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EDISON'S GREATEST TRIUMPH

The Tireless Inventor at Last Succeeds in Looking into the Lungs and Heart With the Naked Eye as Easily as One Reads.

Physicians May Now See the Internal Organs of the Body as Easily as a Dentist Sees a Tooth.

New York Journal.

Mr. Edison last Friday succeeded in penetrating the human body with the naked eye. He looked into the heart and lungs, and examined the arteries, the blood vessels and muscles of one of his assistants.

Mr. Edison has, perhaps, reached the crowning glory of his life—he has opened the door which at once revolutionizes and and incalculably widens the horizon of the medical world.

The great inventor has fulfilled the promise made to the world through the Sunday Journal one week ago—he has laid bare to the eye of the physician and the surgeon every organ and tissue and bone of the human body. The simplest mind can grasp what this means in the diagnosis, the treatment, and the actual observation of the progress of the internal diseases.

It is very simple to Mr. Edison. With the powerful cathode light behind his patient he gazes through a screen of prepared chemicals and sees every organ of the body as plainly as he sees the dishes on his dinner table.

If his subject stands close to the light nothing whatever is seen—the light goes through bones and everything, just as sunlight goes through glass.

If the patient steps a foot or two away from the light the human skeleton stands revealed.

A step further from the light, and the muscles, tissues and organs of the body appear as plainly as if there were no outside covering of flesh.

And so on as the distance from the light and the focus is changed. Mr. Edison is now completing a fluorescent screen eight feet high, which will enable him to see all this from the top of your head to the sole of your feet.

Through the Journal last Sunday Mr. Edison told how he could, with proper arrangements, see through a block of wood eight inches thick. It was a mere filmish shadow at that time that could be seen. Now an eight-inch block of wood offers no more impediment than a lace veil. Last week Mr. Edison was experimenting to find a fluorescent screen.

"When I find that, in its most perfect form I shall see anything I want to see as soon as the light tubes are perfected."

The screen has been found and Mr. Edison has made good his promise.

"Here," he said, pointing to a great box-like structure the size of a door, "that is my screen. I will have a man step in front of that, put four or five Crookes tubes behind him, and you or I or a surgeon will look through him as clean

and as clear as though he were made of gauze."

"Head and all?"

"Yes, sir, head and all. We can look through his eyes into his skull, and see everything that is to be seen there. A physician may diagnose his case in an instant. He will simply put his man before the screen, and then penetrate him through from head to foot."

The fluorescent substance used by Mr. Edison, and declared by him to be the most perfect thing of the kind discovered by him so far, is tungstate of calcium; in other words, tungstate and lime. The two substances are fused in a furnace, and at the proper degree of heat form little crystals, perhaps one eighth of the size of a French pea. These crystals are glued to a piece of paper by means of collodium, a transparent celluloid paint. In the case of the huge screen that Mr. Edison is building for taking at a glance the entire internal organization of a man, the crystal would be spread directly on an inch plank.

A RAY OF WONDROUS POWER.

At three feet from the row of Crooke's tubes, let us say, the rays are so powerful that they will penetrate everything and show nothing on the screen but a vague shadow. Then at four feet matters become more distinct; the rays are not so powerful and show an outline of the bone. At five feet—we see the bones distinctly; they are no longer penetrated. At six feet we see the bones and internal organs of the body. And so we proceed until we get the proper focus. If it is desired to cut off the entire body except a certain portion which we desire specially to examine, nothing is easier. We put up a shutter, just as we do in a camera, and shut off everything that is not to come under observation."

Mr. Edison had run out for a few moments from the dark room in which he was experimenting and was searching after a new chemical that was to be used in the test. He got what he wanted, and, after watching the X rays come up and die down and come up again in the Crooke's tubes that were on the pumps for exhaustion, he said:

"Now, there you are. Turn on the current, Brown," to his assistant. "That looks perfect, doesn't it? As far as we can see, we have there the X rays, the same conditions that exist when we get out our best results. That's what is confusing, for when you take this screen and look through it everything is pitch dark, perfectly black. Try it yourself."

The wizard handed me the screen, which is a miniature of the big screen which he proposes to use for his life-size examination. It looked not unlike the hopper of a small cider mill.

"That," explained Mr. Edison, as he passed the screen along, "is the most familiar form in which to get up the screen for experimental work."

What would have been the open end of the hopper in a cider mill was covered with glazed pasteboard, such as is used in the manufacture of government document boxes, letter files, etc. This pasteboard face was six inches square. On the inside it was covered with the tungstate crystals. Where the

sloping sides of the hopper-like screen met, a slit about five inches long and an inch wide was left for the eyes. Looking through this slit everything was pitch dark inside. Not a gleam of light was visible.

"Now we'll go in here in this other room, where we have got a tube that is fairly good, but only fairly, and you shall see the difference." The tube in question was mounted and connected to the powerful current that was on tap. In a few seconds a purplish blue light became visible. It gradually changed to a pale yellow.

"Try the screen now," said Mr. Edison.

Instead of the black darkness there was a brilliant white patch of light. It was intense, without being at all blinding. It was rather cold and lifeless, having much the same effect that moonlight might have if it were intensified fifty fold.

"Put your hand to the face of the screen. Do you see anything?"

What I saw almost made me jump back. There was every bone in my hand, as clear and distinct and clean-cut as if there had never been any flesh on it. At first it seemed rather horrible, this skeleton hand. But the sensation of horror soon quieted down, and there was an intense fascination in thus being able to see the bones. The knuckle joints showed as plainly as did the larger bones. Every line and curve could be easily traced. Between the bones of the hand were wide space, such as are seen in the hands of skeletons in museums. Nothing was left of the tissue. In my absorption of this startling, novel spectacle, I forgot everything else until I heard Mr. Edison say: "Now try your wrist. Don't mind about moving your coat sleeve or taking off your cuffs. They form no impediment."

The screen was shifted to the wrist over the coat and cuff and shirt and everything else. The bones stood out as distinctly as they had on the naked hands.

A MARVEL OF PENETRATION.

Up and down the screen was shifted, reaching the elbow and then the shoulder, and still the wonderful rays went through everything, just as if there had been no clothing or flesh there.

To what slight extent solid substances affect the passage of the X rays when the fluorescent screen is used was demonstrated by holding first, a magazine, then a two-inch plank between the screen and my hand. I first focused my hand alone. Then I slipped the magazine in and the hand still stood clear and distinct. Apparently the magazine, which was certainly over half an inch thick, offered no more obstruction than if I had been so much cobweb. Next I tried the two-inch plank. Through this, too, the X rays went as easily and clearly and brightly as they had through the magazine, and the outline of the bones of the hand remained perfectly clear.

"What I want," he says, "is this: A man comes to a surgeon with a bullet in his arm; the surgeon takes his X ray lamp and his fluorescent screen then and there locates the bullet. He looks through

the bone, if necessary, and sees just where it is. We've got that far already. Now, why should he want to photograph that; simply a useless waste of time. Again, a man comes with a broken arm; a screen is fitted to the surgeon's eyes, the X ray lamp is turned on and he can work with his eyes open, so to speak, for he can see the fracture. He can see how to set the bones; see exactly whether they join or not; see just as clearly as the cabinet maker who glues together two pieces of wood. What would be use of photography in that case? I am done with the photographic end of it entirely. As for the other end—well, perhaps we may show you something before long that may be considered legitimately surprising."

Judge Burnett Replies.

CROCKETT, TEXAS, APRIL 6, 1896.

Editor Courier:

The purpose of the law requiring jurors to be kept together is to prevent their improper conduct. The implication is that sworn jurors, although intelligent citizens, and of good moral character, can not be trusted. This law has come down to us from the old English common law, which even denies to defendant in criminal cases the privilege of counsel and of testifying, and punished with death 160 offenses. One of the greatest objections urged by many good men to serving on juries is the fear of being tied up on a jury and locked up and led around by officers as if they were themselves prisoners on trial. It seems to me this is an unnecessary oppression and humiliation, and whenever I can consistently with the law as construed by our highest court relieve jurors of this relic of the dark ages, I intend to do it. The way to elevate our jury system is to treat jurors as honest, and I think our jurors can be trusted to decide a case according to the law and evidence without being locked up and compelled to eat and sleep together, and that, too, at their own expense. I hope the next legislature will repeal or amend this statute.

But another statute provides that a defendant in a felony case may waive any right secured to him by law except the constitutional right of trial by jury, and our court of criminal appeals, in *Sterling vs. State*, 15 volume, page 256, in an opinion by the lamented Judge Sam A. Willson, who was for several years our district attorney, and who also served on the district bench, said that "the defendant might waive the provision of the law requiring jurors impanelled to be kept together until the determination of the trial, but such waiver must be expressly made by the defendant himself." A similar ruling was made by our supreme court in 1872. I have in no case permitted such separation without the express consent of the defendant himself, and also of his counsel. The only objection expressed to me by the district attorney was his apprehension that the appellate court would reverse a conviction where the jury was permitted to separate, even with the consent of the defendant; but I think it is now well settled in this state that the separation of the jury, whether with or without the consent of the defendant, is no

ground for a new trial, unless the jury was guilty of misconduct, and such separation affected the fairness and impartiality of the trial.

As to the Hart case, you forgot to state that Hon. Earle Adams, Sr., our former able district attorney, who closed the argument for the State, consented in open court that the white and colored jurors could be separated, though afterwards the other counsel representing the State opposed it, and notwithstanding the consent of the defendant and his attorneys, all the jurors were kept together in the court house for three nights. I have no criticism to make of the special judge in this case, "but I should like for you to give me one sensible reason why it is essential to the ends of justice that jurors should all be compelled to eat and sleep in the same room from the beginning of the trial until a verdict is returned? And is not this complaint of my course made purely for political effect?"

I have never heard of any misconduct on the part of a single juror permitted to separate, nor of any prejudice to the State or defendant by reason of the separation. I have never had any personal or political interest to subserve in any case tried before me, and through good report or evil report I shall go on discharging my official duties conscientiously, impartially, diligently, with malice toward none and with charity for all, even including the COURIER and the few others at Crockett who seem to be still mad because I was not defeated by 2500 majority, as they said I would be.

I fear the COURIER is too intensely partisan to do even handed justice to one who does not agree with it, but nevertheless, I have always admired your general public spirit as a town and county paper, and I trust you will publish for public information the reports of the finance committee and grand jury. That part of the report of the grand jury relating to your charge against the jury commission may not be very interesting to you, but I feel sure it will be interesting to the public.

J. R. BURNETT.

Notice.

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Contract will be awarded June 1st, to the lowest bidder, to build Percilla school house. For particulars address Dr. H. S. Robertson, Percilla, Texas.

Judge Brashear, who is sitting as judge of the district court during the absence of Judge Burnett, was a pleasant caller at this office Wednesday.

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The writer learns that one or more democrats inferred from what was said in last week's COURIER about the time for electing precinct chairmen, that the chairman of this precinct was calculating on holding over for another two years. We are happy to inform the misguided gentleman that the chairman has no such purpose or desire; that six weeks or more ago he gave notice that he would not be able to serve the party again as chairman even if they wanted him to do so. He is suffering now from such honors and has no desire to have it repeated. Although the proper time for electing chairmen does not come till June, the chairman of precinct No. 1 will be glad to be relieved at the precinct convention on Saturday next.

PROGRAM

Of the Dinner to be Given on May 2 By the Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy.

A well attended and very enthusiastic meeting was held by the ladies at the residence of Mrs. J. E. Downes Saturday afternoon for the purpose of devising a program of entertainment for the large number of "old vets" who are expected to be present at the dinner to be given on the 2nd of May by the Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy, the object of which is to raise funds for the erection of a Confederate Memorial Hall at Richmond, Va. In addition to the dinner, a flower pageant, with various other attractive and appropriate features was decided upon. The flower pageant constitutes a most novel and unique attraction, and nothing like it has ever been seen in Crockett.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Wynne, who appointed the following committees to aid in carrying out the work:

COMMITTEES.

- On Reception Hall—Mrs. Van Clarke, Mrs. Hardin Bayne.
- Dining Hall—Mrs. A. H. Wootters, Miss Ethel Wootters, Mrs. R. E. Corry, Mrs. Albert Aldrich.
- On Donations—Miss Nannie Brietling, Miss Annie Wall, Mrs. Van Clarke, Mrs. Hardin Bayne, Mrs. Henrietta Wynne, Mrs. Robert Nunn, Mrs. A. D. Lipscomb, Mrs. Albert Aldrich.
- On Decorations—Mrs. A. D. Lipscomb, Mrs. J. F. Downes.
- On Barbecued Meats—Mr. N. B. Barbee.
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WELDON.

The pops opened the campaign here by giving out an appointment for two of their grand speakers on Saturday night, April 4th, also to organize.

The night came, but the party was represented by their "High Muck-a-Muck," Dr. "Jakey," alone—no visitors, no pops and no audience. Of course, he "folded his tent and silently stole away." Why the meeting did not materialize we have not heard.

The colored element will embrace the republicans again, or a good portion of them.

Dr. "Jackey" has again taken the stump for another reason. He said two years ago (when Rice Maxcy cooked his goose here) that he was done in politics, and in fact did keep out. We will get Rice down again and settle Dr. "Jakey" for good and all time to come, politically.

The democrats hold a meeting here July 11, at 2 o'clock p. m. No owl meeting in ours. Come out, democrats.

There is an High Prairie a man preaching who says he is the Christ. He has several followers, both men and women. He is getting up a crowd to go to Jerusalem, H. H. Stamps, or "Jesus Christ" is what he goes by. I think a dose of stale hen fruit applied to him in broken doses would bring him to his senses, and he could then see himself as others see him.

It is raining now and prospects are good for a season.

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Democratic Precinct Conventions Saturday, April 11. Democratic County Convention Monday, April 13.

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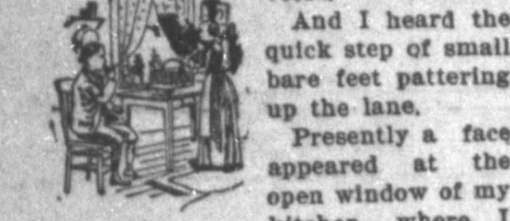
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THE STORY OF JACK.

GREENS! GREENS! Dand'lon greens!" shouted a childish voice.



And I heard the quick step of small bare feet pattering up the lane. Presently a face appeared at the open window of my kitchen, where I was busy superintending the Saturday's baking.

"Please, ma'am, don't you want a basket of fresh greens, all picked with the dew on 'em? They make a good dinner and only cost 5 cents."

Poor little manikin, I thought, to work so long and to trudge so far for 5 cents. My dinner was provided and dandelion greens were not included in the bill of fare—but how could I refuse?

"Yes, Jack, come in here and eat a doughnut while I empty your basket."

He was not slow to accept the invitation, and chattered away like a magpie every minute while he eagerly devoured several doughnuts, and looked longingly at a pan of cookies just taken from the oven.

"Thank you ma'am! You see it makes a feller awful hungry—this dand'lon business does. I like to get 'em when they're fresh and cool, before the sun has been on 'em long, so I start at 5 o'clock, and sometimes earlier, and of course I don't have any breakfast first, and when it happens that a feller hasn't had any supper the night before, it makes him feel kind o' empty like."

All this was said without a moment's pause, and, swinging his bare heels together as he sat perched upon the window, he laughed the merriest laugh in the world, which brought to the surface a great dimple hidden away in each sun-burned cheek and showed all his pretty white teeth.

"But you had your supper last night, hadn't you?"

"No, ma'am. You see there was only two potatoes to go around, and the round they had to go was mother, Susie and me—a big round for two small potatoes, don't you think so, ma'am?"

"Well, how did you manage?" I asked.

"Well, you see, ma'am, I hadn't been to school long enough to learn how to divide two potatoes between three people so that each shall have a whole one. So says I to mother, 'You take this one, and Susie and I'll handy-spandy for the other.' Then I held it behind me, and said to Susie:

"Handy-spandy, Jack-r-dandy, upper hand or lower?"

"Lower," says Susie.

"And lower it was, to be sure, 'cause I held both hands even till she answered and then dropped the one with the potato in it lower; which wasn't cheating ma'am, now was it?"

"Well, Sue, you see, didn't like to take it, for she's awful generous if she is poor, and she tried to get it back on me by saying she thought upper and it was only her lips that said lower—she meant upper all the time."

"She isn't well, Sue isn't. She's little and white, and one potato ain't much



HANDY, SPANDY, JACK-ER-DANDY. of a supper for the like of her anyway. And at last I made her eat the whole of it. I told her we'd have a good dinner to-day, 'cause I knowed somebody would buy my greens, and I'm going to spend the whole 5 cents for one dinner. What do you think o' that? I'm going to get three herrings at a cent apiece, and the rest in potatoes."

And he smacked his lips as he thought of the treat in store for them all.

"I think," he continued, "that you've paid me pretty well for my greens in doughnuts, without any 5 cents at all. Still, as I look at it," he added, with a sly twinkle in his great blue eyes, "doughnuts is doughnuts and cents is cents, and the doughnuts is a present and the cents is pay."

I laughed aloud at his reasoning, which certainly was most sensible and true, and then said:

"Now, Jack, I want you to keep your 5 cents till some night when you haven't any supper, and let me fill your basket with something that I know will go around. I want Susie to have a glass of fresh milk. So you must carry this

tin pail, besides the basket. Do you think you can manage them both?"

"Well, ma'am, I guess you'll see whether I can manage 'em or not. But do you think I can dig greens enough to pay for all them things you're putting in?"

"No, Jack, I don't, for they are not to be paid for. I want to send these to your mother—that's all; and as you said yourself, doughnuts is doughnuts and cents is cents."

"To be sure," he answered merrily. "Well, ma'am, I just wish you could see 'em when I tell 'em how good you have been to me. Some folks ain't good, you know," he added with a sigh.

While I filled his basket he told me their little history, never realizing how full it was of the deepest pathos—the struggles of the poor mother to keep her family together after the death of her husband, a good kind man, who had left her one morning full of life and strength, to go to his work in the great iron factory, and was brought back to her a few hours later, having met his death while toiling for those he loved.

He did not realize either how his own self-sacrificing spirit shone out through his words, proving to me the strength and sweetness of his character. What a hero he was, this little 12-year-old Jack!

"Mother has worked so hard for Sue and me that she hasn't much strength left. And don't you think," he added, straightening himself up proudly, "don't you think I'm big enough to take care of us three? Leastways I've been lucky this morning, for I've sold my greens and found you."

The gratitude in his heart was plainly visible in his little face as he turned it up to me.

I told him that henceforth we would be the very best and warmest of friends, and that happier days were in store for him and for those at home, that I could find work for him to do which would certainly help toward the support of all three.

Such a happy Jack as he was when I sent him home that April morning, with the heavy basket on one arm and a pail of milk on the other! And I wish I could tell you—for I am sure you would like to hear—what pleasant days followed for Jack and those dear to him; but it would make such a long story we should never come to the end of it. Indeed, there is no end to it. It is a story which is being lived through now, and it grows more interesting and more beautiful, more tender and true with every chapter.

Jack is proving himself the hero I knew him to be.

He works early and late on a small piece of ground which we allow him to cultivate on our farm, and he carries his produce to town in a basket strapped on his back, and he is as happy as a king—happier than many kings, I am sure.

Little pale Susie is not half so pale as she was before; and she, too, had the chance given to her to "help."

She has free range in my flower garden, and makes-up the daintiest "button-hole bouquets," with which she fills her small basket every morning for Jack to take with him. He never finds the least difficulty in disposing of them all, and a proud little lass she is when he drops the pennies into her hands at night.

The mother, we think, is growing strong and well again, happy in her boy's thoughtful care and cheery, light-hearted ways.

He is not yet 13 years old, but his mother calls him the head of the house, and he truly deserves the title.

Brave little man, God bless him!—Golden Days.

Every Precaution.

Mrs. A. had gone away for a day's visit. During her absence, a fellow townsman, Mrs. B., decided, after the rural, self-inviting fashion, that she would spend the night with Mrs. A.

In spite of Mrs. A.'s absence the thing was easy to accomplish, for the latch keys of the two houses were alike. Mrs. B. therefore effected an entrance and found the house deserted.

"Oh, well, I'll just wait till Mrs. A. gets home," she said to herself.

Night came. Still no Mrs. A.

"I won't light a lamp," philosophized Mrs. B., "because seeing a light in the house might scare Mrs. A. clear out of her senses."

So the unexpected guest sat in the dark awaiting of her hostess. At last the rattle of Mrs. A.'s key was heard in the door latch. She entered the house and slowly made her way to the sitting room, of course unconscious that there was another human being within breathing range.

"Don't be frightened, Mrs. A.," suddenly spoke a voice from the darkness, "it's only I, Mrs. B. I didn't light a lamp for fear you'd be scared, you know."

But the diplomatic Mrs. B. never finished her sentence, for just here Mrs. A. fell on the floor in a dead faint.

"It's queer she should have been so scared," said Mrs. B. afterward, "for I took every precaution not to frighten her."

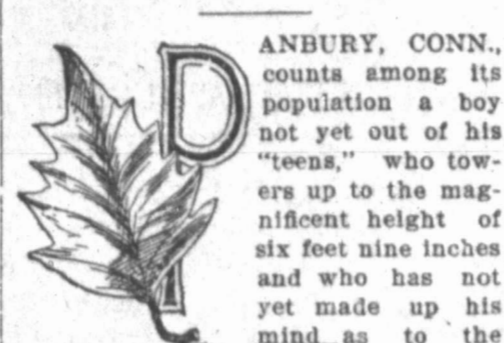
The Pen Job Knew.

The iron pen mentioned by Job in the book of that name in the bible is supposed to have been a steel graver used for inscriptions on stone.—Exchange.

DANBURY'S GIANT.

SIXTEEN, BUT SIX FEET NINE INCHES TALL.

Who Can Match His Inches?—East Bridgeport, in the Same State, Had a Phenomenally Big Young Fellow Last Year, but He Died.



DANBURY, CONN., counts among its population a boy not yet out of his "teens," who towers up to the magnificent height of six feet nine inches and who has not yet made up his mind as to the point where he will bring his growth to a full stop, says New York World.

Not yet sixteen years old he is, it is needless to say, an object of wonder to all who see him for the first time, and invariably attracts the greatest attention whenever he appears on the streets.

His name is Herman Johnson and he is exceedingly proud of the notoriety that his immense height has brought to him.

The writer had a conversation with him the other day, in which he said: "I believe I am the tallest boy of my age, not only in New England, but in the whole country."

Johnson is very anxious to be enlightened on this subject and at his request his picture is sent to The World in the hope that, if there is any one who can size up with him, he will make himself known.

No man or boy in Danbury comes anywhere near him. Boys of his own age look like midgits when they stand beside him.

His case recalls that of Patrick Casey, the young Bridgeport boy, an account of whom was published in The World in October, 1895. In the middle of August that year Casey, who was then five feet high, began to shoot upward and kept at it until he was about the middle of the following October six feet three inches. This was an average of a quarter of an inch a day or nearly seven feet a year. His age then was seventeen years.

Casey, however, was unable to withstand this enormous strain upon his constitution and he died the following November. Before his death his hair turned from red to jet black. The physicians accounted for the change on the theory that the tincture of iron that had been given to him as a tonic had entered into his blood and acted upon the hair. His case puzzled the doctors, but no autopsy was held on the remains, owing to the objections of the family.

A Masher Mashed.

A masher's a being with "cheek" like a mule, And brains light as feathers or chaff, Who studies vain glory in vanity's school, And thinks of politeness he knows every rule, And dresses up well—to dispel ridicule— Yet knows that he's of the riffraff.

Maids, matrons, and mothers, who happen to go Through the town unprotected, all feel The sneers and the jeers of this masculine foe Who stands at a lamp post, as if for a show, And language immodest at lone females throw, Enough to make decency reel.

I saw one one day sidle up to a maid— A daughter of Erin's green isle— Who knew his intentions; so, nothing afraid, As quick as a soldier e'er handled a blade, She raised her umbrella and stopped his trade By smashing his stove-pipe silk tile.

That hat was soon wrecked, and he looked rather cheap, And growled through his teeth with a hiss, Again she went at him, and with a full sweep, And down quick as lightning he fell in a heap.

"Young man, as you sow you are certain to reap," Cried she; "and take this and take this."

Whack! whack! the umbrella came still on his head As gazed he bewildered and mute, Until a chance offered; away then he fled, With face from discomfiture perfectly red; And as he "skedaddled" this heroine said, "I wish I'd my big brother's boot."

—M. C. McMahon.

The Anthony (Mc.) Bulletin has an office crib to accommodate readers who wish to pay their subscriptions in corn.

A LESSON IN BUSINESS.

The Basis on Which the Selling Price Is Arrived At.

"Now, my son," said the old merchant, "while you are applying yourself to the details of this business, learning how to buy and how to sell, how to gauge the taste and needs of the great public, how to avoid mistakes, how to seize opportunities—while you study these things keep always before you the fact that the basis of all true business success is absolute, uncompromising honesty."

"Father," said the young man, "your business has always been one of large sales and small profits, has it not?"

"You know what I advertise, my son; I buy everything direct from the manufacturer, and I sell to the consumer at exactly seven and a half per cent advance from cost. Such a business I believe to be as beneficial to the public as any philanthropic institution. The people should purchase the necessities of life at a margin above first cost sufficient only to pay for the actual handling of the goods. That is a fixed principle of mine."

"But," said the boy, in a puzzled, hesitating way, "you had an invoice of lace curtains to-day at \$3 a pair, and I heard you give instructions to mark them \$4.69."

The old man leaned back in his leather-cushioned swivel chair, smiled blandly, and told the boy to take pencil and paper.

"The expenses of this business last year," he said, "were ten per cent of the sales. Add ten per cent to your \$3."

"Three thirty."

"There is always possible a shrinkage in value of stock, always a percentage of bad debts, always a hazard of unforeseen contingencies. Add ten per cent more."

"Three sixty-three."

"Do you know how much it costs your father to maintain himself and his family? Have you any idea of the expense of educating and dressing three boys and three girls, paying their way in society, providing them and their mother with a country home and a city home, with servants and carriages and everything they desire?"

"I am afraid I have no idea, father."

"Well, it is simply frightful. It is, in fact, twenty per cent of the entire sales of the house. Add twenty per cent. Never mind fractions."

"Four thirty-six."

"There. You have arrived by a process as clear and open as day, and by the use of simple business rules at a cost of those curtains billed at \$3. Now add seven and a half per cent profit."

"Four sixty-nine."

"That's what I'm going to advertise them at; and you will see a great run on them to-morrow, for the public has learned that all my announcements are absolutely reliable."—Kansas City Packer.

Window Signatures.

Here and there in Scotland and England are old ruins and houses which have window panes which have been written upon in idle or fanciful moments by celebrated people, and not very long since a small pane upon which Robert Burns had inscribed a verse and which had been brought from Dumfries, sold in a London auction room for 70 guineas.

Dickens, who made his presence felt wherever he wandered, sometimes wrote upon window panes and at a splendid old coaching inn—now almost a wilderness—on the Great North road, not far from Pontefract, is a very clear signature of his on the dining room window pane, this same signature having been written, along with scores of others, in the presence of the late landlord. Other signatures on the same window are those of David Roberts, MacIver, Warren of "Ten Thousand a Year" fame, Brunel and G. V. Brooke, the actor. In an old hostelry in Felte lane at one time a Dickens window signature was highly prized and often sought out by strangers and on this same pane some wag—said to be the late H. S. Leigh—had written:

"Should you ever chance to see A man's name writ on the glass, Be sure he owns a diamond— And his parent owns an ass."

Near Bately, in Yorkshire, a poetical lament written on a window pane by a lady who was kept locked away from her lover many years, was sold to a customer introduced by the late Lord Houghton for a sum of £20, this being at the rate of more than a sovereign a line; and Mr. Woods, the celebrated auctioneer, in 1890, sold a window signature of Tom Moore, the poet, for \$50.—Exchange.

The New Photography.

If Roentgen and Edison can upon their sensitive plates photograph the inner man, how much more can He who knows, understands and controls all the laws and forces of nature! I think of the Great Eye that reads every thought and emotion, and records unerringly upon the sensitive plates of His great Book of Remembrance human deeds. How can a man remain impure and untrue in the light of modern science, whose rays are focused upon the fact of God's omniscience and upon the judgment day?—Rev. L. W. Allen.

Roughing it in Texas.

CAMP LIFE IN THE "LONN STAR" STATE.

The Sufferings of a Confederate Veteran.—Relief Comes After Years of Misery—The Story in His Own Words.

From the Gazette, Ft. Worth, Texas. A Gazette correspondent called on Mr. J. M. Anderson at Kopperl, Texas, and in a very interesting interview learned much of that gentleman's history. It seems that until recently Mr. Anderson has been rather sickly and puny all his life. He came to Texas forty-three years ago and is now fifty-three years of age. He has lived in various parts of the State seeking relief from his ailments and finding none that was permanent. He served the cause of the Confederacy during the war, and having been himself a soldier he was attracted by the recommendation given Pink Pills by a veteran of the Mexican War.

Mr. Anderson was suffering agonies from a long and chronic siege of rheumatism which seemed to traverse his system from head to foot and back again; beginning at the right temple it would cross to the left and then twinge down the left arm and side through the leg to the foot, and then meander back again through the cringing flesh. He spent much money and time in a vain effort to obtain relief, but none came—the misery remained constantly with him for years—until the latter part of last winter the record of what the Pink Pills had done for the Mexican veteran reached his eyes. He resolved to try them and immediately sent for one box of the pills.

"After the third day," said Mr. Anderson, "I had no more pain at all, but continued until I had taken the whole box, by which time I felt better than I ever had in my life, and went about my usual work even in the rain and dirty weather, without ever a particle of pain for over two months. At that time I had a slight return of my old trouble, having been out camping and roughing it, and exposed in the wet and mud, but it soon left me, but by the time cotton picking was over this season I was better in every respect than I ever was before in my life. I never took but the one box of Pink Pills and I am satisfied that if I had taken three boxes the difficulty would have been so thoroughly eradicated that I would not have had even this slight touch."

"However, my general health is now good in every respect; have a good appetite and am strong and vigorous—stronger than I have ever been before. All my ailments have disappeared and I believe it to be the work of Pink Pills. Mr. Anderson is a member of the Missionary Baptist Church. He boasts that he can pick 200 pounds of cotton a day with ease; and this fall, with his thirteen-year-old son, has picked over 16,000 pounds.

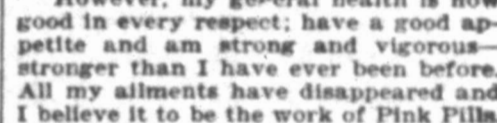
Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. Pink Pills are sold by all dealers or will be sent postpaid on receipt of price, 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

The world didn't come to an end and neither did the comet strike us. Thus it is with many calamities that people foolishly anticipate.

In Mr. Astor's case Lady Henry Somerset has demonstrated that she is "enough to make a man mad," while proving that she will not "drive him mad."

Mr. John Jacob Astor has "sworn off" paying taxes this year to the extent of a trifle over two millions. That's the kind of leap year John Jacob says it is.

Every one's head aches occasionally to let him know that the wheels are still grinding at the old stand.



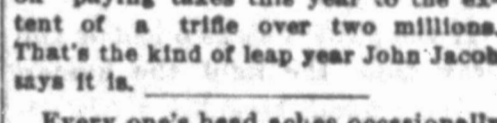
Under the Weather.

That is the common Spring complaint. You feel "logy," dull. Your appetite is poor. Nothing tastes good. You don't sleep well. Work drags. You cross every bridge before you come to it. There's lots of people have felt like you until they toned up the system by taking the great spring remedy

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It's been curing such cases for 50 years. Try it yourself.

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Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

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T. N. U.—HOUSTON—15—1896.

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An Average Farm Flock

I began keeping fowls in 1847, using the common "dunghill" chicken. From that no-breed I went to the Brahma and then to the Plymouth Rock, Buff Cochin and Brown Leghorn. We consider the Plymouth Rock the best fowl for all purposes, but the Leghorns are the best egg producers, according to our experience. I have a common log hen house, like everyone else in the county.

As to feeding, I let them hunt their own food most of the time, but when they fall we help them. There is not much method on the farm. We take the market as it comes and as we can catch it. Home market is a sure thing, but the country stores will take all there is left at some price. As to eggs in winter, that depends on how they are kept. We get some eggs in winter, enough to pay for their keeping, but we do not get as many eggs as we should for the number of hens we keep.

We have not been troubled much with poultry diseases, but when anything like the cholera appears we give the fowls carbolic acid in the water; it is a good remedy. My experience

observation is, that a mixture of different breeds, not too many, is the best for the common farmer. A fancier may have his choice and he does not want to mix. The common farmer cannot afford to feed fancy stock that sells for only five or six cents per pound. These have been the prevailing prices in this section, with turkeys at nine cents per pound.—W. P. Burbank in Farmers' Review.

Half a Century of Progress.

The world is richer than it used to be, and also better. There has been much political thievery, but consider the world at large and there is less pocket picking, burglary and cheating, as there is less drunkenness and savagery. Within fifty years we have seen a continent peopled, a "great American desert" wiped from the map, the last of the crowns struck from the head of an American and the last of the shackles loosed from the ankles of a slave. Greenland has been crossed and bounded, Africa and Australia have no longer a geographic mystery, the train, the ship, the trolley car move humanity whither it will, cheaply, quickly, comfortably; we get the London news of noon on the same morning and the man in Omaha converses with the man in Omaha through a piece of wire. Arts have advanced creature comforts are so increased that the shopkeeper of to-day lives better and more healthfully than a king in the last century, and has more appliances for pleasure and information. Ideas as well as advantages are multiplying. Men are more tolerant than they were and are working more for each other.—Chas. M. Skinner.

Dairy Produce in Italy.—For some few years milk production has been developing in Italy, and considerable quantities have been exported; but since 1893 the growth has been stopped on account of bad forage crops reducing breeding. From documents furnished by Mons. de Clercq, consul of France at Florence, it appears that the production of dairy produce in the Italian peninsula in 1893 exceeded in value about £4,840,000. Compared with 1892, there has been a falling off in cheese and butter. The great scarceness of fodder has resulted from an extraordinary and persistent drought in Piemont, Lombardy, Venetia, Sicile and Sardaigne, and the provinces bordered by the Adriatic and Mediterranean seas. In Sardaigne there has been great mortality amongst the cattle. Lombardy takes the first place for manufactured dairy produce and Liguria comes last.—Ex.

Plowing Under Cow Peas.—Experiments made at the Alabama station show that the fall is the proper time to plow under cow peas. An analysis of the vines was made in the fall and again in the spring and the evidence was conclusive that the vines in the fall contained six and one-half times as much nitrogen as they did in the spring. The escape of nitrogen is, therefore, seen to be very great. It is a question if this be not so with other crops that are grown for their manurial qualities and that are turned under most commonly in the spring.

Pork from Corn and Clover.—A comparison of corn and clover for producing pork, made by an experienced Wisconsin farmer, is more favorable to clover than to corn. Allowing fifty bushels of corn per acre, estimating twelve pounds of pork from every bushel of corn, it gives 600 pounds of pork per acre. On the clover side, he estimates that one acre will pasture eight hogs of 100 pounds each, from spring to fall, and that they would gain 100 pounds each, without any other food, making 800 pounds per acre.—Ex.

More Peas Should Be Grown.—We are surprised to find how few farmers grow peas. There are few things that contain greater feeding value than peas, for stock, and even for poultry. The qualities that build up the system are there. Some of our more advanced farmers are growing them heavily, and think they make valuable adjuncts to the feed supply. The Canadian farmers, especially, grow them in immense quantities, planting them early in the spring, often to a depth of four to six inches.

A wealthy Japanese gentleman who came to this country a few weeks ago to study its civilization has seen one lynching, watched a football game, attended a meeting of the Chicago City Council, witnessed an afternoon session of the Kentucky Legislature, and then started back to Japan.

The De Castellanes have not parted. The controversy between George Gould and the New York tax department over the size of the estate has been explained satisfactorily, doubtless, to Mr. Gould's French brother-in-law.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury.

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is tenfold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure, be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by druggists; price, 75c per bottle.

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THE CROCKETT COURIER.

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CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Probably Ballington Booth bolted because he wasn't a favorite son.

Carrying the war into Africa sometimes reacts disastrously on the carrier.

History repeats itself. A Chicago man is in a Minnesota jail for striking Billy Patterson.

A St. Louis syndicate has bargained for 500 cars of ice for use at the convention in June. It is hard to realize there are really 501 candidates.

The Standard Oil Company announces that it will bore 300 holes in Southeast Kansas this year. It looks like it would make the blame thing leak.

While waiters in the United States are forbidden to wear mustaches, army officers in Dublin are required to wear them. The sword of tyranny cuts both ways.

The statement that gold will be much cheaper fifty years from now is a hint to those of us whose pockets bulge with the yellow metal to unload while there is time.

The British ministers are so convinced that arbitration is the right way and the only right way to settle disputes that they are ordering a fresh batch of enormous warships.

The other day the stock in the Blue Jay mine in Colorado sold for 60 cents in the morning and for \$27.50 at night. Early investors regard this mine as a sure enough "bird."

A fine deposit of marble has been discovered in the bed of Treaty Creek, one mile from Wabash, Ind. It is, in color, both mottled and blue, and the quality is pronounced first-class by experts. Three heavy charges blew out large fragments weighing a ton or more, and this will be worked up in monuments.

There has been, since the first of February, a marked decrease in the circulating medium of the country, amounting, according to a treasury statement, to over \$60,000,000. Compared with last year the circulating medium was \$45,000,000 less. On the date mentioned, March 1, 1896, there was outstanding \$1,528,000,000.

The annual report of the New York Free Circulating library tells a striking story of continued growth and usefulness. It has six branches now—at 49 Bond street, 135 Second avenue, 251 West Forty-second street and 18 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street. In the year ending Nov. 1, 1895, it circulated 654,451 volumes, an increase of 18,318 over the previous year, and all with only \$1,785 volumes on its shelves. Only two libraries in America—the public libraries of Boston and Chicago—can beat this total circulation.

After so many years of discussion, it is surprising to see how many people still misunderstand the true issue between the makers of oleomargarine and the makers of butter. We have seen men stand up in large meetings and assert that oleomargarine was a good product, a cheap product, a blessing to the poor of our great cities and, hence, should not be suppressed. The leaders of the meeting usually explain that the contest is not for the suppression of the manufacture of oleomargarine, but to take away from it the element of fraud. The only reason for coloring it like butter is that it may be sold as butter. Oleo is naturally pearl-colored—oleo (oil); margarine (pearly)—pearl-colored oil. Let it have its natural color, and then if any one wants to buy it, let them do so. The real issue then is, to place such restrictions on it that it will be impossible for it to be sold except for what it is.

In view of the strained relations between this country and Spain it becomes of interest to consider the trade relations of the United States with both Spain and Cuba. The trade with the latter country is of infinitely more importance than that with the mother country. Last year we imported from Spain goods to the value of \$3,826,960, and we exported to that country goods to the value of \$10,596,474. This gives a total of a little over \$14,000,000. The trade for the year 1894 was \$3,000,000 in excess of this. From Cuba last year we imported a little over \$51,000,000 worth of goods and exported to that island goods valued in excess of \$9,400,000. This gives a total trade of over \$61,000,000, or four times that with Spain. This was \$32,000,000 less than the year 1894. The decrease was due very largely to the increased duties on American goods carried into Cuba, and also to the present disturbance in that island, the latter being evidently the predominating cause.

BERMUDA RELEASED.

HONDURAS OFFICIALS DISMISS THE STEAMER.

Only a Small Amount of Arms and Ammunition Found on Board—Returns to New York—Harrison Allowed to Receive His Medals.

New York, April 6.—Specials have been received here announcing the release of the alleged filibustering steamer Bermuda by the Honduras authorities.

According to the reports received, the Bermuda, after leaving Puerto Cortez, will touch at all gulf ports before completing the trip and returning to New York.

The Honduras authorities are still in possession of a small quantity of arms found on board the Bermuda.

New York, April 4.—Before the steel manufacturers went into session yesterday they were waited upon by a committee from the tin plate manufacturers association who desired that a discrimination should be made in their favor. They declared that any advance in the price of steel would injure the steel industry.

The tin plate committee were informed that their request should be July considered. The steel men stated that it is not true that a trust is in course of formation.

Harrison's Medals.

New York, April 6.—General Harrison received official notice last night that he could take possession of the gold medals presented to him by Spain and Brazil while he was president as a token of esteem from the two governments.

Mr. Harrison could not accept the medals except by an act of congress, and they have been locked up at the treasury department for years. The passage of the act necessary to allowing Mr. Harrison to receive them and signing of the measures by President Cleveland on the eve of his predecessor's marriage is regarded as especially courteous.

Secretary Tibbetts said the ex-president was greatly pleased at the timely action and would immediately write an acceptance and his thanks.

X-Rays in Court.

Wichita, Kan., Apr. 6.—Probably the first instance of a court's recognizing the Roentgen discovery as a means for establishing a fact in evidence is that in which the United States district court here directed a shadowgraph to be taken of the wrist of Paul Noel, who is suing the Santa Fe road for \$10,000 damages for wrongly setting the fracture of his wrist. The question of what was its best evidence in a case of that kind came up and all parties interested as well as the court agreed that in the light of modern science a shadowgraph of the wrist would be the best evidence. Consequently the court directed Lucien Blake, professor of electricity in the state university to make the test in court here today.

Practical X-Rays.

Omaha, Neb., April 6.—The first case in Omaha in which a surgical operation was successfully performed with the aid of the X-rays occurred last evening when doctors extracted a bullet which had been located by means of a Roentgen photograph taken by Prof. Turner of the Omaha high school.

The patient was John Felic, a 12-year-old boy, and the operation was of such a nature that it would have been very serious without this aid.

About two weeks ago the boy was accidentally shot. The ball entered the palm of the left hand. Owing to the bony structure and tough tissues of the hand it practically impossible to locate the bullet with a probe. Moreover, the two arteries which cross the hand at that point rendered an incision a serious matter unless the exact location of the bullet was known. The X-rays in an hour produced a perfect plate showing the bullet, which was easily extracted.

Plutocrats Engaged.

New York, Apr. 6.—The engagement of Gertrude Vanderbilt and Harry Payne Whitney is now admitted by all their friends and denied by none of the family. It only awaits the formality of an announcement.

As Miss Vanderbilt is the daughter of Cornelius Vanderbilt and therefore prospective heiress of one-fourth of \$100,000,000 and is Harry Payne Whitney is the only son of ex-Secretary Wm. C. Whitney and prospective heir to one half of the Payne-Whitney millions, this statement is bound to attract considerable attention.

A Grave Offense.

Springfield, Ill., April 6.—Regarding the indictment of Governor Altgeld by the grand jury, Senator Palmer says:

"The governor is the chief executive officer of the state, and the courts have no power under ordinary circumstances to control him. As university trustee his discretion cannot be controlled by the courts nor can he be punished by indictment for any omission of duty. Judge Wright was guilty of a grave judicial offense when he allowed his grand jury to attack the person of the governor of the state."

Salvation Army Leader Resigned.

Chicago, April 6.—Edward Fielding brigadier general in command of the northwest division of the Salvation army and, with the exception of Commissioner Booth-Tucker, the most prominent officer in the forces in America, has resigned his command and will join the forces of Ballington Booth's volunteers. The majority of his staff officers will go with him, and the blow is conceded to be the most severe which has been suffered by the Salvation army since the recall of Commander and Mrs. Ballington Booth.

Brigadier General Fielding's wide and personal influence will now be exerted in behalf of the new organization, and it is predicted that the news of his resignation will cause a tremendous defection in the ranks of the army, not alone in his own division but all over the country.

Among the officers who have resigned are: Brigadier General Edward A. Fielding, Brigadier General Emma Fielding, Adjutant Washington Parkhurst, Adjutant C. C. Heaton and Mrs. Bertha Herron. Ensign Duncan and Lieutenant Galloway.

As Fielding organized the Salvation army in the southwest and was one of the most active in promoting the movement on the Pacific coast, his influence by no means stops with his own division but extends all over the country. He is known throughout the army as being a man of incorruptible personal integrity and of unusually good judgment, and thousands of people have been waiting for an expression on his part before committing themselves to the new army.

A reporter called at the residence of Brigadier General Fielding and was informed that the brigadier general and his wife had been away from home all day and that they were not expected to return until tonight. The housemaid professed ignorance as to their whereabouts but volunteered the information that she knew they were not at headquarters. They had not been there for two days.

At the Salvation headquarters those in charge said they did not know where the brigadier was. They declared that they had not heard of his resignation and were in fact adverse to discussing the question.

Fruit Growers Meeting.

Alvin, Tex., April 6.—The Alvin horticultural association held its regular meeting Saturday afternoon at the opera house. The committee on handling and loading of berries reported that the local express men handled the crates as carefully as the time allowed would permit, but that the regular messengers were very rough and one of them, when remonstrated with, threw the crate as high as his head and replied, "To hell with your strawberries." The committee recommended that a little more time be allowed for loading and requested the express company to see that their men in the cars either handle the crates more properly or put men there who will.

Olympic Disbands.

New Orleans, La., April 6.—The Olympic club, for many years the leading sporting club in the country and before which have occurred many pugilistic events by which championships were decided, has voted to liquidate and disband, being unable to prevail against the popular opposition to pugilism.

A few years ago the Olympic had a membership of 2000, a splendid club house and the finest arena in the country. Since the legislative movements against prize fighting and the decision of the Louisiana courts that glove contests are illegal, the club has been on the wane and it was finally decided to close up, being unable to meet expenses.

Stop the Work.

Austin, Texas, April 6.—Governor Culberson this morning sent State Building Superintendent Mobley to San Antonio to stop the work of restoring the Alamo by the citizens of that town. The governor has been informed that they are remodeling the building entirely and soon all of its historical appearances will be gone. He does not propose to have this done and accordingly sent Mobley over this morning to stop the work.

Republicans Avoid Quarrels.

St. Louis, Mo., April 6.—The strike of union men employed in the construction of the auditorium for the republican national convention, which was threatened because of the award by Contractor McClure of a contract for roofing to a firm employing non-union men, has been averted. McClure, who had the contract for the erection of the building, decided to comply with the request of the trades unions and withdrew the award from the obnoxious firm. He will re-let the roofing contract to some firm employing none but union men.

Work on the Alamo.

San Antonio, Texas, April 6.—The city administration yesterday began repairing the Alamo building and placing it in the original condition as at the famous massacre in 1836. Today the work was stopped on an objection made by two prominent citizens and State Building Superintendent Mobley is in the city now making an examination in the premises. He also appointed O. S. Plummer Branch plot for the port of Sabine Pass.

The X rays may prove the new woman has a marble heart.

The best corks come from Algeria. There are 2,500,000 acres of cork forests in that country.

After thirty years of secrecy Keely is to have the motor patented. Look out for vibratory engines.

Two thousand bicycles were destroyed in a Boston conflagration the other day. Scorched, indeed.

Saved From Destruction. This is what happens when the kidneys are rescued from inactivity by Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. If they continue inactive they are threatened with Bright's disease, diabetes or some other malady which works their destruction. Malarial, bilious and rheumatic ailments and dyspepsia are also conquered by the Bitters, which is thorough and effective.

It is not necessary to hypnotize a girl to get her to sing.

The Pilgrim—Easter Number

Will be ready the early of April. Every thing in it will be new and original it will contain articles by Capt. Chas. King, U. S. A., ex-Gov. Geo. W. Peck, of Wisconsin, and other noted writers. An entertaining number, well illustrated. Send ten (10) cents to Geo. H. Heafford, publisher 415 Old Colony building, Chicago, Ill. for a copy.

Women of fairness are very rare; they have been spoiled by flattery.

Mrs. M. E. Barnes, Spanish Fork, Tex., says: "I have taken one bottle of Brown's Iron Bitters for Neuralgia, Headache and Weakness and it gave me great relief. I highly recommend it."

If good seed is put into good ground some of it will be sure to grow.

If Troubled With sore Eyes Jackson's Indian Eye Salve will positively cure them. 25c at all drug stores.

If you want a good servant girl go to a milkmaid.

Mothers

Anxiously watch declining health of their daughters. So many are cut off by consumption in early years that there is real cause for anxiety. In the early stages, when not beyond the reach of medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla will restore the quality and quantity of the blood and thus give good health. Read the following letter:

"It is but just to write about my daughter Cora, aged 19. She was completely run down, declining, had that tired feeling, and friends said she would not live over three months. She had a bad

Cough

and nothing seemed to do her any good. I happened to read about Hood's Sarsaparilla and had her give it a trial. From the very first dose she began to get better. After taking a few bottles she was completely cured and her health has been the best ever since." MRS. ADDIE PECK, 12 Railroad Place, Amsterdam, N. Y.

"I will say that my mother has not stated my case in as strong words as I would have done. Hood's Sarsaparilla has truly cured me and I am now well." CORA PECK, Amsterdam, N. Y.

Be sure to get Hood's, because

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. \$1. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills are purely vegetable, reliable and beneficial. 25c.



WANTED LADIES or GENTLEMEN to distribute samples everywhere. BIG MONEY to hustlers; position permanent; enclose stamp. Swiss Herb Tea Co., Chicago.

Get Well

By using Brown's Iron Bitters. It's a natural remedy. Pleasant to take. No bad effects. Strengthens while you sleep. Cures quickly.

Dyspepsia, Neuralgia and Malaria

and many other diseases if you give it a fair trial.

The genuine you can tell by the Crossed Red Lines on the Wrapper.

Brown Chemical Co., Baltimore, Md.



"Pass Your Plate."

Battle Ax PLUG

Prices of all commodities have been reduced except tobacco. "Battle Ax" is up to date. Low Price; High Grade; Delicious Flavor. For 10 cents you get almost twice as much "Battle Ax" as of other high grade goods. The 5 cent piece is nearly as large as other 10 cent pieces of equal quality.

LOCAL NEWS.

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs.
Dr. W. B. Collins was up from Lovelady this week.

Eat at New Restaurant. Best meals in city, 25cts.
J. B. FIFER, Manager.

D. J. Cater of Lovelady visited the metropolis Monday.

A complete line of furniture, coffins and caskets always on hand at
SHIVERS BROS.

Steve Tullins of Pennington was in the city Monday.

300 men's sample shoes, all sizes, at wholesale prices at
THE SAMPLE STORE.

Caddock & Co. have just opened their Spring Stock of Goods of all kinds Give us a call.

H. A. Ingalls of Galveston was in Crockett this week.

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

R. E. Parker and wife of Lovelady were in the city Monday.

Another lot of Ladies' Oxfords. Come early so you can secure your size at
THE SAMPLE STORE.

Chew Ham Bone Tobacco. Best on Earth for the money. Manufactured by J. H. Cosby & Bro., Danville, Va.

Board and lodging \$4 per week. Day board and lodging one dollar. Single meal 25cts.

NEW RESTAURANT.
Mr. R. D. King and wife are visiting in Northwest Texas this week.

Crockett Bakery for bread and cakes. Next to post office.
J. J. GOODAY, Proprietor.

To arrive in a day or two, 600 pairs of shoes at manufacturers' prices at
THE SAMPLE STORE.

The Best is the cheapest—Ham Bone Tobacco is the best.

R. B. Rich has opened up a first-class blacksmith shop in Crockett, and has a first class gun shop in connection. All work done under a strict guarantee.

We think we will have about 50 pairs misses and children's samples in good styles—come soon, they won't last long at
THE SAMPLE STORE.

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

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.

In about ten days look out for big line of furnishing goods and notions—samples. Expect shipment daily at
THE SAMPLE STORE.

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

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.

CASH! CASH!

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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.

WE ARE HERE

To Right the Wrong and Believe the God of Battle is Ever With the Right.

In this issue we place before our people goods that are positively beyond the whisper of competition, comparison or monopoly; prices that will instruct you in the silent logic of truth the difference between dealing with live and dead men—between the cash and credit system; between the right and the wrong way. We are proud to know that we have been a help to both our customers and the merchants. To customers, by putting goods down and keeping them down. To merchants, by introducing a better class of goods and new ideas, which some of them are trying to pattern very closely (so we have been told), but we do not mind this; there is no patent on anything except our prices, and the penalty for infringing is always reduction to the sorrow of those who try it.

We learn that some high-toned, old credit merchant has tried to assist others in trying to break us down by buying some of our well-known and well-established lines, selling them at and near cost, overcharging someone else, or credit customer who cannot help himself, to make up the loss, weakly, faintly, but vainly trying to impress some one that even they are cheap. We again indelibly write the word, Here to stay and fight high prices until the wrong comes right. Don't understand that they hate us in person, but its the following prices that will break their hearts, Marguerite.

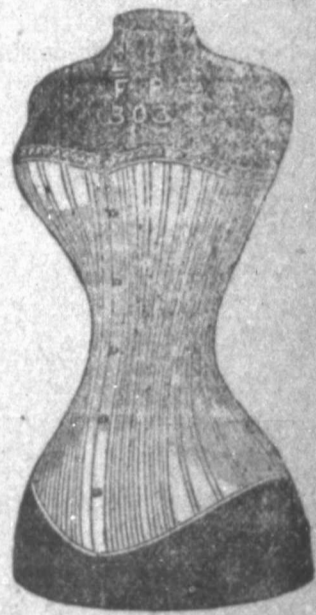
Reduced, we have the best line of Oxford ties in town, in shape, color, and above all, quality that would be appreciated and is well known in every city. These ties are all marked in Plain Figures, and until this week never sold for one cent less: Our extra fine \$3.50 ties in black or tan, now \$2.95; our \$3.00—\$2.45, \$2.50, and \$2.15. These goods are all made in Rochester, N. Y. We have a more inferior line of St. Louis' nicest and best make, now going at from 35c a pair to \$1.95. Come while you can get any size and any last.

Gentlemen, we have now reduced our very fine cloth top patent leather \$6.00 shoes to \$4.95, our \$6.00 tans to \$4.85; everything in pointed toe calf or Cordovan reduced. Come before sizes are broken and get a pair of the only first-class shoe in town. Our 75c button or lace shoe for ladies, now 70c per pair. We can sell you shoes, any kind, for less money than you have ever bought them.



Clothing still going for less money than other merchants pay for it. All new goods, no old dusty moth eaten goods to offer you at cost when we can sell you brand new suits in latest styles for less than others cost. Our \$3.50 suits still going for \$1.50, in any size, coat, pants and vest \$6.50 for \$3.50; 10.00 suit for \$5.50 up to the finest \$20.00 suit ever sold in town for \$11.00. Jeans pants any size well made and finished 40cts pair. Best Stock of overalls and work shirts on the market for a song with just a little money on the side.

A full line of dress goods all colors, quality and price. Our 8 1/2ct handkerchief for ladies will cost you 20cts in other stores. Ladies' vests worth 12 1/2cts now going at 5cts each or 6 for 25c. Lace pillow shams full size, very fine quality in handsome and assorted patterns 10cts each. We have a line of mosquito bars full size for bed, from 7 to 8 yards in each bar never sold for less than 50cts now going for 25cts each. This week we will receive a full line of ladies shirt waists all colors, sizes and prices which will interest all wanting to buy. We have a few bolts of calico, best brands, dark colors worth 7cts yard now going for 4cts yard. Light shirtings, all light very pretty fast colors 4cts yard.



Cotton stripes 35 yards for \$1.00. Cottonade, just the thing for pants, nice bright colors worth 12 1/2cts now going at 7cts yard.

A Few Bargains in Notions.
Celluloid collars with a nice collar button 5cts, celluloid cuffs 10cts pair, linen collars 5cts, in either standing or turn-down, nice rolled gold lever patent collar buttons worth 10cts each 2 for 5cts, bone or agate like you pay 5cts for 6 we sell 24 for 5cts, 24 lead pencils for 5cts. 35 slate pencils for 5cts. 2 2oz bottles of Davids best black ink such as you pay 5cts for we sell 2 bottles for 5cts.

Gentlemen, if you want a nice soft or straw hat don't buy until you see our line, we can save you money.
A full line of Monarch shirts in white or colors, a new line of Cluet & Coon brand collars and cuffs.

You will hear from us again in two weeks.
McLEAN & WILSON, -:- Crockett, Texas.

Try Ham Bone Tobacco. Each Plug Warranted.

All sizes of pretty water coolers at McConnell's Hardware Store.

Miss Mattie Parker of Lovelady was visiting in Crockett Monday.

Mr. R. O. Aldrich has leased the Crockett steam laundry and has employed Mr. T. J. Dobbs of Bryan as superintendent.

"The Wonder" ice cream freezer at McConnell's Hardware Store. All sizes.

Llewellyn Auberry, Esq., a prominent attorney of Marshall, was in town Tuesday attending to land matters.

Buy your water coolers and ice cream freezers from McConnell's Hardware Store. They have the best.

J. A. Bricker & Co. have a beautiful line of jewelry, watches, clocks and silverware, which they are selling cheap for cash.

Eggs from Black Langshan and Indian game, price \$1.50 per 13.
EDGAR ARLEDGE.

The city election passed off quietly with the following ticket elected: J. C. Wootter, mayor; J. C. Millar and John Murchison aldermen, and Earle Adams, jr., city attorney.

Cakes of all kinds made to order at Crockett bakery.
J. J. GOODAY, Proprietor.

Hats—any style or size in men's or boys'. Cut way down at
THE SAMPLE STORE.

Albert Driskill, while working on the capitol hotel last week, fell from a ladder and sprained his ankle.

If you are anxious to get a perfect fitting suit and one cut 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.

What You Can Buy FROM— J. E. DOWNES.

The best of flour, sugar, coffee, hams, bacon, lard, baking powders, extracts and other fancy groceries. Also a nice suit of clothes, a nobby hat, stylish shirts, cuffs and collars, and for dry goods, he buys from the manufacturers in large quantities, for spot cash, at a saving in the way of discounts from 5 to 10 per cent. See his ladies' shirt waists and material to make more out of, neat, stylish and cheap. Downes says that he is under obligations to the good people of Houston county for what he has made, and that he wants to prove same in a substantial way and asks everybody to call and get bargains.

If you want the best ice cream freezer made buy the "Wonder." Guaranteed to freeze cream in 5 minutes. At McConnell's Hardware Store.

For Sale.
The house and lot occupied by Chas. Snyder, in front of Dr. Beasley's. For terms etc. apply to myself or to H. W. Moore.
L. N. COOPER.

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.

J. C. Toleman, Frank Halcomb and John Kennedy, were appointed commissioners in the division of the DeBlond survey near Augusta and are now out there pick-tick-ing.

Miss Lillie Webb left last week for Carthage (not Calthorp, as we erroneously stated in last issue,) to visit her sister.

Have you looked over your stationery to see what you need? The COURIER has received a fine line of stationery and will give you nice work at reasonable figures.

M. E. Lanceford of Porter Springs was in town Tuesday. He called at the COURIER office and contributed his mite to assist in keeping his county paper going.

In the case of Bill Hart the jury returned a verdict of acquittal. This case has been tried twice before and consumed four entire days on its final trial at the present term of court.

Abe Mulkey will be in Crockett on Friday, April 24th, and will hold a ten-days meeting in the large tent which he carries for that purpose.

L. H. Haring and Dr. J. S. Collins have purchased the drug store of J. G. Haring, and will continue the business as heretofore. Mr. Haring and Dr. Collins are both young men of well known ability and high standing in this community and we wish them success.

The ladies who had the management of the dinner last week, given for the benefit of the Methodist church, request us to return thanks to those who assisted in publishing notices and to John M. Dunn for the use of his building. We are pleased to state that the dinner was a success, the proceeds amounting to \$61.00, and the ladies return thanks to the public for their liberal patronage.

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.

The arc light at the electric light works throws its welcomed rays far up the street toward the square and assists the belated pedestrian in avoiding the dangerous pitfalls that yawn for the feet of the unwary along Ravine street.

It is the intention of the management of the COURIER in a few weeks to make quite a number of improvements in the paper, in the way of news, advertisements and in other ways which will be of interest to its patrons.

A Called Meeting.
By authority of the power vested in me as chairman of the republican party for this county, I hereby call a meeting to be held in the court house at the town of Crockett at 2 o'clock p. m. Saturday, April 25, 1896.
S. M. BRUCE, Chairman.
Crockett, Tex., April 3, 1896.

The Discovery Saved His Life.

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

THE COURIER,

W. B. PAGE, Editor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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

For Representative,
W. B. WALL.

For District Attorney of Third Judicial District:

J. M. CROOK,
of Houston County.
A. G. GREENWOOD,
of Anderson County.

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

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

For County Clerk,
N. E. ALLBRIGHT.

For County Treasurer,
J. B. ELLIS.
HARDIN BAYNE.
M. M. BAKER.

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.
DICK STUBBLEFIELD.

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

For Justice Peace, Precinct No. 1,
C. W. ELLIS.
W. D. PRICHARD.

For Constable Prec. No. 1.
C. R. BAGGETT,
C. C. MORTIMER.
M. W. SATERWHITE.

SOME OF THE LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE CONTROVERSY WITH JUDGE BURNETT.

It is a painful thought that the conduct of a district judge who presides over one of the most important courts of the state is such as to make it necessary to appear in the public prints to defend himself. More painful still, that when so appearing he cannot make clear the propriety of his judicial behavior. Judge Burnett, in his article in this issue, does not deny the statements made in our last issue, but seeks to avoid condemnation by giving taffy to the jurors, and by claiming that a defendant may waive his right to keep the jury together. He cites only one case, *Sterling vs. State*, 15 Ct. App., page 256. Judge Burnett is lawyer enough to know that the case he cites is *obiter dicta*—that is, a word spoken outside of the case then before the court, and is no authority whatever. The only question the court then had in that case for consideration and decision was whether the court had the authority to discharge a juror, in a felony case, after he had been empanelled, on account of sickness in his family. He knows this opinion, or rather statement, by Judge Wilson, cited by him, is not authority on the question at issue, for no such question was at issue in the case then before the court. Therefore, it is a perversion of the law to invoke this *obiter dicta* of a judge to justify him in a practice never before existing in any court in this state.

The statute was quoted in the last issue of this paper to the effect that the jury should not be allowed to separate in a felony case until the verdict was rendered, except by permission of the court and by con-

sent of attorneys representing the State and the defendant and in charge of an officer.

In the case of *Early vs. State*, 1st Ct. App., page 273, in which a jury was at a hotel and a fire occurred at night and they fled from the house for their lives and for an hour mingled with the crowd, helping to extinguish the fire, and two of the jurors went to their families in the town, but in one hour they were again assembled by the officer and afterwards kept together, the next morning the court swore each juror, and each one affirmed that he had not been spoken to on the case, and then the court said to the defendant, "Do you object to proceeding?" The defendant said he would make no objection then, the court proceeded to try the case and defendant was convicted and afterwards appealed, and the higher court reversed the case because of the separation.

But why cite authority? Judge Burnett virtually admits he has acted contrary to law, because he complains of the law as bad and expresses the hope that the next legislature will repeal or amend this statute. Thus he finds the statute, and it is in his way. And why? Because he proposes by his manipulation of the jury commission to put negroes on the jury; and to avoid the inevitable consequences of their eating and sleeping together, he takes upon himself to do what no other judge in Texas has ever done. It is the business of the legislature to make the law. It is the duty of a judge to obey it.

He says the criticism upon him is for political effect. Ah! indeed, political effect! Why do you, Judge Burnett, manipulate the jury commission to carry your campaign pledges out? Is it not for political effect? and you a judge on the bench sworn to impartial and faithful administration of the law as it is written. Judge Burnett proposes to put negroes on the jury and then, without authority, appoint another negro to take them off at night and keep them till they are again wanted in court. But the law requires the jury to be kept together and in charge of an officer. The very negro he put in charge of them may not be a safe custodian. Where is your authority for this, Judge Burnett? Oh, how sweet an unction to his troubled soul to say jurors are all good men and incapable of being improperly influenced. Thus all the legislation for ages on this subject has been the work of fools and Judge Burnett, the wise man, rises up to enlighten us.

Another point. Judge Burnett writes as if he thought the state had no rights in the matter; that the defendant alone is to be consulted on this important matter. We beg to inform him that this matter of keeping the jury together is not only a right of the defendant under the law, but also the right of the state, and Judge Burnett's sworn duty is to protect the interests of the state as well as the defendant in enforcement of the law. True, the state cannot appeal, therefore the greater need of the district court conscientiously and faithfully guarding and protecting the interests of the state, for in this way only can society be protected. Judge Burnett admits he has overruled and disregarded the protests of the district attorney in this matter. Where does he get authority to do so? He violates positive law in so doing. The trouble with Judge Burnett is, that he has for his own personal and political purposes created jury commissioners to carry out his policies, and these policies have developed some disagreeable consequences, and he now proposes to override the plain statute to relieve

the situation and avoid the explosion that must follow if this thing is continued. Yes, sir, when the jury is selected they should be kept together in a felony case and they are required to eat and sleep together in charge of an officer, and it is not in the province of Judge Burnett to prevent it lawfully. The interests of society, as well as that of the defendant in a felony case, require that these laws be obeyed, and no one is more obligated to obey these laws than Judge Burnett. Judge Burnett rises up in his wisdom and says: "But I should like for you to give one sensible reason why it is essential to the ends of justice that jurors should all be compelled to eat and sleep in the same room from the beginning of the trial until a verdict is returned. And is not this complaint of my course made purely for political effect?"

Yes, we will give you, not only one, but several sensible reasons why this should be done:

1st. Because the law you have sworn to support and enforce requires it.

2nd. This law is the result of experience and is necessary for the purity of jury trials, as evidenced by the legislation of all the states.

3d. If a different rule prevailed and juries were turned loose to be swayed by outside influences, the defendant with his money or friends need only control one man on the jury to prevent a conviction; or a friendless defendant might be equally sacrificed by one man being swayed by money or otherwise against him.

4th. Instead of jury trials being fair and impartial, as intended, they would become a mockery and only dreaded by the man without money or outside influence.

LET all democrats resolve to act conservatively in the precinct conventions next Saturday. Vote for a primary on the money question, but so frame the proposition that all democrats may vote on it. It is possible to so shape the question that some will not go into the primary at all. Our advice is to act conservatively in this matter and to so formulate the issue that if there be any who would like to find an excuse to kick out of the primary they may not be able to do so.

WE print elsewhere a card from Mr. A. W. Ewing of Anderson county in which, for reasons stated, he withdraws from the race for district attorney. The motives actuating Mr. Ewing in making this decision are highly commendable and place him before the democrats of the district as a young man worthy of the highest honors. In this age of self-seeking it is a rare sight to behold a candidate with bright prospects for success voluntarily retiring from the contest in the interest of the party. Such a spectacle is hardly paralleled and the generous disinterestedness which inspired it will not be forgotten by the good citizens of the Third Judicial District who are about to engage in a struggle for the supremacy of law and order and the triumph of good citizenship.

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Realizing the menacing political conditions now existing in the 3rd Judicial District, and further realizing the necessity for the democracy to put out a strong ticket and a strong man for district judge, and in order to induce the Hon. W. H. Gill to enter the race for that position as the democratic candidate, I hereby withdraw from the race for district attorney.

My friends understand that my candidacy has, from the first, depended upon Mr. Gill's consenting to become a candidate for the judgeship, and he, yielding to the interests of the party and the earnest and continued solicitations of the district democracy, has concluded to accept a candidacy so urgently pressed upon him.

I cheerfully forego any personal ambition in this connection, heartily endorse Mr. Gill's candidacy, and earnestly urge each and every democrat in the district from this day to begin the march to democratic victory and triumph.

Mr. Gill's personal popularity in the district and his attainments as a lawyer, need no laudation from me, but I will not close this without the assurance that a number of years of intimate association officially, professionally and otherwise convince me that the district democracy will not only accomplish a victory this fall, but will be honored in honoring him.

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