

LOCAL NEWS.

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs.
Mrs. J. F. Rains has been quite sick.
McC Langston has a child very low.
There have been a great many cases of malarial fever.
Mrs. Allen Newton has been very sick.

Ross Ellis of Lancaster is visiting his brother, John Ellis.
I. Cone and family have returned to Crockett.

F. W. Rains, of Lovelady, was in the city, Monday.
Col. D. A. Nunn has gone to Dallas on official business.

W. M. Ford, of Madison county, was in attendance on court, Monday.

W. L. Dean and lady, of Madisonville, are visiting Dr. J. A. Corjer.

H. C. Leverton and family have returned to Houston county, and will locate in Grapeland.

Hon Earle Adams has gone to Tyler to attend the Court of Criminal Appeals.

W. M. Campbell, W. R. Wherry and Hamp Huff and son, Robert, called to see us since our last issue.

When you want Groceries or Hardware remember Arledge, Kennedy & Co., is headquarters.

Several parties were in the city, Saturday, from Palestine, in attendance on Justice Ellis' court.

On Friday of last week, Enoch Broxson sold eight and a half acres of land "one mile from town, for \$600.

W. J. Davis, commissioner of precinct No. 3, was prevented by sickness from attending the commissioners' court last week.

Those patrons of the COURIER who are behind with their subscriptions, are urged to come forward and pay up.

There will never be a better time for those who owe the COURIER for subscriptions to settle up than right now.

The county examining board for teachers met Friday and Saturday. President King reports eight applicants.

Mrs. C. Tims was called to Augusta last week, to attend her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Elliott, who was quite ill.

Burglars raided several houses Monday night. Dr. S. T. Beasley chased them through his garden and "over the garden wall," in the small hours of the morning.

Last Friday night at the high school, there was a pleasant musical entertainment given by the pupils of Miss Minnie Bruner's music class, which was much enjoyed by those present.

J. B. S. Capponi who at one time was principal of the colored academy in Crockett, is the author of a book just issued, entitled "Ham and Dicks." It treats of the race problem as it affects the negro. He is now in San Augustine, Fla.

We wish to say to our subscribers in the country, some of whom complain that they do not get their papers on Friday, that the fault is not in this office, but with the postal authorities. The papers all go to the Crockett postoffice on Thursday afternoon.

The tumble in the price of cotton is due mainly to European trouble and the prospect of war. The decline can be but temporary, and those who can hold the staple should do so. The price in the spring is bound to be better.

The efforts of the ladies of the Glenwood Cemetery Association to improve the appearance of the cemetery in this city are most praiseworthy, and the supper at Dunn's restaurant this (Friday) night, to raise funds for that purpose, deserves an overflowing patronage. The occasion is sure to be a delightful one and the supper, with social trimmings, worth double the price.

CASH! CASH!
DO NOT FORGET TO CALL AND PRICE Just arrived in Car Lots.

2 Cars Liverpool Salt, Fine and Coarse. 2 Cars Hay, Alfalfa and Forney. Car best TEXAS Bran Car Texas Red Rust Proof Oats and Car of Fresh Flour.

Our Clothing and Shoe Stocks are Complete.

We invite your inspection before Buying.

R. M. ATKINSON.

The Christmas tree never bore better fruit than will be in December at Haring's Drug Store.

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

A communication from J. M. Russell of Lovelady, was crowded out this week and will appear in the next issue.

Arledge, Kennedy & Co., are now in fine shape for business in their new building N. E. Corner Public Square.

The many friends of Professor and Mrs. G. J. Nunn will grieve to learn of the death on the 1st. inst. of Mrs. Nunn. It occurred at Jacksonville, Texas where for the past year or longer she has been associated with her husband in conducting Alexander Institute. Deceased lived in Crockett several years where she will be remembered by a large circle of friends for her estimable traits of character and the many womanly, Christian graces which adorned her life and sweetened social intercourse.

There are scores and scores of people who fail to call and settle for a newspaper subscription or a little piece of job work or a few lines of advertising, saying to themselves, "well these are small matters and I will just let them run on." And they run on and on and when they do come to settle or rather when the paper goes to them for a settlement, they will swear by "graven images" that they have paid their subscriptions and everything else they owe the paper, when as a matter of fact they have done nothing of the kind. We have this experience nearly every day.

Geo. E. Darsey, of Grapeland, has just received one car of barrel flour, new lot of San Antonio saddles, new stock of shot guns, new lot of cooking and heating stoves, stove pipe and rain proofs, one car of furniture, one car of salt, one car of baggin and ties, new lot of ladies hats trimmed to order, clothing, boots, shoes, flannels, ladies and gents underwear for cold weather, over coats, slickers in coats pants and hats, also onions, cheese, pickles, California grapes, candy, sugar, coffee, wash boards, brooms, skillets and lids, wash pots etc. We keep ever thing you want come and see our goods, get our prices and you will see we mean what we say. We sell more goods for a dollar than any house in the county. Dont forget the place.

Geo. E. DARSEY, Grapeland Texas.

Last Monday morning Mr. I. A. Daniel, the contractor, put a force of men and teams at work grading the approaches to the handsome and massive new brick culvert built by the county across the town branch, near the depot. Mr. Daniel has five teams and scrapers busy shifting the dirt and expects to have the roadway open for travel by the end of next week. The grade on the west side of the branch will be brought up level with the railroad track. The banisters on the culvert proper will be of brick and those on the approaches will be of wood. The city is paying for the grading, and when the work is completed travel to and from the depot and the country west of the railroad will be greatly inconvenienced, to say nothing of the gain in the improved appearance of the street and crossing. The contract price with the city for the grading is \$225.

New Restaurant.
North side public square; meals at all hours. Open from 5 a. m. to 12 p. m.
J. B. FIFER.

Notice.
The ladies of Glenwood Cemetery Association will give a supper Friday evening, Nov. 22nd. Mr. Dunn has kindly offered use of his house, tables, etc., so supper will be served there. Those who have promised to assist will please send contributions to Mr. Dunn's restaurant as soon after 10 o'clock a. m. as possible. Doors open at 6 o'clock, p. m. and a good supper to be found inside. Admission 50 cents. The object of this supper is to raise funds for further improvement of cemeteries. Those who have visited the cemeteries cannot fail to note the marked improvement that has been made by the ladies of Glenwood Association. The growing trees, well, new fences, walks and cleanly appearance of both cemeteries speak for themselves, and show, not only the amount of work done, but also the money expended during the past year. Glenwood Association does not wish to stop until a substantial new fence graces the front of both cemeteries. Come out to the supper, Nov. 22nd, and help us come one and all. We hope to see not only those who have a personal interest, but all who are interested in so worthy a cause.

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Medicines Usual Price.

Some Nice Stationery Low Down.

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Cure For Headache.

As a remedy for all forms of Headache Electric Bitters has proved to be the very best. It effects a permanent cure and the most dreaded habitual sick headaches yield to its influences. We urge all who are afflicted to procure a bottle, and give this remedy a fair trial. In cases of habitual constipation Electric Bitters cures by giving the needed tonic to the bowels, and few cases long resist the use of this medicine. Try it once. Large bottles only Fifty cents at B. F. Chamberlain's Drug Store.

A Christmas Present free.

On Xmas eve day we will give to our customers a fine set of furniture worth \$25.00. For every dollar's worth of goods purchased from us, we will give a ticket entitling the holder to a chance in an elegant suite of furniture to be drawn for on the night of Dec'r 24th. Call and examine our bargains. It will be to your interest.

ALDRICH & DUBES, Jno. Murchison old stand.

Fresh oysters at all hours at the New Restaurant.

Open from 5 a. m. to 12 p. m.
J. B. FIFER.

Dorcas Society.

The Dorcas Society will hold a levee, thanksgiving evening, the 28th. Come and be entertained with old time music, art exhibit, hat trimming, games and a whole lot of fun. Everybody invited, old and young. Admission, 10 cents.

Notice to Farmers.

We will be found at our New Cotton Yard, just north of old stand, weighing and sampling for 10 cts. You will find our work and accommodations as good as the best, and will appreciate your patronage.

SAXON & HOWARD.

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. B. FORTER Agt.

Notice.

All those owing me at Coltharp on account or note will please call on F. P. Hudson Coltharp, or Shivers Bros., Crockett, Texas, and settle same without extra cost.

J. S. SHIVERS.

"While down in the southwestern part of the state some time ago,"

says Mr. W. Chalmers, editor of the Chico (Cal.) Enterprise, "I had an attack of dysentery. Having heard of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy I bought a bottle. A couple of doses of it completely cured me. Now I am a champion of that remedy for all stomach and bowel complaints."

For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

The Discovery Saved His Life.

Mr. G. Callorette, Druggist, Beaversville Ill. says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried every the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house either without it. Get a free trial at B. F. Chamberlain's Drug Store."

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sore, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chillsblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

Mr. J. K. Fowler, secretary and treasurer of the Corinne Mill, Canal and Stock Co., of Corinne, Utah, in speaking of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy says: "I consider it the best in the market. I have used many kinds but find Chamberlain's the most prompt and effectual in giving relief, and now keep no other in my home." When troubled with a cough or cold give this remedy a trial and we assure you that you will be more than pleased with the result. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

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.

GIN Your Cotton.

We are now ready to gin cotton and will do so for \$1.50 per bale. Gin the cotton off your wagon. Will gin a bale in 12 minutes. We unload your cotton and load your seed on your wagon while you drink ice water. It will pay farmers living at a distance as well as those living near at hand to bring us their cotton as they will save time and expense. We also pay the top cash price for seed. We guarantee to improve the sample of your cotton. Our capacity is 40 bales per day.

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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 & Avelill and J. Solomon & Co., all well known houses to the trade.

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Saddle and Harness Shop.

I have moved my shop to the second door on East corner of the new Brick Block. We sell nothing but Shop Made Saddles made of the finest California Skirting. Call and examine them.

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The Great Vital Restorative. DR. MCGOORE'S INVIGORATOR. Cures Nervous Debility & Resolves Lost Manhood. DR. MCGOORE'S INVIGORATOR. Cures Prostatitis, Kidney and Bladder Diseases. DR. MCGOORE'S INVIGORATOR. Cures Gleet, Gonorrhoea & Falling Memory. DR. MCGOORE'S INVIGORATOR. Cures the Effects of Youthful Errors. DR. MCGOORE'S INVIGORATOR. Cures Pimples, Blotches and Skin Diseases. DR. MCGOORE'S INVIGORATOR. Relieves and strengthens the Organs. DR. MCGOORE'S INVIGORATOR. Stops all Unnatural Losses. DR. MCGOORE'S INVIGORATOR. Makes Weak Men Strong. DR. MCGOORE'S INVIGORATOR. \$2.00 per bottle at J. G. Haring's Drug Store.

COTTON.

Ship us your Cotton this season. We charge only \$1.00 per Bale, which includes our commission and all charges here for the first month. Liberal advances made on consignments at 5 percent interest. Specie and daily quotations furnished free on application.

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

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Don't Imagine That the Old Scratch is After Us.

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'Tis Only Our Way of Putting Things,

Which means that we have on hand the Largest Stock that we have ever had. You will conclude that we are making tracks when you hear our talk, see our goods, hear us quote you such ridiculous low prices on everything. We are anxious to liquidate our stock and therefore offer extra inducements in the way of prices to any intending purchaser who might visit our establishment.

Ladies, we have stacks upon stacks of dress goods in all the latest shades and styles. Nice line of capes, in fact most everything conducive to the comfort of Men, Women and Children. We have not the space to enumerate everything in our store but will give you a few prices on a few things that we carry.

FURNITURE DEPARTMENT.

Our \$ 2.00 Bedsteads will be	\$ 1.75
" 2.25 " " "	2.00
" 2.50 " " "	2.25
" 3.25 " " "	2.90
" 4.25 " " "	3.75
" 4.75 Safes " " "	4.50
" 4.25 " " "	4.25
" 15.00 Suits " " "	12.50
" 90 Chairs " " "	80

CLOSING OUT SALL.—CLOTHING.

Our \$ 3.00 Suits will be	\$ 2.50
" 5.00 " " "	4.25
" 8.00 " " "	7.00
" 15.00 " " "	11.00

MILLINERY DEPARTMENT.

Ladies' Hats for \$2.00 worth	\$3.00
" " " " "	3.50
" " " " "	8.00
" " " " "	2.50
JEANS PANTS, Good, nothing extra	50
" Better	75
" Best	1.00

SHOE DEPARTMENT.

Shoes for the rich, shoes for the poor. Shoes that not only fit the foot, but fit the lean pocket book and if you want to do the thing up Brown wear a pair of Hamilton-Brown Shoe Co's shoes, best on earth, the only kind we handle, and we have a stock that most anybody can get suited from.

Spot Cash or Its Equivalent, Is Our Motto.

We buy for cash and sell for cash. We know that we have been in the credit business, but have quit. We are striving for the Almighty dollar and we intend to get it and to this end we have offered extra inducements in order to build up a cash trade that we will be proud of.

Call and see us and be convinced that we mean what we say.

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I Mean What I Say.

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Consisting of Dry Goods, Notions, Ladies Dress Goods of the latest and most stylish patterns, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Clothing, in short

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Very Respectfully,
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CHRIST THEIR SLOGAN

AIMS OF THE NATIONAL CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP LEAGUE.

To Reform the Country Along the Lines Laid Down by the Founder of the Faith—Against Church and State Entail.

(Chicago Correspondence.)

THE marvelous growth in membership and influence of the National Christian Citizenship League challenges universal wonder and admiration. The organization was incorporated under the laws of Illinois last March. Previous to that date a local organization existed throughout the state. Since the movement has run from city to city and state to state with rapidity and spontaneity that is amazing even to those who have given it motion. Leagues have been formed in nearly every state in the union. Their influence is felt from New Hampshire to California, and from Minnesota to the Gulf of Mexico. The wonderful increase in strength and potency of the National Christian Citizenship League has not been on account of effort on the part of its projectors to

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force its growth. Deeply concerned in the important work which it is designed to promote, they, nevertheless, adopted the most conservative methods in introducing it to public notice. By President Christian Citizenship League, leaving that the best results would follow cautious movement, they addressed their energies more to the perfection of the parent organization than to the geographical extension of its operations. It may, therefore, be said justly that the multiplication of its membership has been achieved without effort, and almost without solicitation. Now, however, the gentlemen who have borne the burden of labor in this sacred field of usefulness, enlist in the work as far as possible, all the moral and physical energies of good citizenship in every section of the country. With this purpose in mind, they issue the following call:

To the people of God Everywhere:—The world belongs to Jesus Christ. "Whether they be throne or dominion" * * * all things were made by Him and for Him. "Satan is a liar, and a murderer." What belongs to Jesus Christ should be yielded to Him.

In a marked sense, this country is His, since it was first discovered and settled.

Government is an ordinance of God. Our history shows that God has chosen this government in an especial manner to fulfill His great purpose. But since He works through human means, these divine intentions must be wrought out by Christian men and women. If the prayer, "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven," is ever answered, the people of God must do a two-fold work; as in Nehemiah, IV, 16-18, where trowel in one hand and sword in the other, they simultaneously rebuilt the walls of the holy city, and fought the enemy.

Today wickedness is in power, whoever is in place; and encouraged by the apathy of Christian sentiment, heaps obstacle upon obstacle in the way of the coming kingdom. The saloon, the gambling den and the brothel (satanic trinity) ruin our youth of both sexes and sword in the other, they simultaneously rebuilt the walls of the holy city, and fought the enemy.

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Don't be misled by cheap imitations. Pike's Magnolia Whisky is the only one that is pure and of the highest quality.

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FOR GOOD OR EVIL.

THE BELIEF THAT COMETS PORTEND CHANGES.

Meeting Stars Have Foretold the Career of Napoleon, the American Revolution and So On—What Do Comets Now Approaching Portend?

THE approach of Faye's periodical comet naturally raises the question to what extent, if any, this celestial body is influenced by these strange denizens of heaven. That they have some influence has been stoutly maintained by astrologers of all ages.

Albuzar tells us that comets, being first visible in Aries signify evil to the countries ruled by that sign, and that drought will be especially prevalent. Now, the comet of 1870 appears in Aries, the sign of Germany, and in that year the Franco-German war was begun and several districts in Europe suffered severely from drought. Donald's comet appeared in 1858, and was followed by the Italian war in 1859. The appearance of the great comet of 1841 coincided with the most destructive conflagration in London, and another comet appeared in the constellation of the civil war in this country. The assassination of President Lincoln coincided to the same epoch. This comet appeared in Gemini, the sign of the United States, and the comet of 1807 (Comet B) was first seen in Gemini on May 22, 1803, and on July 3 of the same year President Garfield was shot. The same period was noted for the appearance of the comet of 1811, the comet of 1812, the comet of 1813, the comet of 1814, the comet of 1815, the comet of 1816, the comet of 1817, the comet of 1818, the comet of 1819, the comet of 1820, the comet of 1821, the comet of 1822, the comet of 1823, the comet of 1824, the comet of 1825, the comet of 1826, the comet of 1827, the comet of 1828, the comet of 1829, the comet of 1830, the comet of 1831, the comet of 1832, the comet of 1833, the comet of 1834, the comet of 1835, the comet of 1836, the comet of 1837, the comet of 1838, the comet of 1839, the comet of 1840, the comet of 1841, the comet of 1842, the comet of 1843, the comet of 1844, the comet of 1845, the comet of 1846, the comet of 1847, the comet of 1848, the comet of 1849, the comet of 1850, the comet of 1851, the comet of 1852, the comet of 1853, the comet of 1854, the comet of 1855, the comet of 1856, the comet of 1857, the comet of 1858, the comet of 1859, the comet of 1860, 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THE CHINESE ROUTED

REBELS IN KANSAS GAIN THAT PROVINCE. The Chinese Government discloses the Wisdom of Appealing to Russia For Aid in Suppressing the Rebels—Eleven Cities Captured.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—A dispatch to the Standard from Shanghai says that the rebels have defeated the Chinese army at Hsian and the rebels are now masters of half the province of Kansuh. The rebellion in the province of Kansuh commenced about the time of the defeat of the Chinese by the Japanese, the imperial army being routed by the insurgents, who captured eleven cities. The government at Peking even went so far as to discuss the wisdom of an appeal to Russia for aid in suppressing the insurrection.

General Coppinger's Report. WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—In his annual report, Brigadier General John Coppinger says that the only satisfactory balance during the last year necessitating the use of troops occupied last July in the Jackson Hole country.

Broken Down From Overwork. WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—Another of the senior officers of the naval engineer corps has broken down from overwork. A telegram was received at the navy department from Mare Island yesterday saying that Chief Engineer R. R. Beach of the United States steamship Boston has been condemned by a medical board, and regarding the assignment of another chief engineer to the ship.

Five Dead Men Found. MAZATLAN, Mexico, Nov. 25.—The dead bodies of five men, two of whom are recognized as being Americans, have been discovered along the coast here in a wild section of the Sierra Madre mountains.

Terrell's Latest Report. WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—The latest dispatch to the state department from United States Minister Terrell states that he is now officially assured of the protection of the three ladies at Hanlin; that the provinces have been quiet for the last three months and the outlook is better.

Case of Miss Stewart. WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—By direction of the state department United States Consul Burke at Chihuahua, Mexico, has been investigating the case of Miss Stewart, who, according to the news dispatch, took to flight when she was arrested for shooting a policeman or a soldier in a public square and sentenced to death.

Printing Expenses Reduced. WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—Secretary Hoke Smith brings out the fact in his annual report that there has been a large saving in the printing of the Gazette. It will show that the government formerly paid \$156,000 every year for printing the Gazette, but that it is now being done under competitive bids for \$85,000 a year and as satisfactorily as when done by the company which for years had the work.

Annual Appraisers Report. WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—The secretary of the treasury has received the annual report of the United States general appraisers at New York. It shows that during the eleven months ending September 30, 32,489 reappraisements were made by individual general appraisers and 783 cases by the full board, showing that in three-fourths of the cases there was no appeal from the decisions given by the individual appraisers either by the importer or by the government.

TEXAS THREATENED.

ENTIRE STATE LIABLE TO CATTLE QUARANTINE. Members of the Livestock Sanitary Commission Meet With Governor Culberson For the Purpose of Considering a Letter to That Effect.

AUSTIN, Tex., Nov. 23.—Messrs. Kleburg of Alice and Tullis of Quanah, members of the Texas live stock sanitary commission, met here last night with Governor Culberson for the purpose of considering a letter from Secretary of Agriculture Morton, threatening to quarantine the whole state of Texas under the National cattle quarantine act.

Charge With Criminal Assault. GALVESTON, Nov. 23.—Wm. Lee made an assault against Henry Gray, a white man, charging him with making an assault on Mary Lee, 7 years old, with intent to commit rape. It is charged that Lee was on the street on the 22nd day of November. The accused is a native of France about 35 years old, a blacksmith by trade, has a wife and two children.

A Patient of Schiatter. ALBUQUERQUE, Nov. 23.—Will Rodgers was called here to consider a claim from Mexico, and while that claim has not yet been submitted, it is understood that Mexico will claim territory on the north side of the river within the corporate limits of El Paso on the ground that the original channel of the river ran almost through the center of this city, but that because of embankments the E-d water shifted the main channel over on Mexican territory.

Reported Assassination. NAVAROTA, Tex., Nov. 25.—A cotter arrived from Budias, in the state of Coahuila, Mexico, with a report of the assassination of Sheriff Harrison. He stated that the murderer was a man named Rodriguez, who was shot by Harrison while he was in the act of shooting a man named Rodriguez.

Second Attempt at Suicide. DAVIS, Tex., Nov. 25.—Thomas A. Jones of Social Circle, Ga., took morphine in his room at the St. George hotel yesterday afternoon and will probably die. Two physicians worked on him for six hours, with little prospect of saving his life.

A Negro Shot. BRYAN, Tex., Nov. 23.—The Madison county lynching turned out to be a shooting instead of hanging. The details as told here yesterday are that a negro boy ran his horse over a white girl, whereupon a mob went after him and the boy's father intervened to save him from being lynched.

Negro Woman Murdered. LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Nov. 22.—The mutilated remains of two negro women were found at a quarry near Russellville. They were murdered Wednesday night while they slept. Their heads were split open with axes and their heads chopped from their bodies.

Dynamic Explosion. WELLSBORO, Va., Nov. 21.—By an explosion of dynamite cartridges yesterday afternoon Frank A. Johnson was very much injured. The cartridges were found at a quarry near Russellville. They were murdered Wednesday night while they slept.

STATE CONDENSATIONS.

A Secretary of Daily Happenings from Various Sources. A suit involving over \$100,000 has been filed in the district court at Houston against J. W. Johnson. The plaintiffs are Carrie B. Miller, daughter of J. W. Johnson and her husband, J. P. Miller. Miss Johnson married Miller six months ago and has just come of age.

El Paso Struck. EL PASO, Tex., Nov. 23.—During the last two days there has been considerable excitement among the residents of the southern portion of this city over the rumor to the effect that the Rio Grande was no longer to be the dividing line between this country and Mexico, especially at this point. The rumor originated from the fact that the Mexican engineers of the international boundary commission now in session here have been surveying and placing monuments through the southern portion of the city, running the river on Second street so as to take a strip of the city over a mile long and six blocks deep.

Del Harwood, a member of the Waco fire department, while repairing the glass in a steam gauge the other morning, was badly hurt. The gauge burst and Harwood fell backward. His wrist and face were cut and his arm broken.

Victoria merchants are buying large quantities of pecans. The pecan crop throughout the state is immense. Charley Nemitz grew some pecans near Fredericksburg this year that weighed nearly one pound each, and the tree was full.

At Waco recently Willie Lewis, aged 19, received a fatal injury while trying to cross the Cotton Hill track by an engine striking him. A new postoffice has been established at Stump, Falls county, to be specially applied from Heister, Fredericksburg postoffice.

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The trial of Luttrell and English, on a charge of venue to McKinney, for the murder of Ed Doggett was continued until next term of court. Two negroes became involved in a quarrel over dominoes at Temple, a short time ago, and Harvey Fletcher was seriously wounded with a pistol.

The colored people of Galveston are to hold an anti-lynching meeting, and resolve. The postoffice at Hugo, Bell county, is discontinued from Nov. 30, mail to Killean. Newberry, Comanche county, will soon be connected with Comanche town by telephone.

Sam Jones' great meeting at Houston closed on the 17th. A large number of persons were converted. Heavy frost at Fredericksburg recently. The streets of Fredericksburg are being graded. The streets of Granbury are being graded and gravelled.

A Human Leopard.

BLACK SPOTS ON HANDS, FACE AND BODY. The remarkable Affliction of a Childhood. Man. Physicians Unable to Determine the Cause. (From the Constitution, Chillicothe, Mo.)

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The reporter grabbed his note book and asked Mr. Wright to proceed. "It is a miracle," he began. "The reporter became excitedly interested. You continued, having over a year ago noticed a number of interviews in the Constitution with people who have, or had, black spots on their hands, faces and bodies. I was not on any of these interviews, but made every body around me in the city know that I was not a doctor, and that I was not a doctor, and that I was not a doctor."

The reporter acknowledged it was miraculous, and the interview ended. A few months ago an old abandoned Mexican silver mine was discovered about twenty miles north of Sabinal in the Rio canyon in Uvalde county. It is said that something like thirty years ago the late Mr. J. M. McCoy ordered that all the silver mine in Texas be sealed up and abandoned. Parties are now working the mine mentioned, and they report that it is sealed with cement. This would seem to indicate the fact that it is a valuable mine.

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COUNTY AND TOWNS.

Those who have labored for the development of Houston county have much cause for congratulation over the results attending such labors. For years we have looked on and witnessed the flow of the immigrant tide past our very doors to the far west and southwest, and not an effort was made to divert it in this direction. We got but a fraction of the incoming population then and that was largely what might be called the overflow element. All this is changed now. "Things are coming our way" at last, and we are now getting, thanks to wisely and systematically directed efforts on this line, our full share of the immigration coming to the state. We hardly think we overestimate it when we say that the population of the county is increasing fully two thousand annually, over half of which is drawn from other states and other counties in this state. Nor is the matter of population, important as it is, the only mark of the good results of the labors mentioned above. On every hand and at our very doors are evidences of that spirit of progress and enterprise which transforms lifeless, waste places into spectacles of busy moving activity. Such a spirit, we are happy to note, characterizes a larger per cent of our people today than ever before. The farmers, as a rule, are in better condition than they have ever been. The most of them are out of debt and have an abundant supply of all the comforts and not a few of the luxuries of life. The merchants are in good shape, collections being good and payments prompt, and they will begin the new year with smaller liabilities and larger cash and convertible assets than for years. The towns of the county, too, have a story to tell, one full of interest and significance. Grapeland and Lovelady both show what may be accomplished by a few men of public spirit, resolved to overcome difficulties. These towns, within a year or two, have made wonderful growth. Neat residences, elegant houses of worship and splendid high school buildings greet the eye of the visitor. Besides, each has a most excellent system of public free schools, and for wide awake, courteous, fair-dealing merchants, no town in the state can surpass them. We must not fail to speak of the most excellent society of these towns, nor overlook the benevolent orders and church organizations presided over by gracious, generous-minded ladies, fulfilling a mission hardly second in the harvest of good deeds and the fragrance of sweet charity, to the churches themselves. Crockett, the county seat, has more than doubled in population within the last five years and continues on at a phenomenal pace in its growth and the establishment of all the accessories of a live and prosperous little city. On all sides may be seen and heard proof of that quickening spirit and abiding faith which build cities and command trade. For years the old town was an unsightly and straggling aggregation of weather-beaten wooden houses, an inviting nest for fires which occurred with disastrous frequency. All this is changed within a few years. Handsome, solid, attractive brick blocks, a credit to the mechanic and the owners, and an ornament to any town, are now to be found. In pleasing contrast with the buildings which formerly stood here. In a comparatively short period, mostly within a year, a sum of money approximating a quarter of a million dollars, has gone into brick business structures, banking, oil-mill, electric, planing, saw-mill, lumber, brick-yard and a score of other plants. Nor is this all. Keeping step with the march of material progress, which we note, we record with no less pleasure the growth and fruition of those elevating influences which schools, churches and other grades of an advancing civilization never fail to bestow. These are to be seen on all hands, each quietly yet effectively working out its destiny, in the splendid system of public schools which we have here free for all almost the year round, in the church organizations of all the leading denominations whose houses of worship are well attended and whose pulpits are ably filled on every Sabbath, in flourishing Sunday schools, powerful and indispensable auxiliaries in all successful church work, in the elegant houses of many of our citizens, bespeaking skill for the mechanic and taste and culture for the owners, and last but not least, in the realization of higher social ideals which Crockett's beautiful culture and accomplished women, by their ennobling presence and effort, have done more to bring about than all others and all else.

WINTER seems to have set in in earnest in the Northwest and a heavy snow is reported up in the Texas Panhandle.

If the person who wrote the anonymous communication respecting the Balthrop case, will send us his name, we will print the article. Otherwise we cannot, as it is a rule of this office not to publish articles of this character, and especially does it apply when the article directly or remotely reflects on any one.

The Galveston and St. Louis Fiver will change schedule again on the 8th of December, reducing the time between the gulf and St. Louis another hour. Under the new schedule the time between Galveston and St. Louis will be only twenty hours. It will be the fastest train in the state, and with one or two exceptions, the fastest west of the Mississippi.

From all accounts, John B. Long, James I. Perkins and W. M. Imboden of Cherokee, will all be candidates for congress. Besides these, it is hinted that there will be two or more from Harrison, one from Anderson, and of course the present incumbent will be a candidate, for he has so declared. Some of the counties are putting entirely too many eggs in one basket.

IS IT SOLVABLE?

The populists are at the bottom of an almost bottomless well. They want office so bad that there is an unsavory taste in their mouths. Now the problem is this: They climb up fifty feet in the daytime and go down a hundred feet at night. At this rate of progress, how long will it take them to get to the Promised Land? The COURIER will handsomely reward any one who will send a correct solution of this problem, in years—not particular as to months and days.

The proceedings of the late jury commission, from altogether reliable reports, were in many respects simply scandalous. One of the commission, we learn, went into the room with a list of names already written out and prepared. From all accounts, the deliberations of this body, if their doings are entitled to the dignity of being called deliberative, were stormy. All this comes of the declared purpose of the present judge of this district to organize jury commissions on political lines—one populist, one democrat and one republican—a procedure not authorized or contemplated by the constitution or the statutes of the state, but in plain violation thereof in both letter and spirit. Such a solemn travesty should and will disgust the better element of our citizenship, regardless of party or color.

DEMOCRACY

A Little Disfigured, But Still in the Ring.

Commercial Appeal. It is more complimentary to the intelligence of the audience to tell the story and leave your hearers to find the moral and make the application. The story is that the Democratic party has been ranted all along the line and driven headlong in confusion from the field. Three of the "old reliable" Democratic states have been added to the Republican column. States optimistically supposed to be doubtful have piled their Republican majorities so high that the brain swims and the eyeballs ache in contemplating the altitude thereof. In states conceded to be Republican, but in which the cheerful Democratic fancy reveled in "large Democratic gains," the Republican gains are simply brutal and inhuman. Without respect to the personality of the candidates, the varying beauties of platform literature and the character of local issues, and with magnificent impartiality toward all points of the compass, wherever the Democratic party entered the ring it got it in the neck. In the North, the South, the East and the West the same cruel and unusual punishment has been inflicted with characteristic contempt for the Constitution of the United States and no respect at all for the constitution of the Democratic party. The antipathy seems to have been against the genus Democrat and was not confined to any particular species. The moment a candidate announced that he was a Democrat, the crowd promptly jumped on him and slugged him in the ear and kicked him in the abdomen before he could explain what kind of a Democrat he was. Whether or not the result of the election will have the effect of obliterating factional differences, it is certainly very hard to distinguish one Democrat from another. All alike have been pounded into a shapeless and featureless mass. A bloody and disfigured conglomeration of chewed ears, broken-down noses, misplaced eyeballs, pulverized jaws

and fractured face bones—that is the Democratic party this morning.

And still we are moderately gay—not uproariously merry nor ostentatiously hilarious, but cheerful in a subdued and chastened sort of way. It is in such times as this that we love to comfort ourselves with proverbs, such as:

- 1. Every cloud has a silver lining.
2. The darkest hour is just before the dawn.
3. Sweet are the uses of adversity.
4. Whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth.
5. A kick is more persuasive than an argument to a dumphool.
6. Behind a frowning providence he hides a smiling face.
7. Afflictions, though they seem severe, are oft in mercy sent.
8. Nil desperandum.
9. Never give up the ship.
10. E pluribus unum.
11. Blessed are they that mourn.

We advise our Democratic readers to get these sayings to heart. We regret to say that they are better reading than anything they will find in our news columns this morning. Our experience has been that in times of affliction a good proverb is better than a drink, though some people have been known to take both. In addition to the comforting words in the foregoing consolations, there is also this highly comforting fact—that the Democratic party has been used for door-mat and scrubbing-broom purposes a great many times, yet lived to dance on the graves of its enemies. It has been ridden to defeat by solemn, egotistical chumps; it has been gulfed by assassins, sold out by traitors, debauched by corrupt and selfish leaders, in short, suffered every fate but death. It was the first party on deck in this great country; was present at the birth of every other party, and has attended the funeral of most of them. Just at this time it is a little disfigured—an eye or two has been lost in the scuffle, several ears are missing, and its front teeth are not with it—but, in the language of the poet, it is still in the ring. A little while in the hospital will bring it around all right.

GRAPELAND.

EDITOR COURIER:

Business again lively notwithstanding the pressure in the cotton market in consequence of cotton going off. Our merchants are doing a good trade.

The new Christian church which is about completed, is quite an addition to our growing little city. It was dedicated last Sunday by Elder J. W. Marshall, of Greenville, Texas. The dedication sermon was a master sermon. He will continue the meeting all this week.

This morning R. O. Aldrich drove up to the postoffice in his buggy with his little boy, a child of five or six of age, in with him. He stopped in front of the building, went in the office, got his mail and returned. About the time he reached the edge of the gallery the horse became frightened and ran away with the buggy with the child in it. The little fellow hung to the reins and did his best to stop him, but in vain. The horse flew, as it were, through the street, and when he had gone near half a mile he ran the buggy against a tree, throwing the child out, fortunately uninjured except by the shock and fright. What was still more remarkable, only the single tree of the buggy was damaged.

John Sheridan spent Saturday and Sunday in town—Saturday collecting taxes, and Sunday attending the dedication service at the new Christian church.

The following school teachers living in and near Grapeland, have commenced their schools: W. H. Kolb, Walter Neel, Miss Ava Hollingsworth, Mrs. Stella Murchison, Miss Irene McCrary, Albert Tyler, Miss Ida Kolb, Miss Roxie Powers, Miss Beulah Sheridan, Miss Linnie Keene, Sam Dutch.

Prof. Richards, formerly of Grapeland high school, is in charge of the school at Evergreen.

Mrs. Mattie Wirt of Leon, is teaching the school at Hays Springs.

Mrs. B. R. Halyard has bought the residence occupied at present by Elder G. M. Hollingsworth, and will move into it as soon as the elder gets into his new residence in North Grapeland.

Quite a number of citizens of Augusta were present at the dedication of the Christian church on Sunday.

Col. W. A. Champion of Crockett, took in the dedication services here last Sunday.

D. McNaughton, wife and grandson, took in the dedication services. They were the guests of J. E. Martin during their stay. We hope to see them again soon.

Col. Wm. Sheridan of Sheridan, was with us at the dedication services on Sunday.

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COTTON.

Ship us your Cotton this season. We charge only \$1.00 per bale, which includes our commission and all charges here for the first month. Liberal advances made on consignments at 6 per cent interest. Stencil and daily quotations furnished free on application.

Carson, Sewell, & Co. Wholesale Grocers & Canned Food Factors HOUSTON, TEXAS.

Saddle and Harness Shop.

I have moved my shop to the second door on East corner of the new Brick Block. We sell nothing but Shop Made Saddles made of the finest California Skirting. Call and examine them.

J. T. DAWES.

Anderson Clark, one of the oldest citizens of this county, died at his nephew's Thos. Clark. He was 72 years old. He fell dead, cause—heart failure. KEYSTONE.

Call To The Cane-growers. LOVELADY, TEX., Nov'r 1895.

Editor COURIER:

I have been wanting to write to the cane-growers of Houston county through your paper for some time, not in order to form any rig or clique or any combination, but to call a convention. I would call it for the better developing of the cane business and, if possible, finding a market for the same. In the midst of council there is safety. But I see no room in your columns for anything from the country, so I suppose it would find its way to the waste-basket. Is it fair to give so much space to Crockett? I suppose it is, for they pay the best. I am no alliance man nor granger, but a farmer from choice as well as necessity. I have had twenty years experience in the cultivation of cane and do not know it all yet. I want to attend a meeting of the cane-growers of this county and discuss questions. Politics are quiet here. Let me hear from you by public or private answer.

J. M. BUSSELL.

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How are we going to do it? Well we will tell you how. Simply by Putting goods down at such figures that you are compelled to buy, If you want to save money. People will buy when they get genuine bargains. Cold weather is at hand and we are going to keep you warm with our Unheard-of-Bargains.

Clothing! Clothing!

You know we have more Clothing than all other houses in Crockett. We can suit you in Size, Style and Price. Men's fine Imported English Treen Suits, actual value \$20.00, our price \$9.50. Imported English Clay Worsted Price Albert Suits \$12.00. Best Clay Worsted as good as can be had in Sacks, Frocks or Square cut, real value \$13.00, our price \$8.00. Our \$5.00 Suits are not equaled in the State. Boys' and Children's Suits in all sizes and at all prices. 1000 Paris Pants in all sizes and colors at prices that will sell.

Dry Goods. Dry Goods.

You know that we are strictly in it, so speaking, too many goods to give prices, so come and see for yourself.

Capes and Jackets.

We have a few left, if you want one you had better come early as you might be too late in getting one for half its actual cost of making.

Blankets and Comforts.

We are selling a great many and have some left. Blankets from 50cts to \$8.00. Comforts " 50cts to \$2.50.

Shoes, Shoes, Shoes.

It is an undisputed fact that we carry the largest stock of Shoes that was ever brought to Crockett, excepting no one. We make the prices and others try to follow, but they are too far behind, consequently we are selling more Shoes than any other house.

We carry the most complete stock in Houston County. Come to see us and you will be well rewarded for your trouble. We will save you 25 per cent on all you purchase from us.

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BILL MCGONNELL

SAYS

A gradual increase of business, peep into our store at any time and it will remind you of the bee hive—every clerk busy, the house full of customers passing, repassing, shoving, pushing and screaming my time next. Yes, we have built up a most wonderful trade not by misrepresentation and abuse of competition, not by meeting the dear people ere they have time to alight their horse, and with a bone cracking hand shake affectionately ask about the dear wife and little children, not by writing letters all over the county to what is called cash men, imploring their trade, not through any mercantile learning from others for we were never behind any man's counter, other than our own, not through any particular love, preference or friendship the people have for us, but by sending some one around to persuade a customer out of another mans store, not through any given, borrowed or inherited money for God knows I only had seventy six dollars when I entered the mercantile arena, and sweated over the avail for that. No not by any of these I am proud to say, but from the commencement of my mercantile life a Fair, Square, Honest Deal To All both white and black, men women and children. Notwithstanding we have put out all groceries, and carry only a full and complete line of dry goods, notions, ladies and gents furnishing goods, clothing, boots, shoes, hats and millinery. Notwithstanding there are many more houses to do the business, making competition greater. Yes our freight bills and cash sales will show that we are doing the best business of our life. "When in the session of sweet silent thought I summon up reminiscence of things past" I feel assured that no one can look back over their mercantile career with more gratification than myself. From that Seventy-sixth Almighty Dollar along down the long line 21 years I can find no dishonorable foot prints in the sands of time, buying only that which I could pay for, enlarging the business as the money was made, incessantly, courageously and assiduously toiling I have gradually, slowly but surely, placed myself among the foremost of the successful. The question is often ask me, "Bill how is it that you sell cheaper than" every body else, and seem to be doing better?" and the answer is invariably the same—I take it to lead, keep my shoulders to the wheel and a sleepless eye over my business, never let expenses be more than profits, never employ more help than the business will sustain never "cut off my nose to spite my face," treat every body, both white and black, rich and poor with kindness, courtesy and gentility, measure out to others as we would have others measure out to us, rather miss the sale of an article than to misrepresent it, give the best possible value for the money, buy for cash and sell for cash and to "cap the climax" we sell more goods for cash than any other two houses in town.

BLANKETS, BLANKETS. Prices lower than ever; come while they last. Don't pay 64cts. per pair for Cotton Blankets when we will sell you the very same blanket at 45cts per pair. Our \$2.50 Heavy Gray 10 4 white blanket reduced to \$2.10, only 6 pair left. Our \$4.00 heavy white fleecy wool blankets we have only 5 pair of them and will close them at \$2.90. Our \$4.75 extra nice white wool blankets, silk bound and stitched. We will close them at \$3.45 per pair. Our \$6.50 Port Derby, all pure wool, superior quality, bound with silk only, 3 pair left, so we will close them at \$4.90 per pair. All of the above blankets are guaranteed to be new and perfect in every respect. Our 90ct extra heavy quilted comforts, we will get at 70cts each. MEN'S UNDER SUITS. A Big Bargain. The celebrated Swiss Conde Under-suits, all wool, solid knit, good fitting, velvet finish, heavy weight, no better goods made. Every suit guaranteed at \$3 per suit. Our gent's fine white Australian all wool under suits at \$2 per suit. Our mens all wool under shirts at 50c 75c \$1 and \$1.50 each. All perfect goods. Ladies under-suits and vests, ladies, misses and children, Jersey ribbed combination union suits at 50c per suit. Something extra nice at \$1 per suit. Ladies and childrens extra ribbed pants 35c and 40c pair. Ladies nonshrinking merino wool vests at 75c, \$1 and \$1.25 each. We have a few over coats for boys that we will close at \$1, \$1.25 \$1.50 and \$1.65. GLOVES! GLOVES!! GLOVES!!! Mens fine undressed kid gloves perfect goods and very neat at 75c and \$1 per pair. Ladies genuine Foster kid gloves superior quality and every pair guaranteed, at \$1 per pair. Ladies black kid guantlets glove perfect stock and sure to give good wear at \$1 per pair. Ladies white kid gloves extra fine and just the thing for bridal purposes at \$1. Mens, ladies, misses and childrens all wool gloves, new and perfect goods at 20c and 25c per pair. 800 ounces of single zephyr nearly all colors free from moths at 4c per ounce. Gents, when you start out to buy a good over-shirt, first see our line at \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.25 each. LADIES, LISTEN AT THE FALL. Pattern hats to close. Ladies you have seen these goods and know that they were marked in plain figures. Now in order to make a clean sweep, we will give you a big reduction on our Paris Pattern Hats. The big Brown hat at \$8.50, will now be sold for \$6.60. The medium size Brown hat at \$8 will now be sold for \$5.50. The Green Beauty at \$8.50, will now be sold for \$6.60. That lovely Tennessee hat at \$7 will now be sold for \$5. The black and green hats that are admired by all at \$6.50, will now be sold for \$5. That beautiful white and black beaver hat at \$6, will now be sold for \$4.50. A lovely black hat at \$6, will now be sold at \$4.50. The lovely brown and green small hat at \$5, will now be sold for \$4. The blue and brown hat at \$5, will now be sold for \$4. Least but not last is our little black bonnett at \$6.50, will now be sold for \$4.50. Ladies these hats are for the very latest, and cant be duplicated for the money. So if you want a bargain, this will be your last and only chance. A big bargain in Henrietta dress goods all wool both warp and filling silk finish and 42 inches wide, former price \$5 we will now let go at 43c. (In colors, black, gray, tan, old rose, purple.) Our line of alpaca all wool both both warp and filling silk finish 38 inches wide, former price 55c, we will now let go at 37c per yd. (In colors, maroon, black, gray and green.) Remember that in dress goods. We will give you the widest, best finished and more wool in cashmere for less money than any house in Eastern Texas. Our cashmere double width runs from 12c to 42c per yd all colors. SPECIAL.—We are selling the goods, you are selling them fast. It was thus from the first and will be thus to the last.

LOCAL NEWS.

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs. Those who attend the Lovelady game supper will have a rare treat.

N. M. Rayburn of Lovelady, was in town Thursday.

Frank Smith is in town from the Indian Territory.

Ladies, read the reduction on the Ladies Paris Pattern Hats, in Bill McConnell's ad this week.

Go to W. H. Edwards for your Christmas candies and nuts.

The editor left Wednesday night for Fort Worth.

A. P. Hester was in to see us Wednesday. He reports the cotton crop only one half in his section.

Miss Lizzie May Brown and mother left for Gatesville, Tuesday night.

Will pay the cash for eggs and chickens at

RACKET STORE.

H. T. Robertson of Percilla, and J. F. Murray of Porter Springs, were in to see us Tuesday.

W. H. Edwards has the freshest line of family groceries of any house in town.

Mrs. Mary Earp of Corsicana, is visiting relatives in Crockett. Dr. Earp of the same town came in Wednesday.

G. A. Smitherman of Dodson, W. G. Brazalee of Porter Springs, and D. J. Carter of Lovelady, called to see us since our last.

W. H. Edwards has a nice line of vases, cups, etc., which he is selling very cheap. They are nice for Christmas presents.

When you want Groceries or Hardware remember Arledge, Kennedy & Co., are headquarters.

Arledge, Kennedy & Co. are now in fine shape for business in their new building N. E. Corner Public Square.

J. M. Porter will take a trip to Mexico on a visit to his son, Ike, before a great while.

Just received a new lot of hannels, comfords, overcoats, shoes and a full line of goods suitable for cold weather, at Geo. E. Darsey's cheap store, Grapeland, Texas.

Buy your Christmas goods from Geo. E. Darsey, Grapeland, Texas. His stock will begin to come in about the 1st of Dec., and he will have anything in toys or anything else you want, cheaper than anybody. Try him and see.

Zach Day, deputy U. S. marshal, came down Wednesday morning and arrested Curry Connor, the mail rider from Crockett to Coltharp, on a charge of robbing the mail. Two registered letters are said to have disappeared.

The editorial department of a newspaper can be and is largely run on wind, but the mechanical part of it requires something more substantial. Those in debt to the COURIER for subscription, job or other work, will understand what the above means. So, please call and settle.

"While down in the southwestern part of the state some time ago," says Mr. W. Chalmers, editor of the Chico (Cal.) Enterprise, "I had an attack of dysentery. Having heard of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy I bought a bottle. A couple of doses of it completely cured me. Now I am a champion of that remedy for all stomach and bowel complaints. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

Crockett should be proud of the good work which the ladies of the town are doing through their various organizations, devoted to be- nevolent and charitable works. We refer especially to the Cemetery Association and the Dorcas Society, the former of which gave a most elegant entertainment last Friday, and the latter to give one to night at the opera house. The former was liberally patronized, as the latter should be, and those who attend may expect lots of fun and a good time.

CASH! CASH! CASE!

DO NOT FORGET TO CALL AND PRICE. Just arrived in Car Lots. 2 Cars Liverpool Salt, Fine and Coarse. 2 Cars Hay, Alfalfa and Forney. Car best TEXAS Bran Car Texas Red Rust Proof Oats and Car of Fresh Flour. Our Clothing and Shoe Stocks are Complete. We invite your inspection before Buying. R. M. ATKINSON, County Judge.

New style Holiday Goods at all prices at Haring's Drug Store. A complete line of coffins and metallic caskets at The Furniture Store at moderate prices.

A good young young mule for sale at Grapeland. Terms easy, payable in coon, possum, mink, otter, beaver or deer skins, or beeswax or cow hides. Call on GEO. E. DARSEY, Grapeland, Tex., who buys all kinds of furs, hides and beeswax.

We truly regret to hear of the protracted illness of our esteemed friend, Rev. W. W. LaRue. He has been quite seriously sick at his home in Crockett. We tender him in all sincerity our sympathies in his affliction and assure him that nothing will afford us more gratification than the pleasing task of announcing his early recovery and complete restoration to health.

N. J. Mainer was in town Monday. He is the crack wing-shot of the Lovelady hunting club. Those attending the Lovelady game supper will have the pleasure of eating quail-on-toast, the fruit of Nic's unerring aim. The writer would give something handsome for a picture of Nic Mainer as in 1891, on foot from sunrise till sunset, he swept over Nevil's Prairie with a patent game-holder strapped across his shoulders and one lonely, pitiable quail strung there in and dangling in solitary grandeur at the extremities of his coat.

On Friday afternoon of last week at the Baptist parsonage in this city, Rev. W. M. Gaddy united in marriage Mr. M. L. Burns and Miss Ora Anthony, both of Grapeland. The fact that stern parental refusal on the part of the young lady's father, made elopement necessary before there could be any wedded bliss in the case gave a spice of romance to the marriage, but the bride's father has since relented and the only obstacle to perfect happiness thereby removed.

Colonel Jim Beasley of Daly, was in town last Thursday and greeted the editor very cordially by way of renewing the COURIER and remarking that he couldn't do without it. The colonel is a little awry in countenance from reflecting over the disastrous drubbing administered the populists in the recent elections. He believes in the doctrine of Final Perseverance and the ultimate triumph of the Saints who in his estimation are composed of populists largely. The colonel believes that in a political sense he is one of the elect and misappropriates for his authority this passage in Isaiah: "I will lead the blind by a way they knew not; I will lead them in paths they have not known; I will make darkness light and crooked things straight. These will I do unto them and not forsake them."

Right at the Front. John M. Punn proposes to lead the procession in the way of cheap, fresh and good groceries. His facilities are unsurpassed and he can make good his words to all who give him a trial.

MOUZON. Artistic Photographs at H. C. Eichelberger's Studio by Mouzon, the City photographer, this week only.

Well, Did You Hear About It? Of all the cheap goods ever sold in Crockett! Look out from now until Xmas at the Racket Store for all kinds of Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes and Clothing cut the core. You can also look for a fine line of Xmas goods which will arrive in a few days. Everybody come and come soon.

RACKET STORE. New Restaurant. North side public square; meals at all hours. Open from 5 a. m. to 12 p. m. J. B. FIFER.

Program of Teachers' Institute. Program of Teachers' Institute to be held at Crockett, November 30th, 1895 at 10 o'clock, a. m. 1. The teacher's duty to attend and encourage county institutes.—Prof. L. J. Starling. 2. The future of Texas public schools.—Rev. T. J. Richards. 3. How to build up a country school.—Prof. F. M. Martin. 4. Primary methods in reading.—Prof. Gaylord Kline. 5. Methods in arithmetic.—Prof. G. G. Alexander. 6. The teacher's relation to the commonwealth.—Miss. Amelia Miller.

After the topics shall have been treated by those assigned, a general discussion will follow. As this will be the first institute of the current year, every teacher in the county is urged to attend. A. A. ALDRICH, County Judge.

The Discovery Saved His Life. Mr. G. Calouette, Druggist, Beaversville Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house either without it." Get a free trial at B. F. Chamberlain's Drug Store.

Cure For Headache. As a remedy for all forms of Headache Electric Bitters has proved to be the very best. It effects a permanent cure and the most dreaded habitual sick headaches yielded to its influences. We urge all who are afflicted to procure a bottle, and give this remedy a fair trial. In cases of habitual constipation Electric Bitters cures by giving the needed tonic to the bowels, and few cases long resist the use of this medicine. Try it once. Large bottles only—Fifty cents at B. F. Chamberlain's Drug Store.

Christmas Novelties!

We are offering Genuine Novelties for the Christmas Trade, Everything in Celluloid. For instance, HANDKERCHIEF CASES, GLOVE CASES, FAN CASES, PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS WITH CELLULOID BACKS INLAIN WITH PEARLS, and Many Other Novel Features.

SMITH & FRENCH.

IN MEMORIAM. Departed this life on Oct. 19th, 1895, from membranous croup, only daughter of G. W. and Mollie Whitley, aged two years and twenty two days, she being born on Sept. 27th, 1893, in Houston county, Texas, near Sheridan where she died.

Ethel was a darling, sweet child, the pride of her parents and a source of sunshine always to the family. To chronicle the death of this dear little child is a sad, sad duty, but it was one wiser than the wisest of men, who said: "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom." No more will Ethel's prattling little feet be heard in the sacred precincts of that bereaved home; no more will her infant smiles cast their halo of happiness and joy around the family circle; no more will she lip the sweet accents, "papa," "mama," and send a thrill of joy and gladness through the hearts of once happy and doting parents; no more will parental lips kiss her ruby cheeks, or parental embrace press the darling child to parental bosom; but how consoling the reflection that all her earthly pains are o'er, all the toils and pangs of life are passed, and all the sufferings of death are ended! And, oh! how much more consoling the thought that, ere the fearful realities of life had reached her, she has been called to a home "eternal in the heavens," there to rest forever "under the shade of the trees," free from sorrow, toil and pain, and to mingle with the "spirits of the redeemed" in that Home "not made with hands," but is the handiwork of the Father of all!

Sadness and consolation are blended here, and we would say to these bereaved parents, weep not for your loved and beloved Ethel, but rather seek relief in the grand thought that some day, some hour, some moment in the great unknown future, you can meet your child-angel at the "pearly gates" of the "sweet bye and bye," there to bask forever in the sunshine of the "eternal world" where no toil, no pain, no death, will ever cross the threshold of the spirit world; where no sad partings are ever heard, and where you and your darling Ethel shall dwell together for all the ages to come!

"Except ye become as a little child, ye can in nowise enter into the kingdom of heaven." "There is no death! An angel form waits over the earth with silent tread: And bears our best-loved things away, And then we call them 'dead.'" He leaves our hearts all desolate, He plucks our faint, sweetest flowers: Transplanted into bliss they now Adorn immortal bowers. The bird-like voice whose joyous tones Made glad the scenes of sin and strife, Sings now an everlasting song Around the tree of life."

A FRIEND. Crockett, Tex., Nov'r 25, '95. Fresh oysters at all hours at the New Restaurant. Open from 5 a. m. to 12 p. m. J. B. FIFER.

The Dorcas Society will hold a levee, thanksgiving evening, the 28th. Come and be entertained with old time music, art exhibit, hat trimming, games and a whole lot of fun. Everybody invited, old and young. Admission, 10 cents.

Why suffer with Coughs, Colds and LaGrippe when LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE will cure you in one day. Does not produce the ringing in the head like Sulphate of Quinine. Put up in tablets convenient for taking. Guaranteed to cure, or money refunded. Price 25 cts. For sale by Smith & French.

A Christmas Present free. On Xmas eve day we will give to our customers a fine set of furniture worth \$25.00. For every dollar's worth of goods purchased from us, we will give a ticket entitling the holder to a chance in an elegant suite of furniture to be drawn for on the night of Dec'r. 24th. Call and examine our bargains. It will be to your interest. ALDRICH & DURAN, Jno. Murchison old stand.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve. THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chillsbains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

Mr. J. K. Fowler, secretary and treasurer of the Corinne Mill, Canal and Stock Co., of Corinne, Utah, in speaking of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy says: "I consider it the best in the market. I have used many kinds but find Chamberlain's the most prompt and effectual in giving relief, and now keep no other in my home." When troubled with a cough or cold give this remedy a trial and we assure you that you will be more than pleased with the result. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

Mr. J. H. McDougald, one of the substantial citizens of Creek, called on the COURIER this week. He says that the woods around Creek are full of hunters killing game for the great game supper at Lovelady Friday night.

The great game supper at Lovelady comes off to-morrow, Friday night, and there will be a large delegation from Crockett in attendance.

Today, Thursday, is Thanksgiving day by official proclamation of the President of the United States and the governor of Texas, and while many turkeys were doubtless sacrificed to day on Crockett dinner tables, still, few of the features of a general holiday in which there was any zest, were observable on the streets. The truth is that this celebration hasn't yet been acclimated in the South.

SHIVERS BROS.

Present a Lesson in Economics. The Successful Road to Travel is

The Pay As You Go Pike.

The aim of every person, whether he be Farmer or Mechanic, is to establish his business on a firm and paying basis. The "SPOT CASH" "Pay As You Go Policy" is the great key to success. It prevents the placing of the galling yoke of DEBT about neck by the LONG CREDIT System. Contrast the spot cash prices with the long credit prices. Then you have Facts beyond contradiction. They are not theories: As the world moves on so does the spot cash system. It leads to success. It can be yours if you will adopt it. It elevates man above want, produces contentment, brings happiness and makes a prosperous people.

This policy is now firmly established and the benefits accruing to those who have adopted it are too well known to require argument in its favor here. The first step of those who adhere to this system is to ascertain where the best quality of any given article can be had for the least money. There is a good deal of "clap-trap" advertising these days. A personal examination should be made—not at one place alone but where ever such goods as you want can be found. Examine carefully and buy where you can save money. We are in the field for Trade and we know there is only one way to get it. If we cannot save you money we do not expect your support. We know we can save you money and start you on the royal road to success. The quality of our goods gives security to the purchaser and the prices we ask aid him on the road to prosperity.

It has been said by one of our competitors that the Shivers Boys could not last long the way they are selling goods. This Prophecy may come true but the people will be the gainers. We are in it to the finish. Our "Tomahawk" "Cuts keen," stoops and conquers.

And the Moral Law Is: Competition aren't in it when it comes to the list of bargains we are offering this week. Don't let slip the best opportunity you ever had of getting a full supply of winter novelties. Why, get up aud

COME ROLLING IN. Gigantic sale of Dry Goods, Notions, Millinery, Clothing, Shoes, Groceries and Furniture. We are bound to make things average up right. There's one thing sure as shooting we are not going to let trifles stand in our way. We are determined to get your trade, and give you great value for your money. Come and see us, make our store your headquarters. We remain as ever,

SHIVERS BROTHERS. The Young Merchants Who Will Treat You Right.

DOWN A BONANZA TO BED ROCK FIGURES. FOR EVERYONE!

I am resolved to meet all competitive prices for goods for cash and only ask you to call and satisfy yourself that I Mean What I Say. or a 20-Dollar Bill to the Bonanza Store

at the old MURCHISON STAND on the west side of the depot at LOVELADY 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 THE 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

Lowest Figures. Consisting of Dry Goods, Notions, Ladies Dress Goods of the latest and most stylish patterns, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Clothing, in short EVERYTHING carried in a FIRST-CLASS STOCK. I have also a fine lot of hardware, Crockery, Trunks, Cooking Stoves, Cane Mills. Cultivators, in fact everything that a

Farmer Needs. Remember that you can get from me anything and everything you need at absolutely. PRACTICE WHAT WE PREACH.

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. 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.

LOW PRICES. J.W. HAIL.

