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It is amusing to watch the theatrical efforts of the Galveston News to pose as the friend of the common people, after prostituting its powers for years as the tool of corporation and capital.

The democracy of Houston county is putting on its war paint. There are many encouraging signs but the most encouraging is the expressed determination of democrats to go to work for the party. Such determination means victory.

The crowd that has brought out the Old Alcalde for governor and are endeavoring to hold him up to public gaze as a finished young statesman is the same crowd that opposed John H. Reagan ten years ago on the ground that he was superannuated.

It seems that the Old Alcalde not only endorsed Tillman's pitchfork speech, but enjoyed it so much that he wrote the senator a personal letter of commendation, and still the gold standard organs and gold standard bolters of Texas are willing to swallow the old Alcalde pitch fork and all.

Mr. SQUERS having run his course with very unsatisfactory results gave vent to the lament: "The coat of arms of the Squers is tore, their sun is set in the ocean wave." Such will be the bitter cry of the Old Alcalde when his little independent boom is thoroughly squelched.

If Anderson and Henderson counties will only do well their part, we will cast of the Burnett yoke, and return to good old time methods of selecting juries without regard to party. We have no pledges to make based on partisan prejudice. No democratic judge was ever known to dictate to a jury commission whether or not negroes should be placed on the juries.

WHEN the old Alcalde was the democratic governor of the state of Texas, the Galveston News took peculiar delight in assailing his administration, but the old man in his dotage has turned his heel against the party that honored him and is striving to destroy it and has suddenly found grace in the sight of the News. Such are the consistencies of an ingrate and journalism of the Belo type.

POLITICS makes strange bedfellows. Just think of the Galveston News supporting the Old Alcalde for governor as an independent after fighting him as long as he was a democrat. The logical conclusion is that the News desires to destroy the democratic organization and in order to do this will advocate any man or measure. The News is a gold standard organ but is willing to swallow free silver Roberts in order to gratify its spleen against Culberson and Texas democracy.

The populists were in great glee when it appeared that the Clark Hardy crowd decided to bolt, but their heart sank within them when they sized up the crowd. Again their hopes received a boost when the Old Alcalde proclaimed his independent candidacy, only to have them dashed to the ground as they perceive that the old man has been made the victim of designing enemies of democracy who are unable to help him in his hour of need. His boom has withered away leaving him desolate in his old age.

MEXICAN VETERANS.

Requested to Send in Names of Themselves and Wives.

Columbus, Tex., April 17.—To the News: You will confer a favor on the few survivors of the war with Mexico by inserting the following in your valuable paper: I, the assistant secretary of the Veterans association of the Mexican war of Texas desire the names of the survivors of the Mexican war, the names of their wives, when and where they were married and the maiden names of these wives, that I may, as secretary, enroll them in a book kept for that purpose. The object is to have all the evidence of the wife, so that in case of the death of a comrade there will be no delay in obtaining pension, and upon a certificate of the demise of a comrade we can pay to the widow of said comrade \$8, or such sum as the association at its next meeting may agree upon. The object of the association is destined to be a benevolent as well as a social association.

Comrades, please send your names, and unite with us in our efforts to keep alive the memories of the men who did more for the United States than all the armies combined.

Our next meeting will be at Rockdale, Milam county, on August 20, 1896, where we hope to meet as many comrades as can get there. It is to be hoped the railroads will not treat us as they did last year at Flatonia—offer us one and one-third fares, we paying one full fare going, and then, after getting there, telling us we must pay full fare unless we had such a number.

All papers are requested to copy. Direct all communications to A. J. Nave, Columbus, Tex.

Dotings of Commissioners' Court.

The commissioners' court revised the pauper list at its last sitting. The following is the list for the present quarter.

THE PAUPER LIST AND TRUSTEES OF SAME.

Mary Banks, John David trustee; Mrs. Luce, John B. Harkins trustee; Sarah Richardson, John B. Harkins trustee; Margret Moore, Harrison Long trustee; Lucy Daily, John David trustee; Jim Norman, W. W. Davis trustee; A. Bailey, W. J. Davis trustee; Mary Johnson, A. J. McLemore trustee; Mrs. Cribbs, W. J. Davis trustee; Emily Sykes, M. A. Bynum trustee; L. A. Sheridan, Pass Johnson trustee; Henry Hall, John Murchison trustee; Susan Duckworth, J. H. Musick trustee; Jane Kidd, Robert Groves trustee; Mrs. Stephens, F. Daniel trustee; Nancy Wyeth, Ann Austin trustee; Warren Fox, Lewis Smith trustee; Macey Jackson, Mary Jackson trustee; Mollie Sloan, John McCullar trustee; F. M. Tyer, Wess Shaver trustee; John White, W. R. Miller trustee; Frank Butler, Sheriff trustee; Fanny Howard, J. J. Bryan trustee; Charles Writner, M. Bromberg trustee; Caroline Woodley, Theo Hicks trustee; Amy Johnson, C. W. Ellis trustee.

LOCAL OPTION.

The commissioners' court canvass the returns of the local option election held in the Augusta Beat, on the 24th day of April last. Only seventy votes were cast at

the election and all of them were cast for prohibition. The court passed an order prohibiting the sale of any intoxicating liquors in the said precinct except for medicinal purposes.

The commissioners court ordered the investment of five thousand dollars of the permanent school fund in Kent county jail bonds.

The court appointed election managers for the following school districts: Augusta, W. H. Wall, S. H. Kyle, Chester Kennedy. For the Durst school Dist. Archie Porter, M. W. Peck, Jim Moore.

An order was passed for repairing the jail and sewers.

The following quarterly fees ex-officio were allowed:

County Judge	- - -	\$100.00
County Clerk	- - -	68.00
District Clerk	- - -	62.50
Sheriff	- - -	62.50

What has been known for some time as Captain Pridden's road and which has been the cause of considerable contention in the Grapeland section was by order of court discontinued.

Report of J. R. Sheridan tax collector, was examined and approved.

At the beginning of the fiscal year he was charged with the following items and amounts:

Occupation tax receipts	\$1392.12
As'rs. Roll for 1895 (ad va.)	13039.07.
As'rs roll for 1895 (Poll)	1204.00.
Coll's Insolvent list	68.00.
Coll's redemption list	142.93.
Sales to Individuals	19.64.
He was credited with the following amounts to balance:	
Insolvent list 1895	576.34.
Land sold former years	293.22.
Erroneous As'rs.	421.31.
Coll's to comptroller (ad va) 1895	232.29.
Coll's several months	13852.61.

The Bridge Matter.

The session of the Commissioners' Court on last Friday couldn't be called stormy but those present representing each side were deeply in earnest. During the week both sides had been active and had men in the saddle canvassing for subscribers both *pro* and *con* on the proposition. Returns were made on Friday in the presentation by both sides of petitions numerously signed besides there were present delegates in person to advocate and to protest against the construction of the bridge. Those opposing the bridge brought in petitions from over half the county. There were two from Pleasant Grove with 127 names on them; Coltharp, Tadmor and Ratliff were represented by petitions of 143 names; Lovelady had two of 189 names; Holly had one of 38 names, Daniel one of 15; Weldon one of 37; Grapeland one of 137. Those favoring the bridge had a petition signed by people living in almost all sections of the county, the number of names reaching nearly 1400. Notwithstanding the preponderance of subscribers favoring the bridge, the court refused to pass an order to build the bridge but decided to leave it to an election, as many of those opposing the enterprise had asked for. Those favoring the building of the bridge were opposed to an election and have dropped the matter altogether. They have advised the Judge not to order an election and as one can't be legally ordered the chances are that there will not be any election at all.

Proposed Tram and Lumber Co.

Last Friday Mr. W. C. Teter who is engaged in consolidating the pine lands of Houston county, went to Coltharp and was met there by many of the prominent citizens of the eastern portion of the county. At first there seemed to be a spirit of "set back" in the crowd—due to the fact that Mr. Teter's plan was not understood; when the people had the matter fully explained to them and found that there were no axes to grind and that they could have absolute control of the lands among themselves, with a fair prospect of making eight or ten dollars per acre from the pine, and could also have a rail road over which to haul cotton, and other produce to market, there was a change of front at once, and a spirit of harmony prevailed in the general praise of the plan. Another meeting will be held next Saturday, at Coltharp, when it is expected a large crowd will be on hand. The proposition has met with favor among the people where the matter has been canvassed. Mr. Teter has seen the people of Galveston and Houston who own any of these timbered lands and to a man they have agreed to take stock in the Tram & Mill Co. for their lands. Among those who have subscribed are such well known names as Col. J. H. Burnett, Judge F. A. Williams, Mrs. Clara Kauffman and E. Redding & Son of Galveston.

Wm. D. Cleveland & Co., F. H. Heitman & Co. and R. F. George of Houston.

Judge A. A. Aldrich, W. V. Clark, J. C. Wooters, D. A. Nunn, Dr. J. B. Smith, R. C. Barbee, Enoch Broxson and others of Crockett.

About 10,000 acres have so far been subscribed and the prospects are, that the company will soon have all the land it needs.

County Court Proceedings—Criminal

State vs Bud Lakey, carrying pistol, nol pros; State vs Fred Moore, carrying pistol, nol pros; State vs Rance Odum carrying pistol, nol pros; State vs Noah Simpson, theft, nol pros; State vs Nat Scott, theft, nol pros; State vs Wilse Hallmark, A. A. and Bat, nol pros; State vs Henry Warren, A. A. and Bat, guilty \$25.00; State vs Andrew Wilson, A. A. and Bat, guilty \$25.00; State vs Wilse Halmark, A. A. and Bat, guilty \$5.00; State vs Allen Lockhart, carrying pistol, guilty, \$25.00; State vs Wilse Halmark, Disturbance, guilty, \$5.00; State vs Will Car etal, fornication, nol pros; State vs Alec Allen, escape, guilty, one hour in jail; State vs Ella Watson, theft, \$5.00 and one hour in jail; State vs Malinda Watson, theft, guilty, \$5.00 and one hour in jail; State vs J. H. Ashmore, obstructing road, nol pros; State vs Polk Taylor, carrying pistol, guilty \$25.00; State vs Sidney Pennington, A. A. guilty, \$5.00; State vs Dave Cleveland, carrying pistol, guilty, \$25.00;

Notice.

The commissioners court will sit as a board of equalization on the 2nd Monday in June 1896 at which time all persons interested may appear and contest the appraisalment of their property for taxation if they see proper. Given under my hand and seal of office May 18th. A. D. 1896.

N. E. ALBRIGHT, County Clerk, Houston County Texas.
By John Spence Dpy.

Local News.

Getting dry again.

Several new dwellings going up.

The town clock has been finished. Nat Albright is in San Antonio on business.

Farmers report fine rains nearly all over the county.

W. J. Murchison of Lovelady was on the streets Monday.

F. H. Hudson of Coltharp spent Sunday and Monday in our city.

County court met Monday with a long string of indictments to dispose of.

Hon. F. A. Williams of Galveston spent several days in our city this week.

Louis Haring is having new counters built and other work done in his drug store.

Dr. C. O. Webb returned Saturday night from the Dental Association held at Waco.

Messrs. Geo. Darsey and Will Totty of Grapeland made a business trip to our town Friday last.

Will Tenny who has been attending school at Louisville, Ky., has returned home to spend the vacation.

J. P. Gaunt, Dr. Collins and several others from Lovelady were in town Friday attending the bridge meeting.

Coll Porter left Friday night for the state of Coahuila, Mexico, to take a position given him by his brother Ike.

A team ran away Saturday and made a tour of the town smashing up several vehicles but fortunately no one was hurt.

Quite a crowd left for the lakes on the river last week and those that have returned report the finest time imaginable.

E. Winfree informs the COURIER that some twenty-five or thirty ex-confederates will attend the re-union at Richmond.

Mrs. N. B. Wortham left for Lancaster Tuesday to the bed side of her daughter, Mrs. S. A. Lacy, who has been quite sick.

One day last week as the hand car was coming in and just before reaching the depot it ran over a dog throwing the car from the track. Several of the crew were bruised up but no one seriously hurt.

Those interested tell us that the telephone enterprise is not dead but merely resting *statu quo* which is to say that it is just where it was when it stopped. It will come again in the fall and be put through.

W. C. Teter held a meeting at Coltharp last Friday. Thirty or forty timbered land owners were present and several made speeches all favoring the tram rail road. The meeting adjourned at dark agreeing to meet again next Saturday.

The populists are beginning to have but little confidence in their leaders judging from the following resolution adopted by the populist in their convention in Bastrop county: "Resolved, that we view with suspicion the conduct of our national chairman.

LOCAL NEWS.

To the Reunion at Richmond Va. The railroad fare for the round trip will be \$28.00, all parties wishing to attend will please send in their names by June 1st, that accommodations may be made for the benefit of each individual at Richmond and before their arrival, about July 1st.

E. WINFREE, Adjutant, Crockett Camp No. 141, U. C. V.

Shivers Bros.

Will have a Special Sales-Day every Tuesday commencing April 28th. Special prices at these sales on all Dry Goods, Notions, Millinery, Shoes, etc. Everybody attend, it will be to your interest.

Mr. D. P. Davis, a prominent liveryman and merchant of Goshen, Va., has this to say on the subject of rheumatism: "I take pleasure in recommending Chamberlain's Palm Balm for rheumatism, as I know from personal experience that it will do all that is claimed for it. A year ago this spring my brother was laid up in bed with inflammatory rheumatism and suffered intensely. The first application of Chamberlain's palm Balm eased the pain and the use of one bottle completely cured him." For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

Bucklin's Arnica Salve.

The best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, better, 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.

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 anyone 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.

City Ordinance.

Be it ordained by the city council of the city of Crockett that if any person liable to work the public roads or streets of the city of Crockett, after being summoned, shall wilfully fail or refuse to attend either in person or by able and competent substitute at the time and place designated by the person summoning him, or to pay to the overseer or other person authorized by the city council of the city of Crockett to receive the same, the sum of one dollar per day for each day he may have been notified to work thereon, or having attended, shall fail to perform good service or any other duty required of him by law or the person under whom he may work, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, fined in any sum not less than five dollars nor more than twenty five dollars.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

Passed 124th, 1896.
J. C. WOOTTERS
< L.S. > Mayor, Crockett, Texas.
EARLE ADAMS, JR.
City Sec'y Crockett, Texas.

Selling Out At Cost.

My entire stock of Groceries, Tinware, Queensware, Willoware and Crockery will be closed out at first cost.

Come Early for they are going fast.

S. H. OWENS,
The Grocery Man.

D. M. CRADDOCK,
Fire Insurance Agent,

CROCKETT,
TEXAS.

Representing over \$100,000,000 Capital in the following old line companies. Liverpool & London & Globe, Hartford Insurance Co., Continental, Phoenix, of Hartford, Hamburg Bremen, Commercial Union of London, Imperial, Fire Ass'n., Scottish Union & National, Delaware, Lancashire, Queen, German, Pennsylvania, Germania, London & Lancashire, New Orleans Ins. Ass'n., British America, Mechanics & Traders, Teutonia, Aetna, Providence Washington, Greenwich.

I Also Write Tornado Insurance.

How to Treat a Wife

(From Pacific Health Journal.)

First, get a wife; second be patient. You may have great trials and perplexities in your business, but do not therefore, carry to your home a cloudy or contracted brow.

Your wife may have trials which, though of less magnitude, may be hard for her to bear. A kind word, a tender look, will do wonders in chasing from her brow all clouds of gloom. To this we would add always keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house. It is the best and is sure to be needed sooner or later.

Your wife will then know that you really care for her and wish to protect her health. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

Democratic Precinct conventions on Saturday, June 6th.

A Sound Liver Makes a Well Man.

Are you bilious, constipated or troubled with jaundice, sick headache, bad taste in mouth, foul breath, coated tongue, dyspepsia, indigestion, hot dry skin, pain in back and between the shoulders, chills and fever, etc. If you have any of these symptoms, your liver is out of order, and your blood is slowly being poisoned, because your liver does not act properly. **HERBINE** will cure any disorder of the liver, stomach or bowels. It has no equal as a liver medicine. Price 75cets. Free trial bottle at J. G. Haring.

An Affidavit.

This is to certify that on May 11th I walked to Melick's drug store on a pair of crutches and bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm for inflammatory rheumatism which had crippled me up. After using three bottles I am completely cured. I can cheerfully recommend it.—Charles H. Wetzel, Sunbury, Pa.

Sworn and subscribed to before me on August 10, 1894.—Walter Shipman, J. P. For sale at 50c per bottle by B. F. Chamberlain.

The COURIER, \$1 per year.

Don't ask your friend to go on your bond. Representing the Fidelity and Deposit company of Maryland, I am prepared to make all kinds of bonds, except criminal. Write me at Palestine, Texas.

P. H. HUGHES.

Primary Election Managers.

Crockett, J. M. Crook; Grape-land, J. E. Hollingsworth; Augusta, J. F. Butts; Daniel, Frank Daniel; Shiloh, E. A. Williams; Lovelady, C. B. Moore; Daly, W. B. Smith; Creek, R. H. Furlow; Tadmor, R. R. Harvin; Boggs, J. K. Chandler; Pleasant Grove, E. M. Callier; Dodson, Henry Threadgill; Weldon, B. Lynn; Porter Springs, Ross Murchison; Coltharp, A. J. McLemore; Weches, Jim Lovell; Percilla, Dr. Robinson; Freeman, Henry O'Neil; Holly, Dr. R. W. Skipper; Sunflower, Arch Porter.

Condensed Testimony.

Chas. B. Hood, Eroker and Manufacturer's Agent, Columbus, Ohio, certifies that Dr. King's New Discovery has no equal as a Cough remedy. J. D. Brown, Prop. St. James Hotel, Ft. Wayne, Ind., testifies that he was cured of a cough of two years standing, caused by La Gripp, by Dr. King's New Discovery. B. F. Merrill, Baldwinville, Mass., says that he has used and recommended it and never knew it to fail and would rather have it than any doctor, because it always cures. Mrs. Hemming, 222 E. 25th St., Chicago, always keeps it at hand and has no fear of Croup, because it instantly relieves. Free Trial Bottles at, B. F. Chamberlain's Drug Store.

Did You Ever

Try Electric Bitters as a remedy for your troubles? If not, get a bottle now and get relief. This medicine has been found to be peculiarly adapted to the relief and cure of all Female Complaints, exerting a wonderful direct influence in giving strength and tone to the organs. If you have loss of Appetite, Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, or are Nervous, Sleepless, Excitable, Melancholy or troubled with Dizzy Spells, Electric Bitters is the Medicine you need. Health and Strength are guaranteed by its use. Fifty cents and \$1.00 at B. F. Chamberlain's Drug Store.

WHEN YOU NEED

PURE DRUGS,
Patent Medicines,
Toilet Articles,
Fine Writing Paper and Tablets.

OR

Have a Prescription You Want Filled.

CALL ON

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All Kinds of Agricultural Implements and Hardware.

Also constantly on hand a large ASSORTMENT OF GROCERIES.

CALL AND SEE US.



RESTORED MANHOOD DR. MOTT'S NERVE TONIC PILLS

The great remedy for nervous prostration and all nervous diseases of the reproductive organs of either sex, such as Nervous Prostration, Falling or Lost Manhood, Impotency, Nightly Emissions, Youthful Errors, Mental Worry, excessive use of Tobacco or Opium, which lead to Consumption and Insanity. With every \$5 order we give a written guarantee to cure or refund the money. Sold at \$1.00 per box, 6 boxes for \$5.00. DR. MOTT'S CHEMICAL CO., Cleveland, Ohio.

For sale by J. G. Haring, Druggist.



DR. MOTT'S PENNYROYAL PILLS.

The only safe, sure and reliable Female FILL ever offered to Ladies, especially recommended to married Ladies. Ask for DR. MOTT'S PENNYROYAL PILLS and take no other. Send for circular. Price \$1.00 per box, 6 boxes for \$5.00. DR. MOTT'S CHEMICAL CO., Cleveland, Ohio.

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INSURANCE THAT INSURES.

- A Policy absolutely without restrictions.
- A Policy with but One Condition, namely, the payment of premiums.
- A Policy with a Month's Grace in premiums, and paid in full in case of death during the month of grace, less only the overdue premium with interest.
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- A Policy automatically non-forfeiting after three annual premiums have been paid.
- A Policy with privilege of Cash Loans at 5 per cent interest five years after issue.
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- A Policy incontestable from any cause one year after issue.

THAT'S THE ACCUMULATION POLICY OF THE

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JNO. MANGUM, Agent, Crockett, Tex.

Ballard's Snow Liniment.

This wonderful Liniment is known from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the Lakes to the Gulf. It is the most penetrating Liniment in the world. It will cure Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Cuts, Sprains, Bruises, Wounds, Old Sores, Burns, Sciatica, Sore Throat, Sore Chest and all Inflammation, after all others have failed. It will cure Barbed Wire Cuts, and heal all wounds where proud flesh has set in. It is equally efficient for animals. Try it and you will not be without it. Price 50 cents. Sold by J. G. Haring.

Democratic Primary on the money issue Saturday, June 6th.

Notice is hereby given that I have this day withdrawn from the firm of L. H. Haring & Co. by mutual consent. L. H. Haring assuming all liabilities and collecting all outstanding accounts.

J. S. COLLINS,
L. H. HARING.

May 11th 1896.

City Ordinance.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the the city of Crockett that if any person who shall board any passenger, freight or other railway train, whether moving or standing, for any purpose, and without in good faith intending to become a passenger thereon and with no lawful business thereon, and with intent to obtain a free ride on such train, however short the distance, without the consent of the person or persons in charge thereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by fine not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance be and the same is hereby repealed.

Passed April 20th, 1896.

J. C. WOOTTERS
< L.S. > Mayor, Crockett, Texas.
EARLE ADAMS, JR.
City Sec'y, Crockett, Tex.

Send your orders to this office for job printing.

HE SWEARS IT

Does Leslie Bush, Asst. School Land Commissioner, of Guthrie, Oklahoma.

Territory of Oklahoma, ss. County of Logan.

Feb. 13, 1935.
Personally appeared before me, Wm. Blincoe, a notary public, in and for said county, on the above date, Leslie Bush, who first being duly sworn deposes and says: That for about three years prior to September, 1935, his hair continually dropped out until he had become almost bald; that in September, 1935, he began to take the free treatment for baldness furnished by the Knowlton Danderine Company at their office in Guthrie, Okla.; that in a short time thereafter his hair ceased to fall out and began to thicken; that he continued the treatment daily for thirty days, and that since that time his hair has continued to thicken and grow very fast, until now it is almost as thick and vigorous as it ever was.

LESIE BUSH.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of February, 1935.
(Seal.) W. M. BLINCOE.
My commission expires August 24th, 1939.

Nothing is impossible. A few weeks ago you would have hooted at the idea of taking a photograph through a brick wall—yet this very thing is being done repeatedly. You doubt that anything can grow hair on bald heads. Why? Simply because you have never seen it done, or because, perhaps, you have been deceived time and time again by other (so-called) restorers. Mr. Bush, whose affidavit is given above, had no more faith than you have. His experience is only one in a thousand.

You need not take our word alone. Write for the Danderine Herald and read what hundreds say.

Ladies, if you would have beautiful hair—soft and clinging as the snowflakes, fluffy and most luxuriant—then use DANDERINE—If once, then always.

All druggists, or sent on receipt of price, \$1.00 per bottle.

KNOWLTON DANDERINE CO., Guthrie, Oklahoma.

Sin we spare will not spare us.



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 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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Remarkable Success—The History of Veno's Wonderful Remedies—Make Him a Millionaire in Seven Years.

They Are Prescribed by Hundreds of Physicians in this Country and Recommended from the Pulpit.

Since Veno came to this country some four years ago, his remedies have found a home at every fireside. The fact, alone, that they have been adopted by hundreds of physicians in their every day practice is, perhaps, the greatest guarantee of their merit. Many reverend gentlemen have commended them highly from the pulpit, notably among them being the Rev. Geo. P. Pringle, of the M. E. Church, Xenia, O., and Rev. A. P. McNutt, of Bradner, O., also a Methodist clergyman. Before Veno left Europe, a syndicate of wealthy gentlemen, seeing the great possibilities in these remedies, made him an offer of \$500,000.00 for his entire business. The Veno remedies are sold by 50,000 druggists in the United States, with full instructions for home use as follows:

VENO'S CURATIVE SYRUP is the best and only scientific cure. It permanently cures malaria (chills and fever) and thoroughly cures catarrh, constipation and liver trouble. It strengthens the nerves, clears the brain, invigorates the stomach and purifies the blood, leaving no ill effects. This medicine has for its body the famous Llandinod water, the great germ destroyer and blood purifier, and when used with

VENO'S ELECTRIC FLUID will cure the worst and most desperate cases of rheumatism, paralysis, sciatica, neuralgia, and all aches and pains. No home should be without these medicines. They are sold at 50 cents each, twelve for \$5. Ask your druggist to get Veno's Curative Syrup and Veno's Electric Fluid for you.

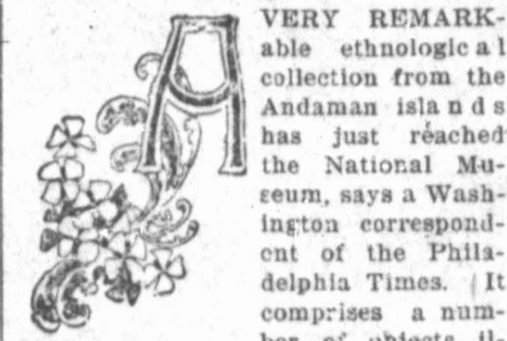
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PISO'S CURE FOR CONSUMPTION

A RACE OF DWARFS.

THE ANDAMANS CALLED BY THE SAILORS "LITTLE NIGGERS."

Most Primitive Savages in the World—Did Not Know How to Make Fire Until Quite Recently—Are Almost Naked.



VERY REMARKABLE ethnological collection from the Andaman islands has just reached the National Museum, says a Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Times. It comprises a number of objects illustrating the arts and industries of the strange race of dwarfs which inhabit an archipelago in the Bay of Bengal. Sailors have long known them somewhat disrespectfully as "little niggers," because the average height of the men is only about 4 feet ten inches, while the ordinary stature of the women is 4 feet 7 inches. Perhaps the oddest thing about them is that they look like babies all their lives, seeming never to grow up. What they are probably the most primitive savages in the world. The collection referred to has been forwarded to Dr. Enrico Gioli, director of the Florence museum.

The dwarfs of the Andamans, until quite recently, have not known how to make fire. On one of the islands of the archipelago is an active volcano, from which they were accustomed formerly to obtain fresh supplies of fire at intervals. Special expeditions for this purpose were not often necessary, inasmuch as they knew how to keep fire burning in decayed wood for an indefinite length of time.

The people of the village, when leaving an encampment, with the intention of returning in a few days, would take with them one or more smoldering logs. At the same time they would place a large burning log or faggot in a sheltered spot, where it would smoulder for a long while, so as to be easily rekindled when required. Incidentally, all labor of splitting and chopping was saved, inasmuch as such a log could be broken into small pieces by hammering it with a stone.

The method of keeping fire in decayed wood is still practiced commonly by the little niggers, especially in the interior of the larger islands, where they did not come into contact with white visitors. Nothing introduced by whites has excited their wonder so much as friction matches. To produce fire with such ease offhand, struck them as actually a supernatural accomplishment. Anthropologists say that primitive man did not invent fire; he found it. Having found it, it did not take him long to discover uses for it. Not until long ages had passed did he learn to make fire; it was an advanced art, the practice of which required a high degree of skill. If you do not believe it, just try to get a spark by means of the wooden sticks commonly employed by savages for the purpose.

Formerly the dwarfs of the Andamans were accustomed to murder ruthlessly all strangers who approached their shores. Melancholy indeed was the fate of shipwrecked sailors who chanced to seek refuge on the islands of the archipelago. They were sure to be shot to death with arrows. Indeed, distressed mariners cast away in that part of the Bay of Bengal would be most likely to be massacred even at the present day. It is believed that the inveterate hostility of the little niggers arose originally from the cruel practice of Malays, Burmese and Chinese, who visited the Andamans to get edible birds' nest and sea cucumbers. They used to kidnap the natives and sell them as slaves in neighboring countries. When the British established a settlement there the savages frequently attacked them and took every opportunity of stealing the iron tools and other implements which excited their cupidity. Within recent years they have become comparatively tractable, however.

There are several shades of color among these little people, ranging from bronze to sooty and black. Their hair is extremely frizzly, so as to look as if it grew in spiral tufts. It is fine in texture and seldom more than two or three inches long. Most of the women shave their heads once a week, leaving only two narrow strips of hair from the crown to the nape of the neck. Many of the men follow the same practice, though the style is different, a circular patch of hair six inches in diameter being left, like a skull cap on the crown of the head. Men sometimes shave each other's heads, but only when the services of a woman are not available, for it is one of the duties of the fair sex in these tribes to act as barbers. Their eyebrows are generally removed also. The razor is a flake of quartz or glass.

These dwarfs are almost naked. The women wear small aprons of leaves,

but the men wear nothing. The men wear bunches of leaves attached to their knees and wrists. Garters, bracelets and necklaces of bones, shells or wood are common ornaments. Tattooing serves to a certain extent as a substitute for raiment. Women do the tattooing. As a protection against the hot tropical sun, the people smear their bodies with a white-wash of clay and water. Efforts to reclaim the Andamans from their savage state have not produced results of unmixed good. Homes having been established for their benefit by missionary influence, those accommodated at these institutions are fat and lazy, spending their time for days together in singing, dancing and feasting.

It is an old story that wherever civilization goes, with its diseases and whiskey, it wipes out the primitive savage races. The Andaman islands afford no exception to the rule. The original population there is rapidly disappearing, the death rate far exceeding the birth rate, and before very long these interesting little people will be practically extinct. They have delicate constitutions, not being able to withstand sicknesses from which Europeans easily recover. Fifty years is the extreme limit of age among them, and partly owing to the great mortality of infants, the average length of life is only about twenty-two years. From time to time epidemics of measles and other complaints communicated from the whites, have destroyed large numbers of them. Their ill-success in rearing their offspring is due, in great measure, to the custom which each infant is suckled by the women indiscriminately. In this manner diseases are spread. It is a notable fact that no idiots or lunatics are found among the Andamans.

The little niggers had no knowledge of intoxicants until the European came. Like most savages, they have readily acquired a taste for whiskey and both men and women have become inveterate smokers of tobacco. It used to be supposed that the Andamans were cannibals, but this belief has no foundation, in fact they express the greatest horror of the custom. Marriages among them are arranged by go-betweens, and newly married couples are so bashful that commonly they do not exchange a word or even a look at each other for some days after the ceremony.

CHURCH THIEVES.

It Seems Probable That They Find It Profitable.

In proportion to their number there are as many churches robbed every year by burglars and sneak thieves in New York city as there are private residences entered, says the New York Journal. The daily papers report attempts to rob poor boxes, to loot pews and sittings of valuable furnishings and books, and even to remove crosses and sacred vessels and vestments used in altar services.

Probably the most daring and successful attempts at looting a church in this city was the despoliation of the Thirty-Fourth street Baptist church on the south side of that thoroughfare, two doors west of 6th avenue. This occurred a few weeks ago, and there was hardly enough of the interior left to waste walls in its protection. Another and similar case of vandalism was that perpetrated at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church at 177 Washington avenue. Here, in addition, the mite boxes were broken into and the offerings of the devout—none of whom was overburdened with worldly wealth—were appropriated by the sacrilegious intruders. Nor have these church thieves' visits been confined to Christian edifices alone. On June 5, 1894, the sexton of Temple Emuno Israel, 301 West 29th street, was shocked on entering the synagogue to find that burglars had broken in during the night and stolen vestments, vessels and ornaments valued at \$400, besides wantonly destroying parchments and records valued at \$450 more. Among the valuables secured were the rabbi's silver pointer and a rich altar cover. Timothy Mooney when arrested on suspicion by officers of the West 37th street station threw away the pieces of the scroll which he had destroyed and which the congregation valued very highly.

To Make Shoes Waterproof.

Most persons, says the Boston Evening Transcript, are dependent upon rubber overshoes to keep their feet dry in wet weather. But one who has practiced it for a number of years knows that leather boots can be made waterproof in the following way: Melt together equal parts of castor oil, kerosene and lard and while it is still warm rub the mixture all over a pair of new boots, both uppers and soles. As it dries in repeat the operation about five times and you can then put the boots on and walk in melting snow with impunity. Give another dressing with this mixture about once in three or four months. Leather is not only made waterproof in this way, but becomes very soft and pliable.

A roaring lion may sometimes be one that has no teeth.

Mrs. Anna McDermott of Rock Island, Ill., is very moderate indeed. She only wants \$125,000 from Widower Schnell for breach of promise. Mr. Schnell admits that he has been kind to the widow, but never had any idea of marrying her. He says he will spend every cent of his large fortune to vindicate himself, and the lawyers are happy.

The Christian who does not have a mountain moving faith has lived below his privileges.

When we would walk with God we must go his way.

The Significance of a Gray Overcoat
Upon the tongue, yellowness of the skin and eyeballs, nausea and uneasiness beneath the right ribs and the shoulder blade, is that the victim of these discomforts is bilious. The "proper caper" under such circumstances is to take Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which also cures chills and fever, constipation, dyspepsia, rheumatic and kidney complaints and urticaria.

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THE CROCKETT COURIER.

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CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Two young men in Manitoba insist that they have seen the devil. People generally will be glad to know where he is located.

The discovery of a sweet girl kleptomaniac in Vassar College would be distressing, but who is it in the building that is swiping everything that isn't fastened down?

When the novelist of the future writes about his hero reading his enemy through and through, it will, of course, be presumed that the Roentgen process has been used.

In view of the number of widows some of the millionaires of the wild West have left, it is difficult to understand how they found time to accumulate so much money.

Poet Laureate Austin is doubtless sharpening his quills for an assault on Bulawayo. He may find an opportunity to make the British people forget all about the man Tennyson.

Edison says he is bothered almost to death with letters from cranks, who want all sort of impossible things and ask all sorts of fool questions. He says he was not aware until recently how many fools there are in the world.

Bloomer restaurants in the east have proved a failure. The managers depended on pretty girls in bicycle costumes, instead of good meals. When people go to restaurants they usually go to feast the stomach rather than the eye.

European statisticians have been gathering some facts with regard to the growth of population in the various countries of Europe during the decennial period 1885-95. The aggregate increase was 29,922,800. Some states have advanced greatly. For example Russia added 12,510,800 to her existing population; Germany, 4,522,600; Austro-Hungary, 3,502,200; Great Britain, 2,452,400; Turkey, 1,100,000, and France 67,100.

The bureau of American republics at Washington has had some difficulties lately, but seems to have passed over them. The cause of the trouble, if trouble it may be called, is not known, but may have arisen from the belief of some of the representatives of the powers that their nations were not receiving as much attention as they should. Mexico and Argentina had signified their intention to withdraw, but have now changed their minds. On the other hand Chili, which has always held aloof, has signified her willingness to take part in the future work of the bureau. It is believed that the plan of work will be modified to some extent.

It looks as if the near future would see the orange market of the United States well supplied. The California orange crop for this year will be about 2,800,000 boxes, worth about \$5,000,000. These oranges grow on 10,000 acres of orange orchard. But there are said to be 80,000 acres of new and unbearing orange orchards in California. When they come into bearing oranges should be cheap. In Florida the great frosts of last year killed the orange trees over wide areas. The trees were cut off at the stumps and are now growing up, and some of them are scheduled to begin to bear in two years more. Altogether it appears that a great many trees of this kind of fruit are in process of growth.

The agitation for lower street-car fares is spreading. Some of the cities, such as Detroit and New York, have taken the question up in earnest. In the latter case it is not the city alone that is involved, but every city in the state, as the state legislature has taken hold of the matter. A bill has been prepared and introduced in the assembly at Albany providing that at certain times of day the companies shall sell thirty tickets for \$1, whenever the road can pay its fixed charges and 1 per cent on the investment. The reduction of fares is a thing of great moment to the larger cities. It means that the people can go farther in the country for their homes. At the present time the number that feel they can afford to pay double fares each way is small. But if the fares be reduced to 3 cents the double fare would be scarcely more than the single one is now. When a few cities and states have passed such laws and made them operative the movement will progress rapidly to the advantage of all. The roads will not be entirely the losers, since a reduction of fares greatly increases the volume of travel, especially of well-to-do people. Austria reduced the charges on her railroads nearly one-half and the passenger traffic more than doubled in a single year.

AN AWFUL CYCLONE

DEATH AND DESOLATION OVER NORTH TEXAS.

Sherman Has Suffered Most Severely.—The Death List Will Foot up Nearly One Hundred and Fifty Persons, Both Old and Young.

Sherman, Texas, May 16.—Hundreds of homes are tonight desolate and on all sides is mourning and lamentation. Where but a few hours ago was happiness all is now sorrow. Bright and cheerful homes have been literally blotted from the face of the earth, and whole families have been ushered, without a moment's preparation, to the great beyond.

The disaster which overtook this beautiful and prosperous North Texas city yesterday is appalling, and the wreck and ruin wrought beggars all description. Broken-hearted parents, with haggard faces, are searching for their children; wives are seeking husbands, and all is chaos and confusion.

At 4:30 last afternoon a cyclone, with fearful fury, burst upon the town, striking the western portion first and continuing through in a northeasterly direction. Houses in the path of the wind are hurled like chaff into the air and completely demolished, the inmates being crushed and mangled, while in many instances they were blown completely away.

The roar of the wind and the crashing and whirling of the timbers as they flew through space were worse than the din of battle, and the carnage almost as great, for the death list already numbers over 100, with a greater number maimed, wounded and bleeding, while not a few have not been found since the first swish of the awful hurricane was felt.

As soon as the storm had ceased the work of rescue began, and every minute added more dead to the list. Telegrams were sent to neighboring towns and physicians and citizens promptly responded, and have been working ever since in preparing the dead for sepulture and relieving the anguish of the wounded.

The colored population living in the light frame houses suffered most severely, their little dwellings being completely obliterated.

Senate Proceedings.

Washington, May 16.—By a vote of 31 to 30 the senate determined today that Henry A. Du Pont was not entitled to a seat in the senate from the state of Delaware. This closed a long animated controversy, which had become one of the most celebrated of its kind in the history of the senate. The result was in doubt up to the last moment and that added interest to the final vote. There has been some question as to the direction of Mr. Stewart's vote, but it went with the democrats and populists and was the decisive vote in declaring that Mr. Du Pont was not entitled to a seat.

Before taking the vote Mr. Platt spoke for Mr. Du Pont and early in the day Mr. Gordon spoke against the issue of bonds without authority of congress.

Weyler Wants Corn.

Havana, May 16.—Captain General Weyler has issued a proclamation giving the country twenty days in which to deposit in the various government graneries all the corn procurable in the provinces of Pinar del Rio, Havana and Matanzas. The military authorities at the collecting centers have been ordered to purchase the corn at market price and place it on deposit. At the expiration of twenty days all corn not deposited or so purchased by the military authorities will be declared contraband of war and the owners of it will be punished as criminals.

M. Romero, an insurgent leader, who has been sentenced to death by a court martial at Cienfuegos, was executed at Cruces Thursday.

Drill at Savannah.

Savannah, Ga., May 15.—This has been the biggest day of the military drill. The contest for the Galveston cup and the prize of \$2500 in cash began this morning. There were only 303 entries, the Morton Cadets of Washington and the Ogleshorpe Infantry of Augusta. The Aurora Zouaves and the Morton Cadets are believed to be sure winners, and it is thought the Citadel Cadets of Charleston will win the \$300, the first prize in the college cadet contest.

To Build a Convent.

Orange, Texas, May 16.—Rev. M. F. McSorley, pastor of the Catholic church at this place, is authority for the statement that a convent will be erected here in the near future. The school is to be non-sectarian and will be in charge of the Sisters of St. Dominic of Galveston. The building committee who are to arrange for the building of the convent is composed of the following influential members of the Catholic church: A. Batersky, C. W. Holt, J. C. Corbett and A. Bischoff. The building is to be a palatial structure, three stories in height, and is to be completed by September 1.

Indicative of Storms.

Corpus Christi, Texas, May 18.—The strong winds which have prevailed here for the past two or three days foreboded the tornado that wrecked Sherman and surrounding country Friday. Several days of high southeast winds on this part of the coast is almost always indicative of storms in the upper portion of the State. When Cisco was swept away several years ago the wind was very high at this place, though the weather was dry and the atmosphere free from anything but fast floating "gulf clouds."

At the time of the storm in the western portion of the State a few weeks ago the same winds that blew here yesterday and the day before prevailed. It is probable that scientific investigation on these coincidents would develop much that would aid in warning the people of the interior of the approach of these death-dealing and destructive tornadoes.

Fire Engine Purchased.

Orange, Texas, May 18.—The city authorities have completed the purchase of a new LaFrance fire engine of the latest style. The old engine, also a LaFrance, which has been in use for fourteen years, will be fitted up with a new boiler and practically rebuilt. It is intended to organize another fire company, station the old engine in the Third ward, the new engine in the present fire house, and the hand engine at a point further up the river in the First ward, greatly increasing the fire protection. It is also intended soon to run water mains out into the residential portion of the city that now has inadequate fire protection.

Named for the Presidency.

Chicago, May 18.—Eugene V. Debs was named for the presidency of the United States by the Chicago Labor congress yesterday. The resolution provoked a discussion, which consumed three hours, but it was finally adopted by a slight majority.

It was recited in the resolution that the corporations, syndicates and trusts are seeking to have presidential candidates nominated who are in sympathy with the existing order of industrial things, labor organized and unorganized, should be equally solicitous that a man be nominated who is known to be friendly toward workers and wealth producers. The congress expressed the belief that Eugene V. Debs is best fitted to become the leader of the industrial classes.

Will Visit Beaumont.

Beaumont, Texas, May 17.—A telegram was received this afternoon bringing information that Governor Charles Culberson would visit Beaumont on Friday, May 22, and address the voters of Southeast Texas. As this will be the first time a democratic candidate for governor has ever honored Beaumont with a visit an effort will be made to give the young executive a royal reception and if excursion rates can be secured from Orange, Liberty, Kirbyville and points on the Sabine and East Texas railroad several thousand people will take advantage of the opportunity to hear the governor speak.

Town Wiped Out.

Hiawatha, Kan., May 18.—(Bulletin 2 p. m.)—Two couriers who have just arrived from Reserve, a village in the northeastern part of this (Brown) county, report that everything in the village of Reserve was demolished by the cyclone, which swept over Marshall and Nemaha counties this evening. They report that six people were killed at Reserve and many others injured. The two horsemen who bring the report were sent to summon surgical aid. Nothing further can be learned here of the disaster at that point.

Brewster Democ a.

Alpine, Texas, May 18.—Brewster county democratic convention met Saturday and elected delegates to the various conventions, except the congressional convention. Delegates to the State convention were instructed to vote for Culberson, Baker and Carlisle and the State administration was endorsed. Judge Fly was instructed for Silver carried without a dissenting voice. W. W. Gatewood was elected a delegate to the Austin convention and he was endorsed as a delegate to the Chicago convention.

Will Oppose Adjournment.

Washington, May 18.—The impression is growing about the capitol that the silver men will soon take a position against final adjournment before the national convention. The movement embraces silver advocates of both houses and of all parties. There has been no formal agreement so far, but there has been a general exchange of views and there is no doubt that some of the leaders hold the opinion that it will be wise to postpone adjournment until there shall be opportunity to know what position the conventions will take on the financial question.

A bolt baffles Cupid. Miss Anna Piggett of New Jersey was struck by lightning the other day. She was to have been married.

Great Britain's Venezuelan "Blue Book" is rightly named. The most recent exposures of its inaccuracies and studied falsifications are enough to make any self-respecting Englishman feel blue over the prospects of his country's success based on its misshapen contents.

The great work that woman has done for the church would seem to entitle her to a prominent place in all the conferences. If she does not get such recognition this year, it will certainly come later.

Here comes Mrs. Emma Louise Myer of Brooklyn, N. Y., who claims that her husband slid off to Oklahoma and got a divorce without letting her know about it. Emma says she is the mildest mannered woman on earth, still for all that her husband charged "extreme cruelty," and he made it go.

The Hon. Tyre York of North Carolina, who is traveling on the back of a bull over the district in which he is seeking a nomination for congress, may also bring a pitchfork to the national capital.

The Bible is the only book ever written that points out a sure way to become rich.

A Successful Doctor.

We take pleasure in calling your attention to the advertisement of Dr. Marsh with regard to his cure for the opium and morphine habit to be found in another column of this paper. The doctor has been engaged for twenty-five years in this specialty, and is well and favorably known for the cures he has made of these habits. We take pleasure in commending him to any and all who need his services, having been personally acquainted with him for the past twenty-five years.

People get too old to dance, but they never get too old to sing.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has been a God-send to me.—Wm. B. McClellan, Chester, Florida, Sept. 17, 1895.

People do not go crazy; cranks drive them crazy.

FITS—All Fits stopped free by Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. No Fits after the first use. A sure, permanent cure. Treatise and \$2 trial bottle free. L. B. Case, 110 N. 3rd St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Oh, we are all so horrible when we are dead!

If the Baby is Cutting Teeth. Be sure and use that old and well-tested remedy, Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP for Children's Teeth.

The latest novelty is a pinaforte solo in a lion's cage.

There are 13,846 juveniles in the reformatories in the United States.

Some scientists intend to go to Mexico to study stars, it is said. It was for that that Peter Maher went there, wasn't it?

General Weyler's work is deteriorating somewhat, but then one can't do good editorial work where all is not calm and peaceful.

Boils

It is often difficult to convince people their blood is impure, until dreadful carbuncles, abscesses, boils, scrofula or salt rheum, are painful proof of the fact. It is wisdom now, or whenever there is any indication of

Impure

blood, to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, and prevent such eruptions and suffering.

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Blood

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JACKSON IS GUILTY.

SC SAID A JURY OF HIS PEERS
IN NEWPORT, KY.

Death For Pearl Bryan's Murder—A Pilot and Engineer on the Steamboat Dallas Arrested For Not Having a License—Other News.

Newport, Ky., May 15.—Scott Jackson has been found guilty of murdering Pearl Bryan and the jury has fixed his punishment at death.

At 12:15 the jury returned to the court room with a verdict. A dull death-like silence the foreman handed the verdict to the clerk, who read as follows:

"We, the jury, find the defendant, Scott Jackson, guilty of murder in the first degree and fix his punishment at death."

The judge had previously announced that no demonstration of approval or disapproval by the spectators would be permitted. Deputies were placed throughout the room with instructions to bring before the court any person disobeying this instruction, to be punished for contempt. Consequently the verdict was heard with silence, but immediately upon adjournment of court the spectators rushed to the jurors and shook their hands heartily. They also shook each other by the hand, showing a hearty approval of the verdict of the jury.

Jackson received his doom with no manifestation of emotion, except an increasing ashy paleness of the face. None of his relatives were present. The aged father of Pearl Bryan and her brother, Fred Bryan, were present when the verdict was rendered. The usual motion for a new trial was then made, and the Jackson was taken away to jail. He had been surrounded by a half dozen or more officers when the jury came in and went out under their protection, although there was no demonstration to indicate a necessity for so much care. The general impression is that the verdict is right.

Had No License.
Dallas, Texas, May 15.—F. O. Brown, pilot, and Henry McIntyre and Billy Schwartz, engineers on the steamer Dallas, were this morning arrested by United States Marshal Lovo and arraigned before Commissioner Lednum on the charge of violating the "navigation" laws by acting without licenses. They admitted that they had no license, but said they did not think the general navigation laws applied to an irregular craft like the Dallas, which made only an occasional trip for wood or logs. Commissioner Lednum set the bonds of the prisoners in the sum of \$200 for Brown and \$100 each for the other two to await the action of the grand jury. The Dallas recently sprang a leak and went down with a cargo of logs. The boat was repaired, but the dam broke, leaving the steamer aground. The dam is being repaired.

Tomatoes and Jessamines.
Alvin, Texas, May 15.—The first tomatoes of the season were shipped yesterday. They were raised by Mrs. A. M. Kimball. There are about 100 acres in tomatoes around Alvin, and the prospects for a large crop are good. Tomato shipments will be lively next week.

About 10,000 cape jessamine buds are now being shipped from Alvin daily. About 20,000 buds daily will soon be moving, and on some occasions, such as Decoration Day, from 50,000 to 60,000 buds will be shipped in one day. This is the largest jessamine bud shipping point in the world.

Buried Treasure Found.
Timpson, Texas, May 15.—Mr. R. M. Pristie conveyed the news today that the Rev. Rhodes, living about twelve miles east of here, while plowing in his field unearthed thirty thousand dollars, all in Mexican dollars. It seems that the money was buried in leather satchels, and they were almost rotten. Mr. Rhodes bought the place only two years ago. For several years there has been a good deal of digging in that community by unknown parties at night.

A Horrible Death.
Waco, Texas, May 15.—The little 4-year-old son of Anderson Alexander, colored, who lives at White Rock, six miles from the city, died this morning from hydrophobia. Several days ago a mad dog started from White Rock, biting several persons there and at East Waco, where he was killed. The child was among the first victims of the crazed brute, all of whom received prompt attention, madstones being among the remedies used. The Alexander child died in awful agony, snapping and barking like a dog. The other victims of the animals viciousness are seriously alarmed.

Prisoners Shall Have Justice.

London, May 13.—A Madrid dispatch to the Standard says: The Imparcial's idea of denouncing the treaties of 1759 and 1877, between the United States of America and Spain, is discussed in all circles as correctly expressing the feeling of the people, under the covert aggression of the government and the nation, which, as the Herald says, ought to drop the mask. The tone of the republican papers is even more significant, but they use the conduct of the Washington government to damage the monarchy.

The Epoca (government organ) asks if public opinion and the government of European powers having maritime colonial interests have considered the necessity of giving Spain spontaneous assistance in a cause that is not exclusively Spanish.

"The admiral commanding the Spanish West Indies squadron has sent the Competitor case before a naval court to have her declared a lawful prize." A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Madrid says: "The Correspondencia Militar considers that the men captured on board the Competitor will receive their dues after the next trial. If America wants a war then, she must have it."

"The report that the United States will ask indemnity for damage to property of Americans in Cuba is generally resented and if it is enforced it is likely to lead to serious trouble."

Paris, May 13.—In the French newspapers today there is further adverse criticism of the attitude of the United States in the matter of the Competitor filibusters. The tone of the comment corresponds with the following, which is from the Euclaire:

"It is clear that Brother Jonathan has just as many scruples as his brother, John Bull. He wants to interfere at any price in affairs which don't concern him. This policy will not find supporters in France."

Before the Commission.
Austin, Texas, May 13.—General Freight Agent Barnhardt and Commercial Agent J. W. Tate of the Cotton Belt, General Freight Agent Comer of the Port Worth and Rio Grande, General Freight Agent Kirklies of the Hearne and Brazos, and Chief Clerk Stirling of the traffic department of the Port Worth and Denver City appeared before the railroad commission this morning to discuss the question of repealing all exemptions of railroad companies doing business in the State from the operation of commission tariffs. In a general way, objection was made to any reduction in rates, but no protest was entered against the cancellation of existing exemptions from tariff operations provided that in cancelling such exemptions the commission will authorize the maintenance of the rates now being carried.

In Session at Hearne.
Hearne, Texas, May 13.—The board of medical examiners of the Twentieth district met here Tuesday and awarded certificates to several young physicians. The call for the physicians of the Twentieth district to meet here Tuesday to form a medical association was quite generally responded to and a large number of prominent physicians are here in session. The ladies of Hearne had decorated the opera house for the occasion. The visiting physicians were welcomed in neat speeches, on the part of the city by Mayor P. L. Brady, on the part of the commercial club, by President J. L. Haslett and on the part of the profession by Dr. Cummings, the response to which was made by Dr. Daniel Parker of Calvert.

Damage by a Storm.
Huntsville, Texas, May 14.—Huntsville was visited by a very heavy blow yesterday forenoon, which did considerable damage to crops, fences, etc. In addition to blowing down the Friendship Baptist church (colored) in Rogersville the other Baptist church near by was blown from its foundation. Considerable damage is also reported having occurred at the State farm. The roof of the Masonic hall on the north side of the square was blown off and the hall and Josey's store underneath almost inundated. Several small houses were blown from their moorings.

Captain General Weyler has prolonged indefinitely the period in which Cubans can be pardoned.

The secretary general in Havana comments on the Competitor case.

Consul General Williams has intervened in behalf of two more Americans.

The Bermuda was seen at Port Cortez loading bananas.

American Tract Society.

New York, May 14.—At the annual meeting of the American Tract society yesterday a motion was adopted recommending the action of the special committee in June, 1897, in combining the business and benevolent departments of the society. The union of the two departments were dissolved by an almost unanimous vote. General O. O. Howard was elected president of the society and the Rev. R. F. Carter of New York was chosen vice president. The report of Secretary Shearer shows receipts of \$230,053, disbursements \$18,150, cash balance \$212,003.

TRAGEDY AT A SCHOOL

THE COLORED PRINCIPAL AT
NAVASOTA IS SHOT.

The Fight Grew Out of School Matters and Has Been Brewing For Some Time—President Cleveland Desired To Rest and Travel.

Navasota, Texas, May 13.—O. W. Landry, principal of the colored public schools of this city, was shot and killed yesterday at the noon hour by Tom Smith, also colored. It seems that the fight grew out of school matters, and has been brewing for some time. Several objections have recently been urged against Landry as principal, and at the last meeting of the city council an investigation was ordered. Landry, it is claimed, then tried to secure the dismissal of Tom Smith's wife, who is a teacher in the school. Today at noon Smith approached the school house with a shotgun, and as he entered the door Landry jumped up and endeavored to make his escape through the rear door. Smith pursued, and the shooting began, Smith firing several loads of buckshot at Landry's retreating figure, and Landry in return emptying a revolver in the direction of his opponent, none of which latter, however, took effect. Landry continued running and fell about 300 yards from the school house with nine buckshot in his neck, shoulders and back, death ensuing very shortly. Smith surrendered to Constable R. L. Greer, and an examining trial was had.

President Desired Rest.
New York, May 13.—The World's Chicago special says:

Washington Hising, postmaster of Chicago, appointed by President Cleveland, disclosed to me a political secret which seems to set at rest the question of Mr. Cleveland's candidacy for nomination for president at Chicago in July.

"I wish to say," the postmaster said, "there is no difference among the democrats of Illinois on the subject of Cleveland. The president will not be a factor in the coming election. I called on the president recently at the White House, and he was, as you are aware, on very friendly terms personally with Mr. Cleveland. He informed me in unequivocal language, under no circumstances would he again be in the field."

"He said there was one reason alone that would prevent it. That is his health. He would not survive the labor of another four years. He feels he must be out of doors and take exercise in order to prolong his days. He proposes to travel and to take life easier in the future."

"He informed me he would not even accept the nomination if made. He had all the honor it was possible to attain in the exalted position he occupies and he would save the risk of defeat."

Decision Awaited With Interest.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 13.—John D. Hart, owner of the steamer Bermuda, Captain O'Brien, master, and Mate Murphy, who are charged with aiding in setting on foot a military expedition against Spain, will appear in the United States district court today. Almost a score of witnesses testified that the Bermuda had taken on board about eighty men from the steamer Atlantic City, which sailed from Tuckahoe, N. J.; that there were arms and ammunition on the steamer and that they were discharged from the vessel on the Cuban coast. In view of the fact that she has successfully reached Cuba since and that Spain has made representations on the subject to Washington, the court's decision is awaited with interest. Colonel Emilio Nunez, leader of the Cuban filibusters, will also appear in court.

Post Play Suspended.

St. Martinsville, La., May 13.—The body of Jack Comeaux was found on the railroad track this morning. The head was badly crushed by the car wheels and there was a deep wound in the back, evidently inflicted by a blunt instrument. Circumstances surrounding the affair seem to indicate that the man was murdered and afterward placed on the track to hide the crime and make it appear to be a case of suicide or accident.

A Sad Accident.

Winnsboro, La., May 13.—A sad accident occurred last Wednesday night, which resulted in the death of Miss Bettie J. Matthews, aged 35 or 40 years. Miss Matthews and her escort, Mr. Dock Lea, were returning home on horseback from a revival service holding in this place, and when about five miles from here the horse Miss Matthews was riding became frightened at something in the road and threw her. Medical aid was summoned at once and everything possible done to save her life, but of no avail, and she died last night at 2 o'clock from internal injuries.

TEXAS NEWS NOTES.

Rain! Rain! Rain!
The postoffice at Sardis, Ellis county, was robbed recently. Nine dollars was taken.

A heavy wind and rain storm visited Mexia recently. Several houses were blown down.

Austin has subscribed over \$100,000 for the purpose of erecting a cotton mill in that city.

There is 808 miles of railroad to be constructed in Texas this year, so says the Railway Age.

One woman set another on fire in Dallas recently. They were both negroes, and both were drunk.

George Brown, found near the brewery the other night at Fort Worth in an unconscious condition and taken to St. Joseph's infirmary, is reported as resting well. As to how he received his injuries remains a matter of conjecture, since the officials are inclined to the belief that he was sand-bagged.

A telegram reached Tyler recently that the body of the negro, John Waldron, who was executed in Birmingham, Ala., was shipped to the State Undertakers' association, which convenes at Tyler on the 12th instant. He will be used as a subject before the class of embalmers, with Prof. Clark, of New York, as demonstrator.

The report of the rangers (frontier battalion) for the month of April, 1896, as received by the adjutant general, is as follows: There were 37 arrests made during the month for various offenses, as follows: Swindling, forgery, assault to murder, aggravated assault, etc. There were 53 scots. Sheriffs of counties were assisted 15 times. The force traveled 6,544 miles. Attempts at arrest not effected 13.

Old man Cy Robinson was shot and instantly killed by his son-in-law, H. L. Little, at the house of Whit Robinson, near Woodbury, recently. E. developed at the inquest that Robinson was awakened from a nap on the porch by Little, and after a few words between them Robinson was shot. Family disagreement is supposed to have caused the trouble. Little left, saying he was going to Hillsboro to surrender.

The ladies of the Congregation Rodeo Show of Waco have just closed their May carnival. It was a brilliant success in all respects. As a wind-up feature a crown was put up for the most popular young lady. At 10 p. m. the slate showed 340 votes, in favor of Miss Leah Moses, and amid great cheers and hearty congratulations Miss Moses was escorted to the stage, where the crown was presented to her by Mr. Sol Hirschberg. The ladies in charge of the fair feel gratified over their successful achievements.

As a consequence of the escape of John Sellman from the Juarez, Mex., jail the authorities of that city have placed in solitary confinement A. Baldarama, Sellman's lawyer; J. S. Jareja, the jailer; two troopers of the guard, and Miss Josephine Ruiz, the latter the sweetheart of Sellman, and whose father, J. M. Ruiz, secretary of Mexico's Venezuela legation, caused the arrest of Sellman and his daughter while the two lovers were seeking the aid of a minister to marry them. The prisoners are charged with conspiracy.

George W. Myrich, on the Sears farm, three and one-half miles south of Hutchins, met with a peculiar accident. While harnessing a mule his left foot became entangled in the rope plow line. The mule became frightened and he was dragged about the lot several times before he could extricate himself. He was not injured, however, and was proceeding with his harnessing, remarking, "Now, old gal, I guess I'll fix you," when his right foot became entangled, as had the left, and he again described several circles about the lot. This time he received several bruises about the head and face and a cut three inches in length across the forehead. A physician was called and his wounds dressed.

The much talked of prize drill contest took place at Waco recently, on the drill ground of the Baylor university cadets. A great crowd was present. Lieut. Jonas A. Emery, the commander, marched the battalion from the barracks and the drill took place in fine style. Company A, Capt. Hearn, won the gold medal for the best execution in company drill, and Cadet Eugene Roberts won both medals for the best drilled cadet. Cadet Roberts took the prize for the best drilled new cadet, and also for the best drilled cadet, without regard to the date of entering the corps.

The meeting conducted at Clarksville by Rev. R. H. H. Burnett, evangelist, of Dallas, in the big tabernacle, draws vast crowds nightly, and is assuming colossal proportions. The evangelist leaves for Denton soon. Many converts have been made here.

Louis Carroll, a young farmer, was killed at Elk, McLennan county, a few days ago by a fall from his horse.

Mrs. Maud Tidwick, who resides near Dawson, Tex., was standing at a window in her home when hail struck the glass and broke through, cutting her eye and putting it out.

EFFECT OF TEA CIGARETTES.

They Give One a Sensation of Thickening in the Head.

One of the most injurious and dangerous of new fashions is the tea cigarette, says the Cincinnati Tribune. That this is no empty, baseless story of a new craze is shown by the application made last week to the commissioner of internal revenue at Washington for permission to manufacture tea cigarettes in Michigan. The applicant was told that, to engage in such manufacture, he must comply with the law governing the manufacturing of tobacco cigarettes, tea being a substitute for tobacco; that he must register, give bond and so on, and that the cigarettes when made, must be packed, stamped, branded and labeled, exactly as the tobacco cigarettes, before the government would sanction their removal from the factory for sale. Several descriptions of the tea cigarette have been printed, but these have erred in the presumption that the tea was taken as sold, rolled up in a paper and smoked. This would be practically impossible, as the sharp edges of the tea would cut the paper in all directions, spoil the draft, and render the cigarettes unsmokable. To make the tea cigarette one takes a grade of green tea which has but little just, being composed of unbroken leaf, and dampens it carefully, just enough to permit the leaves to be unrolled without being broken, and so as to be left pliable and capable of being stuffed in the paper cylinder, while the dampness is not sufficient to stain the paper. The cigarettes are laid aside for a few days and are then ready to be smoked. The feeling of a tea cigarette in the mouth is peculiar. The taste is not so disagreeable as might be supposed, but the effect on the eye is a sense of thickening of the head and a disposition to take hold of something or to sit down. If the beginner quits then, that settles it, he will not try tea cigarettes again. If, however, the smoker sits down and tries a second cigarette, inhaling it deeply, then the thickening feeling passes and is succeeded by one of intense exhilaration; the nerves are stimulated until the smoker feels like flying, skirt dancing or doing something else entirely out of the common way. This stage lasts as long as the smoke continues, which is until the reaction of the stomach sets in. Words cannot describe the final effect of the tea cigarette. The agony of the opium fiend is a shadow to that of the nauseated victim of the tea cigarette. It will be hours before food can be looked at, yet the first step toward cure is a cup of tea. An hour afterward comes the craving of the tea cigarette.

THE MERMAID FABLE.

The Manatee, an Unlovely Creature, Much Resembles the Human Form.

Few people who visit the curio stand on the lake front at Palm Beach, just north of the Royal Poinciana grounds, to see the live manatee, or "sea cow," are imaginative enough to perceive in the wonderful, unlovely form of the huge pachyderm in its cage of inadequate proportions the origin of the delightful fable of the mermaids or the Grecian legends of the sirens, says the Florida Citizen. That these did originate in this monster of the sea is indisputable.

The manatee, or lamantin, the Latin name for which is manatus, belongs to the genus of herbivorous cetacea, or manatidae, its chief characteristic being its rounded tail fin, further distinguished by the presence of small flat nails at the edge of the swimming paws, in the edge of which under the skin fingers can easily be felt. Connected together as they are by strong ligaments, they possess considerable power of motion, whence the same manatee, from the Latin manus, hand. The name sea cow originated in the similarity of the manatee's mouth and nose to that of the cow. The structure of the teeth is also distinctive; the crowns of the grinders are square, with two transverse ridges.

The species, all of which are inhabitants of tropical coasts, feed entirely on plants and grasses which grow along shore and on the bed of the water, the former made accessible by the tide, which after it has retired often exhibits plain proof of their browsing. They live chiefly in shallow bays and creeks and often ascend rivers to a considerable distance from the sea.

Kings in Exile.

An interesting book could be written telling the story of the African Kings, or rather great chiefs in exile. There is an Arabi in Ceylon, and Zobeir, who was sent to Gibraltar. Then there is Ja-Ja, whom the English dispatched to the West Indies with a badly selected lot of wives, as he complained pathetically, and Behanzin of Dahomey, who was lately indebted to the French for a passage to Martinique. The English, too, have Zulu chiefs interned at St. Helena—Gunguhana and Premph—whose future place of residence is still to be decided.

An oysterman of South Norwalk, Conn., came to New York last week with a boat load of oysters. He couldn't find a profitable sale for them, so took them back and planted them again.

SISTER ROSE.

A STORY OF THE FRENCH REVOLUTION

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CHAPTER II.—(CONTINUED.)

He spoke with a quiet sadness in his voice, which meant far more to his sister than the simple words he uttered. Her eyes filled with tears; she turned for a moment from her lover and took her brother's hand. "Don't talk, Louis, as if you thought you were going to lose your sister, because—" Her lip began to tremble, and she stopped suddenly.

"More jealous than ever of your taking her away from him!" whispered Madame Danville in her son's ear. "Hush! don't, for God's sake, take any notice of it," she added hurriedly, as he rose from the seat and faced Trudaine with undivided attention and impatience in his manner. Before he could speak, the old servant Guillaume made his appearance, and announced that coffee was ready. Madame Danville again said "Hush!" and quickly took one of his arms, while he offered the other to Rose. "Charles!" said the young girl, amazedly, "how flushed your face is, and how your arm trembles!"

He controlled himself in a moment, smiled, and said to her, "Can't you guess why, Rose? I am thinking of to-morrow." While he was speaking, he passed close by the land-steward, on his way back to the house with the ladies. The smile returned to Monsieur Lomaque's lean face, and a curious light twinkled in his red-rimmed eyes, as he began a fresh hole in the grass.

"Won't you go in-doors, and take some coffee?" asked Trudaine, touching the land-steward on the arm.

Monsieur Lomaque started a little, and left his cane sticking in the ground. "A thousand thanks, monsieur," he said, "may I be allowed to follow you?"

"I confess the beauty of the evening makes me a little unwilling to leave this place just yet."

"Ah! the beauties of nature—I feel them with you, Monsieur Trudaine; I feel them here." Saying this, Lomaque laid one hand on his heart, and with the other pulled his stick out of the grass. He had looked as little at the landscape or setting sun as Monsieur Justin himself.

CHAPTER III.



HEY sat down, side by side, on the empty bench; and then there followed an awkward pause. Submissive Lomaque was too discreet to forget his place, and venture on starting a new topic. Trudaine was preoccupied, and disinclined to talk. It was necessary, however, in common politeness, to say something. Hardly attending himself to his own words, he began with a common-place phrase—"I regret, Monsieur Lomaque, that we have not had more opportunities of bettering our acquaintance."

"I feel deeply indebted," rejoined the land-steward, "to the admirable Madame Danville for having chosen me as her escort hither from her son's estate near Lyons, and having thereby procured for me the honor of this introduction." Both Monsieur Lomaque's red-rimmed eyes were seized with a sudden fit of winking, as he made this polite speech. His enemies were accustomed to say that, whenever he was particularly insincere, or particularly deceitful, he always took refuge in the weakness of his eyes, and so evaded the trying ordeal of being obliged to look steadily at the person whom he was speaking with.

"I was pleased to hear you mention my late father's name, at dinner, in terms of high respect," continued Trudaine, resolutely keeping up the conversation. "Did you know him?"

"I am indirectly indebted to your excellent father," answered the land-steward, "for the very situation which I now hold. At a time when the good word of a man of substance and reputation was needed to save me from poverty and ruin, your father spoke that word. Since then, I have, in my own very small way, succeeded in life until I have risen to the honor of superintending the estate of Monsieur Danville."

"Excuse me—but your way of speaking of your present situation rather surprises me. Your father, I believe, was a merchant just as Danville's father was a merchant; the only difference between them was, that one failed, and the other realized a large fortune. Why should you speak of yourself as honored by holding your present place?"

"Have you never heard?" exclaimed Lomaque, with an appearance of great astonishment, "or can you have heard, and forgotten, that Madame Danville is descended from one of the noble houses of France? Has she never told you, as

she has often told me, that she descended when she married her late husband; and that her great object in life is to get the title of her family (years since extinct in the male line) settled on her son?"

"Yes," replied Trudaine; "I remember to have heard something of this, and to have paid no great attention to it at the time, having little sympathy with such aspirations as you describe. You have lived many years in Danville's service, Monsieur Lomaque; have you?"

—he hesitated for a moment, then continued, looking the land-steward full in the face, "have you found him a good and kind master?"

Lomaque's thin lips seemed to close instinctively at the question, as if he were never going to speak again. He bowed—Trudaine waited—he only bowed again. Trudaine waited a third time. Lomaque looked at his host with perfect steadiness for an instant, then his eyes began to get weak again. "You seem to have some special interest," he quietly remarked, "if I may say so without offense, in asking me that question."

"I deal frankly, at all hazard, with every one," returned Trudaine; "and, stranger as you are, I will deal frankly with you. I acknowledge that I have an interest in asking that question—the dearest, the tenderest of all interests." At those last words his voice trembled for a moment, but he went on firmly: "From the beginning of my sister's engagement with Danville, I made it my duty not to conceal my own feelings; my conscience and my affection for Rose consoled me to be candid to the last, even though my candor should distress or offend others. When we first made the acquaintance of Madame Danville, and when I first discovered that her son's attentions to Rose were not unfavorably received, I felt astonished, and though it cost me a hard effort, I did not conceal that astonishment from my sister."

Lomaque, who had hitherto been all attention, started here, and threw up his hands in amazement. "Astonished, did I hear you say? Astonished, Monsieur Trudaine, that the attentions of a young gentleman possessed of all the graces and accomplishments of a highly-bred Frenchman should be favorably received by a young lady? Astonished that such a dancer, such a singer, such a talker, such a notoriously fascinating ladies' man as Monsieur Danville should, by dint of respectful assiduity, succeed in making some impression on the heart of Mademoiselle Rose? Oh! Monsieur Trudaine, venerated Monsieur Trudaine, this is almost too much to credit!" Lomaque's eyes grew weaker than ever, and winked incessantly, as he uttered this apostrophe. At the end he threw up his hands again, and blinked inquiringly all round him, in mute appeal to universal nature.

"When, in the course of time, matters were farther advanced," continued Trudaine, without paying any attention to the interruption; "when the offer of marriage was made, and when I knew that Rose had in her own heart accepted it, I objected, and I did not conceal my objections—"

"Heavens!" interrupted Lomaque again, clasping his hands this time with a look of bewilderment; "what objections? what possible objections to a man, young and well-bred, with an immense fortune and an uncompromised character? I have heard of these objections. I know they have made bad blood; and I ask myself again and again, what can they be?"

"God knows I have often tried to dismiss them from my mind, as fanciful and absurd," said Trudaine, "and I have always failed. It is impossible, in your presence, that I can describe in detail what my own impressions have been, from the first of the master whom you serve. Let it be enough if I confide to you that I cannot, even now, persuade myself of the sincerity of his attachment to my sister, and that I feel—in spite of myself, in spite of my earnest desire to put the most implicit confidence in Rose's choice—a distrust of his character and temper, which now, on the eve of the marriage, amounts to positive terror. Long secret suffering, doubt, and suspense wring this confession from me, Monsieur Lomaque, almost unawares, in defiance of caution, in defiance of all the conventionalities of society. You have lived for years under the same roof with this man; you have seen him in his most unguarded and private moments. I tempt you to betray no confidence—I only ask you if you can make me happy by telling me that I have been doing your master grievous injustice by my opinion of him? I ask you to take my hand and tell me if you can, in all honor, that my sister is not risking the happiness of her life to Danville to-morrow!"

He held out his hand while he spoke.

By some strange chance, Lomaque happened just at that moment to be looking away towards those beauties of nature which he admired so greatly. "Really, Monsieur Trudaine, really such an appeal from you, at such a time, amazes me." Having got so far, he stopped and said no more.

"When we first sat down together here, I had no thought of making this appeal, no idea of talking to you as I have talked," pursued the other. "My words have escaped me, as I told you, almost unawares—you must make allowances for them and for me. I cannot expect others, Monsieur Lomaque, to appreciate and understand my feelings for Rose. We two have lived alone in the world together; father, mother, kindred, they all died years since and left us. I am so much older than my sister, that I have learnt to feel toward her more as a father than as a brother. All my life, all my dearest hopes, all my highest expectations have centered in her. I was past the period of my boyhood when my mother put my little child sister's hand in mine, and said to me on her death bed, 'Louis, be all to her that I have been, for she has no one left to look to but you.' Since then the loves and ambitions of other men have not been my loves or my ambitions—Sister Rose—as we all used to call her in those past days, as I love to call her still—Sister Rose has been the one aim, the one happiness, the one precious trust, the one treasured reward of all my life. I have lived in this poor house, in this dull retirement, as in a Paradise, because Sister Rose, my innocent, happy, bright-faced Eve, has lived here with me. Even if the husband of her choice had been the husband of mine, the necessity of parting with her would have been the hardest, the bitterest of trials. As it is, thinking what I think, dreading what I dread, judge what my feelings must be on the eve of her marriage; and know why, and with what object, I made the appeal which surprised you a moment since, but which cannot surprise you now. Speak if you will—I can say no more." He sighed bitterly; his head dropped on his breast, and the hand which he had extended to Lomaque trembled as he withdrew it and let it fall at his side.

The land-steward was not a man accustomed to hesitate, but he hesitated now. He was not usually at a loss for phrases in which to express himself, but he stammered at the very outset of his reply. "Suppose I answered," he began, slowly; "suppose I told you that you wronged him; would my testimony really be strong enough to shake opinions, or rather presumptions, which have been taking firmer and firmer hold of you for months and months past? Suppose, on the other hand, that my master had his little"—(Lomaque hesitated before he pronounced the next word)—"his little—infirmities, let me say, but only hypothetically, mind that—infirmities; and suppose I had observed them, and was willing to confide them to you; what purpose would such a confidence answer now at the eleventh hour, with Mademoiselle Rose's heart engaged with the marriage fixed for to-morrow? No! no! trust me—"

Trudaine looked up suddenly. "I thank you for reminding me, Monsieur Lomaque, that it is too late now to make inquiries, and by consequence too late also to trust in others. My sister has chosen; and on the subject of that choice my lips shall be henceforth sealed. The events of the future are with God; whatever they may be, I hope I am strong enough to bear my part in them with the patience and the courage of a man! I apologize, Monsieur Lomaque, for having thoughtlessly embarrassed you by questions which I had no right to ask. Let us return to the house—I will show you the way."

Lomaque's lips opened, then closed again; he bowed uneasily, and his sallow complexion whitened for a moment. Trudaine led the way in silence back to the house, the land-steward following slowly at a distance of several paces, and talking in whispers to himself. "His father was the saving of me," muttered Lomaque; "that is the truth, and there is no getting over it; his father was the saving of me, and yet here am I—no! it's too late!—too late to speak—too late to act—too late to do anything!"

Close to the house they were met by the old servant. "My young lady has just sent me to call you in to coffee, Monsieur," said Guillaume. "She has kept a cup hot for you, and another cup for Monsieur Lomaque."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

An Odd Instrument.

An odd instrument has just been invented combining a fan and an ear-trumpet. The deaf lady, when she wishes to hear what is being said, folds up her fan into a shape somewhat like the paper packets used by grocers, and applies the small end to her ear.

Sugar Coming In.

Treasury officials expect an immense importation of sugar during the next four months, which will add largely to the income of the government. The present stock of raw sugar is the smallest this country has had for years.

MAINE'S TALLEST MAN.

Painful Houses Without a Ladder—He Also Rides a Bicycle.

The tallest man in the state of Maine rides a bicycle, says the Lewiston Journal. He's also general repairer of bicycles for the village of Phillips. These two facts may not especially belong together, but they immediately answer a vague question that arises in the mind of the reader. If the bicycle gets discouraged at any time Maine's champion tall wheelman can do his own doctoring.

Mr. W. H. Kelley, of Phillips, is a modest man. Although he has many accomplishments and in his character of head surgeon of the village repair shop, can mend anything from a watch to a jigger wagon, he doesn't boast of his acquirements. But as to his height he feels that he can safely lay claim to being the champion giant of Maine.

Many tall men have come and seen and braced shoulders and chalked with him on his shop door until the scratches of the interangled lines look like a spider web. But loftily above them all the scratchmark of the towering man's house. He never yet has looked to gaze into the eyes of a man standing on his level except once when a circus brought a giant to town. The giant heard that there was a citizen outside who was taller than he. So, by his request, Mr. Kelley was passed in. The circus giant stood on the vantage ground of an ascending slope, he wore a bearskin cap, high-heeled shoes, and had his shoulders padded elaborately. But even under the disguise the bystanders could see that he was not a fair match for the local Polyphemus, had he stripped off his plumage and "come down off his perch" on the embankment.

Mr. Kelley, dressed for the street, measures from the ground to the top of his head six feet and ten inches—nearly seven feet as any man in Maine has ever grown. He is symmetrical, too, weighing considerably over 200 pounds, yet without any superfluous flesh.

Mr. Kelley is a muscular man, and some feats of strength that he has performed surprised even his townsmen. At a lifting match not long ago the weight was a stone post weighing 225 pounds. Several alleged strong men had tackled it and had wiggled it along a few feet at a hitch. Mr. Kelley, however, grasped the iron link, affixed to the post and walked nearly 200 feet with the weight, finally tossing it carelessly a considerable distance. "I could have carried it further," said he, nonchalantly, "but I thought 'twas far enough for a sample."

Mr. Kelley's workshop is fully as interesting as its owner. He is a mechanical genius with a knack for fixing anything that may be brought to him, and he can make almost anything that he is requested to, whether he has ever seen it before or not. For instance, much of his machinery was improvised by him. The little, two-horse power marine engine has been rigged up to drive a hand-saw that plays over two widely dissimilar wheels. The upper is a bicycle wheel with ball bearings, the lower is one of the wheels of a mowing machine, the combination working excellently. Mr. Kelley also has his grindstone rigged on ball bearings, and has recently completed a sand-papering machine that is exciting the admiration of all the neighbors.

Besides his general work of repairing Mr. Kelley is a painter, and it is on record that he painted the side of one cottage house in the village without using a ladder.

All of the Phillips giant's shop appurtenances are suited to his height and the benches, horses and vices are as long-legged as a giraffe.

Aluminum Coffins.

Aluminum coffins are the latest and the New York, Pittsburg and St. Louis undertakers carry them in stock. They are made of uniform width, square ends and vertical sides and ends, such being the accepted shape of the modern burial casket. They are finished with a heavy molding around the bottom and at the upper edge, and with pilasters at the corners and with a round molded top. They are provided with extension bar handles. Aluminum caskets are not covered, but finished with a metal surface burnished. They are lined in the same manner. The non-corrosive qualities of aluminum as well as the lightness of the caskets recommend them. A six-foot aluminum coffin weighs but 100 pounds, an oak casket of the same size 190 pounds, a cloth casket with metal lining about 175 pounds. Other metallic caskets weigh from 450 to 500 pounds. Aluminum coffins are not likely to become popular among the poor, as their cost ranges from \$400 to \$750.—New York World.

A Mutual Fondness.

"Harold," said Mrs. Pullover, "when you talk in your sleep about the kitty it always wakes baby up. She just dotes on a Kitty."

"So do I," answered Mr. P., grateful for his escape.—Detroit Free Press.

Ancient Indian temples at Ceylon are being illuminated by electricity.

A DISAPPOINTED LIFE.

WHY RICHARD CAYFORD LEFT THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

A Story in Which There Seems a Tinge of Fate—Mrs. Cayford Stricken With Paralysis, and Yet She Has Been Cured—The Residents of the Mission District Look Upon It as a Miracle.

From the Examiner, San Francisco, Cal. Residents of the Mission District of San Francisco have for months been marveling over the peculiar case of Mrs. Anna Cayford, the wife of Richard Cayford, who resides at 313 Seventeenth street. Several years ago Mr. and Mrs. Cayford took up their residence in the Hawaiian Islands, where Mr. Cayford, who is by trade a blacksmith, applied himself diligently at his occupation, until at length he had, by reason of his hard work and frugality, placed himself and family upon a fair way to prosperity. He had begun to look forward to the enjoyment of a quiet, happy life upon the beautiful islands of the Pacific, and in his fancy had built for himself and his family a comfortable little home, nestling snugly among the deep and fragrant foliage of that distant land. His wife shared with him in the contemplation of the happiness that the future apparently had in store for them. She had arrived at the age at which rest and contentment count for so much in a woman's life, when she was suddenly stricken with nervous prostration. Her condition became very serious, and her physicians advised her that she must leave the islands if she wished to regain her health. Acting upon this advice Mr. Cayford disposed of his business and removed to San Francisco. Mrs. Cayford improved slightly with the change of climate until July, 1893, when she was stricken by paralysis of the left arm and leg, and was entirely deprived of the use of those limbs, having to be carried about the house by her husband for a period of two months. She was treated for some time by a physician, but he was able only to partly relieve. It was while she was in this condition that she noticed in a paper the advertisement of Williams' Pink Pills. She determined to get a box of them and now tells of the relief she experienced, she said:

"When I first began taking Williams' Pink Pills," said Mrs. Cayford, "I had absolutely no strength in either limb of the left side of my body. The treatment of my physician had partly relieved the paralysis, but after he had applied all his remedies I was still in practically a helpless condition. Before I had taken one full box of the pills I began to feel a return of strength in the limbs that had been so long useless. Feeling assured by the first effect of the pills upon me, I purchased a second box and continued to take them until I had used six boxes, when the last trace of paralysis had left my body and I had regained the full use of my limbs. You cannot imagine how delighted I was when I felt that my old-time activity was returning. It reminded me of the days when I was strong and healthy at my island home. I do not know what stronger testimony I could give as to the merits of Williams' Pink Pills than to say that they have restored me to such a degree of strength that I now do all my own work without the least inconvenience, which is as much as I ever did before I was stricken with paralysis. But that is not all. I almost forget to say that the pills have relieved me of a certain hesitancy in speech, which has troubled me for years. My tongue used to become 'thick,' and I would live, most dreadfully and could not help myself. I noticed that after I began taking the pills I could talk more easily, and finally I was entirely relieved of the hesitancy that affected my speech. I have taken the trouble to recommend the pills to an old lady who is afflicted with paralysis. I have not seen her since she began taking them, but her husband told me, just the other day, that she had been greatly benefited by them."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are sold in boxes at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had at all druggists or directly by mail from Dr. Williams' Med. Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

The stone slab upon which George Washington once took oath is broken, while the oath is still intact. In these days it is not likely that the man in public life would permit the oath to outlast the slab.

God has never yet found time to make a word that a shiftless man can prosper in.

\$5

**Men's Tow
..Linen Crash..
SUITS.**

Well made and perfect fitting. Sizes 3 to 46.
Add 25c. if you want Express Charges prepaid, and 50c. extra if you wish suit sent by registered mail.

ED. KIAM,
Mammoth Clothier,
HOUSTON, TEXAS.

T. N. U.—HOUSTON—21—1896.

When Answering Advertisements Kindly Mention This Paper.

LOCAL NEWS.

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs.
Try Ham Bone Tobacco. Each Plug Warranted.

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

Dr. S. T. Beasley is having a new a roof and other remodeling on his dwelling.

The Anderson county convention endorsed Hon. A. W. Gregg for congress last week.

The post office has put in new lock-boxes and other wise made some neat improvements.

Dr. H. J. Cunyus, dentist, Crockett, Texas. Office over Arledge, Kennedy & Co. grocery store.

A complete line of furniture, cof-fins and caskets always on hand at
SHIVERS BROS.

Mrs. W. E. Wall who has been suffering for some time from a very painful spider bite is quite recovered.

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

Mrs. W. C. Lipscomb and children left this week on a visit of several weeks to her parents at Belton Texas.

Go out to the primary on June 6th. See that all your neighbors who are democrats go. Let us have a full vote.

Fruit jars, freezers, coolers, refrigerators, and all seasonable goods also full line of hardware and groceries, at Arledge, Kennedy & Co.

The Houston County Lumber Co. will sell you lime in any quantity from one-half bushel to a car load. Don't forget us when in need of lime for any purpose.

The democratic party will expect every man to do his duty. Especially is this true of those who have enjoyed the party's honors in the past or who may want to do so at some time in the future.

Do you ever travel? If you do you should take out an accident policy first. D. M. Craddock represents the old Aetna Life and Accident company of Hartford and sells 'em cheap. See him before you start.

Always remember that we are headquarters for all kinds and grades of lumber, shingles, sash, doors, blinds, screen doors and windows, lime, paints and oils. When you think of building anything, from a chicken coop to a mansion, don't fail to consult your interest by getting our prices. We sell for cash or on time, and take pleasure in furnishing prices.
HOUSTON COUNTY LUMBER CO.
E. J. DUPREE, Manager.

**CASH! CASH!!
CASH!!!**

Just received: A beautiful line of Tans, Chocolate and other colors in Ladies' first-class Slippers and Low-Cuts. Not the "only first-class line of slippers and low-cuts that ever came to Crockett," but will compare in quality and prices with any that have ever been exhibited here. Tans and Chocolate colored shoes for men, Best Grade, prices from \$2.00 to \$3.50, guaranteed none better. Clothing for men from \$2.00 a suit to \$20.00. Youth's and boys' suits in light, bright pretty colors, from 50c suit to \$6.00. Tans and Chocolate colored shoes for boys, Good, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Ladies' hats trimmed in all the pretty and attractive colors that come with Spring.

It will cost nothing to call and price. **R. M. ATKINSON.**



New Goods!

We Have Just Received and are Opening up

Ladies' : and : Gents' : Furnishing : Goods

Consisting of Up-to-date Styles of

• Fine Shoes and Slippers, •

We have one of the finest lines ladies' and gents' Hose ever brought to Crockett. Our 25c. gent's hose cant be duplicated in the city. See them.

See Our Price List Next Week.

Our Stock is Complete in Every Respect and Prices Low as Possible.

Yours Respectfully,

McLEAN & WILSON.

Hon. W. M. Imboden of Cherokee will meet Mr. Beardon at Grape-land on Saturday next.

Mrs. Enos Simpson is prepared to take a few boarders at reasonable rates; also has a 4-room cottage to rent.

The tickets for the primary for June 6th are now ready for distribution. Please call at this office for same.

Mrs. F. A. Williams and children will leave for Hot Springs, Ark., about the first of June on a visit to relatives.

Some of the populists want office so bad that they are actually drooling at the mouth in their unrestrained desire to get a taste of it.

Professor Martin, who has been teaching in the northern section of the county, is thinking of applying for the vacancy in the principalship of the Lovelady High school.

Go to the Crockett Bottling Works for high grade Soda Waters, Ciders, Mineral Waters, and all kind of Carbonated Beverages. Our specialty is California's new drink, Logandery wine the leading drink of the season. Mail orders have prompt attention. 14-6m

The democratic county convention which meets on June 15th will select delegates to the following conventions: State gubernatorial, state judicial, congressional, first supreme judicial, judicial to nominate judge and district attorney, and flatorial.

We carry in stock the best assortment and grades of mixed paints, ready for use; best white lead and boiled linseed oil to be found this side Houston, and will not be undersold. Kindly call to see us when in need of anything in that line.

HOUSTON COUNTY LUMBER CO.

W. G. Brazeale of Porter Springs called on us last week and left a little of that which smooths life's rugged path.

W. H. Harris who for the past six months has been foreman of the COURIER office and in charge of the job department has accepted a position on the Enterprise. Hal Lacy takes his place on the COURIER.

P. W. Brown of Palestine, chairman of the third judicial district, thought of calling the convention for June 6th. This would be too early as the Houston county convention doesn't meet till June 15. The convention will probably be called for June 17th.

The man whose visits are most appreciated these sultry days are those of the ice man. The Crockett Ice Factory is furnishing its patrons with an excellent quality of ice and the "boys" on the COURIER return thanks to the genial Mr. H. Meyers for a generous "chunk" of same.

The mayor of Crockett should call a meeting and ask the citizens to do something for the relief of the Sherman sufferers. No such calamity has ever befallen any part of the state before, and the suffering and destitution of the people in that section appeal to all classes with peculiar force. The people of Crockett should respond and contribute to the relief of those who are in need.

Rev. Dr. Keller of Mt. Lebanon La. delivered too very able and impressive sermons at the Baptist church on last Sabbath. He has been President of the Mt. Lebanon University for some time but desires to get back into the regular ministerial work and so is an applicant for the Pastorate of the Baptist church here. He is a polished, cultured speaker, with very pleasant delivery and very earnest manner.

Old men, young men, if you want a nice straw hat, call on J. E. Downes. 143t

For every quarter in a man's pocket there are a dozen uses; and to use each one in such a way as to derive the greatest benefit is a question every one must solve for himself. We believe, however that no better use could be made of one of these quarters than to exchange it for a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, a medicine that every family should be provided with. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

For Sale.

Lots No. 150 and 152, in block 18. Has nice house with 6 rooms; cistern and well; only 84 yards from public square—\$300 cash, balance easy terms. Apply to
JAMES S. SHIVERS.

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

Given Away.

A second-hand piano and organ, both for \$25. Call at this office.
W. B. PAGE.

For Sale.

Three houses and lots and one vacant lot on Houston Street, one block from court house.

11 acres in the John Long addition to town of Crockett including the former home place of John Collins, deceased, East 500 yards from public square. Can be sold in parcels.

Between 22 and 30 acres 1/4 mile West of court house between the Navarro and Halls Bluff roads, full length front on both. Good branch and \$300 worth of timber. Fenced.

590 acres James Perry headright in the East end of the county. Take this or any amount of it at your own terms.

Business house and lot in Elkhart. The first reasonable offer for any of the above will be accepted.

A. D. LIPSCOMB.

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.

GO TO J. A. BRICKER & CO.

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Gold and Silver Spectacles.
Gold and Silver Watches.
Plain Gold and Fancy Set Rings.
Silverware and Novelties.
Fine Watch and Jewelry Repairing a Specialty.
Castleburg Old Stand.

Democratic Primary on the money issue Saturday, June 6th.

"This is for You."

I will sell you dress goods, such as lawns, muslins, organdies, percales, tulle, nainsooks, chambrays, ginghams, etc., etc., at very close prices. I only ask you to price same. Bargains for everybody every day in the week. Our line of ladies' shirt waists are going; have sold boxes of them and we now offer them cheaper than ever. Gentlemen, remember our bargains in everything in furnishing goods; Hats, the very nobbiest; shoes the latest styles. We want to win trade and hold it. Don't miss us. Come at any time and every day in the week except Sunday, and you can find us loaded with bargains. Try our A. A. A. 1 Flour; none better. Don't be deceived. Call on the old reliable,
J. E. DOWNES.

Remember the primary on June 6th and come out! The precinct conventions meet on that day. A full vote a full attendance of the party are desired.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the action of the democratic party: For Judge of the Third Judicial District:

W. H. GILL,
of Anderson County.
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.
E. WINFREE.
JOHN KENNEDY.

For County Clerk,
N. E. ALBRIGHT.

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

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

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

For Sheriff,
G. M. WALLER.
DICK STUBBLEFIELD.
C. J. HASSELL.
S. H. OWENS.

For County Surveyor,
B. M. JONES.

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

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.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2,
W. E. HALL.
S. H. ROOK.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4,
C. B. ISBELL.

May Allen Commencement.

The closing exercises of this institute will begin on the 24th day of May by the preaching of the Baccalaureate Sermon.

On May 25th at 8 p. m. the literary societies will hold the usual annual celebration.

On Tuesday at 8 p. m. there will be a musicale. Commencement proper will be celebrated on Wednesday, May 27 at 11 a. m.

The following members constitute the graduating class for this year: Misses Maud H. Hanks, of Beaumont, Ellee V. Madison of Austin, M. N. Shackelford of Texarkana, Carrie Beavers of Porter Springs and Emma L. Alford of Trinity.

The program for commencement embraces a salutatory by Maud H. Hanks, an essay by E. V. Madison, an oration on the "New Negro" by M. N. Shackelford, an essay on "Silent Forces" by Carrie Beavers. The valedictory will be delivered by Emma L. Alford. Then will follow the awarding of diplomas by the president, J. B. Smith D. D.

The year closing has been an exceptionally prosperous one, most so, of any in the history of this institution. This school is doing a great work for the colored people.

The faculty is a large one and the members of it are teachers of distinguished ability. Under the management of Dr. Smith the school has grown to be one of the leading institutions of its kind in the South, and the colored people should be proud of it and the great work which the able president of it is doing for them.

Democratic Campaign.

The following schedule for speaking has been agreed on and fixed by the democratic candidates, beginning

(FIRST WEEK)

At Grapeland, Tuesday, June 30;
Percilla, Wednesday, July 1;
Augusta, Thursday, July 2;
Weches, Friday, July 3;

(SECOND WEEK)

Daniel, Tuesday, July 7;
Tadmor, Wednesday, July 8;
Ratliff, Thursday, July 9;
Coltharp, Friday, July 10;
Hagarville, Saturday, July 11;

(THIRD WEEK)

Pleasant Grove, Tuesday, July 14;
Dodson, Wednesday, July 15;
Freeman, Thursday, July 16;
Holly, Friday, July 17.

(FOURTH WEEK)

Pine Grove, Tuesday, July 21;
Lovelady, Wednesday, July 22;
McPhail's Store, Thursday, July 23;

Weldon, Friday, July 24.

(FIFTH WEEK)

Creek, Tuesday, July 28;
Sunflower, Wednesday, July 29;
Boggs, Thursday, July 30;
Porter Springs, Friday, July 31.

(SIXTH WEEK)

Wesley Chapel, Monday, Aug. 3;
Daly, Tuesday, August 4;
New Prospect, Wednesday, August 5;

Jones' School House, Thursday, August 6;

Shiloh, Friday, August 7;

Crockett, Saturday, August 8.

An Appeal.

It is very gratifying to the ladies of the "Glen Wood Association" and particularly to those who have labored so hard and earnestly for the improvement of Crockett Cemeteries to find that their efforts have not only met with success but are fully appreciated by the public. On every side is heard commendation of the work. The changed improved condition of both cemeteries commands attention and speaks for itself.

Compare the present with the cemetery of two years ago. Even the most careless observer can not fail to note the marked improvement. Not only are our home people cognizant of this fact but the well kept, cleanly appearance of both cemeteries is commended on and admired by all visitors.

This is great encouragement to the ladies to continue their good work and to make farther improvement but to do this money will have to be raised at once. At one of the recent meetings it was decided to invite the gentlemen of our town to co-operate with and help us, by enrolling their names as honorary members, a committee was appointed to attend to this at once. We all know there is nothing that speaks more for a town, or its people, than a well kept Cemetery. This is the first appeal "Glenwood Association" has made this year and we feel assured all public spirited gentlemen who have the interest of their town at heart will respond to the invitation. The committee will call in the near future and secure the names of all who are interested in the continuance of this good work.

Democratic Precinct Conventions on Saturday, June 6th.

Edmund Hill Jr has been living at Sherman and his relatives were being anxious about him after hearing of the terrific tornado which swept that section last week. The young man escaped without injury.

The committee appointed by the old Confederate soldiers to get up that big barbecue for July or August will please report the encouragement they have had by next Saturday the 23rd of May.

E. WINFREE.

The baccalaureate sermon will be preached at the Mary Allen Seminary next Sunday. Exercises of commencement week will begin Monday. They have a splendid program and lovers of vocal and instrumental music will miss a rare treat by not attending.

Mrs. H. B. Collins gave the young folks an entertainment Wednesday night. Quite a large number of couples were present. The evening was spent most royally until a late hour when all departed for their homes all vowing they had spent a most enjoyable evening.

Prof. Nunn who will be remembered here as principal of Crockett Academy and for several years past president of Alexander Institute, Jacksonville, has resigned the presidency of that school and will spend two years at Harvard college and then four years travelling in Europe.

The local scribe noted on the street Monday the following gentleman: W. J. Murchison, D. J. Cater and H. M. Barbee of Lovelady, H. C. Leaverton of Grapeland, W. P. Kyle of Daly, John Kennedy and T. C. Lively of Augusta, J. M. Porter of Porter Springs and A. J. Belot of Belot.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

Estrayed from my place 14 miles east of Crockett, one dark mare, heavy set, branded B S on left shoulder; one black paint mare no brands; both are about 8 years old. Any information leading to their recovery will be liberally rewarded by E. B. Hooks, Tadmor, Texas.

Prof. K. T. Christian who has been in charge of the Lovelady High School for several sessions will take charge of the Trinity school next session. We regret to hear that Prof. Christian is going to leave our county. He is a gentleman of scholarly attainments and a teacher of rare accomplishments. We wish him an overflowing measure of success in his new field.

If there is one thing that, more than another, is calculated to smooth over the rough places in the life of the printer and newspaper man and make life pleasant, it is the appreciation occasionally shown for his labors by the fair sex. THE COURIER office was the recipient last Monday of delicious ice cream and cake prepared by the fair hands of its charming neighbor across the way, Miss Minnie Bruner, and it goes without saying that it was hugely enjoyed and promptly dispatched.

Frank Hill, we understand, will be a candidate for County Judge. Just what platform he will run on no one seems to know. We presume, like Burnett, he will swallow any sort of a "platform" to get there on. Frank is a republican and yet the pops will endorse him and gulp him down. They left the position on County Judge vacant on the ticket they put out a few days ago and all suspected then it was done to give Mr. Hill an opportunity to get on. And the pops are going to endorse a straight out republican for County Judge. What are they coming to? Any thing to get office.

Don't let the flies and mosquitoes worry the life out of you, but let us furnish your house with screen doors and windows and make life worth living.

HOUSTON COUNTY LUMBER CO.

Those who recall that genial, generous-hearted, polished, affable, whole-souled gentleman who at one time was in charge of the freight department of the I. & G. N. railroad at this place, Mr. W. L. Holder, will rejoice to hear that on the 25th of this month he is to be married to Miss Hattie Gohmert of Yorktown, Texas. If a man by all the considerations of a true gentleman ever deserved a priceless prize in the person of a lovely and lovable wife, Holder does, and we sincerely hope that such a fortune has been or will be his. *Bon voyage.*

The Democratic Executive Committee met in Crockett on Monday at 11. Some very important business was transacted in the forenoon and then adjourned till 2 P. M. At that hour as per announcement, nearly all the democratic candidates assembled in the K. P. Hall. The following were present: W. B. Wall, J. H. Ellis, C. I. Aldrich, Tony Gossett, J. F. Duren, A. D. Lipscomb, E. Winfree, John Kennedy, J. B. Ellis, Harden Bayne, M. M. Baker, D. J. Cater, Gail Clinton, J. R. Foster, S. E. Howard, J. R. Sheridan, G. M. Waller, D. R. Stubblefield, C. J. Hassell, S. H. Owens, Joe Adams, W. E. Hail, T. C. Lively, C. W. Ellis, C. R. Baggett, C. C. Mortimer, M. W. Satterwhite, S. H. Rook.

Chairman W. B. Page called the meeting to order and E. Winfree was elected secretary.

A committee of nine was appointed to prepare a schedule of appointments for speaking in the county. The committee retired and reported program which was adopted and which will be found printed elsewhere. The candidates present then agreed unanimously on recommending to the county convention the holding of the primary to nominate county officers on Monday, August 10th. After some discussion it was decided that the county convention be recommended to order only one primary. A committee was appointed to look after the printing of tickets and the assemblage then adjourned. Those present were enthusiastic and eager for the fight to begin.

A Sad Death.

Letha Wright, daughter of Mr. J. E. and Mrs. Luna Hollingsworth of Grapeland, died on Monday after a brief illness of about eight days. The friends of the parents of the little girl are deeply grieved and touched over the sad bereavement and their sweetest and most comforting sympathies go out to them in this hour of gloom. The little girl was scarcely two years old and yet by its bright, happy disposition had endeared itself to parents as only those of a tender helpless age can.

Railroad Rate to Richmond.

Confederate veterans who are thinking of going to Richmond to the great re-union are interested in the following circular letter from General Boone, who is Major General Commander of the Texas division of United Confederate Veterans:

"The committee charged with the duty of getting as low rates as possible for veterans to the re-union at Richmond, Va., report that they have secured a round trip rate from Texas common points to Richmond and return for \$28.80, tickets on sale June 26 and 27, limited to return 20 days from date of sale.

H. H. BOONE,
Major General Commanding
"Texas Div. U. C. V."

TO YOUNG WIVES

WE OFFER A REMEDY WHICH INSURES SAFETY TO LIFE OF MOTHER AND CHILD.

"Mothers' Friend"

ROBS CONFINEMENT OF ITS PAIN. HORROR AND RISK.

"My wife used only two bottles. She was easily and quickly relieved; is now going splendidly."

J. S. MORTON, Harlow, N. C.

Sent by express or mail, on receipt of price, \$1.00 per bottle. Book "TO MOTHERS" mailed free.

BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO., ATLANTA, GA. SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

William's Kidney Pills

Has no equal in diseases of the Kidneys and Urinary Organs. Have you neglected your Kidneys? Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your Kidneys and Bladder? Have you pains in the loins, side, back, groin and bladder? Have you a flabby appearance of the face, especially under the eyes? Too frequent desire pass urine? William's Kidney Pills will impart new life to the diseased organs, tone up the system and make a new man of you. By mail 50 cents per box. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS, Proprietors, Cleveland, O.

For sale by Smith & French.

Clearing Sale.

We are bound to make room for a car load of furniture which is to arrive shortly and have decided to mark down our stock and offer you inducements that we have never done before. If lowest prices and best quality are what you want come and see our bargains. A full line of summer goods always on hand such as hammocks, fishing coats etc.—Next week we will receive a nice line of refrigerators which we will sell very cheap.

ALDRICH & NEWTON.

For Sale or Exchange.

The following farms, within 3 miles of the town of Tadmor, in Houston county:

No. 1. Farm of 90 acres, 50 of it in pasture, spring running through it, 2 in orchard, 38 in cultivation; soil grey sandy; new dwelling house built last fall at a cost of \$2000, of 8 rooms, all papered and painted, 4 fire places, 2 flues, 2 servant houses, a black-smith shop, good warehouse and store-house of three rooms 24 by 45 feet, 8 stall barn and cribs, 2 wells. Also a \$3,000 stock of goods.

No. 2. Farm of 200 acres, half in cultivation, half creek bottom, well fenced, plank and wire, two tenant houses and well.

No. 3. Farm of 300 acres, 75 in cultivation, half bottom land, rail fence, two tenant houses and well.

No. 4. Farm of 200 acres, 35 in cultivation, half bottom land, well fenced, new 4 room house and well.

No. 5. Farm of 50 acres, half in cultivation, half bottom land, tenant house and well.

No. 6. Farm of 30 acres, 20 in cultivation, second bottom greyish land, well fenced on public road, 1 mile of Tadmor. Will exchange for 2-story brick store house in some live railroad town and take either town property in part payment, or will sell half cash, balance in 12 months.

W. M. & JAMES H. PATTON,
Tadmor, Houston Co. Tex.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

Taken up by W. J. Simmons May 5th, 1896, and estrayed before B. F. Dickerson, J. P., Prec. No. 3, Houston county, Texas, the following described property: One black mare, hind feet white, and left fore foot little white, about 14 hands high, about 8 years old and branded FH on left hip and appraised at fifteen dollars. Given under my hand and seal of office, May 15th., 1896.

N. E. ALBRIGHT, Co. Cl'k.,
Houston county, Texas.
JNO. SPENCE, Deputy.

To Bridge Builders.

Bids will be received up to and including the 2nd Monday in June, 1896, by the commissioners' court of Houston county for the erection of two bridges; one being the bridge on Big White Rock Creek on the road between Lovelady and Holly, the other being the bridge on Colliison Creek on the lower Clapp's Ferry road about 25 miles South West of Crockett.

Plans and specifications in office of County Judge.

A. A. ALDRICH,
County Judge.