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Pearce's Pharmacy, Robert Lee, Texas.

Changing the mode of appeal, in re-
 of to the court of criminal appeals
 shall be made to the court of
 has no jurisdiction, in which case
 shall be taken to the district
 court of said counties unless the
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 the above named courts the trial
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 courts shall govern the appeals
 of the city courts.
 Miller offered a substitute providing
 that the appeal be optional with
 defendant as to which higher
 The substitute was lost by a vote
 eleven to ten. The Yantis amend-
 was then adopted.
 Several other amendments made
 corrections in the bill were ad-
 and it was ordered engrossed and
 ed finally under a suspension of
 rules.
 Several bills were introduced
 106 to 2, house.

SHORT-HORN BULLS!

Twenty five head, six yearlings past, the others coming yearling; of cows from seven-eighths to fifteen-sixteenths, and sired by the finest (registered) Short horn bull in Runnels County. Well grown and fine colors; innoculated against Black leg and on feed since December first 1898. See them at my Ranch, near Ballinger, and write me for terms.
 R. A. SMITH, Austin, Texas.

Concho Valley and Santa Fe Teachers Association.

San Angelo, Feb. 24th and 25th. Friday, February 24, 8:00 p. m.
 1. Invocation—Rev. J. Johnson Robertson.
 2. Welcome Address—Supt. B. C. Odom.
 3. Response—Prin. R. G. Stone, Sherwood.
 4. Recitation—Miss Adeline Bistline, Ballinger.
 5. "The Old Field Skule,"—Supt. J. A. Starnes, Ballinger.
 6. The New Education—Miss L. May Montgomery, San Angelo.
 7. Recitation—Miss Moss Richardson, San Angelo.
 8. Address—W. S. Sutton, State University.
 Saturday, February 25, 10 a. m.
 1. Invocation—Rev. P. D. Tucker.
 2. The Study of Books.—Prin. C. P. Shepherd, Ballinger. Discussion—Prin. O. W. Gardner, Robert Lee; Miss Maud Wood.
 3. English in the High School.—Miss Virginia Thomas, San Angelo. Discussion—Supt. J. A. Starnes, Ballinger.
 4. School Incentives.—Prin. R. R. Holland, Water Valley. Discussion—E. W. Justus, Prin. San Angelo Academy; Miss Augusta Hardgrave, Ballinger.
 5. First Steps in Reading.—Miss Florence Farr, San Angelo. Discussion—Miss Maynette Kyle, San Angelo; Miss May Hagnisor, San Angelo; Judge C. H. Willingham, Ballinger; W. W. Rator, San Angelo.

The program will be interspersed with instrumental and vocal music.

No Trespassing!

I have bought the W. P. Smith pasture on the line of Coke and Sterling Counties. All trespassers for the purpose of cutting timber, or hauling wood, will be prosecuted to full extent of the law. This Jan. 24th '99.
 H. G. Beason.

Manhattan News.

We are having some cold weather. The Sanco correspondent said, "let-em come" I guess he has not had any la grippe sickness, which has somewhat abated, in this community.
 Mrs. Silas Connor, of Silver was very sick last week, have not heard from her this week.
 Grandpa Jameson has rented this place to Tom Roberts, and he will occupy the Collier place.
 T. P. Slickland and Johnnie Meek will go to Colorado City this week.
 Wm. Green and W. A. Stokes made a business trip to Robert Lee last week.
 Misses Stephens and Webb was visiting Will Jameson's family of Silver last Saturday.

I notice the ad in the RUSTLER of Mr. Beason forbidding any trespassing on the W. P. Smith ranch I guess he means M. P. Smith; a man in this country says if he will fence the land he has in that pasture out, he will help him keep them off.

Hon. Chapman was here a short time since offering \$13.00 for yearlings, didn't get any.

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A Guaranteed Medicine.

Burkhardt's Vegetable Compound is positively guaranteed to cure Kidney and Liver diseases Rheumatism, Sick and Nervous Headaches, Constipation, etc. etc. Six months treatment for one dollar. Manufacturer's Guarantee to refund cash with each box.

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 Pearce's Drug Store, Robert Lee
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 J. D. Collier, Edith,
 R. E. Douglas, Ft Chadbourne,
 W. B. Jones, Tennyson,
 Mrs. J. N. Padgett, Silver,
 J. I. Westfall, Manhattan,
 Mrs. M. Marshall, Maverick.

Cattle items, 8th page.

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at Ed M. Mobley's Drug Store.

Nine pounds Coffee for \$1.00. at D. L. BUCHANAN'S

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

A "Valentine Party" at Mr. and Mrs. Ingram's, on Tuesday evening the 14th, was a decided success.

Valley View Letter.

Such fine weather we are having for making candy, popping popcorn, and story telling, as the great throat of the chimney laughs as flames make silk on the walls; and the little snow birds cluster about and wonder why it stays cold so long in this "our warm, sunny south land." And we, as we sit dreaming by the fire, think of "Whittier's Snow Bound," and then when we get out of doors, we think of Dakota's blizzards, avalanches, Koo-dike, etc. But young hearts will dream, and love and trust; And somewhere, somehow, stand this cold weather, we must. There, Mr. Editor and sympathetic readers, we did not intend to "mus." into poetry. We are thankful that we live in Coke; we are thankful for plenty of river water; and we are thankful for the cold weather because we think we'll have fruit this year and "lastly" Mr. Editor and "friendly hearers" we are thankful for the RUSTLER.

Our news is boiled down this week, because it is frozen up and over.

Our school sends the following letter, from the Texas History Class, written by one of the boys who imagined he was a Mexican and had been captured by the Texans, at San Jacinto Battle.

Camp on San Jacinto River. April, 22, 1836.

My Dear Wife and Children:
 We were attacked late in the afternoon of the 21st of April, by 700 soldiers under General Houston and were defeated. And in consequence, we are prisoners in the hands of the enemy.

And dear ones, I can have no hopes of meeting you again on earth; for as you know something of the treatment the Texans have received from our hands. I can't expect anything but that the Texans will, for vengeance, massacre every captive they have in their hands.

And my dear wife and children, as I expect but to meet death, in a very short time and never to see you again on earth; may God keep you all I pray, and I pray that we will meet again in that sweet beyond. With these remarks, here is my last goodbye.

Juan Escalado.

Written by, Will Phillips.
 VERITAS.

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

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 M. Mobley's Drug Store. Only 50¢ per bottle.

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Stock farmers are gradually en-
croaching upon the large pastures in
the country around Childress.
Cotton seed meal makes a better
feed for dairy cows when mixed with
an equal weight of wheat bran.
The National Oil company of Den-
ison sold to the Sherman Cotton and
Oil company 500 cars of cotton seed.
Dale Bros. have shipped seventeen
cars of cattle from Henrietta to Bon-
ham to be fed for the eastern market.
A large number of Smith county farm-
ers will plant from one to five acres
in Irish potatoes for market this sea-
son.
During the month of January Texas
furnished the St. Louis market with
24,388 cattle, 239 hogs, 7470 sheep and
21 horses.
It is claimed that from 200 to 350
bushels of onions can be raised in Col-
lin, Grayson and contiguous counties
per acre.
The continued severe weather has
caused severe cattle loss, particularly
in cows, where the animals were not
under shelter.
Hezekiah Williams of Kansas City
was in Fort Worth several days ago.
Mr. Williams is wintering 15,000 head
of cattle in the territory.
Joe White of the Pecos valley coun-
try bought a carload of fine registered
Durham and Hereford cattle at Colo-
rado City, paying \$125 per head.
Liebold & Morris of Kerr county
have bought from H. H. Carmichael
of Bandera 500 head of mixed cattle
for spring delivery at \$15 around.
James Wedell of San Angelo sold
to W. J. Jameyson his South Concho
ranch, consisting of 1400 patented land
and fifteen sections leased land, for
\$5000.
The Ellis county poultry, pigeon and
pet stock show, held at Waxahachie
on the 6th, 7th and 8th, was well at-
tended and a splendid exhibit wit-
nessed.
A trainload of ten cars of fat meal
fed cattle were shipped to the St. Louis
market, eight cars by Saunders & Jen-
nings and two cars by the Union Meat
company of San Antonio.
Hon. Barnett Gibbs of Dallas bought
the Slaughter Grapevine ranch in Tar-
rant county. He made a five-year
lease and a \$25,000 conditional sale to
the Armour Packing company of
50x200 feet on Elm street, Dallas.
Wm. Ragland returned to San Anto-
nio from a trip to Cuero and Yoakum
and reports heavy shipments to the
markets during the past few days from
the feed lots throughout that section.
Dr. M. Francis, veterinary surgeon
at the Agricultural and Mechanical
college, recently went to Beeville and
inoculated a herd of Hereford cattle
for R. E. Nutt, Sr., which that gentle-
man recently imported.
Cattle that have been on feed in
Texas are now moving rapidly to mar-
ket. From Corsicana, Tinkle & De
LaPasse shipped to Chicago over the
Cotton Belt four cars of bulls and two
of steers, and Ben Sweatman shipped
seven cars of steers.
There have been 10,000 acres more
wheat sowed in Van Zandt county this
season than for any one season for
the past ten years. There have been
from 500 to 700 acres planted in or-
chards, fruits, berries, etc.
Owing to the large crop of 1898, and
the long time it took to gather and
market same, some Ellis county farm-
ers are behind with their land break-
ing and other work preparatory for
this year's crop.
Much land is now being cleared in
Lampasas county, and many who now
say that not more than half the til-
lable land is yet in cultivation. There
are yet many fine valleys which will
yield abundant harvest when they are
in thorough cultivation.
At Rockwall J. W. Vance has on ex-
hibition a curiosity in the shape of a
pig. It has two bodies well developed,
each of which has four hoofs. The
pig's bodies come together at the
shoulders and it has one neck and

Seventeen Cremated.

Yankton, S. D., Feb. 13.—The state
insane asylum at this place was the
scene yesterday of a holocaust which
sent a shudder of horror through the
community and the like of which has
no parallel in this state. One of the cot-
tages in the asylum grounds took fire
in the basement at 2 o'clock yester-
day morning and seventeen inmates
confined therein were incinerated be-
fore help could reach them.

The cottage was intended for laun-
dry purposes, but owing to the crowded
condition of the main building forty
of the female patients were housed
within its walls. The exact cause of
the fire is not known, except that it
originated in the dry room of the laun-
dry. The fighting of the fire was
greatly hindered by loss of power. The
burned cottage stands some 300 feet
in the rear of the main building, the
water tank which is for fire protection
standing 10 feet in the rear of the cot-
tage. The steam pipes used for
heating, and then to the artesian
pumping run from the boiler room of
the main building through the cottage,
well or tank. The intense heat in the
burning building caused the pipes to
burst shortly after the fighting of
the fire began, thus leaving them with-
out power and depending entirely upon
direct pressure from the tank, which
was in no way sufficient to quench
the fierce flames.

With the thermometer standing at
23 degrees below zero it was heart-
rending to witness those escaping com-
ing down the flight of stairs in their
night clothing and bare feet into the
bitter cold, and had it not been for
the nearness of shelter the suffering
and probable loss of life from freezing
would have been terrible.
Fifty-two persons were in the burn-
ing building, forty patients and twelve
female attendants. The attendants es-
caped, as did the others who were
saved, with none of their personal ef-
fects, many losing all that they pos-
sessed.

DIXIE DOINGS.

R. H. McConnell shot and killed his
father in South Nashville, Tenn., for
beating the boy's mother.

The Arkansas senate passed a rail-
road commission bill. It fixes the sal-
aries of the three commissioners, who
are to be appointed by the governor,
at \$300 each, to be paid by the rail-
roads.

The grand jury at Malvern, Ark.,
brought in an indictment against Har-
dy and William Sheffield charging
them with murdering and burning the
body of Mrs. Horne, who mysteriously
disappeared from Hot Springs about
three months ago.

Wm. Gilliland, a printer at Shreve-
port, La., and recently married, was
cut five times in the abdomen by an-
other printer named Charles Gregory.
Gilliland died.

By a vote of 54 to 26 the Alabama
house of representatives has placed
on the favorable calendar the dispens-
ary bill passed by the senate.

A peanut trust with a capital of
\$5,000,000 has been organized at Nor-
folk, Va.

While crossing Clinch river, near
Middlesboro, Ky., in a wagon, Mrs.
Mary Williams, her son Harry and two
small daughters were swept down by
the current and drowned.

Nathaniel Baxter, Jr., G. B. McGor-
mick, James Gowron, A. M. Shook and
Walker Perry, officials of the Tennes-
see Coal and Iron company, have in-
corporated the Birmingham (Ala.)
Southern railway, with a capital of
\$1,200,000.

The British garrison at Edwardes-
abad in the Punjab, India, has had a
lively brush with a band of outlaws,
who occupied the towers at Goometti.
The British lost six men killed and
fourteen seriously wounded.

A horse with icicles three inches
long protruding from his nostrils,
giving him the appearance of a young
rhinoceros, was a frost freak at Fort
Worth, Tex.

Drifted Away.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 13.—Sixteen skat-
ers living in the suburbs of Rogers
Park and Lake Forest were carried out
into the Lake Michigan on ice floes
yesterday. Ten of them were rescued
and during the entire evening search-
ing parties made fruitless efforts to se-
cure come trace of the missing six.
The missing are Attorney Elmer D.
Brothers, Miss Orel Manney, George
Mallory of Pontiac, Ill.; Chauncey
Manney, Guy Carron and Arthur
Fletcher of Ravenswood Park.

Agoncillo's Statement.

London, Feb. 13.—The European
Filipino junta has received a long
telegram from Agoncillo to agent of
Aguinaldo, dated from Montreal, and
declaring that he left Washington in
consequence of a telegram which he
received on Feb. 4 from Aguinaldo
urging him to cable to Malolos the
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received
dated from Manila via Hongkong and
give the rebel version of the outbreak
of hostilities. A Filipino dispatch
dated from Manila on Feb. 7 says:
"On Sunday a force of Americans
attacked simultaneously Calococan
and Santa Mesa. Two American war-
ships were off Malabon and Malate
and a smaller gunboat was in the
Pasig river to protect the American
flank.
"For several days previously the
Americans had been endeavoring to
provoke hostilities and peace was
maintained only by the rigorous or-
der of Aguinaldo, who was negotiat-
ing with Gen. Otis for an honorable
understanding. The American at-
tack was unexpected. The ships de-
stroyed all the villages between the
shore and the Pasig river within an
area between Malate, Paranaque, San
Pedro and Mocati. Crossing the river
the Americans advanced to San Juan
del Monte, capturing the waterworks
after a severe fight. They then pro-
ceeded to Singalon, establishing them-
selves on the river dam. They tore up
a mile of the rails of the Calococan-
Malolos line and cut the telegraph in or-
der to stop communication with Agui-
naldo.
"The Filipino forces engaged num-
bered only 7000, including 1900 Ygo-
rotas. Acting upon instructions from
Malolos the Filipinos remained strictly
on the defensive and finally retired in
good order without any loss of arms,
artillery or ammunition. Two old
Krupp guns of an obsolete pattern,
mounted on the fortress of San Anto-
nio, were captured. The fighting was
very stubborn and lasted continuously
from Saturday to Tuesday. General
indignation has been occasioned by the
treachery of the American surprise.
The Filipinos believe that the Yankee
administration is only favored by a
minority of Americans and abstain
from taking the offensive in order to
show their gratitude to the American
nation for helping them to get rid of
the Spanish rule. Hence they will only
fight when attacked and their future
action depends upon the decision of
the United States.
"Aguinaldo declares that the real
enemies of peace are the American of-
ficers in the Philippine islands."

The Filipino junta at Hong Kong
has issued a statement in which they
accuse the Americans of trickery and
barbarity.
At Anniston, Ala. Col. D. C. Colson
and Lieut. E. D. Scott of the fourth
Kentucky had a pistol fight, in which
the former was shot in the hip.

The residence of V. Gilliland, near
Mineola, Tex., valued at \$600, burned.

Fuel and Eggs Scarce.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 13.—Owing to
the prolonged cold spell the demand
for coal has trebled and not since the
coal strike last year has there been
such a scarcity of fuel in St. Louis and
vicinity. The severe cold weather has
affected the receipts of eggs and a
famine in that commodity threatens
St. Louis. Much of the receipts have
been frozen. Wholesale prices have
advanced from 13 1/2 to 25 cents dur-
ing the past week, but dealers are un-
able to supply the demand.

No Instructions.

Washington, Feb. 9.—There was an
almost complete release yesterday of
the tension under which the rapid oc-
currences of events in the Philippines
has held the officials of the adminis-
tration since the first startling news
from Manila. This was brought about
through the receipt of a bulletin from
Gen. Otis summing up the latest re-
sults of the fighting he has had with
the natives. The statement that Agui-
naldo's influence had been destroyed
that the Filipino leader was seek-
ing for a cessation of hostilities and
a conference was most acceptable
was interpreted as an admission
he had realized his terrible mis-
take. It is entirely improbable that
he will be able to restore anything
like the status quo or to obtain any-
thing like the same terms as were
able last week.

One here now knows just what
Otis intends to impose in the way
of terms. Secretary Alger last even-
ing repeated his statement of Monday,
that he had given the general no in-
structions since the battle and saw no
reason for giving any. He realized, he
said, that Gen. Otis, being on the
ground and having proved his fitness,
was in a better position to deal with the
situation than any one in Washing-
ton should the general ask permis-
sion to do anything he
deemed proper. He would be granted permission immedi-
ately if he asked for instructions on
any point," said Secretary Alger, "he
will be told to exercise his own dis-
cretion."

Nominations.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The president
sent the following nominations to the
senate:

Treasury—Charles J. Bell, to be as-
sistant treasurer of the United States
at New Orleans; Frank N. Wicker of
Louisiana, appraiser of merchandise
for the district of Louisiana, La. to
for the district of New Orleans, La.;
James H. Ducote, assistant appraiser
of merchandise, New Orleans; H. Dud-
ley Coleman, melter and refiner of
the mint at New Orleans; George W.
McDuff of Louisiana, special examiner
of drugs, medicine and chemicals,
New Orleans; Wm. B. Howell of New
Jersey, to be general appraiser of mer-
chandise to succeed George Harap, re-
signed.

Army—To be brigadier general
(regular army), Col. William Sinclair,
seventh artillery.
Also some promotions of minor char-
acter in the volunteer army and in the
navy.

In Congress.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The senate con-
fined itself largely to the transac-
tion of routine business yesterday. The
Indian appropriation bill, which has been
pending for several weeks, was com-
pleted and passed. The legislative, ex-
ecutive and judicial appropriation bill
was taken up, but after twenty-four
pages of it had been disposed of it
was laid aside for the day.
A few measures of minor importance
were passed.

The net result of the two days al-
lotted for work on the public build-
ings in the house was the passage of
a building at Newport News, Va., at
a cost of \$75,000. Sixty-five bills in all,
carrying or authorizing the expen-
diture of about \$12,000,000, were favor-
ably considered in committee of the
whole when the committee rose.

Before Committee.

Washington, Feb. 9.—Gen. Miles
yesterday was before the subcommittee
of the senate committee on military
affairs, which has the army reorganiza-
tion bill under consideration. He
suggested that in view of the proba-
bility that the reorganization bill
could not get through this session, a
temporary substitute shall be provided
for the maintenance of the army on
its present basis until the next ses-
sion of congress. Gen. Miles also made
several recommendations bearing on
the general bill.

Schooner Captured.

New York, Feb. 9.—A special says
that Rear Admiral Dewey has notified
the navy department that he has seized
another schooner loaded with arms
and ammunition intended for Agui-
naldo and his followers.
Information in the possession of the
authorities is to the effect that the
German consul at Hong Kong was con-
cerned in the sale of the arms of the
Filipinos, and this fact may account
for their action in keeping the matter
a secret.

Another Attack.

Manila, Feb. 9.—The Filipinos at
Calococan opened fire last evening just
before midnight upon the Kansas out-
posts on the extreme left of the Amer-
ican line.

They maintained a fusillade of mus-
ketry supplemented by an occasional
shot from two big guns for about
twenty minutes. The Americans did
not reply.

The enemy fired at long range and
nobody was hurt. All was quiet along
the rest of the line and there was no
change in the American position dur-
ing the night.

The first Wyoming infantry relieved
the twenty-third infantry at the wa-
terworks yesterday, the latter re-
turning to provost guard in the city,
which is gradually resuming its normal
appearance.

The Tennesseans have just sailed
for Hilo on the transport St. Paul.
Gen. Miller's forces now consist of bat-
tery G, the sixth and eighteenth regu-
lar infantry regiments and half a sig-
nal company with the Baltimore, Bos-
ton and Petrel.

He Talks.

Montreal, Feb. 9.—Juan Luna and an
unknown Filipino have arrived here.
Luna said that he had simply come to
visit his friend Agoncillo and refused
to talk further. Agoncillo was seen
and asked about his cablegram to the
junta in London. He admitted that
he had sent such a telegram and intimat-
ed that they were in a position to
prove that Gen. Otis had been ordered
to bring on a conflict so as to force
the peace treaty through the senate.
Agoncillo said further that since war
had been declared it would never be
stopped until the Americans made
overtures for peace. They would be
willing, however, to have a mutual
conference. The principal reason why
they opposed American rule was that
from what they had seen up to now of
the American soldiers the Filipinos
would simply be slaves. He says he
has sent six telegrams to Washington
and has not received a single reply.

Loss Will be Great.
Denver, Col., Feb. 9.—John W.
Springer, secretary of the Continental
Land and Cattle company, received
word from its Montana and Texas
ranches that the losses of live stock
would be very great as a result of the
long and general storms and cold.
"The loss," said Mr. Springer, "will
be general throughout the western
country from Montana down through
Colorado, New Mexico and Texas. In
some places it will undoubtedly reach
50 per cent and it will run throughout
the country between 10 and 33 per
cent. The great loss of cattle is
bound to make high prices during the
year, as the government reports show
that there is a cattle shortage and
the demand for foreign cattle is great-
ly increased."

Still Draws Pay.
Washington, Feb. 9.—An interesting
fact in connection with Gen. Egan's
suspension from the army was devel-
oped on inquiry at the war department.
Although Gen. Egan had been sus-
pended without rank or duty, he still
remains commissary general of the
army, drawing the pay of that office,
and there is no way in which he can
be displaced until he is retired. In
this the army branch differs from the
navy. In that branch of the service
such appointments are made for a term
of four years, at the end of which time
the incumbent may be changed or re-
appointed. In the army the appoint-
ment is for the remaining term of ser-
vice.

From Agoncillo.

London, Feb. 9.—The Filipino junta
here received a telegram from Agoncillo
agent of Aguinaldo, dated Montreal,
Feb. 7, deploring the hostilities, which
had the effect of securing the ratifi-
cation of the peace treaty. Agoncillo
also says he believes the outbreak was
provoked by the Americans in order
to insure the ratification of the treaty
and declares that the Filipinos, "far
from being the aggressors, were taken
by surprise and were unprepared."

Veteran Dead.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 9.—Capt.
Thomas H. Crawford, aged 78, a Mexi-
can veteran, died at his home here.
His death was indirectly caused by
wounds which he received in the bat-
tle of Cherubusco. He graduated in
the same class as Gen. Grant.

"Dad" Newton, a young marine from
Bonham, Tex., has been made an en-
gineer on one of Dewey's battleships.

In the House.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 13.—In the house Saturday several bills were introduced.

A resolution by Lane, Bailey and Henderson of Lamar was introduced providing for the appointment of a committee of three members of the house and two from the senate to investigate the work of the state reformatory at Gatesville, as suggested by the governor.

Kennedy of Limestone offered a resolution which provided for an adjournment to visit Galveston. The house refused to table it and also refused to substitute a resolution of regrets.

Mr. Prince was recognized and in a touching and eloquent speech advocated the adoption of the resolution. He twelt at some length on the question. He rose to several touching climaxes and was applauded to the echo.

Morrow offered an amendment providing for the docking of the pay of members and officers for Tuesday.

A substitute was offered providing that members and officers donate their pay to the state during their absence from Austin. The house promptly snowed the substitute under and also defeated the amendment. The resolution was lost.

Henderson of Lamar presented a petition from citizens of Austin praying that the proposed city charter be submitted to a vote of the people of Austin.

Resolutions to the memory of John M. King, a Texas pioneer, and Madam Candellian Villa Nueva, a survivor of the Alamo, were adopted.

Pushing the Matter.

Austin, Feb. 13.—It will be remembered that some time ago Gov. Sayers wrote a letter to Senator Chilton at Washington asking him to look after the matter of securing an appropriation to pay the Texas merchants who furnished supplies to the Texas troops while the ywere being mobilized for the Spanish war. As a result of that letter, Gov. Sayers received the following telegram:

Washington, D. C., Feb. 11.—Hon. Joseph D. Sayers, Austin, Tex.: Have secured amendment to appropriation which will pay for supplies furnished volunteers between enrollment and mustering in. H. CHILTON.

Upon receipt of this Gov. Sayers at once sent the following:

Austin, Tex., Feb. 11.—Hon. S. W. T. Lanham, Washington, D. C.: Please see that senate amendment to appropriation bill to pay for supplies furnished volunteers between enrollment and mustering in, by Senator Chilton, is retained. Very important to Texas. See Senator Chilton. JOSEPH D. SAYERS.

Burned to Death.

At Science Hall, three miles west of Kyle, the only children of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Wallace were burned to death. The parents were a short distance from the house when it was discovered to be on fire. The father of the children was at his shop and the mother was at a neighbor's house. The dwelling was a small one, and burned, with all its contents and the two little children, in a very short time. The bodies were burned to a crisp, their limbs being entirely burned away, presenting a sickening sight.

Coldest Known.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 13.—The coldest weather ever known here occurred yesterday morning at 7 o'clock, when 10 below zero was reached. From all over the state come reports of the terrible cold. Such frigid weather has caused much suffering, and the stock have been frozen to death in great numbers in many localities. Rivers all over the state are frozen over.

Frozen to Death.

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 13.—The frozen body of Wm. Pieper, a delivery wagon driver, was found early yesterday morning on the road to the Southwestern insane asylum. There were bruises on the face of the deceased, but no indications of an injury sufficient to have proven fatal. Pieper was last seen at 9 o'clock on his wagon within a block from his home. He was perfectly sober and stated to a friend that he was going home.

St. Louis is taking active steps toward the Louisiana purchase celebration.

Done in Legislature.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 11.—In the senate a resolution by Terrell was unanimously adopted, inviting Commodore Philip and the men of the battleship Texas to pay a visit to the state capital and be the guests of the legislature.

Wayland secured consideration of his bill increasing the number of the board of directors of the agricultural and mechanical college to eight, who shall be divided into classes, numbered one, two, three and four, and shall hold office two, four, six and eight years respectively from the date of their appointment, two members to be appointed by the governor at each session of the legislature who shall hold their office eight years respectively. The bill was ordered engrossed and passed finally under a suspension of the rules.

Substitute senate bill to promote agriculture and stock raising and to prohibit the hunting with firearms or dogs upon the inclosed lands of another in all counties within this state not specially named as exempt from the provisions of this act, was amended by exempting more than half of the counties of the state, including all of the counties in the seventeenth senatorial district, and ordered engrossed, and passed finally under suspension of the rules.

In the house several bills were introduced.

A bill by Derden to repeal the Jester amendment transferring and setting apart annually 1 per cent of the full value of the permanent school fund to the credit of the available school fund, was passed by a vote of 106 to 2, Kennedy and Barber voting in the negative.

Bill authorizing private corporations to extend and renew their corporation existence was passed.

Crawford's bill requiring owners and lessees of coal mines to sink safety shafts to secure their employes against accidents was ordered engrossed, but a motion to suspend the rules to place it on its third reading and final passage failed.

The following were announced by the chair as the members on the part of the house of the committee to receive Commodore Philip if he visits Austin: Wooten, Bailey, Prince, Childs and Dorroh.

Appoint a Receiver.

Sherman, Tex., Feb. 11.—In the case of M. L. Halman vs. B. H. Kimbrough an application for the appointment of a receiver to take in hand the affairs of the firm composed of plaintiff and defendant and bring the same to a close, Judge Bliss appointed George Hardwick receiver and fixed his bond at \$6000.

Mr. Hardwick filed and approved bond for the required amount.

Under the stipulations the receiver after taking stock will proceed to dispose of the stock of drugs worth it is estimated, between \$6000 and \$7000.

The stock will be sold in bulk by the receiver.

Took an Overdose.

Brenham, Tex., Feb. 11.—John Heine, a prominent farmer living nine miles from this city, has been i ad health for some time and came here to consult a physician a day or so ago, received a prescription and returned home. Failing to note directions carefully, he took an overdose of the medicine with results that proved fatal. He was very highly respected both in Brenham and his neighborhood.

For a Church.

Brenham, Tex., Feb. 11.—The committee on subscriptions for the new Methodist church are making a house to house canvass among the members of the congregation, and report prospects flattering for the raising of the required amount. It has been decided by the church board to erect a brick veneer building, and the plans selected will make the structure the most handsome one in the city.

Filed a Petition.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 11.—Lawrence McIntire of Navasota has filed his petition, wherein he prays to be declared a bankrupt. He represents his total indebtedness at \$2923. He recites that he owes debts and he is unable to pay the same in full; that he is willing to surrender all his estates and effects for the benefit of his creditors and desires to obtain the benefit of the bankrupt law.

President McKinley has signed the peace treaty.

Cervera is to be vigorously prosecuted.

City Court Bill Passes.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 10.—In the senate the libel bill was recommitted to judiciary committee No. 1.

Miller's city court bill was next considered.

Dibrell secured adoption of an amendment providing that in all cities and towns not incorporated or acting under special charters the rules of practice and procedure of justice courts shall apply in said city courts.

Mr. Yantis offered an amendment changing the mode of appeal, instead of to the court of criminal appeals, appeals shall be made to the county court, except when such county court has no jurisdiction, in which case appeals shall be taken to the district court of said counties unless there is a criminal district court, in which event, appeals must be made to the latter and in appeals o all three of the above named courts the trials shall be "de novo," the same as though they originated in the said courts and that the rules of practice and procedure of appeals from justice courts to county courts shall govern the appeals from the city courts.

Miller offered a substitute providing that the appeal be optional with the defendant as to which higher court. The substitute was lost by a vote of eleven to ten. The Yantis amendment was then adopted.

Several other amendments making corrections in the bill were adopted and it was ordered engrossed and passed finally under a suspension of the rules.

Several bills were introduced in the house.

Tragic Death.

Waco, Tex., Feb. 10.—Mrs. Harmon, a neighbor, called yesterday at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jannasch, 705 North Fifth street, and found Mrs. Jannasch stretched on the floor dying from several gashes in her throat, which severed the windpipe and artery.

Nearly fainting with horror and dismay, Mrs. Harmon made her way to Mr. Krause's store and gave the alarm. Telephone messages were sent and several physicians arrived. Their services were unavailing, death occurring in a short time after the ghastly discovery was made by the lady caller.

Mrs. Jannasch was a daughter of Prof. Krause, distinguished as a musician and for other accomplishments. Five years ago she married Mr. Oscar Jannasch, a traveling salesman, and the couple lived happily together. Their only child is dead.

Mr. Jannasch was out of the city when the dreadful tragedy took place. He wired his wife of his intention to return on the San Antonio and Aransas pass train last night, and the messenger delivered the dispatch shortly before Mrs. Harmon called and found her friend in the condition described.

After the doctors pronounced life extinct Justice W. H. Davis called and examined the surroundings. The inquest points to suicide while laboring under temporary derangement.

Mrs. Getzendaner's Will.

Waxahachie, Feb. 10.—The instrument of partition of the property of the late Mrs. Willia E. Getzendaner was filed with the county clerk yesterday. Her estate realty is valued at \$63,000; community property at \$95,000, and much in stocks and bonds which can not be here given. The interested parties are W. H. Getzendaner, Ralph W. Getzendaner, Willia G. Skinner, Mattie Templeton, Frank Templeton, Mossie Calhoun, Thomas Templeton, Mark Latimer and Emily Clark.

Waco Wedding.

Waco, Tex., Feb. 10.—Dr. B. H. Carroll and Miss Hallie Harrison were united in marriage at the residence of Rev. J. M. Carroll, brother of the groom. The bride is the daughter of Gen. Tom Harrison, deceased, a distinguished Confederate commander, and the sister of Lieut. Harrison of the United States navy, stationed in one of the ports of the West Indies. Dr. Carroll having retired from the pulpit, is now at the head of the commission engaged in securing money for the endowment of the Baptist affiliated colleges of Texas.

Belton Blaze.

Belton, Tex., Feb. 10.—Yesterday morning at 5:15 o'clock fire was discovered in the third story of the Belton flouring mill, Grimes & Donovan, proprietors. The two upper stories were destroyed. The total loss is placed at \$10,000; insurance \$2000.

Legislative.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 9.—The petition of the men of the first Texas volunteer infantry for additional pay from the state, was laid before the senate by Lieut. Gov. Browning and read and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Davidson presented a memorial from citizens of Victoria praying for legislation to check the spread of the Mexican boll weevil.

In the house Henderson of Lamar presented petition of non-commissioned officers and privates of the first regiment, Texas volunteers, asking the state to pay them for services in addition to the pay allowed by the United States, as was allowed by the legislature of New Jersey, New York, Virginia, Massachusetts and Maine.

Kennedy sent up a resolution instructing Texas representatives at Washington to urge submission of an amendment to the constitution of the United States providing for the election of United States senators by vote of the people.

The bill of Lane in regard to statements of national banks to be made to tax assessors, was laid before the house and passed.

Prairie Dog Legislation.

Seymour, Tex., Feb. 9.—Senator D. F. Goss is here on a short vacation from his legislative duties. He stated that Representative Peery had gotten a favorable committee report upon his bill providing for the extermination of the prairie dogs and gave it as his opinion that the bill would become a law. He says the governor favors a law that will rid the country of these pests and will use his influence in that direction.

The people of east Texas are more interested in a law against the dog than in any other matter pending or likely to come before the legislature. No man unacquainted with the pests can begin to realize the amount of damage done by them. In some of the counties of this section of the state they destroy at least half the grass and in this county there is no doubt that double the number of cattle could be pastured were it not for the dogs. They graze the grass in summer and dig it up for the roots in winter.

Texas Wounded.

Waco, Tex., Feb. 9.—In the list of wounded given in the battle of Gen. Otis against the Filipino insurgents the name of O. B. Wright, fourteenth Washington volunteers, appears. Mr. Wright is a young McLennan county farmer. His home is a few miles south of Waco. He was traveling in the far northwest when war was declared with Spain, and being full of military enthusiasm he hurried to a recruiting office and enlisted with the soldiers the state of Washington sent to the Asiatic archipelago. As reported in the cable sent the press from Manila the wound is not serious. Mr. Wright's friends feel proud to have his name on the roll of honor of Texans whose fathers before them were southern to the core and whose sense of duty calls them to the front for the honor of Old Glory.

Case Postponed.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 9.—By agreement of counsel the case of the state of Texas against the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway of Texas was continued until April 10. The defendant company claimed that Dallas county district court is disqualified from trying the case. This point will be decided before April 10.

Lunacy Bill.

Sherman, Tex., Feb. 9.—County Judge J. D. Woods, who represented Grayson and Cooke counties in the last state senate, is drawing up a bill which he will send to one of the Grayson representatives and ask that it be put before the legislature. The bill is aimed to simplify and at the same time reduce the costs of hearing lunatic euprendo cases.

The bill will provide for a hearing of this class of cases before the county court, both in and out of regular term time.

Cameron's Funeral.

Waco, Tex., Feb. 9.—The remains of William Cameron were interred yesterday afternoon at Oakwood beside the grave of his brother, Dr. John Cameron, who died ten years ago. Dr. Frank Page read the Episcopal service for the dead and made a few remarks at the residence, completing the funeral rites at the grave. The choir, assisted by other musicians, sang "Abide With Me," "Lead Kindly Light" and "Rock of Ages."

At Public Expense.

Every prominent official of the government is provided with a local telephone at public expense. This is a custom of long standing, and is adhered to because it is such. Cabinet ministers, the chiefs of various big departments, etc., all have telephones. The privilege does not, however, extend to senators and representatives. If they want quick communication by wire they must pay for the privilege out of their own purses. When Justice McKenna was a member of the cabinet he had a telephone in his residence, but the moment he became a supreme court justice and his salary as cabinet officer ceased, the wire was removed.

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Regular Correspondent.
Well, Mr. Editor if I owed you a spell of winter weather, would you take the last few days as part pay? It has been so cold that it kept us all busy keeping fires.

Mr. Black Robinson made a flying trip to Abilene; he says they have had more rain and snow than we have had here.

I tell you its getting pretty dry here, some of our farmers have quit plowing; some are nearly done breaking their land; your Uncle Tom is still turning over his sod.

By the way, we have some new neighbors, Mr. Buster Robinson has at last moved into the house that Dr. Pentecost vacated, Buster is a good sort of a man, if he did accense Uncle Tom of carrying off his hen house.

Mrs. Mark Allen has been quite sick but is up again.

Mr. Will Hagewood and wife came up from their ranch last week to visit R. E. Douglas; Mr. Hagewood had a wrestle with la grippe which floored him but he got up in a day or two and has returned home, leaving his wife with her parents for a while.

Mr. Huttie Cosper has got a job with Mr. G. Odum and has moved to the old Ft.

Messrs. Will and Tom Richard have made another sale of a small bunch of cows I failed to get price.

Mr. Allen Baldwin was absent from his school last week, caused by la grippe but he is all right now.

Mr. Ike Billingslea came in from Angelo with more new goods; they are selling at Ballinger prices; but eggs have taken a tumble too when our hens had just got in to a good way of laying, that will be a little bother to the good ladies as they were doing their little bit of trading with hen fruit.

Well Mr. Editor it was too cold for our school teacher to teach school today; and its too cold for anything but to sit by the fire.

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Honor Roll.

Following is a list of the pupils of Paint Creek school, whose average in attendance, deportment, and recitations for the month beginning January ninth and ending February tenth, is above 85 per cent:

- Fred Blackwell, Percy Blackwell
- Hubert Fields, George Manning,
- Preston Blackwell, Vida Key,
- Ora Collier, Kellie Brown,
- Lutie Blackwell, Enla Blackwell,
- Ella Blackwell, Bertie Dickey,
- Maewin Dickey, Clyde Fields,
- Emma Merchant,
- Teacher.

The last week's blizzard "fanned out" the town roll. Ed.

Commissioners Court is in session this week, the entire court being present. They have not yet completed their labors, so we cannot give a full account of their work. It will appear next week.

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Hayrick Happenings.

There seems to be now a great interest manifested in one another's welfare by the people of Coke; hence I send you a few items from this section.

Owing to the cold weather there has been a lull in the farming business for the past week.

Stockmen of Hayrick are preparing for a more plentiful supply of water in the future. Windmills have been erected and tanks are being constructed.

Messrs. W. A. Robbins, J. E. Robbins, and Geo. W. Hannaford sold last week to Mr. Ringer, who is buying for Lum Hudson, a number of good calves at \$13.00 per head.

We are told, Mrs. Ainsworth has about recovered from the injuries received from the runaway of her horse, which occurred several days ago.

Miss Amelia Caraway, who is teaching the New Hope school, visited her parents at Hayrick, last week.

Mr. J. B. Morris and Miss Caroline Sumerall are to be united in holy wedlock today may their union be a happy one.

LEON.

R. B. Ross, a good citizen from the northern part of the county, was in town Wednesday.

C. W. McCutchen was in, from on Indian Creek, last Wednesday.

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Weeds should not be allowed to shade or crowd the young plants, and are best removed with the mowing machine.

It is never safe in Kansas to pasture alfalfa with cattle or sheep, on account of the liability to bloat the animals. There is even some danger in feeding the hay if it should happen to get wet. Steers can be fattened on one third less corn with alfalfa for roughness than without. Owing to its high protein content, too much may be fed to fattening animals to secure the most economical gains. Horses when not working do exceedingly well on alfalfa pasture. It is not best to feed too much of it to working animals. If mixed with other hay, there is no better horse feed. A good stand of alfalfa can be very easily destroyed by overpasturing with hogs. To mow the green feed and haul it out to the pigs in a different enclosure is more economical than to pasture it. Pigs can be grown for almost half the usual cost, if green alfalfa be added to their ordinary ration. It pays to feed them the hay in winter providing they get grain in addition.

Kaffir Corn in Oklahoma.

The experiments with Kaffir corn at the experiment station in 1898 add to the evidence of the great value of this crop of Oklahoma. In the tests as to the thickness of planting five plats gave an average yield at rate of 87 bushels threshed grain, 56 pounds to the bushel—ranging from 80 to 102 bushels per acre; six others gave average yield at rate of 73 bushels per acre.

The largest yields were where the corn was planted thicker than most farmers think best, when the grain is the part chiefly desired. With rows three feet apart four plats, where the stalks averaged one to a little over four inches, gave yield at rate of 83 bushels; ten plats with stalks averaging one to each eight inches gave yields at rate of 45 bushels, and six plats, where the stalks averaged one for a little over 12 inches, gave yields at rates of 24 bushels per acre. Where the rows were 30 inches or 44 inches apart the yields decreased with the thinner planting in about same proportion. The thicker planting gave a larger total yield as well as larger yields of seed. Two plats gave yields of stover at rate of over 7 1/2 tons per acre.

The yields in 1897 were much smaller than those in 1898 but, as this year, the largest yields were where the rows were three feet apart and the stalks were at the rate of one for each six inches or less. It is believed that, for average upland soils in the territory it is advisable to plant so as to have one stalk at about each two inches in rows three feet apart. The weight of stalks and leaves is greater and the quality better than with thinner planting.

The "Black Hulled White" was the variety used. The land had been given a coating of stable manure. The cultivation was not exceptional in any way.

Poison in Wild Cherry Leaves.

So many instances have been recorded in which cattle were poisoned by eating the leaves of wild cherry trees or shrubs that the chemists of the New Hampshire College Agricultural Experiment Station recently undertook to determine the amount of poison in these leaves. The results are recorded by Messrs. Morse and Howard in Bulletin 56. In it they say that the poisonous property of all species of cherry leaves is due to hydrocyanic acid, popularly known as prussic acid. This compound does not exist as such in the growing leaf, but is derived from a class of substances called glucosides, of which amygdalin is the type peculiar to the cherry. This, or a closely allied body, is to be found not only in the leaves and bark, but especially in the stones of cherries, peaches and plums, and the seeds of the apple. By the action of moisture and a vegetable ferment called emulsin, which exists in the plant, a complex chemical reaction takes place, that begins in the leaf the moment connection with the circulatory system is cut off. The three products of this reaction are hydrocyanic acid, grape sugar and benzaldehyde, or bitter almond oil.

There is a popular opinion that the leaves of the cherry are poisonous only when cut and in the wilted condition; that cattle may safely nibble them from the growing shrub without danger of injury, and that they are quite harmless when dried. Our observations, however, prove these views to be but partially correct. As a matter of fact, distillations of samples, made within twenty minutes of cutting, show that the freshly cut leaves yield nearly as much acid as the wilted ones do when calculated on the weight of fresh material taken, and when eaten fresh the character of the juices within the animal stomach is such as to render that organ a most favorable place for the conduct of the

of paintings contains one of the most famous collections of old masters and modern originals in America. The history of each canvas or curio and the rare specimens of oriental art that adorn the Japanese and other apartments of this princely home would each be an interesting theme for a story. The windows of the great dining hall bear portraits of the successive presidents of the Hudson Bay Company, and are surmounted by the monogram "H. B. C."

WILHELMINA'S BETROTHED.

The long-talked-of betrothal of the youthful and interesting Queen Wilhelmina of Holland has at last been virtually decided, the happy fiancé and future Dutch prince consort being his



H. H. PRINCE WILLIAM OF WIED, highness Prince William of Wied, a kinsman of her majesty.

The queen, as is generally known, was 18 at her accession, Aug. 31, and Prince William will be 23 March 26. He was born at Neuwied, the capital of his father's domains, situated in Rhenish Prussia, and is a lieutenant of the Prussian regiment of the corps of the guards stationed at Potsdam. He belongs to the evangelical church and the queen to the reformed. The



LORD STRATHCONA.

has received the approbation of Windsor castle and Canada as Aberdeen's successor. But it does not alter the fact that in London as high commissioner and peer of the realm, Lord Strathcona stands as one of the strongest factors in Canadian politics.

His lordship's latest project in relation to colonization which, it is said, will shortly be submitted to the government, is unique. It is to establish agricultural and colonial schools where youths from Great Britain will be trained in farming, mining and ranching, coupled with a military education. These schools will be established at Brandon, Winnipeg, Calgary and elsewhere, in buildings erected at government expense. At the end of three years those government proteges who give satisfaction will receive diplomas, in addition to donations of eighty to 100 acres of land.

It is not generally known in the United States that Lord Strathcona, as Sir Donald Smith, participated largely in the early "development" of our own northwest, and that he has much capital invested with us, whether we like it or not. When the decree to create the "first baron of Strathcona and Mount Royal" was decided upon as a public tribute to Sir Donald Smith it was indeed appropriate to

prince's parents are H. S. H. the reigning Prince William, born Aug. 22, 1845, a Prussian general and hereditary member of the house of peers, and H. R. H. Princess Marie of Holland, born July 5, 1841, only child of the late Prince Frederic of the Netherlands and Princess Louise of Prussia, sister of Emperor William I. The prince has a younger brother, Victor, born Dec. 7, 1877, an officer in the Prussian regiment of Uhlans No. 3 of the guards, and two young sisters, Princess Louise and Elizabeth, respectively 18 and 16 years of age. His aunt is the queen of Roumania, "Carmen Sylva," and his paternal grandmother the Princess Marie of Nassau and the Netherlands, born in 1825. The family is a very wealthy one and is connected with some half a dozen royal houses.

THE LATE JUDGE SHOWALTER.

Judge John W. Showalter of the United States District court, who died



OUR BUDGET OF FUN.

SOME GOOD JOKES, ORIGINAL AND SELECTED.

A Variety of Jokes—Gibes and Ironies Original and Selected—Flotsam and Jetsam from the Tide of Humor—Witty Sayings.

The Bissick's Bird. The bissickie bird is a wonderful fowl. That is found where the roads are good; With scarcely a sound it careers o'er the ground, And oil is its principal food.

It utters a sad and peculiar cry Which sounds like "Punk-punk! Punk-ture!" And sobs fill its throat when it raises this note, As those who have heard it feel sure.

It's fond of a hill, but it likes to go down, Not up, for it's tired from its birth, With one flashing eye it flits rapidly by When darkness is over the earth.

It rests against railings, but ne'er goes to roost In trees that would shelter it, which Shows singular taste, but it sometimes in haste Will seek its repose in a ditch.

The bissickie bird makes an excellent pet When tame, it has scarcely its match; But 'tis I must add, for a girl or a lad, A troublesome creature to catch! —Felix Leigh.

Cutting.



Maud—"They say Cholly lives by his wits."

Cynicus—"Then he'll suffer an early death."—The Table.

In His Own Estimation.

First Venerable Man—Odd that one can remember things happening to him when he was about twenty better than he can those that happened a few years ago.

Second Venerable Man—But you must remember how much more important he was then.—Indianapolis Journal.

The Punishment Fits the Crime.

The Minister—Little boy, do you know where little boys go who skate on the Sabbath?

The Little Boy—Yessir. They go where they ain't never no ice.—Indianapolis Journal.

Skinned Indeed.

Bellows—You say you got skinned in buying a wheel?

Fellows—Yes; took a tumble the first mount.

An Inventive.



1—Mrs. Getthere visits a dozen dry goods stores and collects a quantity of samples.



2—Then she appears in a stunning poster gown.

Unnecessary.

"My dear," said the legislator's wife, "some of this speech doesn't make sense."

"That's all right," he answered, taking the manuscript out of her hand and putting it into his traveling bag.

WHAT THE LAW DECIDES.

A primary election provided for by statute is held, in Spier vs. Baker (Cal.), 41 L. R. A. 196, to be an election "authorized by law" within the constitutional provisions as to elections.

Because the supplying of water to consumers is affected with a public use, it is held, in Griffin vs. Goldsboro Water Co. (N. C.), 41 L. R. A. 240, that discrimination in rates between the consumers is unlawful.

A statute for the remission or abatement of the taxes to a certain amount on insane, idiotic, infirm or indigent persons is held, in state, Richards vs. Armstrong (Utah), 41 L. R. A. 407, to be within a constitutional prohibition of exemptions.

An attempt of a person to place his property in trust, with remainder over, reserving the beneficial interest to himself for life, is held, in Schenck vs. Barnes (N. Y.), 41 L. R. A. 395, to be invalid as an attempt to place it beyond the reach of his creditors.

A corrupt practices act providing for an action to test the right of a successful candidate to his office when charged with unlawful acts and a judgment declaring the election void and the office vacant is held in Mason vs. state, McCoy (Ohio), 41 L. R. A. 291, to be a valid law.

A tax on succession to the property of a deceased person, although it creates classes and exempts some of the classes and makes different rates for other classes, is held valid in Kochersperger vs. Drake (Ill.), 41 L. R. A. 446, if it is uniform as to all property in the same class.

A sheriff who fails to collect taxes on property which is mortgaged for more than it is worth, but accounts for them, is held, in Allen vs. Perrine (Ky.), 41 L. R. A. 351, to have no right to assert the tax lien against the mortgagee to whom the property has been conveyed in part payment of the debt.

A proviso for a corresponding reduction in the amount of indemnity given by an accident insurance policy, in case the insured is injured in a more hazardous occupation than that for which he is insured, is held, in Standard Life and Accident Insurance company vs. Carroll (C. C. App. 3d C.), 41 L. R. A. 194, to be reasonable and enforceable.

HOME-MADE PHILOSOPHY.

If the history of humanity had awl the bird wash out it, the lines wud be too dim un pale to foller.

The principal end or object of learning is not merely to know, but to know for some end or purpose.

Kind deeds leave thar footsteps behind, un neither misfortune nor success kin wash em away from a grateful mind.

The real happy man never has a piece ov pie or a bit of joocy skandal but wot he wants the hole fambly to help enjoy it.

Rome, in her glory, made a fad ov monuments un palaces; but justice un liberty hide in 'de ov em, un stunk glory cuter the country.

The average man kin shut his ize un turn his mental intellect upon the store ov recollectshuns inside ov his hed, un paint a picktoor that will skare even hisself.

The more room a man has got in his head to rent, the more he wud like to make the world believe that he occupy every room hisself, un feels crowded, too.

Sumtize I think we had better becum Spartans, un throw our sickly babeeze to the wolves un bearze, insted ov feedin em un givin our money to the patent mediseen man.

Sumtize when I am gloomy un sol-lumecolly I can't help but realize that every man, woman un chile represent a future star-actor in a funeral procession, marchin to the grave.

The evoloshun ov the human intellect iz slow, but sheel git thare Ell by un by; un then humanity will drive sooperstishun inter the ground un bite the hole off clost up to the shank.

The man hoo dines on wine un switzer cheeze three times a day, wile his nabor has only bred un wotter, can't expect to find thins dun in hevyn az thay are did on earth, by a long shot.

Humanity iz walled in on every side by the unknown. We try awl throo life to crawl over theese walls, but are content at last to be buried under 'em, un wait till they crumble un fall away ov thare own akcord.

PARAGRAPHS WITH POINTS.

A great many people are willing to do right if they can get liberal pay for it.

Duty, Destiny, and Dewey constitute a firm that is quite popular with the public.

The grammar of many people is so bad that it would kill them to have to eat their words.

Spain has not gone so far as to designate the president of the American peace commission as a "sad but glorious" Day.

An Omaha judge has decided that poker is not a gambling game. He

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BALLINGER, TEXAS.

LOCAL CHIPS.

Our erstwhile Ballinger friend J. J. Robbins was perambulating the streets of Robert Lee last Monday. Jay is the pushing manager of the large business at Bronte, styled Crayton and Robbins Bros. This firm carries one of the largest stocks in the County and are doing a good volume of business. "We told them so," before they came to Coke.

Call at this office and examine the Latest Improved Singer Sewing Machine. Sold on easy terms.

Miss Clemmons from Valley View, was shopping in town last Friday.

Good accommodations and polite attention given to all at the O. K. Wagon Yard in Ballinger.

M. G. Taylor was over from San Angelo last Saturday and sold for M. B. Collins six sections of land at \$2.00 per acre, J. W. Ashurst and J. Q. McCabe each bought three sections.

The people of Coke are invited to examine the large and varied stock of dry goods and close prices offered by Crayton and Robbins of Ballinger.

Geo. D. P. Clark, an old time friend from near Ft. Chadbourne, was in town Monday. Incidentally, he subscribed for the RUSTLER.

The RUSTLER is glad to notice the many of our citizens are in advantage of our clubbing propositions.

Why can Arkansaw Smith sell so cheap? He pays cash and sells for cash and has fresh goods all the time.

Merchant and Patterson sold for W. Von Rosenberg of Austin Tex. 14 section land to W. C. Lock.

Newt Tannehill is recovering from a severe case of sickness.

The O. K. Wagon Yard at Ballinger is close in and solicits the Coke County patronage.

Little Elsie Toliver while playing the other day received severe internal injuries, but is now recovering.

J. H. Campbell and son, Will were in town Wednesday, from the Sanco country.

The Coke County people are invited to patronize Frank Gibbons wagon yard when they visit San Angelo.

Esq. Byrne was in from Sanco, Wednesday.

W. N. Copeland was in town, Tuesday, driving his fine ranch man's turner.

To kill sand fleas on your dog or your chickens use Nussbaumers Antiseptic Stock Ointment
Geo. W. Moore, of Ft. Chadbourne, was in Tuesday.

Arkansaw can and will sell you groceries cheaper than any house in San Angelo, "and that's no lie" either.

Meneille Gin Notice.

Will grind corn on Saturday before the Third Sunday in each month.

L. H. McDORMAN

J. H. Burroughs was appointed Justice of the Peace and Commissioner this week. He has already qualified for both offices. We predict that Jim will give satisfaction.

Jno. Childress was in town last Tuesday, from his ranch South West of town a few miles.

Read EVERY page this week.

Uncle Geo. Arnett was in last Saturday, from his fine ranch near Edith.

Stop at the Webb Hotel when in Lee

Prof. S. B. Williams, one of Coke's most popular teachers was in last Saturday.

When in Ballinger, stop at the O. K. wagon yard.

J. A. Gardner Jr., from near Edith, substantially remembered the RUSTLER.

Dr. W. F. Key, one of Bronte's most progressive citizens was in the capital last Monday. He stopped long enough to wish the RUSTLER good luck.

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

Mr. Levi Smith family, late of Sweetwater, have moved to Robert Lee.

S. J. Carpenter has opened up a new stock of Saddles and Harness, at Ballinger.

H. C. Allen, from Ft. Chadbourne, dropped in and subscribed for the RUSTLER last Tuesday.

Frank Gibbons is doing a good wagon yard business with the old Elkhorn wagon yard in San Angelo. Try him.

Our friend, Wm. Winans, paid the County Seat a visit last Saturday.

A large stock of ladies dress goods, at prices to suit every body, at Crayton and Robbins, Ballinger, Texas.

B. Frank Vowell and family have been sick at their home near Valley View. We are glad to state that they are recovering.

Arkansaw Smith is doing a fine business in San Angelo, and can save you money on groceries. Try him.

L. P. Woods was through here last Friday.

Strayed!

One brown pony horse, five years old, branded, diamond, on left jaw. Will pay liberal reward for information leading to recovery.
G. J. Moore,
Robert Lee, Tex.

Hon. Ed. C. Rawlings resigned as Commissioner, Precinct No. 1, last Tuesday. Ed says his private business takes up all his time.

All heavy goods delivered FREE to any part of the city, by D. L. Buchanan.

Mr. Black was in Wednesday.

"Ye Editor" is improving his home a little this week.

Dr. Latham reports a fine Valentine has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Whitesides on morning of 14th inst., a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rambin were trading with our merchants, Tuesday.

Notice the new Bronte ad of Crayton and Robbins Bros., this week.

Estray Notice.

Returned by G. W. Payne, commissioner, precinct No. 4, Coke County, Texas, on 15th day of February, 1899. One black and white pided cow, about six years old, branded < S on left shoulder, marked under-crop right ear. Also one yearling, branded same as cow.

For Sale.

A four section pasture, four miles east of Robert Lee. Good grass and good protection. This pasture takes two miles of Indian Creek and Mechatoh Springs; it affords plenty of water except in very dry times; I have a drilled well and a 12 foot Aermotor windmill, it is now watering 253 head of stock. A good ranch house; a small horse pasture; 16 acres of land in cultivation, and some other improvements. For further particulars call on

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Everybody invited to be present at the "Kangaroo Court" to be held at the Court House, Feb. 17th, 1899. We have a small programme arranged for that night, and will try to make the meeting interesting to all.

Yours for business,
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S. J. Carpenter has one of the best Saddle and Harness maker and repairer in the state, at Ballinger.

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Intense Cold.
Washington, Feb. 10.—Yesterday an extremely cold day, as the following reports will show:
Huron, N. D.—It was 36 degrees below here.

Bismarck, N. D.—Thermometer registered 32 below here, at Duluth, Minn., and La Crosse, Wis.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The thermometer shows 18 below zero, and many private thermometers registered as low as 22. This is the coldest weather Indianapolis has known for a number of years.

New York.—Yesterday was the coldest day of the winter in New York and extremely cold in this latitude.

Evansville, Ind.—Coldest weather in twenty years; 15 below zero.

Topeka, Kan.—Fifteen below zero; coldest in years.

Columbus, O.—Thirteen below zero.

Louisville, Ky.—Coldest since January 1884; 14 below zero.

Peoria, Ill.—It was 24 below zero here.

Omaha, Neb.—Intense cold; 23 below zero.

Cincinnati, O.—Weather bureau thermometer showed 16 below zero.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Coldest since January, 1879; 20 below zero.

Cleveland, O.—Fourteen below zero.

Nine Perish.
Chicago, Ill., Feb. 10.—Yesterday was the coldest day here in twenty-six years. The low mark in the weather bureau's books, that of Dec. 24, 1872, was but 2 degrees below zero reached at 8 o'clock in the morning.

The cold wave lingers persistently over the entire central and eastern section of the country and runs far down to the borders of the gulf states. The area of the arctic blast covers so wide an expansion of territory that it moves slowly off the continent. In the far west there is a slight but steady rise in the temperature.

With the sinking of the sun the mercury again started on its downward course to the bottom of the shaft and the local forecaster predicted a coldness later slightly less acute.

The slight warming up of western country will reach Chicago on the eastern movement and zero will be reached during the day.

Nine deaths from freezing are reported from Illinois and neighboring states as follows:
H. Blunschild, Chicago; Frank Briber and George Hamilton, Joliet, Ill.; Henry K. Fortune, Skaloosa, Ia.; Thomas Bridges, Princeton, Ky.; Annie Miller, Louisville; unidentified man, Toledo; Mary Lyne, Henderson, Ky.

Some points on the Milwaukee line give out figures as low as 49 degrees below.

Discussing Quarantine.
New Orleans, La., Feb. 10.—The convention of delegates from the various gulf states representing the boards of health and commercial bodies, met in this city yesterday for the purpose of considering certain amendments to the Atlanta agreement of April 12 last. These changes are considered necessary in the light of the experience of the epidemic of 1898, and will further facilitate interstate commerce relations.

Some fifty or more delegates from Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas were present, though no members of the Mississippi board of health were in evidence, nor did that body take cognizance of the convention.

Dr. G. W. Scott of the Texas state board was elected president and Dr. G. F. Patton secretary.

Court of Inquiry.
Washington, Feb. 10.—The president has appointed a court of inquiry to examine into the charges touching the meat furnished the American army during the war with Spain, and other matters involved in the charges made by Gen. Miles against the administration of war affairs. The court will consist of Maj. Gen. Wade, Col. Geo. W. Davis, ninth infantry, and Col. Gillespie, corps of engineers, now stationed in New York.

Military Convention.
Tampa, Fla., Feb. 9.—The national militia convention was organized at 11 o'clock yesterday morning by the election of the following officers: President, Gen. Daniel Butterfield of New York; vice-presidents, Gen. F. H. Case of Michigan, Col. J. Anthony Dyer of Rhode Island and Gen. Underwood of Kentucky; secretary, Capt. James Y. Wilson of Florida.

The yellow pine lumber men held a meeting at Tuscarora, Tex.

Steamboat Sinks.
Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 10.—A special from Johnsonville says the steamer, P. D. Stagg, loaded with stock and produce, which struck the Tennessee river bridge Wednesday, tearing off stacks, pilot-house and upper works, did not blow up or burn, but all on board barely escaped death by drowning. The boat rapidly filled with water and sank. When one mile below Johnsonville the water was a foot over her boiler deck. Capt. Jones placed his wife, two men of the crew and two women in a skiff and landed them on a raft tied to the west bank of the river. Two skiffs were immediately sent back to the sinking boat and passengers and crew rescued. Fog and drifting snow added to the misery caused by the intense cold. The night was spent on the raft where there was plenty of fuel and good fires were kept burning. Skiffs sent from Johnsonville yesterday morning to render assistance brought the party to this place at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Most of them took passage on the steamer Clyde, which passed down at 1 p. m. for Paducah.

The rescued party report no lives lost as far as can be ascertained and it is not believed any one was drowned.

The loss is estimated to be nearly \$25,000. The Stagg was owned by Douglas Jones of Mount Vernon, Ind.; Lee Howell of Evansville and B. H. Givena of St. Louis, and was fully insured.

Congressional.
Washington, Feb. 10.—Throughout its open session yesterday the senate had under consideration the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill. A lively debate was precipitated over the appropriation for support of the offices of the supervising architect of the treasury and that official was criticised for the delay in the construction of public buildings throughout the United States.

A speech made by Mr. Allen of Nebraska, in which he commented unfavorably upon the methods of the appropriations committee induced a rejoinder from Mr. Chandler of New Hampshire, which resulted in a sharp tilt between the two senators. Fifty-one pages of the pending bill were disposed of before the senate went into executive session for the remainder of the day.

Chairman Cannon of the appropriations committee of the house, in the course of the general debate on the sundry civil bill sounded a note of warning against extravagant appropriations and practically served notice that neither the ship subsidy bill nor the Nicaragua canal bill could be passed.

Settled Out of Court.
New York, Feb. 10.—Private advices by telegraph received in this city yesterday state that the suit brought by the state of Texas for the forfeiture of the charter of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway company of Texas, has been settled out of court. The case was to have come up for trial Tuesday at Dallas, Tex., but it was put over until April 10.

President Rouse, General Attorney Hagerman, General Manager Allen and other representatives of the road were present when the proceedings began. For a week past there has been talk of a compromise, and it is supposed that Mr. Hagerman, who has been in Dallas for over a week, has been negotiating toward this end.

Henry W. Poor, a director of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, said the case had been settled to the entire satisfaction of all parties. President Rouse will return east at once.

Essenic Knights.
New Orleans, La., Feb. 10.—The order of Essenic Knights opened their convention in this city yesterday with a large attendance of members from different parts of the country. The visiting knights from different sections were received by local committees, reaching here on a special train from Cincinnati and Chattanooga before noon.

Laid to Rest.
Chicago, Ill., Feb. 10.—Without unnecessary formality or pomp the remains of the late Col. Sexton, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, were laid to rest at Rose Hill cemetery. The comrades of Columbia post conducted the service at Memorial hall, public library building, and the grave, while other posts of the city attended and assisted in the simple rites of the order.

Double Row.
An Englishman has patented a bicycle tire which has a double row of airtight tubes overlapping each other inside the shoe, with a valve for each tube, the advantage being that, in case of puncture of the outer tube the inner tube takes its place.

Aged Woman Rides a Bicycle.
The oldest bicyclist is a woman aged 93, who is an adept rider. Most people could enjoy health until old age if they took precautions to prevent diseases of the digestive organs by taking an occasional dose of Hostter's Stomach Bitters. Even after dyspepsia, indigestion and constipation have secured a foothold the Bitters will afford relief.

Expect not too much; you may be disappointed.

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Cacarets make bowels and kidneys act naturally, destroy microbes, cure headache, biliousness and constipation. All druggists.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

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It's the greatest grass on earth—Salzer says so. This grass yields 4 to 7 tons better hay than timothy in dry, fair weather countries; yields even more than that in Ohio, Ind., Mich., Wis., Iowa, Ill., Mo., Kans., Neb., Mont., yes in every state of the Union! Salzer warrants this! Potatoes, \$1.20 a bushel.

Send this notice to JOHN A. SALZER SEED CO., LA CROSSE, WIS., and 10 cents postage and receive their great Seed Catalogue and sample of this grass seed and nine other farm seed varieties free.

Many people imagine themselves statesmen who are but politicians.

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Opens February 23rd. In the Ozark Mountains. Delightful climate. Beautiful scenery. Unequaled medicinal waters. Cheap excursion rates. Through sleepers via Frisco Line. Address J. O. Plank, Manager, Room H, Arcade, Century Building, or Frisco Ticket Office, No. 102 N. Broadway, St. Louis.

Largest Statue.
The statue of Liberty in New York harbor is no longer the largest statue in the world, as has been always hitherto supposed. One larger still exists in Kamakura, the ancient capital of Japan. It is a representation of the god Buddha, and contains in its center a large temple reached by a stairway rising to a height of nearly 200 feet. The head, out of proportion, however, to the body, measures twenty-nine meters in circumference, and the half-opened mouth is wide enough to admit the entry of a good-sized man standing upright.

Bicycle Paths.
Vienna has made a beginning of constructing bicycle paths through its streets. Ground has been conceded for the construction of a new street, on condition that a stip be prepared for the use of bicyclists.

Samost's Pure Face Powder.
Prevents Ladies' Complexion. 22 cents Box at all Druggists.

When any statement is made there is some one ready to dispute it.

Cure yourself naturally and surely without cost. For infallible method send 10 cents (coin) to John M. Batchelor, 65 W. 11th St., New York City.

Beware of those who are always flattering you.

Some people are so lazy that saying "thank you" becomes work.

Extravagance has sent many men to the penitentiary.

Pilo's Cure for Consumption is the only cough medicine used in my house.—D. C. Albright, Millburg, Pa., Dec. 11, '95.

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If afflicted with **Thompson's Eye Water** have eyes use it.

As Some View It.
"They say misfortune never comes singly," said Smith, disconsolately.
"That's right," replied Jones. "It's the married people that save the trouble."

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Cakes Without Eggs.

Observing housekeepers quickly learn that Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder is far superior to all other brands from the fact that its use always insures the finest, daintiest and most wholesome pastry, and if they wish to be economical they can dispense entirely with eggs and use a much less quantity of butter for shortening purposes. The advantage is not alone the saving effected, but the avoiding of trouble and the frequent difficulty in securing eggs that are fresh.

Cakes of every kind from the informal Griddle to the stately Bride Cake can be made with

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder

thus insuring their being light and delicious. When used in Griddle Cakes they can be produced in the shortest space of time and are always tender and delicious, and may be eaten hot with impunity by dyspeptics and persons with weak digestions. Cakes of other kinds made with Dr. Price's remain moist and sweet for a much longer time than if any other baking powder is used.

Nothing so decisively settles the superiority of Dr. Price's over all other baking powers as the bestowal upon it of the Highest Medal and Diploma by the World's Columbian Exposition (Chicago, '93) and the Special Gold Medal and Diploma by the California Mid-winter International Exposition (San Francisco, '94).

MILITARY AND NAVAL NOTES.

Private James Ellis, North Carolina volunteers, was found guilty of murder, dishonorably discharged and will be imprisoned for life.

The steamer Moana from Apla, arrived at San Francisco, reports everything quiet there and th natives awaiting the decision of the powers.

To add to the horrors of civil warfare it is now reported from Bolivia that the Indians have risen and are plundering and murdering everywhere.

Cuba's postal service will be the up-to-date American system hereafter, the postmaster general having approved Maj. Rathbone's recommendations.

When the news of the ratification of the peace treaty reached the state house at Augusta, Me., the legislature took a recess and loudly cheered the information.

The dedication of the Georgia and Kentucky state monuments at Chickamauga National park will be set for the afternoon of May 2nd & 4, the same week of the spring festival at Chattanooga.

The steamer Solace with a full cargo of munitions for Dewey's fleet sailed from Hampton Roads, Va., for Manila. The vessel will pass through the Suez canal, paying about \$3500 tolls, therefore.

Maj. C. C. Case, United States quartermaster, and other government officials, went to Benham and inspected 320 mules. Out of that number they accepted 301, which were shipped to Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

The Madrid newspapers publish an interview with a minister, who declared that the Philippines are "going to cost the Americans dear, as the Filipinos are not so susceptible to bribes as the Cubans."

It is stated in financial circles that the government in remitting \$20,000,000 to Spain for the Philippines will do so by shipping the gold direct from the treasury, and will not deal with the exchange market in any way.

The Spanish government has issued a red book on the war with the United States. It is a bulky volume of 522 pages, but its contents are documents and communications already made public, and now have only historical interest.

A Madrid paper says that the attack on Manila was the "judgment of God upon the Americans who, after despoiling Spain, are beginning to feel the consequences. If only the Spanish prisoners had been released we should regard the affair with indifference."

The Spanish government has instructed Gen. Rios, the representative of Spain in the Philippines, to maintain friendly relations with Gen. Otis, the American commander at Manila, in order to guarantee the safety and lives of the Spaniards in the Philippines.

Little comment is made in Havana on the events in the Philippines. Where unfriendly sentiment toward the United States is shown it is either from the Spanish classes or from irreconcilable Cubans. The respect shown by the American authorities in reference to the memorial services for Calixto Garcia has had an excellent effect.

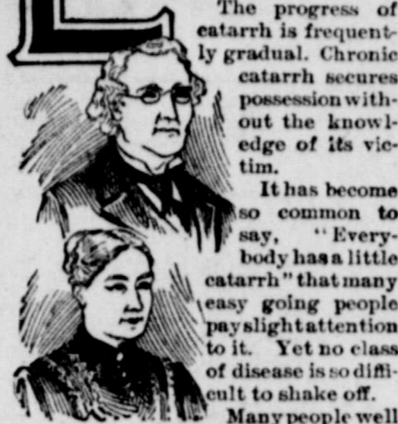
The contract for a silver service to be presented Admiral Dewey's flagship Olympia by the citizens of Washington state, has been awarded. The service is to consist of twenty-seven pieces and is to be manufactured of native silver. In addition to the service a library is also to be given the Olympia.

The British steamer Bothnia, Capt. Werc, chartered for use as a Spanish transport, arrived at St. Michaels, Azore islands, from Cleafuegos, Cuba, on her way to Spain, with repatriated troops. Eight soldiers died during the voyage, and fifty-two were dangerously ill when the steamer arrived there. She has been subjected to rigorous quarantine.

The return of Gen. Leonard Wood, military governor of the department of Santiago, has completely pacified the people at Santiago, and it is expected he will soon recommend the disbanding of two more regiments, the ninth and third fumases.

EASYGOING PEOPLE

Those who disregard early indications of disease.



The progress of catarrh is frequently gradual. Chronic catarrh secures possession without the knowledge of its victim. It has become so common to say, "Everybody has a little catarrh" that many easy going people pay slight attention to it. Yet no class of disease is so difficult to shake off. Many people well advanced in years find themselves in the toils of catarrh. Mr. and Mrs. Collum, of Giddings, Tex., found help in Pe-ru-na. Mr. Collum's letter follows: Pe-ru-na Medicine Co., Columbus, O.

DEAR SIR:—"I think your Pe-ru-na is the best medicine I ever tried for catarrh. I have tried all the catarrh medicines that I could hear of and none of them did any good until I tried yours. I and my wife have both used the Pe-ru-na and Man-a-lin, and we are about well. I am 70 years old and my wife is 66. When we commenced to take your medicines we were not able to see after our work, but now she can tend to her work and I see after my farm. You can use this publicly if you want to."—A. P. Collum, Giddings, Tex.

Adjudged a Nuisance.

A school has been adjudged to be a nuisance by Mr. Justice Romer of the English chancery court. A schoolmaster took a house at Turnbridge Wells on the assurance that there was nothing to prevent its being used as a school. He afterward discovered in his lease a covenant that no trade or business should be carried on in the house which would cause any noise injurious or disturbing to the neighbors, and asked to be released. Justice Romer rejected the rescinding of the lease, and there was no doubt that an action against the school as a nuisance would succeed.

Black Dress Handy.

Mr. Bloggs—You see, my dear, my salary is small, and I am not able to save much. I am continually troubled with the thought that if I should die suddenly—

Mrs. Bloggs—Oh, don't bother about that, Henry. You know I've got my old black silk dress. That's nearly as good as new.

Found at Last.

Exhibitor—This, ladies and gents, this piece of straw is that celebrated last straw that broke the camel's back.

Mrs. Hardacre—Well, well, Hiram, that's wonderful! I've heard tell of that straw all my life, but little did I ever expect to see it.

Gold Insignia.

The Pennsylvania commandery of the Military Order of Foreign Wars of the United States has voted to present to Rear Admiral Dewey the gold insignia of the order, which the United States government permits officers of the army and navy to wear.

HEALTHY MATERNITY.

Two Grateful Women Tell of the Help They Have Received Mrs. Pinkham.

The climax of life force in woman is capable motherhood. The first requisite for a good mother is good health. Health of body means health of the generative organs.



Read what Mrs. G. A. NONNAMAKER, Bluffton, Ohio, says about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and how well it prepared her for maternity:

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The most successful tonic known to medicine for women approaching maternity is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It is a safeguard for every woman who uses it, and the fullest benefit comes from its use with Mrs. Pinkham's advice freely offered to all women. Her address is Lynn, Mass.

Here is a convincing statement, bearing directly on this subject, from Mrs. E. Bishop, of 1848 Pacific St., Brooklyn, N. Y.:

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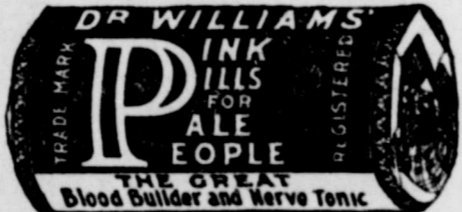
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Locomotor Ataxia & Paralysis Can be Cured.

These extreme nervous disorders were treated with wonderful success by the discoverer of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, previous to his discovery being offered to the public generally. This remedy is the only known specific in many diseases that, until recent years, were pronounced incurable. Here is the proof:

James Crockett, a sturdy old Scotchman living in Detroit, Mich., at 88 Montcalm St., was cured of Locomotor Ataxia by these pills. For many years he has been a chief engineer of one of those big passenger palace steamers plying upon the great lakes. This is a position of great responsibility and the anxiety causes a great nervous strain. Mr. Crockett says: "For fifteen years I watched the big engines and boilers without a single accident, and only noticed that I was getting nervous. Suddenly without warning I was taken sick, and was prostrated. I had the best of physicians but grew gradually worse. At a council of doctors, they said I had nervous prostration, and had destroyed my whole nervous system and would never recover. For three years I was unable to move from my bed. The doctor said I had locomotor ataxia, and would never be able to walk again. "The pains and suffering I experienced during those years are almost indescribable. The friends that came to see me bid me goodbye when they left me and I was given up. The doctors said nothing more could be done. My wife kept reading to me, articles about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. We finally decided to try them. The first box gave me relief. I continued to use them for about two years before I could get strength enough to walk. I am nearly seventy-five years old and there is not a man in this city that can kick higher or walk further than I can and to-day I owe my present good health to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People for they saved my life."—Detroit Evening News.

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Every man, woman and child in America can find something on this list that they would like to have and can have—FREE! Write your name and address plainly and send every tag you can get to us—mentioning the number of the present you want. Any assortment of the different kinds of tags mentioned above will be accepted as follows:

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| 1 Match Box, quaint design, imported from Japan | 25 | 19 Alarm Clock, sackel, warranted steel | 200 |
| 2 Knife, one blade, good steel | 25 | 20 Carvers, buckhorn handle, good steel | 200 |
| 3 Scissors, 4 1/2 inch, good steel | 25 | 21 Six Rogers' Teaspoons, best qual. | 225 |
| 4 Child's Set, Knife, Fork and Spoon | 25 | 22 Knives and Forks, six each, buckhorn handles | 250 |
| 5 Salt and Pepper, one each, quadruple plate on white metal | 50 | 23 Clock, 8-day, Calendar, Thermometer, Barometer | 500 |
| 6 Razor, hollow ground, fine English steel | 50 | 24 Stove, Wilson Heater, size No. 30 or No. 40 | 500 |
| 7 Butter Knife, triple plate, best qual. | 60 | 25 Tool Set, not playthings, but real tools | 600 |
| 8 Sugar Shell, triple plate, best quality | 60 | 26 Toilet Set, decorated porcelain, very handsome | 650 |
| 9 Stamp Box, sterling silver | 70 | 27 Watch, solid silver, full jeweled | 1000 |
| 10 Knife, "Keen Kutter," two blades | 70 | 28 Sewing Machine, first class, with all attachments | 1500 |
| 11 Butcher Knife, "Keen Kutter," 8-inch blade | 75 | 29 Revolver, Colt's, best quality | 1500 |
| 12 Shears, "Keen Kutter," 8-inch, nickel | 75 | 30 Rifle, Winchester, 16-shot, 22-cal | 1500 |
| 13 Nut Set, Cracker and 6 Picks, silver | 80 | 31 Shot Gun, double barrel, hammerless, stub twist | 2000 |
| 14 Nail File, sterling silver, amethyst set, 6-inch | 100 | 32 Guitar (Washburn), rosewood, inlaid with mother-of-pearl | 2000 |
| 15 Tooth Brush, sterling silver, amethyst set, 6-inch | 100 | 33 Bicycle, standard make, ladies' or gents' | 2500 |
| 16 Paper Cutter, sterling silver, amethyst set, 7-inch | 100 | BOOKS—30 choice selections—same as last year's list, 40 tags each. | |
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| 18 Watch, stem wind and set, guaranteed good time keeper | 250 | | |

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Church Directory.

Baptist—Each First Sabbath at 11 a. m., and at night. At Methodist Church.

Eld. G. C. Berryman, Pastor.

Christian—Services on Second Sunday in each month at 11 a. m. and at night, at School House.

Rev. Hooton, Pastor.

Methodist Episcopal South—Services Third Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., and night.

Eugene T. Bates, P. C.

Methodist Protestant—Services on Fourth Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., and at night, at Methodist Church.

A. S. Miller, Pastor.

Methodist Sabbath School at 3 p. m. each Sunday.

J. C. Turner, Supt.

Primitive Baptist—Second Sunday and Saturday before in each month at Valley View School house.

Old Graham, Pastor.

Plan of Robert Lee Circuit of the M. E. Church South.

FIRST SUNDAY—Bronte 11 a. m. & 7:30 p. m.

SECOND SUNDAY—Rock Springs 1 a. m.; New Hope 3 p. m. and at Olga 7:30 p. m.

THIRD SUNDAY—Robert Lee 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

FOURTH SUNDAY—Saneo 11 a. m. and at Hayrick 3:30 p. m.

Eugene T. Bates, P. C.

Eld. G. C. Berryman, Baptist, preaches at cedar Hill school house on Second Sunday and Saturday before in each month.

Eld. Walker W. Smith's appointments: Indian creek School house third Sunday and Saturday before in each month. Antioch Church, Rock Springs school house on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before, at 11 a. m. and at night.

Eld. A. M. Luckey's appointments: Bronte—Third Sunday and Saturday before, 11 a. m. and night. Valley View—First Sunday at 11 a. m.

Tennyson—Fourth Sunday 11 a. m. Saturday night.

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Bronte News.

Correspondent.

The blizzard is over. The best weather we have experienced in eleven years. This cold spell was a record breaker for this country, the thermometer, last Saturday night, dropped to 10 degrees below zero. The wind, slightly snow laden, seemed to whiz around every hole or crack and take a special delight in nipping folks' noses, chilling their ears and making their toes feel as though they had been steeped in ice or bit by an "oposum." The ice on the Colorado river is thick enough for stock, cattle and horses, to walk on without breaking through.

The London Astrologer thus forecast, Feb. 11th, court, marry and push thy business. Afternoon 12th (Sunday) keep quiet. 13th, deal with women but do not marry. I think every one who undertakes to observe Astrologer Zadhiele's advice on the 12th will be liable to freeze, and latter part of 13th would be almost impossible to observe, if she would only say "yes" to ye scribe.

Mr. J. B. McCutchen, W. W. McCutchen, Forrest Clark, Geo. Keesee, Valdimir Key went to Ballinger.

Jesse Black, Alex Eubanks and wife went to San Angelo last week, and they didn't have a "hot time" either.

Mr. John Sparkman and wife, of Baird, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Scott. Mr. Sparkman being a railroader happened to the misfortune to get his hand badly crushed, necessitating a month or two lay off.

Mr. Tom Keesee is taking up a collection for the purpose of building a cistern for the Bronte school building, which will cost \$50.00.

A 14 ft. well, of Mr. G. W. Woullard, which affords plenty of water, was frozen 4 inches.

Mr. A. J. Pettitt is pasturing 100 head of steers for M. H. O'Daniel.

Robbins Bros. are carrying a \$3,500 stock of Dry Goods and Groceries.

Bronte has a grand future.

Mr. Pink Eaton, our gin-ner, blacksmith, and miller, has ginned 465 bales of cotton up to date; ginned a bale today (Monday) for Mr. Doc Fletcher.

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M. B. Ulmer sold to W. E. Ingram 35 steer yearlings at 13.00 a round.

W. R. Pressler sold to W. E. Ingram 6 steer yearlings at 13.00 a round.

L. F. Scarborough sold to W. E. Ingram 15 steer yearlings at 13.00 a round.

B. W. Bilbo sold to W. E. Ingram 15 steer yearlings at 13.00 a round.

B. A. Taylor bought 20 steer yearlings from C. F. Ainsworth at \$12.00 a round.

C. Baker sold to B. A. Taylor 7 steer yearlings at 11.00 a round.

D. E. Saynor sold to B. A. Taylor 16 head steer yearlings at 12.00 a round.

J. H. Allison sold to B. A. Taylor 14 steer yearlings at 12.00 a round.

Walter Perry sold to W. E. Ingram 9 head steer yearlings at 12.50 a round.

J. H. Campbell sold to W. E. Ingram 12 steer yearlings at 13.00 a round.

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Feb. Term 1899.

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Notice.

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M. H. Davis, Ex Officio Co. Supt.

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