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MILLINERY DISPLAY



To-day
Friday, March 22

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Saturday, M'ch 23



IT WILL INTEREST YOU!

Don't take our word for it but come and see
for yourself. Call today at

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Apply to JOHN HUTSON, Canyon, Texas.

COAL A Few Cars of Genuine
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GRAIN AND HIDES WANTED!

Highest Cash Price Paid for Hides, Hay, Maize,
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We are a Strictly Home Concern
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Canyon Coal Company

The Redburn Stock!

\$5,700 WORTH

Dry Goods and Groceries

I have purchased this stock and desire to sell out as fast as
possible **BOUGHT CHEAP WILL SELL CHEAP.**

Special Bargains in Dry Goods.

S. V WIRT.

City Council Proceedings.

The Council on Saturday awarded the contract for eight street crossings to J. H. Dunbar at 30 cents per cubic foot. The specifications are as follows: Base four feet wide, five inches deep and composed of seven parts of gravel and sand to one part of cement; the finishing or top to be two parts sand to one of cement and sloped both ways up and down the street. This will make the cost \$1.05 per running foot.

The contract for hauling the rock for the public square grade was given to H. F. Upshaw at 25 cents per thousand pounds.

To cover the square four inches deep with stone, estimating it solid, which will give some more than four inches, level in the rough, will require something like 1,400 cubic yards of stone. Taking this stone at, say 3,500 pounds per yard, we have a total of 4,900,000 pounds, which at the contract price of 25 cents per thousand pounds will sum up \$1,225 for this hauling. The News does not claim that this estimate is absolutely correct, but it will not miss it very far.

Upon the cost of cement sidewalks around the square the estimate of cost against each lot is between fifty and sixty dollars. These sidewalks must be completed by May 1st, so says the Council, and written notice to this effect has been served upon each lot holder or their legal representative. And unless these sidewalks are put in by the owners as per specifications adopted, and by the time stated, the Council will do it and at said owner's cost, said lots being sold, if necessary, to cover the expense.

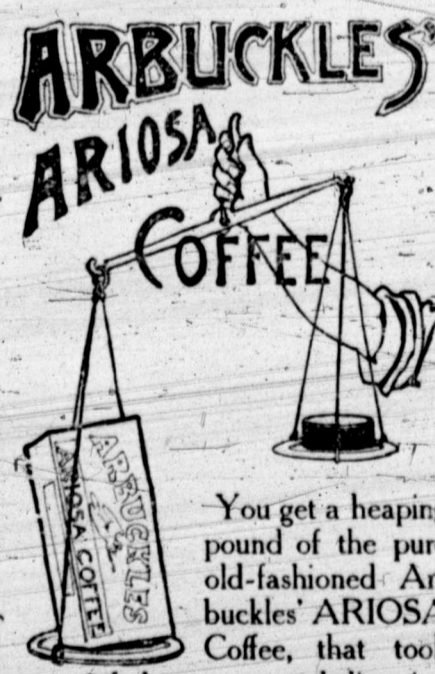
This is what The News calls getting down to business and it should meet the hearty approval of Canyon City people.

J. A. Grundy, who with his family moved here from the Indian Territory about the first of February, has bought the general merchandise business of P. J. Smith & Sons at Goodnight. Invoicing was begun yesterday. Clarendon Banner-Stockman.

Rheumatic Pains Relieved.

B. F. Crocker, Esq., now 84 years of age, and for twenty years justice of the peace at Martinsburg, Iowa, says: "I am terribly afflicted with sciatic rheumatism in my left arm and right hip. I have used three bottles of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and it did me lots of good." For sale by S. V. Wirt.

Scale Books at this office.



You get a heaping pound of the pure old-fashioned Arbuckles' ARIOSIA Coffee, that took care of the nerves and digestion of your grandparents, and has been the leading coffee of the world for 37 years.

You'll never have to quit drinking Arbuckles'.

Don't let any man switch you over to coffee that pays him big profits at the expense of your heart, stomach and nerves.

Complies with all requirements of the National Pure Food Law, Guaranteed No. 2041, Mfd at Washington.

HOFFMAN PARAGRAPHS.

L. A. Pierce and Roy Cage went to Amarillo Saturday. L. A. has been so successful with his eggs and chickens he is contemplating building a concrete walk in the neighborhood where it is most needed.

B. T. Johnson and wife visited J. M. White's family Monday night. Mr. White has just returned from Mineral Wells, where he has been treated for rheumatism. He is much improved. Mrs. White has been on an extended Eastern trip since December. After having such a good time and plenty of good things to eat and viewing the beautiful scenes of the East, she said she loved the Plains above all. She came here twelve years ago most an invalid and was restored to health.

Miss Luna Hitchcock, who has been visiting Miss Mary Browning of Amarillo, returned home.

Miss Ora Cage spent last week with Mrs. George Day. While there a kodak was used freely and especially in striking the beauty of a buggy and horse, driver and his best girl.

Will Cage went to Canyon City Tuesday and got a bill of fruit trees he had ordered.

Mrs. L. A. Pierce went to Canyon Wednesday shopping.

J. W. McClain and wife of Canyon visited the home of B. T. Johnson Friday night. We thank them very much for the nice music rendered on his Victor talking machine. Come again.

Mrs. Hitchcock and daughters, Miss Mollie and Luna, visited Mrs. C. Houser of Umbarger, last week.

TASSIE.

NO LIKE-E CANADA.

Clarendon Banner-Stockman. The editor is in receipt of the following letter from J. H. Oglesby who left here about a year ago and went to Canada. From the tone of his letter it seems that Henry has acquired "cold feet" on the Canadian proposition. He says:

"Don't ever be silly as we have been in trying to find the honey pond up so near the North Pole. We had a snow the first day of November, just four months ago today, and there is no likelihood for the earth to be clear of snow for another month yet. Talk about cold weather; we have certainly had the coldest weather by many, many degrees. I have ever experienced in my life. As far as soil is concerned, it is fine; but deliver me from this cold weather, just as soon as I can possibly prove up on my land and dispose of my holdings here in the town of Killarn.

I am doing a good business in my grocery and dry goods store, but am not satisfied in any particular. I don't find the people here that we had in Texas; not by any means. Texas is the best place yet. So all of you who are dissatisfied with your homes in Texas had better think twice before leaving them. Father, mother, wife and I certainly see our mistake, but we can't rectify it now, for a while at least. Hurrah for Texas, the grandest state in the Union.

Your friend,

J. H. OGLESBY.

Souvenir Post Cards With Canyon City and Randall county scenes. The News will, in the near future, print them either plain or in color.

A wedding at Ceta last Sunday. A kinsman of H. James to a Miss Wesley, but The News has been unable to secure the correct names.

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CANYON CITY NEWS

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By **GEO. A. BRANDON**

Entered at Postoffice at Canyon City, as Second-Class Matter, Office of Publication West Evelyn Street.

Papers sent out of the county promptly discontinued at expiration of time paid for.

SUBSCRIPTION.

One Year.....\$1.00
Six months......50

THE NEWS TEN YEARS OLD.

With this issue the Canyon City News rounds out its tenth volume and is therefore ten years old this day.

The whole of this time, not long, indeed, as time goes generally, but an epoch for the Texas Panhandle. The News has seen service as a newspaper on the Plains. Beginning as "The Stage" it shared with the first settlers the privations and trying experiences common to all new countries. It had many Panhandle contemporaries at its beginning but all, save the Live Stock Champion at Amarillo and the Herald at Plainview, had passed away when some four years ago the writer, its then owner, by consent of "Uncle Sam" changed its name to the Canyon City News.

Under its present management the News has pursued a conservative course and has striven to make a record for reliability in both news and job departments. It never misses "publication day" - has always been on time. And so in our job department - no slip there, you get your work done always on the day promised.

The News subscription list, a good one by the way, and one that it is proud of, is neither a begged list or one secured by discount or premiums. The News never has, even in the slightest degree, attempted to force itself on anyone, and never will. And such, the News can truthfully say, has been its course with reference to advertisements - no man has ever been begged or even urged to put an ad in its columns. In fact, strange as it may appear to some people, the News has never personally canvassed the business men of the town on this proposition and not one of them will, or can say today, that he has ever been "preached to" or otherwise annoyed in the slightest along this line by a News representative.

Today the News office is well equipped with modern machinery and material for both news paper and job work. It can get out, and with dispatch, a much larger paper than now, whenever the advertising patronage justifies it and will be glad to do so, and with this end in view, and with best wishes to all its friends, the News will enter upon its eleventh year.

AMARILLO'S RAILROAD VICTORY.

In the final passage of the Veale Senate bill through the House at Austin, Thursday of last week, Amarillo secures a railroad measure which, if carried out by the Santa Fe as she expects it to be, puts an eagle feather in her cap. It was not a walkover either, but a contest that, with all the odds in her favor, tested our big nabor's grit to the bottom and altho victory finally crowned her efforts, it was only after one of the hardest fought battles ever witnessed in our legislative halls. This old world of ours, as in past ages, loves a good fighter, win or lose, and such is the record made by each of the contestants to this controversy.

Canyon City, aside from the general principles of right and sound governmental policy involved in this controversy, had two further reasons for going into the fight. First, with Amarillo's defeat and the consequent Washburn cut-off, would come a good chance for the shops here,

and second, the ever recurring threat on the part of some Amarillo people that, succeeding in this instance the Santa Fe would finally be run from Amarillo to Umbarger or Hereford. It was this last provocation, more than any other, that brought Canyon City in, as one man, to bolster a hopeless cause.

A hopeless cause? Sure, Amarillo had both our Senator and our Representative and then again, as The News editor pointed out some weeks ago, the Santa Fe had a clear majority of the entire Legislature. Reference is here made to what is known as the Santa Fe merger or consolidation bills to which a majority of Eastern, Northeastern and Southeastern members of the Legislature stand pledged, yes, we may say, have been pledged from the very beginning. A combination with them was easy. Presto! It was done. This Santa Fe merger proposition, embodied in what is known as "Senator Kellie's bill" was reported favorably to the House the same day that it passed the Veale bill. The Governor has said he would veto the merger bill if passed. He may veto the Veale bill also, for both are birds of one feather. We shall see.

But, admitting that the Veale bill becomes a law, it may be likely will, and what has Canyon City lost? No prestige certainly and commercially speaking, hardly enough to quarrel over. Take it the other way and what has Amarillo gained? Simply a place on the Santa Fe main line and a chance, just a chance, at the shops. Canyon City is already on the main line and will remain so, not a reasonable doubt about this, and our show for the shops is as good as it ever was. Washburn is hurt and so is Panhandle, but if Canyon City is materially injured the News at the present moment fails to perceive it.

Whenever the permanent location of the main line Santa Fe shops becomes a live issue Canyon City wants to be in it with both feet and a big bid - a little talk along that line would not be amiss right now, in the mean time let our chief efforts be directed to the further development of Randall county.

CITY OFFICERS HOLD OVER.

The Mayor is Right in His Construction of the Law - So Says the Attorney General.

The News editor drew the petition asking for the incorporation of Canyon City, setting out under what chapter and articles of the Revised Statutes such incorporation should come. It was the opinion of The News, expressed at that time and afterwards on the election of the City officers, that such officers would hold only until the general election provided for city officers this coming April. The News editor so construed the law. Mayor Haney, after a close examination of the law, held that all the officers would hold over until April, 1908, at which time half the aldermen would go out, the other half, mayor and marshal remaining in until April 1909.

Mayor Haney, in deference to the opinion of the opposition on this point, submitted the facts to the Attorney General, who agrees with him in saying that the entire city government "holds over."

The Statutes in question may well cause a difference of opinion among the best of lawyers. There is, perhaps, no set of laws in the Texas civil code which so near calls to mind a crazy quilt. You must go through several chapters to get the sense of one and then, it's now you have the correct rule and now you don't.

The law is for the Mayor, says the Attorney General, and so far as The News is concerned it may go that way - we desire to see the present Council finish the good work it has so well begun.

OUR GOODS



Do You Need--

- Poultry Netting
- Garden Hose
- Garden Tools
- Watering Outfits

What About

- Saddles
- Harness
- Fly Nets
- Windmills and Pumps

Enterprise Vehicles

Are time tested and have proven themselves to be particularly adapted to this climate

Buggies, Surries and Hacks.

THE FLORENCE WAGON, made strictly first class, well seasoned wood, trenched where needed in the most substantial manner, give splendid service and are good lookers.

Our Hardware Line, all through, is the best that quality of material and brains can devise.

JOHNSON, GARY HARDWARE CO.

Successors to Stringfellow-Hume.

Do Not Crowd the Season.

The first warm days of spring bring with them a desire to get out and enjoy the exhilarating air and sunshine. Children that have been housed up all winter are brought out and you wonder where they all came from. The heavy winter clothing is thrown aside and many shed their blankets. Then a cold wave comes and people say that grip is epidemic. Colds at this season are even more dangerous than in mid winter, as there is much more danger of pneumonia. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, however, and you will have nothing to fear. It always cures and we have never known a cold to result in pneumonia when it was used. It is pleasant and safe to take. Children like it. For sale by S. V. Wirt.

Notice of City Election for Alderman.

To the Voters of Canyon City, Tex: An election will be held in Canyon City, Texas, on Tuesday 2nd, 1907, from 8 a. m. until 5 p. m. for the election of one alderman from and for Ward No. 1 of said city. The voting polls will be open at the Court House by A. E. Uptold, the presiding officer for said ward 1. Every qualified elector in Canyon City may vote for such alderman regardless of the ward or portion of the city in which the voter resides, provided that the person elected must be a resident of Ward No. 1, as the same is now laid off and established and the person so elected, as well as each voter, must have resided in said city - that is the territory embraced in said city - for six months previous to the day of the election.

The person elected, and after he qualifies, will hold his office for either one or two years thereafter as may be determined at the first meeting of the City Council thereafter. Jasper N. Haney, Mayor Canyon City.

AT THE Christian Church
To-night, Friday 22nd

Elocution Entertainment!

By Prof. C. L. Slater.

A HURRICANE OF FUN

Admission 25 and 15 Cents.

HOUSE BUILDERS

Will find it to their interest to figure with us. Try it. We deal in both Staples and Specialties in BUILDING MATERIALS.

Fulton Lumber Co.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL & SURPLUS, . . . \$124,000.
SHARE-HOLDERS LIABILITY, . . . 100,000.
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Clean Rooms and Best Meals the Market Affords.
Beds 50c; Cots 25c; Meals 25c.

CANYON CITY, TEXAS

B. J. CHAPMAN, PROP.

Mrs. Lois Cummings has sold her half interest in the residence she occupies to her former husband, J. W. Cummings. The place was rated at \$1,700, was subject to a lien of \$800, making the equity of Mrs. Cummings \$150, which she received in cash. Mrs. Cummings will remain here, so she says, provided she can secure a suitable residence.

Ice-cold drinks at the Cattle King.

This paper and the Dallas News \$1.80.

Excursion times today and lots of "Northerners" looking over our country.

Souvenir Post Cards With Canyon City and Randall county scenes. The News will, in the near future, print them either plain or in color.

For all kinds of dress-making see Miss Lorena Cox. Satisfaction guaranteed.

There is a big wave of anti-incorporation feeling in many of the States and, like the incorporation fever, it is sure to go to extremes. Rushing headlong to certain destruction has been the rule occasionally ever since old Noah's sermons were turned down.

The News is much pleased to record that its near friend, Joe Ray, is once more owner and editor of the Hereford Brand. We expected you to return to the fold, Joe, but not so suddenly. Never received the welcome news till yesterday evening - missed the Brand this week.

TOWN & COUNTY

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

Special Club Notice.

A special meeting of the Canyon City Commercial Club is called for next

Thursday Night, March 28. Usual place of meeting and at 8 p. m. Business of importance. No waiting for anybody.

J. F. SMITH, Secretary.

Fine Candies - Best in town at Wilson's.

Some talk of a State Bank being organized here.

B. Frank Buie is in Fort Worth this week.

J. F. Smith left Monday for Fort Worth and Dallas, to be absent this week.

The Hotel Rogerson is a bidder for the public trade in the sleeping and eating line. Read the ad.

Found - In town, a fur boa. Call, prove property, and pay 25 cents for this notice.

Judge L. M. Buie of Stamford, was in the city Sunday the guest of B. Frank Buie and family.

Wilbert Peterson, now located at Plainview, was a visitor in town Sunday.

S. V. Wirt has a display ad in this issue. He is desirous of selling out his Redburn stock.

Daniel Brown, carpenter, had The News get him out some letterheads this week.

James McCormick talks of loading up for Oklahoma as soon as he can secure a car.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. O'Keefe returned Monday from a trip to their ranch.

Miss Ludie Sevall expects to leave the last of the week for Kansas City to visit her uncle.

R. W. O'Keefe and wife started to Fort Worth Wednesday evening.

All kinds of Racket Goods School supplies and Confectionery at Wilson's. Try us.

J. L. McReynolds informed our reporter Saturday that his children, recently down with measles, are all well.

Oscar Hunt and wife have left Corpus Christi for Madisonville, Tennessee, where they expect to remain until May 1st.

Miss Anna Jordan of Canyon City, is visiting at the home of her aunt, Mrs. L. W. Jordan, this week. -Tulia Standard.

Increased advertising patronage at Tulia has forced the Standard to enlarge. -Congratulations, Bro. Ferguson.

Notice the change in the Hardware ads in this paper. No need to go outside of Canyon City for anything in this line.

Our school base ball team played at Tulia Saturday, defeating the school team of that town by a score of 12 to 5.

L. N. Lochridge on Thursday went to see his newly acquired farm near Wichita Falls, and may possibly visit Tarrant county before coming back.

Dison Bros., carpenters, have just completed a nice 5-room cottage in the southeast portion and one of them, C. S. Dison, will occupy it with his family.

J. A. Cavet has contracted for a 7-room house to be erected on the block just south of Mr. Peeler's residence. Work on it is to begin at once.

Contractor John Begrin was called to Fort Worth last week by the serious illness of his his mother, who, The News is informed has since died.

John Rowan, Sr., and wife left Saturday evening on a visit to relatives in Kaufman county and at Rhome, Texas. They will return about the 26th.

Boys, Take Notice.

Any person found throwing brick bats or stone against any part of my brick walls or defacing same in any manner will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. J. F. SMITH.

Geo. L. Abbott has bought from J. W. Reed the lot on the south side of the square between the Redburn store and the Canyon Hardware Co. building. He paid \$1,500.

Mrs. L. T. Lester and daughter, Miss Blanche, returned on last Saturday from their trip to San Diego, California. Rector, who is in school there will not return for sometime yet.

We have for sale the Hutchinson property, 65 acres, which lays south of the school building. Desirable part of town and will sell from 1-4 block up. See us for prices.

HELLER & KNIGHT.

Mrs. Sevall of Amarillo, is here visiting her son, H. J. Sevall, this week. Today or tomorrow she expects to start for South Dakota, where her mother resides.

What about cement sidewalks up West Evelyn street as far as the school building? Four feet wide will do and the cost is nothing when compared to the benefit to be received.

Born - Friday of last week to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McClure, a boy. This is McClure's fourth son. He weighed ten pounds on opening his eyes for the first time and his name is Joseph Weldon Bailey McClure, so says his father.

Forsgren & Saltiel, cement men of Fort Worth, have the contract for the cement sidewalk work of F. H. Rowan and J. F. Smith. They expect to arrive here Sunday, to locate here permanently, they say. They are very highly recommended. See their ad elsewhere.

John H. Bell of St. Marys, Kansas, was in to see us Friday. He was looking for his car to arrive any old time. He is a practical farmer and all such are entitled to and will receive a cordial welcome to the Plains.

Frank Lochridge, who has been down for several days with what has been pronounced appendicitis, is getting some better. Strange as this may appear to some, The News included, this ailment is now stated to be catching.

John E. Briggs and wife of Williamsport, Indiana, arrived last week. Mr. Briggs is the purchaser of the C. T. DeGraft-enried ranch near Ceta and is here for the purpose of seeing to its improvement. He has purchased a steam plow and this week, if not already there, it will be taken out and put to work.

Sunday The News received a letter under date of February 10 from S. M. Redfearn of Fairbanks, Alaska. He is in the gold fields of that country and says that the output of that much sought after metal is rapidly increasing. He also states that people are beginning to make homes there notwithstanding the everlasting freeze.

Oh I See!

Shopbell & Kennedy have bought Crane's Barber Shop and if good work and attention to business count for anything they ought to do a good trade. Hoping for a share of your trade, we are, Yours for business, SHOPBELL & KENNEDY.

VEHICLES-----VEHICLES

- Wagons
- Farm Implements
- Windmills
- Pipe
- Pipe Fittings
- Galv. Steel Tanks
- Bowsher Feed Mills
- Harness
- Queensware
- Lamps
- Cutlery
- Wire
- Nails
- Stoves
- Shelf Hardware



DON'T FAIL to call at the Canyon Hardware Co's. and let them show you their up-to-date line of

Buggies, Surries and Hacks

It is no trouble to answer questions and they will always take pleasure in showing you through their many extensive lines. Do not wait but come now and let us show you.

Canyon Hardware Co.

J. C. PECKIN

R. G. OLDHAM

Local Weather Record.



Ninety in the shade in the middle of the day for Tuesday and a fraction less for Wednesday. This is very uncommon for the time of year and especially so for this altitude.

The picture above represents our genial friend R. A. Sowder, Esq., bathing in the lake below town on Tuesday about 2 p. m. The cut is original and made from a snap shot.

The wind, not any great amount going since last Friday, has been from all the forty-five points of the compass and a few clouds have been in evidence now and then, but on the whole the past week has been more after the order of July than March.

Northern, Southern and Central portions of the State report warm nights and mosquitos as well as hot days, but, thank goodness, such things never, never happen on the Plains: our nights are always cool, even in midsummer, and the insect named, if present, is powerless to annoy the sleeper.

Nothing really suffering for rain, so say the farmers, but there is no question but what it would prove acceptable to all hands, town and country alike. It may come at any time, as a matter of course, but if it holds off to the usual time for this altitude we have two more weeks to

wait yet, at least.

Those who ought to know say that the small grain, wheat in particular, is doing nicely and that it can wait for rain without injury until May, or even longer. Perhaps, but The News must be "shown" to believe. The News is "convinced" of the great fertility of Plains land and also of its surprising drought resisting qualities, but that wheat and oats can stand five weeks more of the sort of weather experienced during the last seven days and still do well, it is very far from believing. Better not take the risk let it rain and the sooner the better.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is Both Agreeable and Effective.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has no superior for coughs, colds and croup, and the fact that it is pleasant to take and contains nothing in any way injurious has made it a favorite with mothers. Mr. W. S. Pelham, a merchant of Kirksville, Iowa, says: "For more than twenty years Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been my leading remedy for all throat troubles. It is especially successful in cases of croup. Children like it and many customers who have used it will not take any other." For sale by S. V. Wirt.

The News had a letter from its near neighbor, M. S. Lasby, Sunday. It was dated Friday and reported him sick in an infirmary at Houston. He says if not planted in one of Houston's "beautiful cemeteries" he will be back at home as soon as he is able to travel. We are all sorry to hear of this hard luck and sincerely wish for his early return and speedy recovery.

Books with cattle bills of sale.

Specialist.

I treat all diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, also have glasses and pay special attention to fitting them. Consultation and examination free. Canyon City, March 29 and 30. Office with Thompson Drug Co.

I. E. SMITH, M. D.

The Nobles Bros. wholesale grocery house was emptied of its goods last week and John Bratton, its manager for several years back, left Monday to take charge of the firm's business at Plainview. Mr. Bratton sticks close to his business, in fact you will rarely note his absence from it if you go there every day, and he is courteous at all times. He has many friends here who regret his departure and none more so than does The Canyon City News, to which he has not only been a good customer, but a valued friend. His family will remain here until the close of our school.

For Sale - Three quarter section one mile and a half south of school house. Will sell in blocks of 20 acres and up.

JOHN KNIGHT.

A good place to eat at the Cattle King, opposite the depot.

For Sale - One section of improved land near the town of Happy in Randall county, Texas. See Joel Preslar, Canyon City, Texas. Phone No. 204. 52-11

Rollins & Cranford, attorneys, have moved their place of business upstairs in the new brick on the northeast corner of the square. They have two rooms, are very nicely fixed, and invite their friends to call. This firm has enjoyed a fine business the past twelve months and fully merit all that comes their way.

Sheriff Slover has purchased from R. M. Peeler four acres of hillside adjoining his Slover's residence property. A peculiar feature about it is that at a depth of a few inches is to be had (Slover discovered it) a bed of sharp or glass sand several feet thick. From all indications this bed of sand formation lays about as do the sand dunes of Yoakum and other counties bordering on New Mexico and tend to show that at one period of time, at least, what was said of the "Great American desert" was not wholly destitute of truth.

SIDEWALKS, CURBING, FLOORS.

We give a good bond for every job contracted with us up to May 1 without advancing price on account of bond, as is customary. We do nothing but Cement work in all its branches and have had 14 years' experience and think we know our business.

Texas' leading architects say: "They have done considerable work for us and have shown a thorough knowledge of the business, are very attentive to their work, pushing it through in short order, besides doing first class work."

W. E. Melton of Fort Worth, says: "They are both sober and perfect gentlemen, reliable in every way and considered the best mechanics in this city."

Other references upon application. We shall strive to please you in every way. Address

FORSGREN & SALTIEL, Sidewalk Men, Canyon City, Texas.

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designated qualified as survivor in
community of the estate of W. A.
Ward, deceased, in the administra-
tion proceeding pending in the County
Court of Randall County, Texas, and
having received her appointment
from said court all persons having
claims against said estate are hereby
required to present the same in writ-
ing within the time prescribed by
law. The residence of the under-
signed is Randall County, Texas, and
her postoffice address is Amarillo,
Texas.
JENNIE B. WARD,
Survivor in community estate of W.
A. Ward, deceased.

THE PRIME MINISTER.
He is the Real Ruler of the Great Brit-
ish Empire.
The real ruler of the British em-
pire is not the titular sovereign nor
the hereditary nobility. It is the
leader of the political majority, who
derives his power solely from the di-
rect vote of the people. The prime
minister of England is subordinate
neither to the king nor the house
of peers. Every man who shares
with him in the work of the govern-
ment is his subordinate.

Following a general election the
sovereign sends for a member of the
majority party and instructs him to
form a government. This is one of
those fictions of the constitutional
authority of the sovereign to which
the English people cling as to the
heritage of tradition. The sum-
mons is delivered, but it is merely a
form. The party leader is such not
by the grace of the sovereign, but
by the choice of the majority; not
by election, but because he has the
qualities of leadership.

The leader, having received the
sovereign's instructions to form a
government, becomes by that man-
date the autocrat of the empire.
His power is absolute. Like the
president, he may appoint whomso-
ever he pleases a member of his cabi-
net, but, unlike the president, he
is not influenced by geographical
considerations, nor does he have to
submit his nominations to the senate.
In both countries the mem-
bers of the cabinet hold office at the
will of the appointing power, but
the tenure of office is even more
precarious in England than it is in
the United States. Here a minister
may differ from the president on a
matter of policy and not feel it in-
cumbent upon him to resign. In
England there can be no differences.
Either a minister agrees with his
chief or he resigns.

In England the cabinet is an ex-
tra-legal creation. Nominally it is
one of the committees of the privy
council, whose functions are to ad-
vise the sovereign, but this is sim-
ply a survival of mediævalism. The
cabinet is under the sole control of
the premier, unhampered by royal
or other interference. But another
survival—no member of the cabi-
net may make public any matter
discussed by the cabinet without the
express sanction of the sovereign,
and when the premier issues a sum-
mons to a cabinet council, which
meets at irregular intervals, accord-
ing to the exigency of public busi-
ness, the minister is requested to
attend a meeting of his majesty's
servants.—A. Maurice Low in Ap-
pleton's Magazine.

Uncomfortable Korean Houses.
The "kang," the Korean house
furnace, renders the atmosphere of
the huts where travelers take their
rest almost insufferable. It is pic-
tured as a primitive though ef-
fective means of heating the houses
throughout the kingdom. A small
fire of brushwood is lighted in the
small furnace at one side of the
house, thence numerous flues under
the mud floor conduct the smoke
and hot air to an upright chimney
or hole in the wall at the opposite
end or side, and a little fire suffices
to thoroughly heat a large house. A
traveler says he is not surprised to
find coughs and colds common, for
an indoor temperature of 70 de-
grees or 80 degrees and an outdoor
one of zero form trying extremes.
Moreover, the constant warmth
seems to keep alive the numerous
flies, fleas, bugs and cockroaches
with which most of the houses
swarm.

Japan's Ancient Civilization.
Arthur M. Knapp in his "Feudal
and Modern Japan" points out, as
other observing historians have
done before him, that the appar-
ently miraculous conversion of Japan
to modern civilization is not so
strange once it is realized that Ja-
pan was already in a high state of
civilization at the opening of the
present modern era. Some time be-
fore America was discovered the
Japanese had their banks, clearing
house and Europe's supposedly mod-
ern system of bank checks, drafts,
letters of credit and notes of hand.
A thorough rural delivery postal
system also was in vogue among the
Japanese in the days when painted
Indians still roamed the shores of
New England and the Atlantic
coast.

Two Hats.
"Mr. Hankinson," asked innocent
little Tommy, who was entertaining
the young man in the parlor while
his sister upstairs was putting the
finishing touches on her complex-
ion, "why don't you wear the kind
of plug hat Mr. Simmons does when
he comes here?"
"What is the matter with my plug
hat, Tommy?" inquired Mr. Hankin-
son, with a large, genial smile.
"His'n will straighten out again
when I sit down on it," answered
the innocent little boy, edging his
way toward the door, "and your'n
won't."—Chicago Tribune.

MEDICAL SUPERSTITION.
Outlandish Practices Still Prevail in
Parts of Germany.

All sorts of outlandish medical
ideas and practices are to be found
in active prevalence in the marsh
lands of the Weser, north of Brem-
erhaven, and in the Luneburg
heath, a barren region between the
Elbe and Aller, in Germany.
In both of these districts the
touch of a corpse's hand is still re-
garded as a curative of many local
ills. In the Wesermarsch the prac-
tice is to steal secretly into the room
where the dead person is laid out
and with the dead hand stroke the
afflicted part. In the Luneburg
heath the application is especially
used as a cure for warts and for
cramps in the stomach.

Less gruesome is the remedy for
hernia still applied in the marsh
country. On the night of St. John
the Baptist's day, June 24, the pa-
tient must be dragged through the
split of a cleft ash tree. Three men
bearing the first name of John
must perform the operation, and it
must be conducted in dead silence.
Some of the cures depend, on the
contrary, upon verbal formulas. For
hiccough the sufferer must cross
a little wooden footbridge over a
stream—an easy matter in the
marsh lands with their many drain-
age ditches. As he crosses he must
repeat the nursery rhyme:
Schnepfen an ik gumpen ober dat stet
Schnepfen an ik gumpen un ik gung weg.

This bit of dialectic German may
be translated:
Hiccough and I went over the bridge;
I went on, hiccough felt in the ditch.
For erysipelas a fire is lighted
and a pinch of ashes from it is rub-
bed on the skin to the accompani-
ment of a saying to the effect that
the ashes and the sore went over the
Red sea together, the ash came
back, but the sore never again. Nu-
merous other sayings supposed to
have the force of charms, usually
which uttered simultaneously with
some action, are quoted. The Lun-
eburger, for instance, who has warts,
makes the sign of the cross on the
warts while gazing at the crescent
moon, saying, "What I see, that I
win; what I wash, that disappears."
It rhymes in the German dialect.

Sometimes the formula is not
spoken. The Wesermarsch folk
have a saying which they write on
a slip of paper when any one has
fever. Then they burn the paper.
The Luneburgers have no formula,
but they write the name, year of
birth and birthplace of the sick per-
son in a lonely place three nights
running. Other remedies for fever
consist in swallowing spiders or dust
filled from a church bell.

When a tooth comes out the loser
must throw it backward over his
head.—Hair combings must not be
thrown out of the window, because
the birds might get them and fly
away with them. In that case the
person who was separated from
them would speedily become bald.—
Allgemeine Zeitung.

Theophile Gautier.
In spite of his exceptional
strength and the magnitude of his
desires, Gautier was a dreamer,
strayed into the midst of a restless,
implacable civilization which rushed
past him and over him and trod
him under foot, while he, uncon-
scious of the fact, made no com-
plaint. "Poor Theo!" he sometimes
exclaimed, and we, his friends, knew
what depths of unspoken suffering
were compressed into that cry. He
lived in a world of dreams far away,
so far away indeed that he was
aware of the fantastic existence he had
imagined was not to be realized
upon our earth and therefore made
the best of the indifferent circum-
stances in which he was forced to
live.—"Literary Recollections,"
Maxime du Camp.

Beauty Everywhere.
The remotest corner of the globe
is full of wonder and beauty. The
laziest bank in the world, away from
towns, where no artists do congreg-
ate, upon which no farm lads,
where no vines hang their cooling
clusters, nor flowers spring, nor
grass invites the browsing herd, is
yet spotted and patched with moss
of such exquisite beauty that the
painter, who in all his life should
produce one such thing, would be
a master in art, an immortal in
fame, and it has the hair of 10,000
reeds combed over its brow, and its
shining sand and insect tribes might
win the student's lifetime. God's
least thought is more prolific than
man's greatest abundance.—Henry
Ward Beecher.

Riley's Rye Patch.
Whitcomb Riley was looking over
a fence on his farm at a field of rye
when a neighbor who was driving by
stopped his horse and asked:
"Hello, Mr. Riley! How's your
rye doing?"
"Fine, fine!" replied the poet.
"How much do you expect to
clear to the acre?"
"Oh, about four gallons," an-
swered Mr. Riley soberly.—Success

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