

COLQUITT'S TAX BILL.

A Measure That Will Force the Tax Dodgers to Shell Out.

AUSTIN, Texas, January 20.—Senator O. B. Colquitt's bill to force the collection of back taxes is now in the hands of the judiciary committee No. 1 and there is strong probability of a favorable report. It is certain to pass the senate, his friends say. This is a sweeping measure and if placed on the statute books is certain to create consternation in the ranks of the tax dodgers of the State. The Colquitt bill provides that instead of the collector selling land for taxes and reporting to the comptroller of the State, the county auditor shall institute suit in the district courts and sell the lands on which taxes are delinquent to the highest bidder. This will give titles from the state and make them gilt-edged and of the very best tenure. Of course, there is a constitutional provision that provides that the delinquents shall have two years grace in which to redeem the lands sold by order to the district court. Senator Colquitt says there are \$800,000 due in back taxes on land and on delinquent poll tax accounts \$1,200,000.

The tax dodgers in the Lone Star State are numerous, to judge from this formidable array of figures. Senator Colquitt wants the law amended that these tax dodgers can be reached and made to disgorge. Since the Colquitt bill was introduced in the senate and published in the public prints its author has been overwhelmed with letters from citizens scattered from Galveston to Amarillo and Denison to Laredo. The writers give the flattering endorsement and cite cases in their respective localities of men of wealth who dodge tax paying and laugh at the law.

Under the present conditions owners of land permit it to be sold year in and year out. When they get ready to redeem it they do so if it is in their interest. One writer says two judges in Dallas county have not paid taxes for years, and men of prominence throughout the State are placed in the same category. Senator Colquitt said to the Post correspondent tonight: "If this bill becomes a law it will result in \$900,000 in back taxes being placed in the State treasury within the next six months."

In his letter to Governor Culberson accepting reappointment as a member of the Railroad Commission, ex-Senator Reagan says: "It brings up with me anew the question as to whether my inclination to retire from public service, and secure desirable repose, should override a sense of duty to the public. My public statements during the summer canvass of my purpose to retire from the commission and from the public service has brought to me the protests of many of our most worthy citizens against my so doing, and has so far shaken my former determination in that respect as, connected with the complimentary terms in which you tender me reappointment as Commissioner, to determine me to accept the appointment. There is yet much to be done in giving full effect to the railroad commission law. And it is perhaps best that I should remain on the commission at least until it has completed its rates, and got the business of the commission completely organized."

Ex-Governor Hogg, in making way for Governor Culberson on Wednesday, the 15th, inst., seemed glad to get back to private station. The Austin correspondent of the Galveston-Dallas News says: "Governor Hogg said in his speech, introducing his successor, that he hoped he was retiring permanently to private life, and he said it as if he meant it. It has been sagely said that a man who once gets a taste of public life is never driven to turn the seductive test loose until he is choked off, but it may be different in the case of Governor Hogg. He says that he is tired of politics, and this is doubtless the truth. His career has been a stormy one from start to finish. He was wafted into office on a tidal wave, so to speak, and for eight long years he played an important part in the political history of Texas. And whatever else may be said of the man, there is no denying that he has envied himself with a perfect throng of loyal friends, who think kindly of him now as they did when he was the chief executive of the commonwealth. Anyone who closely observed Governor Hogg to-day would have been impressed with the idea that he is sincere in the declaration that he is glad to retire to the shades of private life. He looked like a man who had no regrets at leaving the strife and turmoil of officialdom behind, and for whom the glamour of politics has no charm. He was in the best of spirits and had a mild and cheery word of greeting for all with whom he came into contact."

Robbers Captured.

Sheriff Waller and deputy Hale went down last Friday to the scene of the attempted hold up on High Prairie. There were good reasons for believing that the dead bandit Perry, had more than one accomplice and the officers acting on this theory went to work. On Saturday they located young Atkinson in the woods about 300 yards from his home. They found him suffering from a wound in the leg from Knox's pistol. The ball had been extracted by surgeons. Pursuing their theories further they took in another young man, Bob Tillis who they had reasons to believe was implicated in the hold up. There is still another out at this writing not yet taken in, Marcus Ross, making four in all who in one way or another were parties to the crime. All of them, Perry, Atkinson, Tillis and Ross are young men from 18 to 22 years of age and live in Walker county. Atkinson and Tillis are now in jail and we understand have confessed. Knox's store where the robbery was attempted is on High Prairie in the south western part of the county and is owned by himself and father. They had been carrying a small stock of goods and had accumulated and had on hand from sales receipts to the amount of a hundred dollars or more.

WELDON NEWS.

An Unsuccessful Hold Up.

Quite a sad incident happened near here at Knoxville. On the night of Jan. 16 about 8 o'clock P. M. two men rode up to the house of Will Knox and told him they wanted to get in the store to get something to eat. Will Knox went with them to the store and opened it and struck a match when one of them told Knox to hold up his hands, when Knox made for a pistol when Acey Perry (whom it afterwards proved to be) shot at Knox and only went through his clothes when Knox then fired at Perry hitting him in the stomach. Perry then ran about 50 yards and dropped and only lived about 30 minutes. Perry had a partner with him but he left and as yet it has not been found out who he is. Acey Perry is a young man about 22 yrs old and has been partly raised in this and Trinity county. He has several relatives in both counties. It is thought that he was enticed into doing this by older hands.

W. D. G.

LOVELADY.

Jan. 18th, 1895.

A hold up that did not hold water a cent.

On Wednesday night about 9 o'clock S. D. Knox who has a store ten miles west of here, was called out by a man and requested to go to the store, the party saying that he wanted to get something to eat. When they got into the store and Knox struck a light, the fellow struck a coil 45 in his face and ordered hands up. Knox replied, "What did you say?" And the fellow let his pop go, cutting a red streak round Knox's neck, and making a slight flesh wound in his shoulder and badly powdering his face. It so happened that Knox was loaded also with a pop and gave him one, better by giving him a center shot squarely through the body, this satisfied him without any money and without saying a word he dropped his pistol on the floor and ran out, Knox giving him a parting shot as he left which did not take effect. The fellow ran about 50 yards fell into a ditch crawled out on the bank and when found a short time afterwards was dead. As Knox came out he thought he saw another man behind the house and fired on him as long as his loads held out. The dead, would be robber proved to be A. C. Perry, 23 years old and had been raised near Weldon only a few miles from where he was killed. The pistol he had proved to be one that had been stolen a few days before from Mr. Calhoun who lived near by. Justice Newton went out and held an inquest and brought back the false whiskers and mustache the fellow had on.

Messrs. J. M. Worthington and Dr. W. B. Collins having become disgusted at the low price of cotton have concluded to set a good example to the people at large, by developing a home industry that will result (if successfully) in furnishing plenty of bacon. They have bought up several thousand acres of land on White Rock Creek and are going to start a hog ranch. They say the class of hogs they expect to get will be what is familiarly known in this part of the State as Razor Backs. They say they prefer this breed because the hogs will be expected to root for a living. They have employed as general manager of their firm Mr. Joe N. Newton, a man who has had long experience in the management of Razor back hogs and on this ac-

count the new firm is very hopeful of making a grand success out of the new financial venture. It is very dry with us, more so than the oldest inhabitant has any recollection of ever seeing at this time of year, no plowing can be done until rain falls. W. J. MURCHISON.

GRAPELAND.

CROCKETT COURIER:—If the ocean was an ink stand, the sky a roll of parchment and every blade of grass a pen, they could all be exhausted in writing up the boom that is now on our little city and vicinity. The natural advantages that exist here, the fertility of the soil and its cheapness are beginning to attract emigration from every point of the compass. The covered wagons with the chairs, frying pans and skillet hung on to the back end that are now constantly seen upon our streets, indicate that they are coming. All that is needed is a little enterprise in letting the world know what we are where we are and what we have, and it would not be long until all these valleys and hill sides around us would be teeming with a thrifty, industrious, money-making population. We want farmers who want farm, those who are not afraid of work we can assure this class success. Then let us join the rest of the county and organize an emigration society, who will speak first.

Mrs. Dr. Woodward's mother, Mrs. Hancock of Delta county, is in town visiting her daughter's family. Her health is not good but she is rapidly improving since her arrival here.

Mr. Nat Campbell left last night for the blind institute at Austin where he will take a course in piano tuning.

Mrs. Dr. Meriwether has been quite sick this week but is better to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. Mac Stowe have the sympathy of this community in the loss of their youngest child which occurred last week.

Mrs. Burrell Evans was very sick a few days ago but is alright now. Mr. Stevens our R. R. agent is home again looking as spry as a kitten.

The I. & G. N. R. Co. are having a fresh coat of paint put on the depot.

Rev. Mr. Strain of the Universalist church preached here last Sunday at the Methodist church, those who heard him say his sermon was very eloquent and logical.

Mr. Duff of Palestine will lecture here on the Christian Endeavor work next Thursday night.

We had a light rain this morning but not enough to do any good.

KEYSTONE.

An Ancient Creole Housewife on Salad.

"Speaking of salads," said Mme. John, a noted old creole housewife, the other day, "the salad for health is the green salad, with a simple French dressing. Such a salad ought to be on our tables at least once a day the year round. To get a real French dressing in the quickest and best way, take six tablespoonfuls of oil, two tablespoonfuls of vinegar, a half teaspoonful of salt, and half teaspoonful of pepper. Put the full quantity of oil in a jar, together with the vinegar, and agitate violently. This saves any amount of beating and produces an emulsion immediately. Pour this over the lettuce, or whatever green salad is used, with a tablespoonful of parsley cut very fine sprinkled over again. Salads of this order are the most healthful foods in the world. The family that eats much oil never knows a headache, and the medicinal qualities of lettuce and celery are such as all nervous, energetic people require as sedatives. The Americans eat too much meat and too little vegetables. The creoles, happily, blend both. This accounts, in many instances, for the longevity and good health of the ancient members of the race. As for the younger ones, mon Dieu! and Madame struggled her in true Parisian fashion, "they make too much American for me!"—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Development Association.

The movement for the organization of an Immigration and Development Association for Houston county is making satisfactory progress.

A meeting was held Monday, reports of committees made and adopted and another meeting called for Friday (to-day) at 10 a. m. No little surprise is manifested at seeing so little interest taken in the movement by such places as Lovelady and Grapeland. There was not a man on the ground from those sections and yet the enterprise is as much in the interest of those sections as of any part of the county. Again, no little surprise was shown at seeing that some of Crockett's most prominent citizens

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were absent from the meeting on Monday.

This movement is in the interest of no particular section of the county and of no particular individual. The whole county and all classes are concerned in the success of it and should work to that end. The success of the enterprise depends on every one doing his entire duty in the matter.

Citation.

The State of Texas, County of Houston. To the Sheriff or any Constable, Houston county—Greeting.

You are hereby commanded to summon Daniel Ellis and Stephen Ellis, heirs at law of Michel Ellis deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein but if not, then in any newspaper published in the third judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said third judicial district to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county to be held at the court house in Crockett on the 1st Monday in March 1895 the same being the 4th day of March 1895, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 8th day of January 1895 in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 3898, wherein Geo. O. Cason is plaintiff and Daniel Ellis and Stephen Ellis are defendants the nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows:

Suit of trespass to try title to 1476 acres of land situated in the county of Houston and state of Texas, about 23 miles N 78° E from the town of Crockett, being the same land patented to the heirs of M. Ellis, deceased, on the 26th day of November 1875 and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the N. W. corner of a survey of 867 acres of land made for James Palmer. Thence south with Palmer's line 950 yards to J. A. Caraway's N. E. corner. Thence west with Caraway's line 950 yards to his N. W. corner. Thence north with Isaac Adair's line 1094 yards to his corner on B. Hollingsworth's south line. Thence east with Hollingsworth's line 193 yards to his southeast corner. Thence north with Hollingsworth's east line 688 yards to corner. Thence east with J. Henley's line 685 yards to Henley's S. E. corner. Thence north with Henley's line 1700 yards stake for corner. Thence N. 55 E. at 1000 yards stake on J. Payne's S. B. line. Thence S. 35 E. with Payne's line 710 yards pass his corner and with Armstrong's line at 1600 yards Armstrong's south corner. Thence N. 55 E. with Armstrong's line 950 yards his corner on W. M. Conner's S. W. line. Thence S. 35 E. with Conner's line 175 yards to stake for corner. Thence S. 21 1/2 E. yards stake. Thence west 568 yards said Palmer's N. E. corner 2577 yards with Palmer line to the beginning.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court at its aforesaid next regular term this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same. Witness W. A. Champion, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County. Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Crockett, this 8th day of January A. D. 1895.

W. A. CHAMPION, Clerk, District Court Houston Co.

Made's Right of Way.

One of the best features of New York's uptown residence avenues is the large number of cosy checked babies who are trundled up and down the sidewalks when the sun shines brightly. After, however, one has been forced into the gutter half a dozen times in as many blocks by nurse girls who persist in pushing baby carriages two or three abreast, it is apt to wish the babies were less numerous or their nurses more mindful of the rights of pedestrians.

Artemus and the Hoopster.

While in the shop a business Pennsylvania, Artemus Ward was put to sleep in an attic where the sash had been taken out for ventilation. In the night it turned cold. Artemus got up, and was busy at the window. "What are you doing, Artemus?" his companion asked. "I'm so cold," he chattered, "I was hanging up some of these hoopsters. I thought they'd keep the cold out of the cold out."

AGAINST DRINKING WATER.

A Man Who Was Rather Fastidious. About Using the Tap. In rooms where many people gather in a day is a water tank, and a porcelain cup hangs from it by a chain. A New York man, going up to it with a friend to get a drink of water, attempted to show the other how one might drink from a public cup and still not mangle lips, so to speak.

"You see," he said, "I do it this way. I take up the cup and touch my lips to it at this point, closest to the handle. Everyone, you know, naturally holds a cup by the handle. Holding it thus it is extremely awkward to get one's lips anywhere except on a certain part of one side of the rim, so that people without knowing it place their lips to almost the same spot. If you see the water tank in a restaurant, I twist it into this way and get an untasted spot."

"That was a good theory, but it was not borne out by fact. The first man near the water cooler for some time in conversation. Meanwhile several people came up to get drinks of water. About half of them had the same theory as the first man, so that they all landed on the same place by intention. Of the rest some picked up the cup haphazard and drank from any side of the rim, so that their lips were as likely to touch the rim as the handle as any other place, some were boldly daring and didn't seem to care.

A LITTLE TACT.

A True Story Illustrating the Value of the Last Important Measure of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, before Maine was made a state.

One of the last important measures of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, before Maine was made a state, was to negotiate with the Penobscot Indians for the purchase of their rights in a large tract of forest land, and some very eminent gentlemen were selected to carry out the bargain. After the signing of the deed with all due formality by the assembled Sagamores, it was necessary for them to "acknowledge it" as the legal phrase is. One of the shrewdest gentlemen present picked up the paper and asked "if they acknowledged it to be their free act and deed." The result was the men gathered their blankets around them and relapsed into a state of stupefied indifference, giving no sign of reply. General Blake, who was present, had had much to do with the Indians, and saw at once that they did not understand the deed which they were being asked to sign. "Let me try," he said, taking the paper. Turning to the head chief, he said "You will find all the words of the deed written in 'Out-Out' they all cried in answer, showing as much of willingness as they had hitherto reserved.

HE HAD A LEVEL HEAD.

And Knew How to Kill Two Birds With One Stone.

"Then you accept me, Ethelinda?" "Yes, but you must see father and mother first." "As regards your father and mother, Ethelinda," said George, who had been frequently snubbed by both during his courtship, "in regard to your father and mother," and he carried his lip and threw out his chest.

"Speak low, George," she said. "I think they are both listening." "And you have our blessing," said the mother, "and your father's blessing. And George, as he adjusted his collar, thought to himself that an ounce of timely compliment is worth a pound of flattery.

FIGHTING FISH.

So aggressive is the gaff, a little fish from Slam, that the entertainment it affords has become a national pastime. The fish are trained to say the least. The fishes were trained to go through regular battles and are reared artificially for the purpose, while the license to exhibit them is given only to those who bring a large amount of money into the royal coffers. They are kept in aquariums built for the purpose and fed upon the larvae of mosquitoes, and every possible care is taken of them.

When the fish is in a quiet state, with the fins at rest, the dull colors are not at all remarkable. But if two are brought together, or within sight of each other, or even if they see its own image in a looking-glass, the little creature becomes suddenly excited. The gills are raised and the whole body shines with metallic luster and colors of dazzling beauty, while the protecting gill membrane, waving like a black bill round the throat, makes grotesque the general appearance. In this state of irritation it makes repeated darts at its real or reflected antagonist.

If now two are placed together in a tank they will rush at each other with the utmost fury. The battle is kept up until one is killed or put to flight, but not until they are entirely separated does the victor shut his gills and flaunt his fins, like flags of war, as he never lowered until peace has been declared.

The very latest thing in strikes occurred recently in Edinburg. It appears that the patients in one of the wards of a hospital, becoming tired of being examined night after night, went on a strike and absolutely refused to allow themselves to be further examined. The medical press in commenting on the strike says that the men do not seem to care for although submission to the exigencies of hospital practice is the only way that patients can materially repay benefits received, to wit: to stand their night to get to bed to worse things than was lost of temper.

Thirty-Two Years Between Two Brothers.

Thomas Chandler, a Lyons farmer, N. J., farmer, is the father of two boys, the eldest being 32 years of age and the youngest 8. His eldest son has a son 24 years old, who in turn is the father of a boy 16 years old. The latter is twice the age of his grand-children, and is going to school a Lyons farmer, his 40-year-old boy is a prosperous farmer a man of Vincent, N. J., and the latter's 16-year-old son is a bank director.

Stockholders' Notice.

Office of Trinity, Cameron and Western Railroad Company. Cameron, Tex., Dec. 5 1894. To the Stockholders of the Trinity, Cameron & Western Railroad Company: Notice is hereby given, by order of the Board of Directors of this company per-

at a meeting of said Board held this day, that the next annual meeting of the stockholders of the Trinity, Cameron & Western Railroad Company is called to meet at the company's office in the Milton County Bank Building in Cameron, Texas, on Friday, the 18th day of January A. D. 1895 at 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of receiving reports of the Company's officers, electing directors of the company to serve for the ensuing year, and for such other purposes as may properly come before the Stockholders.

Given under my hand this 8th day of December 1894. Attest: M. J. Moore, F. M. Crawford, Sec'y & Treas., President.

The Scotch Chief's Prayer.

The chief of the Leslies is said to have prayed before a battle, "O God, on our side. As you can be on our side, say low a bit, an' ye'll see that the earles get a hidin' that must please ye." An old Governor, who said his ranchhold in the hollow of 'Tuy hand, and has a care of Jamie, for he has gone to fight the enemies of his country, an' the outcome of the battle is w'. These but ye need na fear yourself w' was WULLY, for I have him here, an' I'm culpable o' lookin' after him myself."

Pennetic Spelling.

An extraordinary story of the danger of phonetic spelling is told by an Australian paper. A Scandinavian named Ole Baumgard, who is established in Australia as a school-master, was astonished and outraged one day by the receipt of the following mis-spelled note: "Ole Baumgard, is queer. Cur, as you are a man of no legs, I wish to enter my bowie in your skull." A conference was held, and the writer, a new comer, was visited by a body of inhabitants and indignantly read his letter aloud, and say what he meant by it. He read: "Ole Baumgard, Esq. Sir As you are a man of knowledge, I wish to enter my bowie in your skull."

A Race of Giant Centaurs.

Unlike as it may seem to some who read these lines, it is a fact, nevertheless, that there is an island in the Gulf of California, not more than sixty miles from the Mexican mainland, which is inhabited by the remnants of a race of giant centaurs. This startling discovery was made by a West coast naturalist early in 1891, and has since been confirmed by both United States and Mexican explorers. Mr. MacNamara, the scientist referred to, has a photograph of one of the men found by him on the island, that is, a centaur, although not one of the largest, being over seven feet in height. The island upon which they were found is known as the island or Isle of Levi, and the original discoverer says that there is every evidence of cannibalism among them.

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THE COURIER

W. B. PAGE, Editor

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs.

W. H. Kennedy of Coltharp called to see us Wednesday.

J. F. Murray and T. M. Murray of Coltharp were in to see us Monday.

A large brick-yard is in contemplation.

H. C. Leaverton came in from the Panhandle this week.

There will be no corn shipped to this county this year and very little meat.

Every merchant in Crockett reports that his business for the winter past has been very satisfactory—the best on record.

At this writing (Wednesday Jan. 13rd.) it is raining gently with prospects of a general pour-down.

Grip is reported to be among us. In the north-east it is raging in epidemic form and very fatal. Unusual care and prudence should be observed by all.

A lady friend and contributor of the COURIER furnishes the article printed elsewhere, giving an interesting account of the Brownie Party.

Never before in the history of the office of County Clerk has there been such a business in recording deeds and making transfers. This shows what the county is doing.

Everybody applauds the nerve and good, effective shooting of young Knox on High Prairie last week. Sheriff Waller and Deputy Hall deserve no little credit for their work in arresting others of the bandits.

W. T. Davis of Pennington was in town Tuesday. He is an earnest advocate of cotton-acreage reduction and favors a county convention to this end. He promised the COURIER for publication his experiments with hogs and feed-crops for them.

Every pair of "THE BUCKSKIN BREECHES" has a printed guarantee in the pocket. If you need a pair of Jeans Pants insist on seeing them. They fit better and wear better than other makes.

H. Bloch of the firm of Bloch & Romansky will leave in a few days for the North and East. He will visit New York, Boston and other manufacturing and jobbing centers before his return. He will lay in a large stock of Spring and Summer goods of the latest styles and the best makes.

The election for postmaster is coming off to-day. Only democratic patrons of the Crockett post-office are allowed to vote. The candidates are: S. T. Bensley, B. B. Arrington, F. G. Edmonson, Collin Aldrich, Charley Hassel, Bob Beavers, Geo. Broxon, Allen Newton and G. W. Smith. The vote will reach five hundred.

The concert at the Opera House Friday night promises to be very entertaining. The program for the evening is unique in its novel features and unusually attractive. The enterprise is gotten up by a few of Crockett's young ladies who deserve no little praise and a large patronage. Go out and enjoy yourself for an hour or so.

H. J. CUNYUS DENTAL OFFICE in OPERA HOUSE BUILDING, BRIDGE and CROWN work a specialty and all work GUARANTEED. Permanently located.

A car load of new furniture just arrived to-day at the furniture store. We can now supply all who have been waiting for it. A full line of bedsteads at any price, kitchen safes, bureaus and chairs.

E. E. PARKER of Lovelady has opened a first-class SMITH and WOOD SHOP in Crockett on Post Office Street. He will do all kinds of SMITH and WOOD work under guaranty. All kinds of REPAIR WORK done on buggies, wagons etc. and at very reasonable figures. Horses shod with Steel shoes, all round, for \$1.00. Give him a trial. Shop in front of Post Office.

CASH! CASH! CASH!

CAR LOTS.

CALL FOR PRICES: FORNEY HAY, RED-RUST-PROOF TEXAS OATS and BRAN delivered to any point within 1 mile of town.

R. M. ATKINSON.

January 27th, is our 5th anniversary and we still haven't "evaporated". Buy Drugs at Haring's.

J. S. Long of Augusta was in town Wednesday.

Z. B. John of Coltharp was in town Thursday.

George Waller has ten boarders at the jail now.

We hear of two or three fine residences in contemplation.

W. M. Patton and bride of Tadmor were in town Monday.

Wash Craddock is dangerously low from consumption at J. C. Wall's.

J. F. Rains and wife leave on a visit to relatives in Tenn. next week.

A. M. Riley, an old and highly respected citizen, died last week.

The "Brownie" Sociable at S. C. Arledge's last Friday night was an elegant affair.

A great deal of sickness of an influenza character is reported in some sections of the county.

Immigrants continue to pour into the county. Several families within the last week settled west of town.

Over 13000 bales of cotton have been received to date in Crockett. The receipts for the season will go to 17000 bales.

Wanted.

1000 yearling before. Will pay \$4.50 for them delivered in Crockett.

T. F. SMITH.

John Null says he will plant nothing this year but tobacco.

A large number of farmers will go into the tobacco industry this season.

Many persons in the county are driving their stock to water and not a few hauling it for their own use. The ponds are dryer than they have been for years. A great many citizens are exhausted and wells have gone dry.

Damaged Goods at Half Price.

I had a whole lot of goods damaged by the fire. I offer same for sale at about half price for cash.

J. E. DOWNES.

Every body come quick and buy cheap goods, damaged by fire.

J. E. DOWNES, Dissolver.

The firm of Mason & Wilson is this day dissolved. W. B. Wilson retiring. E. W. Mason taking charge of entire business and assuming all liabilities. All parties indebted to said firm will make settlements with E. W. Mason, who will continue to run the Bon Ton restaurant and respectfully invites the patronage of the public generally.

W. B. WILSON.

The gentlemen on our City Council are all good men. They need, however, more push and vim. They are too conservative, too slow. The town is in need of legislation that will give it an opportunity to grow and improve. They seem to think it will do this without effort on their part. The population of Crockett within three years will be 6000 if the Council would do their part. Will they do it?

We ask once more of the Council if the public has any rights to the streets and sidewalks? Is there an ordinance against blocking and obstructing streets and sidewalks? If there is, why is it not enforced? The writer ran into a broken-down buggy one night this week right on the sidewalk at no little risk. Perhaps a damage suit and judgment will make some of them open their eyes.

For rheumatism, indigestion, constipation and blood poison, read: J. J. Chenault, Calhoun, Tex. writes: After all other remedies failed, two bottles of Dr. W. J. Thurmond's Blood Syrup cured me of a bad sore leg of long standing.

Sold by B. F. Chamberlain.

Saddle and Harness Shop.

I am opening a SADDLE and HARNESS SHOP in a section of the Racket Store Building.

A full and First-Class Line of Saddles, Harness, Bridles, Halters.

Collars and all leather goods carried by a First-Class Establishment. Will do all kinds of repair work. Call and see me.

J. T. DAWES.

Jim Best of Dodson was in town Monday. He says he is in better condition than he has been for years and he thinks his section is. He is out of debt and has plenty to run on the coming season.

Reported to me by R. T. Murchison commissioner beat No. 1 Houston county Texas, the following described property. One ox, 7 or 8 years old, black and white spotted, running 5 miles east of Crockett in care of John Monk. One ox, 5 or 6 years old, black and white spotted, marked crop, split and under bit in left ear and under slope in right ear. Running 5 miles north of Crockett in care of Jesse Kelley. If not proven away within the time prescribed by law, they will be sold as the law directs. Given under my hand and seal of office, this 16th, day of January A. D. 1895.

N. E. ALDRIDGE, County Clerk Houston Co. Texas.

New Livery Stable.

F. H. Hill and W. J. Mathews have opened a new Livery Stable and will be pleased to furnish the public any kind of a rig they want. New teams, and vehicles—everything first-class—reasonable figures.

Taken up by W. T. Warner near Grapeland and estrayed before J. A. Davis Justice Peace Precinct No. 5 on the 19th, day of January 1895 the following animal: One light bay horse mule about 15 years old, about 16 hands high, no brand, and aproned at fifteen dollars. Given under my hand and seal of office this 23rd, day January 1895.

N. E. ALDRIDGE, Clerk County Court Houston Co. By John Spence, Deputy.

A Brownie Pa'ky.

The Brownie, as recreated by Palmer Cox and named down and fattened up from the "Brownies, meagre, shaggy and wild," about whom Sir Walter Scott wrote, has evidently settled into place as a part of the literature and refinement of the day. His legs are still as thin as when he inhabited the old, deserted houses of Scotland, when his food was supposed to be about as satisfying and sustaining as that of the church mouse in the proverb, but his body has thickened up considerably in these latter days, and his costume has grown as various as the occupations and whims of humanity. His business is to employ all the resources of civilized man upon such things as amuse children, and his energy and enterprise is exemplary; no danger, difficulty or expense deters him from his fixed purpose, which is always the more fixed, the more trivial; in this way he teaches efficient lessons to children and society people, and in fact to all Americans, who are fast learning either to follow his example or to be severely inert. It was therefore a particularly happy idea to introduce him into society, as we did last Friday night at the entertainment given by Misses Hallie Murchison and Hattie-Belle Arledge at the residence of S. C. Arledge. On each invitation sent out was an excellent pen drawing of a group of the little fellows made by the latter or the hostesses. In response to these a number of friends of the young ladies put in their appearance arrayed either in evening dress or, (which showed quite as much appreciation,) in the best they had.

The house inside was decorated with mistletoe and ivy and occasionally a Brownie was seen peeping out among the evergreens. The door way between the parlors was hung with a portiere which consisted of a series of Brownies.

For the convenience of the hostesses each guest had registered in the cloak room and when the time came for lunch the names of the gentlemen were attached to his representative Brownie and the Brownies shuffled in a silk bag. From this each lady drew for her escort, this resulted in a general change of partners.

The dining room was the home of the Brownies. The decorations consisted of a canopy of moss suspended over a large table on which was a diminutive home complete, dressed in winter's best. A ladder reached from one corner of the little yard to the canopy and the Brownies climbing to reach the top. The Duke seemed to be on the topmost round.

The lunch was of a design cast, purely upon aesthetic lines calculated more to please the eye than the palate; it consisted of turkey sandwich, pickled beans and stuffed eggs, chocolate gelatine and cake to carry out the Brownie idea and then coffee, in after dinner cups with souvenir spoons, both of which the hostesses showed a fine collection.

Games and some very good music were provided, also several recitations were given by the talented Miss Shrewsbury of Sherman. The young ladies from a distance were Misses Murchison and Mainer of Lovelady and Miss Fowler of Palestine.

For special advantages in Literary, Musical, Commercial, Normal and Elocutionary training, attend Alexander Institute, Jacksonville, Texas. Tuition as low as any first-class institution can afford. Board, \$8 to \$12 per month. For catalogue address, G. J. CURR, Pres't.

Shivers Bros'

Bargain Store is Selling This Week for Cash,

- 27 lbs brown sugar for \$1.00
22 lbs granulated sugar for \$1.00
Extra family flour guaranteed 3.25
6 lbs good coffee \$1.00
1 quart onion sets red or white 15c
1 Kelley Plow reduced from \$1.70 to \$1.65
1 lb good chewing tobacco 25c
1 pr ladies button solid leather shoes 80c
15 gallon can kerosene oil 80c
12 spools six cord thread 30c
Sardines per box 5c
27 yds. prints \$1.00
16 yds. drilling \$1.00
Coarse Liverpool salt 200 lb 90c

SHIVERS BROS.

An Endorsement.

The following complimentary notice has been handed us for publication by Dr. J. B. Douglas of Missouri who has bought property and located with us. It is from those among whom he has been practicing and by whom he has been known for years:

LEE'S SUMMIT, Mo., Dec. 27th, 1894.

To whom this may concern:

We the undersigned citizens of Lee's Summit, Jackson county Missouri, wish to state that, Dr. J. B. Douglas has been a citizen and Practicing Physician of our city for the last eight years. We know him to be honest and upright in all of his dealings, and we believe him thoroughly competent as a physician and cheerfully recommend him to all who may need his services.

J. B. Sampson, President Bank of Lee's Summit; Jno. W. Nichols, Cashier Bank of Lee's Summit; W. B. George, L. A. Hess, Grocer; Lewis Lanikin, Editor Journal; J. A. Carr, Merchant; H. C. Williamson, Dry Goods; S. B. Bawin, Meat Market; Browning & Duncan, Dry Goods; A. N. Flanery, Barber; J. B. Bryant, Jeweller; O. P. McCarter & Son, Grocer; Fred B. Campbell, Asst. Post Master; R. C. Breitenbaugh, Books and Stationery, Asst. Post Master; J. M. Martin, Furniture and Undertaker; A. Gueck, Proprietor Larkin Drugstore; J. C. Ritto-behin, Hardware and Implements; Welcoming Douglas, Livery Man; Joel M. McCarty, Carpenter; T. A. Campbell, Real Estate and Insurance; O. H. Lewis, Ex Mayor; A. F. Maxwell, R. R. Agent; J. E. Spencer, Druggist; J. M. Short, Ex Marshal; C. J. Boggs, Constable; M. M. Dunlap, Real Estate; Samuel Dryden, Grocer; Thos. V. Warren, Grocer; C. P. Broughton, Farmer; G. W. Lawrence, Stock Dealer; Wendel T. Campbell, Nurseryman; John H. Wilson, Atty. at Law.

LEE'S SUMMIT, Mo., Dec. 27th, 1894.

To whom it may concern:

This is to certify that the learner of this Dr. J. B. Douglas has been a resident of this place for several years and we have found him honest and reliable in all our dealings with him. We also regard him as a good Physician and take pleasure in recommending him.

T. V. Warren, Samuel Dryden.

RACKET STORE.

It is no mistake about the Racket Store selling out her fire stock cheap. We expect to build and must run our stock down. In order to do it, murder, yes murder, you know it is lawful to murder high prices and we are bound to do it. Come to see us. We mean business.

MONK BROTHERS. SAW MILL.

Our mill is six miles east of town. Rough Lumber at Mill \$6.00 per thousand; \$8.00 per thousand delivered at Crockett.

We keep on hand all kinds of matched and dressed at figures to suit—also large supply of shingles constantly on hand at lowest figures.

Our supply of timber is large and of best quality. Give us a trial.



Down With High prices

Do Not Fail. To remember that we are for lifted with one of the nearest stock of family groceries in Crockett. All fresh and new, bought for the cash at hard times prices and are not to be under sold by any house in Crockett. Will pay the highest possible prices for country produce. Give me a call, free delivery to all parts of the city.

Very Resp't. S. H. OWENS. Assisted by W. H. KRYE.

A Sound Liver Makes a Well Man.

Are you Bilious, Constipated or troubled with Jaundice, Sick Headache, Bad Taste in Mouth, Foul Breath, Coated Tongue, Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Hot Dry Skin, Pain in Back and Lumbago, the Shoulders, Clavis and Pever, &c. If you have any of these symptoms, your Liver is out of order, and your blood is slowly being poisoned, because your liver does not act properly. Herline will cure any disorder of the Liver, Biliousness or Bowels. It has no equal as a Liver Medicine. Price 75 cents. "Tone" and "Lactin" at J. C. Haring.

In Poor Health

means so much more than you imagine—serious and fatal diseases result from trifling ailments neglected. Don't play with Nature's greatest gift—health.

Brown's Iron Bitters

It Cures. Dyspepsia, Kidney and Liver Troubles, Constipation, Headache, Malaria, Nervous ailments, Women's complaints. Get only the genuine—it has crossed the ocean on the wrapper. All others are substitutes. See that the name "Brown's Iron Bitters" is on the wrapper. Sold by J. C. Haring, Crockett, Texas.

MARBLE WARE COSETS.

They Were of the Sanguifer Pattern and Held Sixty-Eight Watches. Louis Marbot, a passenger on the Frenchman, left Liverpool, which arrived at New York lately, tried to smuggle through the customs lines sixty-eight silver watches. He was arrested by a patrol officer. He had a box containing them, and when it was opened the watches were found. The lot is valued at about \$750. The watches were taken down the gang-plank at the dock. Inspector Donohue noticed a suspicious bulge in the back of the man's overcoat. He managed to crowd against Marbot and felt of the lump, satisfied that there was jewelry under the coat. Donohue made the man go into a private room, and there examined him. He found the watches hidden in a pocket of his overcoat. Marbot admitted that he was trying to run the watches through the lines. He said he had bought them in Switzerland, paying \$500 for them. He claims to be a resident of Seattle, Wash. He was held in \$5,000 bail.

HOW TO MAKE WOOD PULP.

After an Exhaustive Picking Process a Cohesive Mass is Produced. The utilization of wood pulp has lately taken some new interesting forms, especially in the line of ornamentation. The pulp is taken as it comes from the mill, and after being first fairly dried or not, as circumstances may require, it is immersed in an indurating pickle, so called, with coloring if desired. This pickle is composed of any kind of ground or solution capable of indurating the mass, and after the material is taken out of the pickle and thoroughly dried, it is run through a mill and ground sufficiently fine to form a mixture of the particles which does not absorb the indurating substance with the particles which are fully saturated. The powdered pulp is then compressed with the application of heat in a mold or die, with the result of producing an article of manufacture composed of a homogeneous and cohesive mass of thoroughly indurated particles, and the objects produced in this manner may be polished or otherwise improved in their appearance as another or may be finished.

Down With High prices

It is generally the impression that men who sell on credit can't sell goods for cash as cheap as the cash men can, but, on the contrary, I take it for granted that men who sell on time make a good profit through the spring and summer months and when the fall and cash season opens they can afford to

Sell Goods - Cheaper

For cash than any cash house can and I am determined to put goods down to the lowest cash figures and will sell any of my credit customers or any other good man at cash prices on 30 days time as that is considered cash. I have on hand and to arrive a fine stock of goods bought in New York at the

Lowest Possible Figure

Consisting of Dry Goods, Notions, Ladies' and Gents Furnishing Goods, Boots and Shoes also a fine stock of Groceries and also a lot of Hardware and Crockery and a fine stock of Trunks that I offer to the public at the lowest cash figure and make a specialty of fine Cook Stoves and Heaters, Cane Mills and Evaporators; in fact everything that the

Farmer Needs

And it will be to the interest of the public in general to give me a call before buying elsewhere. I do not intend to be undersold and will buy your cotton and cotton seed and give the highest cash price for same. Will sell goods at the following

Low prices

- 25yds round thread stripes for \$1.00; 25yds Calico for \$1.00; 20yds Bleach Domestic (yard wide) for \$1.00; 5 lbs of Coffee for \$1.00; Best Family Flour \$2.50 per barrel. All other goods in proportion. Call and see me and I will prove the above to be a fact.

Yours truly, J. W. HAIL.

P. P. P. Pimples, Blisters and Old Sores. Catarrh, Malaria and Kidney Troubles. Are instantly removed by P. P. P.

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FACTS! We sell goods cheap 8 months in a year on credit and now for 4 months let us show you what we can do for cash.

OZMANLIS ORIENTAL SEXUAL PILLS. What the Mayor of Oak Cliff Testifies. Oak Cliff, Texas, March 23, 1893.

To Build Up Your System and restore Your Strength. Invigorate your Liver and Purify Your Blood.

What's Prominent Insurance Man Says. H. M. Blossom, senior member of H. M. Blossom & Co., 217 N. 3d St., St. Louis, writes: I had been left with a very distressing cough.

Low prices. 25yds round thread stripes for \$1.00; 25yds Calico for \$1.00; 20yds Bleach Domestic (yard wide) for \$1.00.

The Cheapest Store in Town. Go to George Berry for your CHEAP GOODS. I will sell you 25 yds of COTTON CHECKS for \$1.00.

RHEUMATISM. Is emphatically a blood disorder caused by inability of the kidneys to throw off certain poisons which accumulate in the tissues about the joints and muscles.

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Yours truly, J. W. HAIL. Cure your catarrh for \$1. One bottle of Dr. W. J. Thurmond's Catarrh Cure will cure 90 cases out of 100.

