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Any subscriber failing to receive this paper promptly and regularly, will please notify us either in person, or by postal card, so we will take prompt action in correcting any mistake in this office.

Many of our subscribers have asked us to notify them when their time expires, so that they may renew at the proper time. We have commenced this week, and as fast as we can go through our books, we will notify all subscribers who are in arrears of the amount due us.

Parties interested in Fruits, Flowers and Vegetables should send to A. M. Purdy, of Palmyra, N. Y., for his 40 page catalogue of plants, trees, &c.

Do We Have a Railroad? Yes. We submit to our readers that portion of a letter received from the secretary of the Texas & Great Western Railway Company, which is as follows:

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 1st, 1883. J. N. Rogers Esq., Dear Sir:—Yours of the 3rd received this day. Many thanks for paper and the kindly feeling expressed in your letter.

The year 1883 is about closing, and has proved a most satisfactory one to our people. So far not a single complaint has been heard in the county.

While our county town commands the finest trade of any inland town in the state, it is so situated as to the railroads, that the best portion of the products of the county find market at the railroad towns of Weatherford, Fort Worth, Decatur and

thriving new town of Bow. Our merchants have succeeded by fair dealing in drawing a good trade from those portions of the county nearest places of shipment.

Between these two lines of roads the country rich in all the varieties of soils, and proverbial for its healthfulness. This county has not failed to attract the attention of prospectors of railroads, but so far nothing has assumed a tangible shape.

It any of our readers will take the pains to examine a map he will at once be convinced of the great convenience of such a road.

This point is not excelled for every facility that will meet the demands of cattle shippers. The immediate vicinity of Jacksonbo boasts truthfully of the finest water and most nutritious grasses of any town in Texas.

Our county has an abundance of timber, and the coal beds of the western portion of the county are inexhaustible, and will no doubt one day form a vast revenue to our country people, developments by railroads are all that are necessary.

The people of the county are anxious for a road, and we can say that no people in Texas would give more encouragement than ours.

We have heretofore stated what we believe is the most popular sentiment of the people of Texas who have spoken out on the subject. And for the benefit of those who overlooked it and our new subscribers we repeat it in substance.

The Legislature should pass a law authorizing and directing the County Commissioners Court to lay out and cause to be opened (where it is not already done) at least eight first class roads, on the most direct and practical route leading from the county seat of each and every county in the direction of county seats in other counties and to other points where they are or may be needed.

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The residence of Prof. Hart looms up beautifully in North Weatherford, which will be in time the best resident portion of our town, and there has been a small row of houses built in that part of town this year, and several more contemplated.

It is contemplated now of having a branch R. R. running from here to Mineral Wells, by next summer for the accommodation of the health seeker who may want to go there.

While we have favored the erection of gates to pass through all pastures and large enclosures at convenient distances we believe public sentiment will finally limit all enclosures to 640 acres with roads between.

but if no man was allowed to fence more than 640 acres, and to leave a road 40 feet wide, (20 feet on each side of the dividing line), I would help hunt the wire cutters, and they could be found."

In all our acts, petitions and legislation we should remember that no individual and no corporation should be invested with rights with absolute power over the interests of any other citizen or class of citizens.

The Chicago Weekly News comes to this week in a double sheet, containing the President's message. We call the attention of our subscribers who take the News to the premiums offered in this issue; Dec. 6, and say to them: We will take orders for any premiums desired.

The Habeas corpus case of young Enlow was before Hon. B. F. Williams Tuesday last. At last term of the court Enlow, who stood charged for horse theft was adjudged insane, and a judgment rendered remanding him to the sheriff to await the further order of the District Court.

We learn the court remanded Enlow to the keeping of the sheriff for the reason that judgment declaring him insane directed him to be held to await the order of the District Court, when it should have directed that the defendant be placed in the hands of the County Court.

This was the finding of a second jury on the question of insanity of the defendant, a jury of court having found him insane before the indictment against him.

It may be law that the defendant be kept in jail instead of the asylum, but it seems that there is very little justice in it. It seems strange that because of the words "District Court" being used in the judgment, instead of the words "County Court" this unfortunate should be confined in the last place for an insane person, our county jail and no remedy for him.

This is the first case passed upon by the appellate court involving this question, and as it involved some of the most difficult questions arising out of the matter of property, we are glad to see that our county judge was correct in the law on the subject.—[Sherman Courier.

Dec. 10, 1883. Sleeted some to-day, turned into rain; very mild winter weather so far.

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but very different in their influence upon the minds of the young, and to some extent those of older persons which constitutes part of the material that build the character of men, and as some of our Gospel exponents say, that the tendency of operatic influence is a dangerous entertainment both for young and old, and they will have an inclination to wander off into the many labyrinths of this vain and sinful world and they are warning the professors (from the pulpit) who patronize the opera that they endorse it all and all, by their patronage! Yes, and then the example for the young church members, or professors in Christ. They say, such and such ones go, and they see and hear what? A lot of fiction, some dancing and a little slang and such. I wish that our people would learn and practice our first commandment. It is a dictate of enlightened and unprejudiced reason that the Being to whom we are indebted for our existence, on whom we every moment depend, who directs the movement of the system of nature, who daily loads us with his benefits, and upon whom our hopes of eternal felicity entirely depends. Who should be contemplated with the most ardent affections and gratitude, regarded as the most excellent and venerable of all beings and recognize as the Supreme Legislator, whose laws, we are bound by every tie of gratitude to obey. Were such principles and sentiments more or universally felt and acted upon by men, the most worthy and high toned (not man's fictions) would be honored and adored more in every land. His image would be impressed on every heart, and His laws would never be violated. The vile and groveling desires and affections would be eradicated and our world would be transformed into an abode of felicity. Ours.

It affords me great pleasure to inform the people of Jack county that I am once more fully prepared to supply all their wants. I have been subjected to delays and have thereby been rather poorly prepared to meet the wants of the public. But having now moved into my new Building can assure you that I am in a very much better condition to sell goods than ever before.

I have now in stock the largest and best assorted stock of General Merchandise

ever shown in this market, and am fully determined to control a full share of the trade of the county, if low prices and fair dealings will do so.

It is needless for me to say that I am very grateful to the people of Jack county for their patronage in the past, for I feel that almost every one with whom I have had dealings feels assured that their trade is fully appreciated, and that I have ever been ready and willing to extend any favor in my power. For the future I will say that as I am well fixed for doing business, it shall be my constant aim and intention to see that my customers every want is supplied.

In conclusion I feel I am only doing myself justice in saying I now have the most convenient and best arranged business house in this portion of the country; and that after working long and hard in the old hotel I can but feel proud to be so well prepared to show and sell goods.

Hoping to see not only all my old but also new customers at the "same old corner" I am Yours very truly, JAMES W. KNOX.

J. J. OWENS, DEALER IN Confectionery and Groceries, Old Red Store, West Side Square, JACKSONBO, TEXAS.

Has a full line of Candies, Fruits, and a new stock of Groceries. He respectfully solicits a share of the public patronage because he is a truly needs it to carry on his trade. Call and see his goods and prices.

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COON, FLANARY & CO., Wholesale Grocers, WEATHERFORD, TEXAS.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS ORCHESTRA IN EVERY HOME. THE MASSACHUSETTS ORGAN CO., 57 Washington Street, Boston, Mass., U. S. A.

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The oldest Druggist in Keeps (and sells) Everything in his Variety...

Quantity the Largest, Quality the Best, Price the most reasonable.

EDDLEMAN & W... Cotton Factors and General Commission...

Dealers in Wagons, Buggies, Mowers, Reapers, Engines, Presses, and Cane...

Wm. Cameron & Co., The Old Reliable Lumber...

WEATHERFORD, TEXAS. We keep a full Stock of dry...

soned lumber, of all descriptions, cement and cement flues, doors...

MOTHER NO... HEALING SY...

W. S. Jones, Dealer in Staple Fancy & Imported Goods...

Has the largest stock of Groceries west of Ft. Worth. Sells his goods at bottom cash figures, and pays...

market price for grain, hides and all country products.

Thomas F. Horton well known to the people of this and surrounding country will be found in attendance...

Thankful for the liberal patronage which has been shown me since opening the house, I hope by honest dealings to meet a continuance of the same.

There will be a teachers meeting on Tuesday, 27th inst. further notice next week.

West Side Public Square, JACKSONBO, TEXAS.

TIME IS BORNS CAPITAL...

The living present is all we have. The hard workers are the only ones who are successful. The mammoth business that C. Brown is a perfect wonder.

and being cut off from the great country, but to a far seeing person is easily accounted for.

In the first place, he keeps the goods well selected to suit the needs of the country, and his goods are bought at the head of the stream, and are therefore less than any other merchant.

ing the amount of goods sold, he does not lose business. His business is entirely on a cash basis, and his business is so great that it is the envy of the whole country, keeping the market full of everything the farmer has to sell. He has made a market at Jacksonbo for wool and cotton and other products.

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Mrs. West left for Chicago last week. Mrs. West accompanied him as Denison. Apples, oranges, Lemons, Figs, etc. all for sale by W. S. Jones this week.

Courier has just opened his stationery store and he has the best of apples, try them. S. Jones will have for sale during Christmas week all kinds of poultry.

wanted! wanted! 600 bushels corn will pay cash. For particulars call on W. S. Jones. There will be a teachers meeting on Tuesday, 27th inst. further notice next week.

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The living present is all we can claim. The energetic and the hard workers are the only ones who succeed in life.

The mammoth business that is being carried on by D. C. Brown is a perfect wonder. Isolated from the rail road and being cut off from the great commercial cities of the country, it would seem almost an impossibility for such a business in such a country, but to a far seeing practical business man it is easily accounted for.

In the first place, he keeps the largest and best stock of goods well selected to suit the wants of everybody. His goods are bought at the head of the market, his expenses are less than any other merchants in the country, considering the amount of goods sold, he sees only those who pay, his business is entirely on a cash basis. His losses are so small, his business so great that it enables him to control the trade of the country, keeping the money at home. He buys everything the farmer has to sell. He pays railroad prices for Wool and Cotton and other productions.

He has made a market at Jackboro that has given new life to the town. He is determined to increase his business in the future as he has done in the past. He has done the largest business by several thousand dollars this year that he has ever done in any previous year.

He would say to all, to visit this establishment, both Jew and Gentle, Farmer and Stockraiser, white or black or any other color, without previous conditions, and all be made happy alike by receiving the courteous and polite attention of his efficient clerks.

Time is money. Money saved is money made. Beware of the strange goods that would lead you off by strange doctrines. Remember the old reliable ship that has carried you along safely and is better equipped to day than ever before. See her banner flying.

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A Sad Accident.

Mr. H. Taylor of Keechi was in town last Thursday evening and gave us two new subscribers.

Elder J. R. Masters will preach at the Presbyterian church next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Jackboro and Weatherford were connected by telephone last week. Mrs. West received the first message that passed between the towns.

Josiah Harrell died at his residence yesterday morning at 3 o'clock. An appropriate notice will appear next week.

Owens has a large stock of new goods. Now he wants plenty of customers to buy them, this is necessary to carry on his trade.

Knox has the largest line of men's and boys' boots ever shown in Jackboro. His Western Texas and Drivers' Boots take the Blue Ribbon over anything shown here before.

Mr. G. H. White and lady have returned from Thorp Springs, where their daughter, Miss Maul, has been attending school, but on account of sickness she was obliged to return home with her parents.

Our readers who are coming to town should not fail to call at H. H. McCConnell's and see his Holiday Goods. If you have little money to spend you can be suited, and if a large amount you can obtain as fine a present as you could wish for. His most noticeable features in his stock are his fine selections of books, stauary groups and silverware. We have never seen any such display of the useful and beautiful in Jackboro before. Any of these articles would make handsome presents, especially the books, which are always useful, and refining in their influence if well selected. Any book can be had from "Mother Goose's Rhymes", to the most handsomely bound of all the standard authors, sketches of noted men etc. In fact everything, too numerous to mention. Just call and see and you cannot fail to purchase.

Call on W. S. Jones for your nice meat, jellies, preserves, apple butter, choicest candy, and in fact everything you may want in the fancy grocery line during the Holidays.

Fresh and new! Dried currants, dried cherries, dried peaches, dried peaches, dried apples, and dried blackberries, at Knox's.

Just Saturday and Sunday was quarterly meeting of the Methodist church at this place. Rev. C. H. Ellis of Whitt, Presiding Elder, was in attendance.

Sheet music at McCConnell's, and by arrangement with Oliver Dixon & Co. of Boston, any music published will be furnished at the net prices of the of their catalogues by him.

Now we strike your fancy by being able to show the largest and best line of carpets in the west without a single roll of carpet. It is wonderful that little carpet exhibitor. Just call and examine it, now on Knox's counter.

"Hog killing time" having arrived, you all want to go to McCConnell for "sage, coriander, thyme, red pepper, etc. He has enough on hand to supply the county, and it is fresh.

The clothing trade is still booming at Knox's, and any one to step around to the old corner and see the quantity and quality of clothing that he sells would exclaim at once, "Knox must sell all of the good clothing that is sold in Jack county," and in fact he does sell seven-eighths of the good clothing that is sold in said county.

Don't forget that W. S. Jones keeps constantly on hand Pure Honey, all grades La. and Corn Syrup, Bbl. and Bottle Pickles, best grades Texas and Northern Flour. Fareeaceous articles in great variety, also every vegetable that this market and Weatherford affords. None but first class goods offered for sale and every article guaranteed.

Respectfully,
W. S. Jones.

Toys at Owens'.
Jelly sets at Owens'.
A full line of groceries at Owens'.
A full line of tobaccos at Owens'.
A complete assortment of nails at Owens'.
Oat meal, apples and potatoes at Owens'.
Gallon cans of apples at Owens' for fifty cents.
Owens will pay 25 cents for butter and 20 cents for eggs.
Genuine Louisiana syrup, cranberries, and mixed meats at Owens'.
Owens has the finest assortment of fancy capotes ever offered on this market.

McCConnell's Condition Powders are reported as having saved several horses recently, which were attacked by the disease which has been so fatal in the north part of the county. It would be well to try them. 3 papers for 25c.

As usual we are full up on men's clothing and furnishing goods. It has been an acknowledged fact for years that no such stock of clothing either in quantity or quality was kept anywhere and as a proof of the fact we have enjoyed almost the entire clothing trade of the town. We are still going to keep it. Remember this and call and get outfitted at Knox's. The same old Corner.

HOLIDAY GOODS AT ANTELOPE.

On Monday the 17th inst. I will open a nice lot of Holiday Goods in my store house on the corner of Main and Henrietta Streets, consisting of

Toys in Endless Variety
Everything for little folks, and the larger ones. Yes, in fact, for everybody. Save your dimes and dollars till you see my goods.

Also a good supply of school books and school supplies generally, drugs and Stationary.

Respectfully,
R. H. McClain,
Postoffice Building,
Antelope, Texas.

Blankets! Blankets! Blankets!
Knox has the largest as well as the best assortment of blankets that has ever been offered in Jackboro. He has white blankets from \$2.50 up to \$20 and colored blankets of all colors and prices. Be sure to call for his California Gray, it will suit you.

The best 5 cent cigar on the market at Ingram's.

Go to Ingram's for onions, Irish and sweet potatoes.

Ingram has a large supply of Tobacco, any kind you want, just as cheap as the cheapest.

Cyclone Flour at \$1.00 per 100, every sack guaranteed; mill flour and corn meal at mill prices at W. S. Ingram's.

W. S. Ingram has fresh apples, cabbage, potatoes, onions, melons, lemons, rus, all varieties of can goods, and a general assortment of conities.

W. S. Ingram most respectfully invites all of his old friends and the public to call and examine his large and well assorted stock of new and fresh groceries which he has received in the past ten days.

W. S. Ingram receives almost daily, fresh from the rail road, all green groceries that can be had at this season of the year. His supply of family groceries is adequate in quality, variety, and price to entice all consumers.

W. S. Ingram is at his old trade, buying everything for cash, that is made by the people in the country. He pays the highest market price for enter, eggs, and all vegetables, and will trade with the country people on anything they wish to market.

Wanted—first class carpenters. Enquire at the Weatherford Planing Mill or of Evan Jones at Jackboro.

Little's Chemical fluid or non poisonous sheep dip, and Carbolic sheep dip at Nelm's & Co.'s at cost.

Gold veiling card, oblong and chrome veiling cards at the Crittzen office, they are fine. Ladies desiring nice cards should call and see them.

If you wish to buy a **GEMINE SINGER** Sewing Machine, write to the Manager, Henry Miller, at Weatherford Texas, for prices and terms.

A wide awake, reliable canvasser wanted for Jack County. \$200

The "White Sewing Machine" unquestionably the best in every particular, for sale by H. H. McCConnell.

Evan Jones of the firm of Jones Bros., Contractors and Builders, Weatherford, Texas, is now staying at the Wichita Hotel, Jackboro, and will furnish estimates and plans on application free of charge. It will be to the interest of those contemplating building to call and see him as he is in position to turn out work better, cheaper, and quicker than any other contractor this side of Dallas. Being proprietor of the Weatherford Planing Mill which enables him to make all his own sash, doors, door and window frames, offices, desks, counters, shelving, wood sawing, turning, and everything in the carpenter's line. Orders for turning, scroll sawing, planing, etc. left at lumber yards, Weatherford, promptly executed.

J. T. ELLIOTT.
A. J. ROE

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DEALERS IN

LUMBER, SHINGLES

Sash, Doors, Blinds, Moulding, Lime, Cement, Plaster, and Mixed Paints.

We have now on hand the largest and best selected stock of building material ever brought to this market.

Bottom Prices Guaranteed.

Yard at Railroad Depot
Weatherford Texas.

A Good Farm For Sale

on East Keechi, 10 miles south of Jackboro, and 10 miles west of Whitt on the Weatherford and Graham road via Whitt. 220 acres of land, plenty of timber, title as good as any in Texas. 45 acres in a high state of cultivation, good improvements, a good dwelling house with four rooms, weather-boarded and ceiled throughout and well painted; cribs, granaries, stables, etc., all in good condition, and plenty of good never failing water. Good community, churches, and two schools within one and a half miles.

I have a large stock, and wish to ranch them in the west, is my object for selling. Address, Dr. A. V. Ginn, either at Jackboro or Whitt, Texas, or refer to the CRITZEN office. 6mo decls

Missionary Report for November.
Twenty nine days labor, twenty-three sermons, thirty prayers, thirteen religious visits, traveled 327 miles. Cash received \$6.25.

E. L. Swinford,
Garvin, Wise Co.,
Texas.

List of Letters
Remaining unfiled for in the Post office at Jackboro, County of Jack, State of Texas, for the month ending November 30, 1883:

Botans B. F. Miatt Jim
Burton W. E. Pove W. J.
Cole A. P. Phillips J. H.
Davidson Samuel Patton Wash (2)
Farmer J. M. Rhoads D. H.
Gipson James Slade J. T. (2)
Garretson & Co. Smith Miss G.
Howard R. H. Stone Annie
High W. A. (2) Torrance James
Hatfield W. C. Woods W.
Hood A. J. Woods W.

James J. T. Yarborough, Miss M. (2)
These letters will be sent to the Dead Letter Office Dec. 31, 1883, if not delivered before. In calling for above, please say "advertised," giving date of list.

H. H. McCConnell, P. M.

Strayed or stolen. One iron gray horse 14 or 15 hands high, 4 years old past color marked, branded on r-h thigh. I will give \$5 for his delivery at Jackboro, Texas, or to J. N. Garrison.

Stackholders Meeting.
Pursuant to a resolution duly adopted at a meeting of the Stockholders of the Texas and Great Northwestern Ry. Co. held in the city of Dallas on Nov. 17th, 1883, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Stockholders of said company will be held at the office of the company in the city of Dallas, Texas, on the 30th day of January A. D. 1884, for the purpose of ordering an issue of upon said railroad the properties, franchise, etc., nor to exceed \$1,000,000 per mile and the execution of a proper mortgage or deed of trust to secure the same. Notice is also given that every stockholder should attend a meeting of the directors of said company will be held at the office of the company in said city of Dallas to perfect the financial arrangements to construct said road to let contracts and to make all necessary provisions relative thereto.

Hiram A. Wood,
President.

James T. Weston,
Secretary.

ESTRAYS.
Taken up by J. M. Chambers and posted before Wm. P. J. P. Post, No. 5 Jack County Texas, one sorrel mare, one dark brown horse, 14 hands high, 2 years old, branded on the left shoulder.

D. B. Mizell, Co. Clk.

Taken up by W. N. Cooper and posted before J. H. Baker, J. P. Post, No. 3, C. Texas. One brown horse about 14 hands high, 10 years old, bald face, right eye glass, brand on r-h thigh, 6 feet white, and brand on l-h shoulder, and one spotted brand.

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Taken up by L. C. Brinson and posted before J. H. Baker, J. P. Post, No. 3, C. T. One sorrel horse, 14 hands high, 5 years old, right eye glass, brand on r-h thigh, 6 feet white, star in forehead, branded on the left shoulder.

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Apple seeds.

Mr. F. K. Phoenix, formerly the West, after several years of almost complete silence, we are glad to say, again resumes work with his well-sharpened pencil. What Mr. Phoenix says is always well said, and his experience has been such that he is certain that what he says is worth hearing. In a late issue of the Country Gentleman we found a long letter from him upon "The kind of apple trees needed." In the course of his letter he declared that the best apple to grow in the production of seedlings. We will quote from him somewhat at length, hoping his exhortation will not prove unavailing. He says: "As trees must precede fruits, so in the market apples of the future must be of the tree stand first, while hardiness of bloom and set, and certainty of bearing, takes the second place in the trinity of apple qualifications. The third and last requirement is perfection of fruit. These we require, and will proceed to search for, or invent from the hardiness of the tree, ironclad hardiness of the tree, ironclad hardiness of blossoms and sets, and consummate beauty and excellence of fruit for family and market use. These three things we want in every cultivated variety of apple. Americans, thank Heaven, want the very best, and are willing and able to pay or hunt the world over or invent, to get it. How shall we go to work to combine these three needed qualifications in the market apples of the future? To begin now in the good work as the best thing in which, let us save seed to sow next spring from the fruits and trees, whether grafts or seedlings, combining the most good qualities of tree and fruit. In every case let us work from and for good keeping winter varieties as most valuable. When striving and offering premiums only for choice winter apples, we shall stumble on choice new summer and fall sorts in abundance.

"The matter of saving seed produced this year is of the greatest possible importance and promise. Seed with the fruits and sets, fruit bloom and trees, have all proved comparatively ironclad in the past year's winter, and against adverse storms in spring and summer. Hence seed from this year in the North, where fruit usually failed, should be worth far more for purpose than seed grown in a good fruit season. For the purpose of growing choice, new hardy varieties from the seed, I must regard the seed usually thrown out to pigs or waste, as far more valuable than the fruit itself. Let me illustrate my meaning here: Suppose I had 1,000 apple seeds of the very best to breed new varieties from, and some one should offer me \$1,000 for the seed to destroy it, I think I should be very foolish to look at the money. Why? From that seed I might very likely get a variety worth thousands to me in business and millions to the country at large. How many choice new grapes have been sold within a few years at from \$1,000 to \$4,000 each? And there is to-day in my mind nothing in American horticulture more worthy and promising than

sale of really choice new varieties of fruit. The only additional safeguard required is to test these new sorts more widely and thoroughly before offering them to the public.

"Reader, will you save and sow choice apple seed of this year's growth? You get the seed for nothing, thrown in with the fruit. All it wants is a little pains in sowing and sowing the seed, in rearing and fruiting the seedlings. It is a free course. Any farmer or lot owner or housekeeper can help. Any six-year-old child can be taught this blessed habit, and be thus early interested in practical horticulture, which I do believe is (let us hope very soon) to cut a very large figure in regenerating and regenerated America. The very best seed for our purpose, in my judgement, would be from the fruit of ironclad winter apple seedling trees, bearing fair, brilliant red, yellow, green, or russet fruit under or around top grafts, in the same tree or trees, of the very choicest winter apples. Thus seed of the ironclad seedling fruit would get fertilized from the choice fruits, and be most likely to give the happy combination required. Suppose that we top graft next spring Baldwin, Greening, Red Canada, Spy Belleflower, and Janet on a robust, long-lived productive, sure-bearing, winter Siberian, with as many good traits as possible. Remember the tree that bears the seed governs the tree produce, while the fertilizing pollen governs the future fruit. At least such is the most probable combination among the myriad variations of ordinary open grown seeds. If I could have seedling ironclad winter apple trees of our cultivated American family of apples, I should of course prefer them. It is possible that such trees exist along our northern border, and I hope the orchards and gardens will be most thoroughly and speedily explored for any such.

"Many Siberians, for hardiness, stand unquestionably at the head of all cultivated apples—not only in tree, but in fruit, bloom, and set. It is also pretty well established that they will hybridize with our common American apples. Why not then take far more pains to save and sow seed from them? The Siberians, I believe, are superior to the Russians as at present known, in at least three points: hardiness of tree, hardiness of bloom and set, and free production of winter fruit from seed or graft. Now I have never heard of any one beside myself saving and sowing seed from winter Siberians, though I doubt not it has been done. By sowing such seed, and working constantly from the most hardy, robust, healthy, blight proof, long keeping Siberians, we shall soon get into a grand composite American Siberian brood or set of varieties, combining every desirable quality of tree or fruit. The only objections I know to the Siberian apples are small size, dwarfishness of stock, hence (reported) inability for root or stock grafting; liability to fire blight, and small size of fruit. These faults can all be overcome by growing and testing from seed."

The chemist of the Agricultural Department at Washington says that the soil best adapted for the growth of sorghum for sugar appeared to be sandy loam.

English papers say the run on Hereford cattle by American buyers at this time is phenomenal, and that the like was never known before. Breeders have about all they can do to supply the demand.

Salt the sheep regularly. It will tend to prevent wholesale losses. Salt acts as a codiment, and is no doubt an appetizer; but it also does something more in quickening the action of the internal organic system, and preventing the generation of internal parasites.

Says the New York Times: "A fruit tree should be considered a forest tree. Orchards are too often cultivated and cropped to the injury of the trees, not to take into account the fruit gathered from them. This quite accounts for the failure of the trees to produce satisfactory crops."

M. Lachaume, of Havana, is astonishing the French by telling the Reven Horticole of the great love of Americans for cut flowers. He gives the true, but what must be to them a marvelous story, that one grower alone, near New York, cut 10,000 buds of General Jacqueminot Rose last winter.

Twenty-nine years ago Mr. L. E. Gleason, of Reedsburg, planted a number of black walnuts on his farm says the Western Farmer. In nine years they commenced to bear and this year he has gathered fifty bushels from the trees. He has found ready sale for all he had to spare, a good share of them going to Dakota for planting.

The largest apple crop ever raised in Illinois is being picked this fall. Three thousand barrels have already been shipped from Tolo and Savoy, and 2500 more will be shipped from these points before the season closes. Champaign county will have at least 50,000 bushels to export, which will bring our fruit growers not less than \$25,000.

The strawberry prospect in Southern Illinois, says the Rural World, is not good for another season. The drouth through August and September has played smash. Every grower is complaining of a poor stand. The white grub and drouth have ruined them. All last Spring's setting is not half a stand from the above named causes, drouth and insects.

A curious trade has sprung up of late years between New Zealand and China. A brown semi-transparent fungus, resembling the human ear, grows abundantly in the North Island. This is collected, dried and packed in bags for export to China, where it is highly prized for its flavor and gelatinous qualities as an ingredient in soup. The value of the export in 1877 was over \$55,000.

A Vermont sheep raiser claims the foot rot can be entirely eradicated from a flock of sheep by dipping the feet of every member of the flock whether lamb or not, into kerosene oil, and then putting a pinch of sulphur between the hoofs. One repetition of the treatment at the end of two weeks, he claims, will be sufficient. They should be kept in a dry place for a few hours after each application of the kerosene.

A traveler in the Low Countries, Holland, says while making a tour through the agricultural districts recently, he was surprised at the immense turnip tracts that greeted the eye on every hand. At first it seemed to him as though a turnip mania was about to succeed the tulip mania; but a little inquiry discovered the fact that the expressed juice of this vegetable was sent to France, there to be made into champagne.

An Illinois farmer gives the following directions for curing galling shoulders in horses, and says that it is reliable: Take some leather and burn it to a crisp; powder and rub the same on the galled parts. A few applications will effect a perfect cure. A new work horse put to the plow last spring received several galls on both shoulders. A few applications of the burnt leather made them as sound as if never injured, and no scar is now seen.

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Burdette's Lectures to Young Men.

ROBERT J. BURDETTE, the famous editor of the Burlington Hawkeye, has been lecturing to large audiences in different parts of the country, and in his amusing style he imparts to the rising generation some wholesome advice. The following is from one of his lectures:

"Be somebody on your own account, my son, and don't try to get along on the reputation of your ancestors. Nobody knows, and nobody cares who Adam's grandfather was, and there is not a man living who can tell the name of Brigham Young's mother-in-law." The lecturer urged upon his hearers the necessity of keeping up with every day procession, and not pulling back in the harness. Hard work never was known to kill men; it was the fun that men had in the intervals that killed them. The fact was, most people had yet to learn what fun really was. A man might go to Europe and spend a million dollars, and then recall the fact that he had a great deal more fun at a picnic twenty years ago that cost him just 65 cents. The theory that the world owed every man a living was false. The world owed a man nothing. There was a living in the world for every man, however, providing the man was willing to work for it. If he did not work for it, somebody else would earn it and the lazy man "would get left." There were greater opportunities for workers out West than in the Eastern cities but men who went out West to grow up with the country must do their own growing.

There was no browsing allowed in the vigorous West. An energetic man might go out into the far West, and in two or three years possess himself of a bigger house, a bigger yard, a bigger barn, and a bigger mortgage than he could obtain by twenty years' work in the East. All young men ought to marry, and no young men should envy old or rich men. In conclusion, Mr. Burdette said that a man should do well whatever he was given to do, and not despise drudgery. The world wants good shoemakers, teamsters, and laborers, but it does not want poor lawyers, poor preachers, or poor editors.

Ex-Gov. St. John, of Kansas, gives a brilliant picture of this year's agricultural prospects in his State. He says the corn crop will aggregate fully 200,000,000 bushels, which is an increase over last year of over 30,000,000 bushels. The wheat crop last year was about 55,000,000 bushels, and this year it will be about 40,000,000 bushels. This will furnish a large surplus for export and bring a deal of money into the State.

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B. P. Williams, Judge.
 J. T. Brink, Dist. Attorney.
 J. L. Stark, Co. Attorney.
 W. M. King, Sheriff.
 D. B. Mizell, Clerk.

County Court convenes the first Monday in February, May, August and November, or Criminal, Civil and Probate Business.

Commissioners:
 P. M. No. 1, A. Hindley.
 " " 2, A. J. Abernethy.
 " " 3, James McCoy.
 " " 4, F. E. Reitz.
 Dr. R. L. McClure, Co. Treasurer.
 J. M. Hughes, Surveyor.
 A. F. Anderson, Assessor.
 H. B. Anlin, Inspector.

Justice Court convenes the last Monday in every month for Civil and Criminal Business.

F. R. Aston, Justice.
 W. J. Craig, Constable.

Justice Court convenes every second Thursday in each month.

Justice Court convenes every fourth Friday for both Civil and Criminal Business.

J. H. Baker, Justice.
 J. A. Tucker, Constable.

Justice Court convenes every third Thursday in each month for Civil and Criminal Business.

R. C. Dunlap, Justice.

Justice Court convenes first Thursday in every month for Civil and Criminal Business.

Wm. Fox, Justice.

Justice Court convenes every third Thursday in each month for Civil and Criminal Business.

H. C. Rollins, Justice.
 H. B. Verner, Justice.
 J. H. Watson, Constable.

The following is a list of the newly appointed Notaries Public for Jack County: W. L. Garvin, C. F. Treats, Geo. R. Wall, Willis Stewart, J. S. Stark, J. W. Nelson, J. B. Robinson, M. H. D. H. E. P. Eagan, N. S. Cox, and J. L. Kirk.

All Justices of the Peace are by virtue of their office Notaries Public.

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