

Turn your attention to raising hogs and stuff to feed them. If you haven't got a start get one at once.

TEXAS has enough criminal laws, more in fact than are needed and more than are executed. Why cumber the law-books with something that can not be enforced.

If the farmers of the county will think over this cotton acreage matter, think wisely and then act accordingly, they will be independent next fall and can defy the collector.

The friends and constituents of Representative Bayne were surprised and pained to see his vote recorded in the negative on a resolution endorsing the tariff record of Senator Mills.

Cotton has been steadily declining now for three or more weeks. The depression is due largely, no doubt, to the expectation on the part of spinners and buyers that there would be an increase in acreage. Disappoint them.

HARRISON's appointment of Jackson, a democrat, to the vacancy created by the death of Lamar, is a distinguished act of courtesy to the sentiment of the country and one that was a genuine surprise to all Republicans and Democrats.

We are profoundly in earnest about these questions of cotton acreage, meat, feed-stuffs etc. We can see that they are of vast importance to the agricultural interests of Houston county and what is to their interests is to the interests of every one.

A mass-meeting of farmers and merchants is called to meet in Crockett, Saturday, Feb. 11, to organize for the purpose of calling a larger convention later on to consider the question of cotton acreage, meat etc. Let every man turn out.

INSTEAD of passing Townsend's bill making theft of a hog a felony, let the legislature change the law so as to give the Commissioners Courts the authority to employ a man to work all county convicts on the roads. This would empty the jails and relieve the people of the tax of supporting the convicts in idleness.

LAST year, the farmers of this county gave more attention to the meat, and feed-stuff questions than ever before. The result is that they are more independent than they have been for years. Will they act the fools this year and go crazy on cotton and throw away these advantages?

The people all over the cotton growing states, merchants and farmers, are awaking to the importance of the cotton acreage question. It is time something should be done and done in a serious and thorough manner. A serious matter this is and one in which every one is deeply interested. Let the farmers of Houston county think of this and get ready to act.

The State Senate and House of Representatives were not elected on federal issues. They were not sent to Austin to legislate on such questions. They were not sent there to spend public money in wasted time passing resolutions instructing congressmen and senators as to their duties to their state or the democratic party. The presumption is not in favor of but against their being more thoroughly enlightened on national questions than the senators and congressmen whom they seek to control. These men in congress understand these matters better than a state legislature. They understand the principles of the party equally as well and know just as well or better than the solons at Austin whether a measure lines up with the true test of democratic faith. In the first place, then, they have no right to be indulging in all this high-sounding, pompous humbug. In the second place, if they had the right, they do not enjoy that superior intelligence touching such matters which alone would warrant them to pursue such a course. They had better look to the matters for which they were sent there, and having finished them up, return to their homes.

Bacon continues to go up and cotton continues to do down. A man of sense knows what to do under such circumstances.

With a threatened deficit at Austin, the legislature should postpone all thoughts of creating new asylums, new A. & M. Colleges, new Normal schools, etc.

The legislature should untie the knot of what to do with the unprecedented number of convicts on hand instead of passing laws to double and treble this number.

The patent on the Bell Telephone and all its improvements has expired and they will now be for sale cheap. Small towns and people of small salaries can enjoy the luxury of one.

The efforts of the newspapers to fix up a cabinet slate for President Cleveland is paralleled only by Lieutenant Totten's hallucinations on the fulfillment of Mosaic prophecy.

The daily papers have already begun to criticize the legislature for doing nothing. These same papers have been doing this very thing for twenty years. A legislative body composed of arch-angels couldn't possibly please them.

Ten acres of goobers will make meat enough for three or four families, some six or eight thousand pounds of pork. This will be worth twice as much as the cotton you can raise on it will next fall and can be produced at one half the cost.

Has any democrat applied for the mission to Honolulu? If not, we nominate Buck Kilgore. The rebellious, eruptive, turbulent nature of the people there would accord with Kilgore's nature. In twelve months he would be crowding king of the Sandwich Islands.

The few populists in the House at Austin bunched the democrats in the most artistic manner known to the profession. They decapitated them into a hole and then bottled them up. We are bound to say this, not from any admiration of the populists but the stupid management of the democrats constrains us to say it.

THE HOUSTON Post, with commendable zeal has been laboring for good roads for years. Zeal alone will not make good roads. Why don't the Post offer some practicable plan for doing all this? It takes money to construct such roads as the Post and all good citizens would like to see but raising money for this purpose is an uphill fight.

SENATOR Kearby has broken loose again. You may seal him up in one place and think you have got him hermetically grabbed, but he will break through somewhere else. The latest eruption of the Van Zandt senator is in the ratio between gold and silver in the shape of a bill to prevent the making of contracts payable in gold only. Kearby is a man of tireless energy and fathomless zeal. The church suffered an incalculable loss when the distinguished Senator from Van Zandt chose the forum instead of the pulpit. It is a matter like Kearby's that makes missionaries.

The following dispatch from Austin to the News indicates very clearly how Governor Hogg views the efforts of the legislature to increase the burdens of tax-payers by increasing the number of tax-catchers:

Austin, Tex., Feb. 2.—It is said that Gov. Hogg intends to put an emphatic veto to the bills creating new judicial districts and several representatives are somewhat worried about it.

Governor Hogg is no doubt thoroughly disgusted at the schemes of members in this direction and we unqualifiedly commend his expressed purpose to veto all such bills. Now, let him adhere to his resolution and hit these measures between the eyes with an executive veto every time one reaches him.

It is a physical impossibility for a man to ride two horses at the same time and both going in different directions. It is likewise a legislative impossibility to undertake to reduce the tax-rate or prevent its increase and at the same time create increased demands for increased appropriations of money. If the legislature carry to successful consummation their present plans of establishing new bureaux, new commissions, more judicial districts, more public institutions with a capacity for absorbing public funds, then it is bound to increase the tax-rate. If it will not increase the present tax-rate, then it must abandon these schemes of extravagance which are now being pushed out on the legislative table.

LETTER FROM AUSTIN.

What the Legislature is Doing—Events of the Past Week at the Capital.

The committee work is coming in fast and it is hoped that the work will start up in good earnest in the near future. As I have before stated, we will have no railroad legislation during the present session. It seems to be the opinion of the best informed that it will be best for the courts to pass upon the present commission law before we have any more legislation.

The Townsend bill making theft of a hog a felony, has been reported favorably by senate committee; the bill will come before the senate to-morrow. I think it will pass. I have worked hard for the passage of this bill. I feel that the bill carries equity with it. As the law now stands, if a thief takes a small calf worth \$3.50, he goes to the pen for not less than five years, and he can take a hog worth \$10.00 and a nominal fine is his punishment, and goes to the county jail and eats out his punishment at the expense of the honest tax-payers of the county. Let's have things equal Mr. Editor.

The bill providing for the new courts of civil appeals will appear in the near future; the writer will oppose the passage of the bill. Let's try what we have got for at least two years, and then we can provide for other courts, should we find the present number inadequate.

We will be slow to create any new districts. We think it best to enlarge the ones we now have.

We will have a revision of the school law and teachers' certificates. We have a committee out on this who will formulate a bill in the next few days. I hope the proposed law will meet with approval.

I am now formulating a road bill which I will introduce in a few days; it may be a special law relating to the county I represent. The bill provides for the working of county convicts upon the public roads, under the direction of the county commissioners' and county judge—to include county convicts who are not otherwise disposed of. Mr. Editor, we note what you say as to the theft of a hog bill, but we beg to differ with you. We know you don't favor class-legislation, and reasoning from your standpoint, you protect the cattle interest in the West and have the hog industry unprotected in the East. Let's encourage the hog industry in our own section of the state.

LOOK AHEAD: The following from Wm. D. Cleveland & Co. of Houston, is of interest to the farmers and merchants of Houston county:

Use your influence to discourage any increase in cotton acreage. Had this crop been 8,000,000 of bales, cotton to-day would not bring 5 cents per pound. Any increased acreage means lower prices, and the preparation for next crop will be closely watched and used for or against the interests of the South. With cotton at five cents, and bacon at thirteen, the condition of the planter, and of the merchant, would be truly deplorable.

Stocks of meats of all kinds in Chicago, January 1st, 1893, 29,337,000 lbs. against 148,900,000 Jan. 1st, 1892. Stocks in the West show larger reduction, and the demand both foreign and domestic, unprecedently heavy. Hogs are scarce and quality poor.

These are facts, which demand consideration.

WM. D. CLEVELAND & CO.

Peoples' Party Meeting.

To the Peoples' Party of Houston county: I hereby call a meeting of the Peoples' Party to meet in Crockett at the court house on Saturday, Feb. 18, 1893, for the purpose of attending to news-paper committee and to attend to such other business as shall be deemed expedient. We want a representative man from each voting precinct in the county.

A. M. REEHER, Chm.

We are authorized by applicants for a master at Lovelady to say that a primary election has been agreed on by them to determine the choice of the democrats who get their mail at Lovelady for that position. The election will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 14, and all democrats who get their mail regularly at Lovelady will be entitled to vote. Only democrats will be entitled to vote.

For Sale. I offer my residence property for sale, cheap for cash. It consists of fourteen acres of land, all improvements new and complete, consisting of an elegant residence and all out houses. F. P. FRENCH.

Health and Comfort are Destroyed by the use of poor smoking tobacco. The one tobacco that has held its own through all the changes of time and against all competitors is Blackwell's Bull Durham Smoking Tobacco. WHY? Because it's always pure, always the same, always the best. Such a record tells more than pages of "talk." It's just as good to-day as ever and it is the tobacco for you. If you smoke, you should smoke Bull Durham. A trial is all we ask. BLACKWELL'S DURHAM TOBACCO CO., DURHAM, N. C.

COTTON ACREAGE. CALL FOR A MASS-MEETING. SIGNED BY MERCHANTS AND FARMERS. Everybody Interested and Let Everybody Attend, Come out to the Meeting Saturday, Feb. 11. We the undersigned merchants and farmers of Houston county, realizing the imperative necessity for joint-action on the part of all citizens interested in the permanent welfare of the county to the end that there may be for the coming season an effective and successful effort for a systematic diversification of crops and a reduction of acreage in cotton do earnestly call all citizens interested in the accomplishment of these ends to meet at Crockett on Saturday, Feb. 11, at 11 o'clock in the court house for the purpose of organizing to carry out the plans mentioned above.

- F M Satterwhite W J Lakey
J F Rains J P Gaunt
M L Hallmark R M Atkinson
W H Kennard B E Hall
F M Allen B M Petty
W N Lane J C Wootters
A H Wootters Joe Long
T G Box C W Moore
J A McConnell W V McConnell
J M McConnell W A Wilson
M Bromberg H Hegarty
P Dougherty M Bromberg Jr
I W Smith G M Waller
W J Rains R S Rains
W B Wall T S Stubblefield
H Block A J Bennett
B M Jones E Douglas
C C Mortimer J B Clark
W E Moore C W Ellis
H F Mayes J S Hall
W E Allbright J S Plunker
A NeGoy A A DeBerry
F B Chamberlain W A French
John C Millar G M T Caton
J M Worthington W E Nelson
D S Williams R S Willis
John E Monk E E Barlow
J E Marsh J B Ellis
A J McLeMore D F Brown
H W Allen A M Rencher
F Meriwether Jno Kennedy
F G Edmiston Jessie Kelley
W H Denny Collin Aldrich
J L Hall J Y Collins
Wm Austin E E Hall
R D Wherry P E Tunstall
W F Holland C B Iabell
J R Bennett S H Platt
S D Thompson J B Fifer
J Murchisonson G W Woodson
H G O'Banion R L Douglas
C J Hassell J C Lacy
I Lipbert R C Spinks
J R Sheridan Jno Baker
I W Murchison Tony Gossett
M W Satterwhite Allen Newton
J S Shivers W R Wherry
O F Brewton J W Wherry
W W Davis B S Harrison
A J Belot T C LeMay.

DR. C. O. WEBB, DENTIST. Over Shivers Building North side of public square. CROCKETT, TEXAS.

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LOVELADY HIGH SCHOOL. Lovelady, Houston County, Texas. H. T. CHRISTIAN, Principal. MALE AND FEMALE. Next Session will open Monday, Sept. 6, '92. Tuition as follows: Primary Department 1.00, Intermediate Department 2.00, Grammar School Department 2.50, High School Department 3.00, Music 3.50. Board in Private Families at \$8.00 Per Month. For further particulars address W. J. Murchison, President Board Directors, D. J. Cater, Secretary Board of Directors.

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Consumption Cure. If You Think any kind of a cough will do you any good, you should get FERRY'S SEEDS.

ENTRANCE NOTICE. Take notice that the undersigned has been appointed receiver of the estate of the late J. C. Wootters, deceased, and will receive all claims against said estate.

STOLEN. A fine saddle horse was stolen from my stable on Monday, Feb. 7, 1893. It was a dark brown color, 14 hands high with bay legs. If you have any information regarding the same, please call on me at my residence, No. 101 North Second Street, Crockett, Texas.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY.

METHODIST.—L. M. Fowler Pastor, Services 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. Sacramental services at the Crockett church the second Sunday in each month.

COURT DIRECTORY.

DISTRICT.—District Judge, Hon. W. Q. Reeves. District Attorney, Hon. D. A. Senn. District Clerk, Hon. W. A. Champion.

COURT CALENDAR.

Court convenes the first Monday after the 4th Monday in February, and first Monday after fourth Monday in September.

LOCAL AND COUNTY NEWS.

Don't forget the Saddle Shop.

C. R. Brannen of Lovelady was in town Saturday.

Let the Alliance join in the movement for the reduction of cotton acreage.

Howard, the Barber gives a soft, smooth, clean shave and a stylish hair-cut. Call and see him.

We call attention to the announcement to be found elsewhere of Mrs. Louisa Rich as a candidate for post master at Lovelady.

If you have a saddle or harness that needs repair take it to E. A. Nichols at old grange store stand he is the nearest workman in this part of the state.

If you are determined to act a fool on this cotton acreage question, do it stupendously and consummately and then when you are bid only six cents for it next fall, "cuss" no one but yourself.

Jim, T. Bever our liverman has reduced the prices of livery lower than any barn in Texas. Double buggy team \$2.50 per day. Saddle horse \$1.00 day. Buggy and harness \$1.00 day. Horse feed 25 cents. I have 27 head of No. 1 horses and good turnout.

Announcement.—We are authorized to announce the name of Mrs. Louisa Rich as a candidate for appointment as post master at Lovelady subject to the action of the Democrats at a primary election to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 14, '05.

The hoop skirt craze has struck New York and will soon become pandemic. Those who will have to pay for 25 yards of goods to make a dress deserve public sympathy. When the craze strikes Crockett the City Council will as a matter of necessity have to widen and straighten the streets or ordinary mortals will have to take to the middle of the road. Fortune teller for the day.

Plant shade trees on the streets.

Take your repair work to the Saddle Shop.

Dr. Corley killed a hog fattened on must that weighed 330.

For Racket goods, call at the Saddle Shop. Prices below zero.

You will find one of the finest saddlers in the state at the Saddle Shop.

Miss Cora Jones, a beautiful and charming young lady from Galveston, is visiting Miss Mary Nunn.

Lovelady and Grapeland—can send representatives to the mass-meeting Saturday. Will they do it?

Deputy sheriff Watts of Lovelady brought up four prisoners Thursday. They were admitted to bail.

Hon. G. C. Clegg, a prominent attorney of the Trinity county bar, was in town Monday on legal business.

When you plant cotton this year, plant with the expectation of getting only six cents next year for it.

Highest Cash prices paid for all kinds of country produce such as chickens, eggs, sweet-potatoes at JONES & DOUGLASS.

A lot of Calicoes, Gingham, Cotton Checks, Domestic, Oil-cloth, Lace Curtains etc. have just arrived at the Racket Store.

If you get only six cents for your cotton next fall and have an empty crib and smoke-house, don't blame anyone but yourself.

George, brother of J. M. Crook, recently from California, has located in Crockett and will study law in the office of the latter.

The mass-meeting at the court house Saturday is preliminary to a larger and more representative one later on. Let every one attend.

The Racket Store is certainly the cheapest store in Houston county. Why, you can buy a set of good plates for 35 cents at the Racket Store.

Bill McConnell says if you want close prices on flour, come to him—he will give you close prices on all groceries.

Don't wait for a few to pay all the money for planting shade trees on school grounds. The whole town is interested and should help. Come up with fifty cents or a dollar.

The Emma Warren theatrical troupe will render the attractive play of Robinson Crusoe at the Opera House Saturday night. Fine band and fine orchestra.

One of the first things the Commissioners' Court should do at its meeting next week should be to take steps to enclose and protect the court house by a good fence and then set out the ground in shade trees.

Mrs. Lizzie Beasley and Charley Long will go into business in the brick building on the north-west corner of the square. Mrs. Beasley left for New York Monday to buy a large and fine stock of ladies' dress goods, notions etc.

A committee will be in charge of the tree-planting on the school grounds Friday and will take charge of all the trees brought for that purpose. Sycamores, box-elders and elms are the only kinds agreed on by the committee.

There was a large crowd in town Monday. We noticed the following on the streets: W. P. Turner and J. T. Murray of Porter Springs; Dr. Lewis Merrivether, W. J. Chatfin, B. S. Harrison, J. E. Hollingsworth, J. F. Martin, D. F. Brown and Jesse Gentry of Grapeland; Jno. Kennedy of Augusta; A. J. McLemore, B. M. Petty of Col. J. B. Smith, W. B. Wall, Dr. C. O. Webb and W. B. Page met at the office of J. M. Crook. Dr. J. L. Lipscomb was called to the chair. Resolutions were adopted making contract for trees for the school grounds and requesting the public help in contributing to pay for same. It was agreed to put out ycamore, box-elder and red-elm and Friday was the day fixed. The council was urged to have the grounds substantially enclosed and to take means to protect the trees.

LOOK OUT FOR THE CASH STORE!

Just received one half car load of Four; good Patent Flour, guaranteed at \$1.00 per sack. Fresh Rices, Fancy Evaporated Apples, Canned Corn, Tomatoes etc.

Shoes! Shoes!

Stock complete. All Solid Ladies Button Shoes, Brogans and Men's Calf Shoes \$1.00 per pair. Cassimeres, black, b.n., brown greens and dove, reduced from 25 and 30 cents to 20 cents.

Bacon and Lard

Always on hand at bottom figures. My 3 kinds of TOBACCO that, navy and smoking are going at 25 cents per pound. Don't forget that I am the cheap man on clothing.

R. M. ATKINSON.

When you come to Crockett visit the Saddle Shop.

There was a dance at the Cone House Monday night.

Go out and hear Emma Warren in the play of Robinson Crusoe.

You can get a good over-shirt at Bill McConnell's for 25cts. Mens' or boys'.

More saddles, better saddles and cheaper saddles is the motto at the Saddle Shop for 1893.

Let everyone join in the movement to reduce the cotton acreage and to diversify the crop.

Call at the Saddle Shop and see our dry goods department. We are giving such bargain that you never heard of before.

A Killing.

Walter Walters cut and killed Dave Robinson on Nevil's Prairie last Friday night at a party. Walters escaped.

Call on Jones & Douglas at the building formerly occupied by the Daisy Saloon. They have just opened up a new and complete stock of dry goods, groceries, canned goods etc.

The City Council have passed an ordinance making it a penal offense for cows to run on the public square. People who come to town with wagons will be delighted to hear of this.

Miss Fannie Fowler, daughter of the Rev. L. M. Fowler, came down from Kilgore this week and at present is the guest of Mrs. J. C. Wooters. She expects and is trying to get up a music class.

Every man who lives on the public streets should be willing to make some concessions to take his fence in a little and thereby help the city council in their efforts to widen and improve the streets.

Of relinquishing their hold on that almighty shining dollar and in order to fully convince you that we mean every word that this space contained we respectfully ask you to call at the Saddle Shop when you come to Crockett and convince yourself.

Crockett, like every other town, is afflicted by a few persons who are "drags" in every undertaking for the best interest of the town. This is, they neither march with the procession, nor get out of the way. They will stand by and see a few do and give all that is to be done or given, and will not even add an encouraging or commending word.

A Sensational Discovery.

Just as we are about to go to press we learn that a couple of girls when passing the Red Hole, a pool of water near the railroad, saw the arm and hand of a baby protruding from the water. There was a quilt lying on the bank near by and foot prints on the sand. At this writing quite a crowd is there, among them Justice Romain who is using the pond dragged out to get the body.

Grand Jury.

David Webb, D. M. Gossett, M. H. Mills, W. H. Kennedy, J. D. John, R. R. Harvin, John Butts, J. E. Hollingsworth, A. B. Phillips, W. G. Brazeale, Jno. S. Langston, J. D. McCullar, W. B. Worthington, James Beasley, E. Wulfree, S. C. Arledge.

Shade Tree Planting.

The City Council committee, composed of Dr. J. L. Hall, J. V. Collins and John McConnell and the citizens committee, composed of Dr. J. L. Lipscomb, Dr. J. B. Smith, W. B. Wall, Dr. C. O. Webb and W. B. Page met at the office of J. M. Crook. Dr. J. L. Lipscomb was called to the chair. Resolutions were adopted making contract for trees for the school grounds and requesting the public help in contributing to pay for same. It was agreed to put out ycamore, box-elder and red-elm and Friday was the day fixed. The council was urged to have the grounds substantially enclosed and to take means to protect the trees.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the pages of the minutes, a copy handed to his family and a copy published in the county paper.

J. R. RICHY, J. F. MARTIN, L. MERRIVETHER.

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Teachers' Examination.

There will be an examination of teachers on the third Friday and Saturday of this month.

For Sale or Exchange.

I have fifty head of good North Texas horses which I will sell or exchange for stock or steer cattle, allowing a fair price for cattle. The horses are from 15 to 15 1/2 hands high. Call to see me at my farm eight miles east of Crockett.

T. F. SMITH.

Notice to Creditors at W. E. Brechtling.

All persons having claims against the estate of W. F. Brechtling dec'd. will have their claims authenticated and filed with me by the 10th of February as I will then make a pro rata division of said estate.

W. W. DAVIS, Atty of creditors.

Put in Jury.

TUESDAY, FIRST WEEK.

T. F. Smith, G. W. Clines, Ed Callier, T. J. Crofford, G. M. T. Caton, W. O. Phipps, B. J. Speer, Jno. Haile, Ed Hill, G. E. Darsey, Johnson Phillips, C. B. Isbell, L. M. Campbell, J. B. Harkins, Silas Cook, Jno. H. Webb, H. L. Brannan, C. R. Brannan, James Arledge, J. W. Daniels, Calvin Hallmark, G. W. Allbright, W. T. Turner, J. R. Hairston, Tom Bayne, M. D. Steed, J. H. Reynolds, S. D. Knox, J. H. Wakefield, D. K. Durham, Bryant Jones, Moe Langston, J. E. Bynum, W. A. Woolley, J. O. Monday.

MONDAY, SECOND WEEK.

Jim Langston, A. H. Wotters, D. John, J. M. Worthington, John Beeson, Steve Hallmark, W. J. Marchison, D. B. Alford, H. M. Barbee, Dan McLain, Jim Lucas, E. E. Barlow, J. W. Creath, Bert Clark, R. O. Beavers, John H. Allen, J. G. McCall, Henry Holcomb, H. Bruton, S. S. Alfred, Ross Murchison, Frank Allen, Henry Rice, Chas. Long, Sam Rook, Tom Temple, J. C. Wall, Dick Hooks, Jesse Jones, Asbury Hallmark, H. H. LaRue, Archer Porter, J. M. Murchison, Everett Douglas, Dick Douglas, Jr.

To the W. M. Wardens and Brethren of Grapeland Lodge, No. 493 A. F. & A. M.

Whereas it has pleased the Supreme Grand Architect of the Universe to move from our midst our worthy and beloved brother S. M. Davis, therefore be it

Resolved, That while we bow in humble submission to His will, we feel that this Lodge has lost a bright and promising member, one cut down in the flower of his youth whose good influences like the bright rays of a rising "Sun in the East" was just beginning to be shed on those around him. While he may have had his faults, let us throw over them the broad mantle of charity and lay upon his grave white flowers of brotherly love and affection, planting at its head an ever-green testifying that his memory, though not graven on sculptured shaft nor chiseled granite, will live for ever fresh and green in the heart of his brethren.

We feel that had the Divine Architect seen fit to have permitted him to pursue his labor among us society would have had a bright ornament, the community a useful and honored citizen, and his family a faithful, loving brother and friend.

Resolved, That we extend to his family our heartfelt sympathy in this their great loss and commend them to the Supreme Grand Master above, who tempers the minds to the shorn lamb.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the pages of the minutes, a copy handed to his family and a copy published in the county paper.

J. R. RICHY, J. F. MARTIN, L. MERRIVETHER.

Notice.

We have a fine lot of young mules from 3 to 5 years old that we will sell cheap for cash or on time to suit purchaser.

Apply to A. L. GIBSON of J. W. HALL.

Notice.

I have withdrawn from the SADDLE SHOP and will now be found at the old LARGE STORE stand, where I am prepared to manufacture fine SADDLES and HARNESS to order. NEAT REPAIR work will be made a SPECIALTY.

E. A. NICHOLS.

Anybody Lost a Horse.

Taken up by the undersigned, one gray horse about 12 years old 16 hands high, shod all round, saddle and harness marks, branded half-circle with a curve over it on right shoulder. Address me at Weldon.

S. S. ADAMS.

Sold on its Merits.

Preston's Hed-Ake is an unfailing cure for any and every form of headache. It will cure your headache in 15 minutes. It is guaranteed to do that or money refunded. Did you ever receive a fairer offer? If it does not do what we claim we don't want your money. No cure no pay.

Lost or Strayed.

One red roan cow, no mark, branded G on left hip, F on shoulder. One red roan heifer no mark nor brand when last seen; half jersey 2 years old.

One blue cow, no brand, marked crop and two splits in left ear, crop and two splits in right ear and underbit in left ear; also one pale red heifer yearling, 2 years old, no mark nor brand when last seen, half jersey. A liberal reward for their recovery.

Notice.

The Methodists of Crockett have decided to build a new parsonage on the site of the old building. I was appointed a "committee of one" to solicit subscriptions from the members of the Methodist church. The work has been done to the best of my ability in this brief space of one week.

Any assistance from our friends and members of other churches that may be given us will be gratefully appreciated, and thankfully received.

L. M. FOWLER.

Oh, What a Cough.

Will you heed the warning. The signal perhaps of the sure approach of that more terrible disease Consumption. Ask yourselves if you can afford for the sake of saving 50c, to run the risk and do nothing for it. We know from experience that Shilo's Cure will cure your cough. It never fails. This explains why more than a Million Bottles were sold the past year. It relieves Croup and Whooping Cough at once. Mothers, do not be without it. For lame back, side or chest use Shilo's Porus Plaster. Sold by J. G. Harring.

Bill McConnell Says:

Our spring and a portion of our summer stock now en route will soon reach its destination and we will then be able to place before the public view one of the most lovely line of goods that it has ever been the wisdom of man to manufacture.

That which we have left in dress goods, trimmings, knit goods, flannels, clothing and all fall and winter goods, we are offering at greatly reduced figures. Have just received 3000 ounces of saphyr. A nice line of rubber shoes and boots. Fresh garden seed and seed potatoes, dried apples, peaches and grapes, grit, rice, oat flakes, soda, starch, soap, sugar, coffee, snuff tobacco, ribbon cane syrup, crab apple vinegar and a car of fresh flour.

SPECIAL—The beautiful goods now en route, will turn the eyeballs inside out.

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The FISH BRAND SLICKER is waterproof, and will keep you dry in the heaviest storm. The new FISH BRAND SLICKER is a perfect fitting coat, and covers the entire outfit. Beware of imitations. Don't buy cheap. The Fish Brand is sold by R. H. Johnson and Catalogue free. A. J. TOWER, Boston, Mass.

County Court Proceedings.

State of Texas vs. Geo. Hughes, gaming—not prosed.

State vs. James Mitchell, gaming—not prosed.

State vs. Walter Lagway, carrying a pistol—not prosed.

State vs. Tom Wagner, carrying a pistol—not prosed.

State vs. Walter Lagway, carrying a pistol—not prosed.

State vs. Walter Lagway, aggravated assault and battery—pleaded guilty to simple assault and fined \$5.00.

State vs. Chas. Murchison, bond forfeited.

State vs. Tom Rogers, carrying a pistol—not prosed.

State vs. Mart Lacy, unlawfully cutting timber—not prosed.

State vs. Grandison Lacy, unlawfully cutting timber—not prosed.

State vs. Geo. Washington, A. A. and B.—bond forfeited.

State vs. Wm. Patton, carrying a pistol—not prosed.

State vs. Colonel Fields, A. A.—not prosed.

State vs. Geo. McCoy A. A. and B.—not prosed.

State vs. Will Campbell, A. A. and B.—not prosed.

State vs. Bob Johnson, adultery—not prosed.

State vs. Frank Calhoun, disturbing religious worship—plea of guilty and fined \$25.00.

State vs. Bill Lott, disturbing religious worship—fined \$25.00.

State vs. Jno. Lott, disturbing religious worship—not guilty.

State vs. C. R. Rich, unlawfully selling goods on Sunday—not prosed.

State vs. Forest Fifer, carrying a pistol—verdict not guilty.

State vs. Burt and Ab Bailey. Theft under \$20—not prosed.

State vs. Henry Berryman, theft under \$20.00—case passed till Monday of 3rd week and witnesses, E. L. Ashmore and Marion Morehead fined \$5.00 each.

State vs. Abe Henderson, A. A. and B., plea of guilty, fined \$10.00 and one day in county jail.

State vs. Sol Eppes, A. A. and B., plea of guilty to simple assault and fined \$5.00.

State vs. Charley Horn, charge of lunacy, guilty and ordered to the asylum.

Answer This Question.

Why do so many people we see around us seem to prefer to suffer and be made miserable by indigestion, constipation, loss of appetite, coming up of the food, yellow skin, when for 75c we will sell them Shilo's Vitalizer, guaranteed to cure them. Sold by J. G. Harring.

WE TELL YOU

nothing new when we state that it pays to engage in a permanent, most healthy and pleasant business that returns a profit for every day's work. We need men here to make money rapidly, and guarantee every one who follows our instructions faithfully the making of \$2000 a month.

Every one who takes hold now and works will quickly and surely increase their earnings; there can be no question about it; others may sit at work as they do, and say, "I can do the same." This is the best paying business that you have ever had the chance to secure. You will make a gross mistake if you fail to give it a trial at once. If you grasp the situation, and act quickly, you will directly find yourself in a most prosperous business, at which you can surely make and save large sums of money. The results of only a few weeks' work will show you a week's wages. Whether you are old or young, man or woman, it makes no difference, as we will tell you, and we mean will meet you at the very start. Neither experience or capital necessary. Those who work for us are rewarded. Why not write to-day for full particulars, free? E. C. ALLEN & CO., P. O. Box 438, Augusta, Me.

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OF

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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, wheels and agricultural implements. Walnut, White Oak, Linn, Ash, Hickory of every variety. Post Oak, Cypress, Long and Short Leaf Pine, Curly Pine, Holly, Beach, Cherry, Magnolia and all other species of timber found in the woods of East Texas.

HOUSTON CO. TOOK THE GOLD MEDAL

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.

The Railroads of the County.

The International & Great Northern runs through it directly North and South. The Trinity & Sabine belt 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.

The School Fund is 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 about six 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

The foot never has an idea too big to slip out of his mouth.

The attention of baseball players who receive wounds of one kind or another every day, from bat or ball, is directed to the fact that Savillon Oil is the best application in use for cure of cuts, bruises, and sprains.

Never trust a man that won't trust his neighbor.

What Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup has done for others for nearly two generations it will do for you. If you will try it once you will be convinced that it is the best family medicine, and you will never be without it.

The poet's eye in a fine frenzy rolling seldom makes a ten strike.

You Must Stop Coughing!

Marsden's Pectoral Balm is a certain and speedy cure for all coughs and colds. It gives relief at once and permanent cure when used according to directions. It is not an experiment. It has been tried for 25 years. Sold everywhere.

Success has ruined more men than adversity.

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Bosche's German Syrup is more successful in the treatment of Consumption than any other remedy prescribed. It has been tried under every variety of climate. In the bleak, bitter North, in damp New England, in the fertile Middle States, in the hot, moist South—everywhere. It has been in demand by every nationality. It has been used in every stage of Consumption. In brief it has been used by millions and is the only true and reliable Consumption Remedy.



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THE NEXT MORNING FEEL BRIGHT AND NEW AND MY COMPLEXION IMPROVES. My doctor says it is very good for the stomach, liver and kidneys, and is a pleasant laxative. This drink is made from the best herbs and is as easy to take as tea.

LANE'S MEDICINE

All druggists sell it at 25c and 50c a package. If you cannot get it, send your address to Lane's Medicine Co., 100 Broadway, New York, N. Y. It is sold by mail.

Fresh Air and Exercise.

Get all that's possible of both, if in need of fresh strength and nerve force. There's need, too, of plenty of fat-food.

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of Cod Liver Oil builds up flesh and strengthens quicker than any other preparation known to science.

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DON'T DELAY TAKE KEMP'S BALSAM THE BEST COUGH CURE

Unlike the Dutch Process No Alkalies Other Chemicals are used in the preparation of W. BAKER & CO.'S Breakfast Cocoa

It has more than three times the strength of cocoa mixed with starch, arrowroot or any other thickener. It is far more economical, costing less than one cent a cup. It is delicious, nourishing and healthful.

W. BAKER & CO., Dorchester, Mass.

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RHEUMATISM

Four years I gave up all remedies and began to starve. After taking several bottles I was entirely cured and able to resume work. It is the only medicine that is so effective in poisoning to-day on the market."

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ALASKA STOVE LIFTERS

ALWAYS GOLD.

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INTERESTING COSSIP FOR THE WOMEN.

For the Hair.

The little knobs and wreaths for the hair are prettier than ever. The stiff ribbon bow, supporting a spreading spray of fine flowers, is quite popular, and the ribbon band, ending in tiny clusters of tips, is also very pretty.

For the Hat.

A beautiful tea gown has been recently made for Miss Horder, one of the London brides of this season. It was of pink brocade with a front in pink crepe de Chine, caught with velvet.

A Tea Gown.

Some enterprising Western women of the best social circles have originated an excellent scheme for disposing of undesirable articles of apparel or furniture. Nearly every woman has some special bits in her wardrobe—a purchase which constantly reminds her of a friend or a lover, or a memento of a friend—and which she would be glad to dispose of for a consideration, but considers too good to give away.

The Western women fix upon a day for meeting at the house of one of their number and disposing of these various bits of mis-selections by public auction. Each woman has the chance to dispose of her own property, not for a pecuniary consideration, but for some other article which her neighbor considers a fair exchange, and thus the despised possession of one may become the treasure of another, and many get home happy.

Costume for a Box Party.

I do not commend the wearing of elaborate evening gowns in a box. At the same time, I think it quite proper that a somewhat more elaborate dress should be assumed. The pretty evening dresses with round English necks, and long, full, quiet sleeves, are admirable for box costumes, and they are, of course, perfectly proper for wear after the evening's amusement is done, and one goes to partake of some further hospitality offered by one's generous host. In white, pink, and other gray stuffs, in the rich, artistic gowns, in the quiet brocades, indeed, in any rich material, these gowns may be very simply developed, for the designs are arranged in such a way that the special styles form the trimming, and are intended to bring out the richness and elegance of the fabric.

A Handsome Dinner Dress.

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THEY WENT.

A Man Who Killed Man With the Greatest of Ease.

"I saw Ben Thompson, the notorious Texas desperado, kill two men and a dog in less than six seconds," said E. C. Gilderlove, a member of the Reminiscence Club. "I saw it stated in an Eastern magazine that Thompson killed altogether eighteen men. He told me a few days before he was ridden with bullets in the Fashion theater at San Antonio, that he had just twenty-seven men to sleep all of them in his defense."

"Ben's idea of what constituted self-defense may have been a trifle crude, but I do not believe he was ever guilty of a cowardly, color-blooded murder. He met me frequently during my travels in Texas and always found him sociable and good natured. Shortly after he became a member of the club, he was sitting in front of the hotel when I was stopping, talking to me, when some one informed him that there was an ugly row in progress in a Mexican dance house three or four blocks east. 'Oh let the greasers fight,' said Thompson, questioningly. 'If they kill each other, so much the better.'"

"I did not move, but continued his chat with me. In a few minutes the mayor came up and said: 'Ben, you ought to stop that row among the Mexicans. They're raising parties and disturbing the quiet in the neighborhood.' 'All right,' said Ben. 'I'll go over and ring down the curtain on their show.' He asked me to go along with him and I did so. When I saw the place, I was aghast. It was a real fight, and six Mexicans and a big savage dog were on the premises. One of the Mexicans had an ugly knife wound in the neck, and the dog was snapping at the feet of the man who was fighting. Ben asked him who slashed him, and he replied that he fell off the railroad bridge and cut his gools."

"That's the way with those greasers," said Thompson. "They'll fight among themselves and cut and slash, but they'll never punch. A Mexican seldom turns state's evidence." He sent for a doctor to attend the wound. "I ain't afraid of no death," said Ben. "I refused to go with him and made an ugly demonstration. An old hag set the dog on us while the men drew knives. Quick as a flash Ben shot the dog and two of the men, the latter falling as though struck by thunderbolts. 'Now will the rest of you fellows go? asked Ben. They went.'"

NO HIGHER EDUCATION.

Uncle Jack's Views of the Amount of Education Required.

When the war ended and the negroes were free, there was great enthusiasm for educating them. One of the first schools started was built on the edge of his place by Colonel Trigg who got a little 'scholarship' from the government. He was a good man and he taught it. It was called the colored population, the pupils ranging from 5 to 75 years old studying 'a-b-a-b' and 'e-b-e-b'. Even 'Uncle Jack' went to school for a while, and one of the old-timers went in and was transferred from the stable to the school room, but soon dropped out.

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