

# THE COKE COUNTY RUSTLER.

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## New Goods.

Look for our circular and complete price list, also our salesman who will visit your town in a few days with line of samples and take your order and deliver the goods at your door at the same price you would pay for them in San Angelo.

Owing to our not having in all of our goods, cannot give price list now. Look for the WOODEN MAN SIGN in front of our store. We have placed this as a guide to those that cannot find our place of business, or remember the name. Think of the Wooden Man Sign, and you have the right place.

## Millinery : Millinery:

We are better able than ever to please you in this line, as we have employed one of the finest trimmers in the State she having worked in St. Louis and other large cities for a number of years, so do not fail to attend our opening, which will be on the 20th or 25th. Will announce later the days.

Other states that no great benefits follow except those versed there acquainted with the great thereof. "In counties that navigation has made them, and what would it do for Texas, traversing sources soon the

Dear RUSTLER.

As I have been silent a long time, I thought a few lines would be proper.

We have just had a fine rain which will help the fall crops so much; the tanks are all full of water now. The good people of Silver met at Silver school house last Sunday, and organized a Missionary Baptist Church, 3 candidates are awaiting baptism.

Mr. Will Jameson is visiting in Borden Co. this week.

Mr. John Padgett and family also Mr. Miller and family of Gonzales Co. are visiting Mr. J. N. Padgett this week.

Mr. J. I. Westfall, of Nauhattie, attended Church at Silver last Sunday.

Mr. F. O. McKnight of Colorado is visiting friends at Silver, this week.

Mr. G. W. Tubb and family have gone east to pick cotton this fall.

A few of the young people gathered in at Silver last Sunday night and had singing, among the crowd was Mr. Frank Stokes and Arthur Lawson, of Nauhattie.

Miss Ella Padgett is visiting Mrs. J. H. Key this week.

As cotton picking is the order of the day, your scribe will have to hunt a cotton sack and go to work.

So no more this time.

Guess Who.

From Sanco.

Mr. Editor:—

After 9 weeks lay off, the rain has returned to gladden the men who are short on stock-water, and on grass as well, but entirely too late for the cotton grower or rabbit twister of Coke County.

To help the water supply, Mr. Austin has just erected another wind mill. Also W. R. Presslar is putting in a wind mill, to bring the water where his stock can smell it, if no more.

Mr. H. L. Adams has considerably enlarged his residence on Yellow Wolf creek, near the Nelson Co. line.

A rich man died the other day. He died in the very midsummer of life, and he left his family \$1,000,000. The doctor's certificate showed that death resulted from typhoid fever. The doctor himself said to a friend: "That man was a suicide. He had a splendid constitution. I could have pulled him through if his stomach had been sound. But he ruined his stomach by hasty meals, snatched in intervals of business and by neglect of symptoms which have been warning him a year past, that his stomach was failing in its duties."



The symptoms of a disordered condition of the stomach and its related organs and nutrition are, among others, variable appetite, sour risings, heartburn, undue fullness after eating, dull headache, dingy complexion, discolored eye, fluctuations in physical strength, nervousness, sleeplessness, despondency. No one person will have all these symptoms at once, but any one of them calls for prompt aid for the suffering stomach.

The restoration of the stomach, digestive and nutritive organs to a condition of sound health, begins with the first dose of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. The cure progresses from that dose until the stomach and its related organs are in healthy operation. Then the nerves are quiet, the appetite healthful, the sleep restful, the eye bright, the complexion clear. In one word the body is in a condition of perfect health.

"I was troubled with indigestion about two years," writes Wm. Bowker, Esq., of Julietta, Latah Co., Idaho. "I tried different doctors and remedies but to no avail, until I wrote to you and you told me what to do. I suffered with a pain in my stomach and left side and thought that it would kill me. Now I am glad to write this and let you know that I am all right. I can do my work now without pain and I don't have that tired feeling that I used to have. Five bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and two vials of his 'Pleasant Pellets' cured me."

Don't let the dealer sell you a substitute, if you want a cure. Insist on having "Golden Medical Discovery."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets surpass all complexion powders. They make the skin healthy and the complexion clear.

Mr. Boone, from east Texas, was among us this week. He is enthusiastic in praising this country.

J. A. Tubb, from near Cedar Hill has been serving as juror this week.

Will Good, one of the witnesses in the Patman case was here this week.

Edd C. Good has been in town all week as a witness.

Hon. W. W. McCutchen spent a few days in the capital.

Bud and John Patman of Cass Co., were here looking after their criminal cases.

A "play party" at Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hayley's attracted all our young people last Friday night.

N. T. Phillips from up on the divide was in town this week. Subscribed for the Rustler.

Ben A. Taylor served as a juror here this week. He is an old time Rannels County man and paid his subscription in advance awhile.

Price Groceries with G. C. Lasswell.

For Sale: A half section of fine agricultural or grazing land, one and a half miles east of Hayrick Mountain. Fine water tank and other improvements. Can furnish feed to last a year if desired. For further particulars call on Rube E. Richards.

Hon. H. E. Dickenson, of Rannels Co., District Deputy Grand Master of Masons, visited and inspected our Masonic Lodge, last Saturday night. He complimented the Lodge in general and the Secretary in particular for having everything all right. Mr. Dickenson left many new friends here who will welcome him again.

Robert Lee's hotels have all been crowded to their utmost capacity this week.

## J. W. Reed & Co.

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## General Merchandise

## Leaders of Low Price

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## CENTRAL Wagon Yard

When you drive to San Angelo. Your teams will for. Feed stuff sold at lowest prices.

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Yours for business,

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## GROCERIES AND HARDWARE

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## Glassware and Novelties

Fancy Goods, Restaurant STOCK, Etc.

Feed, Dry Goods, variety of 5 and 10

Call and examine this stock and the prices.

Half gallon glass pitcher, 30 cents.

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## A BOON TO MANKIND!

## DR. TABLER'S BUCKEYE PILE



A New Discovery for the Certain Cure of INTERNAL

EXTERNAL PILES, WITHOUT PAIN.

CURES WHERE ALL OTHERS HAVE FAILED.

TUBES, BY MAIL, 75 CENTS; BOTTLES, 50 CENTS.

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## EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Ardmore, I. T., had a small cotton fire.

One new case of the bubonic plague has been reported at Oporto.

Cotton is being hauled to the southern seaports in goodly quantities.

Chief Justice Charles B. Roberts died at his home at Westminster, Md.

Admiral Sampson is to be placed in command of the Boston navy yard.

A serious fire broke out in Barbey, France, doing considerable damage.

Joseph was jailed at Guthrie, with murder committed

between the Griffin and in Kentucky has brok-

cial club, numbering

ers, has been organized at

Worth county, Georgia,

Johnson, the wife of a farm-

assaulted by two negroes.

ors of the Manhattan Rail-

company of New York have de-

clared a quarterly dividend of 1 per

cent.

Lookout Coal and Coke company, at

ttanooga, Tenn., recently organized

local capitalists, will be reorgan-

ized.

ight occurred at Naco, Ariz., be-

between cowboys and Mexican guards.

men were killed and several in-

jured on both sides.

Judge Johnson, in the district court

at Denver, Colo., delivered an opinion

declaring the prize-fighting law un-

constitutional and void.

At Fiskdale, Mass., Peter King,

while under the influence of liquor,

killed his father and mother and seriously

injured John, his brother.

The navy department has decided to

assign Rear Admiral Farquhar to com-

mand the North Atlantic station in

place of Rear Admiral Sampson.

Express train No. 19 on the Southern

life was robbed at Conchise, Ariz.,

four masked men, who blew the

open and took everything in

the train.

It is considered

that the French cham-

berlaines will not convene until

the month of Decem-

ber.

Jimenez has announced that if

president at San Domingo he

adjust the monetary situation

and apply justice to all wrong-

doings.

The annual meeting of the Atlanta

and West Point railroad was held at

Atlanta, Ga. A dividend of 25 per cent

was declared from a surplus represent-

ing an accumulation of several years.

Seventeen steamers were unable to

leave the Tyne owing to the shipping

# TRUST CONFERENCE

## Thousands Attended the Meeting at Chicago.

### COL. WILLIAM J. BRYAN AND

#### W. Burk Cochran Make Speeches—The Noted Nebraskan Was Received With Tumultuous Applause.

Chicago, Sept. 18.—The conference on the uses and abuses of trusts closed its session here Saturday in a blaze of oratory in which Col. W. J. Bryan and W. Burk Cochran were the central figures. Mr. Cochran followed the noted Nebraskan, but disclaimed any intention of debating the conclusions of his immediate predecessor and declaring his complete concurrence in much that Mr. Bryan had said. The westerner had delivered the speech of the day during the forenoon amid frequent interruptions of tumultuous applause. Mr. Foulke of Indiana, commenting on the speech, made assertions which Mr. Bryan decided further to discuss. He was requested to take the stage and complied for the second time, facing a wildly enthusiastic house.

At the conclusion Mr. Cochran appeared and observed, "Just a few words."

The spectators wanted more and refused to subside until he had taken the platform. He agreed with Mr. Bryan, he said, but he wanted information. The crowd which greeted Col. Bryan when the doors were thrown open amounted almost to a mob. Central music hall was jammed from pit to gallery with admirers of the Nebraskan. When he had concluded his speech 80 per cent of the people except a few straggling spectators staid to listen to the remainder of the speeches.

Ex-Gov. Luce of Michigan was chairman of the committee and he rigidly adhered to the resolutions passed Friday in which it was resolved that no resolutions giving the sentiment of the conference on the trust problem should be presented or considered. The decision of the committee as submitted in Chairman Luce's report was unanimously adopted, as was a motion put before the house, thanking the Civic Federation for its entertainment of the delegates.

Other speakers during the day were J. H. Raymond, G. W. Northup, Jr., Prof. David Kinley, T. B. Waller, W. W. Howe, ex-Senator Blair of New Hampshire, Attorney General T. S. Smith of Texas, J. Dill, A. Copeland, W. D. Foulke, while many others took part in the discussion. It was decided that those who had prepared speeches but had not been allowed, owing to the limitations of the programme, to read them, should deliver them into the hands of the secretary Easley, to be published in book form, together with those which had been delivered from the stage.

At the adjournment many of the anti-trust delegates met in the Sherman house to formulate resolutions expressive of their views.

A dispatch from Vera Cruz, Mexico, says: There is a growing scarcity of beef here owing to the large exportation of cattle to Cuba ever since the war, and the price has risen to such a point that the poor people cannot afford to buy it. All over the country the price of beef has materially advanced.

#### To Appeal to the Powers.

London, Sept. 18.—It is supposed that next move contemplated by the Transvaal is an appeal to the powers, begging them to recommend arbitration on the lines of the conference at the Hague.

A dispatch from Charleston says the wildest rumors are current there, and that great alarm is felt owing to the unprotected state of the town, especially as Boer signalling is plainly visible on the adjacent mountains.

There was a serious disturbance on the market square of Johannesburg on Saturday afternoon. A meeting called by a labor agitator named Bain to condemn British policy and to enroll volunteers to fight for the Boers, led to serious fights with the police, lasting a couple of hours. Many persons were injured, among them the recently notorious Dr. Matthews, who made a charge against a mounted policeman. An immense crowd, singing "Rule Britannia," accompanied him to the police office.

#### A Bloody Riot.

Cartersville, Ill., Sept. 18.—A bloody riot occurred about noon yesterday in which seven negroes were killed and two others received slight injuries. The dead:

Rev. O. T. J. Floyd, Huse Bradley, John Black, Henry Barnum, Sam Cummins, Jim Hayes, unidentified negro.

The trouble grew out of the conflict which has existed all the summer between the white miners of this part of the state and negro non-union miners. Last night the situation was considered critical. Company C, fourth regiment Illinois national guard, arrived here yesterday evening under orders from Springfield, and will endeavor to preserve order. Its members are patrolling the streets, but the presence of the militia has not yet allayed the excitement. Forty miners from the Herrin mines, a few miles distant, armed with Krag-Jorgensen rifles, started for Cartersville to assist the white miners as soon as they heard of the outbreak of trouble with the negroes.

The latter are gathered at the Brush mines near the city, and are in a violent state of excitement because of the killing of their companions.

The presence of soldiers, however, may prevent them for carrying out any plan for revenge. Superintendent Donnelly of the Brush mines reports that he is doing all in his power to quiet the negroes.

The labor trouble here is closely associated with that at Pana, where conflicts between striking white miners and negro non-union miners resulted in considerable loss of life and made it necessary to keep several companies of state militia on duty for months. The trouble has lasted for over a year, and only last Monday had the conditions become peaceable enough to warrant the withdrawal by Gov. Tanner of the last company of militia. Since then the white miners of this place have refused to allow the negroes to come into town, always meeting them and ordering them back.

Yesterday, however, thirteen negroes, all armed, marched into town, going to the Illinois Central depot. It is claimed that their purpose was to take a train and leave Cartersville. The usual crowd of white miners gathered, however and a wordy quarrel began. While this was in progress some of the negroes pulled their pistols and fired into the crowd of whites. This was the signal for a volley from the latter, which brought down four negroes. All were instantly killed in the storm of bullets that followed the first shot from the blacks. This terrible execution caused the negroes to scatter and run, some fleeing up the Main street, while the remainder started down the railroad track. All who ran in the direction of the town escaped, the whites fearing to shoot in that direction because of the danger to the onlookers. The negroes who fled down the railroad track, however, were pursued with a merciless fire. Cummins had gone but a few feet when he fell headlong with wounds that caused his death in a few hours. Several of the negroes were seen to falter and were undoubtedly hit, but they continued to run for their lives. After the last had disappeared and comparative quiet was restored, two bodies of negroes were found just outside of town, making seven fatalities as the result of the fight. The dead were taken to the city hall, where an inquest was begun.

Ellas Hatfield was found guilty of murder in the second degree at Williamson, W. Va.

#### Bodies Exhumed.

Havana, Sept. 18.—The ceremony of exhuming the remains of Gen. Antonio Maceo and Francisco Gomez, son of Gen. Maximo Gomez, took place at Bejucal yesterday in the presence of a large concourse. Two thousand people went by special trains from Havana and as many more attended from the surrounding districts. Governor General Brooke was represented by Adjutant General Richards. The exhumation was followed by addresses. Gens. Gomez, Pedro, Betancourt and Rius Rivera, assisted by a committee composed of Adj. Gen. Richards and others, carried the remains to a temporary shrine. Gen. Rivera said: "In the presence of the sad remains of these Titan warriors, my grief overwhelms me. Maceo afforded an example of true patriotism to all lovers of Cuba. His poor body lies here, but his spirit is in the air, urging Cubans to imitate him in their readiness to die for their country. His remains will lie in a temporary abode until independence has been obtained as a permanent memorial. Let the Cubans strive to obtain that for which Maceo fought and died."

#### Canned Catfish.

Nearly all kinds of fish are canned to more or less extent except catfish, and these are to be similarly treated in a short time, as an Atlantic City expert and a party of fifty men from Philadelphia, have left for the Kissimmee river, Florida, to catch and can all they can get. There is no reason why catfish should not be sold as readily as salmon or any sea product. Salt water catfish are not to be used, because the skin cannot be separated from the body, and only those found in the fresh rivers and lakes in the South will be canned.

#### SUFFERED 25 YEARS.

In a recent letter to Dr. Hartman, Congressman Botkin says: "My Dear Doctor—It gives me pleasure to certify to the excellent curative qualities of your medicine—Pe-ru-na



Congressman Botkin, of Winfield, Kan., and Man-a-lin. I have been afflicted more or less for a quarter of a century with catarrh of the stomach and constipation. A residence in Washington has increased these troubles. A few bottles of your medicine have given me almost complete relief, and I am sure that a continuation of them will effect a permanent cure. Pe-ru-na is surely a wonderful remedy for catarrhal affections."

J. D. Botkin.

The most common form of summer catarrh is catarrh of the stomach. This is generally known as dyspepsia. Congressman Botkin was a victim of this disease twenty-five years. Pe-ru-na cures these cases like magic. Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus, O., for a free book.

The microbes that cause chills and fever and malaria enter the system through mucous membranes made porous by catarrh. Pe-ru-na heals the mucous membranes and prevents the entrance of malarial germs, thus preventing and curing these affections.

#### Pension Rolls Decreasing.

Captain A. J. Holt, pension agent for New England, has just completed his annual report to the department, and it shows a falling off of \$292,173 as compared with the sum paid to New England pensioners last year. There are 55,667 names on the rolls for that section, which is an increase of twelve over 1898, and these draw from the national treasury slightly more than \$7,000,000 a year. The decrease in amount will probably continue from this time on, and it is due to the fact that an invalid pensioner who drops from the rolls with a pension of from \$8 to \$72 per month may be succeeded by a widow whose pension cannot exceed \$8 per month.

#### PROGRESS.

With time, comes progress and advancement in all lines of successfully conducted enterprises. Success comes to those only who have goods with superior merit and a reputation. In the manufacture of laundry starch for the last quarter of a century J. C. Hubinger has been the peer of all others and today is placing on the market the finest laundry starch ever offered the public under our new and original method.

Ask your grocer for a coupon book which will enable you to get the first two large 10 cent packages of his new starch, RED CROSS, TRADE MARK brand, also two of the children's Shakespeare pictures painted in twelve beautiful colors as natural as life, or the Twentieth Century Girl Calendar, all absolutely free.

All grocers are authorized to give ten large packages of RED CROSS STARCH, with twenty of the Shakespeare pictures or ten of the Twentieth Century Girl Calendars, to the first five purchasers of the Endless Starch Chain Book. This is one of the grandest offers ever made to introduce the RED CROSS laundry starch, J. C. Hubinger's latest invention.

FITS Permanently Cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. King's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE \$4.00 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. R. H. KING, L.D.S., 931 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fortunately, after a man is dead, nothing can make him turn over in his grave.



### DR. MOFFETT'S TEETHINA

(Teething Powders.)

Costs only 25 Cents. Ask your Druggist for it.

## "Necessity is the Mother of Invention."

It was the necessity for a reliable blood purifier and tonic that brought into existence H. W.'s Sarsaparilla. It is a highly concentrated extract prepared by a combination, proportion and process peculiar to itself and giving to Hood's Sarsaparilla unequalled curative power.

### Hood's Sarsaparilla

NEVER DISAPPOINTS

The Dewey arch in New York is proving one of the most destructive engagements of the war. A fourth sculptor has been stricken down—Henry Balzer, who was modeling the medallion of Captain Lawrence of the Chesapeake. He had climbed the stairs to a station of the Elevated railway, Thursday morning, when he fell with a stroke of paralysis. He will not die, however.

A girl's idea of taking care of her brothers is to tell on them whenever they do anything a girl wouldn't do.

I believe my prompt use of Piso's Cure prevented quick consumption.—Mrs. Lucy Wallace, Marquette, Kan., Dec. 12, '96.

Musicians are as jealous of each other as undertakers.

Santa Fe Excursion Rates. Boston, Mass.—One and one-third fare for the round trip on the certificate plan. Account of the Farmers' National Congress to be held at Boston, Oct. 3 to 6.

Cincinnati, O.—One first-class standard fare for the round trip Oct. 10 and 11, limited for return to Oct. 23. Account of national convention of the Christian church.

Austin, Texas.—One fare for the round trip, limited for return Oct. 21. Account of state convention United Daughters of the South.

If the kidneys are diseased, the blood will be impure.

My wife had a severe case of Catarrh of the Bladder.

After using your medicine, she was cured.

At the time she was suffering from Catarrh of the Bladder, she was unable to walk without crutches.

All Intestinal Troubles Pre-vented by Ten cents worth of prevention saves for doctor bills and funeral expenses. 10c buys a box of Cascarets Candy Cathartic. Druggists, 10c, 25c.

The old story about the umpire beating our base ball club won't go any more.

The fiddler's price are not uniform; some men have to pay a life-time for a half hour's dancing.

Hall's Catarrh Cure. Price, 75c. Is a constitutional cure. Price, 75c.

All women are considered as good as the best; all men are considered as bad as the worst.

The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price, 50c.

Never ask questions of a man who is very busy, or of a woman who has pins in her mouth.

## Doctors Can't Cure It!

Contagious blood poison is absolutely beyond the skill of the doctors. They may dose a patient for years on their mercurial and potash remedies, but he will never be rid of the disease; on the other hand, his condition will grow steadily worse. S. S. S. is the only cure for this terrible affliction, because it is the only remedy which goes direct to the cause of the disease and forces it from the system.

I was afflicted with Blood Poison, and the best doctors did me no good, though I took their treatment faithfully. In fact, I seemed to get worse all the while. I took almost every so-called blood remedy, but they did not seem to reach the disease, and had no effect whatever. I was disheartened, for it seemed that I would never be cured. At the advice of a friend I then took S. S. S., and began to improve. I continued the medicine, and it cured me completely, building up my health and increasing my appetite. Although this was ten years ago, I have never yet had a sign of the disease to return.

W. R. NEWMAN, Staunton, Va.

It is like self-destruction to continue to take potash and mercury; besides totally destroying the digestion, they dry up the marrow in the bones, producing a stiffness and swelling of the joints, causing the hair to fall out, and completely wrecking the system.

## S.S.S. For the Blood

is guaranteed Purely Vegetable, and is the only blood remedy free from these dangerous minerals.

Book on self-treatment sent free by Swift Specific Company, Atlanta, Ga.

Rev. (now Bishop) Joseph S. Key, wrote: "We gave your TEETHINA (Teething Powders) to our little grandchild with the happiest results. The effects were almost magical and certainly more satisfactory than from anything we ever used."

If not kept by druggists mail 25 Cents to C. J. MOFFETT, M. D., St. Louis, Mo.

Shocked by Lightning.

Denton, Tex., Sept. 18.—A heavy rain began falling here at 3 o'clock yesterday morning and continued for more than two hours. From reports received here, the rain was general over the entire county, the first rain of that kind since the last of June. The last rain that fell here sufficient to lay the dust up to that which fell yesterday morning, was July 22, and that was accompanied by a heavy wind, which blew down a small building or two at the fair grounds, and also a great electrical display, one of the bolts of which struck W. T. Woodriddle's residence in the north part of town and splintered some of the timber of the porch. Mrs. Woodriddle and Mrs. Payton, who was visiting the former, were shocked by the current, which knocked both of them down, although the bad effects were only slight. Mr. Woodriddle stated yesterday morning that the house would have been ignited had it not been for the rain, which followed immediately after the bolt. The rain will do harm to the open cotton, but is of great advantage to the wheat interests, as it will loosen up the ground.

Brazos Navigation.

Quintana, Tex., Sept. 18.—Col. J. A. H. Hosack, formerly of Fort Worth, but now of Cleburne, in regard to the navigation movement, writes to Edwin Waller of this place that in the near future the Brazos river will be the key to the prosperity of the state and will control and influence what will be worth millions to our people. He further states that no one can tell what great benefits follow water navigation except those versed therein and well acquainted with the great advantages thereof. "In counties that were nothing navigation has made them prosperous, and what would it do for Central Texas, traversing a country of vast resources and as rich as the Nile, that soon will be by means of navigation the great delta of our state the rival of the world and the master of our commerce and trade? I know what will come to our state and people when the Brazos steamboats are plying their trade from Quintana to Waco, and it will not be long till that will be the case. It is only a question of a short time till the wants of the people from a stretch of country longer than from Houston to Morgan's point or Dallas to coast point in view will be served. There are good reasons for active work in the development of the Brazos navigation, for it will open up a trade that will benefit Texas and protect the traffic of our great commerce, which will put business in shape to soon claim that prosperity which will follow and action along the line among our people in congress and with our northwestern citizens be had to encourage and have early the benefits that will not be local or individual, but broad, national and universal to our country and people."

Pullman Porter Jailed.

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 18.—J. E. Batchman, colored, a Pullman porter, is in jail here to answer the charge of assaulting Joseph Qualey of San Francisco, the Pullman conductor. The trouble occurred a few miles east of San Antonio on the special bearing the thirty-third volunteers to San Francisco. The porter was accused of being intoxicated and states that the conductor kicked him. He became enraged and fought like a maniac, badly beating the conductor's face with his fist. Then he drew a knife, as alleged, and retreated to another car and defied arrest. Several soldiers with loaded guns and fixed bayonets finally arrested the negro. He was brought to this point under strong guard and jailed. The conductor was also relieved here by another man.

A Fatal Accident.

Center, Tex., Sept. 18.—Simon Mills met with a fatal accident at Estes sawmill, at Short, five miles south of here, Saturday evening. He went under the saw to clean out the sawdust and by some means got against the saw, which cut the back of his head to the brain and cut him between the shoulder, through the backbone lengthwise into the lungs. He lived only a few minutes.

Buying Corn.

Gainesville, Tex., Sept. 18.—E. P. Bomar will this winter feed between 10,000 and 1,000 head of cattle at the oil mill in this city. He is now buying corn and will continue to buy until he has secured 100,000 bushels. He is paying 20 cents per bushel for the corn. Mr. Bomar has also ordered a corn crusher with a capacity of 2500 bushels a day, which will be set up and put to running as soon as it arrives.

Chickasaw Lawmakers.

Denison, Tex., Sept. 15.—A telephone message yesterday afternoon from Tishomingo, I. T., states that the Chickasaw law makers were at work in earnest.

Something of a sensation was sprung in the house by the introduction of a bill yesterday morning proposing to raise the price of Chickasaw marriage licenses from \$50 to \$1000. Such a bill was before the legislature last winter and was defeated, but the bill proposed to raise the license to \$500 instead of \$1000.

Recently there have been a number of marriages in the Chickasaw country under the Chickasaw law of intermarried citizens, who have been living in marriage from ten to thirty years, where they were married under the laws of Texas, Arkansas or other states.

On account of the Dawes commission refusing to enroll intermarried citizens unless married under the Chickasaw laws, these citizens have secured a Chickasaw license and remarried under the Chickasaw law, so that both husband and wife might be enrolled as citizens and entitled to allotment, instead of the citizen by blood only.

So many marriages of this sort having been consummated within the past few weeks, some of the legislators will endeavor to raise the license to \$1000 as stated above, and shut off these intermarried citizens not married under the Chickasaw law, from their share in allotment of lands.

An important bill was passed by the legislature appropriating money to be used by the United States Indian agent in the removal of intruders in the nation. This will cover the case in future, and all persons failing or refusing to comply with permit or other tax laws of the nation will be removed from the nation by the United States Indian agent at the instance and upon complaint of the Indian authorities.

Good Crowd Present.

Denton, Tex., Sept. 15.—Although there was no special attraction at the fair grounds yesterday morning, still there was a good crowd out in the forenoon who spent their time in inspecting the various exhibits and looking through the stock and poultry departments.

This morning the second event in the roping contest will take place and those who are entered promise some fine sport. Will Kiser will also again give some of his fine exhibitions of rough riding and an interesting programme is expected. The contest will begin at 10 o'clock. The programme for to-day includes the show of horses, speed excluded: A. J. C. Jersey cattle, unregistered, Hereford cattle and Poland China hogs. The racing programme, which will begin at 2 o'clock is as follows: First race, running, three-fourths of a mile, all ages, purse \$150; second race, running, one-half mile dash, purse \$100; third race, running, four and a half furlongs, all ages, purse \$100; pace or trot, free for all, one mile heats, three in five, purse \$150.

The judges in the various departments have given out their awards on some of the entries and will probably finish up that work to-day.

The great number of exhibits, together with the variety thereof, has delayed the completion considerably of this branch, although the judges have been busy each day of the meeting.

At New York Cornelius Sprague, a jockey who fell from Julius Caesar, in a hurdle race at Gravesend, died.

Leaving for San Francisco.

San Antonio, Sept. 15.—The thirty-third United States volunteer infantry, which has been in camp here since Aug. 1, will leave to-day for San Francisco, the first step of their long journey to the Philippines.

One company of the regiment left here last night on the train containing the regiment equipment, baggage and officers' horses.

Four sections will be required to-day to transfer the remaining eleven companies.

The regiment broke camp this morning and will march to the depot at 2 o'clock this afternoon, the first train leaving here at 3 o'clock and the others following at intervals of one hour. The general health of the regiment is excellent.

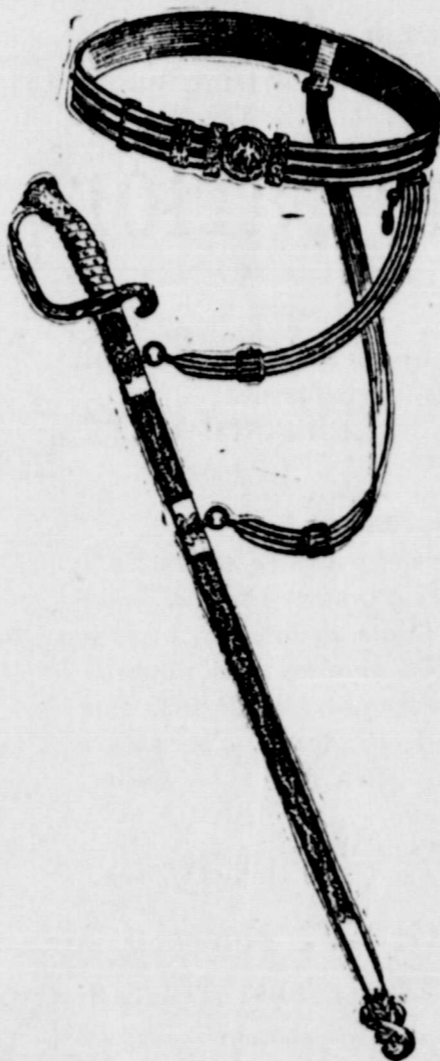
The regiment is commanded by Lieut. Col. Brereton, Col. Hare being absent in San Francisco.

Mrs. Will Allen died at Maleokoff from the effects of an explosion.

NATION'S GREETING TO DEWEY

Features of the Reception to the Manila Hero at Washington.

The central idea underlying the grand welcome to be given Admiral Dewey in Washington the first week in October is its national character. His arrival at the capital will mark his real home-coming to the American people, where the officials of the government will participate, and the magnificently jeweled sword voted by congress will be presented. To that end all the arrangements will be of a simple but most dignified character. The welcome to the hero of Manila at the national capital will probably occur on Monday, October 2, although the date will depend upon the length of the celebration in New York, which is still un-



SWORD VOTED BY CONGRESS TO DEWEY.

The principal features of the reception in Washington, as planned by the citizens, with the co-operation of the president and cabinet, will be two in number—the presentation of the sword voted by congress and a night parade. A public reception at the white house will be followed by dinner to the admiral by President McKinley. The sword will be presented by Secretary Leag, at the east front of the capitol, in the presence of Mr. McKinley and all the members of the cabinet, late in the afternoon, while the parade, consisting of organizations of all kinds, will be accompanied by an illumination of the city on a scale of beauty never before witnessed in Washington.

The different features of the preparations are in the hands of a central body of citizens and eleven committees, embracing in all over a thousand people. Preparations for the celebration have been in hand for over a month.

The Baltimore and Ohio railroad and other railroads entering Washington have agreed upon cheap rates for the celebration, and the committee expects that there will be an outpouring of patriotic citizens almost equal to the inauguration of a president.

Betrayed by His Parrot.

Victor Chevalier, a clever criminal in Paris, was run down in a shrewd way. He was known to be exceedingly fond of a pet parrot, and the police were instructed to look for a loquacious bird of this kind. After a week's search the talkative parrot was discovered in the Montmartre district. The police kept a close watch on the house, and in time the criminal appeared to have an affectionate chat with his bird.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR

Every woman is a good actress till she goes on the stage.

There is one thing a woman never can understand, and that is herself.

When the devil had his choice as to instruments he first picked jealousy.

If they were named anything else a woman would have just as queer a look in her face when she talked about her legs.

If there weren't any bad men to be horrible examples, probably there wouldn't be any good women to be shining examples.

Every racy story a man hears he acts like it was old to him and every woman like it was new to her, and both are making believe.

When a man can make a woman believe that he can't help thrilling at her voice she feels she has to marry him so that she can turn the current on whenever she feels like it.

The difference between a woman and a cat is that when you tease the cat you know she'll scratch you, but when it's a woman you never know whether she'll kiss you or tear your eyes out.—New York Press.

PASTURE AND FARM.

Cantaloupes are now a rarity. Watermelons are gradually disappearing.

P. R. Kenney, a Canadian cattleman, is a visitor to the state.

Cattlemen around Childress report pink eye as prevalent among cattle.

The Childress County Index says the yearlings are all sold in that section.

The Truck Growers' association of Robertson county will meet at Calvert Sept. 15.

The fleecy staple is rolling in to the various cities, towns and villages of the state.

The raising of Angora goats seems destined to become a prominent industry in Texas.

Six carloads of hogs were shipped by Charles Sharp from Fort Worth to Los Angeles, Cal., a few days ago.

W. J. Dubbel, a swine breeder of Ross, says: "Business is fine; in fact, the best I ever saw for this time of the year."

Fourteen carloads of hogs passed through Big Springs a few days ago—three for San Francisco the others for Los Angeles.

Farmers about Ennis say there is absolutely no cotton now making and that the entire crop will be gathered in two or three weeks.

Nurserymen about Denison say the drouth has not materially affected their trees, though a great many strawberries have been killed.

Charley Crawford bought from Ed Burdett 450 head of stock sheep for \$950, and 330 head from San Angelo parties at about \$2.10 a head.

The production of fine wools in Australia and South America is steadily declining and the United States may have to furnish the principal supply.

The cotton stalks are drying up and dying about Ranger, Eastland county. Some of the trees have also died, the tops looking as if a fire had passed over them.

S. B. Burnett of Fort Worth has sold to Eden Bros. of Corsicana, 2000 three and four-year-old "5556" feeder steers at \$34 per head, delivery to be made October 1st.

Charles Coppinger, a Fort Worth cattleman, who has, together with his family, been on a visit to England, has returned home. His family have also come back.

Montgomery & Noel of Hall county, sold their yearling steers to T. M. Pyle for \$21 with fifteen per cent cut back which they sold at \$18. There were about 175 in the bunch.

B. K. and A. K. Riggs of Pecos county have sold their ranches on Rio Leon to A. S. Gage who will at once move 5000 head of cattle from near Marfa to the newly purchased property.

The Farmers' Federation of the Mississippi Valley is the name of a \$20,000,000 trust organized at Topeka, Kas., with Walter N. Allen of Redden as president and business manager.

Mr. R. K. Halsell of Decatur leases to Mr. Jones of Wichita Falls about 6000 acres of pasture land in the Comanche and Kiowa reservations for a period of eighteen months, effective in October.

Messrs Johnson & Son of Haskell county sold to Mr. T. N. Field of the north part of the county the remainder of their cattle, being 167 head of stock cattle, for \$3065. They sold \$800 worth of steers to W. T. Hudson.

T. C. Slaughter, of Prosper Collin county, has been invited to address the Farmers' National congress which is to meet at Boston, Mass., October 2 and the subject assigned to him being "Improved Farming in the South."

Secretary Root has authorized the chartering of the steamships Manauense, capable of carrying 500 men, and the Bristol 600 men. These ships are available for the first of the ten regiments organized.

Without rain in Parker county the farmers think the cotton crop will be about all picked out this month. A great deal of cotton is being ginned but the farmers are not putting much of it on the market at the present time.

C. E. Hartley of Springer, N. M., bought 16,500 head of lambs, ewes and wethers. Of these he sold 5200 head to Scott & Purvis of Lamar, Colo.; 1200 head to Robt. Lowe; 3500 head to Alexander Master. Prices ranged from \$1.40 to \$1.60 for lambs to \$2.25 and \$2.50 for ewes and wethers.

William Padgett, a Wood county farmer, is marketing fine roasting ears in Mineola, grown on land from which he harvested this year twenty-four bushels of wheat to the acre. The corn is Mexican June corn and Mr. Padgett says he will make thirty to thirty-five bushels to the acre.

JOHN C. HUBINGER.

Remarkable Career of a Well-Known Western Capitalist, Manufacturer and Philanthropist.

Among the leaders of the progressive element for which the middle west is famous, Mr. John C. Hubinger, of Keokuk, Ia., reigns without a peer. As a manufacturer, as an enterprising capitalist and as a philanthropist his fame has spread over many states, and his financial enterprises have developed many obscure towns into progressive, thrifty and wide-awake cities. Mr. Hubinger, although but 47 years of age, can look back upon scores of commercial victories, each one of which has benefited mankind, for his liberality is as bountiful as his business sagacity is marvelous. He was born in New Orleans, La., his parents being of French and German origin. When he was four years old, his family removed to Kentucky, in which state young Hubinger received a public school education most before reaching maturity. He secured patents on a number of valuable mechanical inventions laying the foundation of a fortune.

By inclination and force of circumstances his attention was called to the manufacture of starchy products, and in the time he became the head of a business having an annual business of millions of dollars. But genuine ambition never quite satisfied with existing conditions, works ever toward perfection, and after years of painstaking study and research Mr. Hubinger has made a



JOHN C. HUBINGER.

discovery, which he considers the crowning event of his wonderful career, and which is embodied in a new article of commerce, known as Red Cross Starch (Red Cross trade mark). He is planning to distribute millions of packages of this starch to the housewives of America, at a merely nominal price to the consumer in order to make its merits known without delay. Thus, for but 5 cents two large 10c packages of Red Cross Starch may be had, together with two magnificent Shakespearean views printed in 12 beautiful colors, or a Twentieth Century Girl Calendar; or for only 10 cents 10 packages of the starch and the entire series of eight Shakespearean views and one Twentieth Century Girl Calendar—views alone easily worth \$1.00. Watch this paper for future premium announcements, of which every lady will certainly want to take advantage.

While Mr. Hubinger will devote his best energies to the manufacture of this new and wonderful starch, he will not retire from the various financial enterprises in which he is interested—street railways, electric lighting plants, and the Mississippi Valley Telephone Co., with 10,000 telephone subscribers in Minneapolis and St. Paul—nor will his augmented activity interfere with his social obligations and exercise of the splendid hospitality which he dispenses at his palatial Keokuk home. Mr. Hubinger's family, consisting of himself, wife and four children, is the pivot around which his activity revolves, and while fond of promoting great enterprises, he is still fonder of his home circle, where he spends every moment of time not taken up by business or public cares.

WORTH A FORTUNE.

A mortgage of \$70,000,000 on a tiny lot is rarely recorded in real estate annals. The city of San Jose, Cal., has within its limits a little patch of ground which has actually borne an incumbrance of these stupendous proportions.

The note and mortgage, after the manner of such things, made its way through the courts in proceedings and foreclosures, and in the next dozen years the \$1,300 grew like Jack's beanstalk. A return of sale finally showed the total amount due the man to whom the note and mortgage had been assigned, Morris M. Wise, in round numbers that included interest, cost and the sheriff's fees, \$21,000,000.

The story of this lot is the story of an unpaid note. Away back in 1851 David C. Vance, its owner, borrowed from Jackson Lewis the sum of \$1,300 at the then current rate of interest of 8 per cent per month, to be computed monthly, security being the real estate and its improvements. The note is yet unpaid. One day Mr. Vance disappeared. He couldn't take the lot with him, so that small section of the earth has gone on eating its head off, as it were, ever since.

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## EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Ardmore, I. T., had a small cotton fire.

One new case of the bubonic plague has been reported at Oporto.

Cotton is being hauled to the southern seaports in goodly quantities.

Chief Justice Charles B. Roberts died at his home at Westminster, Md.

Admiral Sampson is to be placed in command of the Boston navy yard.

A serious fire broke out in Parbey, France, doing considerable damage.

Joseph was jailed at Guthrie, with murder committed

between the Griffin and in Kentucky has broken

club, numbering has been organized at

Worth county, Georgia, Johnson, the wife of a farm-

of the Manhattan Rail- company of New York have de-

clared a quarterly dividend of 1 per cent.

Lookout Coal and Coke company, at Chattanooga, Tenn., recently organized

local capitalists, will be reorgan-

light occurred at Naco, Ariz., be- a cowboys and Mexican guards,

Judge Johnson, in the district court at Denver, Colo., delivered an opinion

At Fiskdale, Mass., Peter King, while under the influence of liquor,

The navy department has decided to assign Rear Admiral Farquhar to command

Express train No. 10 on the Southern life was robbed at Conchise, Ariz.,

four masked men, who blew the open and took everything in

orted on what is considered that the French cham-

Jimenez has announced that if president at San Domingo

The annual meeting of the Atlanta and West Point railroad was held at Atlanta, Ga.

Seventeen steamers were unable to leave the Tyne owing to the shipping strike.

News has been received from Ahmedabad of a serious disturbance in Panch Mahals, in Guzerat, India,

Five thousand dollars has been assessed for the purpose of arranging for the meeting of the Southern Educational association in Memphis in December.

Ardmore, I. T., has a band composed exclusively of boys.

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# TRUST CONFERENCE

Thousands Attended the Meeting at Chicago.

## COL. WILLIAM J. BRYAN AND

W. Burk Cochran Make Speeches—The Noted Nebraskan Was Received With Tumultuous Applause.

Chicago, Sept. 18.—The conference on the uses and abuses of trusts closed its session here Saturday in a blaze of oratory in which Col. W. J. Bryan and W. Burk Cochran were the central figures. Mr. Cochran followed the noted Nebraskan, but disclaimed any intention of debating the conclusions of his immediate predecessor and declaring his complete concurrence in much that Mr. Bryan had said. The westerner had delivered the speech of the day during the forenoon amid frequent interruptions of tumultuous applause. Mr. Foulke of Indiana, commenting on the speech, made assertions which Mr. Bryan decided further to discuss. He was requested to take the stage and complied for the second time, facing a wildly enthusiastic house.

At the conclusion Mr. Cochran appeared and observed, "Just a few words." The spectators wanted more and refused to subside until he had taken the platform. He agreed with Mr. Bryan, he said, but he wanted information. The crowd which greeted Col Bryan when the doors were thrown open amounted almost to a mob. Central music hall was jammed from pit to gallery with admirers of the Nebraskan. When he had concluded his speech 80 per cent of the people except a few straggling spectators staid to listen to the remainder of the speeches.

Ex-Gov. Luce of Michigan was chairman of the committee and he rigidly adhered to the resolutions passed Friday in which it was resolved that no resolutions giving the sentiment of the conference on the trust problem should be presented or considered. The decision of the committee as submitted in Chairman Luce's report was unanimously adopted, as was a motion put before the house, thanking the Civic Federation for its entertainment of the delegates.

Other speakers during the day were J. H. Raymond, G. W. Northup, Jr., Prof. David Kinley, T. B. Waller, W. W. Howe, ex-Senator Blair of New Hampshire, Attorney General T. S. Smith of Texas, J. Dill, A. Copeland, W. D. Foulke, while many others took part in the discussion. It was decided that those who had prepared speeches but had not been allowed, owing to the limitations of the programme, to read them, should deliver them into the hands of the secretary Easley, to be published in book form, together with those which had been delivered from the stage.

At the adjournment many of the anti-trust delegates met in the Sherman house to formulate resolutions expressive of their views.

A dispatch from Vera Cruz, Mexico, says: There is a growing scarcity of beef here owing to the large exportation of cattle to Cuba ever since the war, and the price has risen to such a point that the poor people cannot afford to buy it. All over the country the price of beef has materially advanced.

### To Appeal to the Powers.

London, Sept. 18.—It is supposed that next move contemplated by the Transvaal is an appeal to the powers, begging them to recommend arbitration on the lines of the conference at the Hague. A dispatch from Charleston says the wildest rumors are current there, and that great alarm is felt owing to the unprotected state of the town, especially as Boer signalling is plainly visible on the adjacent mountains.

There was a serious disturbance on the market square of Johannesburg on Saturday afternoon. A meeting called by a labor agitator named Bain to condemn British policy and to enroll volunteers to fight for the Boers, led to serious fights with the police, lasting a couple of hours. Many persons were injured, among them the recently notorious Dr. Matthews, who made a charge against a mounted policeman. An immense crowd, singing "Rule Britannia," accompanied him to the police office.

### A Bloody Riot.

Cartersville, Ill., Sept. 18.—A bloody riot occurred about noon yesterday in which seven negroes were killed and two others received slight injuries. The dead:

Rev. O. T. J. Floyd, Huse Bradley, John Black, Henry Barum, Sam Cummins, Jim Hayes, unidentified negro.

The trouble grew out of the conflict which has existed all the summer between the white miners of this part of the state and negro non-union miners. Last night the situation was considered critical. Company C, fourth regiment Illinois national guard, arrived here yesterday evening under orders from Springfield, and will endeavor to preserve order. Its members are patrolling the streets, but the presence of the militia has not yet allayed the excitement. Forty miners from the Herrin mines, a few miles distant, armed with Krag-Jorgensen rifles, started for Cartersville to assist the white miners as soon as they heard of the outbreak of trouble with the negroes.

The latter are gathered at the Brush mines near the city, and are in a violent state of excitement because of the killing of their companions.

The presence of soldiers, however, may prevent them from carrying out any plan for revenge. Superintendent Donnelly of the Brush mines reports that he is doing all in his power to quiet the negroes.

The labor trouble here is closely associated with that at Pana, where conflicts between striking white miners and negro non-union miners resulted in considerable loss of life and made it necessary to keep several companies of state militia on duty for months. The trouble has lasted for over a year, and only last Monday had the conditions become peaceable enough to warrant the withdrawal by Gov. Tanner of the last company of militia. Since then the white miners of this place have refused to allow the negroes to come into town, always meeting them and ordering them back.

Yesterday, however, thirteen negroes, all armed, marched into town, going to the Illinois Central depot. It is claimed that their purpose was to take a train and leave Cartersville. The usual crowd of white miners gathered, however and a wordy quarrel began. While this was in progress some of the negroes pulled their pistols and fired into the crowd of whites. This was the signal for a volley from the latter, which brought down four negroes. All were instantly killed in the storm of bullets that followed the first shot from the blacks. This terrible execution caused the negroes to scatter and run, some fleeing up the Main street, while the remainder started down the railroad track. All who ran in the direction of the town escaped, the whites fearing to shoot in that direction because of the danger to the onlookers. The negroes who fled down the railroad track, however, were pursued with a merciless fire. Cummins had gone but a few feet when he fell headlong with wounds that caused his death in a few hours. Several of the negroes were seen to falter and were undoubtedly hit, but they continued to run for their lives. After the last had disappeared and comparative quiet was restored, two bodies of negroes were found just outside of town, making seven fatalities as the result of the fight. The dead were taken to the city hall, where an inquest was begun.

Elias Hatfield was found guilty of murder in the second degree at Williamson, W. Va.

Bodies Examined. Havana, Sept. 18.—The ceremony of exhuming the remains of Gen. Antonio Maceo and Francisco Gomez, son of Gen. Maximo Gomez, took place at Bejuque yesterday in the presence of a large concourse. Two thousand people went by special trains from Havana and as many more attended from the surrounding districts. Governor General Brooke was represented by Adjutant General Richards. The exhumation was followed by addresses. Gen. Gomez, Pedro, Betancourt and Rius Rivera, assisted by a committee composed of Adj. Gen. Richards and others, carried the remains to a temporary shrine. Gen. Rivera said: "In the presence of the sad remains of these Titan warriors, my grief overwhelms me. Maceo afforded an example of true patriotism to all lovers of Cuba. His poor body lies before us, but his spirit is in the air, urging Cubans to imitate him in their readiness to die for their country. His remains will lie in a temporary abode until independence has been obtained as a permanent memorial. Let the Cubans strive to obtain that for which Maceo fought and died."

### Canned Catfish.

Nearly all kinds of fish are canned to more or less extent except catfish, and these are to be similarly treated in a short time, as an Atlantic City expert and a party of fifty men from Philadelphia, have left for the Kissimmee river, Florida, to catch and can all they can get. There is no reason why catfish should not be sold as readily as salmon or any sea product. Salt water catfish are not to be used, because the skin cannot be separated from the body, and only those found in the fresh rivers and lakes in the South will be canned.

### SUFFERED 25 YEARS.

In a recent letter to Dr. Hartman, Congressman Botkin says: "My Dear Doctor—It gives me pleasure to certify to the excellent curative qualities of your medicine—Pe-ru-na



Congressman Botkin, of Winfield, Kan., and Man-a-lin. I have been afflicted more or less for a quarter of a century with catarrh of the stomach and constipation. A residence in Washington has increased these troubles. A few bottles of your medicine have given me almost complete relief, and I am sure that a continuation of them will effect a permanent cure. Pe-ru-na is surely a wonderful remedy for catarrhal affections."

The most common form of summer catarrh is catarrh of the stomach. This is generally known as dyspepsia. Congressman Botkin was a victim of this disease twenty-five years. Pe-ru-na cures these cases like magic. Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus, O., for a free book.

The microbes that cause chills and fever and malaria enter the system through mucous membranes made porous by catarrh. Pe-ru-na heals the mucous membranes and prevents the entrance of malarial germs, thus preventing and curing these affections.

### Pension Rolls Decreasing.

Captain A. J. Holt, pension agent for New England, has just completed his annual report to the department, and it shows a falling off of \$292,173 as compared with the sum paid to New England pensioners last year. There are 55,667 names on the rolls for that section, which is an increase of twelve over 1898, and these draw from the national treasury slightly more than \$7,000,000 a year. The decrease in amount will probably continue from this time on, and it is due to the fact that an invalid pensioner who drops from the rolls with a pension of from \$8 to \$72 per month may be succeeded by a widow whose pension cannot exceed \$8 per month.

### PROGRESS.

With time, comes progress and advancement in all lines of successfully conducted enterprises. Success comes to those only who have goods with superior merit and a reputation. In the manufacture of laundry starch for the last quarter of a century J. C. Hubinger has been the peer of all others and today is placing on the market the finest laundry starch ever offered the public under our now and original method.

Ask your grocer for a coupon book which will enable you to get the first two large 10 cent packages of his new starch, RED CROSS, TRADE MARK brand, also two of the children's Shakespeare pictures painted in twelve beautiful colors as natural as life, or the Twentieth Century Girl Calendar, all absolutely free.

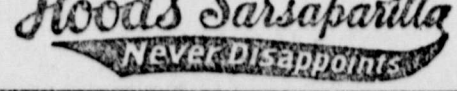
All grocers are authorized to give ten large packages of RED CROSS STARCH, with twenty of the Shakespeare pictures or ten of the Twentieth Century Girl Calendars, to the first five purchasers of the Endless Starch Chain Book. This is one of the grandest offers ever made to introduce the RED CROSS laundry starch, J. C. Hubinger's latest invention.

FITS Permanently Cured. Notice of a cure was given after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE \$4.00 trial bottle and treatise. DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fortunately, after a man is dead, nothing can make him turn over in his grave.

# "Necessity is the Mother of Invention."

It was the necessity for a reliable blood purifier and tonic that brought into existence H. H.'s Sarsaparilla. It is a highly concentrated extract prepared by a combination, proportion and process peculiar to itself and giving to Hood's Sarsaparilla unequalled curative power.



The Dewey arch in New York is proving one of the most destructive engagements of the war. A fourth sculptor has been stricken down—Henry Balzer, who was modeling the medallion of Captain Lawrence of the Chesapeake. He had climbed the stairs to a station of the Elevated railway, Thursday morning, when he fell with a stroke of paralysis. He will not die, however.

A girl's idea of taking care of her brothers is to tell on them whenever they do anything a girl wouldn't do.

I believe my prompt use of Pico's Cure prevented quick consumption.—Mrs. Lucy Wallace, Marquette, Kan., Dec. 12, '96.

Musicians are as jealous of each other as undertakers.

Santa Fe Excursion Rates. Boston, Mass.—One and one-third fare for the round trip on the certificate plan. Account of the Farmers' National Congress to be held at Boston, Oct. 3 to 6.

Cincinnati, O.—One first-class standard fare for the round trip Oct. 10 and 11, limited for return to Oct. 23. Account of national convention of the Christian church.

Austin, Texas.—One fare for the round trip, limited for return Oct. 21. Account of state convention United Daughters of the...

If the kidneys are diseased, he will...

Myself I will cure...

ting horses; they without pace makers.

All Intestinal Piles. Ten cents worth of prevention saves for doctor bills and funeral expenses. 10c buys a Casarets Candy Cathartic. Druggists, 10c, 25c.

The old story about the umpire beating our base ball club won't go any more.

The fiddler's prices are not uniform; some men have to pay a life-time for a half hour's dancing.

Hall's Catarrh Cure. Is a constitutional cure. Price, 75c.

All women are considered as good as the best; all men are considered as bad as the worst.

The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price, 50c.

Never ask questions of a man who is very busy, or of a woman who has pins in her mouth.

# Doctors Can't Cure It!

Contagious blood poison is absolutely beyond the skill of the doctors. They may dose a patient for years on their mercurial and potash remedies, but he will never be rid of the disease; on the other hand, his condition will grow steadily worse. S. S. S. is the only cure for this terrible affliction, because it is the only remedy which goes direct to the cause of the disease and forces it from the system.

I was afflicted with Blood Poison, and the best doctors did me no good, though I took their treatment faithfully. In fact, I seemed to get worse all the while. I took almost every so-called blood remedy, but they did not seem to reach the disease, and had no effect whatever in increasing my appetite. I heartened, for it seemed that I would never be cured. At the advice of a friend I then took S. S. S., and began to improve. I continued the medicine, and it cured me completely, building up my health and increasing my appetite. Although this was ten years ago, I have never yet had a sign of the disease to return.



W. E. NEWMAN, Staunton, Va.

It is like self-destruction to continue to take potash and mercury; besides totally destroying the digestion, they dry up the marrow in the bones, producing a stiffness and swelling of the joints, causing the hair to fall out, and completely wrecking the system.

# S.S.S. For Blood

is guaranteed Purely Vegetable, and is the only blood remedy free from these dangerous minerals. Book on self-treatment sent free by Swift Specific Company, Atlanta, Ga.

DR. MOFFETT'S TEETHINA (Teething Powders.) Rev. (now Bishop) Joseph S. Key, wrote: "We gave your TEETHINA (Teething Powder) to our little grandchild with the happiest results. The effects were almost magical and certainly more satisfactory than from anything we ever used." Costs only 25 Cents. Ask your Druggist for it. C. J. MOFFETT, M. D., St. Louis, Mo.

#### Shocked by Lightning.

Denton, Tex., Sept. 18.—A heavy rain began falling here at 3 o'clock yesterday morning and continued for more than two hours. From reports received here, the rain was general over the entire county, the first rain of that kind since the last of June. The last rain that fell here sufficient to lay the dust up to that which fell yesterday morning, was July 22, and that was accompanied by a heavy wind, which blew down a small building or two at the fair grounds, and also a great electrical display, one of the bolts of which struck W. T. Woodriddle's residence in the north part of town and splintered some of the timber of the porch. Mrs. Woodriddle and Mrs. Payton, who was visiting the former, were shocked by the current, which knocked both of them down, although the bad effects were only slight. Mr. Woodriddle stated yesterday morning that the house would have been ignited had it not been for the rain, which followed immediately after the bolt. The rain will do harm to the open cotton, but is of great advantage to the wheat interests as it will loosen up the ground.

#### Brazos Navigation.

Quintana, Tex., Sept. 18.—Col. J. A. H. Hosack, formerly of Fort Worth, but now of Cleburne, in regard to the navigation movement, writes to Edwin Waller of this place that in the near future the Brazos river will be the key to the prosperity of the state and will control and influence what will be worth millions to our people. He further states that no one can tell what great benefits follow water navigation except those versed therein and well acquainted with the great advantages thereof. "In counties that were nothing navigation has made them prosperous, and what would it do for Central Texas, traversing a country of vast resources and as rich as the Nile, that soon will be by means of navigation the great delta of our state the rival of the world and the master of our commerce and trade? I know what will come to our state and people when the Brazos steamboats are plying their trade from Quintana to Waco, and it will not be long till that will be the case. It is only a question of a short time till the wants of the people from a stretch of country longer than from Houston to Morgan's point or Dallas to coast point in view will be served. There are good reasons for active work in the development of the Brazos navigation, for it will open up a trade that will benefit Texas and protect the traffic of our great commerce, which will put business in shape to soon claim that prosperity which will follow and action along the line among our people in congress and with our northwestern citizens be had to encourage and have early the benefits that will not be local or individual, but broad, national and universal to our country and people."

#### Pullman Porter Jailed.

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 18.—J. E. Bachman, colored, a Pullman porter, is in jail here to answer the charge of assaulting Joseph Qualey of San Francisco, the Pullman conductor.

The trouble occurred a few miles east of San Antonio on the special bearing the thirty-third volunteers to San Francisco. The porter was accused of being intoxicated and states that the conductor kicked him. He became enraged and fought like a maniac, badly beating the conductor's face with his fist. Then he drew a knife, as alleged, and retreated to another car and defied arrest. Several soldiers with loaded guns and fixed bayonets finally arrested the negro. He was brought to this point under strong guard and jailed. The conductor was also relieved here by another man.

#### A Fatal Accident.

Center, Tex., Sept. 18.—Simon Mills met with a fatal accident at Estes sawmill, at Short, five miles south of here, Saturday evening. He went under the saw to clean out the sawdust and by some means got against the saw, which cut the back of his head to the brain and cut him between the shoulder, through the backbone lengthwise into the lungs. He lived only a few minutes.

#### Buying Corn.

Gainesville, Tex., Sept. 18.—E. P. Bomar will this winter feed between 10,000 and 1,000 head of cattle at the oil mill in this city. He is now buying corn and will continue to buy until he has secured 100,000 bushels. He is paying 20 cents per bushel for the corn. Mr. Bomar has also ordered a corn crusher with a capacity of 2500 bushels a day, which will be set up and put to running as soon as it arrives.

#### Chickasaw Lawmakers.

Denison, Tex., Sept. 15.—A telephone message yesterday afternoon from Tishomingo, I. T., states that the Chickasaw law makers were at work in earnest.

Something of a sensation was sprung in the house by the introduction of a bill yesterday morning proposing to raise the price of Chickasaw marriage licenses from \$50 to \$1000. Such a bill was before the legislature last winter and was defeated, but the bill proposed to raise the license to \$500 instead of \$1000.

Recently there have been a number of marriages in the Chickasaw country under the Chickasaw law of intermarried citizens, who have been living in marriage from ten to thirty years, where they were married under the laws of Texas, Arkansas or other states.

On account of the Dawes commission refusing to enroll intermarried citizens unless married under the Chickasaw laws, these citizens have secured a Chickasaw license and remarried under the Chickasaw law, so that both husband and wife might be enrolled as citizens and entitled to allotment, instead of the citizen by blood only.

So many marriages of this sort having been consummated within the past few weeks, some of the legislators will endeavor to raise the license to \$1000 as stated above, and shut off these intermarried citizens not married under the Chickasaw law, from their share in allotment of lands.

An important bill was passed by the legislature appropriating money to be used by the United States Indian agent in the removal of intruders in the nation. This will cover the case in future, and all persons failing or refusing to comply with permit or other tax laws of the nation will be removed from the nation by the United States Indian agent at the instance and upon complaint of the Indian authorities.

#### Good Crowd Present.

Denton, Tex., Sept. 15.—Although there was no special attraction at the fair grounds yesterday morning, still there was a good crowd out in the forenoon who spent their time in inspecting the various exhibits and looking through the stock and poultry departments.

This morning the second event in the roping contest will take place and those who are entered promise some fine sport. Will Kiser will also again give some of his fine exhibitions of rough riding and an interesting programme is expected. The contest will begin at 10 o'clock. The programme for to-day includes the show of horses, speed excluded: A. J. C. Jersey cattle, unregistered, Hereford cattle and Poland China hogs. The racing programme, which will begin at 2 o'clock is as follows: First race, running, three-fourths of a mile, all ages, purse \$150; second race, running, one-half mile dash, purse \$100; third race, running, four and a half furlongs, all ages, purse \$100; pace or trot, free for all, one mile heats, three in five, purse \$150.

The judges in the various departments have given out their awards on some of the entries and will probably finish up that work to-day.

The great number of exhibits, together with the variety thereof, has delayed the completion considerably of this branch, although the judges have been busy each day of the meeting.

At New York Cornelius Sprague, a jockey who fell from Julius Caesar, in a hurdle race at Gravesend, died.

#### Leaving for San Francisco.

San Antonio, Sept. 15.—The thirty-third United States volunteer infantry, which has been in camp here since Aug. 1, will leave to-day for San Francisco, the first step of their long journey to the Philippines.

One company of the regiment left here last night on the train containing the regiment equipment, baggage and officers' horses.

Four sections will be required to-day to transfer the remaining eleven companies.

The regiment broke camp this morning and will march to the depot at 2 o'clock this afternoon, the first train leaving here at 3 o'clock and the others following at intervals of one hour. The general health of the regiment is excellent.

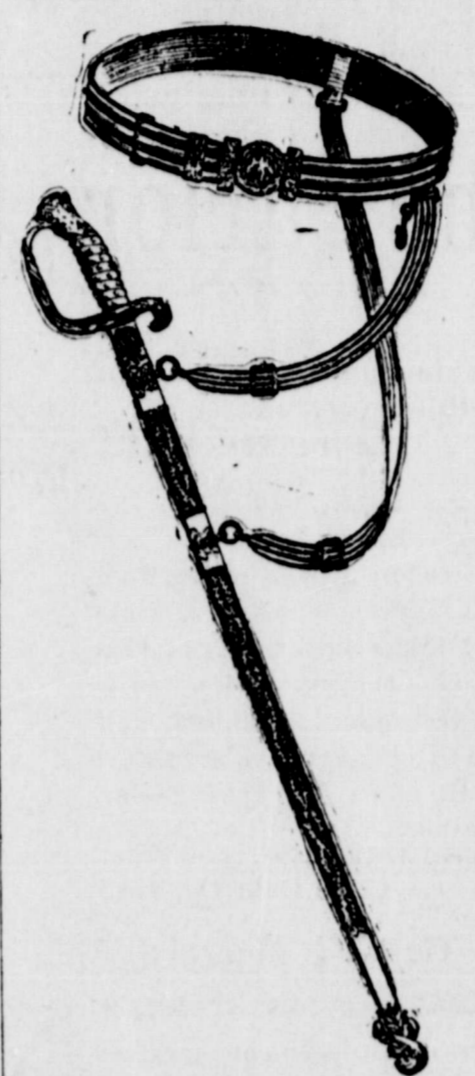
The regiment is commanded by Lieut. Col. Brereton, Col. Hare being absent in San Francisco.

Mrs. Will Allen died at Malekoff from the effects of an explosion.

#### NATION'S GREETING TO DEWEY

Features of the Reception to the Manila Hero at Washington.

The central idea underlying the grand welcome to be given Admiral Dewey in Washington the first week in October is its national character. His arrival at the capital will mark his real home-coming to the American people, where the officials of the government will participate, and the magnificently jeweled sword voted by congress will be presented. To that end all the arrangements will be of a simple but most dignified character. The welcome to the hero of Manila at the national capital will probably occur on Monday, October 2, although the date will depend upon the length of the celebration in New York, which is still un-



#### SWORD VOTED BY CONGRESS TO DEWEY.

The principal features of the reception in Washington, as planned by the citizens, with the co-operation of the president and cabinet, will be two in number—the presentation of the sword voted by congress and a night parade. A public reception at the white house will be followed by dinner to the admiral by President McKinley. The sword will be presented by Secretary Long, at the east front of the capitol, in the presence of Mr. McKinley and all the members of the cabinet, late in the afternoon, while the parade, consisting of organizations of all kinds, will be accompanied by an illumination of the city on a scale of beauty never before witnessed in Washington.

The different features of the preparations are in the hands of a central body of citizens and eleven committees, embracing in all over a thousand people. Preparations for the celebration have been in hand for over a month.

The Baltimore and Ohio railroad and other railroads entering Washington have agreed upon cheap rates for the celebration, and the committee expects that there will be an outpouring of patriotic citizens almost equal to the inauguration of a president.

#### Betrayed by His Parrot.

Victor Chevalier, a clever criminal in Paris, was run down in a shrewd way. He was known to be exceedingly fond of a pet parrot, and the police were instructed to look for a loquacious bird of this kind. After a week's search the talkative parrot was discovered in the Montmartre district. The police kept a close watch on the house, and in time the criminal appeared to have an affectionate chat with his bird.

#### REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR

Every woman is a good actress till she goes on the stage.

There is one thing a woman never can understand, and that is herself.

When the devil had his choice as to instruments he first picked jealousy.

If they were named anything else a woman would have just as queer a look in her face when she talked about her legs.

If there weren't any bad men to be horrible examples, probably there wouldn't be any good women to be shining examples.

Every racy story a man hears he acts like it was old to him and every woman like it was new to her, and both are making believe.

When a man can make a woman believe that he can't help thrilling at her voice she feels she has to marry him so that she can turn the current on whenever she feels like it.

The difference between a woman and a cat is that when you tease the cat you know she'll scratch you, but when it's a woman you never know whether she'll kiss you or tear your eye out.—New York Press.

#### PASTURE AND FARM.

Cantaloupes are now a rarity. Watermelons are gradually disappearing.

P. R. Kenney, a Canadian cattleman, is a visitor to the state.

Cattlemen around Childress report pink eye as prevalent among cattle.

The Childress County Index says the yearlings are all sold in that section.

The Truck Growers' association of Robertson county will meet at Calvert Sept. 15.

The fleecy staple is rolling in to the various cities, towns and villages of the state.

The raising of Angora goats seems destined to become a prominent industry in Texas.

Six carloads of hogs were shipped by Charles Sharp from Fort Worth to Los Angeles, Cal., a few days ago.

W. J. Dubbel, a swine breeder of Ross, says: "Business is fine; in fact, the best I ever saw for this time of the year."

Fourteen carloads of hogs passed through Big Springs a few days ago—three for San Francisco the others for Los Angeles.

Farmers about Ennis say there is absolutely no cotton now making and that the entire crop will be gathered in two or three weeks.

Nurserymen about Denison say the drouth has not materially affected their trees, though a great many strawberries have been killed.

Charley Crawford bought from Ed Burdett 450 head of stock sheep for \$950, and 330 head from San Angelo parties at about \$2.10 a head.

The production of fine wools in Australia and South America is steadily declining and the United States may have to furnish the principal supply.

The cotton stalks are drying up and dying about Ranger, Eastland county. Some of the trees have also died, the tops looking as if a fire had passed over them.

S. B. Burnett of Fort Worth has sold to Eden Bros. of Corsicana, 2900 three and four-year-old "5556" feeder steers at \$34 per head, delivery to be made October 1st.

Charles Coppinger, a Fort Worth cattleman, who has, together with his family, been on a visit to England, has returned home. His family have also come back.

Montgomery & Noel of Hall county, sold their yearling steers to T. M. Pyle for \$21 with fifteen per cent cut back which they sold at \$18. There were about 175 in the bunch.

B. K. and A. K. Riggs of Pecos county have sold their ranches on Rio Leon to A. S. Gage who will at once move 5000 head of cattle from near Marfa to the newly purchased property.

The Farmers' Federation of the Mississippi Valley is the name of a \$20,000,000 trust organized at Topeka, Kas., with Walter N. Allen of Redden as president and business manager.

Mr. R. K. Halsell of Decatur leases to Mr. Jones of Wichita Falls about 6000 acres of pasture land in the Comanche and Kiowa reservations for a period of eighteen months, effective in October.

Messrs. Johnson & Son of Haskell county sold to Mr. T. N. Field of the north part of the county the remainder of their cattle, being 167 head of stock cattle, for \$3065. They sold \$800 worth of steers to W. T. Hudson.

T. C. Slaughter, of Prosper Collin county, has been invited to address the Farmers' National congress which is to meet at Boston, Mass., October 2 and the subject assigned to him being "Improved Farming in the South."

Secretary Root has authorized the chartering of the steamships Manauense, capable of carrying 500 men, and the Bristol 600 men. These ships are available for the first of the ten regiments organized.

Without rain in Parker county the farmers think the cotton crop will be about all picked out this month. A great deal of cotton is being ginned but the farmers are not putting much of it on the market at the present time.

C. E. Hartley of Springer, N. M., bought 16,500 head of lambs, ewes and wethers. Of these he sold 5200 head to Scott & Purvis of Lamar, Colo.; 1200 head to Robt. Lowe; 3500 head to Alexander Master. Prices ranged from \$1.40 to \$1.60 for lambs to \$2.25 and \$2.50 for ewes and wethers.

William Padgett, a Wood county farmer, is marketing fine roasting ears in Mineola, grown on land from which he harvested this year twenty-four bushels of wheat to the acre. The corn is Mexican June corn and Mr. Padgett says he will make thirty to thirty-five bushels to the acre.

#### JOHN C. HUBINGER.

Remarkable Career of a Well-Known Western Capitalist, Manufacturer and Philanthropist.

Among the leaders of the progressive element for which the middle west is famous, Mr. John C. Hubinger, of Keokuk, Ia., reigns without a peer. As a manufacturer, as an enterprising capitalist and as a philanthropist his fame has spread over many states, and his financial enterprises have developed many obscure towns into progressive, thrifty and wide-awake cities. Mr. Hubinger, although but 47 years of age, can look back upon scores of commercial victories, each one of which has benefited mankind, for his liberality is as bountiful as his business sagacity is marvelous. He was born in New Orleans, La., his parents being of French and German origin. When he was four years old, his family removed to Kentucky, in which state young Hubinger received a public school education, most before reaching maturity secured patents on a number of valuable mechanical inventions laying the foundation of a fortune.

By inclination and force of circumstances his attention was early directed to the manufacture of steel, and to the manufacture of steel proved processes, and in the time he became the head of a firm having an annual business of millions of dollars. But genuine ambition never quite satisfied with existing conditions, works ever toward perfection, and after years of painstaking study and research Mr. Hubinger has made a



JOHN C. HUBINGER.

discovery, which he considers the crowning event of his wonderful career, and which is embodied in a new article of commerce, known as Red Cross Starch (Red Cross trade mark). He is planning to distribute millions of packages of this starch to the housewives of America, at a merely nominal price to the consumer in order to make its merits known without delay. Thus, for but 3 cents two large 10c packages of Red Cross Starch may be had, together with two magnificent Shakespearean views printed in 12 beautiful colors, or a Twentieth Century Girl Calendar; or for only 20 cents 10 packages of the starch and the entire series of eight Shakespearean views and one Twentieth Century Girl Calendar—views alone easily worth \$1.00. Watch this paper for future premium announcements, of which every lady will certainly want to take advantage.

While Mr. Hubinger will devote his best energies to the manufacture of this new and wonderful starch, he will not retire from the various financial enterprises in which he is interested—street railways, electric lighting plants and the Mississippi Valley Telephone Co., with 10,000 telephone subscribers in Minneapolis and St. Paul—nor will his augmented activity interfere with his social obligations and exercise of the splendid hospitality which he dispenses at his palatial Keokuk home. Mr. Hubinger's family, consisting of himself, wife and four children, is the pivot around which his activity revolves, and while fond of promoting great enterprises, he is still fonder of his home circle, where he spends every moment of time not taken up by business or public cares.

#### WORTH A FORTUNE.

A mortgage of \$100,000 on a lot is rarely recorded in real estate annals. The city of San Jose, Cal., has within its limits a little patch of ground which has actually borne an incumbrance of these stupendous proportions.

The note and mortgage, after the manner of such things, made its way through the courts in proceedings and foreclosures, and in the next dozen years the \$1,200 grew like Jack's beanstalk. A return of sale finally showed the total amount due the man to whom the note and mortgage had been assigned, Morris M. Wise, in round numbers that included interest, cost and the sheriff's fees, \$21,000,000.

The story of this lot is the story of an unpaid note. Away back in 1851 David C. Vance, its owner, borrowed from Jackson Lewis the sum of \$1,200 at the then current rate of interest of 8 per cent per month, to be computed monthly, security being the real estate and its improvements. The note is yet unpaid. One day Mr. Vance disappeared. He couldn't take the lot with him, so that small section of the earth has gone on eating its head off, as it were, ever since.

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On the first order of sale was there was not a dissenting heard in the Court.

It is all around and the Coke Rustler is one of the best Western papers of the Round-table.—Brownwood tin.

The RUSTLER does not believe in the infallibility on any living person. Any man or set of men sometimes make an honest mistake.

\$4882 is exactly what Coke realized each year out of the lease of the school league.

\$600.00 a year is exactly what the Co. gets as interest on the deferred payment and has \$2000 cash invest. which at 5 percent would make \$700.00 a year.

The names of any gentleman in Coke who could have given as much as \$4000.00, or more, for the league has never been furnished to this paper.

17,722 acres is the amount of land. \$14,000.00 is what the land sold for.

The Coke County Rustler announces that Prof. W. T. Savage has arrived at Robert Lee ready to assume his duties in the high school. The Bulletin is pleased to commend Prof. Savage to the best graces of Robert Lee people, as a teacher worthy of their best support.—Brownwood Bulletin.

One night last week the Editor, and several near neighbors were treated to some delightful string band music, in the form of a serenade furnished by some of our handsome and up-to-date young men, viz. Messrs. Jho. Gardner, Fred Lewis, Dillon Danuelley, Tom Hooten, and Henry Fry. The two ladies named furnished the vocal part.

Judge M. H. Davis made a speech at the Court House Wednesday night to about forty men, mostly voters in the county. The Judge, in his usual easy style, told a couple of mistakes he had made and then strongly defended his action subsequent to the first tract of sale of the County School League located in Cochran. If space permitted, we would give a more detailed account of his talk suffice to say however Judge is one of the shrewdest judges in West Texas to say of Coke County.

FOR SALE: A good box house one and a half stories high, a good storm house in yard, three lots 100x140 feet, garden, cow-pens, etc, all situated in eastern part of Robert Lee, will sell for mostly cash, or will take good wagon and team in part payment, will give time on nearly a hundred dollars for full particulars call on B. F. Meeks the owner, or H. H. Pearce.

640 acres of land, about 75 acres under fence, 15 in cultivation, good dirt, tank, Dwelling house, about 9 miles north of Robert Lee For further information call on Perryman & Averitt.

The 3rd Quarterly meeting of the M. P. church, Robert Lee circuit will convene at Live Oak, Saturday before the second Sunday in Sept. and will protract for a few days at New Hope school house. Every body invited to attend.

A. S. Miller, Pastor.

### Estray Notice.

Reported by J. C. Newton, Commissioner Precinct No. 3 Coke County Texas.

One brown mare, five or six years old, branded VE on left shoulder. Also one brown ball-faced mare three years old, with brown colt, branded VE on left jaw. Above stock running in W. S. Tripp's pasture. This Sept. 8th 1899 J. W. Barnett Co. Clerk. Coke County.

### All of these Songs free.

Announcement was made last week of a Sunday World Music Album of ten songs to be issued weekly. Following is a complete list.

"In the shadow of the Carolina Hills," by George Taggart and Max S. Witt, authors of "The Moth and the Flame."

"I'll all the girls were like You," by Charles Graham. Author of, "Two Little Girls in Blue".

"I'm Nothing but a big Wax Doll," by Malcolm Williams, author of "My Ann Elizer."

"You'll Have to transfer," by Abe Holzmann, composer of "Smoky Mokes," the greatest cakewalk hit of the season.

"Sweet Norine," by Gussie L. Davis, author of "The Baggage Catch A-head."

"Snap-Shot Sal," by Williams and Walker, the two real "boons," authors of "I Don't Like No Cheap Man."

"Tell Mother Not to Worry," by Louis Myll, composer of "Coontown Carnival Cakewalk."

"Prancing Pickaninies," by Max Dreyfus, composer of "A Carolina Cakewalk."

"My Georgia Lady Love" by Sterling Howard and Emerson, authors of "Hallo, Ma Baby."

"Here Ain't No Use to Keep on Hang ing 'Round," by Irving Jones, author of "Get Your Money's Worth."

One song each week for ten weeks. First song published Sept. 3, "In the Shadow of the Carolina Hills."

The entire set is to be given away with ten Lunday Worlds, and will be sent postpaid, including ten Sunday World Magazines, Art Portfolio and Comic Weeklies for 50 cents. Send 50 cents today, tomorrow or next week Don't wait later than next week. This is a most exceptional offer and is only put forth to advertise the great Sunday World. Address, Music Editor, the World, Pulitzer Building, New York.

### Cedar Hill.

I in company with my family got home the 30th of August, after a trip of five weeks. Found it very dry when I returned, but am glad to say had a nice shower today and prospects good for more.

We were in the following counties. Sterling, Howard, Borden, Lin, Crosby, Dickens, Kent, Stonewall, Haskell; Jones, Fisher and

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### Estray Notice.

Reported by J. A. Newton, Commissioner Precinct No. 3, Coke County Texas on 13th day of June 1899. One smutty black horse about 3 years old, unbranded, running in H. E. Johnson's pasture about 15 miles West of Robert Lee Texas. (Signed) J. W. Barnett, Co. Clerk Coke Co. Tex.

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Nolan. Found it dry in all the Counties except Lin and Crosby.

They being situated on the plains the rain had been more plentiful.

Crosby County is a very pretty county, fine lakes of water all over it. Grass fine and cattle fat.

The farmers and stockmen have raised lots of feed.

They planted in time to make before the drouth struck it.

One man at Anson told me he sold the millet off of 6 acres for \$104.

Land in the Northern part of Jones County, is loomed up on the strength of the new R. R., going West from Albany. A man told me he sold a quarter section of school land for \$1000.

I forgot to tell you that we traveled one day on the plains without seeing a single person, from the time we left camps in the morning till we stopped at night. J. A. Tubb.

H. L. Adams ExCo Judge was among us several days lately.

M. Bird, of Sanco, was among us several days lately.

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## LOCAL CHIPS.

W. C. Barton was in town this week.

For Lime call on J. J. Vestal.

Mart Trammell got in from an extended trip this week.

D. L. Buchanan has bought a herd of horses.

S. C. Wilkins has been helping out the Rustler this week.

Dr. Tonvar is paying business visit to central Texas.

Prof. Ira Bird will teach the Horse Mountain school this term.

Mr. Boone, from Cass Co., was a witness for the defense in the Putman case here this week.

Judge Blair of Waco, a very fine lawyer, was here in interest of one of his clients.

Judge L. H. Brightman of Comanche, ex-Co. Judge of this Co., looked after his clients interest

W. N. Copeland one of Coke's best citizens is foreman of the Grand Jury.

The citizens of Coke can congratulate themselves on having one of the best Grand Juries in the history of the County.

The Editor and wife have taken their fat babies to visit their grandparents at Ballinger. Miss Birdie Pearce, an attache of the RUSTLER, accompanied them.

Mistrot Bros. & Co. of San Angelo, have a new ad in this issue. Read it. They are getting considerable trade from Coke.

We now have a new and complete stock of merchandise at prices to suit the short cotton crop. J. D. Collier and Co. Edith, Texas.

J. P. Angel bought the J. L. Barron business house and stock of groceries last week. We wish Pat much success in his new venture.

Largest, best, and cheapest line of clothing, just from the factory, arrived at J. W. REED & Co.

Lee Green is running a "hot tamales and chili" stand, next to Lasswell's Drug Store. He's been doing a rushing business this week.

The Robert Lee gin will gin Wednesday and Thursday of each week and will grind corn every other Saturday.

L. H. McDorman & Co.

Miss Lena Smith, one of the most beautiful young ladies in the county attended preaching here last Sunday. She is daughter of T. B. Smith who lives a few miles south of town.

That well-known Jacksonian democrat, T. C. Jackson, spoke a few pleasant words to us last Friday, while he was in town.

Call and see samples of cheap and fine tailor made clothing, at Lewis Bros. fit and satisfaction guaranteed.

J. D. O'Daniel Sr., Dr. W. F. Key, P. S. Stark, T. A. Higginbotham, J. W. and W. M. Mackey, were all Masonic visitors from in and near Bronte last Saturday night.

See J. W. Reed & Co's. new fall goods, lots of them in all lines and prices that cannot be matched.

Mr. J. D. Hale, of Tennyson, pleasantly remembered the Rustler in a substantial way Monday. He also informed us that Prof. Fortune would teach the Mule Creek School, while Prof. Job Hearall would teach the Juniper school this term.

F. L. and R. H. Harris will give \$100 reward for the arrest and conviction of any person killing or stealing any of their stock.

Wm Scarborough, the Sanco merchant was down a day or two, first of the week.

The Cliff Creighton case will be tried in Tom Green County on December 11th. A change of venue was obtained Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McElroy and children were down from Sweetwater a few days.

G. C. Berryman, County Surveyor did several days surveying last week.

G. M. and R. A. Millican, J. O. Bigby, and Ben Smith, all of Tompkins County were attending court here this week as witnesses in the French case.

Edd Good spent the week in town.

Hayley & Company's drug store moved into the Bennick building last Saturday.

The Court people began to drop in last Sunday.

M. Burnett arrived last week and has been attending Court as a witness.

Judge R. B. Truly, of Ballinger, was up here looking after the interest of some of his clients this week.

Gid Graham did several days surveying last week.

M. B. Sheppard, of Edith, attended the Masonic communication here Saturday night.

A couple of our town young men had a "scrap" Wednesday. They both showed true Coke County grit and neither got the worst of it.

Mr. L. M. Vowell, of Valley View, was in town attending court this week. Mr. Vowell says that he will make half a bale of cotton to the acre.

We will be in Robert Lee on Oct. 7, 1899, to buy Polo ponies. We want smooth, good-looking ponies between 14 hands 2 inches and 14 hands 1 inch high. The ponies must be fast, quick well reigned and easy to stop and turn either way. Not under six nor over ten years old. Fast well trained cutting ponies preferred. We will pay good prices for ponies that suit.

### SAVAGE & CONOVER.

Nobby line of Ladies Dress Goods and Trimmings in great variety of styles, at bottom prices.

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Lawyer Allen of San Angelo was over this week.

J. D. Collier, Edith's prosperous merchant was in town a short hour Saturday afternoon.

Cotton seed taken on account at 16 2-3 cts bu. at

J. W. REED & Co.

W. L. Hayley is now a full equipped Life Insurance agent. Coke County people desiring life insurance will do well to call on him.

Judge H. L. Adams of Sanco, spent some of the week in town.

Judge Timmins and Attorney Wallace arrived first of the week.

Men's suits, good ones at \$3.50 to \$14.00 at J. W. REED & Co's.

Grandpa Kellar, one of Coke's best citizens, was down first of the week from Panther Gap.

A column would not give the names of all the people who attended court here this week.

Robinson and Henderson, a firm of bright young lawyers from extreme east Texas were here this week.

Men's and Ladies' shoes, \$1.00 a pair and up at J. W. REED & Co.

Nelson Webb has been serving as Deputy Sheriff here this week.

Uncle George Arnett a good and substantial man from up the river spent a few days in town.

## Neuhattie.

As you are going to publish the letters, verbatim, whatever that means, I will 'Lukke a leetle oud'.

Uncle Tom must have a good Sunday School. I hope it is better than the Cedar Hill Sunday School. But if it is, it's doing lots of good, for while this one is not the first class, it is not the last class, by a great deal.

Mrs. Nelson has moved to Sterling City.

G. W. Tubb and family are gone to pick cotton.

Bro. Berryman has failed to come so far. We are uneasy. He is usually so prompt.

The Enterprise says that a large contingent of San Angelo was at the Midland carnival. I wonder if their expenses were paid by the Coke County Contingent Fund.

Mrs. Westfall is at Angelo.

Albert Lamb is cotton hunting. It looks like rain!!

Miss Ada West has gone to Sterling City to attend the school.

Now let us stop and read the 26 chapter of Leviticus. Especially verses 3 and 4.

I. C. How.

## Bronte News.

Cotton picking is the order of the day around Bronte.

Mr. Pink Satou, our Bronte ginmer is holding a high head this week he has ginned 25 bales of cotton with his new machinery. He says he can gin out 24 bales of cotton in a day.

Hurrah! for Bronte, we have been needing a new gin for some time, we don't need but one thing now and that is plenty of rain.

Jay Robbins sold his residence to Prof. Jowers, who is to teach our school.

Robbins Bros. brought in a fine lot of new goods last week.

Mr. Thad Walker and Charley Shelton from Baird City is visiting friends and relatives near Bronte, they say that cotton crops are very short in Callaham Co.

Rev. Bailey, of Oregon, a Baptist minister preached at Bronte, Sunday at 11 A. M. Theme "The Christian's Life".

Had a fine rain at Bronte Sunday and filled the two Kickapoo creeks with water.

Mrs. J. D. O'Daniel has been very sick for the last two weeks but is much better at this writing.

A. P. McCarty is having a cistern dug. Also Lon Shook has one about completed at his place.

F. B. McLain bought of J. D. O Daniel 30 head of choice heifers and one thorough bred Herford bull. Consideration \$400.00

Jay Robbins sold to Mr. Louis one Milch cow for \$24.00.

Frank Collins, John Luttrell, and J. F. Shook went to Angelo, with cotton Tuesday.

Ed Good passed through Bronte Sunday with 335 head of steer yearlings, en route for his ranch on Live Oak.

Bronte is to have a new Drug Store in the near future.

Tom Luttrell and Dock Kelley have returned from an extended travel crossing the plains of Texas and New Mexico visiting many important places, to-wit Carlsbad, Baneroff, and the Summit. We think they are satisfied to remain in the thriving community of Bronte.

## LUCENE.

The ladies of the M. E. churches at Sanco and Hayrick have presented Rev Bates two beautiful quilts, which the good brother appreciates very much. This merited compliment by an appreciative membership which some of the other churches, of various beliefs might emulate.

# MONEY SAVED

On your Plow Tools, Windmills, Hardware Glassware, Chinaware, Aermotor Wind Mills, Well Supplies of all kinds, Piping, Casing, Cypress and Galvanized Tanks, Horse Power and Pump Jacks, Steam and Power Drilling Machines, Hacks, Buggies, Bains, Old Hickory, and the Celebrated Deere Steel Wagon, Coal, Buggy and Hack Tapes, Etc.

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When in town, come in and try this well known shop.

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# Perryman & Averitt, Lawyers and Land Agents,

Will answer all inquiries about Lands in Coke County.  
Parties desiring to sell will do well to list their Land with us.  
Notice a few of our bargains listed in another Column.  
Will prepare Abstracts of Land Title for our clients.

ROBERT LEE, COKE COUNTY, TEXAS.

210 acres of improved land on north side of the river within two miles of Robert Lee known as the Maddox place.

3680 acres of good pasture land, about 15 miles North of Robert Lee, known as the Glass Pasture. Fenced on two sides. A fine body of land for a ranch.

640 acres of well improved land, fronting on the river 12 miles East of Robert Lee, known as the old Will Hulise place.

480 acres of good pasture land about 3 miles East of Robert Lee.

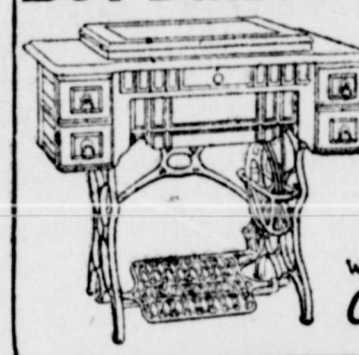
Town lots in different parts of the town of Robert Lee.

One choice block 8 1-3 acres, in Eastern part of town, along side of the Edd Good block.

Between 4000 and 5000 acres of fine farming land from four to six miles south of Robert Lee in the Valley View neighborhood in tracts sized to suited purchaser from 160 to 1476 acres.

350 acre of fenced land one mile from Court House. 140 acres in fine state of cultivation, all fenced, good residence, barn, buggy sheds, etc.

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## When you come in to

Attend District Court next week, put up at the

## Lee Hotel and Livery Stable

Both of which institutions are under new management and solicit old and new trade. Everything First class.  
A. L. LEWIS, Proprietor, Robert Lee, Texas.

## Wanted—An Idea

Who can think of some simple thing to patent? Protect your ideas, they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN WEDDERBURN & CO., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C. for their \$1.00 price card and list of two hundred inventions wanted.

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a cure. What it has done for others it will do for you. Be sure to get Hood's Sarsaparilla.

## AN INFAMOUS LIE.

A traveling man, respectable in appearance, was being built up with the intention of selling him a quantity of overpriced goods at inflated prices, and with the intention of lowering in the estimation of southern people, started a story in Texas that Mr. Montgomery Ward, President of our Company, is a mulatto negro. Mr. Ward is of New England parentage, of the finest blood, and not one drop of negro blood is in his veins. We will give \$1000 reward for information that will lead to the detection of the man who started this story.  
MONTGOMERY WARD & CO., Chicago.  
The Great Wall Store

# VENEZUELAN NEWS

## President Andrade Has Started for Valencia to Command the Troops.

### IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS ARE

Expected—The Revolution Under the Leadership of Gen. Cipriano Castro is Assuming Overwhelming Proportions.

New York, Sept. 16.—A dispatch from Caracas says President Andrade has started for Valencia to personally take command of the troops in the field against the revolutionary leader, Castro. It is his intention to summarily pacify the country and put down the revolution. Important developments are expected within a fortnight. The representative of a New York syndicate succeeded in getting ahead of the capitalists and his offer of the tramways of Bolivar accepted. The trolley system is installed.

London, Sept. 16.—Admiral Laguarda, the port of Caracas, Venezuela, dated Tuesday, reports that the Venezuelan revolution under the leadership of Gen. Cipriano Castro is assuming overwhelming proportions in spite of the imprisonment of political leaders known to be implicated in the movement, against the government, who have been unable to check the insurgent lines. The government has been endeavoring to prevent news from reaching the ports, but it is understood at Laguarda that President Andrade would change the composition of his cabinet and propose to take command of the government troops which had sustained two severe defeats, losing large quantities of munitions of war, suggesting the desertion of the government troops and collusion upon the part of the government generals with the insurgent forces. The populace of Caracas and Laguarda is apathetic, but the intelligence is reported to be rising behind the scenes of the revolution.

A government of Venezuela has been reported to be preparing to land a small steamer carrying light guns for guarding the coast which left Laguarda Monday.

### Mexico News.

Carlsbad, N. M., Sept. 15.—The district court is now in session here with Judge F. W. Parker of Hillsboro, N. M., presiding, and Judge A. Nesbit of Roswell district attorney. The docket promises to be large. Among the prominent attorneys and others in attendance are noted: O. Rice, J. E. Griffith and E. Bago of Socorro, W. Martin of Midland, J. H. Burney of Fort Worth, H. L. Obenchain and Sam Stevenson of Dallas and Judge W. W. Atwood of El Paso.

The last flowing well in Charez county that turned out to be a great success was one bored on the old Chisum ranch by J. J. Hagerman, the present owner of the property. At the depth of 425 feet a flow was struck in gravel that yields fully 1200 gallons a minute. This well has been flowing since Friday, the 8th, and up to present time has shown no diminution. The heavy rain fell here a few days since was a general blessing as well as a generous one. It extended east toward the staked plains country and did immense good on some of the great ranges there, where stock here suffering.

### Secret Conference.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 16.—Leading flour millers of Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama and Georgia held a secret conference here yesterday for the purpose of discussing the flour situation in the south. It is understood that preliminary steps were taken for the formation of a combine of leading millers of this section for the purpose of regulating the production of flour. The members of the conference stated that prices of flour in this territory are ruinously low, due to the overproduction. It is claimed that there are twice as many flour mills in this territory as can be operated with profit. The result is ruinously low prices for the product of the mills. It is the purpose of curtailing production and the movement for a combination of southern millers was started. A meeting will be held here Monday.

Allen was hanged at Helena, murder.

### A Large Audience.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 15.—The joint debate looked for last night between W. J. Bryan and W. Bourke Cockran on trusts did not take place. Central Music hall was packed with an eager audience, but the people present had to content themselves without the oratory of the famous Nebraskan who, however, occupied a seat on the platform.

Mr. Bryan reached Central Music hall early in the evening. He went direct to a room up stairs where he was greeted by Chairman Franklin Head, Congressman Gaines, Ralph M. Easley and other members of the programme committee of the Civic Federation on trusts. Mr. Bryan surprised the committee by declining to speak at the night session with W. Bourke Cockran in accordance with the programme previously arranged. Mr. Bryan explained that he did not wish to let the impression go out that he was to enter into a debate with Mr. Cockran at the state session.

Mr. Cockran was sent for and he and Mr. Bryan discussed the situation. The committee withdrew to allow the two orators to settle the dispute among themselves. Mr. Bryan asserted that he never said he would follow Mr. Cockran with an address on the same evening. If the committee men got that impression from the conversation he had with them over the long distance telephone Thursday he said they misunderstood him. Mr. Cockran wanted to talk at the same session with the noted Nebraskan and offered to flip a coin to determine who would have the privilege of delivering the closing address. Mr. Bryan would not accept this proposition. Mr. Cockran then agreed to appear at any time the committee desired. The programme was then changed to meet Mr. Bryan's wishes. Mr. Bryan said he was and repeated that his only reason for changing the programme was to avoid any indication of a public debate with Mr. Cockran. Mr. Bryan will speak at to-day's session.

Though disappointed in failing to see Mr. Bryan and Mr. Cockran pitted against each other, the audience nevertheless enjoyed a rare treat, as Mr. Cockran was at his best and his speech was punctuated with frequent and prolonged applause. When Mr. Bryan made his appearance it was the signal for tumultuous cheering which lasted until the Nebraskan had taken his seat.

### Vanderbilt's Funeral.

New York, Sept. 16.—Funeral services were held over the remains of Cornelius Vanderbilt yesterday in St. Bartholomew's Episcopal church. The church funeral was preceded by short exercises at the house, to which only members of family and close friends were admitted.

The Rev. Dr. David H. Greer, rector of St. Bartholomew's officiated at both services.

The services were extremely simple. A choir of sixty mixed voices, under the direction of the church organist, sang the music of the services and Chopin's funeral march was played as the procession moved up the aisle. The only floral tributes at the church were from the members of the family. At the close of the church service the casket was taken to the Vanderbilt mausoleum, Newdorp, Staten Island.

At Denton, Gertie Martin, the racing mare belonging to T. L. Wilson, that was hurt in the racing accident at the fair grounds died. The jockey, Moore, who was hurt at the same time, is getting all right.

### Appeal to Be Withdrawn.

London, Sept. 16.—M. de Blowitz, a Paris correspondent says:

"I learn that Caut. Dreyfus will shortly withdraw his appeal for a revision of the Rennes trial, which will leave the ground clear for the government to take immediate steps to pardon him. This pardon will not annul the civil and military consequences of the verdict, and he will, therefore, no longer belong to the army."

"There is nothing, however, to prevent him from applying to the court of cassation to quash the Rennes trial whenever the new fact required by law is produced. When liberated he will settle in the south of France, as the members of his family do not wish to expose him to such demonstrations of sympathy abroad as might be used against him by his adversaries at home."

The postoffice at Newport, Ark., was robbed a few mornings ago.

A military company has been organized at Sulphur Springs.

### TEXANETTES.

The Rio Bravo Coal company has been incorporated.

The handsome Katy depot at Belton has been completed.

The Jack county grand jury returned eighteen indictments.

A plague of bugs, flies and crickets visited Dallas recently.

There are talk of organizing a military company at Ennis.

The city of Bonham has not suffered for water during the drought.

Adj. Gen. Scurry wants Texarkana to organize a military company.

Lobo wolves are proving troublesome ten miles southeast of Denton.

Brick work on the Texas Methodist orphanage at Waco is about completed.

Successful religious revivals are in progress in various portions of the state.

Dr. F. A. Wittborg was severely stabbed on an excursion train at Brenham.

Several cases of smallpox have been reported about eight miles north of Roanoke.

Joe Fairfield, a switchman at Temple, was seriously hurt by the cars a few days ago.

P. J. Flack, a well-to-do farmer, was thrown from his wagon and killed near McGregor.

Varmints are becoming numerous about the city of Sherman and poultry yards are suffering.

The Merchants' infantry, a new military organization at Paris, have received forty stands of arms.

The mattress factory of the Dennis Manufacturing company of Waco was partially burned the other night.

Lieut. Raysor of the forty-fourth volunteers secured eight recruits in Galveston, who left for Leavenworth, where the regiment is mobilizing.

J. D. Lankford was thrown from a buggy in a runaway near the bridge across Mill creek, Grayson county, and received injuries from which he died.

Quinlan camp, Woodmen of the World, assisted by Woodmen from Greenville and Terrell, unveiled the monument of J. W. Bagley at the cemetery.

Owing to the fact that the colored schools of Sherman had to close a little earlier last year than usual, they were opened one week earlier than the white schools.

At a negro festival at Dodd city, Lewis Jefferson was shot three times, once in the arm, side and back. Jefferson is still alive. The shooter is still at large. All colored.

The state board of education purchased for the school fund \$35,400 Bexar county refunding bridge bonds and \$65,000 of Brazoria county refunding courthouse, jail and bridge bonds.

Ledbetter & Wattinger have been awarded the contract to erect the new high school building for the city of Austin at a cost of \$42,000. The plumbing was awarded to W. A. Burke at about \$2200.

At a meeting of the city council the corporation court in LaGrange was organized with the following as officers: Mayor Robert Sample, recorder; Secretary F. Rosenthal, clerk and Sam C. Lowrey, city attorney.

On account of the long-continued dry weather at Brownwood the city water supply is getting very low. A special meeting of the city council was called to take some action in regard to the matter, and it was decided to allow the water to be used for lawn purposes only from 6 to 8 p. m.

In a restaurant at Mexia, a negro named John Lewis was shot in the stomach. Two other negroes were arrested charged with the shooting and held to await the result of the wound, which is considered serious.

The Waxahachie camp of the Woodmen of the World went out in a large body and picked out the cotton crop of W. L. Thomas, about four miles east of that city, who has been sick and unable to get his cotton picked.

At Waco two bins of seed cotton caught fire at the Bessonet press, and but for the quick work of the employes of the company with their water supply and the fire department, the big press and all buildings would have been a total loss. As it was, the fire was confined to two bins, and the loss could not be ascertained until the bins are cleaned out. The cotton was covered by insurance.

In accordance with the opinion of the attorney general, Secretary of State Hardy has notified all fraternal insurance companies which have qualified to do business in Texas under the recent act, that they will have to pay an annual franchise tax of \$10.

### THE POSTMAN'S STORY

The postman was lounging on the custom-house steps idly tossing some coins up in the air. The reporter, passing him, noticed the glint of gold and stopped.

"Struck it rich?" he asked pleasantly, nodding at the gold pieces. "Been to the Klondike?"

"No, but somebody else has," the postman replied, holding up a handful of five-dollar gold pieces for inspection.

"Who?" The reporter put the question eagerly, for he scented some news.

"Oh, that's another story," laughed the postman teasingly.

"Come, now, you've got your gold pieces and a story. Out with the story like a good chap, and give me a chance to earn a gold piece and I'll be satisfied," begged the newspaper man, sitting down on the steps beside his friend.

"Well, if you'll solemnly promise to fix it so nobody can find out the participants in the story, I'll tell it. But for fear you might forget, as you fellows sometimes do," added the postman, laughing, "I'll not mention any names at all."

"Oh, I'll take crumbs willingly," his companion replied, taking out his notebook, "so please proceed to scatter them."

"Well, I first noticed her on my route about six months ago."

"A woman in the case, of course," murmured the reporter, "but I thought you were a married man."

"Widower," responded the other, briefly. "But I tell you right now you needn't look for any romance about me in this tale, for I'm not in it, at least not in that way. My heart is buried in my little woman's grave and there it will stay."

"I beg your pardon," the reporter said, so gently that the postman grasped his hand, shook it and went on with his story. "I've seen women anxious for letters, but never saw one before who seemed so crazy about it. When I was a square off I could see her leaning out of her window eagerly

watching for me. Sometimes she would walk down to meet me, pretending that she was going downtown and feared she would miss her mail. But she always turned back home again in a hopeless kind of way when she found there was no mail for her.

"This kind of thing kept up for about four months, during which time she never got so much as a postal card, although she looked for something every delivery, when I began to notice a change in her appearance.

"At first I thought it was only on account of her disappointed expectations, but I found out that there was another cause, and a terrible one, to blame. I saw her pick up an apple a child threw away on the street and after looking around to see whether any one was looking, and not seeing me, devour it ravenously. Then I knew that grim poverty had her in its grip and that she was slowly but surely starving. Of course I dared say nothing at the time, for, in spite of her poverty she was a real lady, but I thought about it all day and could hardly sleep that night for thinking of it.

"I waited a day or two, thinking the letter she kept expecting would come, but as she seemed to get weaker and still there was no letter, I made up my mind to speak and offer her help. Of course, I knew it was a delicate matter, but I thought if I told her the truth about myself and convinced her that I was actuated by the best motives she would let me help her. So I spoke to her and told her I had a matter of the utmost importance to her to communicate and asked her to meet me that night at a quiet little restaurant near by. My manner was so respectful (and I think I'm a pretty honest-looking fellow) that, after giving me a searching look she complied. As soon as she came into the eating room I made her eat, for I saw that she was faint from hunger, and after a little demur she consented. Then I began at once, told her all about myself and said that I knew she was in trouble and begged her to let me help her as one man would help another. She almost broke down when she told me her story.

"Her husband had gone to the Klondike with a company of gold-seekers a year before. He left her with just enough money to live on for a year, expecting to be home by that time, with a fortune, of course. She would have gotten along very well, although she was in a strange city, but she was cheated out of most of her money and could find no work—indeed, by that time she was not strong enough to work if she had had any to do. She had no relatives to whom she could apply and so was living on hope that her husband would send her money or return.

"It had been so long since she heard from him that she feared he was dead. I tried to cheer her by telling her how uncertain the mails were, how easy it was for them to get lost, and told her I believed he was on his way home. Then I begged her to borrow money from me, enough to last her through another month, and to keep up heart until her husband came. It was the greatest compliment I ever received when she accepted the money, took me by the hand and said I was a true, honest man and a friend whose friendship she considered it an honor to have.

"Well, it was three weeks to the day when she got her letter. She almost fainted when I handed it to her, and shut the door quick. But when I came around the next mail, she was waiting for me with her face fairly beaming. 'He's on his way!' she said, joyfully, 'and will soon be here.' I nearly shouted for I felt so glad, and I watched every day to see if the poor girl's hopes had been realized. A week later, when I blew my whistle on the block she came to meet me leaning on the arm of a very fair-looking young fellow who looked like he couldn't make enough over her. She introduced him as her husband, and my hand almost aches yet from that young Klondiker's grip. He told me that he couldn't half thank me for my kindness to his wife, but he wanted me to come up to the Avenue hotel that night for dinner and let him try. 'Of course by their going to the Avenue I knew he had struck it rich, but I wasn't prepared to hear of the great wealth he had brought home nor to listen to the wonderful tales of adventure and hardship he had to relate. When I got up to go that night he said:

"'Millie tells me that she would have died of starvation if it had not been for you. I never can pay you for this, for Millie is worth more to me than all the gold in the Klondike put together. But I can pay you back the money you lent her,' and with that he handed me a check for \$1,000. Then she grabbed up a handful of gold pieces from a bag she had and pressed them into my hands.

"'And this is the interest,' she said, laughing and crying together. 'It didn't do any good for me to protest; they just made me take it all. I make a good living and have only myself to look after, so I'm going to get my little woman a monument that will make her smile, if she can look down and see it.'

He brushed some tears from his eyes, jumped up and, saying abruptly: 'I'm off, good-by,' disappeared in the building.

"'Queer fellow, that,' grumbled the reporter. 'I wanted to ask some questions. But I've got a good story out of him all the same.'

**SAME BUG**  
Used to Excite the Interest and Curiosity of the People.

Philadelphia Inquirer: The druggist is something of a practical joker and the appearance of the kissing bug gave him an opportunity he was not slow to embrace. Procuring a gigantic specimen of the cockroach family, he fastened it to a piece of cardboard and labeling it "Kissing Bug," placed it in his store window. Of course the bug attracted all sorts of attention and the druggist was kept busy for a week or ten days explaining how he had captured the "kisser," its peculiarities, etc. At the end of that time the strangling bug was discovered. Out came the "kissing bug" from the drug store window. Half an hour later it was replaced by a "strangling bug." To get the latter all the druggist had to do was to turn the cockroach over on its back with its legs folded together, strangling-bug fashion. An appropriate label did the rest. "I don't know how I will work the roach in the event of the discovery of another strange bug," he laughingly said, in telling of his little joke, "but I guess I can manage it some way. If his roachship only had some kind of a horn protruding from his head, I could palm him off for a while as a bicycle bug, one of the sort that punctures tires, you know. But he has done very well as it is, achieving more fame in the various roles he has sustained than he could have gained as a plain, every-day roach in a thousand years."

**Healed Branches.**  
"I heal the breaches in Zion," said the religious tailor with the shop in the basement of the church.

**HE'S ON HIS WAY**  
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"At first I thought it was only on account of her disappointed expectations, but I found out that there was another cause, and a terrible one, to blame. I saw her pick up an apple a child threw away on the street and after looking around to see whether any one was looking, and not seeing me, devour it ravenously. Then I knew that grim poverty had her in its grip and that she was slowly but surely starving. Of course I dared say nothing at the time, for, in spite of her poverty she was a real lady, but I thought about it all day and could hardly sleep that night for thinking of it.

"I waited a day or two, thinking the letter she kept expecting would come, but as she seemed to get weaker and still there was no letter, I made up my mind to speak and offer her help. Of course, I knew it was a delicate matter, but I thought if I told her the truth about myself and convinced her that I was actuated by the best motives she would let me help her. So I spoke to her and told her I had a matter of the utmost importance to her to communicate and asked her to meet me that night at a quiet little restaurant near by. My manner was so respectful (and I think I'm a pretty honest-looking fellow) that, after giving me a searching look she complied. As soon as she came into the eating room I made her eat, for I saw that she was faint from hunger, and after a little demur she consented. Then I began at once, told her all about myself and said that I knew she was in trouble and begged her to let me help her as one man would help another. She almost broke down when she told me her story.

"Her husband had gone to the Klondike with a company of gold-seekers a year before. He left her with just enough money to live on for a year, expecting to be home by that time, with a fortune, of course. She would have gotten along very well, although she was in a strange city, but she was cheated out of most of her money and could find no work—indeed, by that time she was not strong enough to work if she had had any to do. She had no relatives to whom she could apply and so was living on hope that her husband would send her money or return.

"It had been so long since she heard from him that she feared he was dead. I tried to cheer her by telling her how uncertain the mails were, how easy it was for them to get lost, and told her I believed he was on his way home. Then I begged her to borrow money from me, enough to last her through another month, and to keep up heart until her husband came. It was the greatest compliment I ever received when she accepted the money, took me by the hand and said I was a true, honest man and a friend whose friendship she considered it an honor to have.

"Well, it was three weeks to the day when she got her letter. She almost fainted when I handed it to her, and shut the door quick. But when I came around the next mail, she was waiting for me with her face fairly beaming. 'He's on his way!' she said, joyfully, 'and will soon be here.' I nearly shouted for I felt so glad, and I watched every day to see if the poor girl's hopes had been realized. A week later, when I blew my whistle on the block she came to meet me leaning on the arm of a very fair-looking young fellow who looked like he couldn't make enough over her. She introduced him as her husband, and my hand almost aches yet from that young Klondiker's grip. He told me that he couldn't half thank me for my kindness to his wife, but he wanted me to come up to the Avenue hotel that night for dinner and let him try. 'Of course by their going to the Avenue I knew he had struck it rich, but I wasn't prepared to hear of the great wealth he had brought home nor to listen to the wonderful tales of adventure and hardship he had to relate. When I got up to go that night he said:

"'Millie tells me that she would have died of starvation if it had not been for you. I never can pay you for this, for Millie is worth more to me than all the gold in the Klondike put together. But I can pay you back the money you lent her,' and with that he handed me a check for \$1,000. Then she grabbed up a handful of gold pieces from a bag she had and pressed them into my hands.

"'And this is the interest,' she said, laughing and crying together. 'It didn't do any good for me to protest; they just made me take it all. I make a good living and have only myself to look after, so I'm going to get my little woman a monument that will make her smile, if she can look down and see it.'

He brushed some tears from his eyes, jumped up and, saying abruptly: 'I'm off, good-by,' disappeared in the building.

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**JUSTICE IN CHINA.**

A Story of Li Hung Chang and Would-be Prisoners.

Of Li Hung Chang numberless stories are told in Chinese society. Now and then one reaches this country through our consuls in China. On one occasion when the premier was having a bitter fight with some of the more conservative members of the tsung-li-tzamen he received as a present a magnificent cake, which he had reason to suspect contained poison. He put the cake aside and set all his powerful machinery to work to find out who was at the bottom of the plot. The investigation was partly successful, the crime being traced to three men, of whom one, at least, was absolutely guilty. Li had the trio arrested and brought to his yamen. When they arrived they were ushered into his presence and were received in his courteous manner. The cake was produced, with the remark that "politeness forbade his tasting it until the three generous donors had had an opportunity to enjoy its excellence." Li cut the cake and one of his servants handed it to the unwilling guests. Each took a piece and ate, or pretended to eat it. One crumbled the pieces and let them fall upon the floor, but the other two ate calmly, without manifesting any emotion. Ten minutes and the two men began to show symptoms of suffering. Li smiled benignly and said to the man who had not eaten: "Your wisdom is so great that I am compelled to preserve your head as a souvenir to transcendental genius." The man was removed and promptly decapitated. To the other two the premier remarked: "The cake that you are eating is not the one you sent me, but one which I had my cook imitate. The poison from which you are suffering exists only in your imagination. I know of no way to cure your present pain except by letting you share the same fate as your friend who has just left the room." As they were led away the statesman said to his retinue: "It is a pity that a man who can eat a deadly corrosive poison with an unmoved countenance should so misapply the talent wherewith heaven has endowed him."

**A CHINAMAN'S OATH.**

The Celestial Was Particular and Caused the Court Lots of Trouble.

The various forms of oath-making, even in this country, are of considerable interest. It would not, however, be easy to find an instance in which anything like so queer a medium of attestation was employed as a gull-lotted black cockatoo. But no less an extraordinary medium than that was what the police of a country district in New South Wales had to provide the other day for a finical Chinaman, who declined to swear on anything else. Headless fowls were brought, but in vain, and as the matter was important, even a black swan, a luxury surely for a Chinese witness, was suggested, only to be immediately refused. After some time had elapsed, and when the representatives of the law seemed quite at their wits' end, a dead cockatoo of the required hue was strangely discovered in a hut—one of the other celestials, who mumbled the anxious officials in \$2.50 for the bird. Then the solemn and peculiar oath was duly administered, on which the difficult witness with a bland and childlike expression, declared he knew nothing about the case and sat down smiling!

**United States' Pension Roll.**

On June 30, 1898, the pension rolls of the United States contained 993,714 names. Forty-three thousand were dropped during the fiscal year—34,345 because of death and 8,841 because of remarriage. On the other hand, 40,991 new claims were allowed, so that the number of pensions stood on June 30 last at 991,519. The decrease in expenditure during the year was much more marked, the total falling from \$144,651,000 in 1897-98 to \$133,253,000 in 1898-99. This last is the smallest sum disbursed since the new conditions created by the dependent act have had to be faced, and reasonable assurance of a further natural shrinkage in the annual expenditures is to be found in the fact that \$3,000,000 less were paid out last year than three years ago, when the list of pensioners was fully 21,000 shorter than it is today. How slight an addition to pension burdens the war with Spain will make may be guessed from the statement that, although 16,986 claims have been filed for disabilities incurred in that brief contest, only 295 have so far been passed on favorably. Altogether, the outlook for a diminished pension account has greatly improved.

**Street Car Fares the World Over.**

In Belfast, Ireland; Berne, Switzerland; Cork, Ireland; Marseilles, France; Prague, Austria, and Sydney, Australia, the fare is 2 cents for any distance. In Dublin, Ireland, the fare is 1 cent a mile. In Berlin it is 2½ cents for the first mile. In Florence, Italy, it is 2 cents from the outskirts to the centre of the city and 3 cents across the city. In Paris the fare inside the 'buses and cars is 6 cents, while for 3 cents a seat on the top may be had. In Calcutta, India, the fares run from 2½ cents to 4 cents a mile. In Ghent, Belgium; Lyons, France, and other cities, there are different fares for first and second-class seats.

**The Middle Ear.**

This story is told of Professor Pritchard, who recently opened the sixth international otological congress. Reviewing the progress of the last thirty years, the professor referred to "chronic non-suppurative disease of the middle ear" as being the supreme misery at present to students of otology. "What is this middle ear?" a lady asked a sage physician. "Madam," he replied, "it is the ear with which we do not listen." In other words, the nose.

**Not a Case in Point.**

"You turned expansionist," remarked the man with the long sorrel beard, "ought to remember the frog tried to be as big as the ox and swelled himself up till he busted."

"That frog wasn't an expansionist," said the other man. "He was an inflationist."

Booker T. Washington lectured recently in Essex Hall, London, on "The Negro Problem in America." Joseph H. Choate, United States ambassador, introduced the lecturer.

The death of Bishop John P. Newman calls to mind his intimacy with General Grant during his presidency, and his tour of the world as inspector of United States consulates.

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