unadulterated or adulterated, and if the latter, the law deals with the offender without further action on the part of the purchaser. The shopkeeper is deprived of the few civil rights he is supposed to be otherwise entitled to, and has to display conspicuously in his shop window or on the door, for a year, a large placard bearing the words "Convicted of Adulteration."

## Smith and Murphy.

Both in England and Scotland the name of Smith heads the list of names, and it is fifth on the list for Ireland, whose leading name is Murphy.

## I Have No Stomach

Said a jolly man of 40, of almost adremanic rotundity, "since taking Hood's Sarsaparilla." What he meant was that this grand digestive tonic had so completely cured all distress and disagreeable dyspeptic symptoms that he lived, ate and slept in comfort. You may be put into this delightful condition if you will take

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## A Second Dandel.

A story is told of Admiral Sicard when at Yorktown with his fleet for drills and maneuvers. A force was to land and capture an inland railroad base against a defense force of little more than half its size. The two commanders of these forces were discussing before the admiral the details, and each contended that the other would have superior advantages. The admiral, after puzzling over how the differences might be adjusted, finally said: "Gentlemen, it is evident that the matter can be reconciled in only one way. Suppose you swap forces and fight the other way." The battle was fought on the original plan.

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## **AIDED BY MRS. PINKHAM.**

Mrs. W. E. PAXTON, Youngtown, North Dakota, writes about her struggle to regain health after the birth of her little girl:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—It is with pleasure that I add my testimony to your list, hoping that it may induce others to avail themselves of your valuable medicine.

"After the birth of my little girl, three years ago, my health was very poor. I had leucorrhoea badly, and a terrible bearing-down pain which gradually grew worse, until I could do no work. Also had headache nearly all the time, and dizzy feelings. Menstruations were very profuse, appearing every two weeks.

"I took medicine from a good doctor, but it seemed to do no good. I was becoming alarmed over my condition, when I read your advertisement in a paper. I sent at once for a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and after taking two-thirds of the bottle I felt so much better that I sent for two more. After using three bottles I felt as strong and well as any one.

"I think it is the best medicine for female weakness ever advertised, and recommend it to every lady I meet suffering from this trouble."

Maternity is a wonderful experience and many women approach it wholly unprepared. Childbirth under such conditions need not terrify women.

The advice of Mrs. Pinkham is freely offered to all expectant mothers, and her advice is beyond question the most valuable to be obtained. If Mrs. Paxton had written to Mrs. Pinkham before confinement she would have saved much suffering. Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass.

Woman's fickleness is said by some to be worse than man's.

### **The Enormous Gold Product of 1898.**

From South Africa, the Klondike and Australia gold is being shipped in large quantities. This year's output will nearly double that of any previous twelve months. The sale of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters are also increasing very fast. This famous remedy will cure dyspepsia, indigestion, constipation, nervousness and weakness.

Cut the amount of money you expect to inherit square in two.

For a perfect complexion and a clear, healthy skin, use COSMO BUTTERMILK SOAP. Sold everywhere.

Some mothers need scolding worse than their daughters.

### **Important to Mothers.**

The manufacturers of Castoria have been compelled to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars to familiarize the public with the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. This has been necessitated by reason of pirates counterfeiting the Castoria trade mark. This counterfeiting is a crime not only against the proprietors of Castoria, but against the growing generation. All persons should be careful to see that Castoria bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, if they would guard the health of their children. Parents and mothers, in particular, ought to carefully examine the Castoria advertisements which have been appearing in this paper, and to remember that the wrapper of every bottle of genuine Castoria bears the fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, under whose supervision it has been manufactured continuously for over thirty years.

The lazier the man the more he complains of hard times.

Bishop J. S. Key of the Southern M. E. Church, writes: "We gave Dr. Moffet's TEETHINA (Teething Powders) to our little Grandchild with the happiest results. The effects were almost magical and certainly more satisfactory than from anything we ever used." TEETHINA Aids Digestion, Regulates the Bowels and makes teething easy.

Being good at figures does not always create wealth.

### **Wheat 40 Cents a Bushel.**

How to grow wheat with big profit at 40 cents and samples of Salzer's Red Cross (80 Bushels per acre) Winter Wheat, Rye, Oats, Clovers, etc., with Farm Seed Catalogue for 4 cents postage. JOHN A. SALZER SEED CO., La Crosse, Wis. W.N.U.

If you can put a piece of gum in your mouth and not chew it you have strong will power.

### **Shake Into Your Shoes.**

Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting feet and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight-fitting or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous and hot, tired, nervous, aching feet. Try it today. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores. By mail for 25c in stamps. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Many men lose time looking for fortunes that do not exist.

### **No-To-Bac For Fifty Cents.**

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. \$1. All druggists.

A wedding is sure to draw a goodly attendance.

### **Important Decision.**

Austin, Tex., Aug. 15.—The department of education has rendered a decision in favor of appellant in the appeal case of Mrs. N. A. Woods vs. the town of Pearsall. This is an important decision, as it involves the right of school trustees, just before their term of office expires, to make contracts with teachers for the next scholastic term or during the jurisdiction of the newly-elected trustees. The superintendent of public instruction in an exhaustive opinion holds that trustees can validly make such contracts. He cites numerous legal authorities to sustain his position, and says: "Experience and reason should always govern rather than passion and prejudice." And says that if the independent district school trustees, who are elected in June, should elect the teachers for the ensuing term, such districts would suffer for talent at the expense of the larger districts, who would contract with the best teachers, while if a contract was made with a valuable teacher by the former board the schools would get the benefit not only of a good teacher, but making arrangements so early might enable the trustees to make advantageous contracts, and then he calls attention to the fact that when teachers are absolutely certain of employment they study during the summer vacation, to better prepare themselves for their chosen work. A paragraph in the opinion reads:

"The children in the town or village incorporated for school purposes and those in the country schools are entitled to as good teachers as those in the cities, and trustees should not be debarred from employing them until the best teachers have been employed."

The decision is looked upon as most important, and those here who know are of the opinion that this case will be appealed from the superintendent to the state board of education, and in the event that tribunal sustains the superintendent in his opinion the matter will be finally settled in the courts. The superintendent orders that Mrs. Woods be restored to her full privilege as a teacher in the public schools in the independent school district of Pearsall.

### **Sudden Death.**

Houston, Tex., Aug. 15.—Yesterday morning a man who was sitting on the railing that surrounds a portion of the passenger platform of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas depot, suddenly fell over and expired in a few seconds. Nobody knew who he was for some time, except that he had been seen about the vicinity of the depot for a couple of days. Finally he was identified as Wm. Davis, a laborer, whose home is in Clinton. He had been in bad health for some time and his death was due to natural causes. Justice Fitz held an inquest.

### **Foot Crushed Off.**

Sherman, Tex., Aug. 15.—Last night at Howe, Grayson county, A. Luff, a traveling photographer who has been stopping there for a few days, was found on the depot landing after the departure of a train with his left foot crushed off. He has not made a coherent statement so far, but it is supposed that he fell under the wheels in alighting from the train, on which he was returning from Denison. He got off the train on the side opposite the depot.

### **Warehouse Burns.**

Gainesville, Tex., Aug. 15.—An old warehouse burned down near the Katy freight depot here. There was some farm machinery in it which belonged to C. C. Graves. No insurance. A flying jenny, belonging to Arthur Crow, a blind man, was also in the building. It was insured for \$250. The building was the property of C. M. Bailey and was insured.

### **Serious Runaway.**

Ennis, Tex., Aug. 15.—E. L. Pittman, and Sam Wilson were driving a spirited animal here yesterday and they stopped to water at a public trough, when the animal became frightened and ran away. Pittman was thrown from the buggy and sustained severe gashes and bruises. A physician dressed his injuries. A very ugly gash was cut on the side of his head.

### **Farmer Suicides.**

Beville, Tex., Aug. 15.—A German farmer living on the San Antonio river, thirteen miles from here, committed suicide Saturday evening in the presence of his wife and two children by hanging himself from a pecan tree. His name nor the cause has not been learned here.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee has arrived at Washington.

## **A DOCTOR'S DIRECTIONS.**

They save a daughter from blindness.

When a father writes that yours "is the best medicine in the world," you can allow something for seeming extravagance in the statement if you know that the medicine so praised, cured a loved daughter of disease and restored to her the eyesight nearly lost. The best medicine in the world for you is the medicine that cures you. There can't be anything better. No medicine can do more than cure. That is why John S. Goode, of Orrick, Mo., writes in these strong terms:

"Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the best medicine in the world. My daughter had a relapse after the measles, due to taking cold. She was nearly blind, and was obliged to remain in a dark room all the time. The doctors could give her no relief; one of them directed me to give her Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Two bottles cured her completely."

The thousands of testimonials to the value of Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla repeat over and over again, in one form or another the expression: "The doctors gave her no relief; one of them directed me to give her Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Two bottles cured her completely." It is a common experience to try Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla and last resort. It is

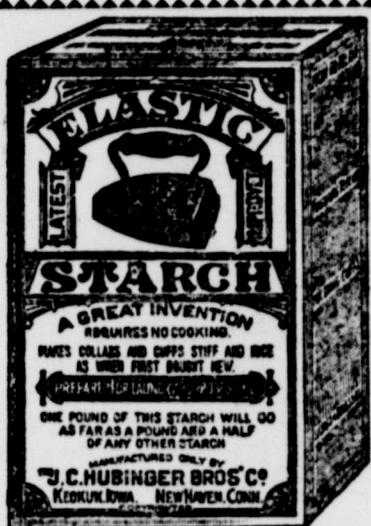
a common experience to have Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla prescribed by a physician. It is a common experience to see a "complete cure" follow the use of a few bottles of this great blood purifying medicine.

Because, it is a specific for all forms of blood disease. If a disease has its origin in bad or impure blood, Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla, acting directly on the blood, removing its impurities and giving to it vitalizing energy, will promptly eradicate the disease.

The great feature of Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the radical cures that result from its use. Many medicines only suppress disease—they push the pimples down under the skin, they paint the complexion with subtle arsenical compounds, but the disease rages in the veins like a pent-up fire, and some day breaks out in a volcanic eruption that eats up the body. Ayer's Sarsaparilla goes to the root. It makes the fountain clean and the waters are clear. It makes the root good and the fruit is good. It gives Nature the elements she needs to build up the broken down constitution—not to brace it up with stimulants or patch it up on the surface. Send for Dr. Ayer's Curebook, and learn more about the cures effected by this remedy. It's sent free on request, by the J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

## **A Beautiful Present Free**

For a few months to all users of the celebrated ELASTIC STARCH, (Flat Iron Brand). To induce you to try this brand of starch, so that you may find out for yourself that all claims for its superiority and economy are true, the makers have had prepared, at great expense, a series of



## **Game Plaques**

exact reproductions of the \$10,000 originals by Muville, which will be given you ABSOLUTELY FREE by your grocer on conditions named below. These Plaques are 40 inches in circumference, are free of any suggestion of advertising whatever, and will ornament the most elegant apartment. No manufacturing concern ever before gave away such valuable presents to its customers. They are not for sale at any price, and can be obtained only in the manner specified. The subjects are: AMERICAN WILD DUCKS, AMERICAN PHEASANT, ENGLISH QUAIL, ENGLISH SNIP. The birds are handsomely embossed and stand out natural as life. Each Plaque is bordered with a band of gold.

### **HOW TO GET THEM:**

All purchasers of three 10-cent or six 5-cent packages of Elastic Starch (Flat Iron Brand), are entitled to receive from their grocer one of these beautiful Game Plaques free. The plaques will not be sent by mail. They can be obtained only from your grocer.

Every Grocer Keeps Elastic Starch. Do not delay. This offer is for a short time only.

### **Elastic Starch**

has been the standard for 25 years. TWENTY-TWO MILLION packages of this brand were sold last year. That's how good it is.

### **Ask Your Dealer**

to show you the Plaques and tell you about Elastic Starch. Accept no substitute.

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## **SAPOLIO**

IS THE PROPER THING FOR HOUSE-CLEANING.

FAULTLESS STARCH, THE BEST FOR Shirt Waists, Shirt Fronts, Collars, Cuffs and Delicate Clothes. Read our Booklets, Laugh and Learn.



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DROPSY NEW DISCOVERY: gives quick relief and cures worst cases. Send for book of testimonials and 10 days treatment free. Dr. H. H. LORRER'S SON, Atlanta, Ga.

If afflicted with Thompson's Eye Water. FISH'S CURE FOR CHICKEN POX, Best Cough Syrup, Tastes Good. In time. Sold by Druggists.

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and you'll get your money's worth. The 10-cent piece of Battle Ax is larger than the 10-cent piece of any other brand of the same high quality, and is the largest piece of really good chewing tobacco that is sold for 10 cents.

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