

CANYON CITY NEWS.

(THE STAYER.)

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NO. 8.

AMONG OUR EXCHANGES.

Clippings From Last Week's Exchanges.

Clarendon Storm Swept.

Wednesday morning about two o'clock, a storm came up from the south that proved to be the most destructive Clarendon has ever had.

The heaviest loser is perhaps W. C. Morgan, living on a hill north of town, whose large barn was blown completely down; the structure was worth \$500 or more. H. W. Taylor's large tank and tower in the rear of his store and his windmill at his residence were blown down and badly broken. Conductor Harrington's windmill, tower, tank and barn were blown to pieces. Dilworth's two story barn was wrecked, as was Hill's blacksmith shop. The Banner Stockman office was a frail box building with the sills badly decayed, and the walls separated from the floor and careened over and is unfit for use. The type in several cases was pied and the rain damaged the stock of paper. Lane's implement shed of sheet iron was partially unroofed, a good deal of it being blown on top of Taylor's hardware store, and flying pieces broke a glass in Rutherford's store front. Taylor's store front and two windows in the Masonic hall. Some 12 or 15 panels of the court yard fence were blown down. W. A. Caldwell's mill and tower were blown down.

So far as we can learn there was no damage done outside of town. The storm ended with a heavy rain and some hail.—Chronicle.

Money in Chickens.

J. W. Odell of Gypsum is in town today and tells us about the fine luck he is having in raising chickens. He is using an incubator in a dugout and keeps his hens laying as much as possible. This reminds us that Lampasas has been built up mainly on chickens and eggs, and that a special train to carry spring chickens is run from there. We have as good a chicken country as they have, and as long as spring chickens, the size of your fist, will bring 35 cents apiece there is big money in it.—Quanah Tribune.

At Amarillo Wednesday it snowed, hailed and sleeted nearly all day. The wind came vigorously from the north with a temperature ten degrees below freezing point. Rather vigorous for the last days of April.

Robt. Reynolds and some Tennessee friends went up to Canyon City Thursday night, where they will visit a few days. It is rumored that the Tennesseans have about closed a deal for the T. J. Thompson place west of town.—Hale County Herald.

Just as our folks were feeling sure of a peach crop and plenty of all other fruits, along comes a freeze that lays everything low. On Wednesday night we had a freeze that took nearly or quite all the fruit that had survived the freeze of some days past. This cold snap was unprecedented in this country and was unlooked for; and was much colder than its predecessor, making heavier ice. This cold snap was a surprise to all the old settlers, and shows them that they still had something to learn about this country.—Hale County Herald.

At a meeting of the Stockholders of the Tulia exchange on Saturday the 25th the following officers were elected: H. D. Barnes M. D. President, I. L. Edwards V. Pres., W. C. Hulsey Sec. and Treasurer.

Directors. H. D. Barnes, I. B. Edwards, W. C. Dinwiddie, I. L. Edwards, W. C. Hulsey, T. M. Ray. It was decided to build the line from here to Canyon City, and put in an exchange in Tulia, work to be commenced as soon as the material can be obtained.

Said line to run from here to Frank Scott's place, then north

Duncan I. T., and some to Texas, O. T., and have had several calls from other parts. I consider the conditions much more favorable at present for a good crop this year than any year previous since I located in Swisher county.

I consider this the best all round farming country in Texas. Any man that can make a living anywhere on earth on one hundred and sixty acres of land certainly ought to do it in Swisher county.—Tulia-Standard.

What is said of Swisher applies with equal force to Randall county—its all on the Plains.

C. R. Burrow of Canyon City, and Miss Bula Wright of Henrietta, were married at 11:50 Wednesday morning. The wedding ceremony was performed at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Cook, by Rev. J. M. Burrow, father of the groom. Only a few friends and relatives were present. The newly married couple left on the 1:30 north-bound Denver train for Canyon City.

The bride has lived in Henrietta since childhood, graduated from the High school, and for the past two years has been a member of the faculty, besides having taught in the county. The well wishes of a host of friends go with her.

Mr. Burrow is a sterling young business man, being manager for the Canyon Lumber Co., at

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Our Ladies' \$1.25 Slipper now .75
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Our Misses' 75c Slipper now .60

Come and let us show you the nicest line of Spring Hats in Canyon. While our sales have been beyond our expectation our line is still complete. Our stock of dry goods and Groceries will bear close inspection.

CANYON MER. COMPANY

Professional or manual labor, is the demand of the age in which we live, and to succeed in a material sense we must meet its calls. The following article from our esteemed exchange, Farm and Ranch, is exactly in line with our observations on this subject. That paper says: "In every business or industry it is the quality of the work that gives the worker profits and a name that insures success.

had a field of 50 acres. He cut it down to 25 acres and used all the rails that previously fenced the 50 to make an extra good fence around the 25. By thorough cultivation and heavy fertilizing he prospered beyond any man in the neighborhood. This land would yield usually between 15 to 20 bushels of corn, and half a bale of cotton per acre. He made year after year 70 to 90 bushels and a bale to a bale and a quarter per acre. He also grew fruit, vegetables and special crops, and his 25 acres was a veritable garden. He was a strong, able-bodied man and had two sons able to do men's work, and they could have cultivated, as was usually done, 75 acres, but they made far more from the 25 acres than they could have made from any greater area.

Sciatic Rheumatism Cured.

"I have been subject to sciatic rheumatism for years," says E. H. Waldron, of Wilton Junction Iowa. "My joints were stiff and gave me much pain and discomfort. My joints would crack when I straightened up. I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and have been thoroughly cured. Have not had a pain or ache from the old trouble for many months." The quick relief from pain which this liniment affords is alone worth many times its cost. For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

The twenty eighth legislature closed its special session Saturday, May 2nd. What it did will be duly recorded, as is the custom, in two books, pamphlet form, which can be purchased from the State at a cost of about 50 cents, postage included. Buy them. What it failed to do will be thought of much and often and especially so in connection with future history touching on the settlement of State lands in western portions of the commonwealth.

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to F. M. Patchings southeast corner then north to the Block pasture, then follow the Block pasture fence to Canyon City. There will be a meeting of the directors next Saturday, May 2, for the purpose of receiving bids on work and material.

Mr. D. E. Wise, one of Swisher's most prosperous farmers, who lives near Twist called on the Standard one day this week and during a short interview among many other interesting things, said:

"I came to Swisher county four years ago last May, and planted my first crop in Swisher county. Since November same year there has not been a day that I could not sell a bushel of corn or a piece of meat. I have shipped one hundred bushels of seed corn this spring. Some to Alvord Texas, some to

Canyon City.—Henrietta Independent.

J. A. Wommack and family left Monday evening for their new home at Canyon City. Mrs. Wommack and their two little boys, Harry and Garnett will spend a few days in Gainesville with relatives, before going on to their new home. This worthy family has long lived in Whitesboro. They leave a large number of friends who are interested in their future welfare and who wish them well. Whitesboro News.

Good Work Pays.

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might." This advice given by the sacred writer always brings results—good results. Thoroughness in every line; whether of pro-

Where the writer lived many years ago, when home made chairs were almost the only kind in use, there was one good old man who made better chairs than anybody in that section. Those who wanted chairs always went to father "Armour" first. He always had all the work he could do, and people were glad to pay him half a dollar more each for chairs than others charged for similar goods. A chair is now in use in Navarro county, that Father Armour made more than 60 years ago. It is in good condition except that the legs are worn down about 5 inches. Good work is the key to success in any calling. Even in farming, and that embraces many branches often pursued separately, it is good, thorough work that pays. A neighbor of the writer

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GEO. A. BRANDON, Prop.
WALTER R. BRANDON, Editor.

Sunday night a fair rain fell in town and country and on Tuesday night it begun to rain early and continued until morning. Round about town and as far as we have heard from, plenty of rain has fallen and the prospects are excellent for more although it doesn't seem to be needed in this vicinity at present. Our wet season has set in so say the old settlers.

Hereford has been incorporated for municipal purposes and is now dubbed a "City." The Brand of that place has been designated as the official organ of the city of Hereford, and editor Vanderburgh of the same paper has been appointed city secretary and treasurer. This is displaying unusual confidence in a newspaper man, as the general rule applies, but we are sure that Bro. Van will always warrant the trust. We do enjoy seeing our compeers grow.

Don't forget that we carry in stock a full line of Long Leaf Yellow Pine Lumber.

CANYON LUMBER CO.

COURT HOUSE DOINGS.

County court convened Monday. The only case disposed of up to Friday morning is that of A. A. Hauter vs. Jno. A. Wallace. This case was dismissed on account of defect in judgment of justice court. All other cases on the docket were continued for the term except that of T. N. Hix vs. the Pecos and N. Texas Ry. Co., which is set for today.

No criminal docket for this term. The only visiting attorney was John P. Slaton of Hereford. He was one of the attorneys for Hauter, in the case dismissed.

Nothing on record in the way of real estate transfers for this month.

G. N. Caylor, of Happy, was one of our visitors Thursday. He stated that he came here from Grayson county some thirteen years ago. That he had made fine crops in this county every year since then except three and of these three years one was a total and the other two partial failures. During the two years he called partial failures he said that he made plenty of feed—forage but no grain. Mr. Caylor said that he thought he had done about as well here in the crop line as he would have done had he remained in Grayson county.

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Spring Race Meet.

The News editor gratefully acknowledges receipt of an invitation to be present at the Spring Race meet, May 11, 12, and 13th, which meets and is conducted by the Panhandle Fair and Livestock Association at Amarillo.

A program of races, base ball and music promises entertainment for lovers of these sports and we predict for the association a goodly attendance.

The Late Freeze.

Reports from all over the state, and we might add from all over all the states, are in concern of the damage done by the recent cold spells, and for the benefit of those who don't take the big weeklies, we summarize as follows:

The grain crop was practically uninjured except in some portions of Missouri and Kansas, and even there the damage from the freeze is reported as small. Corn and cotton suffered as far south as Temple; east and south of there corn and cotton was bitten only in the bottom and valley lands, the uplands being generally unhurt.

The greatest destruction fell to the lot of fruits and vegetables. North and west of the timber line in Texas, fruit is reported as nearly all killed. This of course includes west and northwest Texas.

Gardens can be replanted again but the fruit crop for this season, and especially on the Plains, is reported lost.

Business Change Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I have purchased all the interest formerly held by E. J. Witt in the Rogerson Hotel, at Canyon City, that said Witt has entirely severed his connection with said Hotel, and that I will now conduct the same in my own name.
H. W. BATES.

A glimpse into the future with a home of your own is mighty pleasant. We can help you to do it, and take a great deal of pleasure in so doing.
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Miss Zudie Crawford of Silvertown, a sister of Dr. J. Ed Crawford, is visiting her brother this week and attended the formal opening of the Young Men's Social Club last Friday evening.

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MAN ABOUT TOWN

An Observer Who Styles Himself "Alkalair" Use Hot Shots as a Roulitice.

JOSH BOSH, AND SOME LOGIC

He Flourishes an Impartial Pen Though He Avoids Personality.

Well, it does look like the ragged end of hard luck to live in a town where enough does not transpire to interest a "traveling rat," let alone a man that has as much stir and vim as ye Man About Town.

Moses in the bull-rushes! But it is trying on one's constitution and if things don't change it is possible that Man About Town will have to address the good citizens of Canyon City from the end of a rope. Gee! but the young fellows of the Young Men's Social Club were a-sizzing and a-frying when they read the menu in last week's News, over my signature. To say the least of it they "called my hand," and I was in the condition of the boy who, while on his way to see his sweetheart stubbed his toe, said he was too big to cry, and too badly hurt to laugh.

But speaking of that "house-warming" calls to mind the real incident of the evening, together with the following dialogue that took place on the street:

Mr. Smith: "Well, sub, I's'pos oratory flowed like watah at the formal opening of club rooms of the Young Men's Social Club, sub?"

Mr. Brown: "Like watab sub? By Gad, sir! It flowed like oil in a Texas oil company's advertisement, sub!"

A particular friend of young Brandon, who is "rodding" the outfit, told us that he "elocuted" like a screaming rantankerous tom cat with his tail under the cheese knife and persisted in drawing out the thread of his verbosity finer than the staples of his argument, but we discredited this, for we think the president is a locomotive in trousers.

Judge Buie in response, proved himself a cork that could not be kept under long at a time, and his good-natured explosions were deadly at the breech and harmless at the muzzle. He jumped all over young Brandon about not looking like he was married, and we doubt not that Brandon thinks that if Judge Buie could draw a check as easily as he can draw an inference, he might paper the universe with greenbacks, and have enough left for a border.

The next thing on the program was Geo. Long's exhibition of punching the bag. He had been carefully rubbed down with sandpaper for the occasion, but after a few punches he pronounced it similar to Bill Poller's celebrated plow; it turned up more than it could turn over. It is the opposition wad upon the sanguine powder that gives force to the cannon ball, you know, and Mr. Long finally concluded that he "wouldn't be the "opposition wad" for the amusement of any crowd.

G. W. Carr, local manager of the M. T. Jones Lumber Co., gave an exhibition of his skill on the bag and it came as natural to him, as kicking to a young ass. I will swear to these facts as positively as the Irishman did to the identity of the gun, which he said he knew ever since it was a pistol.

W. B. Jones, the baker, has invented a new kind of yeast. It makes the bread so light that a pound only weighs twelve ounces.

Really, there are so many sects represented in the Christian religion that we are sometimes at a loss to know which is right, which calls to mind the old colored parson's theology: "And the Lord made Adam out of clay and hung him up against the fence for to dry." Sambo interrupted him by inquiring, "Who made dat ar fence?" The astounded parson replied, "Look a here, Sambo, it's just by such dinged impertinent inquiries as that you'd spoil the best theology in the world."

The wife of a studious man went into the club rooms of the Young Men's Social Club when he was reading, and wished that she was a book for then he would be more attentive to her. "I wish you were an almanac," said he, "because then I should have a new one every year."

A prominent citizen of Canyon City being asked by another if he thought of doing something for the town that would have a tendency to improve it, remarked that he "should as soon think of attempting to light a cigar at a pump." Upon receiving this answer the citizen inquired: "But do you not think that is rather a slow pace for an enterprising man?" "No," replied the prominent citizen, "I am in reality going fast." Man About Town dubbed "ASLEEP" to this last reply which translated reads thus: Fast asleep.

The exodus of so many of our citizens is causing some uneasiness to the remaining heroes, but it is said of the average western settler that he is in the habit of changing his residence so often that his chickens come up every morning in battalions, lay down on their backs, and stick up their feet to be tied.

When the world has once got hold of a lie, it is astonishing how hard it is to get it out of the world. You may beat it about the head until it seems to have given up the ghost; and lo! the next day it is as healthy as ever. So it is with the

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- GOBER, HUME & KENYON, dealers in coal, grain and all kinds of field seeds.
- CANYON DRUG CO., dealers in drugs and jewelry.
- STRINGFELLOW & HEMPE, dealers in hardware, glassware, harness and saddles.
- THOMAS BROS., dealers in furniture, carpets and pianos.

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SCHOOL CLOSES

With Appropriate Exercises Consisting of a Beautiful Sermon and a Well-Rendered Program.

A beautiful and comprehensive sermon delivered by Rev. J. E. Stephens, at the C. P. church last Sunday, marked the beginning of the commencement exercises...

The closing exercises of the school Monday evening was attended by a large crowd and no one was disappointed in the program. Every number, with the exception of one which was omitted, was well rendered.

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W. S. Baird expects to move his family to Amarillo in a few days.

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Now that our Spring and Summer stock is complete we wish to invite your attention to some of our Quantities, Qualities, Staples and Novelties.

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Children's Sandals from .75c to \$1.50
Gent's Low and High Cuts, \$1.50 to \$6.00
Mercerized Linen, the latest for waist, 25c yd
White Cotton Oxford, something new, 25c yd
Solid Color Organdies, 15 to 35c
Fancy Line of Lawns, 5 to 25c
Best Grade Prints, 4 1/2c
Elegant Black Taffeta Waists at Low Price
Medalions, 5 to 25c
Ladies' Vest, 5 to 60c
Nainsook, India Linon, Dimities, French Lawns
Ladies' Ready-Made Skirts, \$75c to \$12.50
Ladies Ready-Made Wrappers and Kimonas
Our New Neck Wear just received and the best line ever brought to Canyon City.
Men's Balbriggan and Lisle Thread Underwear, 25 to \$1.25
Men's Elastic Seam Drawers, (Scrivens Pat.) 60c

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FORMAL OPENING

Of The Club Rooms Of The Young Men's Social Club a Grand Success.

GEO. LONG PUNCHES THE BAG

Various Features That Furnished Amusement For a Host of Well-Wishers.

The formal opening of the club rooms of the Young Men's Social Club last Friday evening was well attended and enjoyed by those who have so liberally contributed to its materialization. Various features provided entertainment for the guests and members.

The music was perhaps the most enjoyable feature of the evening. J. M. Franklin, whose ability on the violin is unquestioned, was ably accompanied by Mr. Daugherty, on the piano and A. C. Thompson, with the guitar.

The refreshments of the evening consisted of real strawberries, cream and cake, and the smiling faces of A. N. Harrison and A. S. Rollins, who were always alert when the wishes of the guests were concerned, dispatched this feature of the occasion to the entire satisfaction of all.

The County Judge calls attention to the fact that on next Monday, May 11, Commissioners' Court meets in regular session. School matters will be attended to on the first day and road matters on the third day of the term.

I have opened up a new barber shop just east of the Stockmen's National bank. Have installed modern fixtures, including a boot black chair, and promise for the public as good accommodations and treatment as can be had anywhere.

A number of folks have come to us and said that people who knew us were glad that they could say, 'That they all liked our way, 'For,' they said, 'they do not try to 'do' us.' CANYON LUMBER CO.

Purely Personal.

T. P. Service is in Amarillo this week.

Mr. Ray Parish of Anna, is visiting with Judge Lair this week.

Mrs. T. P. Service and daughter, Miss Oma, were in the city Monday, shopping.

Mrs. Haley of Sweetwater, came in last Saturday and will visit Mrs. M. S. Gatewood for a few weeks.

W. M. Hill, of Meridan, was in town Tuesday, looking after his ranch interests in the N. E. part of the county.

C. P. Hatchings, of Dallas has accepted a position as salesman with the firm of Pattillo & Gamble. The public will find him a courteous gentleman.

The graduating class, with Miss Roland, class sponsor, pro tem, came down to the photographer's last Tuesday afternoon, and had their likeness struck en group.

Esker Shell, of Como, Tenn., a cousin of G. C. Long, arrived here last week and expects to locate. Mrs. Shell and family expect to come as soon as Mr. Shell gets located.

All stores will close at 7:00 o'clock p. m., until June 15. In the language of an exchange, this was brought about for the express purpose of giving the clerks an opportunity of making marriage contracts.

W. H. C. Smith, a saddler of Portales, is in the city and may possibly locate here. He thinks he may consummate a deal for the saddle and harness shop of Harry Miller.

M. F. Slover went to Dimmit Thursday intending to return Saturday. He has our thanks for an invitation to go along and see the country.

J. T. Miller, who has been employed in the bakery of W. B. Jones, and was formerly a partner of the firm of Price & Miller, will leave tomorrow for Texico, where he goes to live on his claim which is in New Mexico. Mr. Miller's family will follow in a few weeks.

Chas. Burrow and wife, J. D. Gamble and Miss Olive Beasley, R. A. Sowder and Miss Belle Parker and C. N. Harrison and Miss Benn Bigham composed a merry party that took in the sights at the Falls, Monday. All report an "immense" time.

The four-year-old son of Ferl Faulkner was perhaps seriously hurt Tuesday evening. He had his hand caught in the coil of a rope the other end of which was attached to a runaway horse. He was dragged three or four hundred yards and aside from injury to his arm was hurt about the head.

Mrs. J. R. Dean, president of the W. C. T. U. at this place, which organization hold regular meetings at the Baptist church, reports an enthusiastic and well attended meeting last Saturday evening. Several good talks were made by various members, and the ladies feel that their meetings would prove profitable to many who do not attend. Remember that all are invited to these meetings.

W. T. Bowman, of Hale Center, was a caller at our office Wednesday. He had a car at the depot in which was his Weatherford newspaper outfit and household goods, which he intended transporting as speedily as possible to his present home, Hale Center. He stated that his paper would come forth in about ten days and that for the present it would be in charge of Ed. Wimberly. He is almost certain that his town will get the first railroad going south from here and will then of a certainty be the county seat of Hale county.

The Dist. League Conference meets Friday evening. The young people's societies of the town are cordially invited to join in with us in the exercises and also to take part in the choir. The public at large is invited to attend these services.

Following the League conference, we expect to hold protracted services. We will be assisted by Rev. W. B. Wilson, of Granbury, Texas. The Christian people of the town are earnestly requested to assist in these services. Let earnest prayer be made for a sweeping revival. J. E. STEPHENS.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Sunday school is an evolution. The evolution has come from an idea of practical usefulness which an earnest man put into operation more than one hundred years ago. Miners, and the poor people generally, who did not have time to learn to read and write and cipher during the week days were invited to accept free tutorage on Sunday at the hands of a pious young man and some of his friends. The people, young and old, gladly accepted the invitation, and the work of teaching on the Sabbath those who could not be taught on any other day was accepted as a duty of the ministers and church people wherever the congregations were made up of the poorer classes. Like other departments of religious work—the Sunday school system soon became very popular with earnest Christians who had the time and the talents for it, and the pastors encouraged it, adding the catechism as one of the text books. When the people of wealthy or prosperous churches took up the work, and found the rudimental branches of an education not essential to be taught to their parishioners, nor to the children, because of the better educational advantages enjoyed by them, the work of the Sunday school was confined to the teaching of doctrinal and historical lessons from the Bible. When at last the Sunday school had evolved into a regular religious service or appointment of the church, lessons specially fitted for children were prepared, and from time to time the schools changed from general classes to classes made up according to age. The adults dropped out gradually, and in our day the Sunday school is the nursery of the church—the children's special institution—though adults find place in it, studying the Bible under teachers specially selected to impart information to those who, knowing something of the teachings of Christianity, are anxious to learn more and more. In these schools the Bible has been most thoroughly and most systematically studied by chil-

dren and adults until there is more knowledge of the holy book among the children and grown-up folks of the Protestant churches than ever before, and the preachers find that they are preaching to audiences familiar with the principal characters, legends, stories and incidents of the Bible, as well as the peculiarities of the country in which it originated. The old catechism has been superseded by printed lesson sheets and magazines, edited by the ablest men of the several churches, and the pupils are furnished with literature produced by the denominational press. The Sunday school as an institution has become as much a part of the church system as the public worship and the Sunday sermons. The children are taught in the Sunday school as soon as they are old enough to enter it, and are advanced in the studies of the school till thoroughly indoctrinated and ready to understand the theology and the polity of the church of their parents.

The Sunday school is distinctly a Protestant institution, as the teaching of Biblical doctrine and Biblical literature by laymen is not sanctioned by the Catholic church. In the Protestant Sunday school the teachers are all drawn from the laity. It offers to every man and woman in the church who has the talent to impart knowledge, and who has scriptural knowledge to impart, a place to do work for the advancement of Christianity and the development of the childhood of the church. The danger is that many who have no knowledge to impart, and whose prejudices or zeal stand in the stead of real information, find place in the Sunday school because the demand for teachers is so much greater than the supply; hence the several publishing houses of the sects are trying to put into the hands of Sunday school teachers the information that they are expected to impart, in order that the children may learn the truth from the teacher however ignorant he may be. Teachers are also trained by competent persons to do the work of the Sunday schools.—Ft. Worth Register.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Edited by the County Superintendent.

The election in Canyon City Independent school District last Saturday resulted in the election of E. A. Upfold and L. T. Lester, and the re-election of B. Frank Buie and R. W. O'Keefe, as trustees for the ensuing two years. These are all broad-gauged school men, and in connection with the three holdovers, form a board that can be depended upon to do the right thing for the Canyon school. Now let every body lay aside all personal feelings and prejudices—if there be any—and cooperate with them in pushing our school interests. If any one has any grievances or suggestions relative to the school management or any projects that may be contemplated by the trustees, let such person go before the board in a spirit of harmony and co-operation and present the same and we feel sure that it will be carefully considered. Let us not forget the editors "pull together" advice and we will see how nicely it will work.

Rowan school No. 10 will give a box supper next Friday night, the proceeds to be applied to the improvement of the school house.

Remember County Institute the 16th inst.

Holton school No. 4 opened its summer school last Monday, under the management of Mr. A. K. Scott.

Some newspapers print matter to fill up space. Much of this is really harmful reading. It is the aim of **The Semi-Weekly News** to give helpful reading. Thousands will testify to its helpfulness to them. Ask your neighbor.

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Uncle Reuben's Opinion. They may say what they please, but listen—hear me; I've taken all kinds of laxatives, purgatives and cathartics but when it comes to one that is easy and pleasant to take, mild and gentle in its action, and that makes one want an extra slice of bacon for breakfast, just give me Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and you may have all the laxative syrups, dyspepsia medicines and pills, little or big, there is in this country. Them Tablets surely do make one feel joyful." For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

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G. C. LONG.

The W. C. T. U. will meet every 1st Saturday evening of each month at the Baptist church.

MRS. J. R. DEAN, Pres.

STRAY STRAWS.

To Edward the Editor:—Now Edward that you have come up here to stay with us all on the Plains, I thought I would write and tell you a few things about these people, our neighbors and etc. So I will begin with the "daddy" of our town, L. G. Conner, Esq. Have you seen him smile recently? Oh my! But it is a rare treat. He just smiles from ear to ear and keeps on smiling. He has quit building railroads now and I think forgot to feed his cattle for several days during the cold spell, all on account of a visitor at his home—it's a girl.

I am glad you took such a philosophical view of the windy weather that started the dust drifting soon after you all got here, by saying that a newspaper needed plenty of wind and some grit anyway, and if you had said a few brains back of the wind and grit you would have had it complete, I think.

Well I have heard so many compliments about the paper since you have had its charge that if I were to tell them off to you at one time I am afraid your head might swell up so that you could not eat dinner. And by the way, Edward, you seem to have grown enough lengthwise and now it would not hurt if you fattened out sideways just a little.

Of course we can't all think alike and I couldn't swallow all of that article "The Modern Pulpit," published two weeks ago, no, not if it was buttered on both sides. I am glad that my sweet mother taught me the beautiful and sublime by her lovely christian example as she "contended earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints." And when Jesus renewed my heart from darkness unto light by the power of His divine love, then I felt that the twenty five words that Christ spoke when he said, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believed in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life," gave more satisfaction and joy than anything that I had ever seen written or heard spoken, and I feel now after many years that if a million, yes just a million, infidels were to each write for one hundred years, the most polished and intellectual thoughts their minds could conceive of, would not be a single drop compared to the words of Christ being an ocean. I sometimes think if an infidel were to get out some starlight night and gaze upward, among the thousands of stars that astronomers tell us are suns, of which our sun is one and a small one at that, and he would say to himself, there is no mind greater than mine and no power greater than I, in fact, I am "it." I can imagine what a poor little biped of a rat he would appear to be in the sight of the great Jehovah. And the poor little man cannot make the sun rise or set one second later, unless he crawls under the bed as the great luminous body appears above the horizon and plays the Scientist act on it and says it won't rise yet for half an hour, "because mind's superior to matter," with apologies to the Scientists, if I have misapplied the illustration.

Now as to the gospel preached, I like lectures splendidly, but when a preacher gets up in a pulpit on Sunday, I want to hear a gospel sermon. Like unto what Christ preached, denouncing sin and unrighteousness, and admonishing all to repent and believe in Jesus Christ; teaching love thy neighbor as thyself. That is the kind he lived for and died for rather than take it back before his accusers. And I believe when he gave the great commission, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." He meant that same life and death gospel, and not tickle the ears of people with a little lecture that will never reach their hearts.

Well, well, Edward, I have written so much on this subject, but I did not say half that I wanted to, and now this north wind is drying up the ground so fast I will have to go to work.

UNCLE BOB.

M. C. Chamlee Jewelry Co. is selling Diamonds Rings and Studs at regular wholesale prices, and Watches, Clocks and everything else in their line at extremely low prices. Price this stuff and see.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

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Preaching first and third Sundays morning and night by Rev. Chalmers Kilbourne, C. P. pastor. Second Sundays morning and night, Rev. A. W. Crawford, Presbyterian pastor. Fourth Sundays morning and night, Rev. Randolph Clark, Christian pastor. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Christian Endeavor 3 p. m. Choir practice every Friday night.

BAPTIST.

Preaching every Sunday, morning and evening, Rev. J. D. Ballard, pastor. Sunday School every Sunday morning, J. W. St. Clair, Superintendent. B. Y. P. U. every Sunday at 3 p. m. A. H. Thompson, President. Ladies Aid Society every Tuesday, at 3 p. m. Mrs. A. H. Thompson, President. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. Choir practice and teachers' meeting every Friday evening.

CHRISTIAN.

All members and friends of the Christian church are requested to meet at the court house at 10 o'clock a. m. every Lord's Day.

METHODIST.

Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m. A. Ernberger, Supt. Junior and Senior Epworth Leagues every Sunday at 2:30 p. m. and 3:30 p. m., respectively. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 8:00. J. E. Stephens, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, services at the court house every Sunday at 2:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 3:30 p. m. Testimonial services every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Everybody cordially invited to attend these services. Mrs. V. Edna Henson, First Reader.

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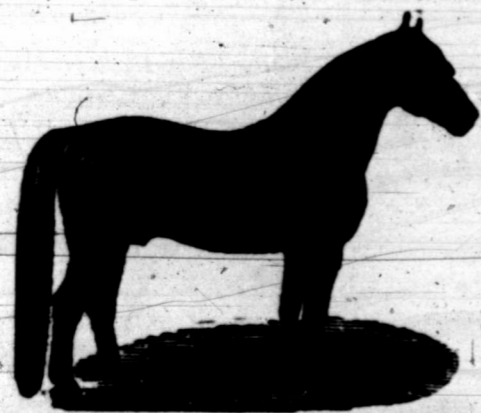
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