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ROBERT LEE, COKE COUNTY

FEB. 16, 1900

tote held Feb. 9 10.

cation of the women of our coun- following resolutions.

Laughable piece.

languable pieces were recited by school.

10:30 A. M.

Saturday.

Institute called to order by chairman.

Teachers present.

Misses Thompson and Ingram practicable. Messrs W.T. Savage, J.D Jowers, W. C. Shamblin, S. P. Williams, J.A. Thomas, J.L.Ross, B.U.Smith. H.T.Carter, B.H.Ross, C.C.Cooper F.E.Thomas and Acie Ross.

Program carried out.

1st. An interesting talk was given on compound portotion by S. B. Williams.

2nd. Discussion:- Are our Institutes accomplishing the desired results? Opened by W. T. Savage, followed by J. L. Ross, B.U. Smith, S. B. Williams, Miss Ruth | belp it is let go or die. A great many Thompson and J. A. Thomas.

3rd. Language V. S. Grammar. Paphr by Miss Alvia Ingram and a short but interesting talk Miss Ruth Thompson.

with a child who cannot understand Language.

Opened by B. U. Smith and followed by other members of the institute.

Institute then went into Business Session.

Committee appointed to draw up resolutions. J. A. Thomas and J. L. Ross, Place and time for next meeting were then discussed and it was decided by vote of the members of Institute to meet at Ft.Chadbourne Mch. 16 17 1900. Programme committee F.E.Thomus, S. B. Williams Miss Ruth . Thompson hand in the following Programme

- 1 Opening address J.A. Thomas.
- Respose W. T. Savage.
- 3 Music By Broate String Band Necesity of cooperation of Pations with teachers- J. L. Ross.
- 5 Recitation.
- 6 Essay. Miss Thompson.
- Music.

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- 8 The need of ligher education
- 9 Recitation.
- school.

Saturday morning.

- 1 When to begin and how to Wiley's one day this week. teach primary Geog. Mrs. J. D Jowers.
- 2 When should doublecolumn addition be introduced. J. B. Her. Cooper at the organ.
- Teory v s.B. U. Smith.
- 4 Elementary Algebra. Jno, A. Martin. Stewart.
- Memory Training. F.E.Thom
- 6 Nature Study in Primary grade Miss Alvia Ingram.
- Duties of Teachers out side school room. F. K. Popplewell.

8 Query Box/

Report from committee on re colutions were as follows.

Where as there exists a need

Minutes of the Teachers Insti- for the awakening of more interest in the stbject of school and Friday night program was well education throughout the county carried out. H.T. Carter delivered the teachers of the institute of cupying the new building and we an interesting address on the edu Coke County hereby adopt the respectfully solicit the petronage

Resolved 1st. That we join in who are seeking an education, fre. Averitt recited a very an earnest appeal to patrons and The following are some of the rustees throughout the county to reasons why you should attend of jeet. Sister Sne's Wedding encourage the terchers in their school at Bronte. invitatious-several interesting and work by frequent visits to the 1st. We have the most come

teachers the importance of atten- 2nd. We have a carefully gra-Institute adjourned to meet at ding the County Institutes believ- ded course of study leading to maing it to be highly beneficial to triculation in the University. the improvement of the schools.

tend our institutes where ever uction here.

W. T. Savage Chairman. Alvia M. Ingram Sect.



Let go or die. That's the alternative of the ship-wrecked man with the money If there was only some one to throw him a life preserver, he might save both life and money. Without people have a like alternative before them. Business men come to a point where the doctor tells them that they must "let go or dic." Probably he advised a sea voyage or mountain air. There's an obstinate cough that won't be shaken off. The lungs are weak and perhaps bleeding. There is emaciation and 4th. Discussion what to do other symptoms of disease, which if unskillfully or improperly treated terminate n consumption.

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# Nanhattie News.

We've had two or three cold lays. But the old, poor cows appear to be standing it all right.

They are now feeding the cows on sotoe (or something else), Some eed pears.

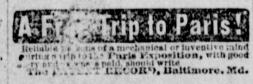
10 Exercise by Rock Spring's and Mrs. Wm. Dancan, an eight pound girl.

Mrs. Westfall was up at Mr.J.D

The young folka met at brother l'ubb's last Sanday evening at d sung several hymns with Mr. Sam

Mr. Stokes took his stock home that he was pasturing with Mr.

I C. How.



### Bronte High School.

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dious school building in the coun pupils of the Robert Lee High 2md. That we urge upon all ty and all our appliances are new

> 3rd. Teachers who wish to re-3rd that we request that pa- view branches required for any trons and trpstees especially at- grade of certificate can get instr-

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

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

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# **FUNERAL SERVICES**

**Neld Over the Body of the Late** Gov. Goebel.

### THOUSANDS IN ATTENDANCE.

The Crowd Was Remarkably Well Behaved and Not an Unpleasant Episode Occurred During the Proceedings.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 9.-Rain came down in sheets yesterday while the fu- on one side by Vaal Krantz and on the neral services were being held over the other side by Doorn Kloof. The Britbody of Kentucky's dead Democratic ish hold the former hill, or ridge, but leader.

Early in the morning the arrival of people to witness the funeral exercises ley and prevent the passage of the began, most of them in the early part British infantry. of the day coming in buggies from the enormous. Special trains came in from Georgetown and Lexington and a few other places not far from Frankfort, but the large crowds came in on the regular trains from Louisville and on the streets to watch the funeral. The body lay in state in the parlor of the Capitol hotel until 11 o'clock in the morning, and more people viewed the remains yesterday morning than Wednesday afternoon and night. At times the jam in the doorways leading time since the war began. to the parlors was too great for anybody to force a passage through.

The crowd was remarkably well behaved, however, and there was not an unpleasant episode connected with the proceedings from first to last.

When the procession passed the capitel the front of the building was covcred with soldiers, who stood watching the marchers, but, save three sentries at the gate, there was none of them within 500 feet of the street. The flag on the staff of the capitol building was at half mast.

It did not require fifteen minutes for the line of marching men to pass the capitol grounds, and all chances of trouble were over.

The grave to which Gov. Goebel's remains may be consigned to-day and the point at which the monument to his memory is to be erected was selected by his relatives and intimate friends Wednesday

As the procession passed the executive building every man in the parade turned his face toward it in the effort to see if Gov. Taylor was watching the march. There was no sign of life there however, although one of the windows was open and the curtains toly up. Other windows in the building were filled with soldiers an . some few citizens, but there was no face at any of the windows of the governor's office.

The grave is located about half way between the Kentucky soldiers' monument and the cemetery chapel, just over the slope of the hill to the north of the Confederate monument and near an immense oak tree whose branches stretch in a well. A fearful wind storm ragfar over the mountain, north of which ed for an hour and much damage was marks the Democratic leader's resting done. The most serious damage in

of several thousand people, who waited erable damage. William Nealy's house, the rain came down in a perfect del- the fence and hurt about the legs and ful south wind drenching every one the feet by a stove blowing over. Mrs. to the skin. But through it all they Nealy was slightly hurt by the falling dresses were listened to with pro- much alarm was felt, for it seemed at found attention.

Rev. Louis Wallace, chaplain of the to tear down the best of houses. state penitentjary, pronounced the benediction. As he finished the quartette sang "America" and the body was taken within the chapel. Guarded wide-spread property damage resulted by a strong torce of deputy sheriffs, from a severe windstorm which swept armed with rifles, it will remain there this city early yesterday. Rain fell in until the weather clears , when it will torrents before the blow set in. The be carried to the grave prepared for it dead-Mrs. Susan Thompson, killed by and buried.

# Another Conference Held.

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 9 .- The Bolivian ministry Wednesday had a conference with officials of the foreign office and again demanded that the Brazilian government should restore the authority of the Bolivian officials in Acre, alleging that the state govern- nue, Morgan street, Third and Sixth ment of Amazonas is responsible for streets, recently burned over is where the trouble which has occurred. Bra- the greatest damage occured. Here zil will probably send a squadron of +20,000 worth of property was destroygunboats to protect Brazilian property.

British and Boers.

London, Feb. 9 .- This morning's news, so far as it goes, leaves Gen. Buller holding the position north of the Tugela which he won on Monday and defended against Boer attacks on

On Wednesday the British commander seems to have been holding fast to what he had secured and making no attempt to advance.

His heavy guns and transports are evidently being brought up. This unavoidable delay again gives the Boers an opportunity to mass a strong force in front of him.

The valley through which it is believed Gen. Buller plans to push his way to reach Ladysmith is dominated the Boers have many men and guns on the latter, and can sweep the val-

It is certain that artillery will play surrounding country. By the time the a very important part in the attempt early trains had arrived the crowd was to force a way through the pass, so that Gen. Buller may not have resumed the offensive until yesterday morning, if indeed he did then.

It is learned that a private cable to a well-known Boer from Spearmans Cincinnati. Fully 10,000 people were Farm, says that on Wednesday Buller was holding the position gained, and that Ladysmith's relief is certain.

While of course the sender's eptimism must be taken into account, it seems certain that the outlook for the British arms is rosier than at any

A large crowd was at the war office throughout the day. Buller's first list of casualties, numbering about 230, was received in stony stlence. The people have made up their minds that heavy losses are inevitable and are

No intelligence as to the destination of Lords Roberts and Kitchener has yet reached London.

From other fields of the war the only important news comes from Gen. Gatacre, who has reported that the Boers made an attack upon the British position near Sterkstroom, apparently to prove that they were not napng.

The report that armed Kaffirs have been found among the Boer dead in the trenches at Vaal Krantz is seized upon by some London papers as a justification for the employment of Indian native troops in South Africa.

There is no doubt that a couple of battalions of those wonderful hill fighters, the Gurkhas, would be very

Clubland developed yesterday quite a ew and powerful interest in the progress of the war. Whetted by the news, which was taken to mean that a general move of the British forces had commenced, thus there was a larger attendance in the clubs this morning than has been for some weeks past. Crowds stand around the telegraph boards.

# Severe Blizzard.

Wagoner, I. T., Feb. 9 .- A regular blizzard visited this town Wednesday night. The thermometer dropped like town was the blowing off of the roof Around the freshly thrown up clay of the main hotel and allowing water and open grave was gathered a throng to pour in the building, causing considpatiently for hours in the midst of the in the southwest portion of the city, downpour for the funeral cortege to was torn al to pieces, some of the lumappear. For half an hour before the ber was carried three blocks. One of long procession reached the cemetery his little daughters was thrown against uge and was blown in sheets by a fit- arms. Frank Nealy was burned about waited, silent and reverential. The ad- building. It was a fearful night and times that the wind was strong enough

Destructive Windstorm. St. Louis, Feb. 9.-One death and contact with a live wire at Winnebago street and Marine avenue. Between 2 and 40'clock yesterday morning a gale which reached sixty miles an hour struck the city. The barometer fell to 29.35, the lowest record. A terriffic thunderstorm had been in progress several hours during which 1.9 inches of rain had fallen.

The district between Franchis

# DAD AND MAM.

Bixby lies at the crossing of the iron ways out in the desolate West, I should not like to say how many railroad men know the place, or have wondered how they could escape from it. It is always quite pleasant to be leaving Bixby-or it would be if it were not for Dad and Mam.

The first time I saw Dad and Mam was when my route was changed from Omaha to Denver-I am a mail clerkand I landed at Bixby with a wait of thirty minutes, a horribly empty stom-

ach, and no visible way of filling it. "Don't they eat out this way?" asked Theo Auditor, who was in the

"I should say so," said he. "If we eat anywhere we eat at Bixby."

place to lead to, please lead on."

one pea to another. "What do people mean by living

"There's no accounting for the dirty

We turned down a street that was all blackness save for one flashing and welcoming glow that came from the headlight of an engine. The headlight stood before a long, low building with storm doors at the entrance and storm eash at the windows. Once behind that door, the winter had vanished, and we were in a long apartment, brightly lighted with rough gray walls, trimmed with flags and vines, and filled

A shout went up as we entered.

night. Is your baby better?"

"O, a heap better, thank you, Mam.

"Well, I'm glad to hear it," said hearty voice, and I saw a woman with



HE REACHED OUT A GRIMY HAND. hand to me across a sort of counter. behind which she sat in a high rocker. "My family is large," she said, "but never too large to have additions made to it."

old woman it would have been hard to and. Her blue eyes beamed at me with a sincere offer of friendliness, and the hand I grasped, had a fine, firm

count on," I concluded, instinctively. A moment later an old man entered, carrying a bucket of coal. He had a large, kind face, too-indeed the husband and wife seemed singularly alike. I was introduced to him and he reached

"Married?"

"No."

"That's good. That's mighty good. Glad to see you here. Hope you'll make yourself acquainted with all our

By this time Mam had a luncheon laid for us on a snowy tablecloth. I am a trifle fastidious about my eating, and there have been times when I nearly starved to death because I could not force down the fare I got at railway eating houses. But this meal, though simple, was delicious, and I ate until I was actually ashamed of

I talked but little; it was better to listen. The laughter and conversation going on was like that of account

cle. Mam led it, and she seemed to know all about everybody, and to be giving everyone a bit of friendly en-

"O, you'll soon be fixed all right,"

mail car with me.

"Macduff," cried I, "if there's any

He did. We went down the uninteresting front street, as like to fifty other front streets I had walked down as

here," I ruminated aloud. I was a Chicago man and had ideas of my own about what a town should be. Auditor, who came from Peoria, and hated Chicago, answered rather sourly:

holes some folks like to live in."

with men.

"Why, Theo; that you, my boy?" I distinguished a woman's voice saying. "We were thinking this was your

This is my assistant, Will Williams. He'll become one of your family, I expect."

a large, kind face, reaching out her



A pleasanter, more motherly-looking

"This is the sort of person one can

out a grimy hand. "Where do you live, sir?"

"At Omaha."

"Live with your folks?"

couragement.

she said to a young fellow who had confessed to her that his new housekeeping was on a small scale. 'When I was first married I had only one flatiron to my name, and I couldn't seem to get money enough together to buy another. So I used to use it until it was cold, and then do something else till it got hot again. But it was awful trying. Dad's shirts used to get dry an bones while I was waiting for that flat to heat. But it's better now, as you

cluded with an accent of dry humor. "O, you're a rich woman now, Mam,"

see. I own six irons now," she con-

cried one of the "boys."

"And I've trayeled," she laughed. "Don't forget that I've traveled." This appeared to be a tremendous joke, and Mam chuckled and shook over it and Dad chuckled and shook. The "boys' made merry over it too, and Mam couldn't let the joke go, but cried between her fits of laughter.

"Not everyone has traveled, you know. It makes a great difference. don't care to associate myself with folks that haven't traveled.'

We had to leave then, and as We hastened along the street, leaving the flaming headlight at our backs, and with the cordial good-bys of Dad and Mam still ringing in our ears, I asked Auditor what the joke was.

"Why," said he, "Dad and Mam Ferris have been right on that spot for sixteen years and they're institutions. All the fellows know them and tell them their troubles and go to their to be doctored and petted and encouraged. They've got so used to it that I really don't know how they would get on without the old folks. Well, one day Mam was talking and it came out that she was just pining to gy to the Omaha exposition. No one had ever thought of that. Mam had never been known to go anywhere. She hadn't even had time to go to cherch. If it isn't the passenger boys it's the freight crew that's taking up her tyme, and she never has time to say that her soul is her own. In fact, I suppose she has forgotten a long time ago hat she belongs to herself. How she game to think of the exposition I apn't know. But she said to one of the bays: 'A body might feel herself mighty fortunate to be able to go to that show. It must be pretty.' Well, it came acusss some of us what it would mean to aer and Dad to go there and see the thing, and how surprised they would be at night when the white buildings yere all lit up with electricity. So Reynalds -Tim Reynolds, you know-started it. He wrote telling Dawson, the Gengral Passenger Agent at Omaha, about the matter, and Dawson sent on transcor-

Then we clubbed together and gat a new suit for Dad and new dress for Mam and head gear and a parasol aud all manner of truck. Nelson of the Executive committee of the exposition, used to be one of their 'boys' and he forwarded a pass, and Hawthorne, the Division Superintendent at Onena, made them come to his house and sput case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's up. They had everything going, I tell you. They staid two weeks and went to the theater and did the Midway and went through the exposition ground as faithfully as children learn a lesson. They meant to get all out of it they could. They came back proud as reacocks, and kind of crushed by everybody's kindness. I swear, they swed 750 for a month, till we told them if they didn't let up we'd set up a lunch coenter at the station. So they wiped their eyes and made a joke of it. And zow all you have to do if you want to make them laugh is to ask them if they have

ever traveled." We were back to our places in the mail car by this time. I grabbel a ing one growing up down south which fresh sack and began my task, hat it bids fair to soon enjoy great commerce. was several minutes before I could see the directions on the envelopes with prfect clearness. Then it occurred to me that I would better follow the ex- docks, wharfs and terminals are being ample of Dad and Mam, so I dried my eyes and fell to laughing.

"What's the matter with you?" aung out Auditor.

"I was just thinking what a blistering good story that was about Dad and

"Well," said he, indignantly, "it tacks a good while for you to get to the laughing point seems to me!'

I didn't tell him the reason wuy .-Chicago Tribune.

Mortality.

One of the counties of the state of Connecticut once boasted of a judge who, though poorly furnished with those little refinements usually met with in polished society, was an erergetic, shrewd man, and a promising lawyer. A neighbor of his was about to give away his daughter in marriage, and having a deep-rooted dislike to the clerical profession, and being Jetermined, as he said, "to have no parson in his house," he sent for his friend the judge, to perform the savemony. The judge came, and, the candidates for the connubial yoke taking their places before him, he addressed the bride: "You swear you will marry this man?" "Yes, sir," was the reply. "And you (addressing the bridegroom) swear you will marry this woman?" "Well, I do," said the groom. "Then,"

said the judge, "I swear rou're man-

ried!"

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doctors and finally went to the city hospital for a month, but I obtained no permanent relief then tried a number of advertised medicines. One or helped at the start, and then I

Could not Stand. grew worse. I One day I read a was utterly discouraged. testimonial praising Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and determined to make one more trial. I bought a box and before it was half gone I doticed an improvement. I continued taking them till nine boxes were used up by which time I was entirely cured and I have been as well as I am to-day ever since, the rheumatism never having

"A little later, that period which every woman dreads and which often results seriously—change of life—came on. I had heard of the good Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People had done for other women in this respect, so I took them faithfully and I can honestly say that they took me and I can honestly say that they took me through that serious period of my life in good health, and I have suffered with none of the disorders which so frequently succeed change of life. I cannot half tell what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People have done for me. I keep a box in the house, as I am getting on in years and sometimes feel a little run down. When I do I find that three or four doses put me right again."

three or four doses put me right again."
MARY A. MASON. STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS | 88.

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the south. Green groves contrast well with em-

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ome Points About the Wonderful Engines of War First Introduced by th Boers of South Africa - Accuracy Fire a Certain Element.

The announcement recently made that a siege train was being mobilized for service in South Africa no doubt conveyed very little information to the non-military mind, as was shown a few days ago, when a writer in the London Daily Mail was asked, in all sincerity: "What is the difference between a siege train and an armored train?" As a matter of fact, a siege train is the name applied to the complement of guns, ammunition and store wagons, and men employed to conduct a siege. According to the Siege Artillery Manual," a siege train may consist of any number of divisions, heavy, medium or light, according to the requirements of the service. A division, as a rule, consists of sixteen pieces of ordnance, exclusive of machine guns; each division requires a personnel consisting of four companies of garrison artillery, with the following staff: One lieutenant-colonel, one adjutant, one quartermaster, two staff non-commissioned officers, and two staff clerks, in addition to a total of 596 officers, noncommissioned officers and men. In the present instance the armament consists of the new five-inch breechloading howitzers throwing lyddite shell. All siege guns and howitzers are fitted with special sights known as "French's sights," which enable them to be laid on an object that is invisible to the gunner. With this advantage it is possible to place the battery behind a hill totally obscured from the enemy's view, and to pound away until either all his guns are dismounted or the fort breached so as to enable the infantry to carry the place by assault. Siege gunnery has now arrived at such a pitch of perfection that there is absolutely nothing that can withstand the attack of a wellorganized and well-equipped siege train. The shell fire is so accurate and searching and the high explosives so destructive that it is only a question of time in demolishing any defense that can possibly be erected. By means of an observing instrument, invented by Capt. Tancred, each shot can be accurately observed as bursting so many yards short or over the object, thus enabling the necessary corrections to be made for the next round to strike the exact spot desired and insuring extreme accuracy of fire.

BEAUTIFUL SHOULDERS.

Take Care That the Child Does No Stoop.

A common form of neglect is the shoulders, which are allowed in childhood to grow lop-sided, and take an ungraceful stoop, says the Syracuse Herald. Often they are crowded by so ill-fitting corsets that they seriously displace the collar-bone. Instead of such malformation they should be level, large, erect, insensibly descending and well-poised, making the waist appear round and small. Massage and oil will do much to tone up the neglected shoulders, and the skin can be whitened and made beautifully firm by this paste, which is of Spanish origin: Beat the whites of four eggs in rose water, adding a few grains of alum. Beat until the paste is thick, spread the composition on a layer of old linen and apply to the neck and shoulders at night. French ladies are so expressive with their shoulders that they give them every advantage, as their "shrug" is a part of French conversation. An authority on this subject says: "A difficult habit to break is that easy, lazy manner of sagging down when sitting, which, in addition to sleeping on high pillows, makes so many round shoulders and sunken chests. People should always watch themselves, and when they discover the fault straighten up; but it is so easy to settle down in this way after years of indulgence in the habit that many get discouraged and prefer to grow crooked. Let me warn you, ladies, to be eternally vigilant in ac-DON'T STOP TOBACCO SUDDENLY ladies, to be eternally vigilant in ac-It injures nervous system to do so. BACOCURO is the only cure that REALLY CURES and notifies you when to stop. Sold with a guarantee that three boxes will cure any case.

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For Thirty Years a Man Held to

Joshua Reddik, an eccentric character, died here recently, writes a Leffler's Station correspondent to the Chicago Inter Ocean. For thirty-one years past he had not taken a drink of water voluntarily, nor had he allowed himself to take a bath. There was a feud between water and Joshua pathetic in its inception. Reddik was one of the first settlers in this section. In due course of time a young Joshua came to the family. He was a likely youth, who could plow a straight furrow when he was 11 years old. The family prospered exceedingly. During the civil war it is a matter of tradition that they sold hay to the government at a price approximating nine gold dollars a pound, and weighed it on their own scales. A few miles from the Reddik homestead flowed a placid river. In this stream Reddik and his son were accustomed to swim. They went swimming one fine warm day in July, 1868, and young Joshua was drowned. Mrs. Reddik, prostrated by the shock, died. Standing by her coffin, Joshua Reddik swore that never so long as he lived would he drink water or voluntarily come in contact with it. Joshua Reddik decided that whisky was about as far away from water as he could get, and he stocked his house with whisky. He bought it by the barrel, and as time went on his thirst increased. It happened that Reddik's oath kept him from traveling. He was virtually surrounded by water. His oath would not allow him to cross water for fear he might fall in, so he was condemned to spend his life in a territory about three miles square. Rain and snow were the bane of his existence. He became an expert in prognosticating rainstorms and was always able to avoid getting wet, but in winter he was compelled to spend most of his time in his lonely house. He would stock up with provisions in the fall, having a few barrels of whisky rolled in and prepare to hibernate. Whisky as a steady beverage palled on the old man after a decade of indulgence. Moehn's brewery was a short distance from the house. On one side of the brewery was a pond, and to avoid the pond in reaching the brewery the old man was compelled to make a wide detour and slide down a bluff. A special brand of beer was made for him in the brewery and a flight of stairs was built down the bluff for his benefit.

Gave a Realistic Recitation.

From the San Francisco Argonaut: E. A. Sothern of "Dundreary" fame was once dining at Portsmouth at a regimental mess. After dinner one of the officers asked Sothern to give them a recitation. Now Sothern would not tolerate being treated as an entertainer when he was by way of being treated as a gentleman. He coldly declined. They pressed him. He hotly declined. Still they would take no denial. At last he said, in a manner which showed that he was nettled, but yet yielding, "Well, if you won't let me off, I must. I'll give you the dinner scene from 'David Garrick.'" He did. He had never acted it better. They were delighted until, springing to his feet, he made his wild tipsy exit, just as he did on the stage, and dragged the cloth off the table and with it all the regiment's prized dessert china and decanters and glasses, etc. Thereupon he calmly resumed his seat, but thereafter Sothern dined no more with that

# The National Beverage of England.

There is an enormous increase in the consumption of whiskies imported from Scotland and Ireland into England. If the present rate of increase of the spirit trade is maintained, England will presently have adopted whisky as the national beverage. Beer is losing ground as the people demand something stronger. The discussion of the relative merits of the whiskies has brought out the interesting incident that a short time since a vat containing 700 gallons of Scotch whisky for the consumption of the members of the house of commons was built, and that next recess will see provisions made for an adequate supply of the Irish product.

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The Rustler hopes that the John Cornelius, Populist Party in their reorganization will not attempt in any way to control the Co locality- To draw party lines T.A. Higginbotham, G.C. Laswell in county affairs will be like. J.W. Jackson, ly, we think, to cause the K. M. Mays, B. F. Montgomery, originators to lose at the polis.

A gentleman of strong con. victions in county politics told as last Sat. to start his Rustler again, that he had made a mistake in stopping it on New Year. This gentleman said that he had been misinformed about some things, and had thought the Rustler on the wrong track about soms County matters. He is one of the only eight persons who had quit the paper since the present Editor took charge, over a year ago. Wd hope to have all the other seven enrolled again to fore the end of the year. We have lost seven and gain- be ghoo hood. Lazer two hundred.

On Fri., Feb. 2nd, Mr EL Nell'died at his home at Mc-Greger, Texas, Deceased was It wars old, and the imme- longer. diace cause of his death was l'neumonia- He was a bro, the Silver school. to Mr Sam Neff, of this Co. who attended the funeraf. We extend condolence.

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Cedar Hill.

Ed. Rustier. I will give a few items of this

The Cedar Hill school will be out in two more weeks. Special tax accounts for a short term of school, I have not heard any com- Stop fd plaint against the teacher. I am sorry the school does not last

Mr. Cooper has agreed to teach

I was pleased to read the letter in the Rustler from Bco. Berryman, glad to hear that he and his family were well. I bid him Gods

Bro. Cambie filled his appointment here Saturday and Sunday law makes each commisioner and preached two interesting ser-

> J. R. Tubb has been visiting friends in Mitchell and Scurry counties, he reports a pleasan;

> Dock Umble and family of Itan are visiting their parents at Cedar

> Mr. Cooper and little son Charley of Iolanthie attended church

> at Cedar Hill Sauday. Prof. Thomas attended church at Cedar Hill Sunday.

Enoch Sparks, of Pecan accompanied by the Johnston boys helped to make up the congregation Sunday at church.

Mr. Smith of San Angelo was here several days ago offering \$13 50 for stear yearlings didnt get any as they are held for higher

Miss Mamie Stokes and Mr. Fayette Youngblood was united in toarriage last Sunday at Color ado City. The writer wishes them a long and prosperous life.

Success to the Rustler and its

Bunk.

Populist Meeting.

Pursuant to a call for a Mass J.R. Smith meeting of the Populists' of Coke H.L. Adams | county, for the purpose of electing S.M. Conner a county Chairman and other offi-W.B. Fletcher | cers ensuing two years, and elect-J.F. Shook ing a deligate to the District con-J. D. Hale vention, a meeting was held on A.B. Biackwell Sat., Feb. the 10th, at Robert Lee S. S. Craddock and the following proceedings had

The chairman stated the object J. V. Sumrall, of the meeting, and a motion to M. Bird. go into the election of officers for he eusing two years was carried.

Moved that the election of Co. chairman and secretary be mad-J. P. McDonold, by acclamation, Carried.

S. C. Wilkins and B. P. Byrne were re-elected county chairman and secretary, respectively.

Moved that the county chairman appoint temporary precinct chairman throughout the county. for the purpose of reorganizing the various precinct clubs. Motion carried.

Motion made and carried that W. R. Boykin be elected to represent this county in the District convention, which convenes at San Antonio on Feb. 17, 1900.

Motion made and carried that the delegate to the above District. convention be instructed to cast the vote of this county for Judge McMinn, as a delegate to the Na-

Motion made and carried that the county chairman notify the temporary chairman of their respective presincts, to organize their respective clubs immediate. y, and report their organization to the county chairman on or before the 11th day of March 1900.

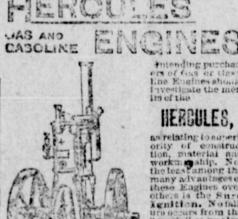
No further business the meeting adjourned.

S. C. Wilkins. County Chairman.

Secretary, P. P.

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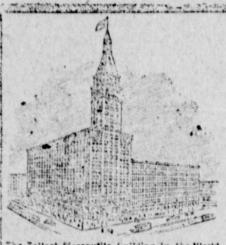
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For Lime call on J. J. Vestal.

Mrs H H Pearc and babies spent a day or two visiting at Bronte first of the week.

Misses May Stewart, Ina Vestal, Ada Fry and Scottie Ingram were very pleasant callers .t this office this week.

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Uncle Johnie Conner and J H B Norflect, both attended the Masonic communica. tion here Sat. night.

Masonic Lodge here Satur- San Angelo Tex. day night.

was among the Lodge boys Institute. Sat. night.

ch unt at Bronte, is now an was in town last week. affiliated member of Havrick Mrs. Fields, and son Hu-

Baptist- Patriotic preacher while here called at this offic. who lectured at the Court Hearse Sat. night was, we believe, a reformed Populist and Expansionist, We BE- 10, 1900, I as county chairman, KNOW he was of the "travelling bum" order, who take up collections at every place

at seventy five cents per bushel.

eleven and night

Bro Cumbie, of Bronte will shortly leave to visit his old home in Hamilton Co.

W E Kaye, the Ft. Worth land agent, has been in town this week, looking after his interests here.

Col H H Hayley returned last Sat. from the State Odd Fellows encampment at Galplace for a good time, and that he enjoyed the trip very

C.C. Merchant spent a few days of last week in the coun-

Bro. Cumbie preached at Cedar Hill last Sunday at eleven, and at Mr. Colliers restid ace, at Edith, at night

Green Rushing, from Juo. Met'abe's ranch was in town

Prof. J L Ross was in town last Sat.

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Prof. Frank E Thomas wa in town last Sat.

Prof. Savage and his pupils deserve and receive or Vines from the Reliable Austin praise for their programme rendered last Fri. night at on sugar cane and can pasture the beginning of the Institu-

> Esq. B P Byrne, of Sanco, nent Populists here last Sat.

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Lodge No. 696 A F & A M. bert, of Edith, were in town The Northern Methodist- a few house Mon lay, and

# Notice, Populists.

In compliance with a motion of who has turned Gold bug the P. P. convention held on Feb. LIEVE the above and we hereby appoints the following named person as temporary precinct chairman, and request each to call meetings of their respectson 150 acres survey No. 4 N. S. tive precincts not later than Mar. Anderson for \$100. Large German MILLIT SEED 11, 1900, for the purpose of reor for sale by I. H. McDorman ganisation, and to report to the county chairman the name of their respective Permannet chairman, in order that it may be known Elder J B Hooten preached who will become the county execinteresting sermons Sun. at ution committee, for the next two

> Robert Lee, Will Green; Bronte J. D. O'Daniel; Hayrick, W. F. Stephens; Paint Creek, W. C. Ben son; Rock Springs, S. S. Cosper; Valley View, M. H. Havins; Sanco J. H. Campbell; Silver, J. F. Conner; Peano, Hugh King; Simpson. W. S. Tripp; Cedar Hill J. I. West

> > S. C. Wilkins, Chair. P. P. Coke Co.

NOTICE. All those indebted vesion. He says that is a good to G. C. Lasswell will please call on me and make settlement or satisfactory arrangements, otherwise their accounts will be placed in the hands of an attorney.

G. C. Lasswell.

Clay Williamson, and old time Coke County boy was visiting in our city Tuesday.

If you want anything in the dong line, Call at Pearce's Pharmacy. If they baven't it in stock hey will get it for you.

Bro. Townsend, Baptist Missionrry, was in town this week and informed us he would preach at W T Caraway was in town Edith on his next regular appointment on the Second Sunday in March. He was compelled to miss his last appointment there on ac count of sickness in his family.

> If you want Fruit Trees Shrabs 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

M. A. Perkins, and two sons, of was one of the most promi- Edith, was in town Monday, on business.

> The commissioners Court Prowill appear next week.

> Hon. W W McCutchen was in town last week several days look-

Hawley Allen was in town

"I am in favor of a county primary to nominate every officer fron Constable to President" said Judge McCarty, when he was in town Wed.

W. C. Merchant returned Tuesday from a trip to Nolan Co.

Our lawyers are all getting up their cases for District Court

Mrs. Arthur Lewis, and babe called on the Rustler force last

The celebrated novel, "In his steps," for sale at Pearces Drug

J. E. Stewart & Co. is the new Prof. A J Couch was in merchandise firm in town. J. A. will add a large stock of groceries to their stock of glassware, notions etc. The new firm will handle every line except dry goods. We wish the new firm success.

D. L. Buch non is erecting p \$3.20 store house just above the round front. It will be 18X30 feet, when completed. He expects to run gro-

Frank L. Harris was in town Wed.

# Court House News.

Reported for the Rustler by H E. Johnston, abstractor of lands.

# Real Estate Transfers.

W. F. Robinson to E. J. Robin-

D. L. Buchanan to J. P. Angel Lots Nos. 4 5 m block No. 63 in

the town of Robert Lee for \$15. J. M. Gunnels and wife to R. B. Higgins 160 acres the N. W. 1-4 of sec. No. 6 S. P. R. R. cc. for

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Burroughs on Sunday morning last, a girl.

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FIELD, RANCH, GARDEN.

Red River county farmers are ac tively at work.

Lamar county farmers sowed considerable oats last week.

Last week Navarro county farmers sowed considerable oats.

The Light brothers are feeding 1000 head of cattle at Pilot Point. Ernest Abbott of San Angelo sold

150 shearing goats at \$1.50. Glass Sharp of San Angelo bought of

Gid Hall 1350 sheep at \$2.10. D. C. McHill of KcKinney shipped

five cars of beef cattle to Chicago. Farmers of Lamar county say the

price of seed potatoes has doubled. It is intimated the American people eat 4,000,000 bushels of peanuts year

The round-bale ginners held an important meeting at Fort Worth last

C. C. Brunner of Cleburne bought and shipped 300 head of beef cattle at

John Cawley of San Angelo bought 400 coming yearling calves at from \$12 to \$12.50.

It is estimated that 1000 acres will be planted in rice in Matagorda county this season.

River county will plant Irsh potatoes early this year.

cabbage will be shipped from Corpus in the interior is quite inaccessible. Christi by March 1. Alvin has shipped out some straw-

berries the past few days. Several buyers have opened offices there.

Hundreds of acres of Tennesse Triumph Irish potatoes will be planted in Navarro county this season, it is said.

Farmers are around Mexia are preparing for spring planting. Some cotton yet remains in the field around

a carload of Jersey cattle for his stock farm on Cobb creek.

marketed two carloads of work mules the Americans had five men wounded. to good advantage.

atory to doing so.

W. E. Simms, Jr., of Paris, Ky., sold his lands in Motley county, comprising 3200 acres, to A. B. Echols of Motley county; consideration \$7500.

Carload shipments of cabbage will begin soon out of Galveston. The crop raised on Galveston Island and that from bay points brought to Galveston by boat will constitute the supply.

load, consisting of 650 rabbits, to a produce dealer in Bonham. A demand for the fur was a factor in creating a market for them.

Jos. F. Greenborough of Encinal bought of Raymond Martin of Enciual 900 head of 3 and 4-year-old steers at \$22, and from C. Benavides, 300 head of 1 and 2-year-old steers at \$20 per head, all for spring delivery.

Hargus & Rogers, well known stockmen of Llano, have bought from R. H. Mosely, a prominent cattle raiser also of Llano, 2500 head of 2 and 3-yearold steers, April delivery at \$21.25 per head. They will be shipped to the Osage nation, Indian territory, for summer pasturage.

J. W. Collins shipped a car of work mules from Mineral Wells to Helena, Ark. There were twenty-five mules in this shipment, and Mr. Collins paid on an average of \$58.50 each, making the total amount paid for the entire number come to \$1462.50.

Engineer R. A. Boote of the Houston & Texas Central owns a farm near Ennis, and raised a small wheat crop last year. He had some of his wheat superior to flour purchased from out-

Farmers in Grayson county are do- diston of affairs was never known in are getting ready to put seed in the ground as soon as weather is sufficient- next year. The Cuban laboring class i are much ahead with their work at this time compared with the same time last

# Coke County Rustler NEWS FROM MANILA

Tactics Against Americans.

### THEY SHOOT BURNING ARROWS.

Plague Contines -- Eight Cases Have publican lawyers. Been Reported Among the Natives and Chinamen.

Manila, Feb. 12 .- Of late the insurgents in Albay province, Luzon, have adopted harassing tactics against towns which the Americans have garrisoned. They camp in the hills and maintain a constant fire upon the American out-

When the troops rally against them they scatter, returning when the Americans return

except by the garrisons.

Scarcely any of the inhabitants return the interior and it is supposed arme.' insurgents prevent them going back. It is reported that there is much suffer-A number of truck gardners in Red the hemp business in that section is se- tions at Frankfort. riously hindered and ships going for

> Col. Bell will take two regiments and a battery through the province of North Camarines and South Camarines, going there on transports. Many insurgents retreated to that part of the island from Cavite and Batangas prov-

of the island of Mindano.

J. S. Terry of Hillsboro has return- Manila. Two attempts have been made ed from Tennessee, where he purchased to ambush the Americans. Col. Schwan few companies of infantry would be and an escort of a hundred cavalry from John Scofield has returned from Batangas, was attacked by the insursouth Texas to Hillsboro, where he gents. The latter were dispersed, but

Lieut. Col. Beacon with six com-Farmers all over the state are either panies of the forty-second infantry had breaking land or clearing off corn and a two-hours' fight with Gen. Pio del cotton stalks and burning them prepar- Pilar's command, which attempted to ambush the Americans along the trail through Morong province near the lake. Here also the insurgents were dispersed but the Americans had several wounded, among them a captain.

through Zambaies province with a arrive until 10 o'clock this morning. small force.

Another expedition is proceeding northward from Subig bay. It is reported that the insurgent general, Alejan-W. A. Betlar, a farmer of Fannin der, has recovered from his wound and county, sold a few days ago a wagon has assembled a large force in that

life are undisturbed.

Small-pox is prevalent among the natives along railways and in the towns on the northern coast. Two officers of the thirty-sixth infantry have died of

# Searcity of Labor.

Havana, Feb. 12.-The scarcity of labor in the country is threatening to prove a serious menace to the agricultural interests, and especially to the sugar-growing industry. Two large sugar plantations near Calbarien, and one escaped unhurt. which were ready to grind, have been obliged to shut down. On the Narcissa plantation, which would produce 100,000 bags this year, the canes are still standing, and it is feared that the crop will be a total loss. Large and small planters are handicapped in handling crops. Wages have advanced from ground into flour, which he claims is \$18 to \$30 a month on plantations, and experienced tobacco pickers are get-

ing their preliminary farm work and Cuba before, and if immigration is not tostered the situation will be wors ly warm to warrant it. The farmers largely employed now by municipalities in the street and sanitary departments

Soldiers are Leaving.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 12.-It was reported last night that the Republicans would this week seek to bring the contest for the offices of Governor and Insurgents Have Adopted Harrassing Lieutenant Governor before the Federal court.

> Former Gov. Bradley, chief counsel for the Republicans, in their application before Judge Taft to restrain the state election commissioners from proceeding with the contests for the minor offices, was in town yesterday afternoon in consultation with leading Re-

The case involving the minor offices comes up today at Cincinnati, an it is believed the other case will also be taken before Judge Taft, though it is not likely anything will be done until after Tuesday.

On that day the application of the Democrats for an injunction to restrain Gov. Taylor from interfering with the legislature will come up in the circuit court at Frankfort.

The case has been continued from time to time by the Democrats pending the peace negotiations. It is expected a temporary injunctions will be granted. The case will then be taken They shoot burning arrows and have to the court of appeals, the state court thus burned a large part of the town of of last recort. Upon whether or not Albay. Indeed, most of the large towns an appeal to the Federal court will lie in that province are practically deserted depends the Republican hope of relief from that quarter.

Gov. Beckham, Senator Blackburn to their homes. They are camping in and their associates in the Democratic state government passed a quiet day.

The legislature will remain here unth it has received a report from its ing among them, owing to the lack of committee, which it is expected will be food. As a result of these conditions appointed today to investigate condi-

From talk among the members it is cargoes are compelled to take gangs of not believed they will return to the It is expected that fully 500 cars of coolies to do their loading. Hemp held capitol while soldiers are about the state buildings.

> Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 12.-All day long the troops have poured out of Frankfort on special trains and last night only soldiers from Covington, Newport, Lexington and Morgantown were camped in the capitol square. The leaving of the troops was the only feature that transpired in the Another expedition will soon start to political situation in Frankfort yestergarrison towns along the north coast day. Gov. Taylor remained quitely in the executive mansion and did not visit Guerilla warfare continues south of his office, giving himself a day of rest.

> Adj. Gen. Collier said that only a while returning to Manila with his staff kept on duty here for a short time, to do police work around the capitol square and guard the public building. They would, he said, interfere in no way with the actions of the members of the legislature, access to the legislative halls would be as free and unrestricted as it was before Gov. Taylor issued the proclamation declaring that Frankfort was in a state of insurrection.

The members of the Republican legislature were expected to arrive from London late yesterday afternoon, but word was brought that they had spent the day in an excursion to Cumberland Gen. Bell is iperating southward Gap, and would not for the most part

# Steamer Aground.

New York, Feb. 12.—The sea was growing rougher last night and the steamer Gate City, from Savannah, still fast aground off East Moriches, L. I., where she stuck on Thursday night. The plague continues. Eight cases The present outlook for floating the were reported last week among the na- ship is bad. Sixteen men of the crew tives and Chinese. There is no excite- were brought ashore yesterday so as ment, however, and business and social to make the work of taking off the remainder in case of immediate danger as easy as possible. The men were landed in the breeches buoy.

> Red river was reported on a rise the other day.

# Captured by Boers.

Rensberg, Feb. 12.-A picket of five Victorian riflemen, after holding a post for some hours Saturday, was forced to retire, the Boers getting on a hill and firing down upon them. Three were slightly wounded, one is missing

Out of a patrol from Tjufontein, under Capt. Hamilton, composed of eight Tasmanians and eight of Gen. French's scouts, only two Tasmanians and three scouts returned. The others were captured by the Boers. Later advices are that in Wednesday's brush two correspondents, Mr. Hales of London Daly News and Mr. Lan of the Melbourne Age, fell beh, Mr. Hales

tured by the Room nd Mr. Lambia was killed. The Ba took two pris-

Bonham is having considerable work done on her streets.

The Admiral an Artist.

While a student at Norwich university Admiral Dewey took lessons in painting in water color, and proved an apt pupil. He produced several promising bits of work. mostly marine sketches, one of which has been rescued from oblivion, and, on a large frame, now adorns the walls of one of the university's classrooms.

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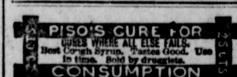
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### Hanged by & Mob.

Port Arthur, Tex., Feb. 12.-After being acquitted by the district court at Beaumont, Bill Sweeney, the confessed murderer of Gus Kambach, received lynch law at the hands of a small but determined mob in this city at 1 o'clock yesterday morning.

Ten days ago Sweeney killed Kambach in the little shanty in which they lived. They had had trouble in a saloon and after going home Sweeney stabbed Indian sword. Death was almost instantaneous.

At that time a number favored hanging him on the spot, but Deputy Marshal Lucas managed to get him out of town, and into the county jail at Beaumont in safety.

Every one in town thought that he would be condemned by the court, and the news that he had been cleared of all blame came like a thunderbolt.

It was also reported that Sweeney had threatened to return and settle old scores with other parties in Port Arthur, and consequently there was a crowd at the depot when the 12:30 train arrived to see of he returned, although it was not expected that there would be any trouble if he did.

Almost the first man off the train was the released prisoner.

As he stepped down, two men standing near took him by the arms and quietly marched him around the corner to where six or eight men were in waiting, and these were all who really had anything to do with the affair.

A crowd of people, perhaps sixty, followed them to where the lynching took place at the corner of Fifth and Dallas streets.

Here a rope was passed over the guywire of an electriclight pole and Sweeney was quickly pulled into the air with a running noose around his throat.

The first attempt failed, as the rope parted. On the second trial it held, and after a few minutes the rope was tied and Sweeney left hanging there till 8 o'clock, when he was cut down, and after an inquest was given a pauper's

Throughout the whole affair, everything was done with absolute quietness. People living within fifty feet of where the lynching occurred knew nothing of it till yesterday morning.

Sweeney took it all so cool that doubts were raised as to his sanity.

It is said that just before he was pulled up for the first time he requested those standing near to make a good job of it.

Several times, while waiting for th party who went after the rope to return, he asked for a chew of tobacco, once even after the noose was around his neck.

Sweeney's record up to the time of his murdering Kambach was bad and he was looked upon as a good man to let alone.

# Shade Trees Offered.

Sherman, Tex., Feb. 12.-Mr. John S. Kerr made the city board of education an offer to supply free of charge such shade trees as they may desire to have planted on the grounds. T'e board has accepted the generous offer. Trustees Maxwell and Bryd were appointed as a committee to confer with Mr. Kerr and to furnish a list of the trees desired. It is probable that Arbor Day will be selected as the date of | South African war fund. planting the trees.

W. H. Thompson, formerly cashier of the First National bank of Brownwood, has established a bank at Glen Rose.

# Fire at Austin.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 12.-At an early hour yesterday morning fire broke out in the large Brueggerhoff business block here. The building was completely gutted. The third floor was occupied by Griffitt's college of commerce. All of the school furniture and fixtures were destroyed. The college was owned by Prof. W. H. Griffitt's and his loss is about \$10,000, partly covered by Insurance. The second floor was occupied by law offices, and the losses to the several firms will aggregate \$20,-000, including books and furniture destroyed. The loss to the building is about \$20,000, making the total loss to building and contents about \$50,000. The loss to the building is fully covered by insurance. The building is owned by Mrs. Elizabeth Brackenridge of San Antonio.

A large packing company has been organized at Chihuahua, Mex.

### An Important Session

Denton, Tex., Feb. 10.-When the convention of county judges and commissioners was called to order Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock the roll call showed the presence of the following members: Judges I. D. Ferguson, Denton county; W. D. McCoy, Johnson county; J. F. Stout, of Navarro county; J. T. Johnson of Wise county and Judge Wm. Hodges of Lamar county, and Judge Bannister of Delta county Kambach in the throat with a small came in later; Commissioners A. Dicky, J. H. Frio, T. J. Broxsen of Johnson; W. N. Jackson, T. S. Atcheson and J. F. Morgan of Denton county, G. W. Twyman and R. L. Hughes of Fannin, Miles F. Stanley of Hill county and R. L. Winfrey and G. W. Neely of Dallas county.

What is probably the most important subject that came before the convention in the two days' session was the and the ayes and noes demanded. The question of the best manner of dealing substitute was adopted—ayes 57, noes with the small-pox. From the talks 51. of various members it seemed that every county represented had had or expected to have something to do with forcible illustration of the wide prev- ing liquors are sold or given away. alence of the disease in Texas at the present day. The opinions given varied widely on some points, the expense incurred showing an especially wide divergence, and while this was so there is no doubt that the commissioners rereived some valuable pointers that they can use when they again have to do with that loathsome and troublesome condition.

The small-pox question occupied the first position on the programme, owing to the great interest felt, and Judge W. D. McCoy of Johnson was the first speaker on the card. The speaker touched at length upon the importance of the question and declared forcibly that there was much needless expense incurred in its treatment and handling. The physicians were in some instances paid entirely too much, he thought. Twenty dollars, as was paid by some counties, he said, was too much, and \$10 a day was ample to secure the very best medical talent.

He believed that the contract should be made for that amount for thirty or sixty days, at the court's discretion, and after that time the contract should contain a clause reducing the pay to \$7.50 or even \$5 a day. "This doctor's bill is a big item in the small-pox question," he said, "and there should be some uniformity about it." He told of Johnson county's experience in handling the disease, and gave it as his opinion that that county had done it at less expense than any county he had as yet heard from, the entire cost for the treatment of treating and taking care of thirty-three cases in the winter time at that being only about \$2,220. This was only done, however, he afterward explained, by calling upon the county poor farm for some supplies raised there, but even with this total amount seemed somewhat remarkable when compared with some of the other counties. Tents, the speaker believed, were far and away better than houses for the handling of the disease, that be and besides, the tents were of some valpaid for them.

The maharajah of Jaipur has made a donation of 100,000 rupees to the

A large number of Britons residing in | morning. Berlin under the age of 30 have received orders calling them home for military service.

# Residences Burned.

Texarkana, Tex., Feb. 10.-The residence owned and occupied by Misses Annie, Lizzie and Lena Muller, on Pine street, in this city, was destroyed by fire Thursday night. An adjoining house, belonging to the same parties and occupied by a family named Nicholson as a boardinghouse, was also burned. The contents of both residences were entirely lost. Two young men named Harry McGee and W. B. Winham were lodging at the Nicholson place, and barely escaped with their lives, the flames having hemmed them in. They were compelled to jump through a window ten feet high, and both men were seriously wounded by the venture. McGee's hands were lacerated and his face burned. Winham' left cheek was split open and his heart badly burned. The houses were valued at \$3000 and carried an insurance of \$500 each. The household goods were not insured.

Red river is reported quite low.

### House and Senate.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 9 .- The first business yesterday in the house was Mr. Shropshire's substitute for subdivision 19, taxing bowling alleys, raising the tax from \$100 to \$500.

Mr. Robertson of Bell's amendment was to exempt bowling alleys in private residences, social clubs and in buildngs owned by te Young Men's Chrstian association.

Some members desired the motion divided, as the passage of the substitute would kill the amendment. Mr. Robertson withdrew his amendment, to bring it up later.

Mr. Lane moved to table. The ayes and noes were ordered. The vote stood ayes 53, noes 53, and the chair voted

The previous question on the substitute by Mr. Shropshire was ordered Mr. Robertson's amendment was re-

newed. The amendment was amended so that it shall not apply to priate resthe handling of the disease, which is a idences or social clubs where intoxicat-Adopted.

> Mr. Terrell moved to amend by addto the section a penal section which would prohibit gambling or even playing for alley fees.

Mr. Bridges moved to table, on which the ayes and noes were demanded. The motion was lost—ayes 60, noes 36.

Mr. Terrell's amendment was on an ing to section a penal section which

Mr. Schluter offered an amendment that this was the committee's report, but had been inadvertently omitted in the printing of the committee's amend-

The main queston was then ordered. The ayes and noes on Mr. Schluter's amendment resulted: Ayes 59, noes 47

The tax on dowling alleys is thus placed at \$250, private residences and social clube are exempt, provided intoxicating liquors are neither sold nor given away on the premses.

Oba Roberts, son of Ex-Governor Roberts died at his home near Terrell the other day.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 9.—The senate met yesterday morning with a quorum

Mr. Greer introduced a resolution correcting a resolution of his recently adopted regarding the proposed channel from deep water to the Neches and Sabine rivers .

Mr. Greer introduced a bill authorizing railroad companies to purchase school lands where they are necessary for depot and terminal facilities only. The purchase and price to be left to the discretion of the land commission-

Mr. Goss introduced a bill prescribing an; W. A. Mason, grand chaplain. the manner of electing school trustees independent districts, so as to meet the objections of the supreme court in holdthe recent law unconstitutional.

Mr. Atlee introduced a bill defining libel, as the foundation for a civil action for damages.

Public lands committee reported faing the opinion of many physicians, vorably Mr. Potter's bill seeking to meet the objections of the supreme ue aftyerward in their case being worth court to the bill passed at the regular dollar for dollar for what had been session in reference to the sale of isolateu and detached sections of school the Meadow View community, but all lands.

> ing that the scholastic census of Texas | end. be taken biennially instead of annually as is now the practice.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday

# Smallpox Cases.

Corsicana, Tex., Feb. 9.-Two cases of smallpox, so pronounced by County Health Officer Dr. Wm. Pannell, have been discovered in this city. One is on Second avenue in a negro cabin on the old McFadden place, the patient being a negro man named Abe Tally, who has been with the Central work train gang near Garrett. The other case is a negro man in a negro boarding house on South Thirteenth street, and he also has been with the work train gang. There have been many exposures to these cases, and vesterday. morning the city council med in extra session for the purpose of establishing a pesthouse and taking such presautions as were necessary under the circumstances. The pesthouse, with a detention station, has been established east of the city, and a general vaccination in the city ordered. Dr. Pannell says there is no occasion for a panie of any kind, and that with proper precautions the disease will be

strikers at Chicago.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 8.-In the senate yesterday upon the conclusion of the chaplain's prayer, Hon. Otto D. H. Pfeuffer was announced and presented message from the governor, which was read.

The usual number of petitions were read protesting against taxing growing nursery stock.

Senator Potter presented a petition from the mayor of Bowie, requesting an appropriation to help defray the expense of maintaining the quarantine against the Indian territory on account of the prevalence of smallpox in the territory.

Mr. Sebastian introduced a bill appropriating \$50,000 to commence work Anderson in the chair of grand master. on an epileptic asylum at Abilene. This bill were introduced at the last session. Mr. Lewis introduced a bill prohibiting the running of double-headers, imposing a fine of not less than \$500 and not more than \$5,000 for running more than one working engine on a train.

The bill increasing compensation of insane asylum superintendents was discussed.

In the house the tax bill was dis-

House bill No. 17, by Mr. Livsey to amend Article 5046, Chaapter 1, Title and count ten residents. I know all 104, of the Revised Civil Statute of the state of Texas of 1895 relating to taxation.

Referred to committee on revenue taxation.

read and referred.

on and after to-day the house hold to substitute \$250 for \$500, explaining night sessions every night except Saturday, beginning at 7:30 each night. bind some barley we found that in-The ayes and noes were demanded, and resulted—ayes, 40; noes, 62.

### Odd Fellows.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 8.-The grand lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows held two sessions yesterday and concluded the business before it. The gran encampment held a short to sow oats. session and adjourned sine die. The department council held a session yesterday morning and elected officers.

The grand lodge reconvened at 11 o'clock yesterday morning in extra session for the purpose of installing T. R. Anderson in the cahir of grand master. Owing to the death of the wife of the grand master-eject he was not installed with the other officers at Monday's session. In accepting the chair, Grand Master Anderson delivered a short address in which he touchingly referred to the heartfelt sympathy extended to falo, N. Y. him in his hour of aiction.

lowing appointments: C. B. Lewis, grand marshal; S. P. Spaulding, grand conductor; T. L. Cross, grand guardi-

# Small-Pox Case.

Greenville, Tex., Feb. 8 .- Dr. Milner, county health officer, was called to Commerce to examine a lady who found that she has a case of smallpox. There is some excitement at Commerce over the matter, but the doctor thinks with proper care there There have been twenty-five cases in

# Back Fon Cuba.

to be palatable to him.

# Found Dead.

Kopperl, Tex., Feb. 8.-The body of William R. Greer, aged 69 years, was mile east of here, by some boys out fishing. He was last seen alive Tuesday morning about 10 o'clock. His Commerce. failure to show up last night created no uneasiness, as he was in the habit good feeling. of staying with both of his brothers, who live about one-half mile apart.

Miss Martha Wood of Hillsboro has been appointed superintendent of the kindergarten work of the national W. C. T. U. Miss Wood is a graduate of the kindergarten school in Chicago.

Thomas Reagan, a Daffas boy, was One thousand men here joined the badiy injured by an electric car in that

### A FORMER AMERICAN SAYS.

Doubled Their Cultivated Lands and

More Than Doubled Their Stock The following letter, written by Mr. John Cummings of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, Canada, formerly of Washington, to a friend in the United States, is only one of a hundred similar cases and what was done by Mr. Cummings can more easily be done today by any good, sober and industrious farmer who chooses to make his home in the dominion.

Dear Sir: You want to know how I got along since I came into Northern Alberta. I am happy to inform you that I am not ashamed to tell.

We located five miles northeast of Wetaskiwin; left Farmington, Wash., on the 29th day of May, driving all the We had time to build our way. log house the first fall, and to make us comfortable for the family and stock. We then built four stables, 18x 20 inside, so that we could put everything inside them when the cold got down to the fifties, and worked hard getting up the stables, and got through dubbing on the 1st of December; but, to our surprise, we had no use for the stables only for the milk cow and two spans of horses. The balance of the horses lived on the prairie all winter, and took care of themselves. The doors of two stables were left open for them to go into in a cold time, but they would not do it, but stayed out on the prairie the coldest night we had and looked as spry as crickets.

I can go ten rods back of my house of their circumstances. Every one of them have doubled their cultivated land, and doubled their animals, and a great deal more. All of us are comparatively out of debt and an unusually big crop to thresh and prospects of Petitions relating to the tax bill were a fair price, and I expect we are as well contented a lot of people as there Mr. Kittrell offered a resolution that is to be found from Florida to the

Klondike. My son bought two pounds of twine to the acre, and when we started to stead of taking two pounds to the acre, it was taking nearly five pounds. Then you ought to have seen him hitch up a team and make for town for 190 pounds more. I cannot say how it will thresh. All I can say is that it is well-headed, and takes an enormous amount of twine.

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A feast of reason is not as substans a feast of food

# AVOID DANGER

### The Danger of Catarrh Ointments That Contain Mercury.

This journal, although more particularly devoted to all that interests finance, commerce and manufacturing, is nevertheless always awake to the need and wants of its readers, let the subject be what it may. We were asked to investigate and report upon has just returned from Alabama. He the merits of the various catarrh remedies on the market. The production of preparations of injurious composition cannot, unfortunately, be stopped or restricted at present, or until our state legislatures can be induced to need be no danger of it spreading. pass such suitable and stringent laws as will effectually prevent their appearance on the market. In the meantime, the people must look out for are about well now, and all exposures themselves. In this matter, we have Mr. Terrell introduced a bill provid- are about out, so the infection must made a most careful and painstaking investigation, realizing the confidence that would be placed in our reply. Our medical staff employed to make such investigations were most favorably Abilene, Tex., Feb. 8.-Jinks McGee impressed with the preparation known has just returned from Havana, Cuba, as Hall's catarrh cure, manufactured where he went with a shipment of by F. J. Cheney & Co. of Toledo, Ohio, mules for market. He reports the re- deserves our highest indorsement. sults of his enterprise as very satis- Many of the catarrh remedies on the factory. He thinks, however, that the market contain mercury, which depublic eating houses of Havana will stroys the sense of smell and deranges not prove popular for stockmen. He the whole system when through the mucous surfaces. From had to take refuge with a camp of analysis we found that Hall's catarrh American soldiers before he could ob- cure contains no mercury. It is taken tain food that was prepared in a way internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. We have no interest whatever in this matter beyond faithfully serving our readers, and as our indorsement is extended without reward of any kind, and is wholly unsolicited by found in Plowman creek bottoms, one this company, and will be received with the full credence that all our statements have met with for the past eighteen years.—Southern Review of

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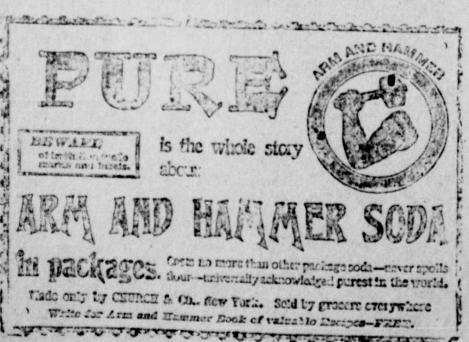


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