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Obituary.

At his home near Content Runnels County Texas on the 29 day of Jan. at ten o'clock A. M. Dear old friend J. J. Knopfli took leave of all earthly scenes to dwell with the hosts in the great beyond. He was 55 years of age, born in Switzerland and left there at the age of ten, coming with his father's family direct to Texas and settling at Dallas, where he remained until about fifteen years ago when he came to Runnels Co. and a few years after married Mrs. Sarah Preston with whom he lived very happily until his death. His disease was one of a peculiar nature called by the Medical faculty "Aneurism," or a ruptured blood vessel, this was a rupture of the main Artery leading from the heart direct to the head and brain.

About eighteen months ago a small protuberance appeared on his breast, just below his chin, this gave him no pain but continued to grow at intervals; he consulted several physicians, and all diagnosed it the same, telling him he must keep quiet and exercise but little—about five or six weeks ago by a sudden movement it began to pain him severely and compelled him to take his bed, and from that time it grew rapidly until a few days before his death. The rupture on his breast was about the size of a medium cocoa nut, measuring 10 in 7 inches, a post mortem examination showed much larger internally. The post mortem examination was held by his attending physician, Dr. J. M. Smith by Mr. Knopfli's request. The pressure of the rupture upon the right lung had become so great that inhalation into that lung had evidently ceased several days previous to his death. The Artery was wonderfully distended all the way from the right shoulder to the heart and several of the ribs and breast bone were decayed and even gone. How he lived as long in such a condition is a wonder to all who attended to him during his illness, but he bore all with such patience, while he knew, as all the physicians had told him that there was no hope for him that no human hand could save him that death would soon relieve him; he seemed resigned to his fate, and while he lay there and could not be moved he loved to have his friends come in to see him he loved to talk with them he was well cared for by his dear wife who administered to every want unmindful of her wasting strength, night and day, as well as many friends who were near and dear to him and to whom he gave his dying blessing, saying he was ready and willing and not afraid to die, that he had forgiven all men and made his peace with God and he felt that God had forgiven him, and he was not afraid to die, not afraid to trust his future in the hands of all the wise, loving, kind and merciful Heavenly Father. Oh! that all could be as fearless of death, its only transition—

"So sinks the gale when storms are o'er, / So dres the wave along the shore."

Jack had many friends, he won them by his kindness, sympathy and love. He was a man of large

brain and intelligence, one of more than ordinary good judgment and sense, sympathizing with the afflicted and distressed; had he been wealthy, he would soon have become poor, his love and life was for his friends. In his dying moments he called his wife and step-children to his bed side and bid them farewell, also his physician D. J. M. Smith, thanking him for his attention and care; then he took other friends by the hand bidding them all good bye.

The funeral took place on the 30th at the Midway Cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. D. W. Townsend, who in his usual manner on such occasions very appropriately and impressively moved the audience to feel the truth of the sacredness of the of the ground touching tenderly and sympathetically and loving the wounded hearts of the bereaved and burning words of warning to the living, "To prepare to meet God in peace."

We left with solemn thoughts and feelings the city of the dead. A friend.

Teachers Institute Program.

Friday night Feb. 9th 1900
Welcome Address, Gid Graham
Response. Prof. Jowers.
Song. Our Country. By all.
Recitation, Mrs. Averitt.

Quartette, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Gardner, Mrs. Averitt and Prof. Savage.

Address. Prof. H. T. Carter.
Instrumental Music. J. S. Gardner, Fred Lewis, and Tom Cross.
Sammy and his Colt, Julian Bullock; Horrid Geography Lesson. Clyde Warren; The Contrary Boy, Howard Monteath, Thé Two Kittens, Inez McDorman; The Boys, Finis Walters; Our Folks, Miss Ada Fry; My Cats Wash After Eating, Pearl Burroughs; At School and At Home, Viola Clawson; Oration:—Destiny of America, Edgar Savage; Learning to Sew, Zuba Burnum;

Saturday Morning 9 o'clock,
Language vs Grammar, Miss Alvia Ingram and Miss Ruth Thompson,
Compound Proportion, E. B. Williams.

Essay. General Culture, Miss Nelms.
Allegation. Prof. Jowers, and F. E. Thomas.

Are our institutes accomplishing desired results? General discussion introduced by J. B. Herall.

Institute adjourned to meet February 9, and 10th, 1900.
W. T. Savage, Chairman.
Alvia Ingram, Sec.

Rev. T. M. C. Birmingham will preach a patriotic sermon next Sat. night at the court house on the United States, a chosen nation.

Wanted—An Idea Who can think of some simple thing to invent? Protect your ideas, they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN WILKINSON & CO., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their \$1.00 price offer and see the hundred inventions wanted.

Go to Paris! In some persons of a mechanical or inventive mind a desire to visit Paris is a constant one. Write JOHN WILKINSON & CO., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their \$1.00 price offer and see the hundred inventions wanted.

Populist District Convention.

A call is hereby made for a delegate convention to assemble in San Antonio on Saturday Feb. 17, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of selecting delegates to the People's Party National Convention. The chairmen of the various counties in the district will call their conventions at as early a date as possible. Let the delegates be instructed as to the choice for delegates to the said National Convention; also, as to date for holding a Congressional convention to nominate a candidate for Congress in this district, and to transact such other business as may come before the convention.

J. H. Foster,
J. T. Warden, Chair. 12, Con. Dist
Secretary.

In obedience to the above call, I hereby call a Mass Meeting of the Populists of Coke County, to be held at the court house at Robert Lee, on Feb. 10th 1900, at 1 P. M. for the purpose of re-organization, the election of a County Chairman and other officers for the ensuing year, the election of delegates to the above District convention, and such other business as may come before the body.

A full attendance is requested,
S. C. WILKINS,
Chair. People's Party, Coke Co.

Bronte High School.

Bronte High School is now occupying the new building and we respectfully solicit the patronage of all young ladies and gentlemen who are seeking an education.

The following are some of the reasons why you should attend school at Bronte.

1st. We have the most commodious school building in the county and all our appliances are new.

2nd. We have a carefully graded course of study leading to matriculation in the University.

3rd. Teachers who wish to review branches required for any grade of certificate can get instruction here.

4th. Bronte is a quiet country village, free from the vice and allurements of a city.

5th. As an inducement this year, tuition is placed at \$1.50 to \$2.00 per month.

The present term will close June 1, and next term will begin Sept. 3, 1900.

Call on or address
J. D. Jowers, Principal,
Bronte Texas.

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I will purchase additional rights of all who homesteaded less than 160 acres prior to June, 1874, even if they abandoned their claims. Will buy fractionals, if ever so small, also Forest Reserve Rights and Government Land Warrants.

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FOR SALE: One good Jack, five years old, Black Warrior and Maltese stock. Will sell for cash or trade for cattle or good notes. A. J. Pettit, Bronte, Texas.

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Call on us when in need of Groceries, Dry Goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Furnishings, Saddles, Harness, Hardware, Etc.

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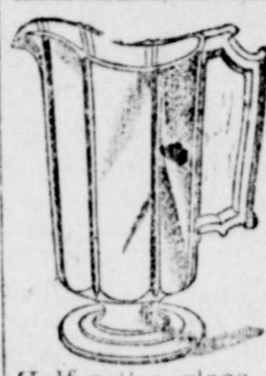
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GRAIN AND HAY.

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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.

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WEST SIDE SQUARE, ROBERT LEE, TEXAS.

WESTERN CANADA.

Crop Prospects and Climate About Edmonton, N. W. T.—Interesting Letter from Mrs. S. A. Brigham, Late of Mason City.

The following extracts from an interesting letter to the Mason City (Ia.) Republican, written by Mrs. S. A. Brigham, late of that place, but now of Ross Creek, Alberta, Canada, so nearly describe most of the districts of Western Canada that we take pleasure in presenting same to the attention of our readers:

Ross Creek, Albert, N. W. T., Canada, Aug. 7, 1899.

Editor Mason City Republican—Dear Sir: We are located in the Beaver Hills, 30 miles from Ft. Saskatchewan and 50 miles from Edmonton. To the east of these is an immense area of bottom lands, which furnishes abundance of hay for the settlers. It is dotted with small lakes, the largest of which is called Beaver Lake, 16 miles in length.

The Beaver Hills are covered with small green willows which are easily gotten rid of before breaking up the land. Here and there poplar, birch and tamarack trees abound. Small meadows are numerous. The soil in these hills is much richer than the bottom lands, being a kind of black leaf mould. There is no tough sod to break, and it is very productive. Wheat, oats and barley do finely and vegetables are the finest that can be grown. Potatoes especially are large and solid, easily producing from 200 to 300 bushels per acre, and best of all never a "taty bug" to wrestle with. Wild fruit, strawberries, gooseberries, saskatoons (or pine berries), raspberries and cranberries, are found in the hills. Small tame fruit does finely, the red and white currants in my garden are as large again as common sized ones.

We have long days during the months of June and July; one can see to read many evenings until 10 o'clock in the twilight. Some nights less than 3 hours of darkness, and the birds are singing at 2 o'clock. Then again, it rains so easily. You look toward the west and see a little cloud coming up, a gentle shower follows, the sun shines forth again, and in a little while you forget it has rained.

Cyclones are unknown here and the thunder and lightning is very light. We had two storms this summer accompanied with wind and hail, but nothing to lodge the grain. The average heat is about 78 degrees. We had three or four days in July at 90. The nights are always cool.

The winter season is one of great activity. All the fencing is gotten out then and logs for the farm buildings. By paying 25 cents you are granted a permit at the land office to cut logs upon vacant lands. The roads are good and smooth, for the snow never drifts, not even around the buildings, and this is a great saving of time to the farmer. Hay is hauled from the bottom lands all winter long, and a man can work outside every day as far as the weather is concerned. There are cold snaps when it reaches 40 and 45 below zero, but the lack of wind prevents one realizing it and the mountains 150 miles west of us are a great protection. Our neighbors are mostly Canadian, Scotch, Swede, and we have a nice sprinkling of people from the states. The creeks abound in small fish.

We are now in the midst of haying (Aug. 7). Wheat will not be cut until early September, this being a little later season than common, but the crop will be immense. I send you a sample of wheat and barley—its height is almost even with my shoulders, average 50 inches. New comers lacking binders can hire their grain cut for 75 cents per acre. Prairie chickens are here by the thousands.

The water is good. We have a fine well 15 feet deep. In the creeks the water is soft and of a yellowish color. Now for the drawbacks (we have them), but nothing very serious. The mosquitoes are simply abominable, especially after a shower. Then again we are surrounded with bachelors; we have no less than 18 single men in this neighborhood, on matrimony bent. When a feminine gender of any age between 14 and 40 visits these hills we pity her, so great is the demand for her company.

In conclusion, if the remainder of our loved ones were here with us, we should better enjoy life on Ross Creek, and unless the unexpected develops, consider this will be a pretty fair place to end our days.

MRS. S. A. BRIGHAM.

Red-Headed Euchre Club.

Philadelphia has an auburn-haired charter members were enrolled, and resemble the golden rays of the setting sun are eligible to membership. The first meeting of the club was held some nights ago, the Record says. Sixteen charter members were enrolled, and every shade of hair was represented, from fiery red to the most subdued Titian coloring. All passed a most rigid examination as to their hirsute credentials. The membership of the club will be limited to thirty, and all the young people in the neighborhood with hair of the requisite shade are eager to join. The order of admittance will be on the principle of first comes first chosen, but each candidate must be proposed by one of the auburn-haired charter members and must meet all the requirements of the club.

Garnet Powder.

New York Tribune: An abundance of garnet, suitable for grinding into powder for abrasive purposes, but not for jewelry, is found in Essex county, New York. A peak called Garnet peak, northwest from Bald Eagle, in the Adirondacks, is being mined. This article is not quite so hard as corundum, but does excellent work.

Assessors and Collectors Heard.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 3.—Expert O. B. Colquitt closed his argument before the taxation committee yesterday, and at the afternoon session a brief hearing was given the tax assessors and collectors who wished to discuss the bill.

C. A. Turner, assessor for Dallas county was introduced. Chairman Schluter said the desire of the committee was to learn from the assessors what difficulties they experienced in the levy of taxes that is, what class was escaping taxes. Mr. Turner said that the most difficult item of taxation to reach was money. The statement of the Dallas banks in December last showed individual deposits of between \$6,000,000 and \$7,000,000.

It was also difficult to reach credits and mortgages, the amount held being much in excess of the amount rendered as subject to taxation. Loan and building associations rendered nothing except real estate on a ruling made by the controller exempting their securities. Trust companies rendered no money or securities, nor did insurance companies. Average value of lands in Dallas county was from \$2 to \$20 per acre, or an average for the entire county of \$11.

In Dallas county the proposed bill would increase values at least one-third. Rate of tax, including state, was 87½ cents. The average value of cattle was about \$39 and horses not much more.

Mr. Metz, assessor for Travis county, said credits and moneys were the most difficult items for an assessor to reach.

Several collectors were also heard.

Pierson Hanged.

Clarksville, Tex., Feb. 3.—Henderson Pierson, colored, was hanged a quarter of a mile east of town yesterday for a double murder committed last August.

The execution was a perfect success, without hitch or unusual incident.

After donning a neat black worsted suit, the death warrant was read to him at 1 o'clock.

Pinning a bouquet on his coat, he remarked to Rev. Wesley: "I will soon be going home."

It was a ten minutes' journey by wagon from the jail to the scaffold. The doomed man, escorted by a deputy, ascended the scaffold with a firm step. There was praying and singing. Pierson joining in. He then stepped forward and said: "I have committed a great crime. My sentence was just. God has forgiven me. I am going home to Jesus."

The singing started was going when the drop fell. His neck was broken. The body hung fourteen minutes. Five thousand people witnessed the hanging.

Pierson suffered the extreme penalty of the law for the murder of his wife and mother-in-law on Aug. 20, 1899, on the plantation of S. E. Watson, in this county.

Slava Sall.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 3.—The fifteen Slavonian stave cutters brought back from the woods of Mississippi for deportation on the ground that they were contract laborers brought to the United States in violation of law, were taken away yesterday on the North German Lloyd steamship Maria Rickmers and the incident is closed. The matter attracted considerable attention because the company refused to take the men on the steamship Roland, sailing Jan. 1, an appeal to the secretary of the treasury having been made. The appeal was disallowed.

Small-Pox Status.

Fairfield, Tex., Feb. 3.—The people of this vicinity are very much agitated over the small-pox. What was supposed to be chicken-pox has been very prevalent in the southeastern portion of this county for more than a month, but County Health Physician Dr. W. N. Sneed went down and investigated it, and it has developed to be small-pox. While it has been in most cases heretofore a very discreet form, not many deaths resulted. Recently it has gotten more serious and several cases are now reported to be in a very serious condition.

Probable Fatal Fall.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 3.—Fred Horburgh, manager of the Espuela Land and Cattle company of Dickens county, was found in an unconscious condition at 3 o'clock yesterday morning lying on the roof of the kitchen of the Driskill hotel. He was in his night clothes and had evidently fallen from the window of his room on the third floor of the hotel immediately above the spot where he was found. His injuries are thought to be fatal. He weighs 200 pounds.

Report to House.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 5.—After wrestling with the tax bill eleven days the house committee on revenue and taxation late Saturday evening acknowledged that it could not agree upon the vital features of the bill and decided to report it to the house this morning with such amendments as have been adopted with a recommendation that it pass.

This action simply brings the committee back to the proposition made by several members of the committee at the opening of the session to send in a favorable report on the bill at once and let the whole house fight over its adoption, rejection or revision.

Many of the amendments adopted in the committee room will be assailed in the house by members of the committee, as the motion to make a favorable report was adopted with the understanding that each member shall be at liberty to oppose or propose an amendment or any part of the bill as prepared by the commission.

That the fight in the house will be a warm one nobody doubts, and the chances of passing the amended or any other bill are as slim as ever. Among the amendments adopted Saturday to which there was no opposition in committee was one raising the tax on gross receipts of sleeping car companies from 2 1-2 to 5 per cent.

In the discussion of the chapter on taxation of railroads the principle of a tax on gross receipts of corporations was brought up and members fought shy of committing themselves to the proposition as applied to railroads lest it be found they must adopt the same plan in reference to other corporations.

The provision levying a tax of 1 per cent on gross earnings from both freight and passenger business was amended so that the tax will apply only to gross passenger earnings, and with this change the railroad taxation chapter was adopted.

Senate Forecast.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 5.—The senate will open the week with further consideration of the Potter land bill, which is in a fair way to be passed as amended. The amendments have already been fully noted and explained in these dispatches and have in some measure reduced the opposition to the passage of the bill, but there still remains a strong contingent which will fight to the last. Its opponents contend that the school fund has been amply provided for and they object to further "donation" of public domain as they term it. The bill will also encounter considerable opposition when it comes to the house.

Another measure which will claim the attention of the senate is the question of increasing the salaries of superintendents of state lunatic and other asylums. This increase is heartily favored by the governor, who holds that competent and capable superintendents can only be secured at a sacrifice of their personal interests; that they can earn far more than the compensation paid by the state, and this act ought to be recognized by the legislature.

Houston Fire.

Houston, Feb. 5.—Saturday a disastrous fire completely destroyed the three-story brick building at the corner of Louisiana and Congress streets, occupied by Theo Keller, grocer; loss \$20,000. The fire started from an explosion on the second floor about the engine that operated the elevator and furnished power for other purposes in the establishment. The fire alarm was sent in soon after, but the flames spread so rapidly and the water pressure was so poor that the building and stock were completely destroyed.

Boy Killed.

Paris, Tex., Feb. 4.—The accidental killing of little Finn Biard with a target gun by a playmate while out shooting pigeons in an alley was one of the most distressing occurrences of the kind which has happened in a long time. The bullet that did the deadly work was about the size of a pea, and was not supposed to have scarcely any powder behind it. As soon as he was shot the little boy fell to the ground unconscious and the brains oozed out of a small wound in his forehead. He soon died.

Probably Gold.

Orange, Tex., Feb. 4.—Charles Block, a farmer living three miles north of town, came in Saturday evening with a teaspoonful of yellow metal that he feels assured is gold. Some of the particles are as large as birdshot, are heavy and have stood the test of acids that convinces him he has struck it rich.

FIELD, RANCH, GARDEN.

Wheat prospects grow better and better.

Tarrant county farmers are pleased with wheat prospects.

A number of parties picked cotton in Lamar county up to Jan. 27.

Wood county farmers are actively preparing for crop planting.

A considerable acreage in broomcorn will be put in in Texas this year.

Three carloads of hogs were recently shipped from Clarksville to Dallas.

It is thought there are not 500 bales of unsold cotton in Red River county.

A great number of hogs have been killed in Wilbarger county this winter.

Volunteer oats in Navarro county were not hurt by the recent severe weather.

W. F. Oliver of Hillsboro sold a carload of mules to M. M. Mosely of Waxahachie.

The Tyler Vegetable and Fruit Growers' association meets in that city on the 10th.

Reports from Wyoming, Idaho and Montana indicate a growing demand for young cattle.

Cook & Simmons of Hillsboro shipped one carload of mules to Memphis and one to Louisiana.

Most of the Hood county wheat has been pastured closely, but has a good color nevertheless.

Mrs. D. F. Faussett of the Sardis community, Ellis county, sold \$42 worth of poultry last year.

The Irish potato crop for 1899 for the United States was 250,000,000 bushels, the largest ever known by 50,000,000.

Another shipment of mules, numbering 300, left Fort Worth a few days ago destined for Cape Town for the British army.

Farmers of Oak Grove, six miles from Ennis, have, with the merchants there, organized a club that will look after crop matters, factories, etc.

The Fruit Growers' association of Wood county will this season confine its operations in the experimental line to Irish potatoes and cantaloupes.

Roasting ears are growing scarce about Brownsville, but there are still abundant supplies of beets, cabbages, turnips, cauliflower, oschallots, lettuce, etc.

F. M. Frambroch of Longview shipped several days ago to St. Louis four cars of beef cattle. They were purchased from S. Q. Clements of Atlanta.

Tindle & Wilson of Corsicana shipped over the Cotton Belt to Chicago twelve carloads of fat steer cattle, and Mr. Tindle accompanied the shipment. The beeves were big and fat.

Reports from the western and southwestern parts of Grayson county and adjacent sections of Cooke and Denton counties are all of a most encouraging nature relative to the wheat crop.

The Knights of Bovinia will entertain on an elaborate scale the delegates and visitors to the Texas Cattle Raisers' association, which convenes at Fort Worth in March.

Clint Stiff, a stockman of McKinney, has returned from the San Antonio stock convention with two cars of thoroughbred Missouri cattle which he took out to his ranch near McKinney.

Dr. T. M. Yett has purchased the John Roper ranch, near Marble Falls, from New York parties. The price paid was \$10,000, this being at the rate of \$2.15 an acre. This is one of the best ranches in Blanco county.

The mild weather of January has caused the farmers to be further along with their work at this season of the year than has been known in many a year. The mild weather of the past month has been truly wonderful.

T. F. Boothman of Denton sold a list of 409 bales of cotton, the price paid being 7.32 1-2c for middling cotton. This is the largest individual sale made here this season, and also the highest price paid here for middling cotton.

Edens Bros. & Wilson and W. D. Blockman of Corsicana received returns from cattle shipped to Chego. The Edens cattle weighed in at 1106 pounds and brought \$4.70 per 100 pounds; the Blockman cattle weighed in at 1087 pounds and sold for \$4.60 per 100 pounds.

Farmers around Denton say they will plant a good crop of potatoes this spring. They are getting seed now for the planting. They say that potato-raising last year was profitable. There are more potatoes in Grayson county than ever before in its history.

Can a cat-nip a dog-fennel? Ask a hen-pecked husband.

Bookkeepers labor with the pen-victs in the pen.

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Sorry He Spoke.

When David Hiley, a wealthy farmer of Kokomo, Indiana, offered \$1000 to any one who would save his wife from drowning David Rutherford jumped in the water and, after a hard struggle, brought the woman ashore. This was last spring. Rutherford brought suit for the money recently and a jury has just awarded him the full amount. If Mr. Hiley ever has occasion to sue for damages for the loss of his wife's affections he may add the amount of this verdict to the sum asked for.

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life was a burden. I could not sleep at all and was too weak to walk across the floor without aid. The diseased condition reached where my heart was affected by it, so that often I could not lie down at all without almost suffocating. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it worked like magic. I feel that your medicine has been of inestimable benefit to me."—MISS ADELE WILLIAMSON, 196 N. Boulevard, Atlanta, Ga.

"Thin, Sallow and Nervous"
"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I was thin, sallow and nervous. I had not had my menses for over a year and a half. Doctored with several physicians in town and one specialist, but did not get any better. I finally decided to try your medicine, and wrote to you. After I had taken three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and three of Blood Purifier, my menses returned, and I feel as well and strong as I ever did, and am gaining flesh."—MISS LENA GAINES, Visalia, Tulare Co., Cal.

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Worthless Stuff!

What a lot of trash is sold as cough cures. The hollow drum makes the loudest noise—the biggest advertisement often covers worthlessness.

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LIFE ON ISLAND OF ST. HELENA

Inhabitants Happy and Contented and Crime Almost Unknown.

From the New York Times: Few people ever think of St. Helena except as a rock in the sea on which Napoleon lived a while miserably and then more miserably died. That the greatest of anti-climaxes was not the end of the little island's history is hard to realize, possibly because a poet or romancer would have made it the end, and a continuation is therefore more or less unnatural and absurd. Be that as it may, St. Helena has remained the abiding place of ordinary human beings who concern themselves very little about the colossal ghost generally supposed to be the island's only inhabitant, and the report to the English government just made by their governor shows that they have joys and sorrows exactly like those of the folks dwelling in places less tragically famous. For instance, the revenues of the island last year were £9,152, a decidedly comfortable sum, but alas! the expenditures amounted to £12,349, and that is an excess of outgo not comfortable at all. The governor says, however, that the bad balance was due to some extraordinary drains upon the island's resources, and that he anticipates a substantial surplus for the current year. A recent increase of the garrison and extensive improvements now making by the colonial and imperial authorities assure the immediate prosperity of the islanders. St. Helena has no public debt, but is paying off by small annual installments a noninterest-bearing grant of £5,000 made by parliament in 1871. The imports, chiefly foodstuffs and building materials, amounted last year to £62,985, and the exports, almost wholly potatoes to £4,391. Lacemaking has been introduced among the girls of the island with great success, and the governor is experimenting with the manufacture of brick and tile. The whalers have now entirely deserted St. Helena, the few ships engaged in that industry keeping far to the north or south. The total population of the island is 4,543. The governor hopes that winter visitors from England may be tempted by the salubrity of the climate to try St. Helena, which is superior, he says, in some respects to that of Madeira and the Canary islands. He says the people as a whole compare favorably with the English agricultural population; with few exceptions all can read and write, and the language is spoken with greater purity than in many districts at home. As a rule, the people are happy and contented, with little crime among them and much kindness in helping each other. Strangers are greatly impressed with the general civility shown by them to old and young.

Giant Policemen.

Four brothers named Kavanagh, from the county of Wexford, who have just been admitted as recruits to the ranks of the Dublin metropolitan police, have created a mild sensation, as each of the brothers stands exactly six feet six inches in height and is built in proportion. They are sons of a farmer and are men of splendid physique, in addition to their unusual height. Two other brothers remain at home, who are presumably the dwarfs of the family, being each only six feet three inches in height—but perhaps they have not yet attained their full elevation.

To Shock Slowly Wells.

An electric heater has been devised which, it is hoped, will make used up oil wells as good as new. The common theory of exhaustion of wells is that the oil in passing upward has so clogged the porous stone with paraffine that further flow is stopped. Some think that it is because the supply in the earth has given out, but the generally accepted idea is that the oil is still in abundance. The stone through which the oil passes is of a porous nature, and as the liquid is in a crude state the dregs settle in the rock. It has been common to use torpedoes to shatter the stone, thus breaking up the clogged matter, but this is expensive. The new electric heater melts out the paraffine.

Prairie-Dogs and Rattle-Snakes.

A writer in Forest and Stream describes a victory which he saw gained over a rattlesnake by the inhabitants of a prairie-dog village in the Indian territory. The ugly invader crawled into one of the dog holes, whereupon fifteen or twenty dogs gathered about the place and began to push dirt into the hole. The snake stuck its head up through the dirt, and the dogs took to flight; but the moment the snake entered another hole they flocked about it again, and this time pushed in the dirt so rapidly that the rattler was effectively entrapped. Then the dogs tamped the dirt down hard with their noses, and left the snake to suffocate.

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The Rustler is pleased to note that the Sanitary condition of Robert Lee is daily improving since our note of warning published two weeks ago:— People have been disinfecting and cleaning their premises in a manner never before noticed in the town—keep the good work going.

We believe a great many of the people in Coke are opposed to partisan politics in County affairs.

When a person is mentioned pleasantly by a news paper almost every week for five years and then becomes offended, because a competitor is also treated decently, it begins to look as if he wants every thing going one way or the other. We have heard of such people,—back east.

We understand there are some twenty five or thirty applicants for Census Enumerator's position in Coke — W. L. Hayley of Bronte, C. C. Merchant and ye Editor, of Robert Lee, are about making an open campaign for each position. The others have applied quietly, each (we suppose) expecting the persuasion to fall his way.

Must Make Enemies.

Every newspaper that does its duty faithfully and unfalteringly must have enemies—fierce, bitter and unrelenting enemies. Every political trickster who fails to use the paper for the advancement of his schemes; every one who attempts unsuccessfully to buy or bull doze it hates it thereafter with a malignity directly proportioned to the fulsome laudation which he would have lavished upon it if it had done his dirty work. We should say that every paper needs enemies—in fact every paper with the moral courage, the firmness, honesty and independence it should have—must inevitably make enemies of the class we have alluded to. A paper without such enemies scarcely deserves to have friends.—Reflector,

Capt J P. Hutchinson the county Chairman of the Democracy, was in town Tuesday. F M Richard was in town a few hours Tuesday.

Jack Roe is near Eddy N M.

Born on last Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Newton, a girl.

List Of Jurors For Dist. Court.

Grand Jury
F. M. Collins, J.R. Smith
Tom Gentry, H.L. Adams
J.p. Breedlove, S.M. Conner
G.D.P. Clark, W.B. Fletcher
J.B. McCutchen, J.F. Shook
G.W. Webb, J. D. Hale
W.A. Robbins, A.B. Blackwell
M. B. Sheppard, S. S. Craddock

Petit Jurors.
J. W. Ashurst, J. V. Sumrall,
B. W. Bilbo, M. Bird,
W. R. Boykin, Jim Barron,
W.M. Billingslea, J. W. Bradley,
W. F. Cathey, H. Bhristian,
W. J. Cambie, J. P. McDonold,
John Cornelius, John Gardner,
A. S. Eabanks, W. J. Griffin,
John Sauner, J. T. Hamilton,
W.J.H. Rogers, G.P. Kirkland,
T. L. Vaughn, B. F. Hasty,
T.A. Higginbotham, G.C. Laswell,
J.W. Jackson, W. H. Lewis,
K. M. Mays, B. F. Montgomery,
S. Smith, M. H. ODaniel,
W. R. Presler, F. M. Pritchard,
J. M. Sparks, J. E. Adams
J. I. Westfall, W. P. Walling.
Court Convenes Feb. 19.

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Nice pleasant weather. Mr. Ike Wiley of Pecos Co. has been visiting at Nauhattie this week.

It appears like we are to have a new tax law.

Miss Dora Westfall is visiting at Cedar Hill.

Mr. Clarence Jones of Cedar Hill was up in Sterling Co. last Sat. and Sun. visiting his Bro.

Sam Wiley of the Rough ranch in Sterling Co. was down in Coke the other day.

Miss Matilda Westfall and her little sister Linda are up in Sterling Co. visiting relatives.

Uncle Charles Wiley was wether bound in Coke last Sun.

Its getting time for the candidates to announce in the Rustler. Who'll come first?

I. C. How Died.

After four weeks of acute suffering from burns, Miss Lemmon Lutrell died last Friday at her father's home near Bronte. She was burned about four weeks before while assisting in burning stalks in the field. The burns were very painful and the flesh even fell from some of her bones. We sympathize deeply with the family in their loss.

F L Harris was in town a few hours Tuesday, looking after his interests here.

Remember the Institute meeting at the school house tonight.

Bro. Bullock will preach at Maverick on the third Sat. and Sun. in this mo.

Wanted—An Idea Who can think of some simple thing to patent? Write JOHN WEDDENTRIS & CO. Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C. for their \$1.00 price offer and list of two hundred inventions wanted.

Ed. C. Rawlings, one of Bronte's best citizens was in town last Thursday.

Tom and Sam Brown from near Meadow Mountain was in town last week.

A boot and shoe drummer opened samples in town last Saturday.

Lime for disinfecting purposes can be had of J.J. Vestal at a reasonable figure.

J T Hamilton was in town a couple of days last week.

A "sand-storm" raged last Saturday, beginning early and blowing incessantly all day.

The number of fruit trees sold and delivered in Coke, this season, speaks well for the Country.

Mr. Chaffee, of Eldorado. Schleiches Co., was in our town last Saturday. He is an old time friend of our Professor Ssvage.

Capt. Hutchinson, from beyond Hayrick was in town last Saturday.—He is not in favor of drawing party lines in County affairs.

Mr. B. A. Boykin, of near Wild Cat, was in town last Saturday.

Mr. Rufus Whitesides was in town last Saturday.

Mr. Sam King, of Elith was in town Sat. last.

Prof. Bob Cumbie, of Bronte, was in town Sat, a few hours.

J. P. Breedlove, from near Sanco, was in town Saturday a few hours.

Eld R. M. Cumbie from Bronte, was in town Saturday last.

Mrs. Hannaford, of Hayrick, was shopping in town last Saturday.

Large German MILT SEED, for sale by L. H. McDorman at seventy five cents per bushel.

Grandpa Sparks has returned from a visit to Johnson co.

Mrs. Eli Rambin was shopping in town Sat.

Prof. J L Ross was in town Saturday from his Valley View school.

Clarrence Jones, of Hayrick was in town Sat.

Mr. Manning, of Edith, informed us that he had moved to Sanco and for us to send his paper to Sanco.

Judge Perryman, Prof. Savage and others have been getting the latest news from the Kentucky situation, by telephone, each morning lately.

Mrs. WR Boykin returned from Austin last week. She reports Mr B as gaining in health.

Star Barber Shop.

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Sheriff, L. B. Murray.
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Judge, M. H. Davis
Attorney, Gid Graham.
Co clerk, J. W. Barnett
Sheriff & Tax Collector, L. B. Murray,
H. & A. Inspector, Will Perry.
Treasurer, C. L. Hughes.
Assessor, W. W. McCutchen
Surveyor,

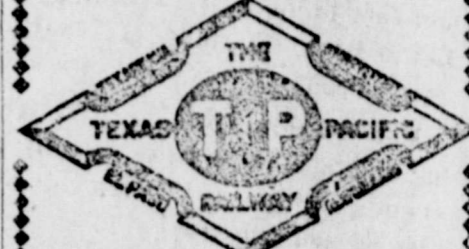
Church Directory.

BAPTIST. Services on first Sunday in each month. N. D. Bullock, pastor.
CHRISTIAN. Services on second Sunday in each month and Saturday night before. J. B. Hooten, pastor.
METHODIST EPISCOPAL. Services on third Sunday in each month, L. A. Clark, P. C.
METHODIST PROTESTANT. Services on fourth Sunday in each month.
EPISTOLIAN LEAGUE. Meets Saturday night before the third Sunday in each month.

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All the above services are held in the M. E. Church-house at Robert Lee.

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Plan of the Robert Lee Circuit.

M. E. Chuaen South.
Bronte, 1st Sunday, 11 AM, & at night
Rock Springs, 2nd Sunday, 11 AM
New Hope 2nd Sunday, 3 PM.
Olga, 2nd Sunday, 7 P.M.
Sanco, 4th Sunday, 11 AM.
Hayrick, 4th Sunday, 3 P. M.
Robert Lee, 3rd Sunday, 11 AM & night
Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

Indian Creek Missionary Baptist Church holds regular services at the school on the third Sunday in each month and Saturday before Smith pastor

LOCAL CHIPS.

For Lime call on J. J. Vestal.
Mr. Jim Barron, of Sanco, was in town last Sunday.

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.

Mr. Raymond Johnston, from Edith, was seen on the streets last Monday.

Mr. Foot Boykin, of near Edith, was in town last Sunday.

Pasturage. Can feed fifty head on sugar cane and can pasture 150 mare. Plenty of water and good grass. B. L. Acrey Robert Lee, Texas.

Our friend, S. S. Craddock, from Sanco, was in town last Monday.

Mr. Henry Fry and Will Green left our little town Sunday, for Eddy N. M.; Wish these young men success and pleasure while gone.

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

Mr. Folden Key, a tall and handsome Bronte bean, was up to spend Sunday— We are always glad to see him.

Prof. McGee had some forty five writing pupils. Quite an improvement in advertising letters will be noticed by our Post Master from this.

We hear it whispered around that few candidates will announce in Coke until after the February term of court.

"Uncle Tom" was in town one day last week from Ft. Chabourne. He paid us a very pleasant call, and seems much enthused over educational matters. It's a mighty good thing to get interested in.

We are sorry to state that Frank Denton, one of Coke County's greatest readers, has been on the sick list. Hope to soon hear of his entire recovery.

T. L. Vowell, this P. O. is a new reader of this paper.

B. W. Bilbo, of Sanco, was in town last Friday.

Lee Hamilton, one of Coke's best boys, was in town last Fri.

Mr. B. Loss Mobley, is an occasional visitor to our town these latter days.

Rev. N. D. Bullock preached last Sunday at the M. E. church house here— His text subject was "It is more blessed to give than to receive." While the house was a most full of people, we would have been overjoyed if all our people could have heard this excellent sermon— Bro. Bullock has accepted the call to the pastorate of the Baptist Church here and will preach regularly on each first Sunday.

If you want anything in the drug line. Call at Pearce's Pharmacy. If they haven't it in stock they will get it for you.

If you want Fruit Trees Shrubs or Vines from the Reliable Austin Nursery, just drop H. D. Pearce at Ballinger, Texas, a card stating what you want, and they will come in a few days. Will do to set out until the first of March.

BORN. To Mr and Mrs Gray Reed, on the morning of the 6th inst., a boy.

Born. To Mr and Mrs J. Burroughs, on morning of 5th, a girl.

Dr. J O Toliver was in town several days this week— He thinks Coke is ahead of Commanche, and may move back.

Mr and Mrs Will Lasswell have moved into their cozy little home near Mr John Gardner's town residence.

The Rustler regrets to learn of the misfortune of Bro W H Robinson of Ft-Chanbourne in losing his house and barn by fire Sun. Bro Robinson is a good man and deserves the sympathy of the whole county in this misfortune.

Mr. Elton Durham, of Sanco, spent Sunday in our little town.

Mr. Ed Fletcher of Bronte was in town last Sunday.

BORN. To Mr and Mrs W Edd McDorman on morning of 6th a girl.

Mrs W L Hayley, of Bronte is visiting the Editor's family this week.

Montgomery Trimble was in town Monday. He is living on his quarter section in the Valley View neighborhood.

C H Miller and T H Townsend, are a couple of young men from Runnels Co. who have been boarding here and attending Prof. McGee's school, of Penmanship.

Our friend, C C Merchant is in the field for Census Enumerator in this Co. He thinks Coke will have two Enumerators— Districts— He and his friends have circulated petitions this week.

Our friend H Q Lyles from the South West corner of Coke, is to go into the grain business at Sterling City. That town is to be congratulated, as it will be many a long day before any truer gentleman opens business in Sterling. We regret to lose Mr Lyles.

Query Box.

What is a "demagogue?"
Julian, Bronte—

It would take a half column to explain fully. A short definition is: One who truckles to each successive wave of public opinion; One who is every thing to everybody; One who often shifts his position in public affairs, regardless of right. Peffer, of Kansas is classed among the demagogue.

What is the length of term of the trustees in the Robert Lee High School District?— X. Y. Z.
Two and four years from last April.

What is a good disinfectant that is in reach of all for sanitary purposes? Answer, Lime.

What is the cause of most diseases in chickens and hogs?
Farmer.

Ans.— Neglect in cleaning our chicken houses and in changing pig pens.— Three fourths of both coops and pens are too small by over half.

How is the South African Republic looked upon by the continental nations of Europe?
Enquirer.—

Ans.— They are regarded with

supreme admiration by those and all other enlightened nations.

Why is it that mail contract labor is so cheap in Coke?
T.—

Ans.— It is because our subcontractors took the lines to cheap. Every line ought to pay twice as much as it is now.

Honor Roll.

Of Paint Creek School, for month ending Feb. 1, 1900.

Fred Blackwell, Preston Blackwell, Charlie Benson, A. L. Sheppard, Oscar Benson, Tom King, Frank Walling, Effie Walling, Belle Winn, Louisa Millican, Lutie Blackwell, Ella Blackwell, Eula Blackwell, Bessie Benson, Joda Key, Bulah Gardner.

The above named pupils received a general average 96 per cent. This also includes conduct, attendance and punctuality.

B. U. Smith.

From Bro. Mulligan.

Overcome evil with good.
Love your enemies, and act not small with people who treat you all courteously.

Avoid debt as you would the devil; if you avoid both, you will be happy.

Don't always be kicking at your public servants.

Don't make the grand mistake of thinking you have control of circumstances.

"Dead things sometimes crawl!" Don't kick at them; they might rise and resent.

Don't be envious; its contemptible. If you are not broad minded enough to wish your neighbors success, don't show your littleness by trying to do him damage.

There are some perfect(?) men who spend most of their time pointing out their neighbors imperfections. Avoid the counsel of such perfect(?) men.

Whenever you see a little narrow minded fellow, who wants to be "the whole thing" in politics look out! If you don't agree with him every time, he will try to discount your influence.

Out here at Wayback we have a fellow who sometimes goes into town and struts about saying to the candidates, "I have the whole vote of Wayback in my vest pocket, if you satisfy ME you are alright." Form your own opinions of this man.

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That sounds more contradictory than it is, when attention is called to its being a description of the largest mail received by any man in the United States exclusively from women. This "female mail" is received by Dr. R. V. Pierce, the celebrated specialist in women's diseases, chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y.

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EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Canadian parliament is in session.

Senator Quay is to visit Florida.

Emperor William denies he criticised the British generals.

Gen. Corru, formerly Spanish minister of war, died at Madrid.

In her speech to parliament Queen Victoria asked for aid to carry on the war with the Boers and enlarge the navy.

In the libel suit brought by Editor Judet of the Paris le Petit Journal against M. Zola, the novelist, the latter was acquitted.

H. C. Parmenter, an employe in a saw mill in Cutter county, Oklahoma, was caught in a shaft while oiling a bearing and whirled around at the rate of 300 revolutions a minute until beaten to death.

Rio de Janeiro and Santos, Brazil, have officially been declared free of bubonic plague.

The New York Herald is authority for the statement that Fitzsimmons says he was drugged when Jeffries whipped him.

Senor Severino Guerra, the Brazilian minister of the interior, has resigned, and Senor Mala has been nominated to succeed him.

The United States cruiser New York, the flagship of Admiral Farquhar, and the gunboat Machias, have arrived at La Guayara, Venezuela.

The story that the Illinois Central was to become the purchaser of the Mobile and Ohio railroad has been denied by President Fish.

Dr. F. M. Savage's drug store and Goldberg & Somniski's dry goods store at Hartshorne, I. T., were destroyed by fire. Loss, \$10,000; insurance, \$4500.

According to a statement made by S. C. Todd, solicitor of the Standard Oil company, that company's dividends have fluctuated from 5 1/4 per cent per annum in 1892 to 33 per cent in 1897.

C. C. Morrow, for a long time one of the executive clerks of the United States senate died at Washington aged 58 years. He was a native of Missouri.

Kate Claxton, the actress, has filed at New York a petition in bankruptcy, putting her liabilities at \$10,000 and her assets at \$100, clothing and an accident insurance policy.

The Arkansas Methodist Episcopal conference held a four day's session at Fort Smith. Bishop Goodsell presided. Serious disorders are reported in many of the states of Brazil over the election returns.

The late Prof. David Edward Hughes, the electrician and inventor who died lately at London, left numerous benevolent bequests. To each of four leading London hospitals he bequeathed \$400,000.

Major Thomas A. Brander, past commander of the Virginia grand camp of Confederate Veterans, and who was known throughout the south for his prominence in all Confederate reunions, died at Richmond, Va., aged 60 years.

Owing to a notice that the union carpenters would advance wages 33 per cent on May 1 the contractors and master builders of Savannah, Ga., have organized a builders' exchange. Every contractor and builder in that city is said to be a member.

Judge T. J. Wharton, marshal of the Mississippi supreme court, died at Jackson, aged 87 years. He was twice attorney general and a circuit judge. Judge Wharton witnessed the first legislative assembly of his state, which convened at Jackson in 1845.

The Southern Naval Stores company at Savannah, Ga., has applied to the superior court for a charter. The capital is to be \$300,000 with the privilege of increasing it to \$2,000,000. It is proposed to bring the producers of turpentine in Georgia, Alabama and Florida into the company, which will succeed the Savannah Naval Stores company.

It is announced through the executive committee of the United confederate Veterans and Sons and Daughters of confederate Veterans of the Chicasaw nation, I. T., that until May 1, 1900, bids will be open to secure the place for their next reunion and entertainment during the 20th, 21st and 22d days of June, 1900.

Paul Schones, chief of police of Guthrie, Ok., is dead.

GOV. GOEBEL GONE

Passes Away With a Brother and Sister Beside Him.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR BECKHAM

Takes the Oath of Office—Gov. Taylor Refused to Honor a Writ, but Finally Did So.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 5.—The bullet fired by an unknown assassin on Tuesday morning last into the body of William Goebel while he, Col. Jack Chinn and Warden of the Penitentiary Lillard were en route to the Kentucky state house, finished its work Saturday afternoon at 6:45 o'clock, when the soul of the man who had been declared and sworn in as chief executive of this commonwealth parted company with the body. After being informed he had only a short time to live, the dying man asked the physicians to retire, and with his brother Arthur of Chicago, and sister, Mrs. Braunnacker of Cincinnati, kneeling beside him, praying that Justus, the other brother, who was coming from Arizona, would arrive in time to bid him farewell, but who got in nearly an hour afterward, gradually he became unconscious and then the end came.

At Gov. Goebel's request, Chaplain Wallace of the penitentiary visited him. "Lew," said the governor, "I wish to announce to the world that I do not hold myself in open violence to the word of God."

Rev. Dr. Tulliaferro of the Methodist church also called, but the sufferer was speechless.

Up to 10 o'clock Saturday the governor rested fairly well, but from that time on he sank fast. Oxygen was frequently applied, but this only temporarily rallied him. The oxygen was given to keep him alive until Justus arrived. It was nearly an hour after the end came before the sad news was communicated to the corridors of the hotel and it was done by an announcement signed by Senator Blackburn and other Democrats.

Exactly one hour after Gov. Goebel's death Lieut. Gov. Beckham was sworn in as governor by S. J. Shackelford, clerk of the court of appeals. The ceremony took place in a room on the same floor where the late governor's body lay. The new governor was deeply affected. His first official duty was the appointment of Col. John B. Castleman of Louisville as adjutant general. The following proclamation was issued by him:

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 3.—Executive office: To the People of the Commonwealth of Kentucky—It is with the profoundest sorrow I announce to the people of this commonwealth that the work of the assassin has ended in the death of Gov. William Goebel and that, under our constitution and the law, upon notice of this deplorable event, I have qualified and assumed the duties of chief executive of the state.

In William Goebel Kentucky has lost one of her greatest and noblest sons. His high character for courage, manliness and honesty in defense of the rights of the people led to his destruction; and while yet in the vigor of his manhood he has become a martyr to their cause.

I enter upon the discharge of the duties of this high office surrounded by conditions and circumstances which would tax the wisdom of men far stronger than I. Knowing well the trying difficulties that are ahead of me and the dangers which surround me have already compassed the destruction of civil government in the capital of the state, I hereby solemnly warn and command that all violent characters and militia of the state, now in possession of this city and the public buildings, do immediately disband, lay down their arms and return to their homes and occupations. Feeling most deeply the responsibilities and difficulties of the situation, I invoke the aid and support of all the law-abiding and law-respecting Christian people of this commonwealth, and I promise, in a legal way, if within the power of man, to restore peace, quiet and protection to all individuals, regardless of party or station under the constitution, which I have so solemnly sworn to obey.

Given under my hand at the city of Frankfort, this the 3d day of February

A. D., 1900. J. C. W. BECKHAM.
A temporary restraining order was granted restraining removal of the legislature to London.

Gov. Taylor refused to recognize a writ of habeas corpus issued by Judge Moore, for the release of Alonzo Walker, the stenographer who was jailed for pinning a writ of injunction on the governor's door. Judge Moore said if the writ was not honored by to-day he would have enough men here to back up the sheriff in serving it. Walker was released Sunday.

A party at Ironton, O., who claims to have been here when Goebel was shot, says it was done to avenge the killing of Sanford, whom Goebel slew in a difficulty several years ago.

Everything was quiet at Frankfort Sunday.

The Republican part of the legislature meets at London to-morrow.

Beckham's Biography.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 5.—Lieut. Gov. J. C. W. Beckham, who was sworn in as Democratic governor of Kentucky, is a young man, having been born Aug. 5, 1839, at Bardstown, Ky. His father was William N. Beckham, and his mother Julia T. Wickliffe, daughter of Gov. Charles A. Wickliffe, former chief executive of this state. He was graduated from Central Union college at Richmond, Va., in 1856, and immediately begun the study of law. He was elected a member of the Kentucky house of representatives in 1893. He declined to be a candidate at the next term, but the representative who succeeded him having dropped out, Mr. Beckham accepted the position and served the unexpired term. He was re-elected in 1897, and made speaker of the house in 1898. In 1899 he was nominated for lieutenant on the same ticket with William Goebel at the Louisville convention.

In person Gov. Beckham is of slight physique and of a somewhat boyish appearance. He is gifted with an exceedingly pleasing manner and is very popular with all who know him.

Judge Key Dead.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Feb. 5.—Judge W. H. Key died in this city Saturday, aged 76.

Judge Key was born in Greene county. He was a colonel in the Confederate army. He was in 1870, elected chancery judge of the third district of this state and held that position until 1875, when he was appointed United States senator to fill the unexpired term of Andrew Johnson.

He was in 1877 appointed Postmaster general of the United States by President Hayes. In 1880 he was appointed United States district judge for the eastern district of Tennessee by President Hayes, which position he filled until he retired on full pay at the age of 70. Judge Key was always a pronounced Democrat. He was the father of Lieut. Albert Key, United States Navy.

Louisville Temporary Capital.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 4.—This city is to be the seat, temporarily at least, of the Democratic state government. Gov. Beckham and several of his chief advisers have reached here. To-day the Democratic members of the Legislature will meet here, and it is proposed to make Louisville the headquarters of the legislative and executive branches of this state government as long as the presence of troops keeps them from Frankfort, or until the present conflict is settled.

Burial at Frankfort.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 4.—It has practically been decided that the remains of Gov. Wm. Goebel will be buried in Frankfort in the cemetery overlooking the Kentucky river, where lie the remains of Daniel Boone, Vice President Richard M. Johnson and several Kentucky governors, eminent jurists and soldiers. The remains will be taken to Covington and then brought back here Wednesday and lie in state at the Capitol hotel.

Large Rewards Offered.

Franklin, Ky., Feb. 5.—L. B. Finn, county attorney of this county, has offered, personally a reward of \$1,000 for the arrest and conviction of the person who made the attempt upon the life of William Goebel or of any one who had any connection with the crime. Gov. Taylor has offered a personal reward of \$500.

Was 104 Years Old.

Ottumwa, Iowa, Feb. 5.—Rev. Booker Fox, one of the most noted negro evangelists the west has known, died at his home in this city, aged 104 years. He was born in Nashville, Tenn., in 1796.

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FRANKFORT QUIET.

Goebel Very Low and His Demise Thought Near.

TAYLOR'S ORDER NOT HONORED

By the Authorities at the Penitentiary--A Bank Refuses to Cash Vouchers Sent Them.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 2.—Gov. Goebel passed on the whole, an unfavorable day yesterday, although he was fairly comfortable when night came on. He has had a dozen doctors around him, and the reports of his condition vary according to the last physician who leaves his room.

One doctor is confident that he will recover and another generally allows him an hour or two before he breathes his last. His strength is maintained to a great extent by injections. He has had several sinking spells, out of which he was brought with some difficulty. He seemed to rally less readily from each successive collapse, but held his own steadily throughout the afternoon.

His kidneys have practically ceased their functions, and slight symptoms of pneumonia have appeared, but have not as yet become so serious as to cause alarm in themselves.

The doctors as a whole entertain no hopes for his recovery.

At 9:30 last night Dr. McCormick, the optimistic physician, declared that in his opinion there was on reason why Gov. Goebel should not recover. The traces of pneumonia which had appeared he declared to be the usual occurrence in cases of his kind. The most serious symptom was, he said, the refusal of the kidneys to operate and a consequent danger of blood poisoning.

News from Goebel's room at 11:30 last night is that he is worse and indicates that he may possibly die before morning. The action of the heart has grown weaker, and as circulation through the right lung is retarded by his wound, but little blood is received by the heart. Unless the action of the heart becomes stronger it is feared death will result.

At 1 o'clock this morning Dr. Hume said that Gov. Goebel would probably live through the night. He added, however, that there was a possibility of uraemic poisoning and that it was possible for the governor to die in a convulsion at almost any time.

Two direct slaps were given Gov. Taylor yesterday by public officers who declined to obey his orders. The first came from President Rodman of the Farmer's Bank, which is a state depository. Some vouchers on the bank were signed by Gov. Taylor in favor of some of the militia officers who wanted money for their companies. When they were presented at the bank, payment was refused.

The second instance promised for a time to have serious consequences and trouble may yet arise from it. Gov. Taylor issued a pardon to Douglas Hayes, a convict in the Frankfort penitentiary, who is serving a five-year term for manslaughter, having been sentenced in March, 1899. When the pardon was sent to Warden Lillard he decided that he could not turn the man loose until he was satisfied regarding the legal status of the governorship. He made no reply to Gov. Taylor, but declined to honor the pardon and informed the penitentiary commissioners of his action. They agreed with the position taken by the warden and the man was held.

At 8 o'clock Speaker Trimble posted a notice in the office of the Capitol hotel calling members of the house to meet in one of the hotel parlors. Forty-four members only were present, and this being no quorum, an adjournment was taken. The meeting was not originally intended as much for business purposes as to serve notice on the military that the legislature was able to meet when it chooses. The notice was posted in ample time to have allowed the soldiers to prevent the gathering.

The senate also held a short caucus and nominated Senator Carter of Anderson county to be president pro tem of the senate, a position heretofore held by Goebel.

It is now definitely decided that Gen. John B. Castleman of Louisville is not to be Adjutant General for Gov. Goebel, and while it was asserted last night with great positiveness that he had been appointed it is said last night that he never was tendered the place.

Kentucky Case.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Before determining upon the policy to pursue in connection with a request of Gov. Taylor of Kentucky has made for "recognition and aid." President McKinley proposes to put the matter to the cabinet.

The president has been anticipating he would be called upon to exercise federal authority in Kentucky, and has taken pains to keep informed of the situation, not only from newspapers, but by personal conferences with prominent Kentuckians.

The constitution of the United States guarantees protection to every state in the Union "on application of the legislature or the executive (when the legislature can not be convened) against domestic violence."

Before the president will consent to send troops into Kentucky there will have to be considerable bloodshed and the undoubted evidences of the inability of the state to preserve order, besides indications that United States property is in danger; that the mails, interstate commerce and the federal courts are being interfered with. Until such conditions exist, it is the desire of the administration to give the state every opportunity to bring order out of chaos.

The president is worried over the situation. He had hoped there would be a peaceful settlement of the dispute. His position, already embarrassing, would become more so in case Mr. Goebel should appeal for "recognition and aid."

It is understood that the policy of the president in deciding between the contestants and on despatching federal troops into Kentucky will depend largely upon the opinion of Attorney General Griggs.

Even if federal troops were sent to the state, however, it is positively declared by a high military authority that they would not be permitted under any consideration to interfere with political affairs, but would be used to protect federal property, to prevent interferences with the mails and interstate commerce and if the state troops were unable to do so, to preserve order.

There is no intention on the part of the administration to take action in favor of either party, believing such a course wisest for the state and the country.

In order to define the authority of federal troops when called upon to act within a state the war department during the Chicago outbreak in 1896 carefully investigated the laws on that subject and Maj. Gen. Schofield, then in command of the army, issued a general order which declared that the government can, of its own volition, use the federal troops within a state only when "insurrection, domestic violence, unlawful combinations or conspiracies in any state obstructs or hinders the execution of the laws thereof, and of the United States as to deprive any portion or class of the people of such state of any of the rights, privileges, immunities or protection named in the constitution and secured by the laws for the protection of such rights, privileges or immunities and the constituted authorities of such state are unable to protect, or from any cause fail in or refuse protection of the people in such rights."

Information in the possession of the authorities does not show that there exists in Kentucky any of the conditions described in this order. It is not certain that the call of Taylor for aid can be regarded as legal by the president.

Lawton's Remains.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 2.—The special train bearing the remains of Maj. Gen. Henry W. Lawton, Maj. John A. Logan and Surgeon Maj. Armstrong to their last resting places started east yesterday afternoon. The departure of the bodies of the three officers were marked by fitting honors.

The funeral train is due in Chicago Monday. The body of Maj. Logan will be taken to Youngstown, O. The body of Gen. Lawton will lie in state at Fort Wayne and Indianapolis one day and the train will then continue on to Washington.

Taylor to President.

Washington, Feb. 2.—President McKinley received a long message from Gov. W. S. Taylor of Kentucky. Gov. Taylor recites at length the situation in Kentucky, declares that he considers himself the legally elected executive of the state, and asserts that the condition of affairs at the present time is most critical. He says that a riot may occur at any time, which will cause bloodshed.

CONFLICT COMING

Is the Opinion of a Number of Kentucky People.

WILL NOT BE ANY HAND TAKEN

By the Federal Government is the Decision Arrived at by the President and His Cabinet.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 2.—The first clash between the executive and judiciary powers of the state occurred yesterday. There can no longer be any concealment of the fact that affairs in this state are bordering upon a conflict of arms, and the beginning of the crisis is at hand. It may be that the political difficulties will be settled by the courts of law, but the hearts of men are hot in Kentucky now and legal process may provide a remedy too dilatory to please a few of the more impatient, and it is in the power of these to create a world of woe at almost any time.

The clash of yesterday came when an officer of the circuit court of Franklin county was arrested by the militia while attempting to serve notice of a legal proceeding upon Gov. Taylor.

The first clash of yesterday came when Alonzo Walker, a stenographer employed by the Democratic attorneys, was placed under arrest in the capitol grounds, charged with conduct tending to incite mutiny and riot. The conduct consisted in planning to the door of the private office of Gov. Taylor a notice that the Democratic attorneys would appear before Judge Cantrell of the circuit court and ask for an injunction restraining Gov. Taylor from all interference with the movements of the legislature and from his announced attempt to remove it to London in this state.

Lieut. Gov. J. C. W. Beckham will today be acting governor in place of Gov. Goebel, who is incapacitated from performing the duties of the office.

A physician's certificate was made out last night, declaring that Gov. Goebel was unable, and will for some time be unable to act, and by virtue of this the reins of power will be placed in the hands of Lieut. Gov. Beckham, who will immediately exercise all the functions of the position. The Democratic members of the legislature yesterday effected a regular organization for the first time since the swearing in of Gov. Goebel. A secret session of the members of both houses was held in one of the parlors of the capitol hotel, at which the election of Wm. Goebel as governor and J. C. W. Beckham as lieutenant was reaffirmed, first in separate session of the house and senate, and afterward in a joint session. Preceding this action the members of the senate elected as president pro tempore Senator Carter, who was nominated for that position at Thursday's caucus.

A committee of the members of the house, composed of Representatives Finn, Laferty and Cochran, was also appointed to draw up a set of resolutions showing the condition of affairs as it exists at the state capital, and covering thoroughly the Democratic side of the controversy. These resolutions will be formally presented to the next session of the Democratic members of the legislature to be held Monday. The session, which lasted for nearly two hours, was kept as secret as possible, for fear of possible interference.

Gov. Goebel's condition was better last night than at any previous time, and the physicians are now hopeful of his ultimate recovery.

Washington advices are that President McKinley and cabinet are of the opinion that the majority of the members of the Kentucky legislature are the sole judges as to who are the legally elected governor and lieutenant.

No new cases of small-pox at Ladonia.

Contribution Forwarded.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Secretary Hay received the sum of \$750 collected by the St. Louis Westliche Post and transmitted to the state department by Mr. Pretorius to be used for the benefit of the widows and orphans of the Boer soldiers. The secretary has forwarded the money by mail to Adelbert Hay, United States consul at Pretoria, to be turned over to President Kruger for the purpose specified. Mr. Pretorius' letter was also sent.

Democratic Address.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 3.—The Democratic committee appointed at the afternoon session of the legislature held in the capitol hotel to prepare an address to the public has issued a statement on behalf of the Democratic members of the legislature to the effect that "the present crisis in Kentucky is without a parallel in the history of our republic. The best efforts of those who love law and order, peace and justice, are demanded in these deplorable times. Democratic representatives have used legal methods and followed the plain provisions of the law under unprecedented and exciting circumstances, when the capital of our commonwealth was filled with armed soldiers and embittered Republican partisans, and their rights to occupy their seats in the house of representatives was denied and their chosen leader stricken down by the hands of an assassin."

The document refers to the presence of armed mountaineers at Frankfort, Taylor's action in adjourning the legislature to Laurel county, "where feuds flourish and lawlessness prevails," and the arrest of an officer for attempting to serve a process on him. It concludes by appealing to all citizens of the state and Union asking their co-operation for a peaceful settlement of the matter, and calls upon "the people of this state, without regard to party affiliation, to assemble in the various county seats in mass convention and announce whether this conflict shall be settled by law or force."

As Viewed in Mexico.

City of Mexico, Feb. 3.—The election difficulties in Kentucky are regarded here as indicating that that section of the American Union is in a state of civil war and Correo Espanol, the organ of the Spanish colony, sarcastically remarks that the United States is giving a fine example to Latin America, and adds that if a similar state of things were apparent in any Latin American country the newspapers and the public of Yankeealand would be clamoring for American intervention.

Kentucky has in the past few days attracted about as much attention as South Africa.

Local Christian Scientists are talking about the alleged cure of a patient suffering from unmistakable symptoms of small-pox, who was cured in a few days by the application of their treatment.

The Mexican press continues to denounce the growth of the liquor traffic in Mexico, and ascribes it to the increasing consumption of ardent spirits in various forms, which augments mortality and crime. The Methodists here, headed by Bishop McCabe and Rev. Dr. Butler, have begun a campaign against intemperance, and the local Catholic journals are exhorting their readers to arouse themselves to prevent the country from becoming a prey to alcoholism. It is reported that the government will endeavor by means of public action to aid the temperance movement.

Why He Resigned.

London, Feb. 3.—In the house of lords yesterday the secretary of state for war, the Marquis of Lansdowne, said he desired to formally announce that Lieut. Gen. Sir William Francis Butler resigned command of the British forces in South Africa because of a political divergence in opinion with Sir Alfred Milner, the British high commissioner and governor of Cape Colony, which was so great that he concluded his command of the forces in South Africa would become a source of embarrassment to the high commissioner.

No Interference.

Washington, Feb. 3.—There is very little difference of opinion among congressmen concerning the action of Gov. Taylor of Kentucky, and the president's determination to keep hands off at present is regarded all around as proper.

Senator Blackburn and several Kentucky representatives called on the president yesterday and discussed the matter at length.

The president is firmly of the opinion that the case was not one which would justify federal intervention.

Red River Survey.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Mr. McRea of Arkansas has introduced a bill in the house directing a survey of the Red river in the states of Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas above the Arkansas state line, and requiring a report as soon as practicable whether the channel of Red river can be deepened and the flood surface lowered by a system of cutoffs and levees, with an estimate of the cost of procuring land for the necessary cutoffs and levees. Twenty thousand dollars is appropriated.

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Weak and Wary Woman Restored to Health and Strength by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

Mrs. Minnie E. Kennedy, of No. 4 Holden Place, Dorchester, Mass., is a lady who has suffered greatly from debility, but who is now in perfect health as a result of the faithful use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. She is enthusiastic in her praise of the remedy and will gladly tell others seeking information in regard to the pills just what they have done for her.

Mrs. Kennedy, in a recent interview, said:

"About six months ago I was completely run down and miserable. I felt as tired and worn out in the morning as I would just after a hard day's work. I am a dressmaker, and when I returned to my home at night I was so weary and lifeless that I had to retire immediately after supper. I lost flesh rapidly and had no appetite."

"A young lady who was employed in the same establishment where I work told me about the good Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People had done her, but I had lost faith in medicine, and it was not until she had been talking to me about the pills for weeks that I decided to try them."

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Sworn to before me this 29th day of August, 1899.
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In Winter Use Allen's Foot-Ease.
A powder. Your feet feel uncomfortable, nervous, and often cold and damp. If you have sweating, sore feet or tight shoes, try Allen's Foot-Ease. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores, 25 cents. Sample sent free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

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Please find enclosed bank draft to the amount of \$412 10s, for which send me twenty-five (25) gross of Swanson's "5-DROPS." Ship same as before in order that there may be no delay, as this medicine will be greatly needed before it reaches us. The last shipment is almost disposed of, as the medical department of our army uses large quantities. This order is entirely for use in the army.

I have been told that our success on the battlefield is due to a certain extent to the use of "5-DROPS" Rheumatic Cure, which has relieved and prevented a great deal of suffering among our men from Rheumatism, Neuralgia and other acute pains caused by exposure. Your "5-DROPS" is as good as a Transvaal soldier!

In one of the battles, a small quantity of "5-DROPS," together with other medicines, was captured by the English, which was a great loss to our men. The Boer's would not do it again. I am, respectfully yours,

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Best Improved Early Blood Turnip, 5c	Parsley—Champion Moss Curled, 5c	Calliopsis—Fine Mixed, 5c	
Cabbage—Improved Early Summer, 5c	Turnip—Long Hollow Crown, 5c	Dianthus Chinensis (China Pink), 5c	
Priming Late Flat Dutch, 5c	Radish—Vick's Early Scarlet Globe, 5c	Eschscholtzia (California Poppy), 5c	
Carrot—Danvers Half Long Orange, 5c	Imp. Long Scarlet Short Top, 5c	Nigella—Black, 5c	
Cucumber—Imp. Early White Spine, 5c	Salad—Mamma's Sandwich Island, 5c	Nasturtium—Climbing, Mixed Colors, 5c	
Improved Long Green, 5c	Squash—Boston Marrow, 5c	Pansy—Fine Mixed, 5c	
Colery—Golden Hearts, 5c	Tomato—Bright and Early, 5c	Phlox—Grandiflora Mixed, 5c	
Cream—Curled Garden, 5c	Turnip—Purple Top Strap Leaf, 5c	Poppy—Vick's Brilliant Mixed, 5c	
Swiss Chard—Vick's New Royal, 5c	Sage—English Broad Leaf, 5c	Sweet Pea—Vick's Choice Mixed, 5c	
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Dear RUSTLER:—

While we were at church yesterday the news came that W. H. Robinson's house was on fire; Mr. Robinson had gone to Lee and his people had gone to church. A young man who was two miles E. of Mr. Robinsons when he saw the building on fire; he hastened to the spot; no one was there; he came to the school house and told Mr. Robinsons people; but the house was burned down when they got there; they of course lost every thing except what they had on; the neighbors called a meeting at the school house at 4 P. M. to see about helping Mr. R. people to get another house; there were five wagons waiting at Mr. Billingslea's store this morning to go to Ballinger, for lumber; there was something over \$40.00 raised; men are ready to help put up the house as soon as the lumber is put on the ground; of course Mr R. is able to replace the house and all that he lost, he is pretty well fixed, but the neighbors wish to do all they can to show that they sympathise with these good people in their loss.

There has been several cases of sickness in our neighborhood; Mr. Allen Baldwins wife has been quite sick but is better now.

Evau Baldwin had a bilious attack, was real bad for a few days but is better, also the old lady Roufro has been right sick but Dr. Frank Moore is bringing her round alright. Dr. Moore has had several bad cases but has been very successful in getting them all up. I tell you Dr. Moore is the coming Dr. of the W. he is well posted.

Mr. Alsop who bought the Youngblood place has traded the same to old Bro. Moore, the Dr's father for Mr. Moore's section of school land, giving Mr. Moore five hundred dollars to boot. Mr. Alsop takes possession to day, Mr Moore will build a new house on his place (the Youngblood) right away.

Uncle Tom.

Bronte News.

Miss ~~John~~ ~~Dattrell~~, who was badly burned Jan. the 5th, died Feb. 1. she was a great favorite with her relatives, she lead an exempl.

ary life. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of the community. She was buried the Bronte Cemetery, Friday, Rev. Hooten conducting the funeral services.

Bro. Clark, the Methodist Minister, preached at Bronte Sunday at 11 A. M., 3 P. M. and 7 P. M.

Dr. Burningham lectured at Bronte Monday night.

Cleve Sparkman, of Hamilton, is visiting T. L. Vaugn.

Messrs Pierson and Sanner put in a fine system of Lightning Rods for Dr. Clark and G. C. Fletcher.

Miss Leua Cumbie was quite sick last week but is able to attend school this week.

The Bronte school is progressing nicely, new pupils coming in each week, 95 in attendance.

E. A. Taylor, of Tennyson, was in Bronte Sat. attending to legal business.

A musical entertainment at E. G. Walters, last Sat. night attracted quite a croud of young people

J. D. O'Daniel bought 125 head of yearlings, prices ranging from \$10.00 to \$13.00 per head.

Rev. Hearrell is repairing and painting his residence.

Lucene.

Messrs Perryman and Averitt have been considerable abstracting lately for Dallas parties.

A few gentle showers Wed. is making the grass and weeds take a verdant look.

J. H. Burroughs, J. A. Green, W. L. Clawson, Don Green and W. W. Crawford, our town carpenters are all busy and have been for these many days. This is as it should be.

W. J. Cumbie, of Bronte, was in town a few hours Monday. He gave the Rustler a friendly push.

Lucius Woods was in town the other day. He handed us a wheel for Henry Radde, in the western part.

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DIED. On Tuesday night just after dark, Clarissa, the little daughter of Mr and Mrs W R Boykin passed away. She was only four years of age, but had endeared her little self to all who knew her. The pretty little child was afflicted with the sore throat so dangerous here lately and had conjection besides. Monday afternoon was when the dreaded symptoms began to show and Tuesday night Mrs. Boykin became alarmed and sent for Dr Burnum, who arrived some thirty fourty minutes after the little one had expired. Mr Boykin was not at home being at Austin for his own health at this time the entire family have the heartfelt sympathy of our entire people.

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