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**DAMS & ADAMS.**  
**ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW.**  
**CROCKETT, TEXAS.**  
Office—Over French & Chamberlain's Drug Store.  
Mrs. Martha Gray of Virginia has been found by the census man. Mrs. Gray is now living with her third husband, and her record at rearing children is thus scheduled: Six triplets, 18; six twins, 17; seven singles, seven; total, 37 children. When the census enumerator facetiously remarked: "Tally one for Mrs. Gray," that good lady exclaimed: "You tally 37, and don't you forget it!"  
Common sense and genuine religion always harmonize.

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## EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Address of Hon. N. W. Finley.  
To the Democracy of Texas:  
FELLOW DEMOCRATS—In the exercise of the duties imposed upon me as chairman of the Democracy of the State, and with a high sense of its responsibilities I have, with a steady and impartial hand, endeavored to point out the path of regular organized party action leading to full expression of Democratic sentiment and the preservation of the integrity and strength of our party organization. I should not address you again on the subject, knowing full well that my words of counsel are yet fresh in your memories, were I not moved by what seems to me a deliberate effort at suppression of Democratic sentiment or disruption of Democratic organization. I cannot reconcile the utterances daily appearing in the newspapers from open letter writers and stump speakers, with a sincerity of purpose to promote practical, honest methods of gathering and enforcing the opinion and will of the Democratic masses. Under the cry of danger, self-constituted leaders have rushed to the front, and instead of trying to secure harmony of action and preservation of organization, have advised revolt, and have laid plans for bolts, contests and disruption. Who are these who deny any authority in me, and impugn the motives of the chairman, while assuming so much for themselves? Do they stand upon any lofty eminence of impartiality, and though patriotism alone should the alarm bell to arouse a sleeping Democracy?

Let their several positions in this campaign and their intemperate utterances of personal, partisan passion answer. The damage is said to exist in my statement as to qualifications and methods which should obtain, an admission to Democratic primaries; is there anything new and dangerous in my official suggestions to the Democracy? Hear them, as in substance uniformly given:  
1. The party has announced no fixed rule of testing qualifications for admission in primaries, but trusts to the loyalty and discretion of its members in local organizations in such matters.  
2. A man should reside in the locality where the primary is held, possess the general qualifications of a voter, and be a Democrat, who is permitted to participate in Democratic primaries.  
3. An open announcement of adherence to the principles of Democracy, accompanied by an obligation to support its organized action, is ordinarily sufficient evidence of good faith, to be a passport into Democratic primaries.  
4. Should there exist in any particular locality serious apprehensions of an element previously unfriendly, in bad faith, seeking admission into our primaries; the local organization should provide an effectual method to exclude all such, being careful to close our doors against no Democratic voter who honestly and in good faith seeks admission.

No, fellow Democrats, the advisory directions I have given you breath a spirit of harmony and integrity of Democracy and practical honest politics; and the alarm is a false one, owing its origin to the foreshadowing of Democratic sentiment, and is being soundly by exasperated partisans for purposes other than the triumph of the will of the Democratic masses. If I were to heed the sickly, hypocritical warnings and entreaties of these self-appointed guardians of the Democracy of Texas, I would then have ample authority in their opinion to direct in matters of organized action, and I would then be led to bar the doors of our party against the great body of laboring Democrats of this State. I am already asked by an affectionate open correspondent to denounce as the enemies of Democracy the two agricultural papers of the State, for the reason that they are advising those of their readers who have heretofore departed from the Democratic fold to return and share in the privileges and blessings of Democracy; he would have a Chinese wall erected around those who can't furnish a perfect pedigree of past loyalty, and depend upon the fruit of their loins for increase. I have no such fears from the farming, laboring element, as would for one moment induce me to seriously consider such radical action: I have an abiding faith in the Democracy of the body of the agricultural voters of Texas, and I feel

assured that they will exercise the privilege of local self government in party affairs, with as much safety to purity of Democracy as any other element in the State.  
I would be as ready to condemn any secret political organization or combination of laboring men as being antagonistic to Democracy, and with as ready a hand lock the door of our party against them, as any living man; no man who owes fealty to another political organization should have any voice in Democratic councils, and if there be any such antagonistic organizations in particular localities seeking admission into Democratic primaries, the solemn duty rests upon the Democracy of such places to keep out the wolf in sheep's clothing and preserve the purity of Democratic expression.  
In conclusion I beg to sound the note of warning against the deliberate laid schemes for bolts, and contests, and admonish that open, fair, clean, honest methods obtain in your organized actions.  
Respectfully,  
N. W. FINLEY,  
Chm. State Dem. Ex. Com.  
Tyler, Tex., June 24, 1890.

**Determent to His Business.**  
Possible tenant (to Harlin landlord)—"Is it a healthful neighborhood up here in Harlin?"  
Landlord—"Healthful! It beats anything on Manhattan Island. Why the living skeleton in the Dime Museum around the corner threw up his job only to day and moved down town. He said the climate made him too fat.—Ephoc."  
"I think the goose has the advantage of you," said a landlady to an inexperienced boarder, who was carrying "Gussie" home, in a cage, "as the withering retort."  
"We often pay the most for what we need the least."

**THE CENSUS WORK.**  
SLOW WORK IN LOUISIANA.  
To-day was the day fixed for the finishing of the census in New Orleans, but the work is far from complete. Supervisor Baldy reports that only half the enumerators have handed their lists to him. The work will therefore be continued during next week. The census of the country districts will also be delayed beyond the time fixed, July 1, the overflowed condition of some of the parishes rendering it a slow and tedious matter to take the enumeration. The State census taken in March as a check on the Federal one is nearly completed. It shows a total of about 1,147,000 for Louisiana and 226,300 for New Orleans.

**PHILADELPHIA'S POPULATION.**  
The returns of the census enumerators in this city, with one exception, were all in to-night, and Gen. Robert B. Beath, the Supervisor for this district, gives the population of Philadelphia at 1,040,449, the figures being unofficial. The population in 1880 was 847,170, and the increase therefore is 193,279, or 22 8-10 per cent. There has been an increase of over 60,000 in the number of dwelling houses.

**BOSTON'S POPULATION.**  
The Globe says that upon the basis of the census returns already completed it is justified in announcing that the population of Boston approximates 417,720 and that the official figures will vary but little therefrom. This shows a gain of nearly 55,000 since the census of 1880, and 17,327 since the State census of five years ago.

**FORT WORTH'S POPULATION.**  
The unofficial footings of the Fort Worth census given out late to-night gives Fort Worth 30,240 people. This is complete, with the exception of two small districts. The officers of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce claim the official returns will show a population of 32,500.

**CINCINNATI'S POPULATION.**  
The census returns for Cincinnati and Hamilton county are still far from complete. The indications from incomplete figures, are that the population of Cincinnati is about 300,000 and that of Hamilton county about 400,000. The returns in their present state, however, furnish a very unreliable source of information.

**THE LARGEST CITY IN KANSAS.**  
Estimates based on the returns of the enumerators place the population of Kansas City, Kan., at 40,000, making it the largest city in the State of Kansas.

**NEW YORK'S POPULATION.**  
The Tribune states that census figures in thirty days will be made known Sunday, showing that the population is over 1,800,000. NEW YORK'S POPULATION 1,627,227. The census figures for this city footed up to-night make a total of 1,627,227.

**Editor Waterhouse's opinion of Speaker Reed.**  
If courage be integrity in wrong-doing, and brilliancy an easy, off-hand audacity in the assertion of injustice and untruth, the present Speaker of the National House of Representatives is both a courageous and a brilliant man. But the contrast he presents to his Democratic predecessor throws some doubt upon these points and ought to start a train of reflections in the minds of thoughtful, fair-minded people. Mr. Carlisle was so calm and yet so strong, so firm and yet so just, so sober and yet so able, so serious and yet so scintillant, as to cast upon Mr. Reed's swagger and bravado the discredit which the meretricious must always suffer when brought to question by real merit.  
Mr. Reed does not seem to us to be a brave man—though it is not wise to challenge men in this regard until the contrary is shown—certainly not a brave man in the moral sense. True bravery is rarely tyrannical and never case-hardened. It allows some chance to its adversary. It does not propose to gag and bind him, and, thus defenseless, to rob him, or to take his life. Nor do Mr. Reed's peculiar talents—however trickily shown and smartly conspicuous—have the ring, or the reflection, of the true metal. They appear to emanate from some secret sense of inferiority, and, lacking the dignity of the statesman, they take, by a kind of necessary preference, to the ways of a whistler in one corner of his mouth and a snicker in the other.

**HOUSTON COUNTY.**  
is situated in Eastern Texas in latitude 31 1/2 degrees north; 100 miles north of Houston and 140 miles north of Galveston. The Trinity river is the county's boundary line on the west and the Neches on the east. The county is one of the oldest and in area one of the largest in the state. It embraces in area 622640 acres of land. The population of the county by official returns reaches nearly 23,000.

**POPULATION.**  
The population of the county largely white, is between 22,000 and 25,000.  
**RAILROADS.**  
The Great Northern branch of the International and Great Northern railroad runs through the center in a direction almost due north and south. There are also three other railroad lines already chartered and being surveyed and partly constructed, projecting in the direction of Houston county, two of them by charter calling for the county. The Texas and Sabine railroad runs east and west near the south boundary line, and the Kansas and Gulf short line but a short distance from the eastern boundary, both furnishing means of shipping easily accessible to those sections. In respect of transportation conveniences the county is well supplied, and when the other roads in contemplation are constructed, as they will be before a great while, no county in the state will surpass Houston in facilities for easy and rapid transportation to and from market.

**CLIMATE AND WATER.**  
The climate is mild and healthful. An abundance of the best water can be had in any part of the county. Running through it in every direction are ever-flowing streams of water of the purest kind and of such volume and power as to be very valuable for any kind of manufacturing purposes. No county in the state can boast of as many streams.

**CHURCHES.**  
The Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian and Christian denominations have church organizations throughout the county.  
**SCHOOLS.**  
No county in Texas is better supplied with first-class schools. The reputation of some of these institutions have become state-wide. Besides a most efficient and excellent system of public schools, lasting six months every year, there are several Academies and High schools of high grade and first-class standing that are open all the year and are largely attended. It has been very justly remarked of the Crockett Academies that few, if any schools in the state, have sent out from their halls as many highly cultivated and accomplished young men as they have.

**SCHOOL FUND.**  
Houston county has a permanent county school fund amounting to \$70,000, which brings in annually from four to five thousand dollars to be used in running the public schools of the county. This added to state and local tax makes the sum of money spent annually in Houston county on public schools aggregate nearly \$30,000.

**LAND IN CULTIVATION.**  
There are about 80,000 acres of land in cultivation. The county produces on an average 15,000 bales of cotton annually, 300,000 to 400,000 bushels of corn, 50,000 gallons of the very finest ribbon cane syrup, oats, wheat, rye, barley, millet, sorghum, etc.

**SOILS.**  
Houston county can show a greater variety of rich soils than any other county in Texas. We have the black-waxy, the black loam, the stiff black-sandy, the gray, the sandy, the red the chocolate, the alluvial soils and other kinds. The following are some of the prairies, all of which are thickly settled and in a high state of cultivation: Novels, Saline, Mustang, Tyler, Nogales, Pine, East.

**TIMBER.**  
Timber, adapted to the manufacture of any and everything for which wood is used can be had in Houston county, in almost unlimited supplies.  
**GOLD MEDAL.**  
Houston county, at the Fort Worth Spring Fair for 1890, carried off the GOLD MEDAL for the finest display of native wood. This was done in the face of sharp competition by other counties.

**FRUITS.**  
This county yields to none in the adaptability of its soils to the production of all kinds of fruits and vegetables. Apples, peaches, pears, figs, plums, apricots, grapes and all varieties of berries are grown, with ease and profit. The soil is specially fitted for early fruits and berries and truck and fruit farming is becoming very profitable.

**ORES.**  
We have in almost exhaustless supplies rich iron ore of the brown hematite and laminated varieties—besides other kinds. Clays for making brick, gling, pottery, etc.  
**FINE STOCK.**  
This county is especially adapted to the raising of fine stock and quite a number of persons have made a success in Jersey cattle and other blooded stock.  
**TOWNS.**  
Crockett, the county seat, is located on the I. & G. N. railroad and has a population of 1800. There are two fine schools for whites, open ten months in the year. Two weekly newspapers, THE COURIER and ECONOMIST. Nearly all denominations have church organizations here. Society first-class.  
Lovelady is the next town in size. It lies twelve miles south of Crockett, and on the I. & G. N. railroad. It has a population of 600. Graduated schools seldom fail to take and keep rank with the 400 to 500. They have a most excellent High School at this place and the best school building probably in East Texas. Several churches and excellent society.

Grapeland, on the I. & G. N. railroad, is 12 miles north of Crockett, population 300. Good society, churches and are preparing to erect at once a splendid High school building.  
There are hamlets all through the county, located in thriving and cultivated neighborhoods. The following are some of them and have from one to three stores, churches, school, and post office: Augusta, Weches, Tadmor, Ratliff, Coltharp, Daly, Porter Springs, Creek, Weldon, Holly, Pennington, Belott, Daniel and Dodson.

Houston county invites capital and immigration. Lands are cheap. For information—ADDRESS ANY OF THE PARTIES BELOW.  
CROCKETT POST OFFICE.  
Courier, Economist, J. H. Wooters, S. C. Arledge, B. F. Duroe, Dr. J. B. Smith, E. Broxson.  
LOVELADY.  
W. S. Harrison, N. J. Mainer, J. R. B. Barbee.  
R. H. Matthews, Weldon, Ross Murchison, Porter Springs, Robert Ferguson, Creek, Bud Branch, Holly, A. J. McLemore, Coltharp, G. S. Harrison, Weches, Wm. McLean, Augusta, J. E. Hollingsworth, Grapeland, Jas. A. Hill, Daly, I. A. Daniel, Daniel, J. H. Ratliff, Ratliff, R. B. Harvin, Tadmor.

And the Houston county Real Estate Association, Crockett, Texas.  
**The Man Who is Down.**  
The world is harsh to a man who is down. There doesn't seem to be any place for him among his more prosperous fellows. Those who succeed through good fortune or on account of well-directed effort, seem to take it as an affront that the poor devil that is down has the audacity to keep on living. Those who know him in his more prosperous days are prone to huan him, and those who do not, are not desirous of making his acquaintance. If there was any way of concealing the truth he might have some show of climbing up again, but unfortunately, it cannot be hid, and there are a thousand ways in which the fact that he is down is proclaimed to an unsympathizing world. In the first place there is his sooty attire, then his gaunt countenance and the hopeless look in his eye. His actions bespeak his condition, and the tones of his voice are accusing witnesses, giving corroboration against him. The consolation he receives when it is offered generally serves to make him feel the degradation all the more keenly. Of what use is a plow tract to a starving man, or a temperance lecture to a sullen drunk? Yet there are many who think they have performed the whole duty to an unfortunate brother through such admonition.—Exchange.

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Houston county the gold medal county. Houston county leads all counties in variety of soils.

Houston county leads all counties in soil adapted to the growth of fruits and vegetables. Houston county invites capital and immigration.

Houston county leads all counties in native woods adapted to manufacturing purposes. Houston county leads all counties in the number and volume of flowing streams.

Loaded? Try it and see. Orange county didn't instruct but the delegates are solid for Hogg.

Cooke once lived in Hayes county; Hayes nevertheless goes for Hogg. "A trade am a mighty fine thing when it goes a certain way, don'tcher no."

Hogg carries Harris county, Cooke's home. The question is what is the Post going to do about it? Ye shall know him by the company he keeps.

The sermon on the Mount hasn't an observation in it that's truer than that. Jno. M. Moore has withdrawn from the race for Attorney General; this leaves the field to Charley Culberson.

It will be well to note one thing as we go long: that these fellows who foster strife expect to fatten and flourish on it. A discerning people can see their object.

A. L. Matlock has taken upon himself the task of doing the dirty work for the Hogg opposition. He is doing it too; nothing too infamous for him to resort to.

A candidate for an office who is unwilling or afraid to meet the people face to face and talk to them from the hustler's doesn't deserve nor should he receive their support.

Fisher, Red River, Nolan, Live Oak, Bee, Coleman, Jones, Blanco, Comal, Cooke, Burleson, Lampasas, Llano, Marion, Mitchell, Kinney, LaSalle, Wharton, Concho, held conventions the past week and instructed for Hogg.

We could, if we would, publish some mighty interesting reading showing how certain persons stood on the question of governor some months ago. They were opposed to Hogg then and wanted some one else for the chief magistrate of Texas.

These self-constituted saboteurs who are howling so vociferously just now for primaries, a short while since didn't want but one. One was enough then, but now there can't be too many. The "whiteness of the wherefore" no doubt has much to do with the change.

The Anti Hogg organs are commencing themselves with the reflection that he has "a long way to go before he gets 600 votes." They are welcome to all the comfort they can get out of this. It may be a long way to go, but he will go, and is going, and will soon have reached it. He has over 200 votes now, and gathers them in as rapidly as conventions meet.

Some persons are more concerned about defeating a certain individual for congress than they are about electing a county man to office, and would cheerfully sacrifice the latter to secure the defeat of the former. Pigeons rarely fail to return home. There is a "sweet by and bye," and you can store that fact away in the recesses of your memory.

The Marlin Ball says: "The Hogg managers must be getting nervous. They are now agitating the propriety of abolishing the two-thirds rule." We know of no such agitation. And if there is, it is not from motives of expediency to serve the purposes of the hour but because there is and always has been a large element in the democratic party insisting that such a test was unfair and unjust. The two-thirds rule will not interfere with Mr. Hogg's nomination. He can pass under the wire with the four fifth rule in force.

The Graded School Move. It is very gratifying to be able to state that the citizens of Crockett seem to have gotten together at last and to be practically unanimous in favor of the graded school enterprise.

It is then proposed that the town shall take charge of its own schools, issue bonds and erect handsome and commodious school buildings and by a corporate tax maintain a public school for nine months in the year free to all living within the limits of the corporation.

This is a move of unusual significance and promises a great deal for Crockett; it demonstrates that the public spirit of our citizens, though apparently dormant for years, is vitally alive at last to the imperative demands for a higher, broader, more efficient and more thorough-going system of public schools. Such a system is called for to afford the children of the town and country advantages and facilities for acquiring an education equal to those of other cities and towns; such a system is called for to put the town on an equal footing with other towns, and to enable it to take its position in the line of progress close up to the head of the procession.

The exigencies of a higher law are forcing towns the size of Crockett, and even smaller, to catch the step and march with the rest of the column. If this is not done it must drop out of line and out of sight.

The successful carrying out of the proposed enterprise will be attended by beneficial results of incalculable value to the town, and the county generally. A rapid increase of population will follow, and a consequent improvement of business of every character; people of money and culture will make their homes here, society improve, and all the agencies of a higher, purer, better civilization will come to elevate and ennoble.

The resources within the area outlined are amply adequate for the ends contemplated; these resources will grow and in a short time, the tax rate which may seem burdensome at first, will become small, and, when weighed in the balance with the benefits accruing, trifling and insignificant.

It is to be hoped that all will now co-operate and work together in a spirit of harmony for the success of the enterprise, animated and prompted solely by the higher consideration of promoting the good of the entire community. The town heretofore has been torn to pieces by factions and rent by strife. It is not the province of the writer to pass on the merits of any controversy that may have divided us on educational questions in the past; it is more than likely that both sides were reprehensible in a measure. But that is not in issue now, or at least should not be. All factional bitterness and spirit should be put aside as we believe it will be, and the people of this town and vicinity come together for once and on one question at least labor like brothers for a common end and a common good: The dominancy of this faction or that faction, the supremacy of this church influence or that church influence, the triumph of this or that individual should not be thought of or sought after, but should be discarded and all citizens of whatever factional or church affiliations or predilections in a spirit of generous magnanimity and disinterested patriotism should look above and beyond these petty considerations to that higher one which should be primary and paramount over all others; the WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY. It is not necessary to criticize or censure or abuse anybody for past differences on this school question. Both sides were honest and sincere, both devoted to what they conceived to be their duty under the circumstances. Let all these things be buried and forgotten, and let us all, we repeat it again, get together for one time and on one question at least stand together, resolved to put strife and bickering behind us and work in "sweet concord" for the up-building of our town and county.

Well, well, well, Dick Hall has got one county instructed for him. It is that newly organized though erratic sister, away out on the border and is named Jeff Davis. She will have one vote in the State convention. This same county voted for Harrison for president on the tariff issue, and it is not surprising that it goes for Dick Hall for governor. But ain't Dick Hall getting there though; one county with one vote. Such a following at the San Antonio convention will make things whoop.

Loaded! Try it and see. Dick Hall's boom for governor is very much like the efforts of the police to locate Tascott. The Marlin Ball is thankful for small favors; listen at it shouts "Howard county instructed for Cooke, Ray."

Any one knowing of any persons whom the census enumerators failed to get will confer a favor by reporting such fact to The Courier at once. Some editors are curious to know why we persist in spelling the name of Gustave Cooke with an "e." Wait till after the State convention and see.

The friends of the graded school enterprise should act promptly and push the preliminary work. There are many things to do. Keep the ball moving. The Forth Worth Gazette is offering a premium of twenty dollars in gold to the one guessing the nearest to Hogg's vote at the San Antonio convention. Here is at you: Hogg by acclamation without the formality of a vote.

We publish elsewhere in The Courier a brilliant editorial, from the Courier Journal on Speaker Reed. It is good reading. The article excited general comment in the House of Representatives from both sides.

The Hardeman county convention instructed its delegates as follows: "Vote for J. S. Hogg first, last and all the time and to take with them their winter clothes, and if necessary, stay until November the 7th to secure his nomination."

The Trinity county convention instructed as follows: Governor J. S. Hogg; Lieut. Gov. Pendleton; Treasurer, D. J. Cate; Comptroller, Haywood Branch; Supt. Public Instruction, Anderson; Congress, Charles Stewart; Representative, G. C. Clegg; Dis. Attorney, H. L. Robb.

Five out of the eight precincts in Eastland county, Wheeler's home, instructed for Hogg. That gentleman was making speeches in another part of the State when the primaries were held and had to hurry home to keep his own county from instructing against him.

Edwards of the N. B. Times writes his paper from Boston that he was recognized on landing as being from Texas by the size of his hat. Of course he meant the periphery of his head toggery. There are some editors whose heads go out of sight in a number six Derby, but Edwards is not one of these.

The state convention will not be in session more than two days. Hogg will be nominated by acclamation and Pendleton by acclamation and Culberson by acclamation. There will be a contest only for State treasurer, Comptroller, Commissioner of the General Land Office, and Superintendent of Public Instruction.

There are two candidates for the legislature in this county. The people want to know how they stand on the repeal of the oil inspection law, or the oil tax law in other words. Speak out, gentlemen, and let the democrats of the county know. We are of opinion that they would both vote for such a repeal; yet it is best that they should go on record now face to face with their constituents and then the people will know where to place them.

The Bill for re-chartering the Louisiana Lottery has passed both houses of the Louisiana legislature. It passed by such a majority that the governor can't veto it. The bill submits the question to a vote of the people. A hot fight will now follow. One of the conditions of the new charter is that the company shall pay annually into the State treasury for levee, public debt, and asylum purposes, the sum of one and a quarter million dollars.

Edwards of the New Birmingham Times is on a visit to Boston. If he wasn't so stubbornly "hot" in his ways, we might hope that contact with the highly "cultured" folk of that aristocratic town would so broaden and liberalize our friend's views that he wouldn't charge every one with carrying a red flag who differed with him. We very much fear that this is expecting too much. Having exhausted all the weapons peculiar to the "wild and woolly western style" of arguing, Charley will come back loaded with a full supply of the east-of-sunrise article, and we be unto the editor to vent as to jump him! You have heard of the man who shook hands with the buzz-saw "just to show the blamed thing that he had nothing agin it." Regard the fate of this man and be wise.

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The first few days they confine themselves to the under side of the leaves, but finally eat through or "rag" the leaf and appear on the upper side. The caterpillar grows rapidly and eats voraciously for about twenty days. It then, by means of silky threads, webs itself up in a leaf and remains dormant for a week or ten days. At the end of this period it comes forth as the perfect or winged moth. Within thirty-six hours after issuing the moths have paired and the female begins to lay her eggs for the next brood. The number of broods varies from two in North Carolina, to six or more in Texas.

Remedies to prevent the ravages of this pest it is only necessary for cotton growers to unite for mutual protection, and provide competent agents to see that in all sections in which the moth is known to hibernates, no brush or trash piles are allowed to remain in the fields during the winter, and that all gin houses, cabins, and etc., are thoroughly cleaned and disinfected by means of carbolic whitewash. This work is to be supplemented in spring by lantern traps in the fields and by hand picking of the few caterpillars that in spite of all precautions may appear.

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To Colored Voters. The colored voters of Houston county, are loyal to the party, that emancipated them, and to ask them to be otherwise is but to insult them, but it is high time that we begin to open our eyes and see the good we are doing, in supporting that party. Let us ask ourselves this question: "Are we doing our party any good?" If so let us stick to our party, if not, let us cast our votes in such a way that it may be felt: Does our vote help to elect President? Does it help to elect our party? Does it help to elect any officers in our county from President down to bailiff? Ans. no; to all the foregoing, and you can plainly see where we are sleeping on our rights. Ought we not to have a say in who shall be our county officers? Yes, but we will never do so as long as we, for the sake of our party, stick so firmly to it.

We do not pretend to say that the colored people in this county are anything but solidly republican, and have been so for 25 years, and when they elected, or helped to elect Davis as governor, his last term, was the last valuable vote they cast. Why not we colored voters of the county put our votes at a premium? Who asks the colored man to vote for him? Matters not how well you may like a man as an officer, you can not help to sustain him in that office. Why? Because we are solid republicans.

Let me say my friends the turning point rests upon the vote of the negro. The solution of the negro problem lies in the way his ballot is cast. Let the colored voters of this county say by their votes who shall rule, even if their republicanism, so far as our party or State is concerned, is canceled. My friends let us remember that all the treatment we have had, let it be good or bad, came from a Democratic State government, and that too, one which we have provoked to anger by our manner of voting. Don't common experience teach us, "that if we fight bees, they will fight us." Do we, or can we expect a parent, to be as kind to a rebellious child as to an obedient one. No, if we are slighted in any capacity in the courts of our State can we expect anything else. Let us ask ourselves this question. If I was elected high sheriff of this county, and Mr. A. voted against me, would I let him be my deputy, or would I have him for a petit juror? You answer, no. Well how can we, who are from one election to another plotting against these men, expect them to accommodate us? Hugh! Heh! Couldn't expect it, could we?

Now my friends let me tell you don't you tickle the mules heels, if yer do, he will kick yer. Now with the hope that this may be read by every colored voter in the county I remain truly loyal to my race's interest and sign myself A HARD HITTER.

CREEK. Crops on the Creek are about clean, as we have had some hot days grass has been easily killed. We are needing rain for corn and cane.

Mr. Wash Taylor and Miss Ditty are having a spell of fever; hope to see them up soon. Prof. J. Hackney has returned to his home in Coleman county after a brief visit to his brother at this place.

Mrs. Emma Brown, of Porter Springs, paid Creek a visit, in the interest of a school. The school house is being enlarged which looks as if we will have a good school yet.

Messrs Hester and Hallmark have attached a shingle machine to their mill. The minstrels have their war point on.

Mr. J. W. Goodwin and family paid us a visit this week. He talks of moving to Creek. When we get a railroad and a justice here other towns will have to stand aside.

Candidates seem to shun Creek. Don't be backward, as our candidate here lets us rest; he says the others will talk enough for him. He is out of grass but has not succeeded in his matrimonial office, and if he fails in the other, some one please come and set up with him.

D. LEARY. LOST, STRAYED, OR STOLEN. Advertisements under the above heading will be inserted free of charge to all subscribers of The Courier.

LOST. A black horse, two years old, past branded 22 on left shoulder. Will pay a liberal reward for his recovery. Address: Martin Brown, Crockett, Texas.

One small light-brown male, three years old, branded on left shoulder with capital T with a bar across the stem. One two year old, light brown male, no brand. Any information leading to their recovery will be gratefully appreciated. W. H. THURSDALE, Porter Springs.

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THE CROCKETT SUMMER NORMAL. FOR EIGHTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT. Will open Monday, July 6, 1890, and continue Four Weeks. Examinations held July 28, 29 and 30, 1890. Certificates good for two years, and in any county of the State. Expenses for Board, Tuition, Etc., \$15, to \$17.50. EXAMINATION FEE \$1.00.

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ANOTHER FIRE IN LOVELADY. The glaring ender of the late conflagration at Lovelady had scarcely smoldered into ashes when another great fire had broken out in the heart of the town.

NELMS & MAINER, Lower Prices. to come to the rescue of the people by offering them.

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THE COURIER.

FRIDAY JULY 4, 1890.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Our terms for advertising the names of candidates will be as follows: Congress, six State Senators, six Legislators and other County officers, \$2.00. Each name sent in must invariably be accompanied with the cash.

We are authorized to announce the following names for the office under which said name appears, subject to the action of the electors to be held in the next election.

- For Congress: W. H. Martin, Second District. For District Attorney: W. H. Gilchrist, Judicial District. For Representative: W. F. Murchison. For County Judge: W. A. Davis, W. B. Wall, J. W. Madden. For County Attorney: Chester Hall, John I. Moore, O. D. East. For County Clerk: J. R. Howard, T. T. Beasley, J. F. Martin, A. J. C. Dunning. For District Clerk: W. A. Champion, D. F. Little. For Sheriff: M. G. Barbee, I. W. Smith, P. H. Burns, H. F. Holcomb, W. H. Kent. For Treasurer: J. M. Jordan, M. M. Baker, J. B. Ellis, S. B. Hallmark. For Tax Collector: Charles Long, J. B. Fifer, J. R. Sheridan. For Tax Assessor: C. R. Brannon, Charles Stokes, W. J. Harkins. For Commissioners: C. C. O. Nelson, Precinct No. 2, R. T. Payne, Precinct No. 3, G. W. Broxon, Precinct No. 3, D. S. Hearn, Precinct No. 1, M. M. Brasher, Precinct No. 1, J. N. Tye, Precinct No. 1, J. K. Chandler, Precinct No. 2, J. T. Cunningham, Precinct No. 2, J. J. Brooks, Precinct No. 1, A. H. Adams, Precinct No. 3, J. B. Harkins, Precinct No. 4. For Justice of the Peace: W. D. Pritchard, Precinct No. 1, J. S. Gilbert, Precinct No. 2, N. E. Barton, Precinct No. 1, R. B. Shell, Precinct No. 4, T. J. Hall, Precinct No. 1, Richard Blake, Precinct No. 1, J. C. Shephard, Precinct No. 4, J. A. Strout, Precinct No. 4, R. C. Hancock, Precinct No. 1, W. L. Hill, Precinct No. 1. For Constable: T. S. Brown, Precinct No. 1, J. H. Young, Precinct No. 1, George Waller, Precinct No. 1, John E. Hearn, Precinct No. 1, Eliza Robinson, Precinct No. 1.

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Pic-nic on July 4 at Elkhart. Excursions from everywhere.

Crockett is to have graded schools in the future.

Dr. Taylor and wife, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, are visiting Judge Williams' family.

Miss Maggie Davidson, of Eagle Lake, is in the city the guest of Rev. J. B. Armstrong's family.

Misses Helen and Mary Winfree, accompanied by Miss Annie Adams, of Lovelady, were pleasant callers at our office Monday last.

John R. Foster and George Aldrich left Sunday by private conveyance for Marlin, Wooten Wells and other places.

Capt. T. J. Pridden, formerly of this county, but now of Wharton, was in the city last week and called on The Courier.

Judge Charles H. Miller, of Greenville, Texas, spent several days in the city last week, the guest of Col. S. A. Miller.

REED'S CHILL CURE is an indispensable household article, and needs only a fair trial to win its place at the top.—Sold by J. G. Haring.

Miss Faith Harrison, of Marlin, niece of A. A. DeBerry, arrived in this city Monday morning and will remain a month and will attend the Summer Normal.

John M. Smith's saw mill 18 miles east of Crockett. Lumber always on hand. Prices on yard: Heart, \$1 per hundred mixed 75 cents.

J. S. Fluker, accompanied by his daughters, Misses Gertrude and Lottie and Miss Pearl Sullivan, came in last Thursday to see our press at work.

Diamonds. Better than silver, gold or diamonds, is one bottle of REED'S CHILL CURE to the chilling man.—Sold by J. G. Haring.

Our office was visited Monday last by W. L. Hill, wife and daughters, of San Pedro. They were highly delighted with the working of our steam press.

We claim some things for Cheatham's Chill Tonic, but not everything. It will not cure softening of the brain or growing nails, but it will cure chills—cold chills. Guaranteed.

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Now that the corporation of Crockett is to be revived and graded schools established let every citizen go to work and aid in every way in his power in the rapid completion of the new buildings.

Miss Elna Holder, of Franklin, is visiting her brother W. L. Holder, the efficient and accommodating freight agent at this place. We wish the young lady a pleasant stay among us.

To live or not to live is a question which annually confronts the residents of our low grounds and swampy districts. Take Cheatham's Tasteless Chill Tonic and live to die a nobler death than by a commonplace chill.

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Any person buying goods of us for cash amounting to \$1 will be presented with a ticket entitling them to a chance at a \$35 gold watch to be given away Sept. 1st. DEBERRY & CLARK.

Man's Wants. We may do without friends. We may do without pills. But civilized man wants REED'S CHILL CURE FOR CHILLS. Sold by J. G. Haring.

Now is Your Chance. Webster's leather bound dictionary 1281 pages of words and definitions. The Fort Worth Weekly Gazette from now until December, and The Crockett Courier one year all for \$5.10.

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If you think of buying a sewing machine be sure and see those at Spinks that sew two seams at once, works button holes and does all fancy rick-rack stitching. He is also carrying the White and the celebrated New Home.

Another column will be found the notice of Crockett Summer Normal, of which Prof. E. A. Pace is conductor. This school will open on the 7th instant, Monday next, and we bespeak for it a good attendance of teachers and others who purpose engaging in the business of teaching.

Drugs Guaranteed at the corner brick Drug Store of French & Chamberlain, crockett

BRUSHES, COMBS, TOILET SOAP, FINE PERFUMERY. At French & Chamberlain's.

Remember the picnic at Shiloh to-day.

Let everybody go to work for the graded school.

Mrs. Jane George, of Groveton, is visiting relatives in this county.

Many spread-angle orators will Monday to-day, the glorious 4th of July.

Good schools for Crockett will be as much benefit to the town as another railroad. Let's have them.

W. J. Harkins, of Coltharp, was in the city Wednesday and will take in the picnic at Shiloh on the 4th.

Send in your order along with the cash if you want your name on the primary ticket.

There will be many new families move into Crockett when the graded school get in operation.

Tony Gossett's team ran away last Wednesday morning damaging the wagon somewhat but hurting no one.

Several parties have already arrived in the city to be on hand at the opening of the Summer Normal which begins next Monday.

Rev. S. F. Wall, an old and respected citizen of this county, has been on a visit to his son in Montague county.

The Courier received a pleasant call this week from G. B. Lundy, Miss Ione Lundy, Quintillian Lundy and Miss Sallie Harden.

There have been fine rains throughout the eastern part of the county the present week which has done an immense amount of good.

Prof. E. A. Pace and the other teachers that took advantage of the State Teachers' Association at Galveston, have returned home and report a pleasant time.

The young folks had a merry time at the residence of W. F. Breittling on the West side, Tuesday night. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served. The boys say it was a grand affair.

Dr. W. D. McCarty, who left this county a few weeks ago and moved to Midway, Madison county, has, we are glad to state, moved back to Porter Springs, where he will remain. This will be good news to the Dr.'s many friends in that neighborhood.

Dr. J. A. Corley was thrown from a wagon on Thursday morning last and had two of his ribs broken and was injured internally. He has suffered considerably from the injuries but we are glad to state that he is improving and hope to see him about again in a few days.

It is feared that, owing to the size of his district, R. T. Payne, the census enumerator for the Lovelady district, will not be able to complete his work in the time prescribed. If not, Mr. Payne should not hesitate to demand an extension of the time. Every one in this district who has not been enumerated or who knows of any who have not been, should report at once.

Appointments. The following is a list of appointments made by the candidates for the purpose of meeting and addressing the people:

- Tuesday, July 8, Porter Springs Wednesday " 9, Boggs Thursday " 10, Weldon Friday " 11, Lovelady

Monday, July 14, Freeman Tuesday " 15, Ivy Church Wednesday " 16, Coltharp Thursday " 17, Enterprise Friday " 18, Weeches.

Monday, July 21, Augusta Tuesday " 22, Grapeland Wednesday " 23, Daly Friday " 25, Pleasant Grove Saturday " 26, Crockett

Golden Wedding. W. H. White and wife, living one and a half miles from Porter Springs, celebrated their fiftieth marriage anniversary last Wednesday, the 25th. There were about one hundred persons in attendance and our informant tells us that a more enjoyable time could not have been. The children of the happy couple prepared a sumptuous feast for the occasion and the tables were filled with the choicest viands to be procured. An occasion of this kind is quite rare and although Mr. White and his estimable lady have lived together for fifty years they looked on that day as though they would at least live to enjoy their diamond anniversary.

The Courier extends its happy couple its best wishes for many more years of pleasure and happiness. The couple received some handsome presents we understand.

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12 LBS. STRICTLY PURE SODA FOR \$1. C. P. BRAND. TRY IT! FRENCH & CHAMBERLAIN.

W. H. Cundiff, of Decatur, was in the city this week.

Excursions and pic-nics are plentiful these days.

J. T. Beaver lost one of his livery horses Wednesday from overhead.

We are glad to report that our friend L. N. Cooper is still on the improve.

Alvis Ellis, who has been clerking at Groveton, has been at home for several days quite sick.

Dick John, of Coltharp, was in town Wednesday. He says a fine rain fell here on Monday night.

N. P. English and John Tucker from Dodson called on The Courier this week. They say crops are good down in their section.

We see it stated by those who keep posted in the weather that from about the eighteenth to the last of June was the hottest weather ever known in the same month before.

We have on hand a supply of Justices' blanks that will furnish at Dallas prices. When any of our magistrates need any they should call on us and save the county the freight.

Mrs. Judge Williams gave a lawn party to the young folks of the city and in honor to visiting ladies, last Wednesday night. We were not present but learn that they had quite an enjoyable time.

The Courier is the largest paper and has the largest bona fide circulation of any paper now or that ever was published in Houston county. These are facts that we are ready and willing to substantiate.

John Maples, candidate for representative, desires The Courier to say that owing to the condition of his health he will not be able to make the circuit of appointments with the other candidates, but will do so when he can.

In another column of this issue will be found a large double column advertisement from T. R. Gatroff, of Groveton, Texas. We would like to see several such as this from our home merchants, and we have no doubt but it would fully repay them.

The Mass Meeting. According to announcement given last week for a mass meeting of the citizens of Crockett school community, about one hundred citizens met at the court house on Friday morning and organized by calling Major J. C. Wooters to the chair and electing S. C. Arledge secretary. After talking over the practicability and feasibility of graded schools and getting the views of visitors in regard to how such schools worked and succeeded in their town, it was decided that the chair appoint a committee of six persons from each of the Crockett schools to meet and discuss the matter and try to harmonize and bring about a speedy settlement of the graded school question. The chair appointed the following committee and they were requested to report at a mass meeting to be held on the Monday following:

- J. E. Downes, W. B. Wall, J. W. Hall, H. C. Castleburg, W. V. Berry, E. Broxon, D. A. Nunn, S. C. Arledge, F. H. Bayne, J. H. Wooters, J. R. Smith, M. Brouberg.

This committee met on Monday morning and called Capt. W. B. Wall to the chair and selected S. C. Arledge secretary. The chairman then stated the object of the meeting and the same was discussed both pro and con, after which the following resolution was agreed upon, and the same was presented to the mass meeting Monday evening:

Resolved, that a petition for an election for town officers (that is—Mayor and alderman) be presented to the proper authorities and when said officers are elected an election shall be held to place the schools in the charge of the town authorities. And it is our judgement that the corporate authorities shall proceed to issue and negotiate bonds to raise means to erect suitable buildings for school purposes, and as it will take time to establish the graded school system contemplated in the above resolution, it is the sense of this meeting that the graded schools contemplated shall not go into operation until after the ensuing scholastic year. Adopted unanimously.

J. E. Downes, Esq., offered the following amendment to the report of the committee, which was adopted:

Resolved, that it is the sense of this meeting that the corporation of the town of Crockett, when revived, be extended as much as two miles, or more, in each direction from the Court House.

Magnetic Oil—Try it!

Focket Knives and Bird Cages, At FRENCH & CHAMBERLAIN'S.

The Courier's circulation is still increasing every week.

J. K. Chandler, one of the present commissioners was a caller at our office Tuesday last.

Those desiring to take boarders for the Crockett Summer Normal, beginning Monday next, and continuing four weeks, are requested to notify Prof. Pace stating terms, accommodations, etc.

Suicide and Homicide. The Graphic is called upon this week to chronicle the saddest tragedy ever enacted before in the history of Groveton. Monday evening Judge J. B. Turner, one of our oldest and most respected citizens, waited upon Prof. D. A. Davis, and informed him that he must immediately leave the county, as he had been guilty of certain indiscretion involving the honor of his daughter, Miss Annie. During the evening Miss Turner committed suicide by shooting herself through the head with a pistol. As soon as Judge Turner discovered that his daughter was dead, he seized the same weapon, and going to the Kentucky house, where Davis boarded, he went in to Davis' room and shot him to death. Judge Turner and his family have long been residents of Groveton and have always stood foremost among the leading families of the town. They have hosts of friends all over the county who deeply sympathize with them in their terrible ordeal.

Prof. Davis came to this place from North Carolina during the latter part of last winter, and has been teaching school ever since. He had conducted his school in a very satisfactory manner to all concerned, and had prospects of becoming a first class instructor.

Many conflicting reports regarding the tragedy are going the rounds and the exact truth of the matter will probably not be developed before an examining trial can be had. Judge Turner was placed under arrest but has been allowed all the freedom he desires.

Prof. Davis was buried Wednesday at this place, but will be moved later on to his home.

The body of Miss Turner was kept out until to-day (Tuesday) for the arrival of her mother, who was on a visit to Corsicana.

The examining trial of Judge Turner was waived and the Judge placed under a \$10,000 bond—Groveton Graphic.

Bill McConnell Says

One of the most melancholy pictures of every-day life is fallen greatness in the autumn of life trying to hide his broken heart behind his threadbare coat; ability and ambition of the high order smashed beyond recognition by the great grindstones of credit. Received this week—Black nun's veiling, black lawn expected, ladies' and misses' hemstitched founcing, valencienes lace, best quality of dress shields, Warner's health corner, linen thread, fine quality full hand silk gloves, 50 cents; alpaca and silk mohair vests. A new line of ladies' misses' and boys' straw hats expected. Remember our ladies' French kid shoes have no equal. A line of men's fine boots just got in. There is a constant call for our 5 pound coffee for \$1.00, 15 pound sugar \$1.00, and 25 cents per pound tobacco. A fresh line of flour and all kinds of fancy groceries. Special—Received, a lot of lawn, as speckled as a fawn.

COLTHARP.

Editor Courier. Health very good. Corn needing rain and crops poor. Cotton looks well.

Myself and others were down on the river seeing after the funny tribe and had a fine time and on our return home, away down in the lonesome woods, who should we meet but Ike Smith, J. R. Howard and Chester Hall. They seemed to be hunting some person to electioneer with. They did not find many in that country but what they did I think were friends. We don't need many candidates down here, the people farm.

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and THEOBY'S BLACK-DRAUGHT are for sale by the following merchants in HOUSTON COUNTY:

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Works like a charm. Try it! Physicians Prescribe It. FRENCH & CHAMBERLAIN.

PORTER SPRINGS. Ed. COURIER—Land dry, crops good, and candidates scared to death down here.

Hogg's election freely discussed. We are going whole Hogg or none down here.

The farmers are all taking advantage of this fine weather and are pushing through with their work.

Dick Burton has been quite sick. We are glad to learn he is now improving. Little Dock Smith of your city was visiting Gus and Jay Porter last week.

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OIL CLOTH. Standard Oil Cloth per yard.

GOOD OIL. Don't hide your light under a half bushel, but get a good lamp and Standard Brilliant Oil, 5 gallon can only \$1.15.

SALT. The poet says that man can live without everything but dining salt, is necessary to season with; 200 pound sacks for \$1.35.

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SADDLES AND BRIDLES. Stock Bridles, double head stall, 7 foot lines, for \$1.00. Brandon Bridles, wide and strong for young horses, \$1.00. Heavy stock bridle, best quality, for 1.35. Mexican plaited leather bridle, continuous head stall, fine heavy quilt at end of lines for those who appreciate such work. 5.00. Ladies Texas Rig double girth side saddles, with the straps for 8.50. Boys three quarter rig saddle 5.00. Youth's full rig saddle with corin and tree lined with sheepskin 10.00. Farmers full rigged saddle with corin re-inforced stirrup leather 14 inches wide for 12.00. Other kinds of saddles and bridles. Black snake oil tanned whips for 50c. Heavy well made stock quirts for 1.00. Leather saddle pockets well made for 80c. Liama covered pockets for 2.00. Jute Girths 4 inches wide for 35c. Wide strong cotton Girths for 35c. Tongue buckle ring strong Girths for 35c. Double twisted wire bits for fractious horses only 2.00. 6 Ring leather halters for 1.00. Halter bridles, with tie line for 1.75. Leather covered steel spurs, per pair 65c. Leather Bell collars. Copper brads assorted lengths in boxes for 25c. Double blankets, gray for horses only 2.00. Success Cotton Pads for sore shoulders 65c. Heavy Felt pads for saddles of single buggy, breast yoke straps; backing straps, and stirrup leathers. Wagon lines, Buggy lines, Harness etc. Cow Bells, Curry Combs, Stirrups, Hames, etc.

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Quaintest of Characters Down by the Shenandoah.  
Beautiful old Virginia never grows weary of being talked about writes the Philadelphia Press correspondent, and here are some of her unusual features. The scene was on the old Vally Turnpike, the time was noon, and very warm. "Well, stranger, how's the craps down in our district?" "The aint good up year, this year. The rain is jes been sweepin' down so. I was jes sayin' to Mandy this mornin', si, ef we don't hev somethin' sides them dam rains, si, we'll all hav ter go to the po' house, we will; that's what I say, en Manda, she—"

"But will you tell us how far it is to Mount Jackson?" "Wall, I don't know; 'pearing ter me, though, stranger, that you is got a goldrunden way ter go yet, 'en I was jes sayin' ter Mandy, si, it's a awful way ter Mount Jackson, but I wouldn't seem for ef it hedn't been for them dam rains washin' all the roads away that way; en the craps, stranger, is jes—"

But my dear fellow, will you not tell us about how far it is to Mount Jackson?" "Them dam rains, I was er sayin', is been the ruination ter the craps this year. But, yas, oh yas wall, stranger, it'er about nine miles down thar. I aint been down thar since the war, I ain't an' I don't know how far 'tis, I don't. You jes keep right on, sr, tell you come ter a fork in the road down thar, en they'll be three roads thar, stranger. Which leads to Jackson's? Wall, that's it; ef you go down the road to the right er put a mile you come ter a big hickory tree down thar; wall that ain't the road, stranger. Ef you go down the one ter the left hand, fo long yo'll come ter my Betsy—that's the ole sow and seven the purtiest pigs—wall, si was sayin', she'll be eatin' 'long down thar 'bout three mile, she will; but the aint the right road, stranger. It's the middle one you'll take ter Jackson's; an', yas you keep right on 'till yer come ter a young gyrl down thar ridin' horse-back name Belle—she's mos' always ridin' out thar in the road an', stranger, she'll fix you, she's a jimdandy, she is. Wall, si was sayin' stranger, that's Jackson's right thar. Wall, good-day, stranger. I go up this way."

Nine miles from Mount Jackson, and he had not been down there since the war; he hadn't! "Well, now, hello thar! I say, stranger; ef you come across a black heifer cow down thar with five tits, one smaller than the res' an' a bob-tail, yo'll drive her back this way, won't you?" "But we did not, be assured. For we had not ridden far before we came upon another phase and coincident noteworthy. There, directly in front of us, riding down through the beautiful country toward Mount Jackson, was one who answered eminently the description of that young "gyrl down thar name Belle"; and we quickly discovered the interpretation of Uncle Esek's "jimdandy" to mean simply a dream of loveliness. One, indeed, she was whose beauty and personal attractions were truly remarkable. And there was such a hearty, healthful freedom of grace and manner in the salutation of this typical Virginia girl that the inquiry about the distance to Mount Jackson led to an interesting conversation; and one hour after that, at sundown, we rode slowly into the village, and were already the best of friends. It was an interesting episode, indeed, but more's to follow.

funny part; Striding up to a picture on the wall—the familiar print of the head of Christ and the thorns—he inquired: Who thet wur? thinking it a likeness of some member of the family. And when we told him who it was his eyes opened wide. Surely he had never heard of Christ, for he remarked: The ole feller's havin' a metty hard time o' it, ain't he?" And then my little friend laughed, but it was odd, witchy. On the river bank, on the most beautiful night of a year, in the most beautiful land of America, in halloo distance of some of the purest Old World aristocracy yet in the land and within three miles of this people who had never heard of Christ!

Over in the mountains, not far from Jackson, lives an old desperado. Fletcher is the name he now bears, but a number have gone before it, and were each in their turn disgraced. He has been thrice in the State's Prison, has killed two men and one woman, and bears a record of "little" crimes now unequalled, it is said, by any of his class, living and free. He has done something now for which he is expecting the arrival of the authorities every day; for when we rode up to his hut a woman, young and fair long ago, and fallen, informed us that "Mr. Fletcher was away," conveniently away, while she kept the hostel with two long shining revolvers dangling from her belt. These mountains have long been a safe retreat for criminals, and they are now full of retired boys with shady records, and old men desperados of many kinds and much cunning.

Three miles southward from Mt. Jackson there stands in an open field by the roadside a small wooden monument. The fact that no battle was ever fought there awakens curiosity. Over in the field it stands alone; but one can read up on it the following story, for it is a story, and what is not told is easily imagined.

Capt. George W. Summers and Sergt. N. Koon of Co. d, 7th Virginia Cavalry were executed on June 27th, 1865, by order of Lt.-Col. Huzzey, 102nd O. V. M. I., without the privilege of any kind of trial; they having been arrested at their homes in Page Co., brought here and shot. Yes, it was on a beautiful Sunday morning, they say, while visiting the homes of their parents in adjoining counties, that they were arrested—no one ever knew upon what charge—and carried to that little hill. The tragedy then occurred at sundown. And when the parents came over the next morning no one was near—this killing had attracted no attention—and they found but the lifeless bodies of their boys. It was murder, cold, base, devilish, say the good people of Shenandoah; for their sequel to it is that these three men—the two killed and the captor commanding—were rivals for the hand of a beautiful Southern girl.

Yesterday we heard of a singular thing. And the result was a ride of four miles under a sweltering mid-day sun to see old Aunt Jamima. By the side of a panel fence smoking nodding, half asleep, we found her. Not far away in an old weedy pasture was an old well, and it was the mystery of this well which smelt to us and to heaven more profoundly than all the city fumes exhaled from the chimneys of the old darkey's cabin near by. For here was a suicide, cruel, intentional and wilful suicide. In the middle of the night he had gone down into that green, hideous well and held his head deliberately under water until dead quite dead. Polly was his name, and poor old lonely Jamima tells how it was and gives expression to her grief in heart-broken tones, for Polly, poor Polly, was her only companion.

"But he didn't pay no 'tention, suh; he jes kop 'hollerin'. Dreckly I say: "Polly, po' good Polly, come out dar en shet yo' mouf, chile; whut in de worl do yo' mean by dat?" "But, shu, he didn't pay no 'tention, ter me, suh, he didn', on den I'member 'bout de whipping. I say: "Polly, do come out fer yo' ole mammy. Please, Polly, 'deed I ain't nuver gwine whip yo' mo'. Polly, yo' most' brek yo' ole mammy's heart cryin' dah. Polly chile, po' Polly, an' yo' gwine come out; come to yer mammy while she hol' her arms?" "En, marster, 'Fo' Gord I—I dunno wut ter do."

"Well, Polly, look up en say, 'You whipped Polly, Polly goin' ter drown hisself.' "En, marster, dat he did. He wouldn't come out o' dah, he wouldn't. It de Lord's truff, suh, he wouldn't. He jes kip pokin' he hade down in de water, twell he was dead—dead."

And Jamima laid her head against the fence panels, the pipe again sought her mouth, and she cried in low smothered tones about "Polly, po' Polly gwine drown hisself." And thus we left her.

This is true, and very singular indeed.

A Story of M. Quad. Quad knows less of business methods than he does of what goes on in the planets. There was an occasion when he longed to be proprietor of a house. He had always lived in a rented one and put his money in bank. He determined all at once to own his house himself. This decision reached, he cast about him for a wigwag. One day he walked into the business office of the paper.

"Nate," he said to one of the stockholders who was present, "you know that house you live in?" "Slightly," said the gentleman. "Do you own it yourself?" blantly asked the funny man. "The last bulletin was that I did," replied the gentleman. "What'll you take for it?" The real-estate man looked at his customer a moment and seeing he was in earnest, said he'd take \$7,000 for it.

"All right," said Quad: "here's a check for \$500; draw up the deed and we'll arrange for the balance. Now, how soon can I get into it?" "Thirty days," was the answer. "But hadn't you better take the abstract and have the title looked up?" "Oh no," said Quad, "if the title'll do you, it will me. By the way, is there gas in this house?" "Sure," said the vender. "That's right," said Quad. "I never had gas in my house yet, and I want to try it and see. How much did the gas cost you?" "About \$7 a month."

"Burn all you want?" asked Quad. "Oh, yes, certainly I did," said man. The next month after Quad took possession the house was remarkable for light and foe as being a glare of friend from cellar to garret. Light streamed from every crack and shone from every casement all night long. This brave display of illuminants excited great admiration and no slight comment. One day Quad in a seething heat came to the business office and inquired: "Nate, didn't you tell me that you burned all the gas you wanted in that house and that it cost you only \$7 a month?" "Certainly I did, Quad. What's the matter?" was the reply. "Matter," gasped Quad, "just see what these infernal gas robbers have done. Sent me a bill of \$138.50 for last month. You can freely per your immortal soul I'll never pay it. These coal-gas pirates can't swindle me. I went down to their office and threw down \$7 and told them I knew my business and to turn their attention to cheating some one who didn't."

The matter never could be explained to Quad and while he no longer burns gas he is nobly fighting the collection of that bill in the Michigan courts—Exchange.

Times Had Changed. At Sumpter, S. C., there was a large crowd of colored people at the depot as the train pulled in, says the New York Sun. An old, bald headed Uncle Jerry had his head out of the coach seat apart for colored passengers, and a man on the platform recognized him and called out: "Hello, Misser Stivers! is dat yo'?" The old man looked straight at him, but made no response. "Hello! Misser Stivers!" No response. "Say, Misser Stivers, has yo' losted yo' hearing?" persisted the old man, as he drew nearer. "Boy, was yo' talkin' to me?" eternally demanded the old man. "Sartin. What's de matter?" "Boy, does yo' want anything of me?" "Why, how yo' talk! Reckon yo' has got de hoodoo." "Does yo' evidently reckon yo' knows me?" "Of co'se I knows yo'. Yo' is ole man Stivers." "When did yo' know me?" "Last fall. Why, I dun worked wid yo' fur three months." "An' when yo' dun worked wid me what was I doin'?" "Drivin' dem mews for Kurnel Johnson."

Curious Things at Norfolk. A British Cannon Ball, Robert E. Lee's Pew, and John Hancock's Chair. Symbols of peace and war have curiously met in the outside brick wall of quaint old St. Paul's church in this ancient town, says the Norfolk (Va) correspondent of the New York Sun. The church is 151 years old. In the revolution the British playfully sent a small cannon ball skipping over the town. An angle of the church which juts out toward Church street was in the line of trajectory, and the cannon ball was stopped by it. It half buried itself in the brick, half way up the roof and close to the cornice. It is still there. Ives have crept over the walls of the edifice, forming an impenetrable green mat, through which not a square foot of brick is visible except in a little circle about the iron ball. In the luxuriant ivy a thousand English sparrows nest and fill the neighborhood's ears with their shrill chatter. The cannon ball is a handy thing for them to sit on. No less than half a dozen cling like bees to it in the warm sunshine constantly.

So thrifty is the ivy it is hard to restrain it from encroaching on the space about the cannon ball, but the sexton is thrifty, too; he knows the money value of the relic to him for many people visit the church to learn its history. The sexton's little black-eyed daughter leads the way into the cool, dusky cool-ceiled sanctuary. High-backed and narrow are the unpretentious seats, and there are many plunging and cramped little gallery lofts. The sexton's daughter has two recitations for the sanctuary. She halts before one of the pews that flank a side of the altar. "This is the pew Robert E. Lee occupied when he was in Norfolk for a few months," she says. "It is pew No. 15."

There is a curious tenderness of tone in the way they pronounce the name of Gen. Lee, as if it might be the name of a sweetheart. No Virginian says Gen. Lee as a northerner calls Grant Gen. Grant, but always says Robert E. Lee. To Virginian children Robert E. Lee is to northern children. In another part of the church is a queer, old-fashioned chair in which no one sits. "This is the chair," says the child guide, in an odd recitation tone, "in which John Hancock sat when he signed the declaration of independence. It is the property of the parish."

It is a common, old-fashioned, armless chair, of hardwood frame, with stuffed seat, and covered with a fading crimson cloth like plush. He Found the Schoolmaster. We were sitting on the veranda of a hotel at Niagara Falls, when I noted the man on my right looking sharply at the man on my left, and presently he got up in an excited way and walked about. After a bit he halted before the other man and asked: "Isn't your name Graham?" "Yes, sir," was the prompt reply. "Didn't you used to teach school at Elmira?" "Yes, sir." "In 1863?" "Yes, sir." "Do you remember a boy named Godkin?" "Very distinctly, sir." "Do you remember that he put a package of firecrackers under his desk and touched them off?" "As if it happened only yesterday."

"And you basted him for it?" "I did. I licked him until he could hardly stand, and I've always been glad of it." "You have, eh?" said the other breathing fast and hard. "Do you know that that boy swore a terrible oath?" "I presume he did, as he was a thorough young villain." "He swore an oath that he would grow up and hunt for you and pound you within an inch of your life." "But I haven't heard from him yet." "You hear from him now! He stands before you! I am that boy!" "Wall!" "Prepare to be licked! My time has come at last!" He made a dive for the old pedagogue, but the latter evaded him, made a half-turn and hit him on the jaw, and Godkin went over a chair in a heap. Then the whilom schoolmaster piled on to him and licked him until he cried "Enough!" and it didn't take him over three minutes to do it. Then he retired to get on another collar and replace some buttons, and I helped Godkin up and observed: "You didn't wait quite long enough, I guess." "Say! That's where I made a mistake!" he replied. "I see now that I ought to have held off until he had got to be about 150 years old. The old devil is all of 70 now but he licked me right off the reel, and I'll never have the sand to stand up to him again. Here! thirty years of waiting for vengeance knocked into a cocked hat in three minutes!"—New York Sun.

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