



TEXAS COTTON CROP ESTIMATED.

A writer from McKinney, Texas, writing to the Dallas News, says: By today's mail I send a package containing a sample of the boll worm depredations in Collin county, showing plainly that the cotton crop is seriously damaged, and to such an extent as to decrease the yield from one-fourth to one-third. The same condition is said to exist all over North Texas, the section where most of the Texas crop is raised. Mr. Hector D. Lane in his late circular estimates the cotton crop of Texas, after his inspecting tour of the State in July, to be not more than 2,000,000 bales, and while that estimate might have been a little under the estimate, caused by reduction of acreage and an excessive wet June and July, causing a still further loss of acreage by grass and weeds and shedding of forms, yet the worms in August will doubtless decrease the yield several hundred thousand bales less than his estimate. The poor farmer is getting tired of having fictitious estimates of his products. They look to your great paper, which is read in all the cotton markets of the world, to counteract such evil influences. The grain crop was so badly damaged by wet weather that the price received is unremunerative and with a short cotton crop confronting us, under the inexorable law of supply and demand which so many economists contended for, let us at least expect a remunerative price for the staple.

"On A Parity."

Silverite—We demand that silver at the rate of 16 to 1 shall be kept on a parity with gold.

Gold Bug—What do you mean by "parity?"

S—I mean on an equality, equal value.

G. B.—Silver is worth about 66 cents an ounce; and its value is measured by gold, the world over. Do you think any law or international resolution would bring the price of pure silver up to 129 1/2?

S—I do not see how the law or resolution could affect the commercial price of silver.

G. B.—Then how are the two metals to be kept upon an equality in price?

S—By a law making a coined ounce of silver legal tender for all debts, public and private; an ounce of gold being worth about \$16, let that amount of coined gold also be a legal tender for all debts.

G. B.—Then if you owe me \$1,000 you could pay me with silver worth only \$666, and I should be cut out of \$334 that were honestly due me?

S—Yes, that is about it; and the laboring man could pay all his debts by tendering 66 cents on the dollar.

G. B.—But what would the laboring man get for his labor? Workmen and women in this country earn \$7,500,000 a week. It is due to them by their employers every Saturday afternoon. They are creditors and gold bugs. This silver legal tender would wrongfully take 84 per cent. of their wages away from them, and deprive them every week of \$225,000 which honestly belong to them. Does it not appear that your silver legal tender theory would work its hardest results among the laboring people?

S—I had not understood this to be so; but had supposed the laboring people were in debt all the time, and that the cheaper the money in circulation the better for them.

G. B.—Oh, no! The laboring people are not the debtor class, at all. Their employers are indebted to them \$7,500,000 every Saturday evening, and twice that sum if the laborers are only paid once in a fortnight.

S—I acknowledge this is worth thinking about.

G. B.—Gold measures values. The yardstick and wet and dry vessels measures quantities. Suppose we make 2 yardsticks and two sets of weights and bushel and gallon measures? One set of each to be 34 per cent. smaller or shorter than the others. How could you keep them on a parity? The seller of wheat would use the smaller bushel measure, and the coal dealer would use the lighter weight. But make a law that sixty six bushels of wheat shall be the legal weight for the purchaser of 100 bushels; what would be the result? No one would contract for any specified number of bushels or tons. The purchaser would require a contract for the delivery of a certain number of cubic or square inches, or so many yards of thirty-six inches each. Your "parity" law would be trampled underfoot by the more powerful laws of commerce.

S—I am not sure that is not so. C. B.—I am sure it is so.—Hartford, Conn. Times.

Is Our City School Up to The Proper Standard.

We have a competent and gentlemanly principal and a good corps of lady assistants, but there are two defects that I will call attention to. 1st. I find that Greek is not taught in the school. This means a retrograde, for twenty-five years ago Greek was taught in the Crockett school and has been taught from that day 'till this. Part of the time before there was no Greek class in the school, but the school offered instruction in Greek to those who wanted it. I learn also that not many in the school are studying Latin and it is only taught in the highest grades. In days past in our Crockett school we had many students of Latin and a few students of Greek. Now it seems there is a decline of interest in the ancient languages, and I do not hear of French and German being taught now as they were taught in Crockett a few years ago. Why this decline? Is it because of lack of interest on the part of the principal or on the part of the town officers, or on the part of parents, or on the part of the students? Whatever may be the cause, in my humble judgement, a serious mistake is made when these languages are omitted from the regular course of education. The experience of educated men is that there is no better training for the mind than the study of the ancient languages. Besides it is a practical business matter. Besides the foundation that such a training would give for building up a professional education, many of our students will desire to be teachers, and if they expect to get good positions in city schools or professorships in colleges, they will need a good knowledge of the ancient languages, and for lack of this knowledge many will fail to get good positions with liberal salaries and be bound to teach in the smaller and inferior schools and on small pay. Besides it is a practical matter in another direction. We want the Crockett school to have a reputation that will give it influence to draw scholars from all over this county and from adjoining counties. We ought to be able to say in its favor that it affords a high course of education for those who do not expect to go to college, and that it affords competent instruction for all those who desire to pursue their studies through a college or university. As it is with Greek omitted and Latin slighted, if a student goes to college it is under the disadvantage of having to make up studies that ought to have been taught here, and with a delay of a year or two in his education and the heavy expense caused by this delay.

In the second place, I may speak of another defect which causes the defect named above, viz: The fact that the principal of the school (who is also superintendent of all the city schools) has too much work crowded on him. He needs another assistant, a man competent to teach the languages and higher mathematics. As it is, an eleventh grade has been added and the principal is crowded with a full schedule of the most difficult studies (occupying every hour of the school day) and he can do neither justice to these studies nor properly supervise the school. This may be economy on the part of the town council, but it is bad economy. Such economy as will detract from the reputation and influence of the school. Is there not some way by which the means can be raised (by increased taxation, if necessary, or by an extra charge of tuition for advanced studies,) so that a competent male teacher can be employed to assist the principal in teaching the advanced studies? If this can be done a long step will be taken forward to bring our school up with this progressive age. Otherwise, we must be content to retrograde—for the school is not now furnishing as good a preparation for college as it did ten years ago. Respectfully,

S. F. TENNEY.

Coincidence and Superstition.

The Spectator has a clever article entitled "The Tyranny of Coincidence." The example shown is of a lady who was driving outside of Athens. When the horses were halted one of the team refused his oats. The Greek coachman insisted that the horse was under a spell. The young English lady had an "evil eye." The man told Miss Symonds to spit—that was the only cure. The young woman was forced to go through the unladylike performance, and at once the horse took to his feet. "The coincidence riveted the chains of superstition upon the driver tighter than ever." Many coincidences of a similar character must occur to the reader. Here is a case: A child was told to put a four-leaf clover in his left shoe, and was assured "that he would be sure to find something." The little boy

did so, and had hardly moved out of his tracks in a large grass-growth before he found an old half-dollar of an ancient date, evidently lost years before. The child was not superstitious, and fortunately the parents were not. The matter of coincidence was explained to him, and among other things he was plentifully supplied with four-leaf clovers, but he never found anything. The origin of superstition associated with amulets or any material objects must owe its being to just such coincidences. Among those who are not educated it may be that the tyranny of coincidence does exist, but it should not hold with those having sound minds. We all have, however, a dark chamber in our brains, and it is there that the owls and bats of superstition flap their wings.

AUTOMATIC ROAD CARRIAGES.

The Test in France in Which Petroleum Proved to be the Best Propelling Agent.

Washington, Aug. 12.—The time seems approaching when automatic road carriages, propelled by steam, electricity, or petroleum, will come into general use and take away from the patient horse the worst part of his daily toil. The odds at present seem to be rather in favor of petroleum. A most interesting competition has recently taken place in France between various specimens of motor carriages, which the United States Consul at Havre describes in a report to the State Department. The course prescribed was from Paris to Bordeaux a distance of 355 miles, and back again, any vehicle to stand disqualified if it consumed more than 100 hours on the road. The big prize of the day (\$7,720) was won by a four-seated carriage, while the second prize was won by a two-seated carriage, making the round trip in 24 hours and 53 minutes. The winning carriages were propelled by gasoline, and the rate of speed was about fifteen miles an hour, which is regarded as an extremely creditable performance, the long lines of hills being taken into account. These hills appear to have proved too much for the carriages propelled by electricity, of which only one got through, the others having abandoned the contest.

One of the steam carriages was brought to a standstill at Versailles early in the race, owing to an accident, and the others lost time by frequent stoppages of five and ten minutes, made for the purpose of taking in coal and water. The electrical conveyance had also to stop from time to time to renew their dynamite charges, but the petroleum machines carried enough force for a twenty-four hours' run, and on the return journey the run was made without a single stop.

In comparing the merits of the different propelling agents, the palm must, so far, be awarded to petroleum, which is clean and can be easily carried. The ordinary feeder used for short distances contains less than four quarts of oil, which will last a journey of twenty miles, or two and one-half hours for long distances, a receptacle capable of holding enough petroleum for a run of at least twenty or twenty-four hours is provided.

Cycles propelled by petroleum have also excited great interest, and half a dozen of such machines started in the race at Bordeaux, one at least holding its own among the larger vehicles. It is believed that light petroleum bicycles, tricycles, and even four-wheelers, will soon come into general use, which the Consul says will tend to relieve lady cyclists from the necessity of wearing short skirts.

ESTRAY NOTICES.

Taken up by Morgan Williams on his place 12 miles west of Crockett, near Brookfield Bluff, on Trinity river, and estrayed before J. A. Norton, J. P., Precinct No. 6, on August 3rd, 1895, the following described animal: One iron gray mare, about 14 hands high, no brand, about 7 years old, and appraised at \$25.00.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Crockett, Texas, August 12th, 1895. N. E. ALLRIGHT, Co. Clk., Houston County. By JOHN SPENCE, Deputy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

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

Whereas, oath has this day been made before me by J. W. Madden, attorney for plaintiff, that Pole Adams is a transient person so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him, you are hereby commanded to summon the said Pole Adams, 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 3d judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county to be held at the court house thereof in Crockett, on the last Monday in

Advertisement for W. L. Douglas's \$3 shoe. Text: "1,000,000 People Wear W. L. DOUGLAS \$3 SHOE FIT FOR A KING. \$5.00, \$4.00, \$3.50, \$2.50, \$2.25 for Men. \$3.00, \$2.50, \$2.00, \$1.75 for Boys. Any Style, All Sizes, Every Width. CAN FIT ANY FOOT." Includes an image of a shoe and a man's face.

Sold by McLEAN & WILSON.

September, 1895, the same being the 30th day of September, 1895, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 27th day of August, 1895, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 3942, wherein Nellie Adams is plaintiff and Pole Adams is defendant said petition filing, as follows: That plaintiff and defendant were legally married in Houston county, Texas, on or about the 15th day of Dec., 1891; that they lived together as husband and wife until about the 1st of May, 1892, when defendant, without cause, voluntarily abandoned plaintiff and has since refused to live with her as his wife. That defendant was also guilty of cruel treatment towards plaintiff such as to render their living together insupportable, and about one month before said abandonment, defendant, without just cause, became enraged at plaintiff and struck her with a stick; and that during said marriage she had one child, to-wit: Travis, a boy, now about three years old, by defendant.

Wherefore, she prays citation and asks judgement dissolving said marriage, for the custody of said child, and for costs of suit.

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 27th day of Aug. A. D. 1895.

W. A. CHAMPION, Dist. Clerk Houston Co.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

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

Whereas, oath has this day been made before me by A. D. Lipscomb, attorney for O. H. Leland, R. L. Bland and E. P. Bland, Jr., that Helen C. Thayer, Simon W. Thayer, Augusta M. Kirby, K. T. Wood, A. E. Wood, J. Wood, Mrs. S. C. Chevallier, Mary C. Wheeler, Martin Wheeler, A. W. Ely, A. M. Simmons, E. A. Simmons, R. C. Simmons, M. E. Simmons, W. R. Simmons, R. W. Bland, J. R. Bland, Lewis M. Bland, Annie Bland Jackson, Andrew Jackson, Emma Bland Selden, Samuel Selden, Peter R. Bland, and W. H. Bland are non-residents of this state, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon them, you are hereby commanded that you, by making publication of this writ in some newspaper published in said Houston county, if there be one, but if there be no newspaper published in said county, then by publication in some newspaper published in the 3d judicial district of said state, but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in some newspaper published in the nearest judicial district, for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, summon the said above named non-residents to be and appear at the next regular term of the district court of said Houston county, to be held at the court house thereof in Crockett on the last Monday in September, A. D. 1895, the same being the 30th day of September, A. D. 1895, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 26th day of August A. D. 1895, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 3941, wherein the said O. H. Leland, R. L. Bland and E. P. Bland, Jr., are plaintiffs and the said above named non-residents and G. E. Wood of Grayson county, Texas, are defendants, said petition alleging that plaintiffs and defendants, except Simon W. Thayer, Martin Wheeler, Andrew Jackson and Samuel Selden, who are respectively the husbands of Helen C. Thayer, Mary C. Wheeler, and Annie Bland Jackson and Emma Bland Selden, and who are joined merely pro forma, are joint tenants and owners in common of the land, hereinafter described; that their interests are as follows, to-wit:

H. C. Thayer, 1-16; A. M. Kirby,

1-16; K. T. Wood, 1-64; E. A. Wood, 1-32; G. E. Wood, 1-64; John Wood, 1-64; S. C. Chevallier, 1-64; Mary C. Wheeler, 1-64; A. W. Ely, 1-64; A. M. Simmons, 1-320; M. E. Simmons, 1-320; R. B. Simmons, 1-320; R. L. Bland, 1-32; E. P. Bland, 1-32; R. W. Bland, 1-80; J. R. Bland, 1-80; Lewis M. Bland, 1-80; W. H. Bland, 1-16; Annie Jackson, 1-80; Mrs. Emma B. Selden, 1-80; P. R. Bland, 1-16; O. H. Leland, 31-64; R. C. Simmons, 1-320 and A. E. Simmons, 1-320.

That the said land is the Collin DeBland headright survey in Houston county, Texas, containing 3127 acres located by virtue of a certificate of the District Court of Harrison county, Texas, fall term, A. D. 1844, for a of a league issued to said Collin DeBland, duplicated August 16, 1851, by the Commissioner of the General Land office of Texas, the certificate No. being 2064-2165; patented to Aurelia E. Bland, wife of the said Collin DeBland on October 23, 1876, she being assignee of David Stinson, assignee of Collin DeBland.

That said land is of the estimated value of \$3000.

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Advertisement for Bonanza Store. Text: "A BONANZA FOR EVERYONE! Just come with a Nickel or a 20-Dollar Bill to the Bonanza Store at the old MURCHISON STAND on the west side of the depot at LOVE LADY and invest it with Ella Mainer & Co., in any kind of goods and you will get such a bargain that you will feel that you have struck a real bonanza, which you have. The way we afford such bargains is this: 1st. We buy close. 2d. We do business on a very small Expense and Last, but not least, we are satisfied with the Smallest Profits!

We are determined to bring the prices of goods down to suit the scarcity of money and if the good people will help us we will help them in these times of adversity and START HE BALL TO ROLLING toward prosperity. We will take their produce in exchange at the market value, such as chickens, ducks, turkeys, geese, eggs, skins, beef-hides, beeswax, tallow, etc., etc.

We have bought the MURCHISON BANKRUPT STOCK which inventoried over Seven Thousand Dollars and which we are closing out at wholesale cost and less and we are daily adding new and desirable goods in all lines which we buy at bottom prices for SPOT CASH and sell at

Panic Prices.

We are selling goods STRICTLY FOR CASH and consequently have no losses to make up. Come and try us and see if we don't PRACTICE WHAT WE PREACH.

SPECIAL:—Blessed is he who buyeth goods cheap for his money holdeth out to supply his wants and maketh him happy together with his household.

Witness, W. A. Champion, Clerk of the District court of Houston county, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Crockett, Texas, this 26th day of August, A. D. 1895.

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Craddock & Co., DEALERS IN FARM SUPPLIES, FARM IMPLEMENTS.

Dry Goods, Clothing, Family Groceries

Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Furniture, Ladies Dress Goods.

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Call Before Purchasing Elsewhere. East Side Public Square.

HOUSTON COUNTY

HOUSTON COUNTY is situated in Eastern Texas, in latitude 31 1/2 degrees north; longitude 95 1/2 degrees west; 113 miles north of Houston and 163 miles north of Galveston. The county is bounded on the east by the Neches and on the west by the Trinity river. The county is one of the oldest and largest in the State, embracing an area of 680,000 acres of land. The population is 25,000. Of this number 17,000 are white and 8,000 colored; foreign born less than 1000.

Debt and tax rate are very small. The bonded debt of the county is being rapidly liquidated and the total state and county tax is only 6 1/2 cents on the \$100 valuation.

RAILROADS.

The Great Northern branch of the International & Great Northern runs north and south through the center of the county; the Trinity Southern (Cotton Belt) runs the eastern boundary and the Trinity, Cameron & Western is now building through the southwestern part. Two other roads are chartered through the county, and are being surveyed and partly constructed. The county is well supplied with transportation facilities and will be unsurpassed by any in the state when the new roads are built, as they will be before a great while.

SCHOOLS.

Houston County has the best system of public free schools in the State of Texas. The city free schools of Crockett run nine months and the county free school six months a year. The county has a school fund of \$70,000 in her own right, which draws an annual income of \$5,000. This, together with \$25,000 furnished by the state, makes an available school fund for the county of \$95,000 a year. School houses are commodious and fitted with patent, first-class school furnishings.

CHURCHES.

All churches are represented and the different denominations have facilities equal, if not superior, to those enjoyed in the older states.

WATER.

The county is plentifully supplied with water for all purposes. An abundance of good water can be secured in any part of the county. At short distances there are never-failing streams of pure water, which furnish power sufficient for all manufacturing purposes. No county in the state can boast of as many such streams.

SOILS.

We have the greatest variety of soils, adapted to the cultivation of all farm products grown in the temperate zone. There are the black waxy, the black loam, the stiff black sandy, the gray sandy, the red, chocolate, alluvial and scores of other kinds. Nine-tenths of the area of the county was originally timbered. Nearly one-tenth of it is prairie land of the best quality, and is easily cultivated with all the improved agricultural implements.

Of the land in the county, about 100,000 acres are in cultivation, and the balance of 580,000 acres is virgin prairie and forest.

TIMBER.

The timber in Houston county is of all kinds and in almost unlimited supplies. There are magnificent forests of long-leaf and short-leaf pine, red oak, white oak, post oak, linn, cypress, ash, walnut and gum. There are also in fine supply: holly, beech, maple, sassafras, cherry and magnolia. As an evidence of the fine timber, we cite the fact that at the "Spring Palace" in Fort Worth, Houston County was awarded the first prize gold medal for the best timber exhibit. A furniture factory, or any other using hard wood, would do well here. Pine lumber can be had at \$6 to \$8 per 1000 feet.

FRUITS.

The soil of Houston County is unsurpassed in its adaptability to fruit culture. Apples, peaches, pears, figs, plums, apricots and grapes yield enormous crops. In this business there is a chance for fortune to be made, as early fruits and berries can be matured and shipped to the northern markets before competition from other sections affect the market price. Strawberries, blackberries, dewberries, and others are grown without trouble.

STAPLE PRODUCTS.

The yield of cotton in this county averages one-half a bale per acre; corn 20 to 30 bushels; sweet potatoes and Irish potatoes 200 to 400 bushels and ribbon cane produces from 250 to 400 gallons of the very best syrup. Melons of all kinds, peas, beans, pumpkins, tomatoes, squashes, onions, beets, radishes, cabbage and all other garden vegetables grow in the greatest abundance.

The soil in portions of the county is particularly adapted to tobacco culture and there are thousands of acres that will produce the very best quality of tobacco grown. We have recently tried the GENUINE HAVANA tobacco and find that, where the farmer has the proper knowledge of curing same, the yield is from \$200 to \$400 per acre, our Havana tobacco bringing 40 to 50 cents per pound in the New York market.

In 1894 Houston County produced 30,000 bales of cotton, 200,000 bushels of corn, more first-class ribbon-cane syrup than could be used at home, and enough meat for home use. Besides these crops, oats, sorghum, peas, hay and peanuts enough to fatten all stock on hand through the winter.

Advertisement for Ozmanlis Oriental Sexual Pills. Text: "OZMANLIS ORIENTAL SEXUAL PILLS. Cure for Impotence, Loss of Power, etc. Price \$1.00 per box, 60 Pills. Sold by J. M. Crook, Houston Co., Texas."

Advertisement for W. B. Wall, Attorney-at-Law. Text: "W. B. WALL, Attorney-at-Law, CROCKETT, TEXAS. Office in Rock Building, West Side of Square. Will practice in all the Courts of this and adjoining counties. Collections and Land Litigation a specialty."

Advertisement for J. L. & W. C. Lipscomb, Physicians and Surgeons. Text: "J. L. & W. C. LIPSCOMB, Physicians and Surgeons, CROCKETT, TEXAS."

Advertisement for John L. Hall, M. D., Physician and Surgeon. Text: "JOHN L. HALL, M. D., PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Can be found at French & Chamberlain's Drug Store or at home. CROCKETT, TEXAS."

Advertisement for E. A. Nichols, Real Estate. Text: "E. A. NICHOLS, REAL ESTATE. Property Exchange. Office in Racket Store, Crockett, Tex. If you have Real Estate or property of any description, no matter where located, in sell or exchange place in my hands and I will find you a purchaser. If you want to buy property of any kind see or write me before buying. Property Bought, Rents Collected, Etc."

Advertisement for Nunn, Nunn & Nunn, Attorneys-at-Law. Text: "NUNN, NUNN & NUNN, ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW. Office at Harring's drug store. CROCKETT, TEXAS."

Advertisement for J. C. Tolman, Land Agent and Surveyor. Text: "J. C. TOLMAN, Land Agent and Surveyor. CROCKETT, TEXAS."

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs. Dry weather. More sickness. Cotton coming in.

More brick being burned. Electric lights in a few days. Several new buildings going up. Mrs. Edmiston is quite sick. Photographs at half price at the new photo car.

The new Steam Laundry will open next week.

If you want a new wagon call on J. E. Downes. 133t

Wouldn't it be delightful to slosh about in mud again.

The new hotel was opened up for business Monday evening.

J. T. Daves has moved into Mrs. Moore's residence on North street.

Good rains at Dallas and over the North-western part of the state.

A protracted meeting will begin at the Baptist church next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephens' little boy has been quite sick the past two weeks.

J. S. Fluker has a position with the New York Store for the fall season.

The public school opened up Monday morning with a fair attendance.

Place your order for any kind of job printing you may need with the COURIER.

3 spoons of Merrick's Best β cord Machine Twist thread for 10c at Bill McConnell's.

The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Burrel Hudson died Sunday after a long spell of sickness.

Mens Genuine Wool Jeans Pants guaranteed not to rip, 75c. per pair at Bill McConnell's.

The doctors all over the county have been pretty busy looking after the sick for the past four months.

For fine watch and jewelry repairing go to Spinks & Bricker. All work guaranteed or money refunded.

Evans Morgan invites his friends and acquaintances to call and see him at R. M. Atkinson's, where he is at work.

The Caterpillar is devastating the cotton crop in some parts of the county. The boll worm is almost everywhere.

Mr. W. L. Holder, formerly depot agent at Crockett, now agent at Franklin, spent a day or so in our city this week.

We will close our entire stock of merchandise out at cost on account of having to move Sept. 1st.

JOHN MURKINSON & SON.

A change for colder weather would certainly be a blessing, owing to the present amount of sickness prevailing everywhere.

The little four year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Ran AWherry died very suddenly at the residence of Mr. J. L. Lunsford in this city on Sunday last.

J. C. Wootters & Co. have the largest line of samples of Gen's Furnishing Goods of every variety ever exhibited in Crockett. Call and see them.

The new gin of Hall & Christian is about completed. When they get the plant in readiness for operation it will be the first and best equipped gin stand in East Texas.

A Canning factory would utilize all the surplus fruit, vegetables, etc., raised in this county, besides furnishing employment to a number of people at the time when it is most needed.

Our cotton buyers have all the cash needed to purchase the crop of Houston County and all that may be brought here from adjoining counties besides. Bring your cotton to Crockett.

CASH! CASH! CASH!

That 4 Ace Ham so sweet and cheap. Good Patent Flour \$1.00 per sack. Lard 8c per pound. 200 lbs. Liverpool Salt 90c. Rice cheap. Garrett Snuff 20c per Bottle. Bacon 8 1/2c per pound. Fresh Wheat Bran \$1.00 per 100 lbs. CLOTHING AND SHOES too Cheap to Mention. TRUNKS run from 75c to up. HATS! Yes, Ladies' and Men's at your own prices. Look for the CASH Sign when you come to town. R. M. ATKINSON.

There is a competent druggist in charge at Haring's at all hours.

There will be a number of real estate transfers this fall.

The best 8 oz. Lowels, 7 cts. Per yard at Shivers Bros.

Did you start your children to school Monday morning? If not, why not?

A complete line of coffins and metallic caskets at The Furniture Store at moderate prices.

Commissioner's court will convene in special session on the 16th to consider the vote of the prohibition election.

The I. & G. N. "Flyer" is now stopping at Crockett, to accommodate the heavy travel to and from that flourishing little city.—Willis Index.

Wednesday's Post contained notice of the death of Col. R. M. Page of Ft. Worth, from paralysis. Col. Page was the brother of the editor of this paper, W. B. Page.

Two hundred and twenty-five pupils were in attendance at the opening of the white school. There will be an increase of from fifty to seventy-five.

The vote on the prohibition question, after hearing from all parts of the county is as follows: Against prohibition, 1866; for prohibition, 827. The total anti majority is 1039.

For Sale!

One 20 horse boiler, one 20 horse engine, one press also one grist mill and 80 saw gin, complete with shaftings, pulleys, etc. Will sell same cheap and on easy terms. M. BROMBERG.

J. T. Bevers, of Tyler, was here last week. Mr. Bever is one of Crockett's old citizens and he shows this confidence in the place by letting a contract to have two or three nice little cottages built for tenement purposes.

In last issue of the COURIER we stated that W. E. Mayes had rented the Spinks building which was an error. Mr. Mayes has bought the property and is having it remodeled and when completed will be a palace on the inside.

Pink Hail happened to quite a serious accident at Guy's Store, L. on county, last Sunday by swallowing a piece of tin while eating Potted Ham. The tin lodged in his throat and it was sometime before the physicians were able to get it out.

We call the attention of our readers, especially business men, to the card of Carson, Sewell & Co., Cotton Factors and Grocers, Houston, Tex. Their facilities for handling cotton are first class and they are second to none in the grocery line.

There is going to be a big competition for the trade in Crockett this fall and we advise our readers to look out for the bargains offered through the columns of the COURIER. Every business man that has bargains to offer will not fail to advertise them.

16 room hotel and good barn with eight lots in Crockett for sale or exchange for a good farm. Also a 50 acre farm 3 miles of town to exchange for residence in Crockett. Lots of other farms, town property, mills, gins, etc., for sale or exchange. What have you got? Call or write E. A. NICHOLS, Real Estate & Property Exchange.

Last August while working in the harvest field I became overheated, was suddenly attacked with cramps and was nearly dead. Mr. Cummings, the druggist, gave me a dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy which completely relieved me. I now keep a bottle of the remedy handy. A. M. BONNELL, Centerville, Wash. For sale by B. F. CHAMBERLAIN.

If the city ordinance forbidding hogs running at large on the streets of Crockett has not been repealed it should be. There is no use of having a law if it isn't enforced, besides one man has as much right to the streets as a hog range as another. For the past six months there has not been a day that hogs could not be seen on the street. Some people about town have been making a habit of turning their hogs out at night and penning them again the next morning. This also should be stopped. Enforce the law or repeal it.

Special Notice.

I represent the best tailoring establishments in Chicago and St. Louis. I guarantee a fit and can give you a suit from \$10 to \$50. I am sole agent for Lamm & Co., Mills & Avcill and J. Solmon & Co., all well known houses to the trade. J. F. DOWNS.

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A Bargain.

540 acres land, about 300 acres in cultivation; 2 fields joining, one fenced with wire, the other partially fenced with 8 wire fence, good titles, good water, good dwelling, four tenant houses and good neighborhood. For terms call on or correspond with Mrs. H. SELKIRK, Grapeland, Texas.

Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned was on the 7th day of August, A. D. 1895, at the August term, A. D. 1895, of the county court of Houston county, appointed by said court administrator of the estate of C. F. Wall, deceased, and did on the 9th day of said month qualify as such administrator. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law, my post office address being Crockett, Texas. A. D. LIPSCOMB.

Mrs. S. A. Knell, of Pomona, Cal., had the bad luck to sprain her ankle. "I tried several liniments," she says, "but was not cured until I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. That remedy cured me and I take pleasure in recommending it and testifying to its efficacy." This medicine is also of great value for rheumatism, lame back, pains in the chest, pleurisy and all deep-seated and muscular pains. For sale by B. F. CHAMBERLAIN.

Mrs. E. E. Davis, of San Miguel, Cal., says: "I am trying in a measure to repay the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for the great good their remedy has done me. For years I was a constant sufferer from weak lungs and bronchial asthma. My rest at night was disturbed by a hacking cough, so that I felt miserable the greater part of the time. Many remedies recommended by friends were tried, none of which proved suitable to my case. I did not experience any beneficial results until I began taking Chamberlain's cough Remedy. After two bottles of the large size have been used I am pleased to state, my health is better than it has been for years. The soreness has left my lungs and chest and I can breathe easily. It has done me so much good that I want all who are suffering from lung troubles, as I was, to give it a trial." For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

Notice School Trustees. If you need school desks, maps, charts, &c., price them from Jno. R. Foster, agent for Thomas Kane & Co., Chicago, Ill. See his sample desk, he can save you money.

There is no place like home. Then why not make your home comfortable when you can buy such pretty furniture for so little money at Carleton & Aldrich's Furniture Store. They extend to you a cordial invitation to examine their complete assortment.

Buggies—For Sale—Hacks. Buggies, Hacks, Phaetons, Carts, Surrys, & etc, by the Car. If you need a vehicle see me and price my buggies, etc. before placing your order. I can fit you up in anything in this line you need. Come and look at the stock. Jno R. FOSTER Agt.

Four Big Successes. Having the needed merit to more than make good all the advertising claimed for them, the following four remedies have reached a phenomenal sale. Dr. King's New Discovery, for consumption, coughs and colds, each bottle guaranteed. Electric Bitters, the great remedy for Liver, Stomach and Kidneys. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, and Dr. King's New Life Pills, which are guaranteed to do just what is claimed for them and the dealer whose name is attached herewith will be glad to tell you more of them. Sold at B. F. Chamberlain's Drug Store.

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Dr. Cunyus announces that he leaves for Atlanta, Ga., by Oct. 15th, for the purpose of making further progress in his profession. Any one wishing their work finished please call before that time. During his absence his office will be run by a proficient dentist.

Mrs. S. W. Duren, wife of B. F. Duren died at her home in Crockett last Tuesday at 11 o'clock a. m. after a long and distressing illness from dropsy. She was buried in the city cemetery the next day (Wednesday) a large concourse of friends and relatives attending the burial. Mrs. Duren was a most excellent woman, and leaves a husband and three children and a host of friends to mourn her loss. The CORNER extends sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Mr. George Crook and Miss Halie Murchison were married at the Baptist church Wednesday night at 8:30 o'clock. The groom is a promising young attorney; a native of Tennessee, who came to Crockett from California some years ago and who, soon after his arrival here obtained admission to the bar, since when he has been of the firm of Crook & Crook. The bride is a native of Houston county, daughter of D. M. Murchison, deceased. Both have made many friends for themselves. This fact was evidenced by the crowd that filled the church. Great pains had been taken to have the church decorated by the friends of the bride. After the ceremony some guests were received at the house of the bride's former guardian, S. C. Arledge. Mr. Tom Murchison of Athens, Miss Walker of Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Odell of Cleburne and Mrs. Gary Burnett were here for the purpose of attending the wedding.

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Assisted by W. H. KENT.

