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CROCKETT, TEXAS, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1896.

The committee had about made up its mind to give Rosenthal the seat, but the republicans began to get down to the case they weakened on this point. They saw they now saw, but in order to give Rosenthal the seat they would have to allow him the advantage of a technicality in one place—that is, in Port Bent command—that is, in Port Bent command—that is, in Galveston county. So it is said last night that the report will be made at once, in which Mr. Crowley will be allowed to retain his seat.

President Cleveland might furnish congress with the report of the commission which visited the isthmus last summer, has consented to wait no longer and to-day will begin to draft a bill. Chairman Hepburn of the commerce committee selected seven members to compose the sub-committee about three weeks ago. The gentlemen desired to have in hand all possible information upon their project before they recommended any plan to the house for constructing the canal; moreover, they thought their action might be construed into disapproval toward the president if they should proceed independently of the views of the commission or should ignore the commission. It is understood, however, that President Cleveland has been unable to find any time for studying the various phases, international, engineering and financial, which the canal project involves, because of the other matters of dominant importance, notably the Venezuelan boundary and the maintenance of the gold reserve, which have been constantly before him since this congress met. That is the report brought by members from the white house who have spoken with the president, urging him to use his influence to aid of the movement for government control of the canal. In view of the probability that congress will reach an early adjournment about the 1st of June, the committee fears to delay its undertakings longer. No forecast of the probable line of the canal bill can be had.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—It was announced by the supreme court yesterday that it would to-day adjourn till the 24th of March. The only Texas case touching yesterday was the filing of a petition for writ of certiorari in the case of the Quaker City national bank vs. Nolan county. It is expected that the decision in the Greer county case will be handed down when the court meets again in March. It is said that the decision in this case has already been agreed on, and that Judge Gray has the preparation of the decision. How the decision stands, or whether Gray has the preparation of the decision, can not be known. But it can be safely said that it has been passed on. There has been a report in Texas that Congressman Cockrell had introduced a bill in the house to protect the settlers in Greer county in the event the decision was adverse to the state, but this is a mistake. Cockrell has prepared such a bill and contemplates its introduction, but he has not yet done so.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Minister Carbo of Ecuador has received a cable dispatch from the secretary of state of Ecuador, stating that the Central American governments of Guatemala, Nicaragua, Salvador, Honduras and Costa Rica had accepted the invitation to join in a convention of American republics with a view of uniting them. This is the first affirmative action toward the convention, which is designed to bring about a common understanding between North, South and Central American countries on Monroe Doctrine. Senator Canby says the initiative in calling the convention some time ago. The general plan is to have the convention held in Washington some time in August next, although the exact date is dependent on the answer of the countries invited.

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BY AN ELECTRIC CAR IN SAN FRANCISCO.

A Car Loaded With Seventy-Five People Jumps the Track and Flings Through About Fifty Feet of Sand—Broken Limbs and Bruises.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 3.—Twenty people were more or less injured yesterday by an accident on the new Suto electric road, running to Cliff house. A car loaded with about twenty-five people was bound in from the beach, and while descending a steep grade the motorman lost control of the car, and it plunged down at a high rate of speed. The car jumped the track and plunged about fifty feet through the sand. Three of the passengers who were outside all jumped and they were the ones most injured. Broken legs and ankles, bruises and scalp wounds were numerous, about twenty suffering injuries. Simon Kolbe, a wealthy wool dealer, had his leg shattered. None of the passengers were fatally injured, and the wounded were quickly removed to their homes.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., FEB. 4.—CAP

John K. Gowdy, chairman of the republican state committee, called on General Harrison yesterday evening by invitation, and the ex-president handed him the following self-explanatory letter:

"Hon. John K. Gowdy, Indianapolis: In view of the resolutions passed by the state central committee at its recent meeting and of the fact that the delegates to the national republican convention are soon to be chosen in this state I have concluded to send you a statement of my wishes and purposes should you be made to my Indiana friends. Hitherto I have declined to speak to the public on the matter, but scores of friends to whom I have talked, and many scores more to whom I have written will recognize in this expression the substance of what I have said to them. To everyone who has proposed to promote my nomination I have said 'No.' There has never been an hour since I left the white house that I have felt a wish to return to it. My Indiana friends have been most devoted and faithful and I am their grateful debtor. The republican party has twice, in national convention, given me its endorsement and that is enough. I think the voters of our party are now entitled to have a new name. For the retirement, great or small, that has been manifested for my nomination, I am grateful; and of that wider respect and kindness—breaking part of the whole which have been shown me in so many ways, I am profoundly appreciative. I can not assent that my name be presented to or used in the St. Louis convention and must kindly ask my friends to accept this as a sincere and final expression upon the subject. BENJAMIN HARRISON. Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 3, 1896."

SEATTLE, WASH., FEB. 3.—THE BARK

the Modoc arrived yesterday and reports having sighted a vessel burning at sea on January 20 about eleven miles west of Cape Flattery. The vessel is supposed to be the Niagara, which sailed January 16 from Vancouver for the British south colonies. When sighted the vessel's stern was all on fire and the mizzenmast was gone, so it could not be ascertained whether she was a bark or a ship. The Modoc stayed near for twenty-four hours, but as there was no sign of the crew and the fire had upon the senate to pass the bills and to create a sentiment in favor of those bills among the commercial bodies of the country, and among those bodies to petition the senate to pass the two house bills.

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A DESPERATE FIGHT TWO MILES BELOW HOUSTON.

Mike Bass is Beaten Out by an Old Man Named Berg—Thought That He Was Surely Die—Berg Arrested and Placed in Jail—Other News.

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 3.—Yesterday evening a desperate fight took place two miles below the city at the slaughter house between Mike Bass and an old man named Berg of Artesian place, in the fourth ward north. Bass was terribly cut and it is believed he will not live through the night. Both were in the butcher business. Berg was near bleeding to death, but through quick telephonic service a doctor was secured in time to check the hemorrhage and prevent immediate death. Berg was taken to the hospital and a piece of his blood was sent to the top. It was found that there were seven or eight wounds on the head, some apparently made with a blunt weapon and the rest with an instrument like a hatchet. The left arm was broken between the wrist and the elbow. A piece of gas pipe about two feet long with blood and hair on it was found close to where the struggle took place when the murder was committed. His recovery is doubtful. Berg was taken to the hospital and a piece of his blood was sent to the top. It was found that there were seven or eight wounds on the head, some apparently made with a blunt weapon and the rest with an instrument like a hatchet. The left arm was broken between the wrist and the elbow. A piece of gas pipe about two feet long with blood and hair on it was found close to where the struggle took place when the murder was committed. His recovery is doubtful.

A DESPERATE DEATH.

BLOOMINGDALE, W. Va., Jan. 29.—Alex. Jones, a desperado, boarded a passenger train at Keystone Monday night. He was drunk and quarrelsome. Conductor McCullough advised him to be quiet. The negro became increasingly angry when an attempt was made to eject him he pulled two revolvers and began firing through the train, which was crowded with passengers. He emptied both revolvers and attempted to reload, but was overpowered by the trainmen. When the smoke cleared away and the excitement abated it was discovered that General Harrison yesterday evening by invitation, and the ex-president handed him the following self-explanatory letter:

A NEGRO DROWNED.

NAVASOTA, Tex., Feb. 4.—Charles Halsey, jr., a negro, while driving cattle out of the bottom to prevent them from being drowned by the high water attempt to cross Red gulch, when he was thrown by his horse and drowned. Two companions with him could not swim and in a bid to attempt to rescue the body they were unsuccessful. The Navasota river is now running over the bridge on the Santa Fe. There is fourteen inches of water over the track. No train went out to Brenham yesterday morning, there being about 4 miles of water over the track. People are taking pleasure trips from the heart of Navasota to the Brazos river. A great number of telegraph poles have been blown down. No Santa Fe trains will go toward Brenham today, as the water came into the roadway of engine No. 10 Sunday night.

DEAD IN HER ROOM.

MARLIN, Tex., Feb. 4.—Miss Nancy M. Thompson of Corpus Christi died here Sunday evening of heart disease. She was in good spirits at noon, ate a hearty dinner and retired to her room apparently in good health. When she was called for supper there was no reply and upon opening the door she was found lying upon the floor dead. Mrs. Thompson was a graduate in the degrees of L. L. and B. S. of the university of Nashville, and arrived here Sunday evening of heart disease. She was in good spirits at noon, ate a hearty dinner and retired to her room apparently in good health. When she was called for supper there was no reply and upon opening the door she was found lying upon the floor dead. Mrs. Thompson was a graduate in the degrees of L. L. and B. S. of the university of Nashville, and arrived here Sunday evening of heart disease.

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KARNES CITY, Tex., Feb. 4.—Sunday evening about 8 o'clock, between Karnes city and this place, a store in a passenger coach on the Arkansas railroad exploded and frightened the passengers, and threw the debris on Allen Tobin, Calloway Seal and Harvey Tague, who occupied one half of the double box house where they lived and his brother Wilbur and family the other half. The train was stopped and the men started to help him get up the stairs. When Wilbur discovered the fire he and his hired man tried vainly to reach the helpless people up stairs, who were over come by smoke and burned to death. The house burned to the ground, and the bodies horribly charred, fell into the cellar.

WOMAN STRANGLED.

NOTON, Jan. 30.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the suffrage convention it was decided not to hold the next convention in this city. The selection of an any was referred to a committee of five of the counties by mail.

ARKANSAS TRAGEDY.

MARIANA, Ark., Jan. 31.—T. P. Williams, the white man who murdered a harmless old negro near here, was lodged in jail here yesterday. He feared lynching and committed suicide by taking morphine.

KILLED BY A BULLET EXPLOSION.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Jan. 30.—The boiler at the lumber mill of the southern pulp company at Olfertown, Ga., exploded yesterday morning, wrecking the mill and killing four employees.

TOOK LANDLORD.

GALVESTON, Tex., Feb. 3.—It is reported that early last morning a Mexican woman took landlady. A student of medicine was called and saved her life. It is said that she had attempted to end her life several times the past few months, poverty being the reason given.

SHOOTING AT TEXAS CITY.

TEXAS CITY, Tex., Jan. 31.—About 7:30 p. m. a negro named William Hines was shot. He was returning from his work and was in company with Amos Downs, another negro, when in front of Dan Weck's place on Bay street he was fired upon by a charge taking effect in the back, making a serious, if not fatal wound.

MURDER AT BRENHAM.

BREHMAN, Tex., Jan. 30.—Soon after 6 o'clock last night there was an alarm spread like wildfire that Mr. Thomas Dwyer, a prominent and old citizen was missing and that it was supposed he had been foully dealt with, and people began to flock to his vacant brick store buildings on the corner of St. Charles and Main streets. In the office where he kept his books and papers there was an iron safe. This was open and papers scattered

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TEXAS NEWS NOTES.

Collectors have paid in \$719,248 of taxes to the state during the month of January. R. D. King, general merchandise at Crockett, has failed. Preferred creditors' claims \$12,000. James Stone at Del Rio of B. A. Barrow at \$10 per head. The taxpayers of the city of Kaufman have petitioned the county judge for an election to abolish the corporation. Texas is a fraction more than 212 times as large as Rhode Island, and has a little over six times as many population. Burglars swooped down on the unfortunate people of Grapevine, Tarrant county, recently, made some good hauls and left. A man died of suffocation in a well in Washington county, fifty feet under the ground. He was dead when the diggers reached him. W. O. Parker has filed suit in the district court at Hillsboro, against the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway company for \$1500 damages. Ned Woods, a quarryman at Granite Mountain, Burnet county, had his skull fractured recently by an iron hook which slipped and struck him on his forehead. His recovery is doubtful.

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the streets of Waxahachie at night recently. For some time past a heavy fog or mist has prevailed at night in Knox county, clearing away by 9 or 10 o'clock in the morning. It is something very unusual for that county. Wheat has begun to grow and promises a good yield. The kafir corn and milo maize yield was good last year, and will be planted extensively this season, as it has proven to be a very good hog food, many fattening their hogs entirely upon it. L. Lechner, general merchandise at Houston, has made an assignment. W. M. Hiser, retail grocer at Denison, has failed.

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A WHITE MOOSE.

The big white moose recently shot in the Maine woods by Mr. Sargent of Grafton has greatly interested naturalists, as well as sportsmen, and is the only white moose ever seen in Maine, and very few have ever been heard of elsewhere. The naturalists say it is, of course, not strange that there should be an albino moose, resulting from a freak of nature, as white deer and other albino game animals are not uncommon. But white moose are a great rarity.

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The increase in the state tax rate which will be necessary for so long as it may require to put things once more on a cash basis...

We sincerely hope to see conservative counsels prevail in the conferences of those who are charged with the functions of directing the affairs of the democratic party.

GOVERNOR C. A. CULBERSON has now, for the second time, given substantial evidence of his grateful appreciation of what Houston county did for him in his race for governor in 1894.

We published last week Governor Culberson's showing of the work of his administration. It is indeed a splendid exhibit and one of which the governor and the democratic party can justly feel proud.

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Let us have two state conventions by all means. Let the first be called for the express and unequivocal purpose of passing on the financial issue in the party.

render a ballad well known in that part of the world, entitled 'Thou Art Passing Hence My Friend'.

While we are not for free silver in the sense usually taken, we will admit that we believe sixty per cent of the democrats of the county and of the state are for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1.

The next state convention a state ticket can be nominated, the action of the party in national convention endorsed and all go home and go to work for the success of both tickets, state and national.

A SPECIMEN BRICK. The following is a sample of the sentiments which animate the breasts of some of the populists.

You think you are smart as hell when you say the populists is losing ground and we march onto victory and you will see the pore down-trodden people avenged on the cursed vile damnable goldbugs.

Not From Houston County. A correspondent of the St. Louis Republic gets off the following good one in last Sunday's issue of that paper.

"Some years ago, while living in a little town in Texas, through which the International & Great Northern railway ran, I had occasion to watch a specimen of the genus homo from one of the back counties of the state, who was on a visit to the little city and who probably saw a railroad engine for the first time.

He was standing on the depot platform intently watching a local freight engine switching some cars in the yard.

"I recollect a funny thing that occurred in Port Elizabeth, South Africa, when I was traveling through that country as a barytone singer. The town is rather provincial, and the poundmaster never considers that he has any duties to perform.

Washington, Feb. 1.—The free coinage bill passed the Senate today by a majority of 7.

The bill was reported then from committee of the whole to the Senate and passed by the following vote of 42 to 35:

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One of our restaurants undertook to feed one, who would certainly have proven, if permitted to do so, the champion eater of the state.

There is no excuse nowadays for a citizen to subscribe for a great metropolitan paper in addition to taking his own county paper.

Of the 42 senators who voted for the bill, 20 were Democrats, 75 Republicans and 7 Populists. Of those who voted against the bill, 22 are Republicans and 13 Democrats.

WANTED—One hundred calamity howlers for the pops of Houston county—to be used in the fall campaign.

Notice of Dissolution of Partnership. The partnership heretofore existing between E. D. Hellrigle and J. G. Brown has this day been dissolved.

Thanking the public for past favors and trusting that the new firm may continue to merit your future patronage, we affix our signatures.

Brooklyn's Anark Salva. THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chills, Burns, Corros, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required.

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Substituted for the House Bond Measure by a Vote of Forty-Two to Thirty-Five

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The report of the majority of the Finance Committee was sustained throughout. Senator Jones, of Arkansas managed the bill, and did it with extreme tact, good nature and efficiency.

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Eat and Sleep

At COLL'S. I'm in my New House and ready to serve you at any time. Call and see me. Board \$1 per day, Meals 25c, Bed 25c. COLLIN ALDRICH.

D. McGOVERN'S INVIGORATOR. The Great Vital Restorative. McGOVERN'S INVIGORATOR. Cures Nervous Debility & Restores Lost Manhood.

Why not be your own Middle-man? Pay but one profit between maker and user and that a small just one.

EXPECTANT MOTHERS. "MOTHERS' FRIEND" Relieves Pain, Horror and Risk. My wife used "MOTHERS' FRIEND" before birth of her child.

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Witness W. A. Champion, Clerk of the District Court, Houston County, Texas, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original of the same as the same appears on the records of said court.

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HOUSTON COUNTY

INDUCEMENTS

HOUSTON COUNTY is situated in Eastern Texas, in latitude 31 1-2 degrees North; longitude 95 1-2 degrees West; 113 miles North of Houston and 163 miles North of Galveston.

SCHOOLS. Houston County has the best system of public free schools in the State of Texas. The city free schools of Crockett run nine months and the county free schools six months in the year.

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

WATER. The county is plentifully supplied with water for all purposes. An abundance of good water can be secured in any part of the county.

SOILS. We have the greatest variety of soils, adapted to the cultivation of all farm products grown in the temperate zone. These are the black waxy, the black loam, the stiff black sandy, the gray sandy, red, chocolate, alluvial and scores of other kinds.

TIMBER. The timber in Houston county is of all kinds and in almost unlimited supplies. There are magnificent forests of long leaf and short-leaf pine, red oak, white oak, live oak, cypress, ash, walnut and gum.

FRUIT. The soil of Houston county is unsurpassed in its adaptability to fruit culture. Apples, peaches, pears, figs, plums, apricots and grapes yield enormous crops.

STAPLE PRODUCTS. The yield of cotton in this county averages one-half a bale per acre; corn twenty to thirty bushels; sweet and Irish potatoes two to four hundred bushels and ribbon cane produces from two to four hundred gallons of the very best syrup.

In 1894 Houston County produced 30,000 bales of cotton, 900,000 bushels of corn, more first class ribbon-cane syrup than could be used at home, and enough meat for home use.

LOCAL NEWS.

E. F. Chamberlain paid for drugs. J. W. Hall is on a visit to Galveston this week. Mistrot Bros. & Co., now occupy the Racket Store. J. J. Frazier gave the Courier a pleasant call Tuesday. County court has been engaged in the trial of criminal cases all the week.

Go to the Racket Store. Mistrot Bros. & Co. The postoffice has been removed to better quarters in the new Chamberlain block.

The money on all accounts due is wanted at Arledge Kennedy & Co's.

Come to the Racket Store. Mistrot Bros. & Co. Collector Sheridan received taxes during the month of January amounting to \$13,020.62.

Bankrupt stock of groceries at Arledge Kennedy & Co's. Bought in cheap—sell 'em cheap. The woods and fields are all boggy, and many a poor cow and horse will die unless looked after.

Family orders solicited for oysters, bread etc. at New Restaurant. J. B. FRYER, Manager.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stevens, the grandmother of Mrs. J. E. Downes, an aged lady of 88 or 70 years, has been quite sick.

In a short time we will open the largest stock ever shown in Crockett. Mistrot Bros. & Co.

Eat at New Restaurant. Best meals in city, 25c. J. B. FRYER, Manager.

Buy a fire insurance policy in one of the old line companies represented by D. M. Craddock.

The grand jury has three negroes on it and the petit jury for each week will average about three negroes on each jury.

Board by day, week or month at New Restaurant, only first-class one in city. J. B. FRYER, Manager.

The democratic party in Houston county will begin to mobilize its forces as soon as the state executive committee meets and outlines a plan of operation.

Honor the memory of Jefferson Davis by hearing Commodore Brain to-night, Thursday, in his lecture on famous Confederate naval achievements.

The contest in Houston county on local offices will be easy this year. The indications are that it will be a walk over for the democratic nominees.

Governor Culberson has tendered J. W. Madden the position of private secretary to the governor. Mr. Madden has accepted and is now in Austin at work. The position pays \$1800 annually.

Hear Ex-commodore Brain of the Confederate navy, to-night, Thursday. He lectures for the benefit of the Jefferson Davis monument fund, and all patriotic people should come out.

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Out to-night, Thursday, and hear Ex-commodore Brain of the Confederate navy, in his lecture on thrilling naval battle during the war, in which he took part. The lecture is for the benefit of the fund to raise a monument to Jefferson Davis, and the house should be crowded. Commodore Brain was a gallant Confederate commander on the seas, and what he tells so eloquently is history which every southerner should be proud and glad to know.

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Reduction in Price. With this issue the COURIER begins the seventh year of its publication; and, beginning with this issue, the first of the seventh year, the price of the paper will be reduced to one dollar per annum to all Cash-in-Advance subscribers, or all who pay within sixty days from date of reduction. To those who do not pay in advance or within time fixed above, the price of the paper will be \$1.50 as heretofore.

This reduction has been made to meet an oft-expressed wish and demand on the part of the Courier's readers and many who have said that they would subscribe if the price of the paper were only one dollar per year.

We hope to add many names to our list of subscribers and, besides, furnish the advertising patrons of the Courier a wider field.

It is Time to Protest. The writer and the committee of which he is a member have spent a good deal of money as well as time in trying to have the public school campus set with shade trees. We have reset some of them as many as four times, the last time only a few weeks since. There are some diehards befalling shade trees impossible for those in charge of school to avoid. But the trees, it does seem, could be protected from ravages of school children by the teachers or rather by the principal. Some of the trees recently put out are ruined already by the pocket knives of the children and we are reliably informed that some of the scholars have been seen bending them down and riding on them. This is simply too bad, inexcusably so, and those who have been looking after these matters are getting tired of spending money for the purpose of furnishing riding horses for school children or something for them to whistle on. These trees can be protected and should be and the committee do not propose to expend another cent on the lawn at the public school unless there is a reasonable guarantee of protection. If the principal want proof of what we have said, he can get it by calling at this office. The wanton destruction of such property and the thwarting of the good intentions of public spirited citizens are becoming too monotonous and if the committee who has been trying to furnish the school a pleasant lawn and the public generally to come can not be assured of vigilant cooperation and aid to these ends by those in charge of the school, the committee will take the matter before the Council and ask for their assistance. It is becoming altogether too monotonous as it is.

A Card. To My Crockett Friends:—I desire to express appreciation for the beautiful gift recently received. The ring, itself, is not more valued than the sentiment which was manifested by its presentation, and the associations which cluster around it, from a romance which will grow in beauty with each passing year. It will ever recall the many courtesies extended me, and shall be highly cherished as a souvenir of my delightful sojourn in Crockett.

Very sincerely, DAISY M. CUSTER.

The heaviest rainfall for years, fell last week. It came down for three days, with hardly an hour's intermission at any time. It began gently on Wednesday afternoon, and by night it was falling in torrents. All of Wednesday night it poured down in sheets and sheets, putting all the creeks out of banks and washing "the bottoms out of roads and streets. It kept up the downpour Wednesday night, Thursday and Thursday night, Friday and Friday night and Saturday until midnight. At that hour a gentle nor'wester sprung up, and Sunday morning ushered in a day as lovely and mild and beautiful as a bridal day. The precipitation was all of eight inches and the ground is more thoroughly soaked than it has been for six years. The woods and fields are boggy, the Trinity and Neches rivers are out of banks and the thoroughfares of the county impassable for any but light vehicles.

Crockett has been fortunate in having through the entire cotton season a corps of cotton buyers distinguished for fair dealing and courteous, gentlemanly conduct. It is unnecessary for us to state that we refer to Messrs. Nagle, Mangum and Fletcher. We voice the wishes of our entire community when we say that Crockett and its good people would be glad to know that these gentlemen, with their families, had made it their permanent home.

Gus LeGory and J. W. Hall each has children sick from measles. Mr. Louis Bergman of Nacogdoches, is visiting friends in the city. The COURIER publishes the jury lists in this issue. Now let the Romans howl. The COURIER from now on to all cash-in-advance subscribers for \$1.00.

Secretary of State, Allison Mayfield, spent Friday of last week in Crockett, on official business. John T. Collier from Ratliff, was in to see us Wednesday. He reports immigration to his section from Delta county.

We made the mistake of saying in our last issue that the commissioners' court began this week. It doesn't open up until next Monday.

L. W. Cooper, who has been quite sick for some time, took an overdose of acetone by mistake, on Tuesday. The family were very much alarmed for a while.

Mrs. W. H. Harris and child returned to the city Tuesday night, after an absence of two months in Nacogdoches, visiting relatives.

James Best of Dodson, gave us a call Tuesday. We are always glad to see Mr. Best. His democracy is of that type of faith which the Catholic has for the religion of the church.

Perhaps the public would like to know who the last jury commissioners were. They were Hon. W. F. Murchison, (Dem.) George M. Thompson, (Populist) George Calhoun, (Repub-Populist)

T. R. Spurgers, a good citizen, a good democrat and a good Hardshell Baptist, of Elkhart, was in to see us Tuesday. At one time he was a citizen of this county and we regretted very much to see him leave.

Edwin Ware and Henry Stark were in the city, Monday, taking photos of points of interest and collecting data as to the county, to be inserted in a descriptive pamphlet to be issued by the railroad company.

Why suffer with Coughs, Colds and LaGrippe when LAXATIVE BISMUTH 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 25c. For sale by Smith & French.

In a recent editorial the Salem, Oregon, Independent says: "Time and again have we seen Chamberlain's Cough Remedy tried and never without the most satisfactory results. Whenever we see a person afflicted with hoarseness, with a cough or cold, we invariably advise them to get Chamberlain's Cough Remedy; and when they do, they never regret it. It always does the work, and does it well."—For sale by B. F. Chamberlain, druggist.

The heavy rains of the last few days have damaged somewhat the culvert near the passenger depot. The authorities should look after this at once and make all necessary repairs. The culvert should have at least two feet more of dirt on it and the same amount all along the grade from the railroad to the other end. It will be too bad to let this piece of work suffer permanent damage for the want of a little more work and attention. Mr. Daniel, we understand, complied with his part of the contract. The contract should have called for more work, and especially for more dirt.

Three negro burglars from Day were jailed here Wednesday morning. They broke open a blacksmith shop in Day, Monday night, and got tools with which they broke into the store of Hill & Daily where they got a small lot of merchandise and \$15 in cash. Their tracks were easily followed next morning in the moist soil, and they were all captured. There were four of the burglars, but only three were brought here Wednesday, the fourth being detained at Day to help recover the stolen property. The captured negroes, all of whom live in and around Day, made a full confession of their guilt.

The exposure to all sorts and conditions of weather that a lumberman is called upon to endure in the camps often produces severe colds, which, if not promptly checked, result in congestion or pneumonia. Mr. J. O. Davenport, ex-manager of the Fort Bragg Redwood Co., an immense institution at Fort Bragg, Cal., says they sell large quantities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at the company's store and that he has himself used this remedy for a severe cold and obtain immediate relief. This medicine prevents any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia and insure a prompt recovery. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain, druggist.

SMITH & FRENCH. DRUGGISTS. Watch this space, S. H. OWENS, The Grocery Man.

Robert Williams Nunn, of Crockett was married on the 5th inst., to Miss Huberta Reed, of Corsicana at the home of the bride's parents in Corsicana. Robert is well known to our readers as a young man of high character and a young lawyer of an exceptionally bright future professionally. The young lady is one of Corsicana's most popular and lovable girls and comes from a most excellent family. She is beloved by all who know her for her many truly womanly traits of character and her sweet disposition. The Courier extends congratulations and wishes for the happy couple an overflowing measure of all those things that contribute to make life worth living. The couple will be at home after the 9th and will make Crockett their future home.

DISTRICT COURT.

Grand and Petit Jurors for the March Term, 1899. GRAND JURORS: Frank Hill, B. F. Gardner, W. M. Ganey, Ross Bennett, John Blener, J. C. Tipton, Robt Grove, H. H. LaRue, J. T. Herod, Sam Jones, J. W. Bartee, G. W. Whitley, Alex Woodward, C. H. Beasley, M. M. Baker, Wyatt Stubblefield.

THOSE RICHARDSON M. L. Lively, D. R. Alfred, W. A. Allen, Hall Stewart, S. M. Hallmark, Dave Frizzell, C. G. Kelton, Garret Holcomb, R. S. Garrett, T. J. Lively, H. L. Brannon, W. M. Goldman, Thos Matlock, George Hobson, A. R. Howell, W. M. Driskill, Hugh Milliken, J. Stewart, G. E. Bishop, John Hall, B. D. Raines, Jerry West, Z. S. Adams, L. E. Benson, John Lane, Jeff Beavers, French Taylor, Green Hart, W. R. Brown, John Dodson, T. R. Hester, R. L. Lively, L. A. Sellers, James Jordan, George Grounds.

FOURTH WEEK: Duncan Blue, John Beavers, Las Holly, James Brock, R. L. Baum, G. M. McIntosh, T. S. Goodnight, Bud Elliott, J. D. Snell, Whig Butler, J. R. Hurston, B. S. Gray, J. M. B. Darsett, M. W. Goodnight, E. B. Tims, Levi Spears, M. D. Murchison, J. B. Thomas, M. J. Satterwhite, J. D. Bryant, W. W. Bunnagener, J. M. C. Shaw, F. M. Collins, D. F. Brown, J. N. Tyer, J. D. Baker, N. F. Sadler, James Adams, J. M. Worthington, Smith Harrison, J. O. Monday, T. J. Parker, Geo. Marshall, J. R. Richard, Aaron Crowson, Henry Pile.

FIFTH WEEK: Chas Sheridan, Shed Spencer, Frank Wood, Porter Newman, Bob Thompson, Wm Kirkpatrick, W. B. Holliday, J. D. Dauphin, Winfield Taylor, J. P. Neal, T. W. Langham, J. J. Jones, J. W. Murchison, J. M. Buchanan, J. W. Fulton, J. F. Stowe, F. P. Kennedy, W. F. Dent, J. W. Holdridge, James Turner, Aaron Speer, T. C. Neal, R. H. Furrow, M. J. James, M. W. Bayburn, Heber Brewton, R. C. Hill, G. W. Barington, J. D. Sims, Jonas English, Ball English, J. J. Brooks, R. O. Beavers, W. H. Harrell, Henry Johnson, C. E. Lively.

SIXTH WEEK: Geo. Hallmark, B. C. Denton, J. M. Dickey, W. R. Wherry, G. W. Dauphin, I. L. Jeffries, W. H. Julian, B. E. Rollo, Steve English, Anthony Adair, B. F. Holcomb, Alex Davis, M. B. Vaughn, Y. D. Driskill, Nelson Moore, D. M. Garritt, R. C. Barbee, Joe Rice, John Baines, J. M. Johnson, J. M. Lewis, Sam Young, J. L. Langham, G. R. Sewell, J. A. Holcomb, George McCuller, J. A. Ashmore, Bob Morgan, T. J. Blaylock, Wm Hooper, J. N. Rosemond, J. N. Rosemond, J. T. Ethridge, J. H. Ivey, George Lane, John Gossett.

War News. The war with England will not probably occur, but the war on groceries is certain. ARLEDGE, KENNEDY & CO. have bought out the entire BANKRUPT STOCK OF GROCERIES OF THE RACKET STORE at 75 cts on the dollar and will sell them out extremely low down. We were loaded for bear on groceries and hardware before making this purchase and now we are over loaded and must sell out to make room. Every body come, but don't all come at once. TERMS SPOT CASH.

On Thursday of last week, Mrs. Jane E. DeLange, the venerable mother of Mrs. J. Blalock, died at the residence of Mr. Blalock in this city, and was buried on the following Saturday. Mrs. DeLange was born in Columbia county, Ga., in 1827, and came to Texas in 1890, settling in Huntsville. About three months ago she came to Crockett and resided here until her death. For nearly half a century she was an exemplary member of the Methodist church, and in all the relations of life she reached the full standard of Christian womanhood. Her nature was cheerful, kindly and gentle, and she left behind her the memory of a long and well spent life that had been consecrated to duty and all Christian virtues.

Some time ago Mr. Simon Goldbaum of San Luis Rey, Cal., was troubled with a lame back and rheumatism. He used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and a prompt cure was effected. He says he has since advised many of his friends to try it and all who have done so have spoken highly of it. It is for sale by B. F. Chamberlain, Druggist.

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

The Discovery Saved His Life. Mr. G. Calouette, Druggist, Beaverville 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.

The Furniture Store received a new line of parlor lounges this week which will be sold very low. In spite of the fact that we have just received a carload of furniture we have placed an order for another car of bedroom suites. If you want a beautiful set, call early and get the pick, for they won't be here long. We are determined to have your trade and if the largest assortment and lowest prices will secure it we will get it. Call and examine our mammoth stock and low prices.

ALDRICH & DUREN. The First National Bank here received the following telegram from the New York World as soon as President Cleveland's call for the sale of bonds was made. Heretofore the bonds have all been taken by a syndicate of bankers, but this time they were offered the people, in denominations to suit, from \$50. up. It is gratifying to note that more than the amount called for has been subscribed, and by the people generally. The telegram reads as follows: New York, 1899.

First National Bank, Crockett, Texas. We to-day ask all national banks whether, if president makes call to replenish gold reserve, they will consider it patriotic duty to take bonds on three per cent basis. Will you invest and to what extent? Reply prepaid.

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

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SCIENCE now comes to the front with a substitute for coal. A French engineer, Paul D'Humy, knows how to solidify petroleum. He reduces it into small blocks, which when burned, give out intense heat. These burn only on the surface, give out no smoke or smell, and produce but 2 or 3 per cent of ashes. The process is, of course, secret.

The finest grades of anthracite coal make at least 10 per cent of ashes, and bituminous coal fully 20 per cent of ashes. In this respect solidified petroleum has an immense advantage as a fuel sufficient to render it far preferable to coal. In household use, on steamers, on railroads and in manufacturing the removal of ashes is an expensive item.

The new fuel is also far cheaper and far less bulky. A single ton of it, in blocks of whatever size may be wanted, represents at least thirty tons of coal, possibly nearer forty tons of coal to the consumer, as now figured out will be only from \$10 to \$15 a ton.

It has still one other admirable quality: it requires very little draught to burn it and very little trouble to set it alight. A cubic inch of it will produce a light blue flame many hundred times larger in volume and a flame which with a strong draught will travel a long distance, the experiment being readily made has proved that after oxygen it supplies the greatest heat obtainable.

From this it follows that its greatest value will be where enormous heat is required, where there must be great supplies of fuel and wherever every inch of space has value. Nowhere are these conditions more evident than in the case of warships, ocean steamers and the colossal steel factories that dot England and the United States. Ship designers are now greatly handicapped by the provision they are forced to make for the coal-bunkers. Men-of-war carry from 3,000 to 6,000 tons of coal.

Then, too, every war vessel must stop frequently for coaling. This has entailed enormous expense. It has also very nearly the whole surface of the globe punctuated with coaling stations. The necessity of coal has stared her in the face at every step of her foreign policy.

The space saved could be devoted to extra machinery, guns, ammunition and men, and it would at once relieve the present cramped quarters in which officers and others have to live on board the ships of to-day. To the transatlantic greyhounds solidified petroleum would also be of the greatest importance. A big ocean liner now uses from 2,500 to 3,000 tons of coal a trip. Compressed petroleum is especially adapted for use in the manufacture of steel, for it contains no sulphur. In England coke is generally used in the steel furnaces. About two and a half tons of coke are required to make a ton of steel, and the cost of this is from \$12.50 to \$15. To get the same quantity of unvarying intense heat necessary to manufacture a ton of steel about 500 pounds of solidified petroleum would be necessary. This would cost about \$1.50, equal to 10 per cent of the present cost.

FACT OR LEGEND?

Quest Story About the Way in Which "Leonie" Was Written.

In the house of a gentleman in this city we recently saw a poem written on the flyleaf of an old book, says the *Kohama* (Ind.) Dispatch. Noticing the initials, "E. A. P." at the bottom, it struck us that possibly we had run across a bonanza. The owner of the book said that he did not know who was the author of the poem. His grandfather, who gave him the book, kept an inn in Chesterfield, near Richmond, Va. One night a young man rapped at the door and asked if he could stay all night and was shown to a room. That was the last they saw of him. When they went next morning to call him to breakfast he had gone but had left the book, on the flyleaf of which had been written these verses:

LEONIE—angels named her
And they took the light
In a salt of white,
And they made her eyes of gloomy
Midnight and her hair of glowing
Moonshine and they brought her
To me
In the silent night.

In a solemn night of summer
When my heart of gloom
Blossomed up to greet the comer
Like a rose in bloom;
All forebodings that distressed me
I forgot as joy creased me,
Lying joy that caught and pressed
Me
In the arms of doom.

Only spake the little lipser
In the angel's tongue,
Yet listening, heard her whisper:
"Songs are only sung
Here below, that they may give
You—
Tales are told to deceive you—
So must Leonie leave you,
While her love is young."

Then God smiled, and it was morning
Matchless and supreme,
Heaven's glory seemed adorning
Earth with its esteem;
Every heart but mine seemed lifted
With the voice of prayer and gift
Where my Leonie drifted
From me like a dream.
—E. A. P. (Really J. Whitcomb Riley.)

MADE FASTER TIME.

How the Runner Faster Than the Express Train.

From the New York Press: "I used to be a pretty swift runner in my young days," said the atrocious liar the other night, back in the pharmacy, "and it was only last week that I sprinted my feet on so and went faster than the fastest New York Central train-level ground, too."

The atrocious liar did not make this statement without a sort of gulp. His eyes sparkled, and he trembled a little. The others looked at him pityingly.

"No you don't," said the tall friend with the long hair, removing the whisky bottle from his grasp. "You've had enough."

"I'm not drunk. It's a positive fact. I did run fifty feet, and covered the ground in less time than the train."

"That's all right," said the man who chews gum, "you'll be better in a minute. Let me call a cab for you."

"You think I'm lying?"

"We don't. We think you are crazy. If you should get off kill any of us, you would get off easily after what you have said. You don't hold any grudge against anybody here, do you? This was from the tall friend with long hair.

"Let me tell you how I did it. Here, here, I'm all right. Let me tell you—"

But they all went away; and he never got a chance to explain that he was on the train and ran through the car, so went faster than the empire state express.

A Cowly Bug.

Secretary Morton was showing a reporter through the entomological bureau the other day, and this is part of what the reporter says he did: "I've got a bug in there that cost the government \$20,000; he don't look it, but he did. It's a fly. One day an outfit of scientists started in pursuit of this bug, they ranged all over the hemisphere and struck to his trail his bloodhounds; they ransacked North America all the way from the isthmus to Alaska. After the most remarkable adventures by foot and field they treed their bug and took him prisoner. He was then brought captive to Washington, and he's right here now in that brick house, the highest priced bug on earth. A round-up of the total expense of that one bug hunt came to over \$20,000. But we got the bug."

A Unique Wedding.

A few Saturdays ago a high-class wedding was celebrated at the town hall of the 17th arrondissement of Paris between a workman who had "made his pile" and the fair one of his choice. There were eleven private and hired coaches and a large concourse of respectable-looking people.

But the strangest part of the affair was that the bridegroom wore, in addition to his tall silk hat and black pants, an ordinary blouse of blue linen, just to let people see. Here he had sprung from, while the bride, attired in a stylish white dress, went bareheaded, as no doubt she had been in the habit of going to and from her workshop. The loving couple were escorted by four comrades (workmen) dressed similarly to the bridegroom.—Le Temps.

East Interest.

"I want to take out some life insurance," he said.

"Certainly," exclaimed the active young man, as he hastily gathered an application: "what occupation, please?"

"Baseball umpire."

"You'll find the accident company just across the hall," coldly came the active young man's voice as he slowly laid his pen aside.—Atlanta Constitution.

The Monto Sect.

The Monto sect, the Nichiren and Jodo sect may be called the three most powerful branches of the Japanese Buddhists. The Monto worship Amida Buddha, and they say that earnest prayer, noble thoughts and good works are the elements of their faith. It is to this sect that the two big temples in Yokohama belong.

CURE CONSUMPTION.

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A Mother's Reply.

Dr. Breckenridge, a well-known American clergyman, and his two brothers, also of the same profession, one day paid a visit to their mother.

"Do you not think, mother," said he, "that you ruled us with too rigid a rod in our boyhood? It would have been better, I think, had you used gentler methods."

The old lady straightened up and said:

"Well, William, when you have raised up three as good preachers as I have, then you can talk!"

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Now if you will cut this out and send it with 10c postage you will get, free, 10 packages grains and grasses, including Teosinte, Lathyrus, Sand Vetch, Giant Spurry, Giant Clover, etc., and our mammoth seed catalogue, w. n.

The attorney general of Minnesota has decided that it is unconstitutional to begin exercises in the public schools with prayer.

do you eat iron?

Some persons are always taking iron. If weak and easily exhausted; pale and without appetite; if the nervous system is weak, and sleep difficult, what do you take? Iron? But iron cannot supply food to the tissues; nor does it have any power to change the activity of unhealthy organs and bring them back to health. Cod-liver oil is what you need. The oil feeds the poorly-nourished tissues, and makes

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A few years ago the writer saw a genuine curiosity which had been made by a little blind boy in Chicago. It was nothing more or less than a house, made up of forty odd pieces of wood, which was placed on the inside of a very common looking, four ounce medicine bottle. The general verdict of all who examined the bottle was that it would puzzle a man with two good eyes to put the pieces into the bottle to say nothing of the task of gluing them together so as to make them resemble a house.—St. Louis Republic.

Dr. Parkhurst and Young Men

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