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It is about time to make England understand that this hemisphere is not a grab-bag for her. We are unable to recall the name of the man Mr. Pinger defeated, but certainly made a thorough job of the undertaking.

WASHINGTON TOPICS.

PROBABLE TROUBLE OVER AMERICAN SHEEP. This Government to Make a Vigorous Protest should Great Britain Prohibit the Importation of American Sheep After January.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—As reported from London Great Britain intends to prohibit after January the importation of American sheep it is quite probable that there will be a vigorous protest from this government.

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RESULT OF AN ACCIDENT NEAR LOVELADY. A Conductor on the Texas and Pacific Railroad is Shot by a Tramp—Two Months in Collingworth County Convicted of Beating a Minister.

LOVELADY, Tex., Dec. 9.—Late Saturday evening Jim and John Jones, two colored men, were on the road home and when about two miles from town Jim got out his pistol to see how good he could shoot and his horse got scared and the second shot he put a bullet through the heart of John. Jim was arrested, but the jury inquest decided that it was an accident and he was released. They were brothers.

SEGUIN, TEXAS, Dec. 10.—Dr. Hanel, of the firm of Hanel & Hellman, was shot and killed by a tramp who wounded Walter Forke of the place. Hanel had run down on the noon train to transact some business, and intended to return on the 3 o'clock train.

HOUSTON, TEX., Dec. 6.—Mr. Isaac Houston, an old Houstonian, was found dead in bed yesterday morning in his room at the Hutchins house. He had been sick for his retiring the night before on no known anything.

HOUSTON, TEX., Dec. 7.—Messrs. Geo. Richter and Gus Albert were at Harrisburg on a hunting expedition when a quarrel broke out between them and a third party.

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THE RESULTS OF BILIOUS FEVER.

DERANGEMENT OF THE STOMACH AND A SHATTERED NERVOUS SYSTEM. Deathly, Sallow Color of the Patient, Who Was Also at Times Subject to Fits.

From the Herald, Hamilton, Texas. With an earnest desire for the relief of suffering I make the following statement: I live near the head of Honey Creek in Hamilton County, Texas, where I have been a young man of sixteen years or more, about seven miles west of the town of Hico.

ENIXA, TEX., Dec. 4.—U. B. Hays, orphan boy about 15 years old, living about seven miles southwest of Enixa, accidentally shot himself late Monday evening in a most horrible manner.

BEZELTON, TEX., Dec. 4.—Monday night a stranger whose name the reporter has been unable to learn, was found in bed robbed on the Katy track within a block of the snare.

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ALL OVER THE STATE.

Something of a sensation was created in Fort Worth the other night, when it became known that Deputy United States Marshal J. B. Hamilton had arrested W. H. Harbeck on a warrant issued by the United States court at Dallas, charging him with having on or about January 16 last forged a bond for the erection of a federal building at Camden, Ark.

GOV. CULBERTSON AND STATE SUPERINTENDENT CARLISLE ARE EXPECTED AT STEPHENVILLE IN A FEW WEEKS. They are two of the trustees of the fund of about \$90,000 left by the late John Fenton to establish a college at that place for the free education of poor children.

THE SPECIAL TRAIN CONTAINING PRESIDENT HUNTINGTON AND PARTY WAS SIDETRACKED THE OTHER NIGHT AT A POINT IN THE SOUTHWESTERN PART OF THE RAILWAY.

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TO THE MEMORY

Of Mary Stuart Earp, A Beautiful Woman, A True Friend, A Loving Wife, A Devoted Daughter.

A Tribute By One Who Knew Her. As a moon that is smoken, a sunset that's o'er, so thy face keeps the semblance of the last look of love, the last grace it wore.

In my mourning remembrance, As a strain from the last of thy songs, when we parted, Whose echoes thrill yet, Through the long, dreamlike nights of sad years, lonely-hearted,

With their haunting regret, Though nerveless the hand now, and shattered the lips, too, Once vocal for me, There loath through life's ruins, when all's dark and mute, too,

The music of thee.

The subject of this tribute, best known by her maiden name of Mary Stuart Nunn, was the fifth child of Colonel and Mrs. D. A. Nunn. She was born June 4, 1871, and died December 1st, 1895.

Until her fifteenth year she attended the Crockett High School, where she pursued a liberal course of study and devoted herself with exceptional ability and success to the more humane features of a broad culture.

In her fifteenth year she entered Hollins Institute, Virginia, a school for young ladies, of more than local celebrity. The same high order of talent, the same resolute purpose to labor for excellence which had marked her earlier course in the school-room and which was an in-born principle of her nature, distinguished her career as a student in the Virginia college.

Gifted with a strong intellect which craves the satisfaction which only original research and solid learning can give, thoroughly imbued with an all-pervading love and an exquisite taste for the humanizing graces of learning which sweeten life and ennoble manhood and womanhood, rejoicing in the possession of a spirit which brooks not failure and years always for higher ideals, the close of her college days brings her the meed which merit rarely fails to command.

Her college days over, she returns to her native state and native town, to devoted parents and relations and to loving and admiring friends—not spoiled by intercourse with the world as some boys and girls might be, not dissatisfied or complaining, or fretting under restraint as not infrequently happens, with no false or adventitious pride as the result of exceptional privileges, but the same childlike, artless, unassuming, natural being as when she left. Occasionally it happens, unfortunately too often, that college life and training leave in the hearts of students a longing for other associations and attachments than those of their childhood and their childhood's home.

In this case it was emphatically untrue. She was glad when the time came for her to return to her native state, of whose greatness she was justly proud, and to which she was fondly and devotedly attached, and to those friends and associates of her earlier youth whom she loved with a love of which only sincere friendship is capable.

She returns to brighten, bless and cheer with the sunshine of a happy disposition the home circle and fireside of those who, as only parents can, had, with tender, anxious, doctored solicitude, followed every step and stage of development from lisping childhood to graceful, blooming maidenhood. She returns to fill and adorn the divinely appointed sphere which God has marked out for every true, accomplished, noble woman, as queen of the social circle, reigning with a tact alike artless and consummate, always bright and entertaining, always sweet-tempered and charming.

Equipped with the accomplishments which a discriminating, cultivated mind, an even, happy temperament and a pure heart softened by refining Christian graces only can bestow, as presiding hostess in her own parlors or as guest in the parlors of others, she was always the same bright, happy, listless, good angel, striving with unselfish zeal to make others happy, thinking only good, doing only good, never uttering aught in malice or unkindness about or against any one.

Enjoying as Crockett has for years, a just celebrity for the beauty and attractions of its young ladies, none did more to contribute to this happy end than the young lady to whose memory these scant lines of affection are dedicated. Not alone in our own social gatherings was it that she shone, loved and admired by all, but in other sections of the state and in the fashionable saloons of other cities she attracted the attention and won the applause of chivalrous men and true women by her frank, unaffected manners and the splendid simplicity of her character. Her easy grace of manner and her rare accomplishments in that divinest of all the divine arts, music, made her a favorite in all assemblages where refinement of

department charms and the strains of soft music please. With emotions of tender, supreme delight, does the writer recall the many happy evenings of the past, long to be remembered, which he has spent in her company in elevated conversation or listening with rapt attention to her brilliant instrumentation in such classic music as Gounod's Faust, or to the more pathetic, touching melodies of "My Old Kentucky Home." But we must pass on. There are other aspects in which our subject must be viewed. There are other attributes of the well-rounded, harmoniously developed character than those which the world never fails to see. Paul, in his great epistle to the Corinthians, lays down the critical rule for the measurement of the perfect character when he utters those noble lines: "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal."

Herein lies the true field for woman's work and the true test of woman's greatness. Not as a ruling divinity of the social circle, the adored queen for a few brief days, does woman fulfill the divine mission for which she is ordained, but along the quiet, unobtrusive paths of life, hearkening to the still, small voice as it prompts her with gentle persuasion to deeds of sweet charity in the succoring of the needy, in the relief of the afflicted and in the elevation of the humble. And the crowning jewel in the coronet of such a character is that beautiful trait which ever shrinks from publicity and suffers not the right hand to know what the left doeth. The world may be surprised to learn that those who know our young friend, as she was and lived, do not fear the application of Paul's rule to her life-work.

In whatever view we look at her, whether acting in the capacity of a good angel bearing sunshine and cheer and comfort to the gloomy home of a demented Russian exile, or in the maturer years of her life, helping the helpless and providing for those in want, the same gracious, evangelistic spirit which prompted the good Samaritan, became with her, not an impulse, but a principle and a rule of conduct.

We have thus far considered the character of our young friend in the relation of girl and the unmarried young lady of maturer years. The period draws near when new relations and new responsibilities are to be assumed. The nuptial day, of all days, the gravest and the sweetest in the life of man or woman, comes, when the holy vows of matrimony are to be taken. On the 3rd of July, 1895, the sacred rites are solemnized and she becomes the bride and wife of Dr. J. H. Earp of Corsicana, a young man of fine character and a physician of great promise. The bridal day is the gateway to a new sphere of conduct where the relations of life are all transformed and the destiny of man and woman to happiness or unhappiness is to be tried. Strengthened by the confidence which she has in the devoted love of an idolizing husband, she enters upon this new sphere with philosophical and yet loving resignation, brightening his life with a love, loyal, tender and true. But all this must change. What a wise dispensation that to-day does not know what tomorrow may bring forth! On the pathway of this couple, radiant with sunshine and embowered in flowers, "sits the Shadow of death." In blissful unconsciousness of the impending stroke, their lives, attuned to the harmony of consummate bliss, become "one grand sweet song." The scene shifts. Our young friend returns to the home of her childhood on a visit to her parents. She has just gone to housekeeping, an I with filial pride she wants her mother to go home with her and see how she has arranged her home. For a year her health had not been vigorous, furnishing cause for grave apprehension on the part of relatives and friends. On Sunday, December 1, 1895, the crisis came, and she who had been the pet of her father's family and the happy bride of a fond and adoring husband, passes away, not in the paroxysms of pain, but gently and sweetly as one would do "who wraps the drapery of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams."

She spoke not, and yet the expression on her face, as she lay in death, was eloquent in its calm, peaceful majesty, and suggested the thought that possibly she was repeating to herself those lovely, touching lines of Madam Barbauld:

Life! I know not what thou art, But this I know, that thou and I must part; And when or where or how we meet, I owe to me is a secret yet.

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"'Tis hard to part when friends are dear; Perhaps 'twill cost a sigh, a tear; Then steal away, give little warning; Choose thine own time, I own to me is a secret yet. Say not 'good-night,' but in some brighter time Bid me 'good-morning.'"

That is a sad, beautiful story

that we find in the Greek drama of Ion. The young Greek is fated to face with an inevitable fate and must be sacrificed. He takes comfort in the doctrine of immortality, and when his faithful and loving Clemanthe asks him if they shall meet again, he replies: "I have asked that dreadful question of the hills that look eternal; of the streams that flow forever; of the stars among whose fields of azure my raised spirit has walked in glory. All are dumb. But when I gaze upon thy face I feel that there is something in that love that cannot wholly perish. We shall meet again, Clemanthe."

"Manibus date lilia plenis Purpureo spargam flores."

LOVELADY.

EDITOR COURIER: As the people have not heard from this town in quite a while, will write to let you know that it is still in the ring. Times are very dull in our city; cotton is coming in slow. Mrs. W. B. Collins has been quite sick, but glad to hear that she is rapidly improving. Mr. Kennedy delivered a fine sermon Sunday. Mr. M. Satterwhite was down Monday on business. Mr. and Mrs. Bob McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. I. Cone and Mrs. Ritch spent the day in our city Sunday. Mr. H. A. Ingalls has gone to Galveston for his health. J. P. O'Keef is glad to see his family back again. Rev. Harry Hambleton will preach Sunday at the Christian church. Mr. W. B. Page was down Friday on business. A negro was killed Saturday night, two miles from town, but the writer did not learn particulars. Sol Bromberg was down Tuesday. From all reports there will be a wedding in town soon. H. December, 1895.

An Epidemic of Pneumonia.

Pneumonia has been prevailing with fatal effect in the neighborhood south and south-east of Crockett. There have been quite recently six deaths within a small radius, as follows: Mrs. R. A. Rains, Mrs. John Rains Jr., T. A. Null, Mrs. Wm. Holloway, John Null and Mrs. Flen Satterwhite. John Null and Mrs. Bob Rains and Miss Nancy Satterwhite are all now quite low with the same trouble. Tom Jordan is seriously sick with black jaundice.

LATER.—Since the above was in type we learn that John Hall died Tuesday evening.

A. E. Kilpatrick, of Fillmore, Cal., had the misfortune to have his leg caught between a cart and a stone and badly bruised. Ordinarily he would have been laid up for two or three weeks, but says: "After using one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm I began to feel better, and in three days was entirely well. The peculiar soothing qualities which Chamberlain's Pain Balm possesses I have never noticed in any other liniment. I take pleasure in recommending it." This liniment is also of great value for rheumatism and lame back. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain, Druggist.

The culvert between depot and town is nearly completed, and Mr. Daniel, the contractor, has done a good job. The improvement is an important one in which all of our people feel an interest. Nor is it for the benefit of Crockett alone. Farmers with loaded wagons have more reason to rejoice over it than any other class. There are a few, of course, who will kick because the county helped to build it. To those few we will remark that Crockett has for years been paying nearly a fourth of the road and bridge tax and never yet received a cent for her streets and bridges from the county. Are we not entitled to a little at least from the county after paying so much for years into the county treasury?

The popularity of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and the high esteem in which it is held, leads us to believe it to be an article of great worth and merit. We have the pleasure of giving the experience of three prominent citizens of Redondo Beach, Cal., in the use of the remedy. Mr. A. V. Trudell says: "I have always received prompt relief when I used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy." Mr. James Orchard says: "I am satisfied that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy cured my cold." Mr. J. M. Hatcher says: "For three years I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family and its results have always been satisfactory." For sale by B. F. Chamberlain, Druggist.

Dr. H. J. Cunyus who is attending dental lectures in the east, will return in March. His sisters who have been making Wazgachie their home, and who will be remembered here as bright, attractive girls, will return with him and make this their home.

Sol Maier, who will be remembered by many of our citizens as one of Crockett's best and most prosperous business men in the Seventies, was in Crockett last Thursday. He is one of the leading citizens of Palestine now, and within the last month or two has taken to himself a helpmeet. The lady was Miss Lucy Mayes Kyle, of Austin, Texas.

We had a very pleasant visit Saturday last from our well known friend, Rev. W. W. LaRue ("Grandma") who spent an hour with us. We are becoming so popular of late with the populist leaders that we are beginning to ask ourselves if we are still in the middle of the road, politically, or like them engaged, in chasing phantoms across fields, over ditches and through briar patches. Mr. LaRue says it is a mistake to suppose that he has retired altogether from politics, he is still in the ring though it is hard to tell just where the ring is. Our friend has just got out from a long and serious spell of sickness. He looks a little thin yet and weak though the bracing weather will soon bring him around.

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Notice in Administration. Whereas letters of administration upon the estate of John H. Stuart, deceased, were granted the undersigned by the Probate Court of Houston county on the 10 day of August, 1895, all persons holding claims against said estate are requested to present the same to me duly authenticated within the time prescribed by law. W. B. PAGE, Administrator estate of John H. Stuart, Crockett, Texas.

CLOTHING AT COST! Over Stocked! Must Make Room! Owing to the mild weather, low price of cotton and hard times in general, we have more clothing than we wish to carry over. In order to dispose of this immense stock, we have inaugurated a "Strictly Cost" Sale, in this department, and will be continued until the entire stock is disposed of. This is no fake and we mean what we say. Dry Goods, Dry Goods. We are doing more business in this department than any other concern. We have the well known reputation of carrying a high grade of goods and selling at prices that you would have to pay for shoddy goods. We are not here to extol our virtue, and neither to antagonize our competitors—we will leave that for others. What people want is value for their money and this is what we are doing. Blankets, Blankets. 10 4 White Cotton Blankets worth 75cts, our selling price 40cts. 10 4 white cotton blankets worth \$1.00 our selling price 75cts. 10 4 white cotton blankets worth \$1.50, our selling price \$1.00. 10 4 white extra heavy blankets worth \$2.00 our selling price \$1.25. 10 4 white wool blankets worth \$3.00, our selling price \$2.00. 10 4 white all wool silk binding worth \$5.00 our selling price \$3.50. Regular size counter-tops sell all over Crockett for 90cts, our price 60cts. Men's Furnishing goods of all descriptions. All wool men's under suits equal to Switz Conde in quality and fit at \$2.00. Men's heavy random under shirts, the world beaters, for 25cts. See our magnificent line of neckwear for the holidays; they are not surpassed in the state. Gloves, Gloves, Gloves. We carry the largest stock of gentlemen's and ladies gloves in East Texas, we have them from 50cts to \$1.75. Special—Ladies genuine Foster kid, 5 hook gloves at 75cts per pair. Capes and Jackets. We have about 50 capes and jackets left from a lot of 500, which we had at the beginning of the season. We are proud to say that we have sold more capes and jackets than all other concerns together. This shows what shrewd buying is and we are giving the people the benefit of our experience. Now if you have not purchased a cape or jacket and you intend to do so do not fail to look at ours. We are selling them at 50 per cent less than actual cost of making. Our stock of dress goods is decreasing rapidly, but we still have a few choice patterns in Silk and wool mixed novelties, Henriettas, Wool Crepon, Flannels, Broad Cloth, Cashmeres and Worsted. Don't forget that we are headquarters for Men's, Boys', Women's and Children's Shoes. Carpets and Rugs. We are giving extra values on these goods in order to make room. We are selling 7 2x10s Merrick's thread for 95cts.

The New York Store, Originators of Low Prices, BLOCH & ROMANSKY, Proprietors. BILL McCONNELL SAYS: Of S-h-o Fly, don't you both-er me, For I Can't Afford to Advertise thee. At the beginning of the fall season we made a change in our business, adopting the ONE PRICE system and we are proud to say that the people all like it and our business is rapidly improving under it. For the simple reason that the black, white, ignorant, wise, rich and poor all buy at the same figure. We have only one selling price and no one is allowed to vary from it, but we reserve the right to reduce any article when it becomes necessary. Even the clerks in our store pay the same price for an article that the outside customer pays. Our Big Stock, Which has attracted so much attention and been commented so freely upon and which has been kept up so completely, we will now cease to replenish, unload and prepare for the spring and summer deal. No Limit. There is no limit on Switz Conde Under Suits, so we make the Price \$2.00 per suit or the Shirts separately for \$1.25 and the Drawers 75cts. Now, any of my competitors wanting to know why I have one of these garments higher than the other, please call or send to my office. Shoes, Shoes, Shoes. We have too many shoes and letters from manufacturers assure us that shoes can be bought next spring cheaper than they were this fall and winter. So here are some Prices: Ladies' Glycer Grain button shoes, commencing at 65cts per pair. Ladies' Dongola shoes at 80cts. How is This? Children's Pebel School shoes with heel and cap toe, sizes 9 to 12 for 65cts pair. Sizes 13 to 2 for 75cts per pair. Dress Goods, Dress Goods. We had an enormous stock of Dress Goods and have too much on hand now to unload at a legitimate profit by the new year, so here goes the sacrifice: Our 13 1/2ct Cashmere reduced to 9cts; our 16 1/2ct reduced to 12 1/2cts and our 30ct to 20cts. Our very finest Dress Goods Patterns, only a few left, we will close them at 65cts per yard, former price 90cts. The Foster Kid glove which is such a favorite with the ladies we are making at 75cts per pair. Clothing Down, Down, Down. Our \$6.00 Navy Blue, Brown and Tau wool suits we will now let go at \$4.00 per suit. Our Raw edge, crepe top hats for men at 90cts we will let go for 65cts. Towels. We will sell you from now till XMAS 3 pair of nice honey comb towels for only 25cts. Rugs, Rugs, Rugs. Ladies, step into Bill McConnell's and see the grand display of floor rugs, they are certainly beautiful. We have a nice line of Warners Silver Ware, these goods are Guaranteed to wear for 12 years. We will give you a few prices. We will sell you a nice Pickel stand with silver fork for \$2.25; Cream pitcher for \$2.35; Child's Cup, gold lined, \$1.35, all Guaranteed goods. SPECIAL—I write my prose, and poetry too, Which is more than some others do.

LOCAL NEWS.

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs. Miss Nancy Bayne is visiting in Huntsville.

A. J. Belot of Belot, gave the Courteser a call this week. Mrs W. E. Mayes is visiting Mrs Robert Stokes at Trinity.

Dr. J. H. Earp returned to Corsicans Thursday last. Mrs Nunn accompanied him.

Ladies just step into Bill McConnell's and see the grand display of floor rugs. They are beauties.

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

There is a great demand for brick, and those who own the works should make an effort to supply them.

Miss Lillie Webb is teaching on High Prairie. She came up last Friday, accompanied by her friends, Mrs Z. S. Adams and family.

John Brown and E. L. Brown of Hickory Creek, E. H. Ivey of San Pedro, and Joe Drennan of Tadmor were in to see us the past week.

John M. Dunn, a grocery merchant, made an assignment Saturday. Tom Swamy assignee. His liabilities are reported to be \$3600, and assets something over \$2000.

Frank Chamberlain's new brick is about complete and he is putting in a brick sidewalk. The brick livery stable and beef market of W. E. Maves will soon be ready for occupancy.

The public is looking forward with much interest to the Knights of Pythias banquet and ball on New Year's night. The lodge is a large and growing one, and the entertainment will be a recherche one in every respect.

The new roadway to the depot across the large brick culvert over the town branch, has been completed and is a great improvement over the previous state of affairs in that part of the city. The brick banisters are yet to be added to the culvert.

John Monk wants authority from the city council to put in a dam across the valley, at his mill near the depot. His purpose is to put in a good dam with the view of furnishing water for the water-works which must soon come.

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.

J. J. Taylor and family, four girls and two boys, of Blount county, Ala., and J. A. Walker and family, six boys, one daughter and a daughter-in-law, of Guinette county, Georgia, arrived last week and will go on W. V. Berry's farm. Other families, we are informed, will follow.

Geo. W. Jenkins, editor of the Santa Maria "Times," Cal., in speaking of the various ailments of children, said: "When my children have croup there is only one patent medicine that I ever use, and that is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It possesses some medicinal properties that relieve the little sufferers immediately. It is, in my opinion, the best cough medicine in the market." If this remedy is freely given as soon as the croupy cough appears, it will prevent the attack. It is also an ideal remedy for whooping cough. There is no danger in giving it to children, as it contains nothing injurious. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain, Druggist.

The Capitol Hotel will change hands on the 1st of January, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. C. Dunning retiring and John Ellis assuming the unexpired term of the lease. Billy Buck, a popular commercial traveler, will take active control. Mr. Buck says he proposes to make the hotel the most popular resort for the travelling public in East Texas and worthy of the finest town east of the Brazos. Mr. and Mrs. Dunning will return to their country home near Crockett.

CASH! 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 Farnes. 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.

Dont fail to see that line of Holiday goods at Haring's Drug Store.

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

A few more of those hand-made Texas saddles, call quick. J. E. DOWNES.

As we go to press we learn that Helen Henrietta, infant daughter of Dr. and Mrs W. C. Lipscomb, died at 9 30, p. m., Wednesday.

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

Fresh oysters at all hours at the New Restaurant. Open from 5 a. m. to 12 p. m.

Our stock is new and bought for cash. We will sell as cheap as any one can sell and live and help to live. J. E. DOWNES.

Why purchase a cheap stove when you can buy a Genuine Buck's at Arledge, Kennedy & Co's., for the same price.

LOST. One iron-gray horse mule, about fourteen hands high, three years old, branded Z I P on one side and G on the other side. I will pay five dollars to any one who informs me of his whereabouts.

HENRY WARREN JR. Crockett, Tex.

Rev. H. H. Hamilton, of the Christian church, will deliver a series of sermons, beginning on Sabbath night of Dec. 15th, at the Court House, Crockett, Texas. Everybody respectfully invited to attend.

Respectfully, W. V. BERRY. JOHN BRIGHTMAN. JNO. R. SHERIDAN. Auctioneer.

Twenty-five head Missouri mules and horses. I will sell at Crockett, on Saturday, Dec. 14th, to the highest bidder for cash, without reserve or by-bidders, fifteen head of mules from 14 to fifteen hands high, all young, kind and gentle. Ten head of work horses broke gentle. Everybody come. This is the place to get a horse at your own price.

GEO. R. JOHNSON.

The East Texas Conference will meet on the 18th in Lamar county. The people of Crockett, and of Houston county, where he is known, hope to see Rev. J. S. Mathis returned to this charge which he has filled so ably and acceptably during the past two years. Nor is this feeling confined to the clientele of his own church, but it is true of those who belong to other churches and of those who do not belong to any church.

Babe LaRue enjoys now the proud but comfortable distinction of being chairman of a party without followers and of an organization without life. But Babe doesn't care whether the party has followers or life just so he is chairman. He is peculiarly fitted by nature and habit to read the dismissal service over the remains of buried hopes and wrecked ambitions. Hats off and heads bowed in lowliest humility while Babe pronounces the benediction and the procession proceeds!

A man representing tombstone works, was in Crockett this week. Bennett, Tunstall, LaRue, Besley and other Third Party leaders all gave him orders for monuments and other cemetery trimmings. All wanted the following inscription chiselled on them: "Sacred to the memory of those who wanted to serve the people, and they would not. The people be damned." Rutabaga Tunstall, in the unique cussedness of his character, didn't fancy the epithet very much, but with profane gracefulness finally yielded.

The wedding ceremony at the Baptist church on the 18th, will be an attractive one. Arch Baker, the popular assistant cashier of the First National Bank, will be best man, and Miss Adel Winfree, the pretty sister of the bride, will be maid of honor. Other attendants will be as follows and in the manner arranged: John Baker, Miss Helen Winfree; J. M. Crook, Miss Lucy May Baker; Tom Craddock, Miss Ethel Wootters; Walker King, Miss Mary Wootters; Arch Murchison, Miss Vergie Gaddie; Arch Burton, Miss Minnie Craddock.

Those who have not paid or do not pay their subscriptions by January 1st, will miss their paper next year. Some will no doubt say that they will not miss much, and yet they will be the very ones to slip over and borrow their neighbors after their quit coming. Next year is election year and in some respects it will be full of interest to the public. The Courteser will maintain its established reputation and will furnish the public lots of racy reading. Those who fail to get their paper after January 1st, are put on notice now why it will be thus.

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 INLAID WITH PEARLS, and Many Other Novel Features.

SMITH & FRENCH.

Selling Out . . . At Cost!

I am selling the stock of Groceries of Jno. M. Dunn at cost.

These goods must be sold in the next 30 days. If you want goods lower than you ever bought them before call and see me.

These goods must be sold, and price cuts no figure. Come quick or you will be too late. Below are a few prices:

- Soap, 8 Bars 25cts
Snuff Levi Garrett, 5 bottles \$1.00
" Ralphs, 6 bottles 1.00
Stick Candy 6c lb.

- Sardines, 3 boxes 10cts.
Starch, 3 packages 10cts.
Chewing tobacco at your own price.

THOS. SWANZY, Trustee.

North-west Corner Public Square.

The Latest News From Grapeland.

Never in the history of Grapeland has there been such a lot of goods suitable for Christmas presents and Santa Claus gifts as George E. Darsey is opening up. Fireworks of all kinds, Dolls of all kinds and sizes, Albums in celluloid and plush, New style Vases, Oil painted Pictures suitable for the parlor and dining room, Picture Frames, Lamps, Handkerchiefs, Scarfs, Scarfpins, Work-boxes, Center tables, Shoes, Suits of clothes for the little boy, Iron wagons, Rocking chairs, Clocks, Capes, Overshoes, Apples, Coconuts, Candies, Currants, Jellies, Pickles, Dried apples, Grapes, Canned Peaches, Grapes, Cherries, Powdered Sugar for icing cakes. In fact, most anything wanted for cooking purposes or presents suitable for anyone at

Geo. E. DARSEY, the leader in low prices, Grapeland, Tex.

Notice. All parties due on note or account, please come in and make prompt settlement as we want all matters adjusted before we open new books, and by the 1st of Jan., 1896.

CRADDOCK & Co. 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. B. F. Chamberlain's Drug Store.

Right At the Front. John M. Dunn 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.

Hammar Paint Co. Guaranteed 5 years PURE PREPARED Paints

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.

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 & Averill and J. Solomon & Co., all well known houses to the trade. \$13 3m J. F. DOWNES.

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

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 Mas. H. SELKIE. Grapeland, Texas.

Bucklen's Arnick Salva. The Best SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chillsblains, Corra, 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.

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True Happiness (If Understood) Consists Alone In Doing Good.

This we are doing as has been admitted by the most skeptical buyer who received value for his money and great

SATISFACTION

That is what we live for. To be made satisfied and we feel very much so with the success we have made this far in our business, but we are not going to let up. We are in with all our might and energy and we are going to keep pressing on.

The Month of December Read, Reflect, Act

Is usually one of the busiest of the year for the merchant. We are interested in the winding up of the years business. Inventory is taken during the last days of the month. We are going to invoice as little of this year's goods as possible. We are going to offer goods at moving prices. It is nobody's business how cheap we sell goods, the purchaser is the party interested and only those who fail to meet competition can complain.

If we advertise a dollar for a dime, it is so. Every affirmation we make can be verified by your coming to our store and seeing for yourself.

We Have a Way of Doing Business

That has met with universal approval as has been testified to by unimpeachable witnesses, who, while purchasing of us saw that they were subserving their own interest and by so doing laying up for themselves dollars that would be a blessing to their posterity.

Do not wait for bargains, look for them and you will find them at

SHIVERS BROS.,

The Young Merchants Who Will Treat You Right, Dealers in Dry Goods, Clothing, Notions, Millinery, Shoes, Hats, Groceries and Coffins.

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. 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 LOVEADEY 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 3d. 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

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. 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.

LOW PRICES. J.W. HAIL. Remember that you can get from me anything and everything you need at absolutely.

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.

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.

RACKET STORE.

