

DR. C. O. WEBB,
DENTIST,
Office over W. V. Berry's Store, East
Side of Public Square.
CROCKETT, TEXAS.

RICE MAXEY,
Attorney-at-Law.
(Now Located at Sherman, Texas.)
will attend the terms of the District Court of
Houston county, and will be pleased to give
close personal attention to all cases, civil
and criminal, entrusted to his care.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.
METHODIST.—J. T. Smith, Pastor, Ser-
vices the 2d, 3d and 4th Sundays in each
month, morning and evening. Sunday
school every Sunday. Prayer meeting
every Tuesday night. First Sunday at
Lovelady.

BAPTIST.—J. B. Armstrong, Pastor,
Services the 1st, 2d and 3d Sundays in
each month, morning and evening. Sun-
day school every Sunday. Prayer meeting
every Tuesday night. Fourth
Sunday at Lovelady.

PRESBYTERIAN.—S. F. Tenney, Pastor,
Services every Sunday morning, Sun-
day school every Sunday. Prayer meet-
ing every Thursday night. Lovelady
Third Sunday night in each month.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION. Free
Library and Reading Room, second floor
Opera House Building. Rooms open at all hours.
Prayer meeting for men only, every Sunday at
ten o'clock. All invited. A. A. Atchison, Secy.

COURT DIRECTORY.
DISTRICT.
District Judge, Hon. F. A. Williams.
District Attorney, Hon. W. H. Gill.
District Clerk, Hon. W. A. Champion.

COUNTY.
County Judge, Hon. W. A. Davis.
County Attorney, Hon. S. A. Denny.
County Clerk, A. J. C. Dunham. Sher-
iff, F. H. Bayne. Treasurer, M. M. Sher-
lock. Tax Assessor, Charles Stokes.
Tax Collector, Charles Long. Surveyor,
Enoch Broxton.

COURT CALENDAR.
DISTRICT.
Court convenes the first Monday after
the 4th Monday in February, and first
Monday after fourth Monday in Septem-
ber.

COUNTY.
Court convenes the first Monday in
February, May, August and November.
County messages.

Court in session the second Monday's
in February, May, August and Novem-
ber.

JUSTICES.
Precinct No. 1, Crockett, last Monday
in each month.

W. D. Pritchard, J. P.
Precinct No. 2, Augusta, 3d Saturday
in each month.

John T. Cunningham, J. P.
Precinct No. 3, Coltharp, 4th Saturday
in each month.

J. S. Gilbert, J. P.
Precinct No. 4, Lovelady, 4th Thurs-
day in each month.

J. C. Sheffield, J. P.
Precinct No. 5, Grapeland, 2d Satur-
day in each month.

John A. Davis, J. P.
Precinct No. 6, Porter Springs, 1st
Saturday in each month.

T. B. Henderson, J. P.
Precinct No. 7, Weches, 4th Saturday
in each month.

W. L. Vaught, J. P.

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PRESIDENT OF COUNTY ALLIANCE,
J. F. Garrett, Grapeland, Texas.
John M. Sims, Vice-President, Croc-
ckett, Texas.
John W. Saxon, Secretary, Crockett,
Texas.

SUB-ORDINATE ALLIANCES.
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Texas.

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Texas.

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A. M. Rencher, Secretary, Daly, Texas.
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M. Sims, Secretary, Crockett, Texas.

GRANGE DIRECTORY.
COUNTY GRANGE.
Pomona.—J. W. Barter, master; J. B. An-
derson, secretary; meets first Wednesday in December,
March, June and September.

SUB-ORDINATE GRANGES.
Cotton No. 128.—C. B. Isbell, master; M. H.
Walt, secretary; meets first Saturday.
Lovelady.—B. C. F. Small, master; W. H. Har-
grove, secretary; meets first Saturday.
Nevill's Prairie.—W. Barter, master; Ernest
Landy, secretary; meets second and fourth Sat-
urdays.

Porter Springs.—J. F. Henderson, master; T. B.
Henderson, secretary; meets second Saturday.
South.—H. Platt, master; J. B. An-
derson, secretary.

Houston County Central Co-operative Associa-
tion, P. O. of Houston county, Texas.
Secretary, J. B. Henderson, president; J. B.
Stanton, secretary.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.
Palestine Commandery No. 3, K. T.
will be stated on the first Friday
night in each month. Meetings of the
commandery will take place at the
Palace Hotel, Houston, Texas, at 8
o'clock. J. R. HOWARD, Secy.

LOCKHART, TEXAS, Oct. 15, 1889.
Messrs. Paris Medicine Co.,
Paris, Tenn.

Dear Sir:—Ship us as soon as
possible 2 gross Grove's Tasteless
Chill Tonic. My customers want
Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic and
will not have any other. In our
experience of over 20 years in the
drug business, we have never sold
any medicine which such univer-
sal satisfaction.

Yours respectfully,
J. S. Harney & Co.,
Sold by G. A. Arline.

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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

CONDUCTED BY PROF. E. A. PACK.

Below we give a short article
from the "Mississippi Sun," a paper
published in the county town of
Noxubee county, Mississippi, from
which county the conductor of this
department came when he removed
to Texas one year ago. The
schools alluded to in this article
are located in a town of about the
same size as Crockett and for a
period of eleven years were under
the supervision of this writer, who
was then county superintendent.

Children from without the corporate
limits were admitted free of
charge for four or five months of
the session, the usual length of the
free school term in the county.

For the remaining portion of the
session, county pupils paid a
small tuition fee monthly.

The course of study in this school
embraced all English branches,
Latin and Greek, and perhaps one
or two modern languages—all
taught without extra charge. The
rate of taxation necessary to sus-
tain the schools of the place, (Mac-
on,) varied from thirty to seventy
five cents upon the hundred dol-
lars' worth of property, but, after
having once experienced the advan-
tages derived from their school,
no one thought of objecting to the
tax.

For several years previous to the
inauguration of the graded school,
there had been several different
schools maintained, but these have
long since all been merged into
two,—one for white, the other for
colored children.

What has been accomplished in
Macoon, Noxubee county Missis-
sippi, and even more, can, we think
be done in Crockett by proper con-
sidered effort.

In point of wealth and popula-
tion Crockett is not behind the
place above named, but rather in
advance of it, especially in the
wealth of its people.

We have an abiding faith in re-
sults that may be brought about
by an energetic public spirit, in
any town or community, and feel
sure that nothing more is needed
to give here such a system of schools
as combined with the impulse given
by other public spirited enter-
prises, will place this town along side
with others that are now far in ad-
vance of it.

All things indeed seem possible
even certain, to a town of the size
of Crockett, whose people lay aside
personal differences and prefer-
ences, and unite in one onward, pro-
gressive movement, and we have
yet to know of the first place that
having thus gone forward is ever
willing to go backward, and to
move again in the old beaten
grooves.

May we not hope in the near
future to see our own town thus
moving to the front in educational
and other enterprises, so necessary
to its development and growth?
Then indeed the appellation now
so commonly applied of *dead town*
will be a thing of the past with us.

OUR GRADDED SCHOOL.
We learn that the first Annual
Catalogue of our Public School will
be ready for distribution in a few
days. It is to be regretted that the
Catalogue could not have reached
the public earlier, we have now one
of the finest public schools in the
State and as the buildings and
equipment are ample, the splendid
advantages offered for thorough
and systematic training has been
opened to the public, at large, on
very reasonable terms. Tuition,
for pupils, coming from outside the
corporate limits after the free
school term, has been fixed at \$2
\$2.50 and \$3 per month.

With the best surroundings for
health and good, social and moral
influences, with board to be obtained
in private families at very moderate
rates, we do not hesitate to say,
that no high school in the State
offers advantages superior to the
Graded Schools of Macoon.

A splendid corps of teachers has
been secured and in the near future
our school will be among the lead-
ing ones, as to efficiency.—[Macoon
(Miss) Sun.

One of the reasons why this is
going to be one of the most inter-
esting years in our political circles in
Kansas is because there are so
many fellows that have made up
their minds to get even with the
other fellows who beat them at
some other election.—Kansas City
Star.

A SCALY MESSENGER.

The Champion Snake Story is related
by a Man From Texas.

In 1880, while a member of E
Company of the Texas State Ran-
gers, I was ordered up into Presidio
county with a squad of men to fol-
low Victorio's murderous band of
Apaches. After the death of that
famous chieftain in the Candelera
Mountains, Chihuahua, Mexico, the
remnant of the band recrossed the
Rio Grande, and my command
trailed them into the Sierra Diabo-
lo, just across the line of New Mex-
ico, killed several and brought
three prisoners back to Fort Davis,
the seat of Presidio county. It
was feared that the scattering hos-
tilities would unite again and make
another raid into Texas, and to be
prepared for an invasion of that sort
I was ordered to go into permanent
camp at Mookie's Ranch, which is
about eight miles from the post.

Before we had been established at
the old ranch a week our camp was
overrun with salamander rats, a
small rodent resembling the com-
mon field mole, but a trifle larger.
The pests created great havoc
among our forage, and as corn was
highly priced and hard to get we
seriously considered abandoning our
camp, as it is almost impossible to
get rid of salamanders once they
establish themselves in a place.

One of our Mexican herders sug-
gested a way out of the difficulty.
He assured us that the king snake
or prairie runner was death to sal-
amanders, and a few of the reptiles
turned loose in camp would soon
rid us of the corn-eating rats.

On the big Prision Plain beyond
Mitre Peak, at a point where the
Southern Pacific railroad now crosses,
was known to be a favorite
haunt of the snakes, and a scout
of men was ordered out to capture a
few. The boys were gone two days
and returned with a score or more
of the reptiles. The squirming lot
was released in the old ranch, and
in two days' time they had dis-
patched the last salamander. After
their food supply had become
exhausted the snakes disappeared,
and, as they can travel like a race
horse, probably made their way
back to their old haunts on the Prision
Plain. One big fellow had been
trampled upon by a ranger and so
badly wounded that it was left
behind when its fellows migrated and
ultimately recovered, but evinced
no inclination to leave. We christened
his snakeship Bobo, and it
soon became as tame as a kitten.
Bobo was very fond of milk, and as
we had an abundant supply, a neigh-
boring ranchman giving us all we
could carry away, the snake was
always given a big bowl of its
favorite beverage every night.

Bobo had the habit of coming
to camp, and every man in the com-
mand was his friend. In the morn-
ing, when the horses and pack
mules were sent out under guard
to graze, Bobo would accompany
the herders, coiling up like a latiate
about the horn of one of the men's
saddles.

Sometimes the snake would make
a trip to Fort Davis with a ranger
but it would never stay away from
camp over night. As soon as the
sun set it would scuttle away, and,
being able to travel as fast as the
average horse, would reach the
ranch in time for its evening ration
of milk.

There was an abundance of game,
deer, antelope, and elk, in the vic-
inity of our camp, and one day a
big horn or Rocky Mountain sheep
was started up in the Davis Moun-
tain, but it escaped before a shot
could be had at it. I was particu-
larly fond of hunting and anxious
to bag a big horn. Without say-
ing anything of my purpose, I
left camp early one morning with
the determination of bringing in
the horns of the big sheep, if I
stayed away a week.

Reaching the foothills of the
Davis range I entered one of the
numerous canyons which traverse
it, and, trotting along, kept a sharp
lookout for big horn sign. The
canyon in which I was riding had
ages been the bed of a mighty river
and I was obliged to watch sharply
for natural wells, hundreds of which
pierced the old bed of the stream.
Night overtook me, and I had not
yet seen the faintest sight of the
quarry. I began to look about for
a suitable camping place, where,
as twilight is very brief in that lat-
itude, urged my horse into a brisk
canter. Darkness came on very
quickly, and I was soon surround-

CRUSHED BY THE COURT.

Lawyer Tell Good Stories in Which
Best of Their Guild Figures.

A group of lawyers, in which
Roger A. Pryor, of New York,
Judge Neuman, of Atlanta, and
William L. Royall, of Richmond,
were central figures, told some good
stories at White Sulphur Springs.
One of the party recalled Judah P.
Benjamin's first experience before
the highest court in England. Mr.
Benjamin was in the Confederate
Cabinet. He had been one of the
leading advocates at the southern
bar for many years. After the war
he took up his residence in London
and began to practice in the En-
glish courts. His fame as a pleader
was in demand for big cases. The
first time he came before the
Lord Chief Justice and the Associ-
ate Justices Mr. Benjamin natu-
rally prepared himself with great care.

He made an argument which was
at the same time a polished oration.
He threw such eloquence into his
presentation of hard facts that the
listeners were quite carried away.
But after the proceedings of the
day were over one of the justices
beckoned to Mr. Benjamin and took
him into an ante-room.

"Let me give you a bit of advice,"
said the bearded justice in a fatherly
way. "You are a stranger
among us. You are not accustomed
to our ways. Do not make that
kind of an argument before us
again. We can overlook the mis-
take this time, but do not let it oc-
cur again."

Another of the group said he had
seen a young Louisiana lawyer
crushed in the United States
Supreme Court. He thought the
affair was about the worst of its
kind that he had ever heard of.
The rebuke was more severe than
in Mr. Benjamin's case because it
was administered in open court.

"You all know," the narrator
said, "how plainly old Justice Mil-
ler talks. He says things that
sound almost brutal sometimes.
This young lawyer was arguing his
case. He was making a point that
something was against the Consti-
tution of Louisiana. He was ask-
ing the United States Supreme
Court to review a State Constitu-
tion, which of course it couldn't.
The court let him talk a little
while, then Mr. Justice Miller in-
terrupted. 'You are asking this
court to review a question which it
cannot entertain,' he said. The
young lawyer went on with his argu-
ment, which he had evidently pre-
pared beforehand. He repeated his
point that the Constitution of
Louisiana had been violated. Mr.
Justice Miller stopped him again to
say, 'That is something this court
has no business to consider.' The
justice said it a little more sharp-
ly this time. The young lawyer
resumed, and in a few minutes he
got around again to the point that
the Constitution of Louisiana had
been violated. Here Mr. Justice
Miller opened on him like a school-
master talking to a boy. 'I have
told you twice, sir, that you are
talking about something which this
court has nothing to do with.
Now go ahead and make your
speech, if you must.' With that
the justice wheeled his chair half
way round, picked up a book and
went to reading."

"What did the young lawyer do,
go on talking after that?" asked
one of the group, as the chuckle
subsided.

"Gad, sir!" said the narrator, "he
sat down and never said another
word."

The third story of court practice
related to Mr. Justice Bradley, who
is still called, "Old Aluande" by
the southern lawyers, in recollec-
tion of the "right to seven" rulings
of the Electoral Commission, which
passed on the Hayes-Tilden returns.
A young lawyer, rather fresh from
the Virginia law school, the story
ran, was arguing his first case be-
fore the United States Supreme
Court.

"Bradley, you know," said the
story teller, "has a way of sitting
with his eyes closed. You might
think he was asleep. But he isn't.
The man who was making the argu-
ment was getting off a lot of legal
axioms in Latin and abbreviating
them after the style of the text
books. At the end of one of these
abbreviated quotations Mr. Justice
Bradley suddenly opened his eyes
and asked: 'Did I understand
you to say, p. q. r.?' Yes, sir,"
said the lawyer. "What does p. q.
r. mean?" asked Bradley, as if he
really after information. The law-

HOUSTON COUNTY.

is situated in Eastern Texas in lat-
itude 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 lar-
gest in the state. It embraces an
area 622640 acres of land. The
population of the county by offi-
cial 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 North-
ern railroad runs through the cen-
ter in a direction almost due north
and south. There are also three
other railroad lines already char-
tered and being surveyed and par-
tially 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 trans-
portation 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 facili-
ties for easy and rapid transpor-
tation to and from market.

CLIMATE AND WATER.
The climate is mild and health-
ful. 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 man-
ufacturing purposes. No county
in the state can boast of as many
streams.

CHURCHES.
The Methodist, Baptist, Presby-
terian and Christian denominations
have church organizations through-
out the county.

SCHOOLS.
No county in Texas is better
supplied with first-class schools.
The reputation of some of these in-
stitutions has become state-wide.
Besides a most efficient and excel-
lent system of public schools, last-
ing 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 perma-
nent county school fund amount-
ing to \$70,000, which brings in an-
nually 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 gal-
lons 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
grey, the sandy, the red, the cho-
colate, the alluvial soils and other
kinds. The following are some of
the prairies, all of which are thick-
ly settled and in a high state of
cultivation: Nevel's, Saline, Mus-
tang, Tyler, Nogales, Pine, East.

TIMBER.
Timber, adapted to the manu-
facture of any and everything for
which wood is used can be had in
Houston county, in almost unlim-
ited supplies.

GOLD MEDAL.
Houston county, at the Fort Worth
Spring Palace for 1884, carried off
the GOLD MEDAL for the finest dis-
play of native wood. This was done
in the face of sharp competition
by other counties.

J. R. HOWARD.

Cheap Cash Store.

LEADER IN LOW PRICES IN
BOOTS, SHOES,
STAPLE GROCERIES
AND GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

SHOES A SPECIALTY

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 especially fitted for early
fruits and berries, and truck and
fruit farming is becoming very pro-
fitable.

ORES.
We have in almost exhausted
supplies rich iron ore of the brown
hematite and laminated varieties—
besides other kinds. Clays for
making brick, tiling, pottery, etc.

FINE STOCK.
This county is especially ad-
apted 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 lo-
cated 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. So-
ciety 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
granted schools seldom fails to take
and keep rank with the fore-
400 to 500. They have a most ex-
cellent High School at this place
and the best school building prob-
ably in East Texas. Several
churches and excellent society.

Grapeland, on the I. & G. N.
railroad, is 12 miles north of Croc-
ckett, population 900. 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 offices: Angu-
ta, Weches, Tadmor, Ratcliff, Col-
tharp, Daly, Porter Springs, Creek,
Holly, Hilly, Emmington, Bel-
lott, 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. Woot-
ters, S. C. Arledge, B. F. Duren,
Dr. J. B. Smith, E. Broxton.

LOVELADY.
W. J. Murchison, N. J. Mainer,
J. R. B. Barbe.

R. H. Hutchings, Weldon, Ross
Murchison, Porter Springs, Robert
Furlough, Creek, Bud Brannen,
Holly, A. J. McLemore, Coltharp,
G. S. Harrison, Weches, Wm.
McLean, Augusta, J. T. Hollings-
worth, Grapeland, Jas. A. Hill,
Daly, I. A. Daniel, Daniel, J. H.
Ratcliff, Ratcliff, R. R. Harvin, Tad-
mor.

How Fast a Locomotive Can Travel.
In regard to the much discussed
question as to the rapidity with
which a locomotive can run, some
interesting official figures have been
given by Mr. Stretton, an eminent
English engineer, showing briefly
that the highest speed ever accu-
rately taken was with a Bristol and
Exeter broad-gauge engine, having
nine-foot wheels, and which was
as long ago as 1853, officially timed
at a speed of just over eighty miles
an hour for a short distance, this
occurring in the case of a falling
gradient and with a light load.
He also distinctly asserts that this
speed is the maximum that can
possibly be obtained with locomotives
of the present type, the cause
of this being, he declares, that at
such a speed as that the resistance
of the air, the back pressure in the
cylinders, and the friction together
have become so great that they
absorb the whole power of the en-
gine, while the pressure on the
wrong side of the piston becomes
greatly increased by the fact that
the exhaust steam cannot be got
out of the cylinders fast enough—
Electrical Review.

Malaria produces weakness, Gen-
eral Debility, Biliousness, Loss of
Appetite, Indigestion and Consti-
pation; Grove's Tasteless Chill
Tonic removes the cause which
produces these troubles. Try it
and you will be delighted. 50 cents.
To get the genuine, ask for Grove's
Sold by J. R. Harney.

THE COURIER.

FRIDAY AUG. 22, 1890. ANNOUNCEMENTS. W. H. Martin, Second District.

LOCAL AND COUNTY NEWS.

French & Chamberlain for drugs. Leather goods at wholesale prices at the saddle shop. Crockett received her first bale of cotton last Thursday.

Misses Mary Bell and Ella Murchison, of Lovelady, are visiting friends in the city. 500 Bushels White Kansas Corn, free of weevil, received this week, at Breitting's warehouse.

Misses Long and Fletcher, of Beaumont, who have been visiting Judge Wall's, family have returned to their home. Obituaries not exceeding twenty lines will be inserted in The Courier free of charge, and ten cents will be charged for each additional line.

Harry McTier was at home the first of the week, being called here by the serious illness of two of his children. The Top. REED'S CHILL CURE is an indispensable household article, and needs only a fair trial to win its place at top.

Some people around town carry pistols of such enormous size that one would think they were suffering from goose-egg carbuncles under the arms. Sheep For Sale. 75 or 100 head of sheet for sale; good common stock. For price address T. F. John & Bro., Coltharp, Texas.

The caterpillar is reported on Tyler Prairie. John Webb, from that part of the county, was in a few days since buying medicine for them. We are presenting each cash customer who purchases \$10 worth of goods at one time with a present worth from 75 to \$1.50.

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. I will sell on liberal terms my Jack (Dalton). If you wish to make a good investment call early and see me.

Lost.—One iron-gray mare colt, about two years old, branded thus A. Any one who will bring her to me I will pay \$5 for time and trouble. LEVI TERRY, BROOKS, TEXAS. Election Returns. The full returns have been received and they show that N. E. Albright has an overwhelming majority over all competitors for carrying the purest, best and cheapest brought to Crockett this summer.

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Does Crockett intend contributing anything toward the building of the Al Hayne Monument? A. W. Cook and daughter, of Porter Springs, were among our visitors last Thursday.

C. W. Waddell was in town the past week; he reports the cotton crop as extra fine on Tyler Prairie. Science cannot produce a better remedy for all malarial disease than "C. C. C. Certain Chill Cure." Pleasant to take. Guaranteed to cure Chills and Fever. Sold by French & Chamberlain.

Better than silver, gold or diamonds is one bottle of REED'S CHILL CURE to the chilling man.—Sold by J. G. Haring. Miss Emma Paulson, accompanied by Mr. A. J. Knox, of Lovelady, called at The Courier office last week. Mr. Knox left his name and requested us to send him The Courier for a year.

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. Frank Garrett of Grapeland was in town on Monday. He called on The Courier and brought in an excellent article of sorghum sugar made by himself. The sugar would class as a superior article of brown clarified.

We have bought the county right for J. G. Falls & Co. gin saw sharpener and gummer and will use same this season, for 15 cents per saw. Work guaranteed. Yours truly, HICKEY & DAILEY. G. W. Freeman, M. D., of Pine Hill, Rusk county, was in the city Tuesday last. The Dr. is looking up a location and paid Crockett a visit with a view to locating here or in the county.

The undersigned offers for sale his grist mill, saw mill and gin (water power), situated near Augusta, on the San Pedro. For particulars address GEORGE ZIMMERMANN, Crockett, Texas. Dudley Lipscomb, son of Dr. J. L. Lipscomb, who has been residing in San Francisco, California, for several years is visiting his parents. His wife is also here, having preceded him a week or so. We wish them a pleasant stay and hope they may become permanent residents.

A few very pointed reasons why Chestham's Tasteless Chill Tonic will be a great success. It is absolutely free from all deleterious ingredients, as pleasant to the taste as honey; as absolute and never failing cure for all malarial complaints. Guaranteed to cure. What more could you ask? CAPT. W. E. MAYES and T. F. SMITH left for the Panhandle last Thursday evening. We expect to record in a few weeks that Mayes has dried up and blown away, as he informed us on his return from that country a short time since that if he had remained a week longer that there would have been nothing left of him, it was so all-fired dry.

After due deliberation the committee to count the vote of the primary election held in Houston county, August 9, 1890, find that we have no authority to go behind the election returns, we therefore declare the following to be the nominees of the democratic party of Houston county, in accordance with the returns of said election, to-wit: County Judge J. W. Madden; Sheriff, F. H. Bayne, Treasurer, J. J. Cooper; Tax collector, Charles Long; County Attorney, John I. Moore; County Clerk A. J. C. Dunnam; Commissioner, Precinct No. 1, R. S. Hearn; Commissioner, No. 3, Archie Adams; Justices, No. 1, W. D. Pritchard; No. 3, J. S. Gilbert; No. 4, J. R. Morgan; Constables, No. 1, Geo. Walker; No. 5, H. G. Carter.

W. H. SMITH, CHM. EX. COM. J. H. WOOTTERS, MGR. ELECTION CROCKETT. In view of the charges preferred by contestant, W. A. Davis, and which the majority of the committee believe, under a strict compliance with the rules, we have no authority to investigate, and in view further of the fact that the rules governing primary elections in preparing and returning the tally sheets and ballot boxes have not been strictly complied with, we, the undersigned, can not agree with the committee in declaring J. W. Madden the democratic nominee for county judge, but have signed the above report for all other purposes. I. W. SMITH, JUDGE. S. A. DENNY, JUDGE.

Drugs Guaranteed at the corner brick Drug

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I want fifty dozen chickens and 500 dozen eggs. Will pay liberal price for same. J. K. FOERER. The editor, in company with Bill McConnell, left on Tuesday morning's train for Navasota, to attend the Senatorial convention.

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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. The time is rapidly drawing to a close in which to get a change for the gold watch to be given away by DeBerry & Clark on the first of September.

Warranted, no cure, no pay. There are many imitations. To get the genuine, ask for Grove's.—Sold by J. G. Haring. There are parties in this place who are opposed to the graded schools simply because some other parties are advocating the same. Such men are detrimental to the best interests of the town and the sooner they depart from it the better it will be.

Reelfoot Tenn., Oct. 20, 1888. Paris Medicine Co. Gents:—Please send six dozen Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. We have sold twelve doz. of your tonic in last four months. It gives entire satisfaction. We can sell no other when we have Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. Truly, your friends, Harris & Algee.—Sold by J. G. Haring.

Address all orders for mineral water to the Elkhart Mineral Wells Co., in care of John H. Burke, they will receive prompt attention. On and after August 18th, for the present season, all boarders campers, and also any-one desiring water shipped them can have it free, by sending vessel and paying express charges. We make this liberal offer in order that the public may know what sort of mineral water we have here. ELKHART MINERAL WELLS.

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MR. AND MRS. BOWSER.

The Latter Tells How the Former Moved the Hall Coal Stove.

Last fall Mr. Bowser put a base burner in the front hall to keep it at a comfortable temperature during the winter, and when the spring came nothing was said about moving the stove. It was not in the way. We had no place to move it to, and when summer came without Mr. Bowser, having said anything about a removal I felt perfectly assured that he would leave that stove alone. Great was my consternation, therefore, when he suddenly observed the other evening as we roared on the front steps:

"Well, well, but how absent minded I have become! Why didn't you call my attention to the fact that that coal stove had not been moved out of the hall?"

"Because it is to be left there." "Not much! People must have thought us a queer family to have it there as long as we have."

"Mr. Bowser, that stove is not in the way, and it is not an eyesore. Besides we have no place to store it."

"It goes to the barn of course." "Mr. Bowser, you can no more move that stove than I can fly."

"Can't I? I can do it with one hand tied behind me, and I'll go right at it."

"Mr. Bowser, remember that I protest." "Certainly, you are the great American protester, anyway. If I killed a fly you'd protest."

I went back to the steps, knowing well what would happen, but I felt that I had done my duty. I heard him tussling for a while, and then he muttered:

"She's purty hefty, but she's got to come out of this." Ten seconds later there was a wild whoop, and when I got into the hall Mr. Bowser stood on one foot and was shaking the other in the air, while the top of the stove lay on the floor. He had pulled it off at the first grab.

"Thunder—and blazes—and Jew-hittaker—and Texas—and Jemima!" he was yelling as he waved his foot aloft.

"Didn't I tell you?" I queried, as I looked at him. "No! Never! You never said a word—not a word!"

"Now, will you let that stove alone?" "No! I'll take it out of here if I die for it!"

"Mr. Bowser, this pig headed obstinacy of yours will surely lead to—"

"None of the Bowser family were ever yet downed by a coal stove, and it's too late to begin now!" Another man would have removed the legs first. He didn't think of it, but undertook to move the stove as one moves a barrel standing on end. He had progressed about five feet when there was a sound which frightened the whole neighborhood.

WOMAN. (JOURNALER'S CONNELL'S QUOTE LITERARY'S. Fairer than all the beauties that dart. Adown the dreams of our most favored sleep. The perfect form, since Eden's day, doth keep. The constant pattern of a perfect art. Yet more must we admire thy better part. The spirit strong to smile when others weep. And will know ere who sell life's ocean deep. There is no heaven like a woman's heart. Thus, often weary ere the crisis is won. Three of my lack, my head I vain would lay in some good lady's lap, as did "the Dane." And watch the action of the world go on, Knowing the best a play within a play. The dearest portions of an endless plan.

THE OLD FLAG DID IT. Kilpatrick and his Men saved by a Woman's Ready Wit. Shiloh and other great battles of the civil war have furnished material for much heated discussion on the part of the general officers who participated in them, involving questions of generalship, obedience of orders, surprise, and responsibility for defeat.

Many minor engagements, about which no controversy can arise, and which do not form a part of the written history of the great conflict, are quite as interesting. Perhaps one of the most complete surprises of the war to any considerable body of troops overtook Kilpatrick's cavalry during Sherman's march into North Carolina in 1865. Kilpatrick had encamped for the night some miles from Fayetteville, and had selected a large plantation nouse as his headquarters. The usual pickets had been distributed, and the men had thrown themselves upon their rubber blankets with every promise of a night's rest, but before the earliest dawn the confederate cavalry, under Gen. Wade Hampton, succeeded in deceiving and capturing the pickets on one of the highways leading into the camp, and then charged into the very midst of the unionist without the discharge of a single gun of warning. The sleep of Kilpatrick's men was broken by an indiscriminate fire upon them as they scattered over the ground. Their own artillery was being taken and turned upon them at short range. The prisoners held by them were liberated, and they joined in the attack.

The unionists were demoralized, panic-stricken, without organization and without a leader. For a time it was ever fellow for himself. Pretty soon, however, "Kil" as the boys called this general, appeared on the scene, having narrowly escaped in undressed uniform. His presence always inspired his men and the rallying position began. It was doubtful, uphill work for a time, the men being intent on individual escape. At a critical moment in the encounter the division colors were seen to move about in the disorganized mass of demoralized men and the question was then settled. Order then settled. Order came out of chaos. A formidable line quickly formed and it was seen to advance cautiously at first, but soon with a sweep and hearty yell that reassured every union heart.

Hampton was forced to withdraw, leaving the captured artillery behind him. The story of how the division colors escaped did not reach the men for some days, when this fact leaked out, that a woman attached to the headquarters had torn them from their staff and concealing them under her skirts had escaped almost simultaneously with the general, and through her they had found their way back among the bewildered soldiers, and just in time to play a most important part in the then doubtful conflict.

Months later, when Gen. Sherman and Johnston were negotiating for peace or surrender, Kilpatrick and Hampton met, and Hampton cried:

"Hello, 'Kil,' I believe the last time I had the pleasure of seeing you was at Fayetteville. Shall I apologize for arousing you so early?"

"Oh, no," Kilpatrick answered, "I guess I ought to be better than to knock again before entering a gentleman's sleeping apartments."

"Come, come, don't be a fool, my dear," said the husband, during a domestic breeze.

"Didn't marriage make you and me one?" asked the wife. "Of course it did."

"How can I help being a fool then?"

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Her mother had long been dead, and her father had been her only friend and companion. When she was told that her blindness could be cured, her one thought was that she could see him, and when the cure was complete and the bandages were removed, she ran to him, and trembling, pored over his features, shutting her eyes now and then, and passing her fingers over his face as if to make sure that it was he.

The father had a noble head and presence, and his every look and motion were watched by his daughter with the keenest delight. For the first time his constant tenderness and care seemed real to her. If he caressed her, or even looked upon her kindly, it brought the tears to her eyes.

"To think," she cried, holding his hand close in hers, "that I had this father so many years and never knew him!"

How many of us are like the little blind child? How many young men just entering life have made no close friendships at school or elsewhere, because some bodily defect or poverty has soured their tempers, and made them cynical and suspicious.

It is their lot, they think, to go alone through the world, to find women shallow and men shams. Luck is against them. They will fight their own way, and ask help of none!

Women who know themselves to be plain and unattractive often feel this morbid jealousy and bitterness; they ease themselves in a pride and reserve that keep their lives more solitary than could any prison walls.

The eyes of these souls are shut. If they would open them, they would see that the world is full of true and helpful friends waiting to work and be happy with them.

They would see unnumbered chances in their own lives, however poor or sorrowful they may be, for healthy and cheerful work, for hearty good-will and love and comradeship.

And under and above and around their ungrateful, discontented lives they would be conscious of an Almighty love and tenderness, holding them as the sunshine holds the floating motes of dust.

The oldest and wisest of us—scholars, men of business, women of the world—go through life like the blind child, never, seeing the hand of Him who sets the sun to light our steps, who feeds us day by day, who makes ready a home for us hereafter.

But this blindness of the soul, whatever men may say about it, is not beyond a cure. We have but to seek the Great Physician, crying with one of old, "Lord, that I might receive my sight!" At His touch our darkness will vanish, and with the new light we shall find ourselves in a new world.

Then, like the happy French child, we shall be ready to exclaim, "To think that I had this Father so many years and never knew Him!"

Some time ago a patient, evidently of Hibernian extraction, says the St. Paul Pioneer Press, consulted a doctor for his ill, and the man of medicine gave him some quinine in capsules. After he had made way with these he returned, and the doctor decided that a little tonic was necessary to brace up his system.

"All right, doctor, O've no objection to the tonic, but don't want any more av thum little bottles." "What's the trouble with the little bottles?" inquired the doctor. "Divil a toime O've had gittin' th shuff out av thim," was the astonishing reply as a grimace of disgust played over the features of the invalid.

"But, my dear sir," interrupted the doctor, "all you have to do is to swallow them." "Swallow thim dom bottles!" exclaimed the patient, as he started up, "do you think O'd be afther ruinin' my stomach?"

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FROM OCEAN TO OCEAN. An Unbroken Line of States From the Atlantic to the Pacific. "How many people realize," remarked the geographer, "that since the admission of Idaho and Wyoming we have a belt of states extending all the way from the Atlantic to the Pacific? This was accomplished, in fact, when Idaho came in, a few days in advance of Wyoming. I wonder who will be the first traveler to go from Maine to California without stopping his foot outside of a sovereign state of the union. There may be a little good-natured rivalry on this point when the matter comes to be generally understood; and I have no doubt that forty or fifty years hence numerous claimants to this honor will come to the front. It might be interesting, also, for people who think they are acquainted without their own country to undertake to name in order from east to west, or vice versa, the states that lie along the northern border of the United States. Of course the admission of six states to the union in one year is without precedent, and there is no possibility of its having a future parallel. The only portions of the country not under the government of some state are the District of Columbia, Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, Oklahoma, the Indian Territory and Alaska. Four states formed out of these seem possible within, perhaps, a quarter of a century, but no more for an indefinite period in the future. To look back at the past, Florida, Iowa and Texas were all admitted in one year—1845. That was the nearest approach to the admission of six, which President Harrison has had the unique honor to proclaim. We have now twenty-five states east of the Mississippi River and nineteen west of it. When four more western states are constituted, that river will almost exactly divide the Union in two, so far as the number of states is concerned. In extent of territory there is, of course, no comparison between the "halves"—New York Tribune.

John Chamberlain gave a dinner to-day to Mr. Edward Rawlings, an English gentleman who is spending a few days here, writes the Detroit Tribune's Washington correspondent, and among the guests were George C. Gorham, Hallet Kilbourn and L. M. Weston, chairman of the Democratic State Committee of Michigan. After Chamberlain had explained why he drank brandy, saying that he had the gout and his physician forbid him to take champagne, the Englishman said: "Well, now, how is it? At home we in the club talk about women and the races and every sort of social thing, but we never talk politics; but here, you know, everybody seems to be a politician, and I wish someone would tell me, if you please, what the difference is between a Republican and a Democrat." So, by unanimous consent, George C. Gorham was given the floor, and he made an elaborate, eloquent and bright speech of 10 minutes, closing his remarks with: "In a word, everything that is good is Republican and everything that is bad is Democratic." This was met with enthusiasm by the Republicans present. Then the genial John looked over the table and said: "Mr. Weston, you are the only Democrat present, and it devolves upon you to stand to your colors." Mr. Weston gracefully responded in a fifteen minutes' speech, explaining to the attentive Englishman the difference existing between the two great parties. He grew earnest in speaking of the election bill, enthusiastic when talking of tariff reform, and unanimous while alluding to free coinage, and closed with a glorious tribute of praise to the "get-thar" people of the wild and woolly West, who occasionally dropped politics long enough to make a few million dollars in business. When the applause ceased Mr. Chamberlain smiled on his guest and said: "Do you understand the matter now?" "Not a bit," was the reply. "Well, then, I guess I'll take a shorter route," said the fireman, as he took a chew of tobacco and wandered back to the house. "How long have you been on the way?" stolidly inquired the fireman. "Two years," replied the missionary. "And you're only gotten as far as Pittsburg?" "Yes." "Well, then, I guess I'll take a shorter route," said the fireman, as he took a chew of tobacco and wandered back to the house. "How long have you been on the way?" stolidly inquired the fireman. "Two years," replied the missionary. "And you're only gotten as far as Pittsburg?" "Yes."

After a season of prayer and war dances the leader approached one of the firemen, saying: "Brother, come with us, we are on the road to heaven." "How long have you been on the way?" stolidly inquired the fireman. "Two years," replied the missionary. "And you're only gotten as far as Pittsburg?" "Yes."

An amateur scientific student at Wakefield, Mass., planted a potato in a little soil at the top of a factory, forty feet from the ground, to see if the potato beetle would find the plant. It has found it, and now the amateur wants to know whether the beetle is a bird or a fly.—Boston Transcript.

A Kentucky paper declares that some of the daughters of the Blue Grass State would marry mere slaves. Our Kentucky exchange is probably correct. Titles are too common in that state to be attractive.—Washington Post.

"What did your father say when you told him we were engaged?" "He said he thought we were engaged long ago, judging from the smallness of the gas bill." "The reason things go wrong so often in this world is because men won't take women's advice. If you don't believe this at first, just ask and ask the women—that's all."—Somerville Journal.

"Will you give me your name?" asked the census taker. "I had much rather you would let me take yours," answered the ancient maiden, with a cunning born of disdain. "But the Government wishes to see a married man, and the doctor will be experienced by so many people living in Mahan's district, as is proved by taking Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It costs in an apothecary as a lemon Syrup. To get the genuine ask for Grove's and get the genuine." "Ram's Horn: If an ordinary man was punched like a tin he could throw a hook about two miles."