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THE STATE CAPITAL.

Populist Chairman Walton of Travis County Presents His Resignation To Return To The Democratic Ranks.

Austin, Tex. Aug. 13.—The following created a big sensation in populist ranks to-day:

Austin, Tex. Aug. 14.—To the Populists of Travis County Texas:

You have honored me with your confidence and support to the full measure of your ability, and for which I now tender you my sincere thanks, but under the changed conditions of political affairs I am compelled to sever my connection with the party and tender you my resignation as your country chairman.

It is due to you and to myself that I give in part my reason for such action.

You severed your connection with both the democratic and republican parties upon principle, and that was because neither of them would advocate the great cause that you had so much at heart; and for the same reason I left the democratic party and joined the populist party and re-align myself with the democratic party, for I regard the action of the populist leaders in insisting upon the support of Bryan and Watson or Norton and Watson, as a mockery to those who love the great cause for which we plead. I regard every vote cast for Bryan and Watson as in direct antagonism to Mr. Bryan and in the interest of Mr. McKinley and the gold standard, and I can not, and do not see how any true populist can cast a vote or use his influence in that direction.

If the cause for which we have pleaded so long and so earnestly is of such value as we have claimed then what is our duty? The question with us is, Will we obey the behest of the now famous 103 and throw our votes and influence in opposition to those great measures, or will we rise above party ties and party colors and follow our colors with friends who agree with us on principle, regardless of party names?

Many thousands of free silver republicans have cast off the party collar and have joined the great procession, and shall it be said that the populists are so collarbound that they alone, of all parties are tied hand and foot to a party name? I hope not. The populists are grand men, bold, brave and manly, had the nerve to sever from their party ties for principle, received abuse and calumny from all quarters, but stood like a "Stonewall" upon principle; and now will they abandon their principles for the name of a man? I think not. I know they will not. The populists have performed wonders, they have forced both the old parties to take square and honest positions, and now shall we abandon the friends who come in the interests of our common enemy.

Populists are for measures, not men and the one burning question is at issue, which side are we on? Shall one man, or a million, stand in our way and guide us into the camp of the enemy? I do not believe that any citizen should allow any party or man or set of men to stand between him and his duty

to his country.

If it should prove true that the populists have the balance of power and it should be so directed to defeat Mr. Bryan where would the party stand? It would be dead, but, if Mr. Bryan should be elected without the party aid, then where would it stand? Dead beyond all question, and if either of these events do occur then upon the tomb of the populist party will be written "Died by the stab of 103." No, my friends, I can not follow such leadership, and I do not think that you can, and my conviction is that three-fourths of the party will be standing with me on election day; at least, I hope so. I am convinced, under the leadership of the 103, they have lowered the flag of reform and have descended into a scramble for state offices. This is a mighty fall.

My friends, I desire to be in at the death of the great octopus that is sucking the blood out of this people and be a party to plucking the "crowns of thorns from the brow" of the toiling millions of this great nation. You have "asked for bread and the 103 have offered you stone." Will you accept it.

I regret exceedingly to have to sever myself from men with whom I have so earnestly and cordially co-operated; but, in this matter, I must have the approval of my own conscience and best judgment, or I can not act at all. I have acted with deliberation and have used all my power to guide my judgment in the right direction; and if I have failed, it is a mistake of the head and not of the heart, for I have no selfish motive or interest in these matters, more than what is to the welfare of my countrymen.

GEO. L. WALTON.

A Warning.

ED. COURIER:

Some time since there was a statement in the Galveston News that the cotton crop in Texas was the best that there has been in twenty-five years. Now, Mr. Editor the author of this statement did not know what a cotton crop is. They do not confine themselves to the truth. Now Mr. Editor, I have been raising cotton ever since 1837 and handling it in almost all shapes, in North Carolina, Alabama and Texas and claim I know what I am talking about and my estimate of the crop at this time is about one and a half bales to ten acres. The first crop has been destroyed by the drouth and the crop is too late to make a top crop. It takes about four weeks for a cotton bloom to mature. It is now about the first of August and no blooms and the drouth still continues. If these bolls stick, which is very doubtful, they will not mature.

Now, average this crop at one and one-half bale to ten acres you will see what you'll make. I have seen cotton that will not make ten bales to the hundred acres. Now I have no ax to grind and no object in view but to warn the public against those who are making these big statements.

ROVER.

Tired of Populism.

DR. MACUNE HAS TURNED HIS BACK ON THE PEOPLES PARTY.

HAS DESERTED PRINCIPLE.

Gives Reasons Why the Party Will Cease to Be a Factor in National Affairs.

Waco, Tex., Aug. 7.—Dr. C. W. Macune once a national leader of the populists, has turned his back on them and declares they are no longer trustworthy or better deserving support than the other parties.

"There are many reasons why the peoples party," Dr. Macune said "has forfeited the respect and confidence of those who believe in the Omaha platform. I offer four reasons: First, it gave up and expunged from its platform the only plank that the agents of the plutocrats could not swallow when necessary, and that was, the one demanding a flexible or elastic currency. Mr. Windom, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Cleveland and the American Bankers' association all admitted in public documents that this provision was the only way to avert panics and pointed out its necessity.

Second, they endorse the nominee of the democratic party. They have always contended that they stood for principles, not men.

Third, the convention delegated plenary powers to its national committee, the full power in every way possessed by the convention an unheard of proceeding even in ring rule and boss-dominated politics.

Fourth, a party pretending to be patriotic was dominated largely by Roman Catholics and refused to insert provisions for separation of church and state.

PRIMARY ELECTION RESULT.

The official count of the primary election returns was made on Friday last. The official returns or figures differ so little from those we gave last week that we think it unnecessary to publish more than a synopsis of the returns.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

W. B. Wall, total 875.
W. F. Murchison, total 822.
John Maples, total 256.

FOR DISTRICT CLERK.

John H. Ellis, total 628.
Coll Aldrich Jr. total 294.
J. S. Flucker, total 233.
Tony Gossett, total 812.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE.

J. F. Duren, total 192.
A. D. Lipscomb, total 451.
E. Winfree, total 983.
John Kennedy, total 359.

FOR COUNTY CLERK.

N. E. Albright, total 1974.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

J. B. Ellis, total 442.
Hardin Bayne, total 714.
M. M. Baker, total 830.

FOR TAX ASSESSOR.

D. J. Cater, total 311.
Gail Clinton, total 942.
Chas. Stokes, total 733.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

John R. Foster, total 266.
S. E. Howard, total 831.
J. R. Sheridan, total 890.

FOR SHERIFF.

George Waller, total 1359.
C. J. Hassell, total 640.

FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR.

B. M. Jones, total 1952.

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY.

Joe Adams, total 1919.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRE. NO. 1.

T. C. Lively, total 416.
R. T. Murchison, total 309.
R. W. Vince, total 103.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRE. NO. 2.

W. E. Hai, total 174.
S. H. Rook, total 126.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRE. NO. 3.

D. M. Gantt, total 214.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRE. NO. 4.

C. B. Isbell, total 268.
Tom Hallmark, total 125.
J. R. Ridges, total 118.
E. S. Sullivan, total 16.

FOR JUSTICE PRE. NO. 1.

W. D. Pritchard, total 401.
C. W. Ellis, total 312.

FOR JUSTICE PRE. NO. 2.

F. S. Cook, total 232.
John Sewell, total 25.

FOR JUSTICE PRE. NO. 3.

W. T. Harrison, total 99.
B. F. Dickerson, total 95.
W. R. Sneed, total 29.

FOR JUSTICE PRE. NO. 4.

J. R. Payne, total 27.
B. Lynn, total 32.
S. J. Collins, total 3.

FOR JUSTICE PRE. NO. 5.

J. J. Campbell, total 71.
John A. Davis, total 249.

FOR JUSTICE PRE. NO. 6.

W. M. Allee, total 75.
T. R. Hester, total 65.

FOR JUSTICE PRE. NO. 7.

J. F. Lively, total 23.

FOR CONSTABLE PRE. NO. 1.

Tom Bayne, total 148.
C. R. Caggett, total 133.
C. C. Mortimer, total 190.
M. M. Satterwhite, total 294.

FOR CONSTABLE PRE. NO. 2.

John McMillan, total 174.
J. T. Rachels, total 81.

FOR CONSTABLE PRE. NO. 3.

L. H. Brasher, total 56.
L. D. Shuptrine, total 86.
Joe Minton, total 8.

FOR CONSTABLE PRE. NO. 4.

T. P. Robertson, total 90.
J. T. Ivens, total 44.

FOR CONSTABLE PRE. NO. 5.

A. N. Edens, total 137.
H. C. Lee, total 7.

FOR CONSTABLE PRE. NO. 6.

W. F. Melton, total 98.
G. W. Hughes, total 79.

FOR CONSTABLE PRE. NO. 7.

J. H. Moorhead, total 34.
T. A. Leatherwood, total 90.

FOR CONSTABLE PRE. NO. 7.

Mat Coleman, total 24.

Private Detectives Wanted.

We want one or two young men in this county to represent us as private detectives. Money for the right man. Address with stamp. Texas Detective and Protective Association, San Antonio Texas.

Justice Court Proceedings.

State of Texas vs. Tony Smith assault and battery, trial by jury verdict for State, fine \$5.00 and cost.

State of Texas vs. Will McQueen carrying pistol transferred to county court.

State of Texas vs. Robert Janes assault and battery plea of guilty and fine of \$5.00 and cost.

Commissioners' Court Proceedings.

W. H. Harrell was appointed constable of Prec't No. 3.

The court rejects a proposed new road from Coltharp to Weches.

The court sets apart territory between San Pedro and Augusta as school district No. 4.

The court granted a new road beginning at the mouth of Dupuy Lane to run to Ratcliff.

The court rejected the proposed extension of the Tyer's Mill road from Tyer's Mill to Percilla.

The court awarded Jim Bysum the contract to furnish the court house Wood at \$1.75 a cord.

Ordered that a special tax of 25c on the \$100.00 valuation shall be levied on all property subject to taxation in Lovelady school dist. No. 1, for the year 1896.

At the request of W. J. Murchison the trustees of the Lovelady school were authorized to sell a lot belonging to said school district for the sum of \$25.00.

The court granted a new road leaving the old Crockett and Palestine road about 7 miles from the Grapeland and running over most practicable route to Grapeland.

The court condemned the brick culvert near the depot, erected by J. B. Smith and ordered him to remove same and erect one in accordance with contract heretofore made.

It is ordered that each commissioner be constituted a court for the purpose of letting out contracts for bridges and receiving same and that they be allowed \$2.00 per day for such duties.

The court approved the quarterly report of J. B. Ellis, treasurer of Houston county, and in open court canceled his vouchers, said report showing balance in county treasury as follows; Road and bridge fund \$770.59, court house fund \$20.74.

A petition asking for a new justice precinct be set apart in the southern part of the county including Weldon. No objection and same is granted. It is known as prec't No. 8 and W. D. Gimon and Jno. Clark were appointed justice and constable.

The court considered the claims of Mrs. Lucy J. Stubblefield for board of Col. W. A. Stewart in the sum of \$50.00 and the claim of Mrs. Lou Campbell for board of Col. W. A. Stewart in the sum of \$45.00 and rejected the same by a unanimous vote.

The court approved the reports of J. A. Davis, J. P. No. 5 and M. B. Newton, J. P. No. 4, showing no funds on hand; W. A. Champion, Dis't Clerk, N. E. Allbright, Co. Clerk, report of fines assessed and judgments rendered in county and district court; Joe Adams, county attorney; J. A. Newton, J. P. Prec't No. 6; B. F. Dickerson, J. P. Prec't No. 3; J. B. Womack, Cons't Prec't No. 7; A. A. Aldrich, County Judge; G. M. Waller, Sheriff; C. W. Ellis, J. P. Prec't No. 1 and C. C. Mortimer, Cons't Prec't No. 1.

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LI HUNG CHANG, THE ACID VICEROY, THREATENED.

He Will Cut Short His American Tour and Hurry Home—He is Charged With Traitorous Conduct in Connection With the Late War With Japan.

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 15.—Li Hung Chang, China's aged viceroy, is threatened with deposition if not death. A few days ago a telegram conveyed the intelligence that the diplomat had found it necessary to cut short his American tour. The message says he is threatened with political intrigues at home, and after a short stay in Washington he will hurry home via Victoria. That Li Hung Chang should avoid San Francisco, the eastern Mecca of his race, seemed strange, but it is explained.

For several days the dead walls of Chinatown have been illuminated with bright posters, proclaiming the purposes of a new society, known as "Hing Chung Woy," and calling upon all patriotic Chinamen to acquaint themselves with the principles of the new order and lend it their moral, physical and financial support. The circular complains in the bitterest terms of the influences brought to bear upon the emperor by corrupt officials, and special reference is made to the viceroy.

He is charged with traitorous conduct in connection with the late war with Japan, and incidents cited at length to show that Li Hung Chang's relations traded their honor for Japan's gold during the war.

Members of the local Chinese colonies entertain a bitter hatred for Li Hung Chang. The present political movement has increased this hatred, and those who pretend to know the state of affairs in Chinatown declare the viceroy would certainly be killed if he came here. It is believed that Li Hung Chang has been fully advised of this, and thus his purpose to avoid San Francisco for this reason are plausible.

To Prevent Boats Leaving.

Washington, Aug. 15.—Up to noon yesterday no official information has been received by the treasury officials concerning the reported departure of the Dauntless with a filibustering expedition from the vicinity of Brunswick. The Spanish legation had information that a large party of Cubans had left Tampa, Fla., for Jacksonville, and it was supposed the expedition would leave from that point. The customs officers and the revenue marine officers were instructed to keep a sharp lookout. The department of justice also instructed the marshals and deputy marshals from Wilmington, Del., to Florida to cooperate with the treasury officials to prevent an expedition leaving.

No information has been received as to the whereabouts of the Laurada, which has given the officers so much trouble. The report that the cutter Boutwell, which has been at Jacksonville, sailed after the Dauntless under orders from Washington is denied, as the department has had no information of the sailing of the Dauntless. The commander of the Boutwell has general orders which were to pursue the Dauntless, but the opinion is expressed that the latter had such a start that it would be impossible for the cutter to overtake her until she was far out at sea. One of the collectors of customs has raised the point that no matter if a vessel was beyond the three-mile limit, if she had sailed from the United States she should be considered as upon United States soil and arrested. This view, however, is not sustained by the officials here.

Salvation Army Mistreated.

Belleville, Ill., Aug. 15.—Violent demonstrations by the turbulent elements of Belleville against the Salvation Army, which have occurred at frequent intervals on the public square for a year past, culminated Wednesday night in a riot. There are no serious casualties to chronicle. For over two hours the mob surged around the little band of Christians, cursing, shouting indecencies, pushing, striking and creating a perfect bedlam of discord and noise. At 9 o'clock Hans Schwartz, editor of a little German anarchist paper, happened along, and it is said immediately assumed leadership of the crowd. Rush after rush was made, and the Salvationists, men and women alike, were thrown down with terrific force.

Appeals were made for police protection, but in vain. One of the army flags, in which the stars and stripes were seen, was torn from its staff and trampled upon. One of the women was struck on the head with a missile. Finally a squad of police interfered and stopped the melee by driving the Salvationists off to their hall.

William H. Whitlock was hanged at Somerville, Tenn., a few days ago, for the murder of W. D. Holliday.

Double Killing.

Clarksdale, Miss., Aug. 15.—A double tragedy occurred on the Elk Horn plantation yesterday evening, in which Will P. Woods shot and killed his brother-in-law, R. L. Howard, and his father-in-law, J. M. Howard. Woods was himself shot through the hand. Bud Howard took part in the affray, but he fled after firing a few shots around the house. Bud Howard, it is said, began the attack upon Woods with a dirk. Mrs. Woods had been visiting a sister in St. Louis. She was a widow—Mrs. Dickerson—and brought to her husband a large estate inherited from her first husband. Her brothers and father were averse to the marriage. Since Mrs. Woods' visit to St. Louis they induced her to agree to a separation and take the property out of her husband's hands. It was when this procedure was attempted by the agent of Mrs. Woods that the affray took place, outside the front door of the Howard residence.

A Lion Escapes.

Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 15.—Thursday morning at 2 o'clock Romeo, said to be the largest male lion in captivity, now quartered at East End park and forming part of Col. Daniel E. Boone's animal show, broke from his cage and dashed out of the park down Poplar boulevard at a terrific pace. Fortunately no one was in the neighborhood at so early an hour and the beast, scenting blood at Mauldin's slaughter-house, a few blocks away, dashed into the pens and attacked the cattle there. The hungry beast succeeded in killing a steer and calf when his keeper, Jerry Cahill, came upon the scene and after a sharp conflict the lion was finally pitchedforked into submission and was returned to his cage at the park.

The citizens in the neighborhood of the park last night held a mass meeting and demanded that the lions be removed at once.

Shot from Ambush.

Alexandria, La., Aug. 15.—On Wednesday afternoon Dr. N. G. Merrill was returning to his home in Castor Creek, fifteen miles west of here, and when near his house he was shot at four times by some one behind a tree, only one of which struck him in the back. An inquest was held yesterday afternoon by Coroner Luckett, and from the evidence it was concluded that he was shot by a white man, who made his escape soon after. Sheriff Stafford went in one direction in pursuit and Deputy United States Marshal Luckett in another. Information was received here yesterday that Deputy Luckett overtook the accused yesterday near Boyce and was forced to shoot him in order to capture him, and the prisoner is now lying in a critical condition.

After Indians.

Washington, Aug. 15.—Gen. Wheaton, commanding the United States troops in the department of Colorado, has telegraphed from Denver that troops from Fort Huachuca are now out in pursuit of the Yaqui Indians, who made the attack on the Mexican portico of the town of Nogales. Another detachment of troops from Fort Grant is also in the field looking after some Indians who have been crossing the Arizona line from Mexico and raiding American ranches and then dodging back across the border. Under the provisions of the special treaty recently negotiated it will now be easier to run these marauders down by following them across into Mexico.

An American in Trouble.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 15.—A special from St. Joseph says: Inquiry has been received here from the offices of the United States officials at Juarez, Mex., concerning James F. Howard, a young man well known here, who is reported to be lying unconscious in a hospital at Juarez with two bullets in his body. Private telegrams received here say that Howard started from Juarez to the City of Mexico. A short distance out of Juarez he became involved in a difficulty with several Mexicans, who attempted to assault him. He shot three of them dead and escaped. Late the same night he was picked up by Mexican Central trainmen. He was placed on the train and taken to Juarez.

A Dastardly Crime.

Mobile, Ala., Aug. 15.—A horrible sensation was made known here yesterday on the arrival of Rev. Gardiner C. Tucker of Mobile, a prominent Episcopal clergyman from Battle's Wharf, on the eastern shore, where the family had been for the summer. His little 5-year-old daughter was taken from her bed at midnight and carried, still asleep, on the breast of a man, supposed to be white, who carried her into the woods and assaulted her, afterwards bringing her back and deposited his burden on the porch. Two counties are shocked by the news and the Mobile police have been called upon to make inquiries.

ENGINES TO COLLIDE.

MISSOURI, KANSAS AND TEXAS RAILROAD TO EXPERIMENT.

Two Mammoth Engines Will Plunge Into Each Other After Gaining a High Rate of Speed as an Experiment in the Interest of Science.

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 17.—It is now definitely announced by General Passenger Agent Crush of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas that the exhibition collision of two locomotives will take place on September 15 at a point between Waco and Hillsboro. In a recent interview Mr. Crush said: "The idea is to turn the engines loose at full speed about two miles from the point of contact, and all who want to can be on hand to see what the result will be. The day before the collision the track over which the engines will run will be timed, so that the point of contact may be definitely ascertained. In this way we will know almost within ten yards of where the meeting will take place. By means of a telegraph wire put up for the occasion the engine will be given the signal for the start, and each throttle will be pulled simultaneously. The engines will remain on the engines until each has attained a speed of ten miles an hour, at which point they will pull the throttles wide open and step off. Each engine will carry 150 pounds of steam. Railroad men from all over the west will be on hand to see the sight, and photographic observations will be taken every second for ten seconds before the collision. Engine builders are now deeply interested in furnishing engines, with appliances which will lessen the shock of collisions, and consequently make them less dangerous to human life. Of course nothing is looked for that will save the engines from serious damage, but it may be that one engine may be made to climb the other and possibly save the coaches from piling on top of each other. The collision will undoubtedly prove of great value to railroad mechanics, in that they will get valuable suggestions. Ever since we decided to give the exhibition public interest in the matter has increased, and in order to let all see it we will run excursions from all along our lines at low rates, say, less than one fare for the round trip. In fact, from all indications, there will be 15,000 or 20,000 people present to see it. The place selected for the exhibition is a natural amphitheater, and nobody will have any trouble in viewing the entire exhibition. There will be a wrecking train and crew behind each engine, and the track will be cleared in a very short time. Those who have never seen wrecking trains at work on a big wreck will be entertained by this part of the programme."

An Aeronaut Killed.
Oak Cliff, Tex., Aug. 17.—Guy Borson, a professional aeronaut and parachute jumper, was killed while making a descent at Oak Cliff park Sunday afternoon at 6 o'clock. More than 1,000 people saw the thrilling accident, and not one can tell exactly how it occurred. Great preparations had been made for the occasion, and the event had been advertised very widely.

It was nearly 6 o'clock before the monster balloon, pulling the self-acting parachute with its load of human freight, was detached from its fastenings in the park, instantly to dance away on the slight breeze, climbing higher and higher toward the clouds.

Borson, with a quick movement, turned the escape valve on the balloon, and detaching the parachute, fell like a rock a distance of fifty feet or more. But the resistance of the air caused the great ribs of the huge umbrella to which the man was clinging to quickly unfold, and from then until he struck the pole that caused his death his descent was graceful and easy.

When Borson and his parachute were within fifty feet of the earth, and near the Jefferson street corner of the Oak Cliff college campus, eye witnesses say, a slight gust of wind struck the aeronaut, causing his machine to topple and career. He was seen to loose one hand, which was hanging to the bar, in order to right himself for the rest of the trip to the earth. Almost beneath him was a cedar pole, on which are strung the electric wires that enter the college building, and Borson, in attempting to level the machine, swung it into the arm on which the wires ran. The shock almost turned him over and threw him against the pole, striking his back with violence. The big umbrella freed itself in a moment, only to become entangled in a small elm tree a few feet away. Borson was dazed about in mid-air for a minute, when, it is supposed, tired by his long hold upon the parachute bar and weakened by the shock he had received against the pole, he fell. Several feet below two knots formed a perfect fork. Into this the man fell, his head catching between the branches and hanging him just as effectually as though it were a noose. His neck was dislocated and death resulted in a very short while. Justice Whitaker viewed the remains and then turned them over to an undertaker.

Tom Driver Sentenced.
Hempstead, Texas, August 15.—Tom Driver was late this evening given thirty-nine years in the penitentiary for the killing of Tom Mack at Prairie View normal in February last. Driver is a citizen of Navasota and was at the normal while Mack was steward. The killing was entirely unprovoked and the verdict is considered light. A few minutes later the jury brought in a verdict sentencing Chas. Weaver to ten years in the penitentiary for theft of cattle.

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He was elected last April, was one of Waco's foremost and oldest citizens and a prominent Mason.

The funeral will occur this morning. A special election to fill the vacancy will be called at the next meeting of the city council.

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Murdered in Lincoln.
Lincoln, Neb., August 15.—W. F. Eyer, a prominent railroad man of Chambersburg, Pa., was murdered here last night. Fred Vance and five women are detained at the station as knowing something of the case. He was here with a party of Pennsylvania capitalists, en route to Cripple Creek to invest in mines. It was supposed that he had taken the afternoon train for Cripple Creek until his body was found in an unfrequented part of the town with his skull crushed. Robbery is supposed to have been the motive.

Another Cuban Expedition.

Brunswick, August 15.—The tug Dauntless, with lights out, names covered with canvas, munitions of war, provisions and coal, landed on board at Brunswick in lieu of ballast, steamed up to the Satilla river bridge of the Florida Central and Peninsula road Wednesday night, where she met the train from Jacksonville, took from it 100 men and two large rowboats. Before sunrise she steamed down the river with the filibustering expedition bound either for Cuba or to the steamer Laurada, which will take her cargo as transfer. To insure the Dauntless owner the Cuban junta has deposited a certified check on Jacksonville as an indemnity fund, the amount to go in either case, whether the Dauntless is sunk, captured or lands her expedition.

The managing owners deny any connection with the filibustering, and the local agents say the Dauntless is en route to Florida waters to tow a barge. The greatest excitement prevails here over her departure. For several days preparations have been in progress, such as unloading ballast, fitting up the vessel with coal and supplies for a long voyage, and, lastly, loading her with the casks of arms and ammunition.

As soon as the movement was discovered local customs and Spanish officials began efforts to prevent it, but were unsuccessful, and there is no reasonable doubt now that the expedition is well out to sea.

United States District Marshal Harrell was on the scene early today to aid Spanish Vice Consul Torres and the customs officials, but could do nothing here, and all efforts were then turned toward intercepting her at sea.

The Dauntless is the swiftest tug in Southern waters, and she is expected to be successful on this trip.

Denounces the Indianapolis Meeting.

Indianapolis, August 15.—Governor Matthews was asked for an expression on the steps taken by the gold standard democrats toward the nomination of a third ticket, and said:

"It is a matter of indifference to democrats as to whether or not the disgruntled gentlemen styling themselves gold democrats who met here in conference last Friday may elect to put a ticket in the field. There are too many conflicting motives animating them, largely personal and selfish, to hold them together as an organization, but there is reason to be amazed at their effrontery and assurance in assuming the name of 'National democratic party.'"

"They are nothing more than bolters from the democratic party, lending their aid to the enemies of the party and to secure the election of McKinley. They could more properly be called the republican annex, for they are but the sideshow to the republican circus. Their profession of love for the democratic party is but the kiss of Judas, and they will deceive no one but themselves."

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TEXAS NEWS NOTES.

Cotton is needing rain in Fannin Co., and the crop is the shortest for years.

Another local freight and passenger train was put on the other morning between Denison and Coalgate, I. T. The 9-year-old son of L. P. Corry, of Hillsboro, Hill Co., fell from a shed several evenings ago and broke his arm.

Luther McAdams, who lives near Denison, was thrown from his horse a few days ago and had his arm badly fractured.

The other day Mrs. Moore, wife of the section foreman at Sunset, Montague county, dropped dead while drawing a bucket of water.

The other night Ham Dowling's house in Terrell, Kaufman county, valued at \$750, and furniture at \$900 was destroyed by fire.

Aronzo Taylor of Abbott, Hill county, shot himself accidentally a few evenings ago, while showing some boys how a man shot himself.

A few days ago, James Arbell, aged 12 years, of Brownwood, Brown Co., jumped from the Santa Fe train while in motion and broke his thigh.

A spur track has been put in between Henrietta, Clay Co., and Ringgold, Clay Co., on the Katy and a new station established named Melon.

The Texas and Pacific Railroad Co. is preparing to put in new stock pens at the junction near Longview, Gregg Co., with a capacity of forty cars.

The governor has offered a reward of \$200 for the arrest of Drew Derr, charged with the murder of Robert Smith some time ago in Collin county.

The old jail on the public square in Jacksboro, Jack Co., burned several nights ago. It is supposed to have been started in some way by the prisoners.

The comptroller of Austin received the tax roll of Stephens county, a few days ago. It shows total values of \$2,490,696, an increase over last year of \$30,652.

A few mornings ago, Mrs. Nancy Evans of Hale Center, Hale county, took strychnine while in a demented state. She lived but a short while after taking it.

A. H. Mitchell of Austin is conducting a revival meeting at the Baptist church at Garland, Dallas county. Immense crowds attend and much interest is manifested.

Bob Walder, an employe of a gin on South Branch street, Sherman, has his right hand caught in the machinery the other day, and so badly crushed that amputation was necessary.

J. M. Ellis' residence in West Cleburn, Johnson county, was entirely destroyed by fire the other morning, and the two-story dwelling of E. N. Brown was badly damaged by water and fire.

George Nichols of Delaware Bend, Grayson Co., had his right arm so badly lacerated by the accidental discharge of a shotgun several mornings ago, that amputation was necessary.

Several days ago Little Nash was found dead in the house at 164 Millam street, Houston. An inquest was held and it was found that a dose of morphine, taken on purpose caused her death.

Schooner C. Columbo, of Galveston, Capt. Will Herbert, was wrecked at Mitchell's cut near Port Lavaca, Calhoun county, several days ago, and now lies on the sands of Matagorda peninsula.

Wire cutters made their appearance a few nights ago in the north part of Floyd county and laid waste eleven miles of wire fence belonging to the F. ranch. There is no clue to the guilty parties.

A few days ago Alfred Van-Uxen, father-in-law of Mr. C. Smith of the firm of Peacock and Smith, was found dead in bed at the home of his daughter in Austin. The coroner's verdict was that death resulted from heart failure.

Several mornings ago the 2-year-old baby of A. W. Brock, Dodds, Fannin county, was struck by the westbound passenger train. The baby was playing on the track and the engineer did not see it in time to stop the train before striking it.

The county superintendent of public roads, while grading across the ridges in the neighborhood of China Springs, near Waco, found vast quantities of concrete, which experts pronounce of the highest quality for paving streets. James Sharpe, who is charged with killing Tom J. Wood in Sherman some time ago, surrendered to Deputy Sheriff Melton of Grayson Co., at Dallas the other morning. He made his appearance before Justice Hinkle and waived examination. His bond was placed at \$5000, which he gave.

SISTER ROSE.

A STORY OF THE FRENCH REVOLUTION

BY WILKIE COLLINS.

INTERNATIONAL PRESS ASSOCIATION.

CHAPTER XXIV.—(CONTINUED.)

While he was speaking, one of his friends came up, and touching him on the shoulder, said:

"Berthelein, is that a roundel to be allowed to go?"

The general turned on his heel directly, and beckoned contemptuously to Danville to follow him to the door. When they were well out of earshot, he spoke these words:

"You have been exposed as a villain by your brother-in-law, and renounced as a liar by your mother. They have done their duty to you, and now it only remains for me to do mine. When a man enters the house of another under false pretences, and compromises the reputation of his daughter, we old army men have a very expeditious way of making him answer for it. It is just three o'clock now; at five you will find me and one of my friends—"

He stopped, and looked around cautiously—then whispered the rest in Danville's ear—threw open the door, and pointed down stairs.

"Our work here is done," said Lomaque, laying his hand on Trudaine's arm. "Let us give Danville time to get clear of the house, and then leave it too!"

"My sister! where is she?" asked Trudaine eagerly.

"Make your mind easy about her. I will tell you more when we get out."

"You will excuse me, I know," said General Berthelein, speaking to all the persons present, with his hand on the library door. "If I leave you, I have bad news to break to my daughter, and private business after that to settle with a friend."

He saluted the company, with his usual bluff nod of the head, and entered the library. A few minutes after Trudaine and Lomaque left the house.

"You will find your sister waiting for you in our apartments at the hotel," said the latter. "She knows nothing, absolutely nothing, of what has passed."

"But the recognition?" asked Trudaine, amazedly. "His mother saw her. Surely she—"

"I managed it so that she should be seen, and should not see. Our former experience of Danville suggested to me the propriety of making the experiment, and my old police-office practice came in useful in carrying it out. I saw the carriage standing at the door, and waited till the old lady came down, and walked her back again past the window as the carriage drove off. A moment did it, and it turned out as useful as I thought it would. Enough of that. Go back now to your sister. Keep her indoors till the night-mall starts for Rouen. I have had two places taken for you on speculation. Go! resume possession of your old house, and leave me here to transact the business which my employer has entrusted to me, and to see how matters end with Danville and his mother. I will make time somehow to come and bid you good-bye at Rouen, though it should only be for a single day. Bah! no thanks. Give us your hand. I was ashamed to take it eight years ago—I can give it a hearty shake now! There is your way; here is mine. Leave me to my business in silks and satins, and go you back to your sister, and help her to pack up for the night-mall."

CHAPTER XXV.

THREE more days have passed. It is evening. Rose, Trudaine and Lomaque are seated together on the bench that overlooks the windings of the Seine. The old familiar scene spreads before them, beautiful as

ever—unchanged, as if it was but yesterday since they had all looked on it for the last time.

The evening darkens in, and Rose is the first to rise from the bench. A secret look of intelligence passes between her and her brother, and then she speaks to Lomaque.

"Will you follow me into the house," she asks, "with as little delay as possible? I have something that I very much wish to show you."

Her brother waits 'till she is out of hearing; then inquires anxiously what has happened at Paris since the night when he and rose left it.

"Your sister is free," Lomaque answers.

"The duel took place then?"

"The same day. They were both to fire together. The second of his adversary asserts that he was paralyzed with terror; his own second declares that he was resolved, however he might have lived, to confront death courageously by offering his life at first fire to the man whom he had injured. Which ac-

count is true I know not. It is only certain that he did not discharge his pistol; that he fell by his antagonist's first bullet, and that he never spoke afterwards."

"And his mother?"

"It is hard to gain information. Her doors are closed; the old servant guards her with jealous care. A medical man is in constant attendance, and there are reports in the house that the illness from which she is suffering affects her mind more than her body."

After that answer they both remained silent for a little while—then rise from the bench and walk towards the house.

"Have you thought yet about preparing your sister to hear all that has happened?" Lomaque asks, as he sees the lamplight glimmering in the parlor window.

"I shall wait to prepare her till we are settled again here—till the first holiday pleasure of our return has worn off, and the quiet realities of our every day life of old have resumed their way," answers Trudaine.

They enter the house. Rose beckons to Lomaque to sit down near her, and places pen and ink and an open letter before him.

"I have a last favor to ask of you," she said, smiling.

"I hope it will not take long to grant," he rejoins, "for I have only tonight to be with you. To-morrow morning before you are up, I must be on my way back to Chanlons."

"Will you sign that letter?" she continues, still smiling, "and then give it to me to send to the post? It was dictated by Louis, and written by me, and it will be quite complete if you will put your name at the end of it."

"I suppose I may read it?"

She nods, and Lomaque reads these lines:

"Citizen.—I beg respectfully to apprise you, that the commission you entrusted to me at Paris has been performed. I have also to beg that you will accept my resignation of the place I hold in your counting-house. The kindness shown me by you and your brother before you, emboldens me to hope that you will learn with pleasure the motive of my withdrawal. Two friends of mine, who consider that they are under some obligations to me are anxious that I should pass the rest of my days in the quiet and protection of their home. Troubles of former years have knit us together as closely as if we were all three of one family. I need the repose of a happy fireside as much as any man, after the life I have led; and my friends assure me so earnestly that their whole hearts are set on establishing the old man's easy chair by their hearth, that I cannot summon up resolution enough to turn my back on them and their offer."

"Accept then, I beg of you, the resignation which this letter contains, and with it the assurance of my sincere gratitude and respect."

To Citizen Clairfait, silk-mercier.

After reading these lines, Lomaque turned round to Trudaine and attempted to speak; but the words would not come at command. He looked up at Rose, and tried to smile; but his lips only trembled. She dipped the pen in the ink and placed it in his hand. He bent his head down quickly over the paper, so that she could not see his face; but still he did not write his name. She put her hand caressingly on his shoulder, and whispered to him:

"Come, come, humor 'Sister Rose.' She must have her own way now she is back again at home."

He did not answer—his hand sunk lower—he hesitated for an instant—then signed his name in faint, trembling characters at the end of the letter.

She drew it away from him gently. A few tear-drops lay on the paper. And she dried them with her handkerchief, she looked at her brother.

"They are the last he shall ever shed, Louis; you and I will take care of that!"

(THE END.)

Mr. Wilson's Table.

There is a man in Utah, John R. Wilson by name, who has played a trick on most of the governors of the different states and who is now about to reap the benefits thereof. He wrote to these different governors, asking each one for a piece of wood, of historical antecedents if possible, the same to be used in the construction of a table for the use of the new governor of Utah in his official capacity. The governors responded generously and Mr. Wilson's table contains, among other things, a piece of the "Charter Oak," a bit of William Penn's house, a slice off of the frigate Constitution and other choice bits of timber. The table has been completed and now Mr. Wilson offers it for sale to anybody who will bid enough. The stupendous audacity of the man would almost be enough to make the table a valuable curio even if there were no other associations.

CHIEF JUSTICE A SPORTSMAN.

Lord Russell's Interest in Boys' Athletics Even to Baseball.

The most interesting friend that boys and girls possess will be in this country in August. He is the lord chief justice of England.

There is hardly a more popular character among British boys anywhere than his lordship. He joins in their games to this day. Perhaps he is the first lord chief justice that ever played leap frog. He did this last year with some Harrow boys on the green before the school. But he should be particularly liked by the boys of this country because he was in one of the few baseball games yet witnessed in England. It came about in this way. The Rt. Hon. Charles Lord Russell, of Killowen, G. C. M. G., to give his full title, has been known throughout his career as a friend of field sports, particularly cricket. He is director in many school boards. Whenever he visits these schools he asks the boys about their games and occasionally takes a hand in them. That is how he comes to be a cricket player and a tennis player and various other things. Whenever the boys of rival schools get up a match, and the chief justice is within reach, he is called upon to umpire it. He rarely refuses these invitations. He told a class at Eton this spring that he would prefer to be the finest bowler in England to holding the premiership of Great Britain. The boys gave him three cheers.

One day a game of baseball was proposed between some Southwark boys in London and a nine composed of lads belonging to a parochial school of which his lordship is director. Now a game of baseball is rare in England. They prefer cricket over there. But a few years ago an effort was made to introduce our national game in Britain. It has not met with much success. The English say it is too boyish. Perhaps that may be why only the boys of England have taken much interest in baseball as yet. When the game was arranged an umpire was essential, particularly so in view of the fact that nobody understood much of the matter. Lord Russell was selected.

The game was a great success. His lordship did the umpiring like a hero. The London sporting newspapers made very merry over the affair, particularly as one of the teams got 350 runs and there were seventeen innings. It seems that the game ended very much sooner than had been expected, and his lordship suggested that they go ahead and have more innings. He evidently thought it was a usual thing. It must have been a very remarkable game. Sporting Life, in poking fun at his lordship, observed that nobody got put out in the first inning at all. In the fourth inning the ball was lost and the man at the bat made ten home runs one right after the other, and had them all counted by the umpire. It may be inferred that his lordship might not be just the man to umpire a game on this side of the water.

However Lord Russell is such a lover of sports that one can easily forgive him. He is at the head of an association which helps amateur sports among boys and girls in England. He himself has given many prizes. He is an honorary member of a school girls' cricket team in England. His mission in this country has nothing to do with sports. He will come to attend a gathering of lawyers, and he will land in New York on about August 15. He may make a tour of the country. Perhaps he'll undertake to umpire a baseball game if somebody asks him.—New York Sun.

Experience Taught Her.

Mrs. Bowline had a tussle with that "gentleman peddler" who did College street so brown. He rang the bell and said, "Do you admit gentlemanly peddlers?"

"No, I don't," said Mrs. Bowline. "We don't admit nobody but tramps and dogs, and we don't want no furniture polish, young man."

"Can I see your mother?" said the peddler, trying the old game, with an insinuating smile, intended to soften the adamant female heart.

Mrs. Bowline, who is 53 and rather fine looking, was up to his game.

"No, you can't," said she. "My mother is busy learning the two-step, and grandmamma and grandpapa are in. They are busy just now, because they are dressing my elder sister for the children's party this afternoon, but perhaps you can see them."

He didn't care to see the family.—Lewiston Journal.

Suspicious.

"Why did you break off your engagement with Miss Bertha?"

"Because her parrot was always saying: 'Stop that, George.'"

"But what difference did that make? Your engagement was not a secret."

"But my name is not George."—Tit Bits.

Just a Smack.

"I am poor," he said; "it would be many years before I could give my wife a yacht." "Well," answered the girl of '96; "couldn't you commence with a little smack?" And so it came to pass.—Puck.

The inventory of Harriet Beecher Stowe's will foots up at \$12,353.98. She left a will bequeathing the large silver inkstand, the gift of the women of England, to her son Charles. The silver waiter and the silver basket, given her by the women of England, to her two daughters, Harriet and Eliza, and the gold bracelet given by the duchess of Sutherland, to her daughter Georgianna, Mrs. Allen of Boston, now deceased. The home and two-thirds of the income from her estate go to the daughters and the remainder of the property to her son, the Rev. Charles E. Stowe.

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P. M.	A. M.	HOUSTON	LA PORTE	A. M.	P. M.
6:00	6:50	8:40	11:35	4:50	5:50
7:00	7:50	9:40	12:35	5:50	6:50
8:00	8:50	10:40	1:35	6:50	7:50
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THE CROCKETT COURIER.

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CROCKETT, TEXAS.

It is poor politics to hire a keep still.

Marriage and coic are the two things that double us up.

Too many people labor under the impression that it is funny to tell lies.

People who really please themselves seldom do much to make others unhappy.

There are persons who suppose they are funny when they are merely aggravating.

Count Leo Tolstol thinks that the English and the Zulus are the two most brutal nations on the earth.

Warrensburg, Maine, has a rapid transit which is somewhat unique, in this country at least. A car is run over the street car line once a month merely for the sake of preserving the charter.

The refusal of a Massachusetts court to admit radiographic pictures as evidence, is partly offset by the fact that a justice of the federal supreme court recently admitted, in an unofficial capacity, to an X-ray examination to determine the character of some ailment of the knee. The result was satisfactory, and the venerable Justice Field will probably be benefited by the ensuing treatment.

Who says the Italians are not good citizens of this country? There is one of them in New York who was presented by his wife on Sunday last with triplets, a boy and two girls, and he promptly started out for the neighboring Catholic church and had them christened Grover, Ruth and Esther. While these names may not fit very well with the family appellation of Moreno, yet the underlying principle is a good one.

A girl of fifteen in Holland is busily studying international law, constitutional government, the relations of a sovereign toward the states of his realm, and like matters of grave moment. She is in name a queen, but her mother is queen regent of Holland during the minority of her daughter. Already loved, the young girl is fitting herself to be known, as is Victoria, as the Good Queen. Royalty planning for service and usefulness cannot fail to be respected, even by the most ardent lover of democratic institutions.

The governing body of an important ecclesiastical organization—the United Norwegian Lutheran Church of America—has spoken emphatically in favor of the gradual introduction of the English language in all its religious services. Necessity was frankly put forth as the reason for this movement. "To continue in prosperity, the church must maintain its hold upon the young. To do this, it must conduct its services in the language of the young Americans of Scandinavian descent." In yielding thus gracefully to an imperative demand of the times, this body has displayed devotion to its religious principles and an intelligent spirit of patriotism.

A notorious swindler was recently released from a Maryland prison, to which he had been sentenced for eight years for the form of swindling known in police parlance as 'bunco.' Thereupon the class of newspapers that strive to be sensational said that he would proceed to enjoy the \$100,000 he had laid by, having made that amount of money in his swindling career. Not even the reporters believe that he has saved a cent of his meager, ill-gotten gain. If the swindler had not obtained a few dollars by extra work during his imprisonment probably he would have come out of prison penniless. When a newspaper gives currency to a fiction of this character it encourages crime. The average criminal who lives by his wits gets the poorest living in the world, and has no surplus for saving.

A significant example of the change of opinion that may be produced even in anarchists by a change of position has occurred in Australia. The workmen in a mine demanded an equal division of its profits. The owners resisted the demand. Not long after, the mine being apparently exhausted, the owners abandoned the claim. It was taken by the disaffected workmen, who opened it up with sudden and great success. The profits were divided equally among them, and they invited public attention to the justice and liberality of their action. Soon, however, they were obliged to hire laborers, who in their turn demanded an equal share with the present owners in the profits of the mine. The demand was vigorously resisted and they were driven off by bayonets, the sometime communists calling in the military to defend their rights. "Put yourself in his place" is a maxim that can be righteously considered so as to justify influence both the capitalist and the laborer.

MURDERER'S LEAGUE.

ORDER OF THE "BLACK HAND" REVIVED.

Attacks Made in Broad Daylight in Corpus Christi—Several of the Band in Jail—Attacks Fully Determined to Break up the Order.

Corpus Christi, Texas, August 14.—New Orleans had its Mafia and other cities have had their leagues of cut-throats and murderers, but it remained for Corpus Christi to produce an order of the "Black Hand," a once famous society of bandits in Mexico, which has been broken up since Diaz became president of that republic, several hundred of its members have been put to death by the government authorities. The existence of the order in this city first became known about ten days ago, when it was brought to the attention of the citizens and officers by one of the local Mexican papers. Not much attention was paid to the report, however, until the past two or three days, when some of the deeds of darkness of the order have been brought to light by the officers and through other sources.

These disclosures, together with a letter published in the Mexican paper this evening from a Mexican blacksmith, have opened the eyes of the citizens and caused considerable excitement. The letter states that the author refused to join the order and afterwards overheard a plot to murder him. The officers have some fifty odd of the members potted and have succeeded in unearthing some of their plans to get rid of several people in the city, both Americans and Mexicans, and notified them to be on their guard. They have also succeeded in getting hold of a copy of the shield of the order. It consists of a heart pierced by a dagger grasped by a black hand. Above the heart are two daggers crossed and three mysterious initials or characters, below the heart is the skull and crossed bones peculiar to all death-dealing orders.

The order of the "Black Hand" has a constitution and set of by-laws and the officers are on the track of a copy of them, which they expect to have in a few days. So far as can be learned, the object of the order is to intimidate good people into putting up money to guarantee their protection from his fiat of death, and to put out of the way all those who oppose it, and also to get rid of the enemies of its members or any one else they happen to dislike. It has a membership of between seventy-five and one hundred, most of whom are known to be tough characters, willing to commit any crime.

Startling developments are expected in the next few days and many people would not be surprised to hear of some one being assassinated any night. If matters become serious the citizens will rise en masse and wipe the order from the face of the earth.

Fifteen People Killed.

Salem, Ala., August 17.—News was received here today from Augustin, Perry county, that a terrible and most destructive cyclone swept over that place Thursday last, leveling everything in its path. Twelve negroes and three white people were killed by houses falling on them. Twenty-four head of horses and mules were crushed to death by falling barns. The cyclone was followed by the heaviest rain that has fallen in that section in fifteen years. Creeks and branches were converted into raging torrents, sweeping away cotton, corn and other crops, causing heavy losses to planters.

Two Charges Against Him.

Paris, Texas, August 17.—William Reed alias George Hart, a negro, charged with assault with intent to murder committed upon his wife and also attempting to poison her family for which she was cooking, putting "Rough on Rats" in their food, was arrested here last night and taken to Dallas this afternoon by a deputy sheriff of that county. He denies the charge and says he is not the man wanted.

For Robbing Mail Boxes.

Taylor, Texas, August 17.—United States Marshal Ware and Deputy United States Marshal Kilgore stopped over here today en route to Leaverton, Kan., with one Fisher, heavily armed, whom they were taking to the United States prison, having been confined at this term of the Federal court at Austin on a charge of robbing mail boxes at several cities in this State. He is the party who had a United States soldier at San Antonio as a pal; mention of which was made a few weeks since in the State press.

Extra Large Pay Roll.

Kanasa City, Mo., August 17.—Yesterday was the monthly pay day of the Santa Fe railway and the local distribution of checks was the greatest it has been in more than three years. Eight hundred and forty employees received an aggregate of nearly \$50,000. This increase in the pay roll was the result of the heavy grain and stock movement last month. Nearly every employe on the road, with the exception of office men, drew extra time.

Blown to Atoms.

Lancaster, Pa., August 18.—Three men were killed, fifteen or more injured, and several buildings were demolished by the explosion of twenty-five pounds of dynamite at New Holland yesterday morning. The Pennsylvania Telephone company is building a new line in that vicinity, and had stored the explosive in the summer kitchen of the Eagle hotel.

Earley yesterday morning Charles F. Cannon, an employe of the company, foreman of one gang just about to start to work, went to the summer kitchen to get enough dynamite for the day's use. A few moments later there was a terrible explosion and one side of the kitchen was blown out. A big hole in another side had blood and flesh on the ragged edges, and it is supposed Cannon's body was sent through there.

The unfortunate man was blown to atoms. His stomach was found two blocks away.

Up to a late hour neither his legs nor head had been found.

Frank Hammond, of Harrisburg, standing just outside the building, had every bone in his body broken, and was instantly killed.

George Crossman of Steelton, also standing near the building, was badly injured, mangled while being brought to this city.

Among those most seriously injured are: Michael Wade, Frank Lewis, Frank Peale, David Hoffman, Joseph Mann, Walter Foesig, Phillip Lawrence, John Conlon, John White and Robert Shirk.

Other buildings close to the kitchen were badly wrecked, as was also the hotel, while the whole front of a large implement store was blown out. The tin roofs of a number of houses were raised and ruined. The damage to property will amount to a large sum.

The cause of the explosion is not known, as Cannon was the only person in the building when it occurred.

Riot in Ireland.

Belfast, Ireland, August 18.—Serious rioting occurred this morning in connection with the national manifestations in favor of granting amnesty to Irish political prisoners. There were several processions of nationalists through the street at the beginning, and they finally merged into a large procession. Headed by bands of men armed with spears, the procession was soon attacked by an immense crowd of people and stone throwing commenced. This served to enrage the nationalists, and they attacked the crowds with their spears and wounded many people. The police charged the rioters and used their clubs freely, with the result that several persons were hurt before order was restored.

The rioting caused the greatest excitement throughout the city, and further disturbances are feared this evening if the demonstrators carry out their threat of returning in much greater strength and marching through the main streets of Belfast. The police, however, are taking steps to make a display of force calculated to prevent further rioting, and if necessary, the military will be called upon to assist the constabulary in maintaining order.

To Aid Cuba.

New York, August 18.—A dispatch to the World from Rochester, N. Y., says one of the largest, best equipped and most formidable expeditions for the aid of the Cuban insurgents is due to sail from New York in three weeks.

The vessel is a large, swift steam yacht. The cargo consists of rifles, cartridges, powder, dynamite, medicine and warlike supplies of every sort. The company will consist of 100 or more men. The commander of the expedition is Dr. J. Herbert Stevens, formerly of this city, late of Malden, Mass., and still later of Boston, who was reported to have been killed by a dynamite explosion in Cuba shortly after landing there six months ago, but who, for purposes that are now manifest, purposely spread the report. Several women, among them the wife of Dr. Stevens, are considering the question of accompanying the expedition, with the intention of becoming nurses.

Boy Accidentally Shot.

Fort Worth, Texas, August 18.—William J. Waldron, a Texas Pacific engineer, has been arrested, charged with shooting a 12-year-old son of J. J. LaBlanc. It seems that a crowd of boys were throwing stones at Waldron's house last night and after remonstrating with them he fired a pistol towards the ground to frighten them, but the bullet glanced and struck the boy on the leg. The wound is not regarded as serious. Waldron waived examination and was placed under \$750 bond.

The Georgia Republicans.

Atlanta, Ga., August 18.—The republican State central committee met in the State capitol yesterday, with Colonel A. E. Buck, chairman, presiding. A resolution was adopted declaring it to be the sense of the committee that no State ticket is to be put out this year. This was supplemented by another resolution leaving it to the republicans of the State to vote as they see fit on State issues, and still another providing for the issuing of an address to the voters asking them to direct their work toward McKinley's election.

Adams Express Strike.

New York, August 18.—There appears to be no immediate prospects of a settlement of the strike of the employes of the Adams Express company. General Agent McWilliams says he has received more than forty applications for each place vacated by strikers. Some of the New York strikers say delegates have already been sent to Philadelphia, Pittsburg and Baltimore to urge the men employed in the office and stables of the company in the cities mentioned to join the strikers. No violence on the part of the strikers was reported yesterday. Some of the new men have quit work.

CYCLONE IN ALABAMA.

FIFTEEN PEOPLE KILLED AND TEN WOUNDED.

Many Horses and Mules Were Crushed to Death—The Crops Were Damaged, Causing Heavy Loss to Planters—The Storm Accompanied by Rain and Hail.

Selma, Ala., Aug. 17.—News was received here yesterday from Augustin, Perry county, fourteen miles from a telegraph station, that a terrible and most destructive cyclone swept over that place (Thursday) last, leveling everything in its path.

Twelve negroes and three white people were killed by houses falling on them and ten other people were more or less injured. Twenty-four head of horses and mules were crushed to death by falling barns.

The cyclone was followed by the heaviest rain that has fallen in that section in fifteen years. Creeks and branches were converted into raging torrents, sweeping away cotton, corn, and other crops, causing heavy loss to planters.

Florence, Ala., Aug. 17.—A terrible storm swept over this city about 5 o'clock yesterday evening. Great damage was done, but no fatalities have been reported. Two frame houses were blown down, and awnings, chimneys and trees wrecked. Trees were uprooted all over the city and on Court street large plate-glass windows were broken by the fury of the wind. The storm came from the north, the storm cloud being met by another black cloud from the southwest. It is thought that considerable damage has been done in the country. The storm lasted less than twenty minutes and was accompanied by rain and hail.

A Sensational Affair.

Key West, Fla., Aug. 17.—Capt. Gen. Weyler and Gen. Ochoando were the principals in a sensational affair which occurred shortly before the latter sailed for Spain. The death of Gen. Ochoando's nephew, who was a lieutenant in the Spanish army, was the cause of the trouble. There were ugly rumors in circulation reflecting on the lieutenant, who was accused of conducting a treasonable correspondence with Maximo Gomez, the insurgent chief. When Weyler heard of the rumors he summoned the young man to the palace and questioned him. Weyler was apparently satisfied of the young man's guilt, and told him that if he did not commit suicide in twenty-four hours he would be court-martialed and shot.

The lieutenant left the palace, went to his room, and in six hours was a corpse, having shot himself through the heart. The affair was hushed up, and the Spanish official report said the young man died of yellow fever. Shortly afterwards Gen. Ochoando arrived in Havana and learned the true story of his nephew's death. He was greatly enraged. He immediately went to the palace to call Weyler to account. The meeting of the generals was most sensational. Ochoando denounced Weyler in the bitterest terms, alleging that the lieutenant was guilty and had been driven to his death. Ochoando and challenged him to a duel. The men drew swords, and would have fought in the palace but for the interference of other officials.

Two days later Gen. Ochoando sailed for Spain. He is greatly enraged, and says he will make the affair public when he reaches Spain, and demands Weyler's recall.

A Serious Collision.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 17.—Early yesterday morning fire truck No. 6, with a crew consisting of Lieut. Hedden and seven firemen, while responding to an alarm, collided with a trolley car at the corner of Woltz avenue and Sycamore street. The truck was stretched across the street car tracks when the trolley, which was running at full speed, struck it. Every fireman on the truck was injured. John F. Clark was pinned under the wreck and crushed to death, his lungs being penetrated by the rung of a ladder. Fred Jackson went under the truck and received a concussion of the spine. He can not recover. The other injured are: Lieut. Hedden, hip bruised; Michael Rosenberger, left leg sprained and contusions; John W. Brechtel, knee sprained; Nicholas Noeller, hip bruised; Anthony Mandard, bruised.

The motor car was smashed to pieces, but the motorman escaped with but slight injuries. Both the motorman and conductor of the car have been arrested. James Cowan, the motorman, said he heard the fire going but did not slow up, as he thought he could cross the street ahead of the truck.

At Reed Station, O., a few days ago, a riot took place in which one man was killed and two injured.

Negro Murderer.

Spartanburg, S. C., Aug. 17.—Capt. John H. Blassingame, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of this city and state, was shot and killed yesterday afternoon by Chris Cannon, a negro boy. Capt. Blassingame was at his home and Cannon entered for the purpose of robbery. Pistol shots were heard and the negro seen running from the house. Capt. Blassingame was found dead, shot twice through the heart. The negro was tracked to a house half a mile distant, where he was found, shot through the chest. Two empty pistols found in the room indicate that both parties engaged in the shooting. The negro was taken to jail. His wound is thought to be fatal. There is some talk of lynching, but the law will take its course.

Capt. Blassingame was a member of one of the most prominent families in the state, and was a man respected and honored by all. He was a gallant confederate soldier, and before the war was a colonel in the United States army.

Tugboat Seized.

Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 17.—The tug Three Friends left port early Friday morning with a schooner in tow. The tug was coaled and provisioned for a long trip, and had aboard eight large surf boats. Going down the river the tug was seized by the revenue cutter Boutwell, and Capt. Brown, the master and one of the owners, was brought to the city. The tug is held pending instructions from Washington, though not a gun or a pound of ammunition was found aboard. A hundred Cubans prepared to leave Tampa Friday night for this place or Fernandez, with the intention of joining the Three Friends expedition. The extra vigilance exercised on the part of the administration in watching the alleged filibusters is said to be due to a desire to hold the United States free from any charge of assisting Cuban insurgents, thus invalidating any claims Spain may make for indemnity.

Robbed and Killed.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 17.—Doctors performed an autopsy on the body of Hon. W. F. Eysler of Chambersburg, Pa., who was found dying Friday night from the effects of foul play. They are convinced that morphine poisoning caused death, although there was a contusion on the scalp that might have been fatal. There is not the least question that Eysler was robbed and that he was first fatally drugged for that purpose. It is not believed that murder was intended. Cliff Hagwell, who was around with Eysler during the afternoon on Friday, was arrested at Valparaiso on suspicion and was brought back to Lincoln.

Embezzler Arrested.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 17.—Henry Berfield, of London, Eng., was arrested yesterday as he landed from the Cunard steamer Paverda, on a complaint of British Vice Consul Keating, charging him with the embezzlement of \$415 from the London postoffice. Berfield was a postal employe in London, and is charged with taking the money from two pockets. His wife, who is a bride of only a month, is detained by the immigration officer as an undesirable person, while Berfield is in jail awaiting extradition. Berfield made a confession, and turned over \$1,600 of the stolen money. He will be arraigned before United States Commissioner Fiske.

Shooting Affray.

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 16.—A special from Grayson, Ky., says: At a church meeting on Little Sandy, in Elliott county, twenty miles south of this place four men were killed and two wounded Saturday afternoon near the association grounds. A man named Spicer was selling whiskey, and a large number of horse traders got into a fight, in which two Harrison brothers and two Whit brothers were instantly killed and two others, whose names are unknown, were wounded, one seriously and the other slightly. The names of the Harrison and Whit brothers could not be learned.

Painters to Strike.

New York, Aug. 17.—A general strike of painters has been ordered to take place, which will include men in other trades who will quit work in sympathy with them in the shops of those contractors who are paying wages less than the union scale of \$3.50 for eight hours work per day. It is said that nearly 1,000 workmen will go on a strike. The New York Painters' union is composed of five strong organizations, with an aggregate membership of 4,000. An executive board transacts all business for these unions, and it was this board which recently issued the order for the strike.

LOCAL NEWS.

B. F. Chamberlain for drugs.
Cotton is coming in very fast.
Try Ham Bone Tobacco. Each Plug Warranted.
The thermometer registered 105 in the shade Tuesday.
Miss Mamie Saxton of El Paso is visiting Miss Minnie Wall.
Mr. and Mrs. Mayes have returned from their Western trip.
B. D. Duren of Mills county is on a visit to his brother, B. F. Duren.
Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bradley of Pennington were in the city Saturday.
N. F. Saddler of Grapeland was on the streets Monday and Tuesday.
A protracted meeting is to begin at Concord church next Sabbath morning.
John Kennedy, Henry Gregg and Dr. Hall Wilson of Augusta spent Monday in the city.
Dr. H. J. Cunyus, dentist, Crockett, Texas. Office over Arledg, Kennedy & Co. grocery store.
W. O. Phipps, J. P. Gantt, Mode Barbee and Will Rayburn of Lovelady spent Sunday in the city.
Mr. Ike Murchison's little boy, Smith, fell from his horse Thursday and broke his right arm in two places.
A full and complete line of coffins, caskets and undertakers goods always on hand at Shivers Bros.
Read ad. of San Antonio Detective Agency. There is an opportunity for some shrewd young man.
Chew Ham Bone Tobacco. Best on Earth for the money. Manufactured by J. H. Cosby & Bro., Danville, Va.

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.
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
Since the price of those large scroll arm rockers at Aldrich & Newton's Furniture Store was reduced \$1.79 they have been going very fast. You had better get one before they are all gone.
Have you seen those nice Kitchen safes they sell at \$2.50. They are without question the best and cheapest safes ever sold for that money.

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

DOWN goes the PRICES on SPRING AND SUMMER SHOES. BRING IN YOUR FEET and get them shod with the neatest, cheapest and most DURABLE SHOES in town.
SOLID low cut SHOES reduced from 75 to 50c. \$1.00 shoes to 75c. \$1.25 shoes to \$1.00. \$1.50 shoes to \$1.25. Also a beautiful line of HAND TURNED toki in TANS, CHOCOLATE and Blacks, REDUCED from \$3.00 to \$2.50, from \$2.50 to \$2.00, from \$2.00 to \$1.50. These shoes are the latest styles being cut on the 20th century last and every pair guaranteed.
Remember my all SOLID shoes, for ladies, button or lace 75c.
R. M. ATKINSON.

E. Broxson is quite sick again with fever.
Deputy U. S. Marshal Eason of Tyler was in the city on business Tuesday.
Stuart Leaverton, foreman of the Willis Index, spent Saturday in our city.
Miss Mary Wootters entertained a number of friends at her home Tuesday evening.
Wells that were never known to fail are beginning to go dry in some parts of the county.
Judge Aldrich, R. M. Atkinson and H. C. Leaverton are attending the Democratic State convention at Ft. Worth.
N. M. Rayburn has about ninety thousand ties scattered along the road at different places. The I. & G. N. are taking up the ties this week.
If the virtues Monk's Well water are well exploited, the result may be that Crockett will become quite a resort for invalids suffering from certain ailments.
Steve Allee, deputy sheriff at Ash, brought in Jno. Pickett (col.) charged with attempted rape on a little two year old child. The child is also colored.
The young men gave a moonlight entertainment on Monday night complimentary to Miss Myrtie Mainer of Lovelady. The program embraced drives to Monk's Wells after which ices and other refreshments were served at Mrs. John Wootters. Miss Myrtie is very popular with the young men of Crockett. The truth is that there is a bevy of beautiful and lovable girls at Lovelady who have a host of gallant admirers in Crockett and when they come up never fail to be the center of admiring attraction.

The court room has just been supplied with new matting.
Miss King sister of Mrs. E. Winfree is visiting friends and relatives in the city.
The camp meeting at Shiloh closed last Sunday. There was a great many conversions during the meeting.
Mrs. J. B. Ellis has returned home from Belchertown, Mass., where she has been visiting relatives.
While Mr. K. Jones and family were at church last Sunday night, their house caught fire and burned up, burning up everything they had.
Chas. and Sam Walker were brought in by officers on Monday, charged with burglarizing the house of Joe Berry living 4 miles East of Crockett.
Rev. Dr. Rufus Burleson, President of Waco University and a very able Baptist divine spent Sunday in Crockett. His sermons at the Baptist church drew large audiences.
Warrants for the arrest of parties to a shooting bee about six miles West of the city were issued at 12 o'clock Tuesday night by Justice C. W. Ellis. Several shots are said to have been fired but no blood shed.
We note with pleasure the marriage of Dr. John Gary of Galvesto to Miss Taylor of Wharton. Dr. Gary is a Houston county young man and one of whom any county may be proud. We are not acquainted with the young lady whom he has married but we feel sure she is all she ought to be and all that the worthy young doctor deserves. The bride and groom came up Tuesday evening and are visiting relatives here.

Joe Long and niece, Miss Narcie Bayne, are visiting in San Angelo.
Mr. and Mrs. Nagle will entertain a few of their friends on Friday evening.
Burt, the Austin brute, who killed his wife and two children, was arrested in Chicago Tuesday.
Mrs. F. A. Williams who has been spending the summer at Hot Springs will reach Crockett on Saturday night and will spend a few days here.
John Monk has a fortune in the waters of his wells. Those who have tried them report most satisfactory and excellent results. John should take steps to advertise extensively and let the world know of their virtues. There is money in the enterprise to him and to Crockett.
There was a great hurrah about the Commissioners' Court of this county putting in a bridge over the Trinity. We notice that the commissioners' court of Angelina county have recently passed orders to build another bridge over the Neches and one over the Angelina, all iron. This makes three iron bridges that this little county has assumed the cost of constructing. They reasoned about it this way, that the cost of building these bridges would be more than made up in the growth and filling up of the county and town.
Cotton Booming.
An advance of 2 cents a pound on cotton in 30 days! Who ever heard of such a jump? And the end is not yet. The staple has advanced one half a cent this week. The price of middling in Galveston is 7 1/2 cents—1/4 of a cent higher than last year. The general opinion seems to be that it will go much higher yet.

A drummer lost \$80 last Monday up on the square and later it was found by a negro boy who proceeded to "blow it in." City marshal Lacy caught the boy and took \$70.10 from him, he having spent \$9.90.
"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,
Yours for trade,
J. E. DOWNES.
A few reasons why Cheatham's Taster's Chill Tonic should be used. It is effective; it is harmless; it is pleasant to take; it is quick in its action; it is guaranteed to cure. 50 cents.
My little boy, when two years of age, was taken very ill with bloody flux. I was advised to use Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and luckily procured part of a bottle. I carefully read the directions and gave it accordingly. He was very low, but slowly and surely he began to improve, gradually recovered, and is now as stout and strong as ever. I feel sure it saved his life. I never can praise the Remedy half its worth. I am sorry every one in the world does not know how good it is, as I do.—Mrs. Lina S. Hinton, Grahamsville, Marion Co., Florida. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

Oxford Ties To Be Sold.

ONLY a limited quantity, all marked in plain figures and sold for their marked price until a very short time ago. Now, we have a few John Kelly's best and finest quality in the latest styles, tan, plain toe, only a few, sizes from one to five, B, C and D width, sold for \$3.50, to close at 195. Same as above only in silk cloth top, sold at \$3.50, to close at \$1.95. Also same in black, cost same as above, now for \$1.95; only a few left.

Our three dollar tans, sizes from 1 to 4 1-2, to close at \$1.75. Here is the best tie ever sold for two and a half, in black or tan, C D and E width, to close at a dollar and a half.

Those who have worn these goods can best appreciate this reduction as they have no equal. A few broken sizes in \$1.50, plain or tip, to close at one dollar. Our \$1.25 tie to close at 75c. Tans sizes from 3 to 6, very nice shapes, fifty cents per pair. Black cheaper grades for 20c a pair. Come at once.

Be in no hurry to buy Dry Goods, they are getting cheaper every day. Don't be surprised at present prices on anything. You will hear from the boys soon. Remember it is new music when they play.

SPECIAL:—Ladies' vests worth five cents each to close at two for five cents. Better grade worth twenty five cents now going at 12 1-2c each. The finest fifty cent vest ever sold in Crockett for twenty five cents. Come at once.

Very Respectfully Yours,
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Crockett, - - - Texas.

THE COURIER.

W. B. PAGE, Editor.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

- For President:
W. J. BRYAN of Nebraska.
- For Vice-President:
A. SEWALL of Maine.
- For Congressman Second Dis't:
S. B. COOPER of Tyler Co.
- For Judge Third Judicial District:
W. H. GILL of Anderson Co.
- For Attorney Third Judicial Dis't:
J. S. JONES of Henderson Co.
- For Floater:
N. B. BARBEE.
- For Representative:
W. B. WALL.
- For County Judge:
E. WINFREE.
- For County Treasurer:
M. M. BAKER.
- For Assessor of Texas:
GAIL CLINTON.
- For Sheriff:
G. M. WALLER.
- For Tax Collector:
J. R. SHERIDAN.
- For County Clerk:
N. E. ALLBRIGHT.
- For County Attorney:
JOE ADAMS.
- For County Surveyor:
B. M. JONES.
- For Justice Peace Prec't No. 1:
W. D. PRICHARD, Jr.
- For Constable Prec't No. 1:
M. W. SATERWHITE.

The gold standard State convention meets at Waco, August 25.

BRYAN and Sewall will carry Texas by at least a hundred thousand majority.

OLD "Grand-Ma" Jones of Arkansas is evidently too weak and unsophisticated to handle a great campaign like the present one.

The democrats of the county, if anything, feel more concern in the defeat of James R. Burnett than they do in the defeat of any one or all of the pop county ticket.

The late county convention by resolution named a campaign committee and placed in their hands exclusive control of the pending campaign. This committee should organize and get to work. There is no time to be lost. By organized, vigorous and systematic work the contest is an easy one.

The proposed fusion in this State between the pops, republicans and gold standard democrats will not work. These elements are essentially too incongruous to combine on or for anything. We haven't a doubt that the leaders or the most of them of these several parties would like for such a consummation to be had, but the rank and file can't be delivered for such a scheme.

The vote in the primary is a large one and all things considered very gratifying. About one hundred and fifty negroes voted in the primary against three hundred over two years since. And when we consider that some of the boxes in the county didn't poll their full strength by two hundred votes, it may be safely assumed that the voting strength of the party is fully 500 over two years ago. With this decided advantage in favor of the democracy the task of burying

the pops in November is an easy one. If there is any comfort in these figures for Frank Hill and Jim Burnett they are welcome to them.

The democrats who have repudiated the nominees and platform of the Chicago convention have called a national convention to meet in Indianapolis on September 2nd. There is every indication that the convention will be largely attended, nearly every state in the Union sending delegates.

We would a long way prefer to see the entire county ticket defeated than to see James R. Burnett re-elected Judge. It is not in the power of populist county officers to do the harm that such a judicial misfit as James R. Burnett can accomplish. It is not necessary or proper for either to happen. The democrats can elect their county officers and defeat Mr. Burnett too. All that there is to do is for every one to line up and go to work. The democracy have five hundred more votes with which to do the work than they had two years ago. And while the democrats are so much stronger, the pops in a like degree are so much weaker. Let the fight be vigorous and all along the line. The efforts put forth should be as strenuous and as earnest and zealous against Burnett as against any of the rest of the opposition.

A Call.

Fellow democrats; our primary election has been held; our nominees are before you—a set of gentlemen who should be acceptable to every fair minded democrat. Let us stand together and make a united effort. If we do success is ours. Republicanism and populism will be a thing of the past in Houston county. We don't want any bickering but let every democrat stand by the nominees. Don't be a sluggard, but be a hero in the strife.

F. H. BAYNE,
Ch'm Dem. Ex. Com.

TACKY PARTY.

On the appointed evening the yard in front of the residence of Mrs. John Wootters was well lighted by camp lamps that had seen service on many fishing excursions and deer hunts. Benches for the convenience and comfort of the guests were scattered here and there. Chairs for the accommodation of especially spoony couples were placed behind the honey suckle vines and in other sequestered spots. The front doors of the hospitable residence itself were thrown wide open bidding every one welcome, veranda, hall and parlor, all were well lighted and inviting. On the back gallery tables loaded with stick candy and ginger snaps greeted the eyes of those desiring to partake of the "little snack" to which all were invited. Miss Ethel Wootters as chief hostess was no less charming than usual notwithstanding the fact that she was attired in the quaint silks of fifty years ago. The greeting of genuine hospitality can not be described but is always felt deep down in the heart of the recipient. No one could feel otherwise than at home after experiencing this indescribable greeting accorded to them by our hostess.

Every one who witnessed the various quaint costumes was compelled to admit that every old wardrobe, garret and even the rag bag had been ransacked. Costumes that had not seen the light for a century were brought forth and again draped forms as lovelily as those of their grand mothers who wore them years ago.

GRAPELAND.

(DELAYED)

CROCKETT COURIER.
Dry weather still continues and the cotton crop is being cut very short. Corn is also very scarce and the pea-crop is a failure unless we get rain shortly.

The Grapeland and Belott Base Ball clubs played a game here last Friday. It was very interesting from start to finish. The Belott boys began as if they were going to give the Grapeland fellows a hot game but this soon aroused the stuff that was in our boys and the "cracker eaters" as they call them soon began to distance them.

When the game ended the score stood 32 for Grapeland and 14 for Belott.

The Belott boys are a fine looking set but they can't play ball. Prestidge shouldn't throw the ball so hard when the back of a head is at the bat.

Grapeland boys should eat more whippoorwill peas so as to play a better game than they did.

One young man was asked not to open his mouth so wide for fear his head would cave in. Our boys are now sighing for more worlds to conquer.

Judge Anson Rainey of Dallas is in town this week visiting relatives.

Miss Etta May Sims left this week for her home in Forney Texas.

The new bell for the Christian Church arrived this week. It weighed 750 without the fixtures and cost about \$85.00.

Judge Reagan and Attorney General Crane spoke to a large audience here on the 5th, ult. and were very entertaining. Several pops were converted.

The ladies of the Baptist church realized \$46.00 net from their dinner on the 5th, ult.

Our school will open the first of Monday in September.

Prof. Hopkins of Tennessee is said to be a most excellent teacher and comes among us with the very best of recommendations.

Miss Ava Hollingsworth, the assistant teacher is a young lady of first class ability and the prospect of a good school is very promising. The meeting commenced here last week by Rev. J. E. Kennedy of the Baptist church closed last Tuesday night. They expect to have an evangelist here in September with a tent.

KEYSTONE.

TRINITY CHAPEL.

(DELAYED.)

Everything is dry and hot. We have not had a good season in the ground since February. Corn will be cut short one half, cotton is equally as short. Potatoes will almost be a total failure and the syrup crop is also very short. Now is the time to pass a law to make the rich divide with the poor. Sixteen to one if the dem-pops succeed in getting free-coinage, dollars will be scarce as hen teeth.

Health very good with the exception of a few cases of fever.

Quite a crowd attended the speaking at Daly's on the 5th.

C. H. Beasley attended the populist convention at Galveston last week.

Mr. Buss Taylor left last week for Waco to spend several months. The Baptists will begin a protracted meeting here next week.

Mr. Kent and wife spent several days last week in Madison county.

Uno.

The lady who imported a Peruvian dog for the sake of his Peruvian bark to cure chills had never heard of Chamberlain's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It cures the chills any where, some how. Guaranteed—Tasteless 30 cents.

SOUND MONEY CALL.

In obedience to instructions from Hon. John J. Word, chairman of the sound money democrats in the 13th senatorial district, and by the authority vested in me, as chairman of the sound money democrats of Houston county, I hereby issue this my call for said sound money democrats to meet in convention, at the court house in the city of Crockett, at 2 o'clock p. m., on Saturday next, the 22d instant, to select delegates to represent the county in the sound money state democratic convention, which convenes in Waco on the 25th instant, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before that body.

W. W. DAVIS,

Chairman Sound Money Democratic Executive Committee of Houston County, Texas.

August 15, 1896.

For Sale.

To the public. Pursuant to a resolution passed at the quarterly meeting of the farmers' county alliance of Houston county, held at Lovelady, Tex. July 10, 1896, to sell the cotton platform and property of said alliance. Notice is hereby given that sealed bids, will be received by me until August 15th next, for said platform and the 4 lots adjacent to and covered by same viz. lots no. 3, 4, 5 and 6 of block no. 2 fronting the freight depot on right of way of I. & G. N. R.R. at Crockett, Tex. The property is free from encumbrance and sale will be made for cash only. Parties submitting bids are expected to satisfy the committee in regard to their ability to pay cash.

Right reserved to reject any and all bids.

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For executive committee.

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WIT AND WISDOM.

—We step not over the threshold of childhood till we are led by love.—E. Landon.

—The inconvenience or the beauty of the blush, which is the greater?—Mme. Neckar.

—Sightseer (at telescope)—I don't see anything. Professor—An optical delusion, my dear sir, merely an optical delusion.—Pick-Me-Up.

—How is it that you are still a bachelor?—inquired Cags. "I don't know," said Taggs, "unless it's because I never married."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

—Whizzer—Women never do things twice the same way. Sizzer—Yes, they do. My wife has broken two of my pipes trying to drive tacks with them. Philadelphia Inquirer.

—"Oh, my dear Mrs. —, how glad I am to see you. It is four years since we met, and you recognized me immediately." "Oh, yes. I recognized the hat."—Flegende Blaetter.

—Friend—Do you know that I am at last beginning to understand your poetry? "Great Magazine Post—Heaven! Is it then true that I am losing my cunning?"—Syracuse Post.

—A Night of Horror.—Riggs—Did you have any exciting adventures while you were in Canada? Griggs—Did I? I tried to go home from the club on snow shoes.—Brooklyn Life.

—Mr. Shortly (4 ft. 8 in., to Miss Beauty)—Yes, I am proud to say that I am a self-made man. Miss Beauty's Little Brother—Why didn't you make more of you while you were about it?—London Answers.

—How shall we shun the microbe That assails us at each breath? If he can't kill us otherwise He'll frighten us to death.—Washington Star.

—First Mouse—Let's go out and scare that crowd of women. Are you with me? Second Mouse—Better be careful. If they happen to belong to the new woman crowd you may get smashed.—Indianapolis Journal.

—Oblivious—As Usual.—Night Watchman—Please sir, I've come to wish you a happy new year. Professor—Thanks, the same to you. Well, what more do you want? Night Watchman—It's only about the three marks, professor. Professor—All right, you can give them to my wife.—Lustige Blaetter.

—Telegraph Editor—Here's a dispatch from an observatory saying that Blinker's telescopic comet has changed its course. Able Editor (Daily Bustle)—Didn't we print an item a few years ago saying that if Blinker's comet did not change its course it would hit something? "I believe so." "Good! Tell Spreader to get a full-page illustrated article showing the influence of the Daily Bustle in celestial affairs."—N. Y. Weekly.

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A Valuable Prescription.

Editor Morrison of Worthington Ind., "Sun," writes: "You have a valuable prescription in Electric Bitters and I can cheerfully recommend it for Constipation and Sick Headache, and as a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Annie Stehle, 2625 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, had a backache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Prices 50 cents and \$1.00. Get a Bottle at B. F. Chamberlains Drug Store.

If you risk what is the quickest, best and safest Chill Tonic, the answer will invariably be, My friend use Chamberlain's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is pleasant and guaranteed. Put up in both the bitter and tasteless styles. Tasteless 30 cents.