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**FOR WOMEN AND HOME**

**ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR MAID AND MATRONS.**

**Some Current Notes of Fashion—A Ball Gown for a June Bride—A Summer Promenade Toilet—Sun Bonnets Are Now All the Rage.**

**Over a Little Bed at Night.**  
 Good-night, pretty sleepers of mine—  
 I never shall see you again;  
 Ah, never in shadow nor shine;  
 Ah, never in dew nor in rain!

In your small dreaming-dresses of white,  
 With the wild-bloom you gather'd to-day  
 In your quiet shut hands, from the light  
 And the dark you will wander away.

Though no graves in the bee-haunted  
 Grass,  
 And no love in the beautiful sky,  
 Shall take you as yet, you will pass,  
 With this kiss, through these tear-drops,  
 Good-bye!

With less gold and more gloom in their  
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 When the buds near have faded to flow-  
 ers,  
 Three faces may wake here as fair—  
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**Origin of Famous Fashions.**  
 It is a singular fact in the history of fashions that not a few of the more famous of them owe their origin to the endeavor to conceal a personal defect or deformity of some distinguished leader of society. Patches were invented in England in the reign of Edward VI. by a foreign lady, who in this manner ingeniously covered a wen on her neck. Full bottomed wigs were invented by an ingenious French barber for the purpose of concealing an unnatural protuberance on the shoulder of the Dauphin. Charles VII. of France introduced long coats to hide his ill-made legs. Shoes with very long points, fully two feet in length, were invented by Henry Plantagenet, Duke of Anjou, to conceal a large excrescence on one of his feet. When Francis I. was obliged to wear his hair short, owing to a wound he received in the head, short hair at once became the fashion at his court. As a set-off to the examples quoted, we may note that, not to conceal, but to display, her charms, the beautiful Isabella of Bavaria, introduced the fashion of leaving the shoulders and part of the neck uncovered, in order to show the remarkable fairness of her skin.

**Sun Bonnets the Rage.**  
 Sun bonnets of every description are seen in the shops and exchanges, and there is no doubt that they are to be the rage. The average outdoor girl must possess at least half a dozen of these creations. In the country they are indispensable. Sometimes she fashions them herself, but this is no small task, and requires time and taste and skill.

Nothing could be more becoming and picturesque than some of the lovely combinations of muslin, lace and ribbon which are already shown. They are in plain colors, or flowered in bright or pale colors, to suit every taste. Some are soft and drooping, and others are made on stiffened forms. They have strings, or they have not, but the strings, if there, are unlikely ever to be tied. It would seem to indicate that the summer girl intends to pay some regard to her complexion and not go hatless in the sun, as she did last season.

**Bodice Trimmings.**  
 Among the various odd effects produced on the modern bodices is the use of white pique with a coarse, heavy cord. This appears on the new foulards, the daintiest non's vellin, and crepes de chine in a chemisette, a wide collar, or an inner or second vest peeping out on either side of the front over a lace or embroidered satin vest and cut in scallops on the edge, finished with a full ruche of white chiffon. Scallops, by the way, are seen everywhere that an edge is presented which can be cut in scallops. It is a favorite mode of finishing the overdresses and the bottom of short jackets, and some of the ruffles are cut in scallops. You may have them deep or shallow, as you fancy, and trim them round with ruchings, insertions or knife-plaitings.

**Marketing in Cuba.**  
 Probably one of the most peculiar customs noticeable in the Cuban markets is the extremely small purchases—small in quantity—made by the lower class of natives. Small gourd cups, holding scarcely more than a tablespoonful, are used in measuring rice, flour, beans and peas. Cabbages are cut in wedges the size of a cigar, turnips into eighths, squashes into minute shunks, and onions into halves. Potatoes are sold by numbers.

It is no uncommon thing to see a woman buy a piece of meat, weighing a couple of ounces, then pass through the market purchasing a tablespoonful of vegetables here and a piece of garlic there, and, finally after an hour of

**PROMENADE TOILET.**



A dainty spring-like air pervades the charming toilet which is here shown, made of green and white figured India silk, a removable stock of velvet in a deeper shade of green, and a green leather belt fastened with a fancy buckle being natty accessories. The shirt waist displays a pointed yoke that is applied on the back, which is plaited at the waist line. The fullness at the top of the fronts is laid in narrow box plaits, box plaited effects being in high favor this spring. Link cuffs with rounding corners complete the sleeves.

Decidedly original are the lines of the skirt, which is of circular shaping. The novel feature of the mode is the rippling circular ruffle that outlines an oval panel at each side. The fullness at the back is folded in an under box plait. One of the fancy lace cravats or scarfs may replace the stock of the shirt waist, which may be made of silk, soft woollens or washable fabrics. A neat device for a skirt of novelty goods made up by the mode is to line the ruffles with plain silk of some contrasting shade. The jaunty hat is picturesquely and becomingly trimmed.

gossip, depart with food products worth five or six cents.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

**A June Bride's Gown.**  
 Whatever else can be said in favor of summer bridal gowns, it cannot be truthfully asserted that they are inexpensive. The idea is to have them as ethereal and fairylike as possible, and this means a small fortune. In a marvelously beautiful bridal gown designed for a Newport heiress the tradition-



al saying, "Something old, something new, something borrowed and something blue" is originally carried out. The gown consists of an overdress of fine organdie, so delicate that it looks like a mist. This is worn over a lining of thin silk which is itself lined with Oriental blue silk. The organdie and white silk being partly transparent, the blue casts a tint to the gown that is indescribable. The front of the skirt is embroidered with white ribbon, while the sides and back are covered with vertical ruffles of narrow, Valen-

ciennes lace. The bodice has a yoke of gulfure from which turn back revers trimmed with lace ruffles. The belt is of white ribbon and fastens invisibly at the back without loops or ends.

**The "Roxane" Hat.**  
 One of the smartest types of hat is covered on brim, inside out, and to the tip-top of the crown, with rows on rows of lace. Just about June the lace hat, which in Paris is called the "Roxane," will begin to make its influence felt. Any woman who knows anything of style and dainty needlework can make her own Roxane, by buying a becoming shape of white wire, covered with coarse muslin, and on to this frilling deep cream Mechlin that comes at 15 and 20 cents a yard by way of bargain counter. All she need do when the hat becomes a fluffy mass of lace frills is to wreath pale pink or mauve carnations, with bows of black velvet ribbon, round the crown; in such an inexpensive piece of headgear she is fit to appear before a queen.

**Buckles and Buttons.**  
 Large buckles are placed on bodices of evening gowns and also hold up tunic draperies. Some are square, while others are heart-shaped, and they are chiefly of gold, dull-finished silver, diamonds or steel. Tortoise shell ornaments are extensively used for the decoration of cloth costumes. Small gold buttons are much used by French ateliers on toilets of ceremony, built of lace, net, mousseline de soie, crepe de chine and silk. Crystal buttons are very fashionable and steel embroideries are employed to decorate white lace, tulle and cloth costumes.

**Refreshing.**  
 "Dickie, what did your mamma say when she saw us coming along the walk?"  
 "She said, 'Well, well, who on earth has your father-picked up now?'"—Aitchison Globe.

**Doubtful Anatomy.**  
 Dorothy (on being asked to define a hoof)—It's a cow's finger nail that grows all the way round her foot.

**FARM AND GARDEN.**

**MATTERS OF INTEREST TO AGRICULTURISTS.**

**Some Up-to-Date Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Yields Thereof—Horticulture, Viticulture and Floriculture.**

**Plague of Foreign Weeds.**  
 If we had only to contend with weeds native to this country, the task would be a comparatively light one. The weeds brought in from across the oceans have proved to be our greatest enemies and the most difficult to eradicate. The change of soil and climate has seemed in many instances to give them increased powers of living and developing. Where at home they receive little attention on account of their little aggressiveness, in their new habitat they spread and take possession of the earth to such an extent that it sometimes seems as if man must be vanquished in his conflict with them. In the list of 200 weeds of the United States published in the Year-Book of 1895, 108 species are of foreign origin. Of these 108, 64 are natives of Europe and 20 have come to us through Europe, though they probably originated in Asia. Two only of these came to us directly from Asia. From South America we have received about a dozen weeds, most of which are as yet known only in our gulf states.

As the star of empire is said to hold its way westward, so also weeds seem to have a tendency to work westward more than eastward. It is a fact that the weeds passed from Asia to Europe and from Europe to America and from America across the Pacific to New Zealand and Australia. Less than half a dozen American weeds have become troublesome in Europe, which is very remarkable considering the fact of our constant shipments of grain to Europe. Only three or four species from west of the Mississippi have become distributed through the eastern states, and only one or two have entered the country from the Pacific coast.

This may be due to a number of causes. The greatest would seem to be the extension westward of cultivated areas. The newly cultivated lands may prove more susceptible to seizure by the weeds than the lands that have been tilled for centuries and ages. Another cause may be the poor cleaning of seed from Europe due to their possession of poorer machinery and the fact that in the advance line of agriculture machinery for cleansing is so generally possessed that the seed sent to Europe contains few weed seeds. A third reason may be that there is found less waste ground in Europe than in America, on which the weeds can get a foothold. We must, however, admit that these reasons do not entirely satisfy us as to the causes of so general a westward movement of weeds.

**How to Raise Corn.**  
 If you have a good bed of loose dirt and cultivate right, you can raise corn, says a contributor to Indiana Farmer. The first thing is to break your ground nine inches deep. Then harrow and drag until the ground is loose as deep as you plowed it, unless it is a heavy sod; then you don't have to work it so deep. I would lay the ground off in rows three and one-half feet wide and make a good furrow with the single plow. I would plant one grain of corn every twenty inches; then take your steel spike-tooth harrow. Go the first time the same way that you planted, just as the corn comes through the ground. Then in about a week, with your harrow, go crosswise the piece; then take the cultivator and plow deeper the first time than any other; the second time a little shallower than the first. I would plow as many as five times; once every week. I prefer level cultivation. Then, after I am through plowing, and when most of our farmers have laid their corn by, I take a drag that weighs about 100 pounds and is three feet wide and run through every balk, every other week until my corn begins to get into hard roasting-ear condition.

**Pruning and Transplanting Young Trees**  
 From Farmers' Review: A large proportion of the trees that are lost in resetting die because they have been injured when they were taken up. In digging up the trees the surface soil should be removed to the root system, then a trench dug around the tree outside the mass of roots; then by cutting under the roots with a sharp spade on each side, the tree may be loosened from the soil with a good supply of young, growing roots. If the tree is large, the trench must be made around the roots to the depth of the lowest, and the roots gradually loosened and freed from the soil. No matter how carefully a tree is dug, many of the young feeding roots will be injured or destroyed. Thus only a small amount of sap can be supplied to the branches and buds, which nevertheless continue to evaporate a large amount of water; thus the tree often starts very slowly, and sometimes fails entirely. By removing the branches and buds in proportion to the injury of the roots a balance is maintained. All in-

jured roots should be cut off clean with a knife, and the wounds of large roots should be painted over with some waterproof covering. When trees are planted the roots should have a fine, mellow bed of soil, which should be pressed firmly in contact with every fiber, leaving no air space around them, and all should be spread out in natural position. The soil should be pressed very firmly around all the roots, so that the new roots will be encouraged to make a rapid growth. If the soil in which the tree is planted is the same as the one from which it is taken, the tree should be set the same depth as it was before it was removed. If the soil is heavier, the tree should be shallower; if lighter, it should be placed deeper. The surface of the soil which is over the roots should be fine and light, because the capillarity is then broken up and the moisture cannot escape.

**The Lost Crop.**  
 From Farmers' Review: The losing of this year's crop may not be an unmitigated calamity to the fruit grower. If he gives his orchards the right kind of treatment, in a year from now he will see that they will be in better condition for further bearing than they would have been had they been allowed to go on and bear their usual heavy crop. But this will largely depend upon how the orchard is managed, and there are a number of things that must be attended to.

First, all the dead wood must be cut away, and some that is not dead, in order that the remaining parts of the tree may be able to make a more vigorous start in the spring.

Second, all the pruned-off wood, whether in the orchard or small fruit plantation, should be burned to destroy any insect or disease that may infect it.

Third, the spraying must not be abandoned because the crop has failed. Begin in time and spray just as faithfully as though expecting a big crop of fruit. Spraying is likely to be very effective this year, if the directions on pruning and burning are carried out, because the parts of the tree carrying the diseases and insects have been largely destroyed. There will be, consequently, fewer enemies left to combat.

Fourth, the cultivation should be thorough and good. This is necessary in order that the tree may have sufficient food supply for the vigorous growth which it should make.

These attentions are all necessary to assist the tree in its recuperation.

**Top Dressing Rye to Plow Under.**  
 The plan of top dressing rye with manure is a good one, providing the manure can be spread. The rye will be benefited by the manure as a mulch as well as by its fertilizing properties. There will still be considerable virtue left in the manure for the corn crop that is to follow. The amount of the same will be in proportion to the rainfall and to the condition of the manure when it was applied. The more rain and the finer the manure when applied the more will its enriching properties be worked down into the soil. But spreading the manure on the rye, and when it grows up in the spring plowing under both manure and rye the influence on the corn would be very beneficial. The aim in applying manure in our climate should be to make it act as a mulch as well as a fertilizer.—Farm, Stock and Home.

**Potash in the Soil.**—The farmer who usually puts on 20 loads or tons of stable manure to the acre may think it would be expensive to add to that a dressing of 2,000 pounds of acid phosphate and 1,000 pounds of potash salts, but it should be remembered that in the above estimate no allowance is made for phosphoric acid or potash in the soil. Very few fields are so destitute of potash as to need the full amount indicated. The fermenting or rotting of so much manure in the soil would liberate potash which is now in an insoluble form, so that the plants could take it up, and we may leave it to future generations to supply it when we have exhausted the soil supply.—Ex.

**Kedzie's Spraying Mixture.**—The spraying mixture formula by Professor Kedzie of the Michigan agricultural college is as follows: Boll two pounds of white arsenic and four pounds of salisoda for fifteen minutes in two gallons of water. Put into a jug and label "poison," and lock it up. When you wish to spray slake two pounds of lime and stir it into forty gallons of water, adding a pint of the mixture from the jug. The mixture in the jug will cost 45 cents, and this is enough for 800 gallons or 20 barrels of spray. These 20 barrels will require 40 pounds of lime, which will cost 20 cents more, making the total cost 65 cents for 20 barrels, or 3¼ cents per barrel.

**Grafting.**—Plums and cherries should be grafted as early in March as it can be done, regardless of the weather that follows. I have grafted them in February and the weather went below zero afterward. Apples can be grafted later, just before the buds start.—J. Sexton.





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 Ladies Donna Button Shoes, solid leather out and out, nicely finished leather lined inner sole, perfectly flexible, the best seller we have and leader at \$1.45 the stamped price is \$2.00.  
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 Misses' Slippers at 35c  
 Men's Satin Calf Bels, solid leather inner outer soles at \$1.25  
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The "School Exhibition" was "the thing" last week and every body was there and enjoyed every thing. The room was filled to its utmost capacity and every one knows how many people the Court House will hold. Fair ladies and brave men from all over the County were present to witness the closing exercises of our High School. It is safe to say that the Court house had never been so nicely decorated in so short a time. When the curtains arose the stage looked like a modern drawing room and we are sure that when Prof. Gardner and his pupils looked down on the sea of faces, they felt that their efforts in the educational line were appreciated by the Robert Lee public. The Tableau, "Faith, Hope, and Charity" was a masterpiece and headed the list of tableaux. Two comic dialogues were presented each "brought down the house." A number of little people recited and considering their ages, did remarkably well. Little Miss Ella Blackwell, a visitor from Edith, recited "The Blue Hero" with a tender pathos that will linger long in our minds. The Exhibition lasted till after 11 P. M. when the song "Good Night" was sung which was a signal that the entertainment was over. Every one was satisfied and we suppose had pleasant dreams the remainder of the night.

### Mill Grinds

at Robert Lee, on Saturday before the first Sunday in each month.

L. H. McDorman.

Hardy Higgins and Mr. Shaw now make alternate trips to Ballinger.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Eli Rambo, on the 10th instant, a 10 lb. boy. Dr. Martin says Eli will recover.

Elder J. B. Hooten preached an interesting sermon at the school house last Sunday morning, on the subject, "The Law of the Spirit of Life", with Romans 1st Chapter 16th and 17th verses. The house was well filled and good attention prevailed. His subject at night was "The new Birth."

All members of Hayrick Lodge No. 636 are requested to be in attendance tomorrow night, for the purpose of electing officers.

Mrs. L. H. Brightman and children are having the measles.

For sale, 4 good barrels. Inquire of Dr. G. W. Martin.

Ten or twenty men are working on the school house.

Prof. Ross was in town Wednesday.

Our Tennyson correspondent has so far failed to enclose his name. Please do so.

Larkin Hayley is rusticated in the country for a few days.

Died, At 3 P. M. on June 12th the little 3 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Blackwell, who live on the divide near J. W. Ashurst's. The RUSTLER extends condolence to the bereaved family.

Mr. John Cawley was in town Wednesday and informed us that he had sold all his cattle to Knox Garfield and Tol Cawley.

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### LOCAL CHIPS.

W. B. Jones, Tennyson's Post Master, was in town Tuesday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Scarborough were in town Tuesday.  
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hughes, on Tuesday, June 13th, a boy, Dr. Toliver in attendance.  
 Stop at the Webb Hotel when in Lee.  
 From all over Coke we hear of splendid crop prospects.  
 The RUSTLER a year for the largest water melon between now and October the 1st.  
 The celebrated Botanic Medicine for sale by W. L. Hayley and Co's.  
 Misses Maggie Williams, Emma Stickney, Lillie Trammell, and Mr. Thomas Hooten and Prof. Thomas called on the RUSTLER Monday afternoon.  
 The site for the big school house has been laid off for the foundation and work commenced. Lumber began to arrive last Saturday.  
 When you drive over to Ange, lo, stop at Finch's Wagon Yard next to Hotel San Angelo.  
 Mr. M. Walden who has resided in Rannels County some twenty years has moved to Coke. He lives at the Bud Wigan place which he recently purchased.  
 J. L. Barron and H. H. Pearce have had their "farms" plowed.  
 J. R. Patteson has a fine growing crop of beans on his farm near the M. E. Church.  
 The County Commissioners met last Monday as a "board of tax equalization."

Eld. Jno. Hooten will commence a protracted meeting at Bronte on Friday night before the fourth Sunday in June, to continue ten days.  
 Mr. French, a handsome young lawyer from Cherokee Co. is prospecting in Coke this week.  
 Plenty of screw worm medicine at W. L. Hayley and Co.  
 Mr. Charlie Perry who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Good, of the Bronte country, has returned.  
 W. R. Boykin was seen in town Tuesday.  
 Mr. Ralph Wallace, of San Angelo, ex-soldier, is visiting Col. Dennis Maddox.  
 Arkansaw Smith says "I sell groceries for cash and cash talk. You are not paying anybody else bills when you trade with him for they all pay cash and are happy."  
 Mr. Norman of McCulloch Co. was prospecting in Coke several days last week but had not located last week heard.  
 Mr. Henry Cook and brother from Decker, came down one day last week to hear from their brother who is under Dr. Marberry's care. This once instance when the telephone saved a long ride.  
 A few croquet sets and hammocks for sale at Hayley & Co's.  
 J. M. and Will Ginnels and their families attended the Christian services here Sunday.  
 Arkansaw Smith sold 1000 sacks of flour, last month, and made 5 cts. on the sack. Cash talk! It cost nothing to price goods at his store. Be sure and see him before you buy.

Bronte News.  
 The telephone posts have reached Bronte. Rah for Bronte! the new Hotel will soon be completed.  
 We have had so much rain, the farmers are behind with their work, however with a few days fair weather they will gain victory over the weeds, and will be ready for another shower of rain.  
 Quite a number of young people from Bronte attended the exhibition and picnic at Robert Lee, express themselves as having a nice time and were well entertained by the good people of Robert Lee.  
 Mr. Editor you make a mistake in thinking that Mr. Robert Cumbie is coming to see the minister in Robert Lee, when he gets ready for the minister, one trip will be all that he will make.  
 A Mr. Coates from Albany, is here in the interest of the N. Y. life insurance Co., since long life may be denied us, we should do something to show that we had lived.  
 Mr. J. D. O'Daniel Sr. and wife went to Ballinger this week, on business, and also to visit relatives.  
 Mr. Clemmons, of Valley View, visited relatives in East Bronte Sunday.  
 Several of Bronte's nice young gentlemen attended the musical entertainment, at Mr. and Mrs. Robinson's, of Ft. Chadbourne, last Saturday night, and feasted on the nice cakes and pleasant smiles of the many pretty young ladies.  
 Mr. Homer H. Clark one of FL

Chadbourne's nice young men has employment with his uncle Dr. Clark.  
 Prof. Kellum and Prof. Dawn, of Dallas, will begin a vocal and instrumental school in Bronte, July the 16th providing they can get pupils sufficient to justify.  
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Next saw J. Q. (Red) Robinson pushing his crop, but has made peace with Live Oak as well as the Yanks. Next D. A. McGary, who will now read the RUSTLER.

R. F. Lambert also wanted the RUSMLER for his girls to read.

Also, J. D. Pruitt concluded he could not do without the RUSTLER. Ed Rawlings takes the RUSTLER, but did not want any trees. Drove over to uncle Reubin Richards who is as jolly as a boy, and camped with him, an old time friend of many years ago, his daughter Mrs. Falcher, when she gets her new house built wants a new machine and a first class one.

June 1st. Mrs. Cap. J. P. Hutchison concluded that they would like to have the Rustler and it now goes to the Captain. Brother L. P. Holman, at the old Hutchison place, also took the RUSTLER, and we enjoyed a pleasant conversation and dinner with him and family. Next place was W. Pruitt, where we had been directed to go, by his brother the day before but he had been to Lee on Monday and subscribed for the Rustler, and we were left, but not entirely, as he gave an order for shrubbery to put on his father and mother's grave in the Bronte cemetery.

On we sped, saw Bro. Cumbie's son plowing, said his father was not well, had been very sick.

And on to Bronte, brother Robbins was full of trade but it would not come out.

On down the river we went until we drew up at J. C. Woods, in Runnels Co., sister Wood said get out and we did; said take out your horses and that was done. Bro. Caperton, her father, soon came along and said he wanted the RUSTLER that he liked Coke County; next morning Mr. Wood said he wanted the RUSTLER and did not care if his wife did buy a machine, she is teaching a music class and expects to make the money; so we closed the trade, we then was unloaded, and away to the P. O. to mail back letters to Lee; and Mrs. Marshall gave us a note for Decoration at Ballinger the next Sunday and we did the best we could and on for home.

Met two outfits going to Coke, prospecting, the last at Valley Creek, Mr. W. C. McGough, an old cattleman and frontiersman, was over this country Aug. 1867 there on Valley Creek where we were, up to old Ft. Chadbourne then deserted, and not a soul there, houses were all standing, furniture, stoves, and everything except eatables, a city deserted; trailed some cattle down Oak Creek to near its mouth and killed one for beef and went on over to Concho just below the forks; caught lots of fine fish in Concho, and got plenty of Pecans, there were 8 in their crowd. He had a comrade with him prospecting, also Stephens of Hayrick, had fell in with them; and as I drove up called to me to get out and help them eat dinner as they had it about ready. We then went on home, thinking Coke County a nice, pleasant place to canvass, and it was settled by old-time hospitable people, and that they appreciated their County paper.

And made us in a better humor when we got in Ballinger we stopped at Mrs. E. E. Hardgrave's, where we had at her request, left a fine Singer Sewing Machine Saturday, May 20th, just as we were starting to Coke, and after two weeks trial along side of two others of different make, and a much smaller price, she had sent them back and was ready to take the Singer at \$65.00 a cash trade payment and the trade was closed and the Rustler got home all right.

**Society Notes**

On the evening of the 8th inst. Prof. Gardner's pupils persuaded him to have a picnic next day, this accounts for the absence of any one from a distance, but quite a nice little crowd from Lee assembled on Mountain creek about 12 mile from town, where they enjoyed a splendid dinner. In the afternoon the children amused themselves by rambling over the hills, swinging, and fishing, some of the older ones also indulged in the fishing sport.

Mr. Pros. Storks, from Bronte seemed to entertain several of our young ladies very agreeably.

Among the visitors were Mrs. Walling and children, from Edith, Mrs. Mays from Bronte, Fred and Ella Blackwell, and Miss Helen Latham.

Mr. Fred Lewis, one of Robert Lee's handsome young men made a business trip to Augo this week.

The musical entertainment and social given at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. A. L. Lewis's, on last Friday evening, was enjoyed by all who attended, which was a large crowd of Robert Lee young people. The instrumental music rendered by Messers, John Gardner, and Fred Lewis, was very much appreciated by all.

Among the young people from Sanco who attended the school entertainment were as follows Messers, Walter Perry, Frank Pressler, Walter Scarborough, and Misses, Daisy Perry Ora, and Ara Campell.

Mr. Wallace, a good looking young man from San Angelo is in our little city visiting Mr. Dennis Maddox, this week.

Prof. O. W. Gardner is attending the San Angelo summer normal now.

Miss Alvia Ingram one of Robert Lees most charming young ladies left for Whitesborough a few days since where she will attend a summer school, accompanied on part of her journey by her father and mother.

Miss Maggie Williams, who has been the past four montas in our little city returned home this week, to the regret of her many friends.

Mr. Jack Couch formerly of this place, but who is now living at Bronte, was here attending the closing exercise of school last week, his many friends were glad to see him in our town once more.

Mr. Bird a handsome young man from Bronte was in our little city visiting last week.

The closing of the High School attracted our social people on Thursday night the 8th instant.

Mr. Frank Presslar and Miss Daisy Perry, from Sanco, attended "Commencement" last week.

Among others who were here on the 8th were Prof. J. A. Thomas and Miss Boring.

The Sanco, Bronte, and Hayrick young men are all popular with the Robert Lee people.

The Robert Lee boys are in the lead in the "rural districts", we hear.

Messers, Will and Bob Cumbie, John Gardner and Fred Lewis formed a lively quartette in the string band business here on the night of the 8th.

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