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## The Wild Hog of the Yegua.

We were discussing the utility of breeding "razor back" hogs as a source of revenue when a stranger at the Pickwick hotel broke in. Said he: "That reminds me of a little episode when I lived at L—, some miles west of Brenham, Tex., near the famous Yegua bottom. That region had long been noted for its forests of oak, festooned with vines of muscadine and other grapes, for its heavy crops of acorns and pecans, and for droves of wild hogs that roamed at will in the virgin forest. Early settlers had stocked the country with hogs. Many of them had gone wild and their unclaimed progeny filled the woods. So abundant were these maverick pigs and so juicy were their ribs, so rich was the sausage from their loins and fat from their bellies, that few men ever resorted to slaughtering their own hogs for meat or lard.

"The time came when the mast failed, and there were no grapes upon the vines. The herds of swine were decimated by famine. The drouth followed and as hog wallows dried up, balls of mud hardened upon the tails of the survivors, pulling their skins back until they could not close their eyes and many died of insomnia. A few remained, but they were 'too poor to eat' and people had to bacon their own pigs for the first time in the history of the Yegua bottom. This was a trying time and from it dates that feeling of unrest and pessimism that subsequently led many of those people to join the populists.

"It was during this period of adversity that Mrs. H— grew tired of letting the enterprising pigs of our thrifty neighbors lick up all the slops thrown out from our kitchen. Day and night she importuned me to "buy a pig to drink our slop. Mr. H—," said she, "my father always kept a pig and we must have one." I never believed in the pig sty as a means of sanitation, but Mrs. H— said "buy a pig," and Mrs. H— generally got what she demanded.

"I corrupted an old darkey, noted more for his dexterity in capturing wild pigs than for his honesty in finding the owner. For a dollar and forty-five cents he procured me one of the rarest specimens of the wild boar seen since the days of William the Conqueror. His head, which was nearly half his entire anatomy, was shaped like the frustrum of a cone. At its superior base grew two broad unmarked ears, from which point all the lines of his surface changed their direction, converging at a point just 23 inches back, forming a cone shaped body from the apex of which depended a spiral coil resembling a bed spring, terminating in a tuft of long hairs and forming the animal's caudal appendage.

"From his upper jaw curved great ivory tusks which, whetted against their fellows from the under jaw, were sharp and furnished him with most dangerous weapons. From his jole hung two wattles like boneless and abbreviated pigs' tails. His bristles were of a bluish color, and upon his back were five inches long, and when erected, as they usually were, added about one-

fifth to the apparent size of the animal. During his brief captivity his face wore a far-away expression, like the longing gaze of Barney Gibbs upon a seat in congress. When at rest his muzzle was always trained upon the Yegua bottom. He discarded all our slops, and when an ear of corn was pitched into his pen he backed up in the opposite corner to acquire all the momentum attainable, and then springing forward with a ferocious "booh! booh! booh!" he would tear the shucks in shreds and leave the corn while he assailed the fence nearest the admiring spectator.

"One afternoon when school was out, for I constituted the entire faculty of L— academy, I returned home to find the dearest object of my affections perched upon the fence screaming at the top of her voice for help. To my horror I saw inside the yard the wild hog with hair erect and gleaming tusks trying to cut the pickets in two.

"I rushed to the rescue. No sooner did the diabolical porker discover my approach than he charged savagely. There was no time to plan and little hope in flight. Strategy alone saved me. Locking my arms around a large peach tree, my feet found security in a friendly limb. But the whole tail of my Prince Albert I had no time to save. Taking it to be a part of his oppressor, the angry boar fastened his fangs in my coat, and as he swept under me and through the open gate into a neighboring farm, he left the principal of L— academy clad in an "imported black corkscrew" roundabout. The beast had cut a rail out of his pen with his teeth, and turning on his side easily propelled his thin flat form through the breach. Mrs. H— tried to impound him, but he had no difficulty in putting her to flight, and by throwing himself between her and the house, forced her to take the fence or enter a hopeless contest for possession of the premises. Months passed but we remained hogless.

"One summer day Uncle Nat, the farmer into whose field the hog possessed with demons had escaped, came to me and said, 'Mr. H—, that hog o' your'n is down yonder in my field mighty nigh petered out. If you don't doctor him for hog lice he's goin' to die. He won't eat nothin' an' he's pore as a snake.' Repairing to the spot indicated, I found the hog, sitting up like a dog. He was emaciated and shrivelled up beyond recognition except his head, which seemed larger by contrast. His attenuated form was teeming with parasites. His eyes had that same vacant stare about them, and his muzzle was still pointed toward the bottom like a six-pound howitzer trained on the Schombourg line. Taking him tenderly by the tail I bore him home. He made an abortive effort to raise his bristles and feebly tried to squeal. I had read in Bill Shaw's Texas Farmer that kerosene oil would destroy parasites, and believing him to be authority on this subject, notwithstanding Bill himself survived, I sat the hog down in his favorite posture and went for a can of oil. When I returned he had faced about to turn his muzzle

on his bottom home. Thinking the dose must be in proportion to the affliction, I saturated that hog with coal oil from one extremity to the other. He grunted faintly, his eyes grew glassy, a smile played about his tusks and the pig expired.

"The scavenger carried his remains to a strip of woods near by, a kind of potter's field for defunct cats and dogs of the town.

"Time passed, and the superstitious colored folks began to avoid the skirt of woods where they declared a phantom hog was seen. Not one of Pharaoh's cats was ever more perfectly embalmed than this mummy hog soaked in coal oil. There it sat in ghastly solitude and defied both time and decay. One dark night the woods caught fire. After the leaves burned away all was dark save one flame that burned like a great gas jet—for hours it seemed a fountain of fire—then all was dark again. Now there was in that town a rambling naturalist, Prof. S—, who had a weakness for collecting fossils and petrifications. Next day after the strange light was seen in the woods, Prof. S— came upon the remains of our cherished pig completely incinerated and burned to an ashen white—the oil was fuel for its cremation—still sitting erect, with an expression of deep solicitude about its ghastly features like that of a populist waiting for his per capita, and his muzzle still pointing toward the Yegua Bottom. Taking it to be one of the petrifications which abound along the Yegua, "What a specimen for the Smithsonian Institute!" he thought as he eagerly seized the spectre pig, but it crumbled beneath his touch, leaving only a handful of ashes and a pair of boar's tusks. Seized with terror the professor fled from the spot." HAY-SEED.

## A Card From Judge Burnett.

CROCKETT, March 7, 1896.

EDITOR CROCKETT:—Referring to the article in your last issue in reference to the manner in which the last jury commissioners discharged their duty, I have to-day submitted the following to the grand jury:

"THE CROCKETT COURIER in its last issue charges that the work of the jury commissioners appointed at the last term of this court was "rotten through and through," and calls on the grand jury to investigate their methods. This charge is a grave reflection upon the pure administration of the laws, and also upon the good name of the commissioners, who are well known and reputable citizens of this county, where they have lived to my knowledge for more than thirty-five years. Two of them served as county commissioners for several years, having been elected in their respective precincts, and I believe without opposition, and one of them, in addition, has been twice honored by the people of this county as their representative in our state legislature. So far as I know or have any reason to believe, they faithfully and impartially discharged their duty as jury commissioners, but in view of the above charge, I respectfully suggest that in justice to all concerned, you call before

you the editor of the paper referred to and any others who may be supposed to know anything of the methods or work of the commission, and after a fair and impartial investigation, ascertain whether the commissioners in the discharge of their duty were guilty of any corrupt, illegal, disreputable or other reprehensible conduct, and if so that you report it to the court."

Now, I trust that the grand jury will afford you a full opportunity to make good your charges, if true, and if untrue that you will promptly make the proper apology. With respect to your criticism of the manner in which I have selected jury commissioners, that is, by the appointment of citizens of different political views rather than all of one political faith, I have simply followed the just rule enacted by congress in 1879 and approved by all parties, which required the juries for the United States courts to be selected by commissioners of opposite politics. This is not required by our statute, but I believe it commends itself to all fair-minded men. The object is to fairly and impartially distribute the burden and privilege of the jury service and to keep it out of politics, for the good men of all parties are alike interested in the administration of justice. I have never had any purpose in selecting jury commissioners other than to discharge my duty fairly and impartially, and while I have always instructed them as to the law applicable to their duties, I have never assumed to dictate to them, and have never known a single juror selected until the publication of the list. J. R. BURNETT.

## Got Out Just in Time.

Frank Smith, the well known cattle man of this city, and J. B. Jones of Huntsville, who shared with him in the adventures we are about to relate, are doubtless now fully prepared to believe in a special providence and are ripe candidates for admission to the church if they are not already within the fold. Last week these two gentlemen started north with a train load of cattle for the Chicago market and, as usual in such cases, they took turn about in going from car to car at frequent intervals during the journey to punch up the cattle with a pole used for that purpose so that none of them might get down and under the hoofs of the others. While going through the Indian Territory during the night they had been engaged in work of this kind, and thinking to take a rest, they went back in the caboose and fell asleep, leaving a boy they had with them to do the punching act while they slept. The boy found difficulties in the way—cattle that were down and couldn't be punched up, and about daylight, when the train stopped at a tank to take water, he went back to the caboose and waked up Messrs. Smith and Jones to get their assistance. Heavy-eyed, hardly fully awake they got up, went to the rear door of the caboose to get off, and there they saw something that shook off the torpor of recent sleep in less time than a flash of lightning and put a move on them such as they had never felt before. Coming round the curve, in the gray of the

dawn, and with its headlight throwing its blinding clypeos glare along the track, was another train thundering along with but slightly diminished speed, and the two men had hardly jumped and placed themselves in safety when the collision came. The caboose was crushed like an egg shell, as well as the cars immediately ahead, but fortunately the cattle were too far ahead in the train and escaped without injury. No one was in the caboose at the time Messrs. Smith and Jones so suddenly vacated and there were no casualties. As for the two Texans, they looked on speechless and shuddering when they saw that great hot devil of steel and iron crushing through their late lodging place, and, as we remarked at the outset, they both doubtless feel that they owe their escape from an awful death—not to chance, but to a kindly special providence acting through the boy who woke them in the nick of time merely "to punch the cattle up."

## Clinton, Missouri.

Mr. A. L. Armstrong, an old druggist and prominent citizen of this enterprising town, says: "I sell some forty different kinds of cough medicines, but have never in my experience sold so much of any one article as I have of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. All who use it say that it is the most perfect remedy for Coughs, Colds, Consumption, and all diseases of the Throat and Lungs, they have ever tried." It is a specific for Croup and Whooping Cough. It will relieve a cough in one minute. Contains no opiates. 25c and 50c. Sold by J. G. Haring.

## Headquarters Crockett Camp, No. 141, U. C. V.

COMRADES:—It is necessary that the members of the Camp should meet for the purpose of an annual reorganization and the election of officers for the ensuing year. Also such other business necessary to be transacted towards selecting delegates to the reunion at Richmond, Va.

I therefore call a meeting of the Camp to meet at Crockett, Texas, on Tuesday, March 17, 1896, at 2 o'clock p. m. and earnestly request all those who may feel interested to be present.

ENOCH BROXSON,  
Commander Crockett Camp No. 141, U. C. V.

## Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Diamonddale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist Church at Rives Junction she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottle free at B. F. Chamberlain's drug store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00.

**LOCAL NEWS.**

Craddock & Co. have the best line of Hosiery in town.

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Quite a number of children in Crockett are sick with measles.

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J. J. GOODAY, Proprietor.

A. W. Ewing of Palestine was a visitor to Crockett this week.

The oil mill was running all last Wednesday and at midnight closed down for the season.

Rev. R. N. Smith, a Presbyterian minister of Jacksonville, has an appointment to preach at Augusta on the 4th Sabbath of this month, at 11 a. m.

Crockett Bakery for Bread and Cakes. Next to postoffice.

J. J. GOODAY, Proprietor.

E. L. Angier, a real estate agent from Huntsville, was in town two or three days this week.

I have just received my new line of spring and summer samples of clothing. They comprise the latest styles and effects. Call to see them.

J. F. DOWNES.

Frank Smith of this city was in Fort Worth this week attending the stockmen's convention.

Col. D. A. Nunn and W. B. Page, editor of the COURIER, left for Fort Worth Sunday night on a business trip and were absent the greater part of this week.

Fruit raisers in Crockett who have closely noted the weather for years during the early spring, say that the fruit crop is in little danger from any frost or cold snap likely to come in March, but that the real peril is in April.

The building for the ice factory, adjoining the electric light plant, is about completed and the machinery will soon be here.

Mr. A. LeGory has a telephone line, of which he is the exclusive owner, now in operation between his place of business on the square and his residence in North Crockett. The electric light poles are utilized to string the wire on and the line works perfectly. He will probably connect it with the general system soon to be put up in this city.

Miss Minnie Hester, a student at the Sam Houston Normal in Huntsville, spent Saturday and Sunday in Crockett visiting at the home of Mrs. Char. Long. She is a sister-in-law of Hon. B. J. Fletcher of this city.

**No. 1882.**

Report of the condition of the First National Bank at Crockett, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Feb. 28th 1896.

**RESOURCES.**

Loans and discounts	\$ 85,734.23
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	32,628.56
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	1,500.00
Banking-house, furniture and fixtures	5,500.00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve agents)	3,823.52
Due from approved reserve agents	6,912.08
Checks and other cash items	808.61
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	165.85
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz: Specie	1,230.00
Legal-tender notes	5,294.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent circulation)	6,384.00
	562.30
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$166,649.96</b>

**LIABILITIES.**

Capital stock paid in	50,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	3,318.00
National Bank notes outstanding	11,250.00
Due to other National Banks	467.00
Due to State Banks and bankers	3,837.94
Individual deposits subject to check	81,472.74
Demand certificates of deposit	906.08
Notes and bills rediscounted	5,400.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$166,649.96</b>

STATE OF TEXAS, I, H. F. Moore, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. F. MOORE, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of March 1896.

J. E. DOWNES, Notary Public, Houston County, Texas.

Correct—Attest: J. C. WOOTTERS, A. H. WOOTTERS, Directors.

Watch this space, S. H. OWENS, The Grocery Man.

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Receipts and disbursements of Houston County, Texas, for the quarter ending February 10, 1896, as shown by the Treasurer's report:

<b>JURY FUND—FIRST CLASS.</b>	
By balance last quarter (deficit)	\$ 950 70
To amount received during quarter	382 36
To amount transferred from other funds	1000 00
	<b>\$1382 36</b>
By am't paid out during quarter, Nov. '95, to Feb. 96, Ex. A.	155 50
By 2 per cent commission on amount received	7 64
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out	3 11
By amount to balance	265 41
	<b>\$1382 36</b>
To balance on hand Feb. 10, 1896	\$ 265 41

<b>ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND—SECOND CLASS.</b>	
To balance on hand last quarter (Nov.)	\$3077 42
To am't received during quarter (Nov. to Feb. '96)	2141 83
	<b>\$5219 25</b>
By amount transferred to other funds	\$3050 00
By amount paid out during quarter, Nov. '95, to Feb. 10, '96, Ex. B.	329 49
By 2 per cent commission amount received	42 83
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out	6 58
By amount to balance	1790 35
	<b>\$5219 25</b>
To amount on hand	\$1790 35

<b>GENERAL COUNTY FUND—THIRD CLASS.</b>	
To amount received during quarter, Nov. '95 to Feb. 10, '96	\$5476 65
To amount transferred from other funds	2050 00
	<b>\$7526 65</b>
By balance last quarter (deficit)	\$2000 43
By amount paid out during quarter, Nov. 1895 to Feb. 10, 1896, Ex. C.	2483 46
By 2 per cent commission on amount received	109 53
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out	49 96
By amount to balance	2883 57
	<b>\$7526 65</b>
To amount on hand	\$2883 57

<b>COURT HOUSE FUND.</b>	
To balance on hand last quarter	\$ 408 67
To am't rec'd during quarter Nov. '95 to Feb. '96	977 78
	<b>\$1386 45</b>
By 2 per cent commission on amount received	\$ 19 55
By amount to balance	1366 90
	<b>\$1386 45</b>
To amount on hand	\$1366 90

<b>SUMMARY.</b>	
To balance on hand court house fund	\$1366 90
To balance on hand county fund	2883 57
To balance on hand road and bridge fund	1790 35
To balance on hand jury fund	265 41
<b>Total amount on hand Feb. 10, 1896</b>	<b>\$6306 23</b>

N. E. ALLBRIGHT, County Clerk.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this Feb. 29th, 1896.  
C. W. ELLIS,  
Justice Peace Precinct No. 1, Houston Co. Texas.  
Examined and approved in open court this Feb. 29th, 1896.  
W. E. HALL, Commissioner Precinct No. 2.  
W. J. DAVIS, " " " 3.  
C. B. ISBELL, " " " 4.  
R. T. MURCHISON " " " 1.  
A. A. ALDRICH, County Judge.

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**Election Notice.**

It is ordered by the city council of the city of Crockett, Texas, that an election be held within the corporate limits of the city of Crockett on Tuesday, the 7th day of April, 1896, for the election of a mayor, two aldermen and a city attorney of said city to serve for two years. Passed February 11, A. D. 1896.  
J. C. WOOTTERS,  
Mayor of Crockett, Texas.  
Attest: JOHN SPENCE,  
Sec. City of Crockett, Texas.

**Election Notice.**

It is ordered by the commissioners' court of Houston county, Tex., that an election be held at the residence of John McIver on the 31st day of March, 1896, for the purpose of enabling the freeholders of such subdivision to determine whether or not hogs, sheep and goats shall be permitted to run at large within the following boundaries: Beginning at the mouth of Rackard's creek where it flows into the Trinity river, thence up said creek and with the southeast boundary line of the John Durst survey to the northeast corner of said survey, thence with the north line of said John Durst survey to the northwest corner of said county, thence with the west line of said John Durst survey to where it crosses Stewart's slough the second time about one mile from Trinity river, thence down said Stewart's slough to where it empties into the Trinity river, thence down said river to the place of beginning. It is ordered by the court that L. L. Hall be appointed manager of said election. Given under my hand and seal of office, February 26, 1896.

L.S. A. A. ALDRICH, County Judge H. C.

For Sale.

I am authorized to sell the homestead property of John H. Stuart, situated in East Crockett, consisting of one acre of ground and buildings. For figures and terms call on W. B. PAGE, Administrator.

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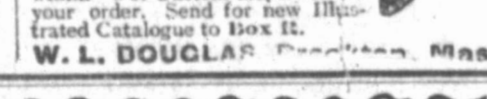
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"Another chap I remember had a scheme that was unique. It consisted of the placing of a cylinder in the car. The moment the messenger appreciated that he was attacked all he had to do was to drag the safes into the cylinder and lock them up there along with himself. The cylinder was punctured with holes which commanded every part of the car, and through them he could shoot the robbers down one by one. When we asked him what was the matter with the robbers shooting back through these same holes and puncturing the messenger he was stumped and retired.

"On some of the western roads they are trying a new plan. Each express car is equipped with one or more cylinders of small diameter, which are filled with a powerful chemical preparation. The instant the messenger inside has reason to think that his car is threatened he takes the cylinder down from its case and drops it through a prepared opening in the floor of the car. Then, by the pressure of the foot or some other simple method he ignites the thing. The chemicals flame and illuminate the country for a great distance around. The experiment is being tried there, but whether it will be a success or not remains to be seen."—Boston Herald.

## JUDICIAL IGNORANCE OF SLANG

Sometimes the Bench Has to Have Matters Fully Explained.

There is no one so ignorant as a judge when slang words are used in evidence. Mr. Justice Lawrence, the English jurist, was startled when sitting in a recent action by a reference to "two quid."

"Two what?" said his lordship. "I never heard the expression before."

Mr. Justice Lawrence is the merry judge who told Mr. Murphy that he might carry a case to the house of lords "if he were quick." That was before the general election, when the crusade against the peers was being preached from political platforms all over the country, says Pearson's Weekly.

Mr. Justice Lawrence has not so distinguished himself since the memorable day when a barrister had the temerity to remark that every Englishman knew what playing "Tommy Dodd" meant, and the judge at once severely remarked of this as well that he had never heard the expression before. Thereupon the barrister explained that it was equivalent to "odd man out," and the judge smilingly admitted that he could now grasp the meaning of the phrase.

One of the last cases heard by Lord Coleridge was an action rising out of the Liberator failure, and Mr. Abinger referred to the company as having "come to grief." Lord Coleridge, "in vindication of the queen's English," demanded to know what he meant. It was Lord Coleridge who asked: "Who is Miss Connie Gilchrist?" at a time when that lady was the most-photographed theatrical celebrity of the day. A similar question was asked about Fred Archer by—of all persons in the world—Mr. Justice Hawkins.

## Lost Time.

In view of the brevity of time and its rapid flight the utmost care should be taken in the use of time, lest any of it should be wasted. The wind that blows by us may return again on its backward sweep; the stream that flows by us may descend again upon the earth and resume its channel; the sun that shines in heaven to-day may shine again; but wasted time is lost forever. Wasted health may be restored; lost reputation may be regained; squandered wealth may be recovered; but lost time is forever lost, and not a single hour can be recovered.—Rev. G. B. Strickler.

## Correct Living.

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Many a weary and sleepy dad is envying the New Jersey man whose baby slept six weeks.

The man who tells you he has seen better days has undoubtedly experienced worse nights.

We can't afford to go to war with England. It wouldn't do. What should we do with our heiresses?

The politician never begins to talk about "rising above party" until after his party has quit electing him to office.

Portraits of Emperor William can now be had for half price in London. This should be a lesson to unruly grandchildren.

Of course there may be an aldermanic ethical standard, but if there is the average man would have to stoop over to reach it.

It is evident that the queen can say nothing as gracefully as any of her trained diplomats, and say it in just as many words.

When Mrs. Chang looks over her 1,000 dresses it must be a bitter thought to her that her husband is without a yellow jacket.

Owing to the fact that the Turks are experiencing a feeling of lassitude the sultan has decided to grant amnesty to the Armenians.

We are able to announce that the women are still in Washington, in spite of the declaration of Senator Hill to the effect that they ought to go.

Will Prior, who eloped with a girl on twelve hours' acquaintance, may properly be said to have been as previous as his name indicates.

While the sultan and Queen Victoria are writing pleasant letters to each other it is perilous for any one to even feed the oppressed Armenians.

Very courteous burglars they have in Indiana. When they called on Gov. Matthews they left their cards, but that was about all they did leave.

The Valkyrie is for sale and can be had for what her sails cost. Even at that her notoriety will prevent any great rush of would-be purchasers.

Hetty Green is suing two Chicago men for selling soil from her farm. Hetty is bound that nothing capable of being turned into dust will escape her.

Having paid his money to be a real editor, Mr. Astor undoubtedly has just cause for complaint, and we are pleased to see that he intends to get his money's worth.

Every time they discover a gold mine in Georgia somebody starts a newspaper on the spot. This is wise, for it generally takes a first-class gold mine to run one.

It has long been conceded that money talks, but never was it more eloquent of patriotism and loyalty than when offered for the purchase of our new national bonds.

Another dead line has been drawn across Cuba by Gen. Marin and the insurgents are breaking across it just as has been their habit in the past. Spain is asked for more troops.

A temperance banquet was given to the mayor of Southport, England, recently, at which the drinks were orange champagne, ginger champagne, lemonade, ginger ale, gingerettes, waterina and coffee.

Three times as many American horses have been sold in England this year as were called for in 1894, and their average price at the ports of shipment has been \$155. They are used chiefly for draught in London.

It appears to be the fate of every intrinsically good movement in our day that it has to run the risk of becoming a fad. We are face to face with what may be called a municipal extension fad. Every city in the union is bent upon swallowing its blanket, like the eccentric boa constrictor. The real problem before most of our American cities is not how to spread them out thinner, but how to govern them better. It is not more territory that they need, but more wisdom to make the most of what they have.

## WASHINGTON TOPICS.

### THE HOUSE TO CONTINUE WORK ON APPROPRIATIONS.

The Postoffice and Naval Appropriation Bills Are First on the Programme—Cuban Question to be Revived in the Senate—Dupont Election Case.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—The house this week will continue work on the appropriation bills. The post-office appropriation bill will, it is thought, be passed to-day, the naval appropriation bill being next in order. During the week the Aldrich-Robbins case, from the Fourth Alabama district, the report of which is against the democratic contestor, will be called up, and if time is afforded the report of the committee in the Benoit-Boatner case, from the fifth Louisiana, declaring the seat occupied by Mr. Boatner to be vacant, will also be acted upon. The Cuban question will be revived in the senate Monday on the proposition to accept the report of the conference committee agreeing to the house resolutions. There is a possibility of considerable debate on the subject, but on the other hand they may be accepted after brief exchanges of views. It is believed that under no condition will the question be prolonged beyond Monday, and there is little doubt that the house resolutions will be agreed to.

The Dupont Delaware election case will also continue to receive attention during the week, but it is not believed the debate on this question will be concluded during the present week. The bill to prevent the extermination of Alaskan seals has been made the special order for Thursday.

### River and Harbor Bill.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—The river and harbor committee of the house yesterday finished the first draft of the bill to improve rivers and harbors, and while the details of the bill are not known, it is said that the Texas rivers and harbors have been fairly dealt with. It is said also that the policy of the committee has been to cut down the appropriations, and that the result is that they are not near as large as they were last year. But if this is the case it is probable that the sum appropriated will be raised by the senate, which is not so particular at this time that the house shall make for itself a name for great economy. Yesterday in that body the postoffice appropriation bill was up, and there was a great effort to keep down the appropriations. The work is being done very fast and it is evident as the days pass that the supreme effort of Mr. Reed is to get this congress out of town.

### Huntington's Examination.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The examination of Mr. C. P. Huntington, the Pacific railroad magnate, which has been pursued by Senator Morgan for several days, will be shifted on Wednesday to the house committee on Pacific roads. It was decided at a meeting held yesterday to have Mr. Huntington appear, but the decision was not arrived at without debate. Chairman Powers decided that the committee should commence the work at once.

### To Oppose a Bill.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Mr. H. Furum of Aramora, I. T., is here to see what can be done to prevent the repeal of the law which transfers the jurisdiction of the federal courts over the Indian territory at Paris and Fort Smith to the federal courts in that territory on September 1. The judiciary committee of the house will today take up the bill which repeals this law and act on it. From present appearances the committee is in favor of the repeal.

### Restrictions Against American Meats.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Replying to Senator Thurston's resolutions, adopted by the senate, calling upon the executive for information as to countries which had made restrictions against the importation of American meats, the president forwarded the decrees on this subject issued by Germany, France, Belgium and Denmark. The reasons assigned by these nations for the action are the laws of each country on meat importations, quarantines, etc.

### Sentenced to Death.

FORT SMITH, Ark., March 5.—In the United States court Judge Parker pronounced the death sentences of George Pearce, Webster Isaacs, John Prater, Perry Foreman and Mollie King. Their execution is set for Thursday, April 30. None of them showed any signs of emotion, and the only one who had any thing to say was Perry Foreman, who simply denied his guilt.

### Arizona Land Bill.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The senate committee on public lands decided to not recommend the passage of the Arizona land bill over the veto of the president, but to recommend a new bill to meet the objections of the president and secretary of interior.

### Greer County Case.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Several days ago these dispatches mentioned the fact that a proclamation was being prepared by the president, which was to be issued, warning boomers to keep out of Greer county. The proclamation is now prepared, but it will not be issued until the decision in the Greer county case is decided by the supreme court, and not then unless the United States wins the case. The reason for the preparation of the proclamation was that it was expected that the case might be decided by the court on Monday last, and the administration wanted to issue it at once if the decision was in favor of the government. There were reports that the boomers were preparing to rush into the territory in litigation and make an effort to locate on the lands. If this was done there might be trouble, and hence the proclamation was on hand to prevent this. It is now assured that the proclamation will not be issued until the case is decided, and it is only intended as a precautionary measure. It is not considered here that the preparation of the proclamation is indicative of the fact that the supreme court intends to decide the case in favor of the United States.

### Cuban Resolutions.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—It is said that the conference committee on the Cuban resolutions has agreed to accept the house resolutions, and that is about the end of the affair. Since it is given out that the administration has concluded that the time has not arrived for the recognition of Cuban belligerency, all interest in the matter seems to have been abated. And it might as well abate, because until the president comes to the conclusion to breathe life into the resolutions they amount to nothing. He is not ready to do this yet, and therefore they are the same as a dead letter. The Spanish students burned our flag Wednesday, and the Colorado people burned the Spanish flag yesterday, and so we may consider ourselves even with the people who had an inquisition and whom we are mad at, partly, it seems, from the speeches in congress or on that account.

### The House Substitute.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—The senate committee on foreign relations yesterday voted to recommend that the senate should nonconcur in the house substitute for the senate Cuban resolutions and should ask for a conference. The greater part of the committee meeting was devoted to the Cuban question. The senate and house resolutions were carefully analyzed and compared. Many of the members expressed themselves as satisfied to accept the house resolution, and the opinion was ventured by one or two of them that the house substitute was in better form than the senate or ginal measure. In view of this fact it appears probable that if the house insists upon its substitute it will win and the house resolution be accepted as the expression of the joint opinion of the two bodies.

### Resignations of Consuls.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—The state department has not been informed of wholesale resignations from the United States consular services of persons of Spanish birth, as reported by cable from Madrid. In Spain and the Spanish colonial possessions there are just thirty persons appointed to the United States consular service from Spain, most of them being of Spanish birth. Generally they hold offices of minor importance, such as vice consuls and consular agents, and the compensation of these officials, made up solely of fees, is so small that it fails to attract suitable persons of American nativity or citizenship.

### Cuban Schooner Seized.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Captain Shoemaker, chief of the revenue cutter service, has received a cablegram from Captain Herring, commanding the cutter Merrill at Port Tampa, Fla., stating that he had seized the schooner S. R. Mallory forty miles south of that point loaded with arms and ammunition, and that he had delivered her to the proper authorities at Port Tampa. Notwithstanding this seizure the authorities here have little expectation, in view of recent decisions of the courts, of making out any case against the Mallory that will detain her longer than a few days.

### Does Not Affect Texas Cases.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Judge Hare, who has been here for several years representing Texas who have claims against the government for Indian depredations, says that the decision of the supreme court yesterday on the point of "amity" does not affect the Texas cases in the least.

### Burned in Emory.

PRINCETON, N. J., March 6.—The undergraduates of Princeton last night burned in emory the king of Spain in a demonstration in which several hundred took part. The flag of Spain was dragged through the main street and later was torn to pieces in the center of the campus.

At the trial of an Oregon murderer the fact appeared incidentally that the prisoner had assassinated two other people besides the one named in the indictment. This fact his lawyer advances as the basis for a new trial. The employment of a criminal record as a mitigating circumstance is new enough to be interesting.

A wealthy Boston lady has the harness for her carriage horses made in Lexington, Ky. It may be the Boston idea that there is speed in the western harness as well as in the western horse.

### Stop, Thief!

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Your blood in Spring is almost certain to be full of impurities—the accumulation of the winter months. Bad ventilation of sleeping rooms, impure air in dwellings, factories and shops, over-eating, heavy, improper foods, failure of the kidneys and liver properly to do extra work thus thrust upon them, are the prime causes of this condition. It is of the utmost importance that you

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## A MERCHANT KILLED.

### STEPHEN A. POWELL MURDERED AT HIS OWN DOOR.

He Was in the Habit of Carrying a Large Sum of Money and Robbery is Thought to Have Been the Cause—Penitentiary Robbed.

NEW YORK, March 9.—Stephen A. Powell, a well known merchant of Hempstead, N. J., was struck down and killed within a few feet of his own door Saturday night. The murdered man, who was 75 years of age, was returning home after closing his shoe store, shortly before midnight. He was found lying on the road by two of his friends, who saw two men running down the road. It was found that Mr. Powell was bleeding to death. He had received a terrible cut across the eye and another across the wrist, and still another on the head, it is believed from the blunt part of an ax or hammer, which almost crushed in his skull. He was taken to his home where he died within half an hour. Mr. Powell was in the habit of carrying a large sum of money, and it is thought that robbery was the object of the murderers. They were interrupted in their work and secured no booty. Yesterday three negroes were arrested on suspicion of the murder.

#### Robbery in a Penitentiary.

WAUPON, Wis., March 9.—A wholesale robbery of the penitentiary contract firm by convicts in the Wisconsin prison has been discovered. Convicts engaged in the robbery received money, various luxuries and liquor in exchange for goods. For some time past Warden Roberts suspected that illicit traffic was being carried on, and discoveries were made Saturday night which led to the arrest of Arthur Miller, a farmer living near the prison and Freeman Fairbank, a farm hand. R. C. Russell, a trusty employed in farm work, several months ago, it is alleged, to receive and dispose of socks from the knitting department of the penitentiary. Money, whisky and other articles received in exchange for the goods, were divided among the convicts.

#### Wm. Rockefeller to Build.

NEW YORK, March 7.—The World yesterday said William Rockefeller, the multi-millionaire president of the Standard oil company, will soon add another palace to the magnificent ones that now grace the millionaires' district. In company with James Stillman, the son-in-law of his brother, John D. Rockefeller, he has purchased seven lots on the old site of St. Luke's hospital. Four of these lots front on Fifty-fourth street and three on Fifty-fifth street. They are 125 feet from Fifth avenue and run through the block. It is said Mr. Rockefeller has the refusal of the Fifth avenue frontage and that when this ground is added to the present purchase he will erect a magnificent mansion, taking in nearly all the space.

#### Armenian Relief.

NEW YORK, March 10.—Yesterday the National Armenian relief association sent \$10,000 to Armenia. It is stated that great relief is being given to the Armenians, but that an obstacle is a lack of funds. Mrs. Stephen Barton of Westley, L. I. has received a cablegram from Miss Clara Barton at Constantinople, saying that the Red Cross society shipped on Saturday a large quantity of relief supplies to the interior of Armenia, to go by way of Alexandretta, on the Mediterranean. Miss Barton has forwarded sums to Haryool, Sevas and Marash, and reports from the interior indicate that the needs of the suffering Armenians are increasing.

#### Cecil Rhodes Arrested.

LONDON, March 10.—On the stock exchange yesterday South African securities were flat, owing to the rumor that Mr. Cecil Rhodes, the expatriator of Cape Colony and co-administrator with Earl Grey of the territory of the British South Africa company had been arrested. Later in the day it was admitted by the police authorities that a warrant had been issued for the arrest of Mr. Cecil Rhodes. He is charged with complicity in the importation of arms into the Transvaal territory for use against the authorities of that republic.

#### School House Dynamited.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Ok., March 10.—News has just been received that a school house twelve miles from here, in which a school was giving a concert, was blown up with dynamite last Friday night. The school was borrowed from the whites for the special occasion, as their colored school house was too small for the crowd expected. A great number were slightly injured, but no deaths ensued.

By a decision of Judge Maxey Tuesday morning the sale of the Kansas City Sunday Sun is prohibited in the state of Texas.

#### Green Goods Men Captured.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 7.—Postoffice Inspector Stuart yesterday made an important capture of green goods swindlers. The sharpers had in their possession, besides their bogus bills, \$25,000 in good money. Three men were arrested. Their satchel contained \$25,000 in good money, and was also captured. The prisoners are Charles Herd, alias Vogel, sr., E. Gray, alias Vogel, jr., and Frank Smythe. The capture was the result of a cleverly laid plot. For two months past the mails in this section of the country have been flooded with green goods circulars. Last week deputy marshals were sent to Arkansas, where they placed themselves in communication with the operators. An appointment was made for Chicago, and the two deputies, disguised as country men came to Chicago. The capture followed. The two deputies registered at the Atlantic hotel. Here they were met by Herd, who was informed that the Arkansas visitors the state rights for the discrimination of the goods. An agreement was finally reached, and as a result a meeting was held yesterday at the Hotel Delaware, on Cottage Grove avenue, near Sixty-third street. While the men were haggling over the terms a signal was given and the doors were burst in. An exciting struggle ensued, during which revolvers were pulled, but the men were finally overpowered.

#### The Cuban Question.

PARIS, March 4.—The newspapers of this city continue their comments upon the action of the United States congress on the Cuban question. Figaric, for example, says:

"Although President Cleveland is not a man to recoil from a conflict with Spain, should his electoral interests require he will resist the excitement of congress. The American statesman will do well not to exasperate Europe with the Monroe doctrine. It is certain that Spain will not recede, and it is difficult to see what benefit will be derived from war." The *Matin* publishes an interview with an important Spanish official, who is quoted as saying: "Spain regards the situation with calmness and resolution, ready to meet any contingency. With Spain the present question is one of honor. She will strain every nerve if it means war." Commenting upon the situation the *Matin* says: "Spain's indignation is justified, but we advise her not to take extreme decisions by which she would injure her own interests. The Americans are accustomed to these superb declarations, but they are often without effect, as in the case of Venezuela." The *Estaff* trusts President Cleveland will reflect before proclaiming the independence of Cuba, adding: "Spain will not allow herself to be intimidated by the American senate."

#### An Unknown Victim.

WAUSAU, Wis., March 5.—In one of the wards of Riverside hospital is a young, well dressed and evidently refined woman suffering from a terrible wound extending across the skull and face. She is unconscious and will probably die, the doctors say. She was found in the street Monday night and has not since recovered consciousness. A buggy stood near by with blood stains on the seat. The only clue to the girl's identity was in the initials on her clothing, but who she is is unknown. When seen early the woman was in company with a man that can not be found. It is said the young lady came from Stevens Point with the man, who is now being searched for.

#### Spain's Flag Burned.

LEADVILLE, Col., March 6.—There was most intense excitement in this city last night when the news came of the burning of the American flag in Madrid. The news came while the ice palace festivities were in progress and spread like wildfire. Hundreds quickly assembled in front of the Herald-Democrat office. There was some difficulty in securing a flag of Spain, but finally one was discovered in the stock of a drygoods merchant, and the crowd quickly found kindling wood and the emblem of the Spanish was laid on it. While the crowd sang "America" and "Columbia" the flag of Spain was consumed in ashes.

#### Satoli's Reception.

DENVER, Col., March 6.—The reception to Cardinal Satoli in Denver has been a perfect ovation. He was accompanied from Santa Fe by Archbishop Chappelle and Father Francolon, and at Colorado Springs he was met by Father Malone, editor of the Colorado Catholic, who provided a special Pullman to bring him to Denver. At the depot here he was met by Bishop Matz and a large concourse of citizens. Immediately after the arrival of the party a reception was given attended by hundreds of Catholics.

#### Oklahoma Prairie Fires.

PERRY, Ok., March 4.—Damaging prairie fires have been raging the past six days in Ponca, Otoe and Osage Indian countries in the eastern part of the Cherokee strip and west of here. Several houses and some fine horses have been destroyed.

## GEYSER CITY WELLS.

### WATER STRATUM STRUCK AT A DEPTH OF 1830 FEET.

Waco Has Another Artesian Well—The Yield is 750,000 Gallons a Day—The Largest Industrial Organization in the World to Convene at Fort Worth.

WACO, Tex., March 9.—At a depth of 1830 feet the drill in the new artesian well struck the water stratum yesterday and when the drill was taken out the hot steam gushed thirty feet into the air and, falling over, formed a cascade resembling a mammoth sheet of fine spun glass. The water is intended by the corporation for making ice and beer. It is emitted at a pressure of nearly sixty pounds to the inch. The well will yield about 750,000 gallons a day. It is located within half a block of the Cotton Belt freight depot in a manufacturing quarter of the city. The ice and brewing company's yard was crowded all day with spectators. After allowing the public to watch the spouting well the sand buckets were put to work, and many car loads of white sand were removed in order to leave a spacious opening at the bottom of the casing. Mr. J. E. Eagan, the manager of the corporation took the temperature yesterday afternoon, and found the water to be 103 degrees, which is the same as the other wells.

#### To Convene Tuesday.

FORT WORTH, Tex., March 9.—Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock President A. P. Bush will convene the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas in convention. This body to-day is one of the largest if not the largest industrial organization in the civilized world in the point of magnitude of the interests represented, not even barring the famous organization of the sheep men Australia. Up to less than two years ago it was considered that the Australian sheep men had an organization eclipsing this in point of the magnitude of the interests involved, but the Texas Stock and Farm Journal took the question up and after much correspondence ascertained that the Australian organization represented approximately \$50,000,000, while this, in March, 1895, represented an aggregate wealth of \$90,000,000.

#### Sabine Pass Harbor.

BEAUMONT, Tex., March 10.—Mr. C. J. Edwards, manager of the dredge boat at Sabine Pass, was in the city yesterday evening and says that the Sabine Pass channel will have a depth over the entire length of the bar of twenty-five feet in two weeks. Mr. Edwards has had years of experience in this line of work and has covered the entire Atlantic seaboard from Maine to the Rio Grande, and says that the Sabine Pass harbor is the prettiest he has ever seen. He thinks by extending the jetties with points outward a permanent and increasing depth of over the twenty-five feet will be secured.

#### Cattlemen Congregating.

FORT WORTH, Tex., March 6.—The advance guard of the cattle raisers arrived here yesterday. From the rooms engaged the outlook is for a large attendance of Texas visitors. Stockmen report that cattle have wintered splendidly, with but small losses, comparatively speaking, up to this time. It is also learned that losses during the past year by reason of disease have been greater than ever before, and a discussion of these matters, together with an interchange of ideas touching causes and remedies, will be highly interesting as well as instructive and productive of good.

#### A Special Election.

LAREDO, Tex., March 10.—Senator E. A. Atlee, chairman of the democratic executive committee, has issued a call to the chairmen of the democratic executive committees of the counties composing the Eleventh congressional district for a convention to be held at Corpus Christi, Texas, on March 24, 1896, to nominate a candidate for election to congress for the unexpired term of the late Hon. W. H. Crain.

#### Big Crowd at Fort Worth.

FORT WORTH, Tex., March 10.—By noon yesterday there were more people in Fort Worth for the cattle convention than were present at any time during the meeting last year. All arriving trains since that time have greatly augmented the throng and the result is that not a room is to be had at any hotel in the city, and private residences are being drawn upon to accommodate the visitors.

#### Fell Dead While Plowing.

BURTON, Tex., Feb. 7.—Mr. John P. Derrick, Sr., an old and much respected citizen, who resided three miles west of Burton, fell dead behind his plow Thursday about 11 o'clock. The cause of death is supposed to have been heart failure.

#### Young Thompson was Wounded at Kiowa a Few Days Ago.

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#### A Banker Shot.

MEMPHIS, Tex., March 4.—Yesterday at noon W. M. Pardue, a prominent lawyer and John R. Jones, a banker at this place became involved in a difficulty, during which the latter received the painful but not necessarily fatal pistol shot wounds, one entering the right temple, ranging downward and coming out of the mouth, shattering the jawbone, another passing through the fleshy part of the shoulder, and the other striking the hip. Nat B. Jones was also shot in the leg, but not seriously hurt. Last night at 7 o'clock John B. Jones and Nat B. Jones were resting easy and the doctor says their wounds are not necessarily fatal. The details and the cause of the trouble are hard to obtain, as there are several reports in circulation. W. M. Pardue was arrested at once and waived examining trial. He was allowed bail in the sum of \$2000 on the charge of shooting R. J. Jones, and \$1000 on the charge of shooting Nat B. Jones. W. F. Scarborough was present and was also arrested on similar charges. His bonds were placed at \$1000 and \$500 respectively. A later report says that John R. Jones, died at 8 o'clock last evening.

#### Execution Will be Made Public.

TAYLOR, Tex., March 7.—Sheriff Henry Purl of Georgetown was in Taylor yesterday and stated that the execution of Matt Mootry and Albert Rolley, colored, at Georgetown on the 20th instant, for the murder of Andrew Prickryl last May, that the construction of the Williamson county jail would not permit of the execution within the walls of the building, the ceilings being too low for a sufficient drop or fall, and that he was adverse to performing the execution in the jail yard within the sight and hearing of his family, with the consequent excitement and demonstrations which unavoidably would be incident thereto; that he had shown a proper appreciation of the petition of the citizens of Georgetown asking for a private execution, but for the facts before stated the gallows will be erected on the outskirts on or near the banks of the San Gabriel river, and that no efforts will be made to keep any one away who might wish to witness the execution.

#### Shot Through Mistake.

GALVESTON, Tex., March 5.—Last night William Stepany, a negro, was shot through the body near Twenty-seventh street and Avenue Q. Stepany stepped from a car at Twenty-seventh street and Avenue Q. An officer who has been on the lookout for a negro charged with shooting his wife, thought that Stepany looked like the negro wanted. He followed him and called him to stop. The negro paid no attention to the officer's demands and the latter shot, the ball passing through his abdomen from the rear, inflicting a probable fatal wound. Stepany was first taken to his home near by and from there taken in the patrol wagon to the Sealy hospital. A reporter learned from the Sealy hospital that the condition of the wounded man is very serious. He is not able to make a statement and there is little or no hope for his recovery. No arrest on account of the shooting was made up to 1 o'clock last night.

#### Boy Blown to Pieces.

PARIS, Tex., March 5.—News reached here last night of the horrible death of a lead a few miles below Deport, in Red River county, on Saturday last. The lad was 15 years old, and in company with another lad, aged 9, he went hunting. They carried a double barreled shotgun, one barrel of which was loaded with buck shot and the other with bird shot. Before they had discharged either barrel they stopped in the woods to set a bird trap. The elder boy, named Hopkins, handed the gun to his companion to hold while he adjusted the trap. The younger boy was in the rear of Hopkins. He dropped the gun through accident and both barrels were discharged, taking effect in the body of Hopkins. All of his face was blown away and a large portion of his head. He lived but a few minutes.

#### To Reduce Acreage.

DEVINE, Tex., March 6.—On account of the constant decrease in the price of cotton the farmers of this (Medina) county have adopted resolutions to decrease their cotton acreage, believing in the theory that with less cotton and better prices they will obtain more money for their crop. A reduction in the acreage of cotton will correspondingly increase the acreage of corn, and the farmers are thoroughly convinced that an over production of corn is not so disastrous as an overproduction of cotton. The estimated reduction in cotton acreage is now about 25 per cent less than was contemplated two or three months ago.

#### Cut to Death.

BENCHLEY, Tex., March 5.—Henry Reed, colored, was cut to death in a difficulty here with another colored man. Reed was ripped open with a briar hook. The alleged cutter was arrested.

## SINGULAR CASE OF TELEPATHY

### One's Instance of Thought Transference Which Created Much Marvel.

From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat: "A strange case of telepathy came under my observation recently," said a well-known telegrapher to a group of listeners at the Planter's the other day. "Some years ago there lived in the city an operator and newspaper man named Johnstone, who met with an accident that disabled him from work for some months. Not being very well fixed financially, his little savings were soon exhausted in meeting current expenses and paying doctor's bills, until at last he did not have a cent in the world, and was not yet strong enough to hustle for a living. In this extremity Johnstone approached an acquaintance and told him the situation, and asked for a loan until he could get on his feet again. This was some six or seven years ago. May, the man approached by Johnstone, advanced sufficient money to pay outstanding claims and tide over for a few days until he could look around and find something to do. This was the last seen of Johnstone in St. Louis; he disappeared as completely as though swallowed up in the earth, some of his former acquaintances knowing what had become of him. Now comes the strange part of this story. Monday, Dec. 30 last, I met May on the street, and during the course of conversation he casually inquired for Johnstone, asked if I knew what had become of him, saying that he could not get him out of his head—had been thinking of him all day. I replied that I did not know whether he was living or dead, had not heard anything about him since he disappeared from St. Louis some six years ago. May then related his financial dealings with Johnstone, and we parted. New Year's evening a letter was received by May postmarked at a small town in Colorado, written by Johnstone, and containing an express money order for the full amount of the claim. The letter was dated Dec. 30, the very day May had made inquiry of me as to whether I knew anything about Johnstone, whether he was alive or dead. How do I account for it? It is too much for me."

## FABLE THAT POINTS A MORAL.

### Why the Beaver and the King of Beasts Respected the Dog.

One day in a forest a lion, a beaver and a dog met in council. They each began telling their special virtues, writes James Marion Brannin in an exchange.

"I," said the lion, "am the king of all beasts. By the power of my strength I rule all others. With a stroke of my paw the ox falls stunned. Man trembles with terror at the sight of me."

"And I," said the beaver, "am more to be commended. No patient or nor wise man has ever received harm from me. I have learned a better way. By industry do I live. I hew tall trees and build great barns and wonderful houses. I need neither cowardly theft nor cruel murder to make myself powerful."

The dog, who had been accidentally cast with the others, now spoke: "Neither do I kill nor build. I am one hated by my fellow creatures. But, despite this, I can love and show gratitude and affection. I will stick to my master through all trials; I will risk my life to save his; will never murmur under ill treatment, and can be of much use to him when he is in need. Is this not to be preferred to industry or valor? Is not fidelity a far more beautiful virtue?"

The mighty monarch and the humble toiler looked with wonder at the hated animal and the lion strode off, saying, "Is not sacrifice for others better than selfish theft?"

Then the beaver left, with these words: "Is it not better to be patient than to be able to hew mighty trees?"

And the dog said to himself: "Is it not better to suffer ills that cannot be avoided than to cause other ills to come to pass?"

## Lives of Animals.

Buffon, Flourens, Humboldt and a great many other eminent naturalists, scientists, etc., were of the opinion that the natural limit of earthly existence among the animal creation is five times as long as the time expended by them in reaching maturity. Buffon gives the following table to substantiate that peculiar belief. The camel grows for eight years, lives forty; the horse grows for five years, lives twenty-five; the ox grows for four years, lives fifteen to twenty; the lion grows for four years, lives twenty; the dog grows for two years, lives ten to twelve; the man grows for twenty years, lives one hundred.

## A Floating Chapel.

A floating chapel has just been fitted up at Kuttawa, Ky., to make evangelizing voyages along the Cumberland, Ohio and Mississippi rivers. The minister, Rev. Walter Marshall, who was at one time a commercial traveler, will take his family with him and will pay part of his expenses, if not all, he hopes, by doing such work as he can find at the places where he stops. His expenses will be very light.



**LOCAL NEWS.**

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs.  
 A. D. Lipscomb made a trip to Groveton this week.  
 Everything in the saddlery line can be found at J. T. Dawes.  
 Dr. C. W. Allen, a prominent citizen of Lovelady, died in that town on March 6th.  
 Buy a fire insurance policy in one of the old line companies represented by D. M. Craddock.  
 A complete line of furniture, coffins and caskets always on hand at **SHIVERS BROS.**  
 Rev. W. M. Gaddy has returned from Lufkin where he conducted a highly successful religious meeting.  
 A fine line of Oxfords just arrived at the Racket Store.  
**MISTROT BROS. & Co.**

Board and lodging \$4 per week. Day board and lodging one dollar. Single meal 25cts.  
**NEW RESTAURANT.**  
 Miss Virgie Gaddy and Miss Daisy Custer, who have been visiting at Lufkin and Nacogdoches have returned to the city.  
 J. T. Dawes has the largest and most complete stock of saddles and harness ever brought to Crockett, at prices lower than the lowest.  
 A petition was circulated in Crockett this week requesting W. H. Gill, Esq., of Palestine, to be a candidate for judge of this judicial district.  
 We have the best shoe for \$1 in the state of Texas.  
**MISTROT BROS. & Co.**  
 There will be twelve negroes on the venire from which a jury will be selected to try Bill Hart, indicted for rape. The case is set for April 1st.  
 New goods coming in almost daily at the Racket Store.  
**MISTROT BROS. & Co.**

The grand jury adjourned last Saturday evening until Monday, March 23rd. That body found fourteen indictments, ten for felonies and four for misdemeanors during the week it was in session.  
 Eat at New Restaurant. Best meals in city, 25cts.  
**J. B. FIFER, Manager.**  
 If you want your saddles and harness repaired neatly take them to J. T. Dawes.  
 J. D. John of Coltharp, and J. D. Caskey of Grapeland, were callers at the COURIER office since our last issue.  
 J. V. Collins and F. H. Bayne have returned from Pecos City in far western Texas where they went as witnesses in the J. W. Prewett case, which was continued.  
 I am representing the well-known and high class tailoring houses, Mills & Averill of St. Louis, and Lamm & Co. of Chicago. Having had several years' actual experience in the business, I can safely guarantee satisfaction in every respect. **J. F. DOWNES.**  
 Miss Kate Moore has accepted a position as saleslady with Mistrot Bros. & Co. Tom Gaddy and Tom Hill have also taken places with this house.

**CASH! CASH!  
 CASH!**

Car TEXAS RED RUST PROOF OATS bright and of the very best quality 30 cent per bushel. Car FLOUR received before the big advance, sell at old PRICES. Car salt 200 lbs 90c, 100 lbs 50 cents. SHOES, SHOES, you will save money if you will price before buying. CLOTHING and spring goods coming in daily. The PROOF is calling and seeing for yourself.  
**R. M. ATKINSON.**

**ALL ABOUT  
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 Almighty Dollar.**

**It's the Many That Have Too Few and the Few Too Many.**

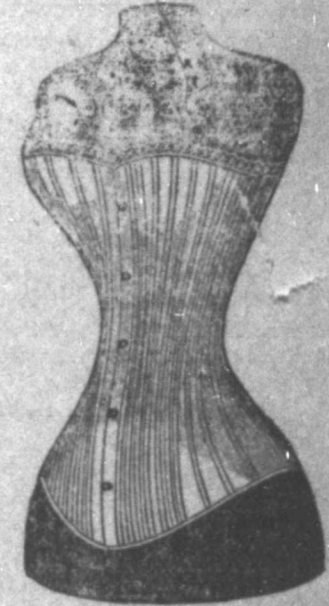
Big prices will not do in these times when even the wealthy can not afford to waste their money and the poor require double duty of every dollar and every penny.  
 We are proud to say that our shrewd and up-to-date buying, knowing when, where and how to buy, enables us to sell later styles in better goods for less money than any of the old merchants who boast of what they have made as reward for your past patronage and the high prices you have paid them, and will even now try to make you believe they will sell you cheap. This will not do, talk is too cheap—trade where you can buy the most, the prettiest and above all the best for the least money.

**Business Is Our Aim and Value Our Motto. We wish to call your attention to the only Chance for you to buy a brand new suit for almost half first cost.**

We have just received 360 suits of clothes in men's, youth's and boys', some of which are much finer than were ever brought to Crockett. All of which are the latest styles in Frocks, Sacks, Square Cuts and Prince Alberts. These goods we had made to order and bought them at first for less money than clothing was ever known to sell for. But in shipping from New York to Galveston the cases got damp and were supposed to be damaged. We positively refused to accept these goods until we were offered from \$1.50 to \$5.00 per suit off of each suit, owing to their value, making a rebate of about 50 per cent. These goods are now perfectly dry and you can not tell that anything about them got wet but the price. Call and you will soon be convinced that this is your only chance to buy a suit—coat, vest and pants for a man any size from 35 to 42 worth \$3.00 for \$1.50, a six dollar suit for \$3.50, a \$11.00 suit for \$6.00 and so on up to the finest \$20.00 suit ever brought to Crockett for \$11.00. Don't buy old stock, moth eaten and full of dust when we will sell you a new suit for half the money.  
 When you need a shirt it will pay you to see our full dress laundered white shirt for 40cts each. Negliges nicely finished with laundered collars and cuffs, 30cts each. Celluloid collars 5cts each, cuffs 10cts pair; nice ties 6-for 5cts, real nice in colors 2 for 5cts.



Ladies, call and see our line of new spring dress goods, every thing new and late. Batiste, Crapon, Dimity, Organdy Lawn and Swiss in all colors or quality, Swans Down dress flannel 20 yards for \$1.00, Challie in colors 30 yards for \$1.00. We have shirt waists, nicely finished, fast colors, neatly laundered 35cts each. If you want something fine and in the latest styles take nothing but the Monarch brand. Call and see them.  
**SHOES, LAST FALL** when you would ask for shoes it was on the end of every merchant's and clerk's tongue to say shoes had gone up. Now we are glad that we are able to bring the good news that shoes have gone down. We have just received a big line at cut prices and we can now sell a Glove Grain button or lace nicely finished for 70cts per pair, Oil Grain Climax, no seam in back, front well sewed and riveted, all solid leather 75cts per pair; Dongola button well made and nicely finished, soft, smooth goods 75cts per pair, same patent leather tip 75cts pair, cloth top, patent leather tip 75cts pair; Oxford ties 3 to 8 for ladies, 40cts per pair. Ladies if you want a pair of the only late style ties in town try the John Kelly; remember we give a 25ct bottle of Whitmore's Dandy polish with every pair of tans we sell.



Those who have worn the F. P. Corset say they will have no other.

**McLEAN & WILSON, —:— Crockett, Texas.**

**Spring Opening.**  
 If you are anxious to get a perfect fitting suit and one out in the latest style, call on J. F. Downes. Among his regular customers are a large number of the best dressers of Crockett and vicinity.  
 Call on Craddock & Co. for the best and cheapest barb wire and staples. Keep on hand good supply of nails, farming implements, groceries, dry goods, etc., at bed rock prices. Give us a trial.  
 District court met Monday, but very little business was transacted. The case against Lee Burton, (col.), indicted for murder, was set for Thursday, March 26th, and a special venire of forty men ordered. An indictment against Ed. King, (col.), charged with murder, was returned and King gave bond in the sum of \$1000. Court adjourned until Thursday and Judge Burnett went to Galveston.  
 Last Saturday Rev. W. M. Gaddy received a telegram from Martindale, Caldwell county, announcing that his nephew Clint, son of Bev. C. C. Gaddy had been drowned the day previous in the San Marcos river while attempting to cross it on horseback. The unfortunate young man was about eighteen years of age. His body was recovered.  
 Miss Goodgion desires to thank her friends and the public for their past patronage and is pleased to say she has secured the services of a very proficient trimmer, Mrs. LeGros of Houston. Many ladies have pleasing recollections of the beautiful creations of fancy made by her skillful fingers in Mrs. Beasley's establishment two seasons ago. She is also quite as experienced and artistic in dressmaking and all the little accessories of a lady's fashionable toilet. We desire a liberal share of the public patronage.

We beg to inform you that on the 27th and 28th of this month we will have on display our entire stock of Millinery and Dress Goods. Everybody invited. Come one, come all.  
 Respectfully,  
**SHIVERS BROS.**

**Picture Moulding.**  
 The Furniture Store has just received a beautiful assortment of picture moulding. They have the latest improved machine for making frames. Bring them your pictures and have them framed in any style of moulding.  
 Don't forget the Spring Opening at Shivers Bros. March 27-28. Everybody invited.  
**Bucklin's Arnica Salve.**  
 The best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

**J. E. DOWNES**  
**SAYS:**  
 That his effort to please by furnishing a better line of goods of a first-class quality has been appreciated by the public generally, and that his trade is double what it was a year ago. He is trying to educate his patrons up to a higher standard by furnishing and keeping a better and higher grade of goods. That low prices and good values given for the same make his patrons his friends.  
 We do not give away goods, but we do buy close, sell close, and buy from headquarters for strictly cash. Please call and see us and price our goods. Respectfully,  
**J. E. DOWNES.**  
 Craddock & Co. have just opened their Spring Stock of Goods of all kinds Give us a call.

**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.**  
**Easter.**  
 Buy your Easter hats at W. V. McConnell's. The largest assortment can be found there.  
 Have J. T. Dawes repair your saddles and harness at hard time prices. All work guaranteed.  
 All parties who have cotton seed to sell please bring them in to the mill by March 15, as we will close the season by that time.  
 Respectfully,  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**  
 Try our A. A. A. 1 Flour. Every barrel and sack warranted. None better.  
**J. E. DOWNES.**  
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 Family orders solicited for oysters, bread etc., at New Restaurant.  
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 Make complete abstracts to land in Houston County and the city of Crockett on short notice.  
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 Office in Racket Store, Crockett, Tex.  
 If you have Real Estate or property of any description, no matter where located, to sell or exchange place it in my hands and I will find you a purchaser. If you want to buy property of any kind see or write me before buying.  
 Property Rented, Rents Collected, Etc.

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**MADDEN & LIPSCOMB, ::: Attorneys-at-Law, :::**  
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 Preparing deeds and like instruments, and making abstracts to land titles a specialty. Collections solicited, prompt attention guaranteed.  
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# THE COURIER,

W. B. PAGE, Editor.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the action of the democratic party:

For District Attorney of Third Judicial District:

A. W. EWING,  
of Anderson County.  
J. M. CROOK,  
of Houston County.

For District Clerk,  
JOHN H. ELLIS.  
COL. ALDRICH, JR.  
TONY GOSSETT.

For County Judge,  
J. F. DUREN.  
A. D. LIPSCOMB.

For County Clerk,  
N. E. ALLBRIGHT.

For County Treasurer,  
J. B. ELLIS.  
G. H. BAYNE.

For Assessor of Taxes:  
D. J. CATER.  
GAIL CLINTON.

For Tax Collector,  
JOHN R. FOSTER.  
S. E. HOWARD,  
J. R. SHERIDAN.

For Sheriff,  
G. M. WALLER.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1.  
T. C. LIVELY.  
R. T. MURCHISON,

For Constable Prec. No. 1.  
C. R. BAGGETT.

## JUDGE BURNETT AND THE COURIER.

It seems altogether impossible for Judge Burnett and the COURIER to get along with that degree of amiability and civility which should prevail between those presuming to represent the highest aims and best interests of society, as a pure and upright judge and a conscientious and fearless newspaper are presumed to do. On more than one occasion we have avowed our esteem for the judge on the ground of personal qualities, and our admiration for his more than mediocre professional attainments.

When this paper ventures into the domain of personal journalism it is for the sole purpose of reproving the conduct of such person as a public functionary or its consequences as affecting the public good. The press and its freedom of expression constitute the protection of popular rights and society, and the paper which hasn't the conscience and the nerve to show up any maladministration in public affairs, especially in the administration of justice, doesn't deserve patronage or even existence. The COURIER has always stood for the best interests of society—their growth, promotion and protection, and to this end has always demanded a rigid and scrupulous compliance with and enforcement of laws from all officials of whatever political persuasion, and has never failed to reprove the semblance even of any corruption or crookedness in the conduct of any official. The differences between Judge Burnett and the COURIER began after the judge made his first speech in the campaign two years ago. All will remember the extraordinary and unheard of bid for votes which the judge made in those remarkable speeches when he said that "if he were elected judge he would organize jury commissions on political lines," giving as his reason therefor that the negroes for years under democratic administrations had been denied their proper and lawful rights of sitting on the juries of the country, and as a sequence therefrom had been deprived

of their constitutional rights before our courts.

This was an amazing proposition! No one had ever heard of such a declaration before from a candidate for judge. The laws of Texas didn't contemplate such a procedure, much less authorize or direct such an organization of jury commissions. Almost universally the conclusion was at once jumped at that the man who would stand before a public assembly and seriously avow himself as in favor of so constituting jury commissions was more interested in gathering in all the votes that could be had than he was in seeing justice done to an alleged unjustly treated element of our population.

This issue of the COURIER contains a card from Judge Burnett. In this card he seeks to justify his unheard-of procedure for organizing jury commissions by a federal law enacted in 1879. In thus appealing for his defense to the federal statute, Judge Burnett confesses that he is violating the spirit if not the letter of the laws of Texas on this subject, for our laws do not authorize or contemplate the adoption of such methods. And the fact that such a statute was necessary to give force and life to such an agency in our federal courts, proves that the absence of such a statute in the laws of Texas shows that our law-makers not only did not authorize such a plan of constituting juries and jury commissions, but were actually opposed to it. But there is another feature of this federal statute, and the more important one, to which we call Judge Burnett's attention, and which furnishes, as Judge Burnett must know, the true reason for its enactment.

For a long period succeeding the war the people of the South had been greatly and infamously oppressed through the instrumentality of a partisan judiciary and partisan juries. As a means, in part, of protecting the South from persecution by courts and juries, constituted, the courts, from one section and one political party, and the juries from one political party exclusively, and organized to prosecute and persecute, too, for sectional and partisan effect and advantage, this law was enacted. Such a law was not on the statute books before the war, nor is it much observed to-day, for the reason that the sectional rancor and party animosity which existed in 1879 and which sought to subvert sectional and party ends more than the administration of justice, do not exist now. But here comes Judge Burnett in the year 1894-'96; thirty years after the close of the war, the passions and prejudices which it engendered dead, and seeks to revive political and race prejudices. And for what? The better to aid in the enforcement of law and dispensing an even and exact justice? Is that his purpose? Or is it the more glaring one of making his election to office sure? We will let the public judge. And again: Is Judge Burnett holding office under the federal laws or those of Texas? If the former, then he can properly appeal to such an act for a vindication of his erratic and unjustifiable course. If the latter, he can not, because the conditions which existed and made such a statute eminently proper and necessary then, have no force to-day.

In the COURIER of last week we had occasion for the second time to criticize the application of Judge Burnett's new (patented) method of organizing jury commissions and juries, and administering justice generally. We referred to the work of this commission as "rotten through and through." This is not

the first time that we have had something to say about that jury-commission and its labors, nor is it the first commission organized under Judge Burnett's new (patented) process that we have submitted remarks on.

Judge Burnett can not have overlooked an article in the COURIER in December or November last, in which we showed up the methods of the last jury commission and some very extraordinary and illegal proceedings had then. Judge Burnett knew of the things we said then, and they were substantially the same as we repeated last week. Then, knowing these things, why did he not charge the grand jury at the opening of the present term, to investigate these charges? And why should he wait until the charges are reiterated before he orders an investigation? This seems not a little singular, and not a few good people wonder at the as yet inexplicable delay.

Now Judge Burnett proceeds in his card, and with his customary unctuous dexterity, slavers all over the members of the commission, and seeks by adroit indirectness to make them believe that the COURIER had charged them individually with corruption.

The COURIER has made no such sweeping charge, but it stands flat-footed on what it did say and has no apology to make to the court or the grand jury, as requested by Judge Burnett. The editor of the COURIER is ready to appear before the grand jury to tell all he knows and to give the sources of his information. More than this he can not do. What this paper said was based on information from witnesses whose character for honor and veracity is as high as that of any men in the county. One of these witnesses informed the writer that he was in the room when the jury commission was in session; that it was on the first day of their sitting he was there; that they had been in but a few minutes; that he saw in the hands of one of the commissioners a list of names evidently intended for a list to be put in and used by them; that the name he saw heading the list is a juror at this term of court. Others saw the same thing, and the writer is reliably informed that there was a decidedly warm controversy among the commissioners themselves over the presentation by one of the commissioners, of a list of names that had been manifestly prepared on the outside by an outside party.

Now, since Judge Burnett has ordered an investigation, let the grand jury have the commissioners themselves before them. They can tell some very interesting things.

OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL & GREAT NORTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY, PALESTINE, TEXAS, Feb. 6, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Regular Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the International & Great Northern Railroad Company will be held at the office of the Company, at Palestine, Texas, on Monday, April 6th, 1896, at 11 o'clock a. m., pursuant to the By-Laws of the Company, for the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting.

Notice is also hereby given that the regular Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the International & Great Northern Railroad Company will be held at the office of the Company, at Palestine, Texas, on Monday, April 6th, 1896, at 12 o'clock, noon, pursuant to the By-Laws of the Company, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

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