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statement to the effect that Cleve-
land cannot carry the State of
Georgia if he should be nominated
by the Democratic party and that
there are 80,000 Alliance men in
the State calling themselves Dem-
ocrats who would vote against him.
If this statement is true a very
proper comment to be made upon
it is that Editor Howell has been
giving some very misleading as-
surances in his frequent assertion
that all the Alliance people of
Georgia are Democrats. No man
is a Democrat who would not vote
for such a Democrat as Cleveland
when nominated by the Democratic
party. The situation as now de-
scribed by Col. Howell is that
Georgia Alliancemen will vote with
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Henry Waterson.
The nomination of Waterson for
President by the New York Herald
may turn out something more than
a mere feeler of public opinion; and
there is no reason why it should be
considered in the light of an effort
to promote the gayety of nations.
Mr. Waterson is one of our greatest
Democrats. He is also one of our
wisest and frankest men. It is not
customary we know, to regard a
great journalist as being in the
presidential swim, but it editors
make successful ministers to for-
eign countries, senators and mem-
bers of the President's cabinet there
is no reason why an editor should
not make a good President. Mr.
Waterson was the first journalist to
see the possibilities in Mr. Tilden
as a presidential nominee, and the
day after he was elected Govern-
or of New York, he was named by
Mr. Waterson for the presiden-
cy. The Kentucky editor has al-
ways been something of a political
seer, and it was in the great Tilden
campaign that he made a deep im-
pression on the country as a leader
of singular courage and singular
charm. He may almost be con-
sidered the father of tariff reform
in this country. From his den in
the Courier-Journal office years ago
he began to send out his flying
arguments against the tariff, and
these tariff editorials were so direct
and intelligible that they in no
way wearied the popular compre-
hension. They avoided the heavy
statistical error, and appealed
plainly to the common people. Mr.
Waterson, in short, succeeded in
making the tariff question distinct
with eloquence. The crusade
against the tariff may be almost
said to have emanated from the
den of this captivating writer.
Possessing the charm of a captiva-
ting style, Mr. Waterson has never
by reason thereof, lost his grasp on
the serious and intricate public
questions of his time. His singu-
larly lucid intellect strikes ever
for the core of the issue, and he
has always been able to maintain
his position with the strength of
logic as well as the graces of an
inimitable rhetoric. Mr. Watter-
son had been a lawyer or a politi-
cian, would long ago have been re-
cognized as a presidential possibil-
ity, and the fact that he is an editor
and literary man ought not to be
considered a drawback. He is
perfectly frank with his own party
never failing to sound the note of
alarm when he thinks it needed,
and never failing to rally to the
nomine of his party, no matter
how much his own choice may
have been departed from. A party
man always, he is candid with
his friends and generous to his
foes. There is no littleness in his
political code. He occupies today
a place in the affections of his party,
as well as in the esteem of his
opponents, second to that of no
other public man.—Appeal-Avalanche.

Mississippi Senators.
The Mississippi Legislature yester-
day decided that Senators George
and Walthall should succeed
themselves. Thus ends a contest
unique in the history of politics in
that State. The sub-treasury
scheme was the issue. Its merits
and demerits were discussed thor-
oughly before the people. Maj.
Barksdale was the advocate and
senatorial candidate of the sub-
treasury party. An able leader
probably could not have been
found. Personally very popular
and with a fine record of public
service, he was able to poll the full
strength of the sub-treasury vote.
He was beaten by a large majority
after a pucky fight as candi-
date ever made. Mississippi being
almost exclusively an agricultural
State, it was considered by the
friends of the sub-treasury scheme
to be good territory in which to try
the cause. Senators George and
Walthall stood against it. The
former led the fight and carried
the day. The latter did not ap-
pear prominently during the cam-
paign. It is an interesting fact
that Senator Walthall has secured
a larger legislative vote than Sen-
ator George. It is difficult to un-
derstand this. One was as promi-
nent as the other in opposition to
the sub-treasury; so far as the de-
claration of the sentiments of each
was concerned. As Senator

**George made the more active cam-
paign, one would naturally sup-
pose that his vote would have been
larger. During his race he did
not indulge in personalities, and
aroused no hostilities on that ac-
count. But it seems that it is mak-
ing the fight for strict and unad-
ulterated Democracy, as he con-
ceived it, he centered against him-
self the sub-treasury influence. It
is in the vote for and against him
that one may perceive the exact
measure of that influence in Miss-
issippi. That it was very formid-
able is clear. The sub-treasury
cause is not now so strong as the
vote might lead one to believe, but
the anti-George vote shows how
strong it was last summer. It is
now exploded and merely a curi-
ous memory, but if it had not been
for the decided stand taken by
Senators George and Walthall,
sub-treasury candidates might
have been elected. The people
were also controlled in their votes
at the primaries by the fact that
both the senators had done Miss-
issippi great service in Congress,
and popular gratitude toward them
was a factor that worked against
Maj. Barksdale. Senator George's
new term will not expire until
1899 and that of Senator Walthall
will continue until 1901. It will
be a long time, therefore, before
Mississippi shall be disturbed by
another senatorial contest, and
ambitious young politicians will
have to wait in patience. In the
meantime new issues will arise
and new political conditions will
develop. Mississippi is to be con-
gratulated upon having in the
upper house of Congress such tried
and faithful representatives as
Senators George and Walthall.—
Appeal-Avalanche.**

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SEE OUR STOCK BEFORE YOU PURCHASE.

CROCKETT COUNTY NEWS

French & Chamberlain for drugs. Mr. J. W. Hill is quite sick this week.

The snow is gone but is gripp lingers. Dr. Smith's baby is very sick with fever.

Mrs. Burl Hudson is quite sick this week. T. J. Crawford, was in to see us yesterday.

Our Engineer had a wrestle with grip this week. Mr. Jno. Lacy has a very sick child this week.

The little child of Mrs. Reub Smith is quite sick.

Jno. Sharp is having a tussle with grip this week. The little child of Gus Letory is quite sick this week.

E. J. Jackson, of Belot, paid us a pleasant call Monday.

Miss Charm Aldrich has been quite sick the past week.

F. A. Harvey of Porter Springs was in to see us Monday.

Communication from Augusta was crowded out this week.

Z. B. Driskill, of San Pedro paid us a pleasant call Tuesday.

Mr. Hal Lacy has accepted the readership of the Economist.

R. R. Harvin, of Padmor, was in the city a few days this week.

J. C. Moore, of Daly, paid the Courier office a call Monday evening.

R. J. Gantt, of Lovelady paid the Courier a pleasant call Saturday last.

We regret to announce the serious illness of Mr. A. W. Phillip this week.

Mrs. Minnie Lacy, nee Wortham, left for her home at Lancaster Texas, Monday night.

Mrs. Adams and Mrs. McKennor, of Lovelady, were in Crockett, Tuesday, shopping.

Mr. H. F. Moore cashier of the First National bank had a slight attack of grip the past week.

Rev. J. B. Armstrong, of Palestine, spent a few days among Crockett friends the past week.

Mr. R. A. Foster and wife of Phelps, were the guests of the family of Mr. J. A. Jones this week.

C. C. Chase who has been visiting the family of Mr. McFerris left for Houston Monday morning.

At the close of the war he returned to his home and engaged in active business and in 1867 internarrated with Bert, the daughter of Col. John Smith who had come from North Carolina and settled in Houston county in the year of 1857; afterwards, in 1858, he became a partner in the house of Duple & Wootters, of Galveston, also conducting a mercantile business and extensive farming at and near Daly in Houston county, giving his principal attention to such business and trusting to his partner, Mr. Duple, to manage and conduct the Galveston house. The Galveston business after about five years got in bad shape, Capt. Wootters assumed control for the purpose of liquidation and did all that an honorable man could do in justice to his customers and friends, but this misfortune carried away all his earnings and left him to start life anew. He did not become disheartened and spend his time in repining, but with renewed energy and determination, plunged again into the battle of life as one conscious of his own powers and nerve by a sense of duty that knew no such word as "fail."

He joined the Baptist church at Daly in Houston county and afterwards transferred his membership to the Baptist church at Crockett, where he remained an active, useful and devoted member to his death. He joined the masonic order at an early period and was there esteemed for his good fellowship. He joined the Knights of Honor at or soon after its organization in Crockett about fifteen years since. He has attended with great regularity the reunion of his old Hood Brigade, and this was one of his chief pleasures of life; always dwelling in anticipation of the happy meeting of old comrades. He leaves a widow and five children, the eldest, Dr. John Smith Wootters, who graduated with distinction at New Orleans about a year ago, and is now attending a third course at Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, one other bright boy, Leon Blum Wootters, five years old, and three bright promising and lovely daughters, Ethel, Lucia and Fannie, ages respectively, 14, 12 and 8.

Capt. Wootters was especially distinguished for his public spirit and his quiet, unostentatious charity and kindness to the poor, the helpless, the sick and distressed; the widow and orphan always having his solicitude and care for active sympathies.

His burial was postponed to await the return of his son on Sunday the 21st inst. The corpse was to the last infirm and retained upon its face the pleasant good natured expression that, in life, won his way to the hearts of all who knew him. The services were conducted by the

Rev. Mr. Armstrong, of Palestine, the minister, Rev. Mr. Gaddy, being confined with the prevalent disease. Mr. Armstrong's remarks, brief, pointed and from a loving heart, took judgment in and was responded to by every heart in the vast concourse assembled to do honor to one of Crockett's noblest dead.

At the conclusion of the services an invitation was given to his friends to view the dead, and the vast throng joined in sympathy, mingling tears and sorrow with the distressed and mourning family. The scene was truly pathetic and the heart not moved would be made of stone. So passed away one of Crockett's noblest men. He will be missed from his church and other orders in which he stood as a worthy and useful member. He will be missed from the business circle where he had become an important factor in all matters affecting town or community. He will be missed by the widow, the orphan, the poor, the friendless. Let us emulate his virtues and place a veil over his faults if he had any.

Repiecent in pattern. A FRIEND.

Death of W. P. Collins.

Even before this community had recovered from the shock of Capt. J. H. Wootters' death, and before the burial service of that nature's nobleman had taken place, another of our most esteemed citizens passed away from among us, another of our best men "crossed over the river, to rest under the shade of the trees on the other side."

After a brief but painful illness of about two weeks, William Pritchard Collins died of Typhoid Fever, at the house of his brother-in-law, F. G. Edmiston, Esq., on Sunday, January 24, at 6 A. M.

When first taken, his symptoms did not seem violent or dangerous, but within a week they developed to an alarming degree, and caused those attending him to fear the worst. In this their fears have proved only too well founded.

His sufferings for several days were intense, but the end came at last peaceful and without a struggle. To his grief-stricken wife and to his sorrowing relatives and friends, we tender our sincerest sympathy,—all we can give in time of such afflictions.

The deceased, who was born and reared here, and had passed his life here, was about thirty five years old at the time of his death. Two years ago he was married to Miss Virginia Smith, with whom he lived happily. About the same time, or perhaps earlier he united with the Baptist church, of which he has recently served as deacon. He has ever shown himself a tender and careful husband, an affectionate son and brother, a faithful friend, and an exemplary Christian. By occupation a farmer, his life was even more active than that of most men of his honored calling, and his loss will be realized by many with whom he was associated socially, and in business relations.

Truly, of late, we are made to know the force of the saying that "Death loves a shining mark."

The church and Sabbath school lose one of their most consecrated members in the death of W. P. Collins. Ever punctual in attendance on both these bodies, and ever ready in every good word and work, he will be sadly missed by his co-workers. Personally he was genial and popular, and few knew except that one so young, so promising, just entering on a life of usefulness and prosperity, should be so suddenly snatched away. We might add much more as to the deceased,—of his character as a prompt and upright dealer,—of his courage, his energy, his modesty, his gentleness, his kindness of heart,—but the short space allowed to a newspaper article forbids.

We can only say that another loss has been sustained by Crockett and its people which is and will be felt keenly. We have known and will remember him as "An honest man the noblest work of God," long after the sharp pang of recent bereavement is to be felt. In the fitting words inscribed on the breast plate of his coffin, we would say "Rest in Peace," and may "He who doeth all things well," and "Who heareth the ravens when they cry," send consolation to the heart-broken widow,—send comfort to the grief-stricken mother, brothers and sisters, and may the name and memory of "Will Collins" ever remain, as now, with us, fresh and green, the synonym of all that is manly, tender, generous, brave and true.

Sugar 20th for \$1.00, Coffee 5th for \$1.00, at L. M. Campbell's

Best grade of Arbuckle's roasted coffee at 25 cts per package, at Bill McConnells.

Elder A. J. McCarty will preach at the Opera House next Sunday at 11 o'clock and at night.

E. A. Williams, of Porter Springs, was in Crockett Tuesday and paid this office a call.

Mr. Tom Lunceford returned to his home at Marshall Sunday after a weeks visit to relations at Crockett.

Mr. W. H. Denny, who had the misfortune to get his arm broke Christmas day, is up and about again.

CROUP, WHOOPING COUGH and bronchitis immediately relieved by Shiloh's Cure. For sale by J. G. Harting.

Quite a crowd of citizens of Grapeleaf were in attendance upon the funeral services of Capt. J. H. Wootters Sunday.

Quite a crowd of Crocketites went down to Lovelady Monday to witness the scene of the disastrous fire of Sunday last.

Mr. Bob Collins and family left for Jacksonville Sunday. We understand they will locate permanently at that place.

Farmers are going to work in earnest. They seem to be making preparations for a larger grain crop and not so much cotton.

Will you suffer with dyspepsia and liver complaints? Shiloh's Vitalizer is guaranteed to cure you. For sale by J. G. Harting.

Remember that L. M. Campbell keeps a full line of choice family groceries at the lowest market prices. (S. C. Arledge's old stand).

Mose Bromberg is opening up a line of jewelry in connection with the dry good establishment with his father. The Courier wishes the young man success.

Don't worry your friends and family with that worn and faded appearance. Get a bottle of Croole Female Tonic. It will change your pallid cheeks to the rosy hue of health.

I have in stock the celebrated 4 Ace Hams and Globe Hams, Oat Meal, Grits, Houring and everything kept in a first class family Grocery.

L. M. CAMPBELL.

Mrs. Peterson, wife of our leading carpenter, O. Peterson died at her home in Crockett Tuesday morning. The Courier extends condolence to the bereaved husband and relatives.

L. W. Driskill, of San Pedro was in the city Tuesday. He speaks of leaving Houston county but has not decided where he will locate. We regret to lose such men as Mr. Driskill from our county.

The farmers of Houston county seem to have grasped the idea at last that raising their own bread and meat and living at home is more profitable than raising cotton and having their smokehouses and barns in Chicago and the West.

As we go to press we learn that some unknown party, or parties, broke into the blacksmith shop of Mr. Jno. Lunceford last night, and secured a lot of tools with which they proceeded to the court house and broke into the safe in the Treasurer's office. As the Treasurer does not keep any money there, they did not get anything.

"In buying a cough medicine for children," says H. A. Walker, a prominent druggist of Ogden, Utah "never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it and relief is always sure to follow. I particularly recommend Chamberlain's because I have found it to be safe and reliable. 50 cent bottles for sale by French & Chamberlain.

Mrs. James McDonald died last Saturday morning of Neuralgia of the brain. Her remains were shipped to Marlin Texas, for interment. Mrs. McDonald was a woman of rare moral character and always manifested a superior gift of kindness, love and friendship which she exercised and diffused among her numerous friends and acquaintances. The Courier extends sympathy to the bereaved.

Divine Services.

I will, the Lord willing, preach at Wesley's Chapel, the fifth Sunday in this month. Let all concerned come, praying for a good day. J. N. WARREN, P. C.

Lumber! Lumber! Call on Mari Ellis for first class longleaf, yellow-june, lumber. He selling cheaper r than the cheapest. Yard near the depot.

Lost! Lost! One horse dark-brown, about seven years old, 144 hands high spanish brand on left hip and a Y on left jaw. Information of his whereabouts will be liberally rewarded. E. T. JOHNSON, Crockett.

Many persons who have recovered from lagrippe are now troubled with a persistent cough, Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will promptly loosen this cough and relieve the lungs, effecting a permanent cure in a very short time. 50 cent bottles for sale by French & Chamberlain.

FOR SALE! I will sell my place consisting of 340 acres, 225 of which in cultivation, residence costing \$1200, several tenant houses, cribs, barns, stables, good gin house, cistern, four wells, orchard of 200 bearing pear trees and 150 peach trees and other improvements. Will sell cheap for cash or on easy instalments. J. J. Frazier.

Dr. John Bull's Worm Destroyers taste good and quickly remove worms from children or grown people, restoring the weak and puny to robust health. Try them. No other worm medicine is so safe and sure. Price 25 cents at drug stores, or sent by mail by John D. Park & Sons Co., 175 and 177 Sycamore St., Cincinnati, O.

See Away. A large sorrel horse with roach main, one white hind foot, one fore foot little white, small white snip on end of nose, star in face, very small, branded on left shoulder with 8 with bar over and under. Left my house on Christmas day. Any body delivering said animal to J. L. Lunceford will be liberally rewarded. ELIAS GREENHAW, Weches, Texas.

Evangelistic Notes. Do we not need a neat, cheap place of worship and a school house at Coltharp? While the latter does not come legitimately under the head of evangelistic work it does seem that so intelligent a community would take steps in that direction at once.

It is hoped that the greater part of the lumber for the erection of the new Presbyterian church at Cedar Point will be "on the ground" this week. There is no time to be lost in this matter, brethren.

Hickory Creek furnished a fine congregation last Sabbath. People do not know what they can do until they try. The best way to do a thing is to do it.

I will preach at Pleasant Hill next Sabbath morning at 11 o'clock and at Elkhart that night.

Would not Hickory Creek be a good place to hold the elder's and deacon's convention this spring or summer. Cedar Point, Coltharp, Beulah, Concord, Crockett are all adjacent.

TROD. WARD WHITE.

LOOK FOR The Cash Store

If you wish goods at Rock Bottom Prices CAN GOODS:

Green corn 15 cts; tomatoes and okra canned together for soup 12 cts; peaches 15 cts; pine apples 16c; all the above canned goods guaranteed to be of the best brands.

Arbuckle's roasted coffee 25 cts, tobacco, flat or navy each at 25 cts, smoking tobacco 25 cts, first-class Rio coffee 5 lbs. for \$1, full stock double role brogan and ladies button shoes, each \$1, fresh rice and flour just arrived and of the best quality; celebrated Globe hat 12 cents, white pearl neck 70 cents per bushel, ladies' extra lamb's wool vests, reduced from \$1.50 to \$1. See line of trunks at small figures.

Since the favorable weather began, our city schools have again filled up, some new pupils entering, and have gone earnestly to work. The second half term began on Monday last, to continue four and a half months. Mr. E. B. Smith, late of Huntsville, now in charge of the grammar school department of the white school, has gone to work vigorously, and promises well as a teacher. The semi annual examinations in this school began to day, (Thursday) and will continue two days. Parents and others, desiring to witness same, are invited to call and do so.

Bill McConnell Says.

It has been a great struggle for the supremacy in the mercantile business in Crockett, but after years of assiduous toil, dismal and nocturnal application, energy and indomitable will we have at last reached the top round of the ladder, and while it leaves some a little madder, it makes us much the gladder.

Our unequalled line of spring and summer goods is now ready for shipment and in order to make room for them we will displace our present stock.

Special:—Our line of goods soon to be en route will make the people hollar and shout.

Aberdeen, O., July 21, 1891, Messrs. Lippman Bros., Savannah Ga.

Dear Sirs—I bought a bottle of your P. P. P. at Hot Springs, Ark., and it has done me more good than three months' treatment at the Hot Springs.

Have you no agents in this part of the country, or let me know how much it will cost to get three or six bottles from your city by express.

Respectfully yours, Jas. M. Newton, Aberdeen, Brown County, O.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States.

January 1, 1892. Assets \$135,000,000. Liabilities, 4 per cent. \$110,000,000. Surplus \$25,000,000. New Business written in 1891 \$250,000,000. Assurance in force \$800,000,000. The Equitable Society holds a larger surplus, writes a larger annual business, and has a larger amount of Assurance in force than any other company in the world. Its latest form of policy is unrestricted after one year, incontestable after two years, "Non-Forfeitable" after three years, and payable without delay.

ROBT. A. HENDERSON, Soliciting Agent. OAK GROVE.

Mr. Entress: Please allow me space in your paper to say a few words. I think you struck the key note when you said the local merchants were the sole cause of the overproduction and low price of cotton. We know that to be a fact, and I hope that the present crop will convince the people that it is to their interest to plant something else instead of so much cotton. It is true we must raise some cotton but not go wild in speculation. Let's have a change, and commence this year. We are in as good circumstances now as we will ever be to make the start, but I think there will be as much planted in this section this season as last.

The health of the country is very good. Mr. C. A. James has had a very sick child but it is getting well. Our school, in charge of Mrs. Torrence, is not as good as we would like to see, owing to bad weather. We all like her as a lady and teacher. Mr. R. F. Horod is building a new residence. Our Sunday school at New Prospect is very interesting.

Respectfully, PIVE STRIX.

STILL-LIN-GIN. What is it and what good does it do? God in his wisdom, knowing the many ailments which mankind is heir to, has placed in the vegetable kingdom, the roots and herbs from which this great and wonderful remedy is compounded. It purifies the blood, regulates the liver and makes almost a new creature of man. Dr. L. S. Hine, of Okalla, Texas says: "I have used Stillington and like it. Please send me half a dozen more bottles." For sale by French & Chamberlain.

Newnansville, Fla., June 5, 1891. Messrs. Lippman Bros., Savannah, Ga.

Dear Sirs—I wish to give you a testimonial in regard to your valuable medicine, P. P. P., for the cure of rheumatism, neuralgia, dyspepsia, biliousness, etc. In 1861 I was attacked with bilious rheumatism, and have been a martyr to it ever since. I tried all the medicine I ever heard of, and all the doctors in reach, but I found only temporary relief; the pains were so bad at times that I did not care whether I lived or died. My digestion became so impaired that every thing I ate disagreed with me. My wife also suffered so intensely with dyspepsia that her life was a burden to her; she would be confined to her bed for weeks at a time; she also suffered greatly from giddiness and loss of sleep. Some time in March I was advised to take P. P. P., and before we (my wife and I) had finished the second bottle of P. P. P., our digestion began to improve. My pains subsided so much that I have been able to work and am feeling like doing what I haven't done before in a number of years. We will continue taking P. P. P. until we are entirely cured, and will cheerfully recommend it to all suffering humanity.

Yours very respectfully, J. S. Dupris.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. Office of Comptroller of the Currency.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16, 1892. WHEREAS, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that the "First National Bank of Crockett" in the town of Crockett, in the County of Houston, and State of Texas, has complied with all the provisions of the Statute of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of Banking;

Now, therefore, I, Edward S. Lacy, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that

"The First National Bank of Crockett" in the town of Crockett, in the County of Houston and State of Texas, is authorized to commence the business of Banking as provided in section fifty-one hundred and sixty-nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

In testimony whereof, witness my [L. S.] hand and seal of office this 16th day of January, 1892.

EDWARD S. LACY, Comptroller of the Currency. No. 4384.

CONSUMPTION CURER.

An old physician, retired from practice, has had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple, reliable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all throat and lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all general complaints, after having tested his method, curing hundreds in thousands of cases, has left it the duty to make it known to his suffering fellow-men. Actuated by this noble and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, full directions for preparing and using, sent by mail by additional cost, to S. F. SANDERS, 101 N. W. 2d Street, New York, N. Y.

Patronize Home People. I do all kinds of wood-work cabinet-work turn pulleys for gins and mills, make chairs, repair wagons, and do fancy wood-work of every description. S. F. SANDERS.

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Before buying. Do you know what the cause of your itching scalp is? Is it the dandruff? Is it the dryness? Is it the heat? Is it the cold? Is it the sun? Is it the wind? Is it the dust? Is it the dirt? Is it the grease? Is it the oil? Is it the soap? Is it the water? Is it the air? Is it the earth? Is it the sky? Is it the sea? Is it the land? Is it the fire? Is it the ice? Is it the snow? Is it the rain? Is it the hail? Is it the lightning? Is it the thunder? Is it the earthquake? Is it the volcano? Is it the comet? Is it the meteor? Is it the star? Is it the planet? Is it the moon? Is it the sun? Is it the God? Is it the Devil? Is it the Angel? Is it the Saint? Is it the Prophet? Is it the Priest? Is it the Bishop? Is it the Pope? Is it the King? Is it the Queen? Is it the Emperor? Is it the Empress? Is it the Duke? Is it the Duchess? Is it the Marquis? Is it the Marchioness? Is it the Count? Is it the Countess? Is it the Baron? Is it the Baroness? Is it the Knight? Is it the Lady? 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BEAU HICKMAN'S MISTAKE.

He Worked Two Hotels for a Dinner but Chose the Wrong One First.
Some time ago, reading an interesting article about Mr. Hickman, the Beau Brummel of Washington years ago, reminded me of a story which I know to be true of him, and which, I think, never was published.

When he had not a cent in his pocket he always contrived to have the appearance of a man untroubled, attired, even though his clothes were shabby and almost threadbare.

One evening, with no money in his pocket and not knowing where his dinner was to come from, he sauntered forth with a hat well brushed, perfect fitting gloves and his usual boutonniere.

Walking down a well known street in Washington, he entered one of the principal hotels, noted for its excellent cuisine. Slowly walking toward the dining room a waiter rushed to meet him, with the words, "Will you dine, sir?" Slightly bowing his head, he followed the waiter, who conducted him to a table, relieving him of his hat, cane and gloves.

He dined sumptuously, not even omitting his favorite wine and a good cigar.

Having finished the waiter presented his check. Taking no notice, he called for his hat and gloves and proceeded to walk out of the place. The waiter stopped him and said:

"You have not settled your bill, sir."

"I have no money," said Mr. Hickman, "but I thank you for a very fine dinner."

The proprietor was called, was very angry and insisted upon the bill being settled.

"Look here, my friend," said Mr. Hickman, "I came in here and saw this young man asked me to dine, asked me what I would have, and said I could have anything I wished. I have enjoyed it very much, am very much obliged. It was a capital dinner."

The landlord, seeing the nature of the joke, and that he had been fooled, determined to turn it to good account. "See here," he said to Mr. Hickman, "I will tell you how we will arrange this and say no more about it." Taking him to a window he pointed across the street, saying:

"Do you see that hotel over there? Well, that man is running an opposition to me. You go and serve him the same joke you have me and I will give you fifty dollars."

"Pon my word," says our friend Hickman, "I cannot eat another such dinner tonight, but I will tomorrow." So the bargain was closed.

The next evening Mr. Hickman entered the hotel agreed upon and the same performance was gone through. The waiter and cashier, finding they could get no money, as he insisted upon it that they had asked him to dine, finally called the proprietor, who was very angry and insisted upon being paid.

At last, finding he could get no money, he said: "Look here, I will not arrest you, and if you will go across the street and play the same joke on that hotel opposite I will give you \$100."

"Oh, what a mistake I have made!" said our friend Hickman. "Why did I not come here first? He only gave me fifty dollars for playing it on you."—Cor. New York Journal.

Fat People and Perspiration.
Fat people are less able to resist the attacks of disease or the shock of injuries and operations than the modicum of fat. In ordinary everyday life they are at a decided disadvantage; their respiratory muscles cannot so easily act; their heart is often handicapped by the deposit on it, and the least exertion throws them into perspiration. This last fact is curiously misunderstood; it is almost universally looked upon as an actual "melting" of the subcutaneous fat, and is considered to be nature's method of getting rid of the superfluous.

But this is not correct. For in spite of its greasy appearance sweat only contains a trace of fatty matter, rarely more than .01 per cent., and this comes of course from the cells of the sudoriferous glands, and primarily from certain constituents in the blood. A person whose limbs and body are covered with adipose tissue is in the position of a man carrying a heavy burden and too warmly clothed.—London Hospital.

Wasting a Baby.
"Will you please hold this baby a moment while I go and buy a ticket to Albany?" asked a sharp featured woman with a parrot nose of a spare little man at the Central depot last night. "I'd like to accommodate you, ma'am," he replied, "but once in St. Louis a woman gave me a baby to hold while she went for a drink, and I've got that baby yet. It keeps me in poverty to pay that kid's fines nowadays. Your child may have a bright moral future before him, but I wouldn't hold him if you were to post forfeiture bonds for his good behavior."—Buffalo Enquirer.

Wasted Light.
A little girl of six, who complained of being left alone in the dark after her mother was in bed, was told by her mother that she need not be afraid, a God was with her, although there was no light. Whereupon the child replied, "Mother, dear, I'd much rather you took God away and left the candle."—London Truth.

Very Egly.
John James Hedges, manager of the opera house in the Haymarket in the times when George was king, one day laid a wager with the Earl of Chesterfield that he would not find in all London an uglier face than his. After a long search the earl produced a woman of St. Giles' who first seemed to outrage the manager, but when the latter put on the woman's cap he was allowed to retain the palm of ugliness.—All the Year Round.

You Soon for That.
"Is Mrs. Withers engaged?" asked the caller as he handed his card to the maid.

"Indeed she isn't, sorr," replied the girl with some indignation, "sure an Mr. Withers do be dead only three months."—New York Epoch.

A MARRIAGE ENTRY.

On the 15 days of July, A. D. 1796, Cicelle Goodrich, of the town of Brookfield, in the master's colony of New York, partner to—
But why complete the record and spoil the story? This marriage entry is crossed and recrossed with scratches in a peculiar manner, so that it is by no means easy to decipher.

It would be a breach of confidence to confess how the facts in the following narrative came into my possession: let the reader remember that the events transpired in the proud old town of Southampton, on Long Island, and he will readily understand the restrictions imposed upon me by an indirect descendant of the person whose name I have dared to set.

The good people of the old Long Island town are remarkable for something more than an ability to raise good cabbage and asparagus; they are proud of their inborn shrewdness, and with them an old fool is more an object of contempt than an old rogue.

It will be little use for gossip to speculate on the identity of Hugh Buckliff, for the marriage entry gives, of course, nothing but the record of the nuptials, and my informant is prepared strenuously to deny that his great, great grand father's great uncle is the person alluded to.

I suppose every town, no matter how insignificant, has its queer old character, just as it has its church, its local traditions and its model specimens of the smallest set.

One of the dissection mind will discover both the Alpha and the Omega of morality and worthy citizenship.

Hugh Buckliff was a man who had lived for Hugh Buckliff alone. There were dark rumors afloat concerning him, but I have been unable to learn that they had any solid basis on which to stand.

A hoarding old citizen is always an object of suspicion, and his decrease is usually the signal for inventive people to hang on each one of his peculiarities a bag of wild accusations, until time turns him into a buccaneer, a ship wrecker or a ghoul.

Hugh lived with his sixty years of conscience in a yellow brick house within a stone's throw of the Hampton postoffice, where his father, who had left the restrictions of a pirate in the new, had lived before him.

Whether he managed to exist by niggardly drafts on the paternal inheritance or had some secret way of adding thereto, no one knew, and with curiosity on this subject being rife in the quaint little sea town, it would have been effectually barred by the time stained wooden shutters, which for two score years had kept out the sunlight.

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A DIFFERENCE OF METHOD.

On an elevated railroad train a day or two ago four boys, ragged street urchins, made themselves a nuisance most of the journey down from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street. Their antics and noise annoyed different passengers to the verge of exasperation, but their efforts were met with insolence and more noise.

At Thirty-third street a lady of middle age got on, and the pandemonium of the boys at once attracted her attention. She did not resent it, however, but crossed and sat down by them and began a conversation. She asked questions, told stories and interested them to such an extent that peace reigned where before had been discordant tumult.

At Grand street the boys got out, each bestowing a polite "Good by, lady" upon their entertainer. A passenger was curious to know the secret of the spell she had thrown over the unruly lads and after thinking her on behalf of the other passengers for the relief she had given, asked how she had done it.

"I have brought up three boys," said the lady, "and I know their tastes and likings. I talked to those little fellows of the things my boys would have been interested in at their ages. That was all."

All, indeed, but a volume. To know how is all there is to anything.—New York Times.

Bad State of Affairs at Norway.
Squire J. F. Kaufman, Berwyn, gives thanks for one of the cutest dogs that ever barked himself hoarse at the moon. This dog apt the cat at the Kaufman home have lived on scraps together and chased other animals together, always standing in with one another, until a little misunderstanding arose which has estranged them. Both were dining together, one of one dish, when suddenly the dog caught the cat by the ear and deliberately led her through the dining room, the kitchen and out on the porch, where he left her and came back to his meal.

Whether the rules governing refined etiquette on dining occasions were violated by the cat, or whether she let her hind drop carelessly into the gravy, is not stated. Suffice it to say that dog and cat now eat from separate dishes and on different occasions. And this led Nate Broomall, of Paoli, to remark that he has a dog which he has dragged out of a conveyance in a brutal manner before he will leave it once he sees the team about to leave the premises with any of the family in it.—West Chester (Pa.) News.

Pitt's Poverty.
In Lord Rosebery's very interesting "Life of Pitt," he does not explain a thing which I have never yet understood. How did Pitt spend his income and get into debt? During the greater part of his life, after he had come to that estate, he was in office and his income was about £10,000 per annum. He did not entertain, he did not gamble, he neither hunted nor shot, and yet at the end of seven years of this income of £10,000 per annum he was hopelessly in debt. That he was careless is very possible, still, considering that his income was equal to £20,000 per annum now, how in the name of wonder did he spend it?

This is all the more mysterious, as it appears never to have paid his tradesmen. I have often seen it stated that England ought to be proud of one of her greatest statesmen having died poor. Neither Pitt nor England had reason to be proud of a statesman, enjoying an ample of social income, dying heavily in debt and making the payment of his tradesmen's bills dependent on parliament voting a sum to meet the liability.—London Truth.

His Kingdom for a Horse.
There's a young man in Detroit who would know everything about a horse if he knew half as much as he doesn't know. Often he has recently been trying to buy a saddle. Last week a dealer with a fine Kentucky horse called on the young man to let him see what he had. The young man looked him over critically.

"What's he worth?" he inquired first.

"Three hundred dollars."

"Um pedigree?"

"Yes, plenty of it."

"Good under the saddle?"

"First class. He goes all the gate."

"Does all the gates, does he? Well, I don't want him. I want a horse that takes the fences, and he is dismissed the dealer without further explanation.—Detroit Free Press.

A Remarkable Speech of Congratulation.
Some famous compliments have been paid to members of the sterner sex, and one of the most gracefully turned was that uttered by Bismarck, when the virtuous De Mesmes, president of the parliament of Paris, was elected an academician, congratulated him in these terms, "I have come to you, sir, in order that you may congratulate me on having you for one of my fellow academicians."—London Standard.

Had Noticed It.
Mr. Nicefollow—Did you ever notice what sunny hair Miss Beaufort has? Rival Belle. Often, by the way, did you notice what a fiery red sun set we had last night?—New York Weekly.

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HYDROPHOBIA FROM A SNOWBALL.

A strange case has come to light near Cairo, Pa. Howard Davis, aged eight years, has for some time past exhibited signs of hydrophobia. He has been in bed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, who had taken him from the Fairmount home, and was barking and snapping like a dog. At times it was all those present could do to keep the boy in bed. The boy had been bitten in the hand by a dog in 1883, while he was in the family of Ezra Moore.

The present trouble is not thought to be hydrophobia by the attending physician. He says it undoubtedly resulted from a snowball, which hit the boy a hard blow above the heart. The marks of the blow were visible. The little fellow is resting easy at present.—Cairo Restoratory.

A Boy's Explanation.
First Little Boy—Is we at war with anybody?
Second Little Boy—In come not.
"Then wot's the use of gettin up such a big navy?"
"So we kin sack 'em."—Good News.

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ITS INDUCEMENTS.
Its Advantages and Attractions for the Man of Capital and the Home-Seeker.

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For variety and fertility of soils. A vast forest of native woods, adapted to the manufacture of all grades and styles of furniture, vehicles and agricultural implements. Walnut, White Oak, Linn, Ash, Hickory of every variety. Post Oak, Cypress, Long and Short Leaf Pine, Curley Pine, Holly, Beach, Cherry, Magnolia and all other species of timber found in the woods of East Texas.

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At the Fort Worth Spring Palace in 1890 for its magnificent display of timbers. The North-eastern, Northern and North-western sections of the County are rich in iron of the Laminated and Brown Hematite varieties. Soils of every variety to be found in the state are to be found in Houston County, from the black waxy to the light sandy.

The Railroads of the County
are splendid. The International & Great Northern runs through it directly North and South. The Trinity & Sabine belts on the South, the Houston, East & West Texas on the East and the Kansas & Gulf Short Line on the North, thus affording to every section of the County easy and rapid means of transportation to and from market. Besides there are two other lines surveyed and projected through the County, running in a North-westerly and South-easterly direction. Rivers, Creeks and streams of living water abound, furnishing through the driest summer an abundance of pure, fresh water. The Trinity River is the County's boundary on the West and the Neches on the East. The County School fund is perhaps the

LARGEST IN THE STATE,
reaching the splendid sum total of \$70,000, from which is annually derived for available use in maintaining the schools of the County from four to five thousand dollars. This added to the amount raised by local taxation and that bestowed by the State furnishes the princely sum of thirty thousand dollars spent annually on the free schools of the County. The population of the County is 20,000 and largely white.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
of every variety are produced here and the County yields to none in the State in adaptability of soils to the growth for market of peaches, pears, figs, plums, apricots, grapes and berries.

Houston County's Schools
are unsurpassed by any in the State, in respect of efficiency and competency of teachers, standard of scholarship and duration of free term. Its own unsurpassed permanent School Fund supplemented from other sources enables us to come nearer fulfilling the constitutional requirements of a six-months term than any other county. The debt and tax-rate of the County are almost nominal. Its climate is mild and healthful, the temperature never reaching extremes in either Summer or Winter. Its water supply for both domestic use and manufacturing purposes is unexcelled. Springs and streams of never failing water are to be found in every section of the county.

County Products
are cotton, corn, oats and other small grain, sorghum, ribbon cane, fruits and vegetables of every variety, hay, and in some places rice etc.

CROCKETT
the county seat of Houston County, is situated on the L. & G. N. R. R. It has a population of 2000. The people of the town have recently voted to take charge of its schools and support them by taxation, nine months in the year. The City Council have assumed control and established graded schools for both white and black. Handsome and commodious brick school buildings with all the modern appointments are under construction. The town is destined to become the educational center of East Texas.

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